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We have every facility for making first class goods, consisting of a gasoline engine, dough mixer, proving boxes, large oven, hot and cold water, lots of light, good ventilation and sewerage, everything clean and sanitary.

These conveniences together with our skill acquired by 27 years experience enables us to produce the very finest bakery products.

The sale of Potato Bread has doubled in six weeks, making 1950 loaves for last week.

You are invited to call and see our shop and see us at work any time.

Weldon Smith's

Plan for a family picture during Home-Coming.

Special attention given house parties etc.

Avery E. Field, "Maker of photographs"
Successor to F. B. Rhodes.

HOME COMING FESTIVAL

Former Residents Will Come to Lowell
August 6, 7, 8.

August 6, 7, 8, 1907 will be famous in Lowell history as the dates of the first annual Home-Coming.

The Committees in charge announce the following program of events:

Tuesday, Aug. 6, reception to home-comers.

Wednesday, Aug. 7, at 12 o'clock noon, home-comers picnic at Island Park, followed by exercises which will include addresses by the following well-known former Lowell residents:

J. Quincy Look of Tecumseh, toast-master.

Attorneys Frank W. Hine and Myron H. Walker of Grand Rapids;

Rev. L. N. Pattison of Ann Arbor;

Rev. J. T. Hosted of Mancelona;

Hon. Patrick J. Devine, of Stanton;

Prof. J. E. Thomas of Hastings.

Thursday, Aug. 8, harvest festival picnic [This event is to take the place of the annual good roads or farmers' picnic].

At 10, a. m. ball game, to be announced later.

12, noon, picnic dinner at Island Park

1:30, p. m., address by Lieut. Gov. Patrick H. Kelly of Detroit.

3 p. m., fine program of sports.

Band concert all day.

The widespread interest in this event is shown by the following card:

The Dalles, Oregon, July 6.

Mr. Johnson,

Dear Friend:—I see by your paper that you will have a Home-Coming Festival in August. I am happy to tell you that Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Curtiss will be with you.

Very respectfully,

E. L. Curtiss

BELDING MEETS DEFEAT

Home Team Proves too Strong for Opponents.

The seance with Belding Saturday turned out an easy victory for the home team, ending with a score of 10 to 1. A poor article of ball was handed out by the visitors and the outcome was plain from the start.

Lake benders had the other fellows on the anxious seat for seven innings when Speaker was sent in to finish out the jollification. The locals surprised even themselves. They played an almost errorless game, and howed league class in base running and clouting the ball.

Belding started off the first inning by going down in order, but Lowell scored one in the second half. Mills reached third on errors and McArty brought him the rest of the way by a timely hit over short which was too fast to handle. Then for four innings the visitors were unable to complete the circuit. In the first half of the fifth three hits and an error by Kelly forced in their one lonesome run.

Lowell got one more tally in the second, four in the fifth and four more in the sixth inning, making up the total of 10. Harry Lake held down right field in championship style, and wasn't far off with the stick. Mr. Weick was also conspicuous for his batting—or rather lack of it—but covered first without an error.

Four hits were made off Lake and none were gained from Speaker, while ten bingles were secured for the locals. Lake struck out two Speaker two and Stanton six.

Friday Saranac will come here for a return game. Carl Speaker is expected to pitch the game for Lowell.

Score by Innings:

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Belding 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 1

Lowell 1 1 0 0 4 4 0 0 10

G. E. L.

HOME-COMING NOTES.

Last week the advertising committee sent out requests for announcements of Lowell Home-Coming to 300 Michigan newspapers, covering practically the entire state.

Thousands of business envelopes bearing the words: "Home-Coming Days, August 6, 7, 8, '07, Lowell, Michigan," printed in red, are being sent far and wide by our business men.

Posters, twirler cards and invitation programs are being distributed. Get some of the latter with mailing envelopes of U. B. Williams or at the post office and send to your friends—no charge.

Copies of THE LEDGER containing Home-Coming announcements sent free to any address.

Picnic baskets may be left at THE LEDGER office until wanted. No charge for storage. This means everybody. All business places will gladly offer the same courtesies. The glad hand will be extended everywhere.

OLD LANDMARK GONE.

The Hunter building the easternmost of the wooden row, destroyed by fire last week, is of especial interest to us as it was the home of THE LEDGER at its founding fourteen years ago. J. S. Hooker informs us that it was built by the Indian Cobmoosy on the ground where Oakwood cemetery now is in the summer of 1846, and was drawn to the village December 7 of the same year by eight pairs of oxen. Daniel Maroon kept store in it for two years, J. S. Hooker for one year, and after that it was used for various purposes, saloon, shooting gallery, etc.

Mrs. Ed. Schust and two children, Ralph and Ruth of, Saginaw are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Edelmann.

T. B. Belding of Minneapolis visited at the home of Geo. M. Parker last Thursday.

Reduced prices on all work shoes, Smith's.

MRS. MINERVA WALKER

Died at Son's Home in Lowell, Saturday, Aged 74 Years.

Mrs. Minerva A. Walker, aged seventy-four years, two days, died Saturday, July 13, 1907, after a day's illness, at the home of her son, Lee Walker, in this village. Funeral services were held at the house Tuesday morning at nine-thirty, Rev. Russell H. Bready officiating, and interment was made in Oak Grove cemetery at Howell.

Minerva A. Kneeland was born July 11, 1833, at Genesee, Livingston county, N. Y., and in 1854 came to Michigan with her parents, spending the most of her life in Oakland and Livingston counties of this state. She was married to Leland Walker in 1860. In 1900 Mrs. Walker came to Lowell, and has since made her home with the family of her son, Lee Walker, in this village.

She became a Christian during her early life and joined the Presbyterian church, of which she has always been a faithful member. She is survived by two sons, B. L. Walker of Howell and Lee Walker of Lowell, and one sister, Mrs. Clara Hosley of Oak Grove, Mich.

IN A STRANGE LAND.

Edward Herbert, Old Lowell Citizen, Buried in Dakota.

Edward Herbert, aged 83, died July 4 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Benj. Porter, at Fullerton, N. D., where he recently went for an extended visit. He passed away in sleep without illness, and was buried there.

Deceased was born in Quebec, Canada, July 16, 1824. He has lived in Lowell since 1872, and was for many years engaged in the tailor business, in which he was very efficient. He was a member and faithful attendant of the Lowell Congregational church, and an honorary deacon, and was held in the highest respect by all who knew him.

Mr. Herbert leaves four children: Mrs. Porter of Fullerton, N. D., Mrs. D. A. Houser of Lowell, Edward Herbert of Chicago and Joe Herbert of Houston, Tex. His wife preceded him ten years ago.

Funeral services for Oscar J. McLellan were held at the home in this village Monday morning at seven o'clock conducted by Rev. Russell H. Bready. The relatives and friends accompanied by the minister took the body to Edmore where they were met by the Maccabees of that place, deceased having been a member of that lodge, and escorted by them to his boyhood home at Ettrickan. Services were held at the Methodist church there at eleven o'clock, and Mr. McLellan was laid to rest in Ettrickan cemetery.

Arthur Goodell, aged 20 years, was arraigned before Justice M. M. Perry July 9, charged with a criminal assault upon a girl of 15. He was held for examination and bail fixed at \$500, in default of which he was committed to the county jail. Tuesday, the 16th day set for examination, the complaining witness being ill and unable to appear in court, the examination was adjourned to July 23.

Fernando Page of Washington, D. C., was in town yesterday reviewing old war times with Comrades Ben Morse and H. W. Booth. The three served together in the old Third Michigan; and Wilbur Moon belonged to the same regiment. Mr. Page had both feet shot off at Yorktown; but gets around so deftly on cork substitutes that few would think he is so badly crippled.

Methodist Ladies' Aid society at a special meeting on Tuesday voted to pay for the new inside fixtures of the church and to paint the outside and point the brick.

The Clover Leaf club held its annual picnic yesterday afternoon on the lawn at the home of Mrs. G. G. Towsley, the husbands of members being invited guests.

That picture of the Cutter factory in our last issue is probably as clear cut a picture as you ever saw in a newspaper. Photo by Field.

Miss Jane Seligman will sing Gounod's "O Divine Redeemer" at the morning service at the Congregational church next Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Soules leave today for a several months' trip to Formosa and Randall, Kan., and Woodburn, Ore.

Mrs. Frank Woodworth returns today to her home at Bellevue, Ohio, after a five weeks' visit with her parents here.

Mrs. James Bristol and Mrs. Burt and little son Robbie of Ada were in town Tuesday.

M. Langworthy and son Mart spent Sunday in Detroit.

Attend Smith's shoe sale.

NOTICE.
I have the agency for the Baxter Steam Laundry of Grand Rapids. A basket at Heydlauff's office and at Charles Barber shop, or telephone 224 and will call. Basket goes Wednesday.

3v Vernor Fisher Agent

Business Men Take Notice.
All business men are hereby requested to decorate their places of business in a neat and appropriate manner during Home-Coming days. All special sale signs are requested to be taken down during August 6, 7 and 8. This picnic is for a mutual good time. It is further requested that where possible residences will be decorated.

By order Decoration and Arrange ements Com., Mart Simpson chairman.

Walk Over shoe \$3.50 for \$2.98, Smith's.

PAINTS

Look's Drug and Book Store.

PARIS GREEN MACHINE OIL

the kind that kills the kind that wears

Paris Green is not used for fun and it's a waste of time and money to use any except that of highest killing powers. We handle only the pure kind.

It is always potent and uniform and costs no more than those that are merely green.

Let us supply you with your Machine Oil this season. We sell reliable oil at a right price and can save you money not only on first cost but in wearing qualities also.

Our Climax castor machine oil beats all other oils for general farm purposes.

Worth 40c per lb. 35c per gallon.

LOOK'S
The Rexall Store

AT LOOK'S

Specials for July

ON
WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELRY

New goods, best quality, lowest prices. See our new styles of waist sets. Handbags for \$1, the equal of any you ever saw for \$1.50. All the latest Victor and Edison records.

R. D. Stocking
Pianos and Organs

The "New Process"
The Stove
for
Summer
Cooking



The improved "NEW PROCESS" vapor stove, is the original evaporating stove that has revolutionized the gasoline stove business. For many years it has demonstrated its superiority over every other stove, in safety, simplicity and economy of operation, and has won for itself a place in the hearts and homes of many thousands of women, whose burdens have been made lighter and lives happier by its use. The stove can be instantly started in operation; turn the valve wheel and apply the match; the stove is ready for work. The ovens are constructed the same as gas ranges, which have an enviable reputation for perfect baking.

The "NEW PROCESS" solves the problem of economical cooking in all country homes where gas for fuel cannot be obtained, giving the user every advantage, convenience and comfort which the use of gas stoves and other modern appliances afford. We have the sale of these stoves and invite you to call and see them demonstrated.

Scott Hardware Co.

Wood To Burn

EARL HUNTER

Phone 127 Office in Williams' store. WOOD AND COAL

Mrs. Geo. Perkins of Freeport was in town Tuesday.

Mrs. M. F. Farrington of Saranac has been visiting Mrs. A. L. Peck. "The Mystery of Carney Croft," crowded out last week, reappears in this issue.

Miss Jennie Shear of Grand Rapids visited relatives here last week.

Ladies' oxfords at greatly reduced prices, Smith's.

Mrs. H. W. Hakes and son Harry are spending a few days at Kalamazoo.

Miss Ruth Hunt of Freeport is visiting at the homes of Geo. M. Parker and Ed. Hoag.

Mrs. D. G. Mangle will entertain the Methodist Ladies' Aid society at a coffee Friday afternoon of this week.

Miss Ida Beckey returned yesterday to her work in Kalamazoo after spending a month with her parents and sisters.

Mrs. Dora Fuller and daughter Irene of St. Louis, Mo., are guests of the former's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry G. Taylor.

Mrs. S. Klingsmith passed away at Orangeville July 7, after a several weeks' illness, and burial took place at Freeport last Wednesday, July 10. Her daughter, Mrs. Cassie Hiler, who was there caring for her, will remain two weeks.

Work on the Helms pickle station is progressing rapidly, office and salt

buildings have been completed and eleven 1,000 bushel tanks are completed. Twenty-five of these tanks will be built this year. We understand that the company will put in a plant for making dill pickles next year.

Mrs. Titus Kellogg died Saturday at her home in Vergennes after a long illness. Funeral services were held at the Bailey church Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. Russell H. Bready officiating, and interment was made in Bailey cemetery. She is survived by her husband.

The following Lowell people went to Grand Rapids on the Greenville excursion yesterday: Mrs. L. J. Post and daughter Audie, Mesdames A. C. Stone, O. C. McDannell, Phoebe Tate, Orton Hill, J. B. Merriman, F. B. McKay, Mrs. Frances Doyle and son Edwin, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Tinkler, Mrs. Don Smith, W. A. Watts and daughter Lucile, Mrs. D. A. Houser, Mrs. Eugene Lee, Mrs. Guy Morgan, Misses Myrtis, Graham, Frances Sheedy, Bessie Tate, Irene Hume, Marguerite Southard, Irene Bergin, Clara Bergin, Marguerite Kelly, Lila Lawrence, Irene Stone, Lillian Edelmann, Pauline McGee, Bernice Ecker, Lenna Yelter, Pearl Keene, Mrs. J. B. Yelter, Mrs. Sprague Keene, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Weekes. The young ladies of Kappa Epitilon were joined by Mrs. Orris Shackleton at John Ball park, where they held a picnic.

BRIEF REVIEW OF A WEEK'S EVENTS

RECORD OF THE MOST IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS IN ITEMIZED FORM.

HOME AND FOREIGN NEWS

Information Gathered from All Quarters of the Civilized World and Prepared for the Perusal of the Busy Man.

THE HAYWOOD TRIAL.

The state in the Haywood case presented strong evidence in rebuttal of that produced by the defense to discredit Orchard's story. Dr. I. L. Mace, who testified for the defense, was arrested on a charge of perjury.

William D. Haywood, the defendant charged with the murder of Frank Steunenberg, left the witness chair after he had been under examination six hours, the time being equally divided between his own counsel and Senator Borah, who conducted the cross-examination.

William D. Haywood took oath in the Boise trial, a witness in his own defense, and in a lengthy narrative of his life and his work as a leader of his fellow miners, denied guilt of the murder of Frank Steunenberg and the manifold crimes charged against him by Harry Orchard.

Charles H. Moyer went on the stand at Boise, a witness for his fellow defendant, William D. Haywood, and, beside making positive denial of all the crimes attributed to him and the other Federation leaders by Harry Orchard, offered an explanation for the unsolicited appearance of the Western Federation of Miners as the defender of Harry Orchard immediately after his arrest at Caldwell for the murder of Steunenberg.

The defense in the Steunenberg murder case charged that Detective James McFarland has been guilty of an attempt to manufacture testimony against William D. Haywood, but was unsuccessful in getting the basis and details of the charge before the court and jury.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A horde of dogs, marooned on McPike Island in the Mississippi river above St. Louis, rendered ferocious through starvation, has made dangerous the landing of river craft. The Humane society planned to rescue them.

The national fête of France was marred by a dastardly attempt on the life of President Poincaré by Leon Malle, a naval reservist of Havre, who, it is believed, is suffering from the mania of persecution. Malle fired two shots at the president but did not hit him. He was at once placed under arrest.

Mobs in Roanoke, Va., attacked the Greeks and demolished a number of restaurants and other places. Many persons, including the mayor, were injured.

F. H. Magill, former banker of Clinton, Ill., accused of murdering his first wife, will be brought back from San Diego with his second wife for trial.

That E. H. Harriman is practically the absolute dictator of the railroad situation in the western half of the United States is shown by the report of the interstate commerce commission.

The Japanese minister of war denied that Japan had any army officers acting as spies in America.

Sir William Henry Perkin died at his home in London. He founded the coal tar color industry by the discovery of the mauve dye in 1856, and its subsequent production on a large scale.

Prompt arrival of the police in Terre Haute, Ind., prevented the lynching of Henry Martin, colored, of Evansville, who shot and fatally wounded Everett Van Orsdal, white.

Heavy rainstorms in eastern Nebraska put the railroads out of business and interrupted telegraphic communication.

A passenger train on the Canada Northern railway ran into an immense cloud of moths and was stalled for two hours.

Fire broke out with such violence aboard the British steamer Canada, lying in the harbor at Oran, Algeria, that a destroyer towed her out into the roadstead and torpedoed her as the only means of saving her.

All firemen employed by the Standard Oil company decided to strike to enforce recognition of their union.

A 20-ton flywheel in the plant of the American Car company at Joliet, Ill., burst and Charles H. Bowers, an oiler was killed.

Gilbert Kenyon, who is said to have saved the union army from defeat at the battle of Shiloh, was killed by a railway train at Oconomowoc, Wis.

Misses May and Nell Dwight, of Toledo, O., were drowned at James Lake, Ind.

Hiram S. Jones, colored, former steward of the Capitol club when Grant was president, is dead at Red Bank, N. Y. He "invented" the Saratoga chip.

The Robertson insurance bill became effective in Texas and 19 life insurance companies have withdrawn from the state as a result.

Thomas Dixon, a prominent young merchant of La Crosse, six miles from Americus, Ga., was shot and instantly killed Saturday night by an unknown person.

Gail Robinson of Buffalo fell 7,000 feet with a disabled airship at Springfield, O., and was practically uninjured.

Every fire insurance company doing business in Kansas was enjoined from using the so-called "Eldridge rating sheet" in writing Kansas risks.

John W. H. Geiger, late cashier of the Canton National bank of Baltimore, was found guilty in the United States court of abstracting and fraudulently using funds of the bank.

Charles Stoner of Bradford, Ill., has sued six other boys for \$30,000 because he was injured for life while being hazed.

Mrs. Mina Field Gibson, prominent in Chicago society, was granted a divorce from Preston Gibson.

J. Pierpont Morgan appeared in the West London police court as a witness in the case of Mrs. Josephine Leslie, who is charged with defrauding members of well-known families by false pretenses and who represented herself to be a friend of Mr. Morgan.

Mrs. Mary Gaylord, of Pontiac, Ill., was killed by a fall downstairs.

Overjoyed with the news that her daughter would arrive from Europe to see her, Mrs. Paul Murtke of Marinette, Wis., died in Chicago. Heart trouble, hastened by joy, was the cause.

The menagerie tent of Barnum & Bailey's circus was demolished by a wind storm at Watertown, S. D., and one employe killed.

Robert Buckell, a former resident of Terre Haute, Ind., but who returned some years ago to his native town of Oxford, England, has been knighted by King Edward.

Admiral Baron Yamamoto was entertained at luncheon by President Roosevelt and they discussed the recent war stories, agreeing that they were utterly unfounded.

Mrs. Mary E. Bowie and her son, who killed Hubert Posey for wronging Miss Bowie, were acquitted by a jury at La Plata, Md., their attorney having appealed to the "unwritten law."

Joe Fitzpatrick and four cousins, indicted at Prestonsburg, Ky., for the murder of Andy Colburn, defied the law at their home in the mountains and were not arrested.

Telegraph operators in New York were instructed to be ready to strike on a moment's notice.

Six persons were drowned near Russell, Pa., when a steam launch was swept over a dam in the Conewago river.

Albert Beverette, convicted bank robber, escaped from the guards at the entrance of the prison at Marquette, Mich.

Judge Richard Waite, pioneer lawyer of Toledo, O., died of paralysis, aged 75 years.

The charge d'affaires of the Siamese legation at Washington, Phra Ratana-yant, who arrived from London, where he went to pay his respects to the king of Siam, said that it is likely the king will visit the United States next year.

John Lynch, of Dayton, O., who shot and killed Harry Martin, was found guilty of second degree murder.

Kilfoil's hotel at Boksgang, South Africa, was blown up with dynamite and three men were killed.

The countess of Trobriand, who was Miss Mary Jones, of New York, died at the home of her daughter, Countess Rodolphe du Porzies, at the Chateau of Kerstars, Finisterre.

Twenty-one members of the Lumber Dealers' Credit association, nine members of the Brick Dealers' association, and two bridge agents at Toledo, O., who pleaded guilty to indictments charging violations of the Valentine anti-trust law, were sentenced by Judge Lindley W. Morris. The lumbermen and the bridge men were sentenced to six months in the workhouse and the brick men were fined \$1,000 each.

Lieut. Varra, of the Tenth regiment Italian infantry, was seriously wounded in a duel with Lieut. de Notard, of the same regiment. The men fought for 32 minutes, during which there were 18 assaults.

Another Japanese was arrested at Fort Rosserans, near San Diego, Cal. He was a servant and had in his possession a blue print of the fort.

Peter Larson, one of the richest men in the northwest, died at his home in Helena, Mont.

The Thaw family has realized \$2,000,000 from the sale of coal land, thus providing funds for the defense of Harry K. Thaw.

Curt Smith was killed in a card game by Sigel Turner at Jackson, Ky. Smith was a chief witness in the Hargis murder trial.

Henry J. Wilson, former messenger of the First National bank, New York, who said he was robbed of \$1,715 in cash while collecting for the bank July 1, was arrested and held in \$5,000 bail.

Three men are known to have been killed, one was fatally hurt and 18 others were injured in the collapse of a new concrete building at the plant of Bridgman Bros. company in Philadelphia.

Attorney General Bonaparte started proceedings in New York to dissolve the tobacco trust.

An indictment charging the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railroad with granting rebates amounting to \$12,000 to the United States Sugar and Land company was returned in Judge Landis' court, at Chicago, by the federal grand jury.

Despondent because of the death of his wife, Charles W. Oldrieve, who had gained considerable notoriety as a water-walker, committed suicide at Memphis, Tenn.

It is reported that Senator A. O. Bacon, of Georgia, lost \$20,000 as a result of the troubles of the Exchange bank of Macon in which he was a stockholder.

Philip Kempier, former teller of the Capital National bank of St. Paul, was sentenced to four years in state prison for defalcations said to have amounted to over \$25,000.

Friends of Gov. Hughes, of New York, announce that he will not be a candidate for reelection.

The Christian Endeavor convention at Seattle, Wash., decided to hold next year's convention in St. Paul, Minn.

Two men robbed a pawnshop in Indianapolis of goods valued at \$3,000 after fatally wounding the clerk, Simon Gold.

Seven mine workers, all Italians, were killed in an abandoned slope of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre Coal company at Honeybrook, Pa., by deadly white damp. Three others are missing.

A Japanese spy was said to have been arrested while making drawings of Fort Rosserans, near San Diego, Cal.

Because the Northwestern railroad refused to make an excursion rate of 70 cents for the volunteer firemen's picnic, the firemen of Deadwood, S. D., voted to refuse to protect railroad property.

President Roosevelt appointed Frank A. Leach, of Oakland, Cal., director of the mint to succeed George E. Roberts, who resigned to accept the presidency of a Chicago bank.

Robbers murdered a Chinese restaurant keeper in Omaha and took \$500 from his strong box.

Morton F. Plant, of New York, has ordered a twin screw yacht from a Leith firm which will be the third largest private-owned yacht afloat.

Theodore S. Clark, of Chicago, was badly injured near Bryan, O., when his automobile, one of those in the Glidden tour, was ditched.

Quida, the novelist, was found to be living in dire poverty and the British government granted her a pension of \$750 a year.

The Mexican consul at Douglas, Ariz., and three officers were held for the kidnaping of Manuel Sarabia.

John Sweeney, widely known as an amateur billiard player, committed suicide in Detroit.

Five prominent planters of Louisiana were arrested on a charge of conspiring to obtain public lands by fraud.

Rock Island passenger train No. 24, north bound, was derailed a few miles south of Peabody, Kan., by running into a switch. Engineer Lay of Herington, Kan., was dangerously scalded.

Judge Martin J. Severance, one of the best known jurists of Minnesota, died at his home in Mankato as the result of an operation for goiter. He was 81 years old.

Louis A. E. Ahlers, head professor of German languages and literature in Colorado college, died in Colorado Springs at the age of 42.

It is rumored in Washington that Robert J. Wynne, consul general in London, will be recalled and that Vespasian Warner of Illinois, commissioner of pensions, will succeed him.

Many of Gloucester (Mass.) famous fish wharves, storerooms and ships were seriously threatened by destruction by a fire which broke out in the plant of the Gloucester Cold Storage company.

O. C. McMillan of Lowell, Mich., in trying to escape from his burning home grasped a live wire and was killed instantly.

David H. Green of Newark, N. J., was elected president of the Theoretical Mechanics' association of the United States and Canada.

A vigorous protest has been received by the government from the Japanese and Korean Exclusion league, the headquarters of which are at Seattle, Wash., against what is asserted to be an organized traffic in Japanese women, who, it is alleged, are being brought to this country in large numbers for immoral purposes.

Fourteen Japanese laborers who, under the labor laws, are not permitted to land in this country, evaded the authorities in Philadelphia and are at large somewhere in the United States.

Thirty-three contestants for the national amateur golf championship at Cleveland, O., finished their qualifying rounds with scores of 165 or better. Eleven eastern players, 15 westerners and two Canadians qualified for the championship. W. J. Travis won the gold medal for low qualifying score, 145.

The balloon house of the Wellman-Record-Herald Arctic expedition was damaged by a storm July 4 and although the airship was uninjured, the accident probably will delay the departure of the expedition until early in August.

E. C. Fox, a banker of Middleport, O., was indicted and arrested on a charge of trying the bribe a prosecuting attorney.

Admiral Baron Yamamoto, a distinguished Japanese naval officer, arrived in New York. He said the talk of war between America and Japan was foolish.

Jeremiah Kahanagh, a retired ice dealer of Wenham, Mass., 74 years old, was instantly killed by an automobile owned and operated by W. Y. Smith, of Detroit, Mich.

Marion R. Biggs, convicted of conspiracy in the famous Blue Mountain land fraud case in Oregon, was sentenced to ten months in the Multnomah county jail. He will also pay a fine of \$500.

IN OUR STATE

JURY DECLARED NELLIE LEWIS DID NOT MURDER POST.

STRAY BULLET KILLED.

Notes and Comments on Happenings in Various Parts of the State Put in Brief Form.

The Lewis-Post Case. After being out some 20 hours, a Grand Rapids jury in the trial of Nellie Lewis, charged with murdering Martin Post, a bartender, one night in May, by stabbing him with a butcher knife, returned a verdict of not guilty. The verdict is a big surprise to those who have been following the case closely, although sympathy was universally with the defendant.

A Fatal Shot. John Bender, the 12-year-old son of Wolfgang Bender, was shot through the heart by a stray bullet Friday afternoon and instantly killed. The boy was standing on one of the Menominee docks watching his comrades swimming in the waters of the bay, when of a sudden he gave an outcry, dropping over dead. No one seems to be able to tell where the fatal shot came from.

Solved the Mystery. It now transpires that Charles Bunnell and William Jakway, who were drowned in Lepy Lake, July 4, were the victims of an accident and that there was no foul play. With Bunnell and Jakway in the boat was Bill Ketchum and Len West. All had been drinking. Either Ketchum or Jakway jumped overboard and in so doing capsized the boat. The marks found on Bunnell, that looked as if he had been struck with a club, were caused by an accident shortly before he was drowned.

May Save the School. Bradley is so thoroughly convinced that it would be a serious mistake to close the Central Normal school in Mt. Pleasant because the legislature blunderingly failed to pass the appropriation that he will bring the matter before the board of state auditors at the next meeting and try to secure an allowance sufficient for maintenance. The attorney-general's department is of the opinion that no money could be legally voted to the normal by the board, but Mr. Bradley contends that this is an extraordinary situation and requires extraordinary action.

Not Eligible. Attorney General Bird, after a study of the constitutional provisions bearing on the subject, believes that members of the legislature cannot legally be elected to the constitutional convention.

More or less circuit judges having been proposed for convention delegates, the attorney general reports them to be also ineligible, under section 6, article IX, of the constitution. He explains that circuit judges, serving as delegates, might be called upon to fix their own salaries. He points out also that some parts of the constitution need no supplementary action by the legislature, which would place the judges in a position of serving both as lawmakers and jurists.

Help Is Needed. The labor problem in and about Traverse City is becoming serious. Help is wanted by farmers; the factories want help; the summer lumber camps need men as well as housewives; resort hotels and the city paving bosses are clamoring for workers.

The W. E. Williams flouring plant, which was destroyed in April by fire, has just started up again, needs 70 men, but can't get them.

The Traverse City Canning Co. will open its plant July 29 for the biggest run in its existence, and must have 700 women and 100 men. Where they are coming from is not known. The cherry season is on with the trees loaded and pickers are lacking. Unless the demand for this class of labor can be immediately supplied it will mean a loss of thousands to Grand Traverse farmers.

Stopped to Fight Fire. As an interurban car on the M. U. R. was making its last trip from Jackson to Battle Creek Wednesday night, passengers discovered the farm house of Roy Chappel, of Sandstone township, on fire. They induced the motorman to stop the car, and, forming themselves into a volunteer fire brigade, worked for nearly an hour trying to save the building and contents. The house was nearly destroyed, however, and the loss is \$3,000.

Saginaw women will go to great lengths to be modish. William J. Moore has reported to the police that his wife is missing and that when she left his best suit of clothes disappeared also.

Attorney General Bird has begun quo warranto proceedings to test the right of Sim J. Lewis to be commissioner of schools of Otsego county. The grounds for the action are alleged to be that Lewis' certificate as a teacher does not come up to requirements.

Because his daughter Agnes neglected to lock the safe Postmaster Christopher, of Fruitport, will have to stand the loss of \$200 worth of stamps stolen by burglars last week.

A \$500 dog owned by Ernest West, a Battle Creek merchant, was brought to Marshall for burial in a fine casket, and had a public funeral. An expensive monument will mark the grave.

AROUND THE STATE.

Ground has been broken for the new Y. M. C. A. building in Port Huron. Frank Donnelly, a Menominee lumberman, fell 80 feet from a tree top and was fatally injured.

While trying to cross in front of an ore train 12-year-old Segard Eckoff, of Ishpeming, was killed.

George A. Johnson and Wm. J. Gregg have recently planted 60,000 black bass in the streams and lakes near Marshall.

George Howard swore at his mother-in-law, and Justice Torrey gave him 15 days in the county jail to think it over.

Mr. and Mrs. John Martin, old residents of Sumpter township, Wayne county, celebrated their golden wedding Saturday.

A 16-year-old boy named Saari, of Sturgeon River, shot and killed a 218-pound bear, bringing the animal down with one shot.

Edward Sedlacek, aged 22, of Chicago, while bathing in Sister lake with four companions, sank and failed to rise again.

Phineas Green, formerly of Ashley, enlisted in the army a year ago and was shot and killed by a native policeman in Cuba, June 2.

John Garman has become blind as a result of drinking alcohol, which he extracted from varnish while an inmate of Jackson prison.

Joe McCauley, arrested in Bay City, Sunday on a petty charge, turns out to be an escaped convict from Marquette prison. He was returned.

Major Boynton's 70th birthday was celebrated by about 200 Port Huron business men and prominent Maacabees, who tendered him a banquet.

Asgaard Nault, aged 12, of Ishpeming, died of blood poisoning as a result of a July 4 injury, when he was shot in the abdomen with a paper wad.

The railroad commissioner's department reports total earnings of Michigan railroads for May at \$5,297,189.88. This is an increase of \$606,668 over May, 1906.

Vencel Kratochvil, living near Traverse City, cares not what the government does to the tobacco trust, as he raises his own tobacco and manufactures his own cigars.

Robert Vandewater, an East Gilead young farmer, drank a dozen dippers full of red lemonade at a picnic and became unconscious. Doctors pumped him out and he will live.

David Devries, aged 68, a pioneer of Holland, died after three days' illness, and 16 hours later Mrs. Devries followed her husband, although she had retired apparently in excellent health.

As an evidence of the popularity of Rev. John W. Brink, pastor of the Fourth Christian Reformed church at Muskegon, he has had 11 calls to other churches in 12 months. He has declined them all.

William Morash, proprietor of the O'Mara house at Carsonville, and Frank Reed were painfully burned when a gasoline power engine exploded. A lighted lantern was carelessly swung against it.

It is thought that the men who burglarized the home of Mrs. J. M. Root, of Jackson, of some \$90 worth of plunder were amateurs, as articles of far greater value were overlooked. Many prized souvenir spoons were taken.

Edith Martin, aged 16, and Glenice J. Wiley, aged 18, of Allegan, classmates in school, eloped to Galesburg, and were married. A brother-in-law of the girl appeared on the scene and broke up the happy couple.

Garret Barnside found his wife kneeling beside her bed cold in death. Her face was buried in the bed clothes and it is supposed she was stricken with heart failure and suffocated because she was unable to move or call for help.

Harry McCormick, wanted in Battle Creek for grand larceny, finished a six months' sentence at Toronto Saturday and was released but a few hours before Under Sheriff Lucas, of Battle Creek, arrived for him with extradition papers.

Miss Thressia Dexter, of Milan, about 50 years of age, died of a Carrie Nation stunt in the saloon of S. W. Nact, smashing bottles, glasses and mirrors with her umbrella. She is a prominent Free Methodist, and said that the Lord had instructed her to wreak vengeance on the thirst parlor.

The scrap between Rogers City and Onaway as to which should be the county seat has practically been settled by the voters of Onaway, who have voted to build a \$10,000 city hall, which will provide a place for the circuit court meeting. This will take the court business away from Rogers City.

Prof. D. L. Clark, for more than 20 years a teacher in Hillsdale county, and a candidate for county school commissioner last year, has bought an interest in the Three Rivers Business college with Prof. G. L. Griswold. For six years Prof. Clark has been a member of the county board of school examiners.

M. J. Wood & Son, of Athens, have recently purchased \$70,000 worth of skins of fur-bearing animals. There were 1,969 mink, 14,522 skunk, 2,766 raccoon, 131,888 muskrat, 132 red fox, 27 deer, 10 wolf, 25 fish, 14 moles, 40 gray squirrels, 37 otter, 93 badger, 7 lynx, 1,969 ermine, 27 bear, 9 cross-fox, 39 house cats, 1,229 opossum, 25 beaver, 39 hare, 51 wild cat, 2 silver fox and 1 marten. The two silver fox were caught in Michigan—one in Clare county and one in Oscoda.

Douglas Black, supervisor of Mason township, Arenac county, believes he is entitled to the medal for being the youngest supervisor in the state. He is 22, unmarried, owns a good farm and was elected by the largest majority ever given for a supervisor in the county.

A rain storm during a band concert in Coldwater sent a crowd scurrying and in the excitement a man grabbed the wrong baby cab. The irate mother attacked him with an umbrella and while explanations were in progress both were drenched. It was the woman's baby and the man is buying cigars.

CZAR AND SPIRITUALISM.

The Berlin Tageblatt contains a lengthy article from St. Petersburg, wherein it asserts that "the round table" and its cabal are, in a measure, duplicated in Russia by the "dark cabinet" and a spiritualistic camarilla.

The correspondent adds that so completely is the czar dominated by bogus mysticists and fakery in spiritualism that the affairs of the realm are really administered through mediumship.

The emperor and the imperial family are now on board the imperial yacht Standardt cruising in the Finnish seas, and the allegation is made that a medium has accompanied the party and that seances at sea are part of the program of the emperor's outing.

The emperor's leaning to spiritualism is no new thing. It has been known and commented on for years. During the last few months, however, that which was a fad has become a supremacy.

The hard-headed dowager empress has openly expressed her disapproval at the conditions prevailing at court and rarely visits him. Many of the grand dukes also have practically boycotted the court.

War Talk Absurd. His Excellency, Admiral Baron Yamamoto, Japan's minister of marine during the Russian war, who arrived in this country from England Wednesday on the Cunard liner Carmania, says that the present war talk is absurd.

"We want peace," were his first words to the reporters. "We can't forget that America has shown our country friendly feeling for many years. This cannot be broken by a passing storm. The Japanese are not thinking as you are writing."

The admiral wasn't stumped either when asked by the newspaper men what the effect would be in Japan of the United States sending a large fleet to the Pacific coast.

WIRELETS. British women propose to organize a congress as a new way to solve the suffrage question. The congress will meet periodically to frame recommendations regarding all laws affecting women's welfare, and submit them to the government of the day.

Prince Frederic Henry of Prussia has been degraded by the kaiser and ordered, until further notice, to report weekly to the German consul at Cairo. When certain scandalous stories reached the kaiser's ears he called the prince into his presence and with his own hands tore the decorations from his breast.

THE MARKETS. Detroit—Cattle: Butcher steers, \$5 55@5 65; good to choice butchers, \$5 65@5 75; 1,000 to 1,500 lbs., \$4 75@5 15; light to good butcher steers and heifers, \$5 70@5 80; 900 lbs., \$2 75@3; mixed butchers' fat cows, \$3 55@4 50; canners, \$1 50@2 50; common bulls, \$2 50@3 25; good shippers' bulls, \$4 35@4 75; common feeders, \$3 25@3 50; good well-bred feeders, \$4 45@5; light stockers, \$3 35@3 75.

Veal calves: Market active and steady; best grade, \$7 47 50; common, \$4 50@6 75; Milch cows and springers, \$3 50@5 00 each.

Sheep and lambs: Market 25@50c higher; best spring lambs, \$7 25@8 25; fair to good lambs, \$5 50@6 50; light to common lambs, \$5 00@5 75; yearlings, \$6 75@7 35; fair to good butcher sheep, \$4 50@5 50; culls and common, \$3 00@4.

Hogs: Market quiet at 5@10c lower; range of prices: Light to good butchers, \$5 95@6 95; pigs, \$5 85@6 light Yorkers, \$5 95; roughs, \$4 80@5 35; stags, one-third off.

East Buffalo—Best export steers, \$6 25@7; best shipping steers, \$6 00@6 50; best 1,000 to 1,100-lb., \$5 10@5 50; best fat cows, \$4 45@5; fair to good, \$3 25@3 50; trimmers, \$2 25@2 50; best heifers, \$4 75@5 25; medium to good, \$3 75@4 25; best feeders, \$4 45@5; yearlings, \$3 35@3 50; common stock steers, \$2 75@3; export bulls, \$4 50@5 50; hogs, \$5 25@6 25; stock hogs, \$2 50@3. The cow market was dull and draggy; good to extra, \$4 00@5; medium to good, \$3 00@4; common, \$2 00@2 25.

Hogs—Market steady and lower; heavy, \$6 15@6 20; Yorkers, \$6 25@6 35; pigs, \$6 20@6 40; closed strong; all sold.

Sheep and lambs—Market active and higher; best lambs \$8 50@9; culls, \$5 50@7; yearlings, \$6 75@7 50; wethers, \$5 25@5 75; ewes, \$4 40@5.

Grain, Etc. Detroit: Cash No. 2 red wheat, 98c; July, 10 000 bu at 94 1-2c, 8 000 bu at 94 1-4c, 5 000 bu at 94 1-2c, 2 000 bu at 93 3-4c, 5 000 bu at 93 1-2c, 8 000 bu at 92c, September, 15 000 bu at 97 1-4c, 20 000 bu at 97c, 25 000 bu at 97 1-4c, 5 000 bu at 96 7-8c, 2 000 bu at 96 3-4c, 15 000 bu at 96 1-2c, 10 000 bu at 96 5-8c, 10 000 bu at 96

UNCLE SAM'S KEEN EYE ON FUTURE CITIZENS

PHYSICIANS OF EXPERIENCE MEET IMMIGRANTS AT LANDING PORTS.

EXAMINATION IS SEVERE

LONG PRACTICE HAS ENABLED DOCTORS TO NOTE DISEASE SYMPTOMS AT A GLANCE.

Few "Undesirables" Gain Admission to the Promised Land, Though Attempts to Deceive the Inspectors Are Made—Routine at the Port of Boston—Dr. Safford Tells of All Sorts of Tricks Played—"Fake Citizens" as a General Thing Are Easily Spotted—Some Pathetic Stories Told.

Boston.—When Uncle Sam learns that a fresh batch of would-be citizens are headed for Boston from foreign shores, he sends Dr. M. V. Safford and Dr. Hugo B. C. Reimer down to meet them when they arrive.

The two physicians are keen men of long experience. They can spot disease symptoms at a glance. When an army of immigrants march on the United States through this port, they weed them out with the most minute care. In matters of means, ability to be self-supporting and business intentions, the immigrants must satisfy other agents of Uncle Sam. But first and foremost they must run the gauntlet of the keen, unprejudiced eyes of the two doctors.

Dr. Safford and his assistant, Dr. Reimer, pass on every one of the thousands of immigrants that enter the port of Boston. They meet with strange experiences, they are ever the objects of cunning subterfuge and piteous supplication, and they make few errors.

Boarded at Quarantine.

When the ship reaches quarantine, the physicians are waiting to board her. They begin at once with the second cabin passengers after "looking over," surreptitiously, the passengers in the saloon. The second cabin passengers are submitted to a rigid examination, for long experience has taught the medical authorities that a greater proportion of defectives is to be found in the second cabin than in the steerage.

If the ship docks just before dusk or very late in the afternoon, the examination is likely to be deferred until morning. In that event, there is greater excitement on board than ever. The immigrants, most of them ignorant and illiterate, know only that they have at last reached the promised land, toward which they have been journeying for days; they feel only that the time has come for them to meet their friends, to look into the new world.

The delay chafes them. They crowd and crush about the decks, quarrelsome and cantankerous. Few of them sleep. They wait, sullen and silent, through the long dark hours, their eyes fastened on the roofs of the low sheds and the shadowy outlines of the tall buildings of the water front. They chatter at times. Sometimes there is a fight. There is crying of babies. Occasionally the sharp voice of a guard rings out from above.

Some Who May Not Land.

They look very eager and healthy and robust as they stand in the light of early dawn on the steamer decks. But there are some in that throng who

grouped around them are women agents from the various charity organizations, on the lookout for homeless and unaccompanied girls vainly expecting lovers who never come.

At last the word is given. The quartermasters who have been holding the immigrants back on the steamer's decks step aside, and with a rush and great shouting the crowd begins to pour into the narrow aisle. The Sicilians are first. They press forward hungrily, and the others fall back behind them. Up the aisle they come. Their luggage has been left piled and checked on the decks, but almost every man tenderly carries a crated can slung from his shoulder. It contains home-made olive oil, the real kind, and he hopes to have the delicacy for a reminder of old days at home when he settles in the new country.

Task Not Always Pleasant.

It isn't a pleasant task the head quartermaster has before him. Perchance he is stout and portly. He then suffers some inconvenience, to put it mildly, and his occasional remarks amuse immigrants in general and some in particular are not intended always for gentle ears.

Dr. Safford stands ready, pencil in hand. Before him is a white enameled stand with pitcher and basin of medicated water. This, for the benefit of those wily newcomers who attempt to conceal natural defects or wounds beneath a generous portion of dirt.

There is the noise of prodigious scuffling outside the door in the passageway and the next moment around the corner appears the broad, buxom form and smiling face of a woman. It is evident that the men, eager as they are, have bowed to courtesy. The woman comes down the aisle slowly, with a bewildered expression, until Dr. Safford admonishes her sharply in her own dialect, and she steps toward him. He stops her for a moment, turns her eyelids back and twists her ear. Then he turns her into the outward aisle leading to the main shed, where she will await the examination of the immigration inspectors.

Dealing with the Throng.

The buxom woman is the harbinger of the throng. Right at her heels appears an unbroken line, and soon they are passing at the rate of 18 a minute. Some are allowed to go without a pause. Others are held for a moment and then passed. Still others are held up, and passed over to Dr. Reimer for a more minute examination. Notes of this made. Some of the newcomers are turned aside into the detention



A Bit of the Deck.

room to await a special examination after the whole list has passed.

The moment an immigrant appears in the door, Dr. Safford's eyes size up his whole appearance. Then, as he approaches, the physician sweeps a glance from feet to head, taking in, with experienced rapidity, the whole detail. He notes every characteristic. If the slightest suspicion attaches to any feature or movement he holds the immigrant up. If his first suspicion is confirmed, he turns him aside.

It is evident from their manner that many of the immigrants are alive to the significance of the examination. They have passed similar ordeals in their native land and on shipboard. Some of them open their eyes wide, and glance straight at the doctor, evidently knowing that that will assist him. Others are obviously nervous, and they quiver in every joint as they approach the tall figure at the apex of the V.

Ex-Soldiers Easily Told.

Once in a while an ex-soldier will appear. It is more than easy to spot him. He swings around the door with the precision of long practice, and with chest extended and head thrown back he marches toward the doctor as he would toward an inspecting officer. Invariably he is allowed to pass with a smile of approbation, and occasionally he brings his hand sharply to the salute as he turns the corner.

It is an interesting sight. Now there comes a little, undersized Calabrian who looks as though he combined the burden and woes of Atlas and Job. The doctor is attracted to a peculiarity in his color. He stops him and Dr. Reimer takes his temperature. It is no less than 104.

"Must have malaria," says the doctor, and the little fellow is turned aside.

Continuously, without pause, the line passes. The group in the detention room swells. The unfortunates sit with resigned faces and watch their healthier fellows swarm toward freedom.

The examination which, to the layman, seems so cursory is, in reality, wonderfully severe and searching. Dr. Safford has had years of experience, has passed tens of thousands of immigrants and knows their normal char-

acteristics as he knows their languages.

What in a Finn would not excite the least suspicion on the part of the doctor would, if seen in an Italian, cause him to make a careful examination. Types and natural characteristics mean much.

Many Tricks Played.

In the course of his work Dr. Safford runs into some strange characters. Immigrants will come jauntily



A Test of Strength.

down the aisle, carelessly swinging a derby hat over what is apparently a hand. The doctor is suspicious, removes the hat and finds that there is no hand.

Overcoats and wraps are often carried over arms to conceal deformities and wounds. High collars are worn to hide diseased necks. Immigrants will come past in the heat of summer rejecting in the possession of thick woolen gloves under which the doctors find terrible skin diseases. Oftentimes some poor immigrant will run hastily down the aisle, pain written on every feature, and when the doctors stop him and make him walk they find that he is hopelessly lame.

Besides the examinations to determine the soundness of the body, there are tests of strength for those who look particularly suspicious. Carrying a heavy bag of sand is one of the criterions of bodily vigor.

"They try all sorts of tricks," said Dr. Safford. "I remember the first case of one kind I ran into. I have spotted scores since. An elderly man came in behind a little boy. There was nothing suspicious about either of them, and I was about to pass them when I noticed that the man had the



A Bit of the Deck.

tip of his finger on the boy's shoulder and kept it there. I stopped him and took the hand away, and he ran into the railing. He was stone blind, although his eyes didn't betray it.

"Fake Citizens."

"Some years ago we used to have a great many cases of 'fake citizens.' We have no jurisdiction over a United States citizen, and we have to be very careful how we treat them. It got to be quite common therefore for immigrants already resident here to take out citizen papers and ship them to friends at home for their use in passing us. But when several cases had been detected and the parties severely prosecuted, the thing dropped off, and we have less of it now.

"Some of the immigrants, of course, are hopelessly ignorant. Many of them have the handicap of fear and reticence. They have been thoroughly coached by letter by friends here, and they will stick to the set of rules and regulations prescribed, whether they apply or not. You can never get them to admit anything, and oftentimes the developments are high and ludicrous. They will never tell you anything that will help themselves and you, to hasten the examination. With them, there are only two classes of disease, those contracted on board ship and those present since birth.

"I once was sure that I had a new case of spinal disease, when I spotted a little fellow who stood straight as a rule, and couldn't bend his back. But on stripping him, I found he had the barrel of a shotgun strapped to his back to escape the customs as he thought.

"Immigrants under 11 years of age get special rates. It is quite common to see ancient '11-year-olds' with fine growths of whiskers, meandering down the plank.

"We spotted a man once on fake citizenship papers by the aid of an Englishman. The latter said: 'The blowke says as e's been 'ere 11 years an' e down't know wat a peanut is. 'E ain't no American!' And he wasn't.

"We run into no end of hard-luck stories, and some of them are really very pathetic. But we have to do our duty as it comes."

HOSPITALITY OF TO-DAY.

Very Businesslike Indeed Is the Modern Hostess.

In these days it would seem that the word hospitality has assumed a new and strange significance, or rather suffered a transformation, and we who float along on the stream of social life accept the idea with thoughtless ease and take it for granted that mere forms and ceremonies, social bargaining, lavish display, and elaborate entertainments stand for true hospitality. When we are so exact as to look up the meaning of the word we find that, according to the best authorities, hospitality is the reception and entertainment of guests without reward, and with kind and generous liberality; also that to be hospitable is to be sociable, neighborly given to bounty, generous, large minded.

There is something that pleases our imagination when we read about the hospitality in the olden times, when life was simple and when a delightful leisure existed which does not belong to modern times. In an old-fashioned novel we read that the heroine, in the fourth week of her visit at a friend's house, was in doubt whether she should continue her stay, and the painful consideration made her eager to be rid of such a weight on her mind. She resolved to speak to her hostess, propose going away and be guided in her conduct by the manner in which her proposal was received. It was directly settled between her hostess and herself that her leaving was not to be thought of and the limit of her stay depended on her own inclinations. Not so the hostess of these days, who invites a guest for a stated period, and it is tacitly yet positively understood that from Saturday until Monday does not include even luncheon on the day of departure. All this is far more sensible and more satisfactory, although so businesslike.

To-day we are told that those who entertain consider that they are paying their acquaintances a sufficient compliment by inviting them to a crowded reception, when the hostess has hardly time for a greeting. Society is nothing if not "practical and businesslike," and if a hostess "entertains lavishly and is well groomed" she does all that could be required and "cannot be expected to take much interest in her guests." This touch of satire shows how hospitality masquerades under false colors.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS.

A crust of bread put into the water in which greens are boiled will absorb all objectionable rankness of flavor.

The rollers of a clothes wringer may be easily and effectively cleaned by rubbing them with a cloth which has been dipped in coal oil.

When ironing colored clothes see to it that the irons are not too hot. Excessive heat will fade the clothes iron on the wrong side.

When too much salt accidentally has been used, the effect may be counteracted by adding a tablespoonful of vinegar and a tablespoonful of sugar.

If the clothes line becomes kinked or twisted when it is being taken down wind the line toward you, instead of away from you, and it will wind smoothly.

If flour sacks are to be washed, turn them wrong side out and put in cold water. Wash and rinse in cold water. The use of hot water for this purpose will make the flour sticky and hard to wash out.

To do up ruffled net curtains stretch out on a sheet after starching. Pin just to the ruffles and leave until dry. Take up and iron only the ruffles, dampening as you go along. This will leave the curtain perfectly straight.

Maryland Chicken.

Joint a small chicken, roll in seasoned flour, then egg and crumb the joints, says Good Housekeeping. Lay in a dripping pan and on each joint lay a thin slice of fat bacon. Bake 20 minutes in a very hot oven, removing the bacon to a platter when thoroughly crisp. Arrange the joints with the bacon, thicken the fat in the pan with two level tablespoons of flour, add one cup of this cream, and when thoroughly blended strain over the meat.

Sardine Salad.

This is a delicious luncheon or tea dish. Remove the skin and bones from six big sardines and cut into tiny pieces. Place these in a salad bowl with six cold boiled eggs cut in quarters, and one big firm apple cut into strips, and three cold boiled potatoes cut into dice. If you like the flavor, add half a teaspoon of finely chopped chives, and then four table-spoons of French dressing. Serve very cold.

To Clean Leather.

To clean leather upholstery wash the leather with warm water to which is added a little good vinegar. Use an absolutely clean cloth. To restore the polish prepare the whites of two eggs with a teaspoonful of turpentine to each egg. This should be whisked briskly, then rubbed into the dry leather with a piece of clean flannel and dried off with a piece of clean linen cloth.

Alsation Salad.

Arrange the usual bed of lettuce. Cook three frankfurter sausages for a few minutes in boiling water. Chill these and cut into very thin slices. Slice four medium-sized cold potatoes, and one small white onion, half a dozen firm pickles and stir this mixture lightly with four table-spoons of French dressing. Serve on the bed of lettuce leaves.

Wettest Place on Earth.

The wettest place on earth is reputed to be Cherrapunji, India, and a recent fall of 74½ inches of rain in five consecutive days must discourage other competitors for the record.

Fashion Note.

The rat may be all that the government declares it is, but, nevertheless, the maid with the scrappy front hair will continue to wear it.—Philadelphia Press.

A Fellow-Feeling.

"I don't believe," said Mrs. Henry Peck, "that I would be afraid of a man-eating tiger."

"I don't believe you'd need to, M'ria," responded Hennepeck, "he'd recognize a kindred spirit."—Houston Post.

Fellows in Misfortune.

"Well," growled the first man at the five o'clock tea, "if it were not for my wife I wouldn't be here."

"No, hang it! and neither would I if it were not for my wife. I'm the hostess' husband."—Philadelphia Press.

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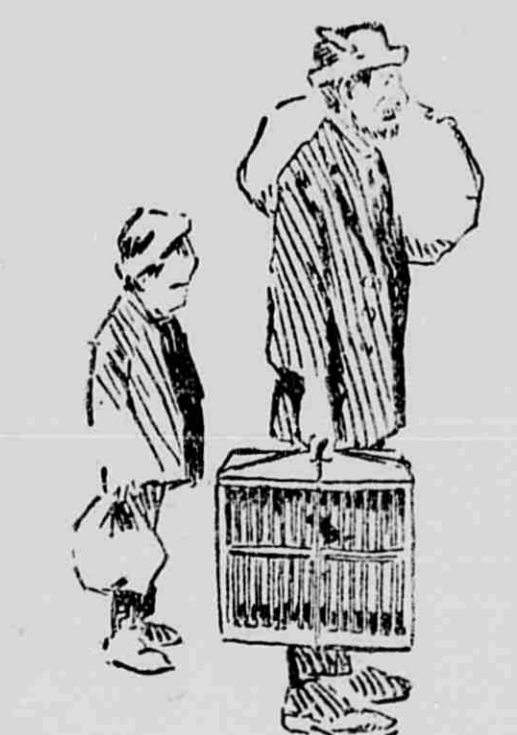
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Brought His Bird from Sicily.

can never enter the country, some who have made the long journey for nothing, who must bid good-by to their luckier friends and return to the perhaps, lonely land from which they started. It is for those the two physicians are waiting.

At seven o'clock everything is ready. The gangplank, carefully roped off and guarded, stretches from the deck to a door in the side of the shed. This door admits to a narrow passage which winds around mysteriously, and suddenly swings into a wider space, between iron railings forming an inverted V. At the apex stands Dr. Safford, with Dr. Reimer at his elbow.

Pain Pills. Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills Cure Headache. Almost instantly, and leave no bad effects. They also relieve every other pain, Neuralgia, Rheumatic Pain, Sciatica, Backache, Stomach ache, Ague Pains, Pains from injury, Bearing-down pains, Indigestion, Dizziness, Nervousness and Sleeplessness. Prevent All-Aches. By taking one or two Dr. Miles' Anti-Pain Pills when you feel an attack coming on. You not only avoid suffering, but the weakening influence of pain upon the system. If nervous, irritable and cannot sleep, take a tablet on retiring or when you awaken. This soothing influence upon the nerves brings refreshing sleep. 25 doses, 25 cents. Never sold in bulk.

From Our Point of View

AN HONEST JUDGE.

MANY times in the past, the writer has referred to the injustices and inequalities of the law as administered to rich and poor influential or friendless. That there was occasion for caustic criticism can not be successfully denied. Of late, however, there have been many instances in which money and influence have been unable to defeat justice, a gratifying recent instance being the penitentiary sentence of Mayor Schmitz of San Francisco. And now, comes Judge L. W. Morris of Toledo, who sentences twenty-three of that city's prominent and wealthy business men, some of them high in social and church circles, to six months in the work-house for criminally violating the anti-trust laws. The men had plead guilty, expecting to escape with a fine. Right here is where rich criminals have had the advantage of their poor fellows; and the miserable injustice of such administration of law has been a prolific breeder of anarchy. In pronouncing sentence Judge Lewis said: "Fines are only makeshifts and do not bring prominent citizens to a proper realization of their positions. After full consideration I've determined that the proper punishment is imprisonment in the work-house." A few such cases will have a wholesome effect upon all classes of society, deterring the criminal rich and reassuring the worthy poor. Every good citizen will have increased respect for law that is dispensed with even-handed justice to all.

HAPPY MEDIUM IN SUNDAY OBSERVANCE

THE LEDGER is no advocate of the old Puritanical blue laws; but it believes that there is a happy medium between that strait-laced Sabbath observance and the modern tendency to a "wide-open" condition. We recognize the fact that while Summer morning church attendance is restful to many, it may be irksome to others whose employment confines them within factory or business walls six days in the week. To the latter, Nature calls aloud on a pleasant Sunday morning; and judgment should not be harsh if that call sometimes drowns out the peal of the church bell; for an occasional day with Nature and Nature's God may be as beneficial to some as a Sunday morning church service.

But, a decent respect for the day and its millions of sincere observers, should restrain one from banging through the woods with a gun or from disturbing the Sabbath quiet with the cheers and jeers of a base ball game. Not only this, but the day of rest is, from a purely physical consideration, too good an institution to be ruthlessly destroyed; and the laboring man—of all others—should guard against such a threat.

A common regard and respect for the opinions and rights of others, differing conditions considered, will obviate any serious disagreement on the Sunday observance question among liberal-spirited and fair-minded people of all classes.

WELCOME TO HOME-COMERS.

To all our distant readers, former residents of Lowell, anywhere and everywhere, THE LEDGER extends greetings and congratulations upon the successful outcome of efforts to establish an annual old home week in Lowell.

Being the first advocate of such an event in Lowell, having begun the agitation in its behalf several years ago, this paper feels an especial interest in its success and perpetuity.

We hope that you will not consider your home visit complete without a call at THE LEDGER office. Our latch-string will be out. If you don't find it so, kick the blamed old door in; and help yourself to our exchanges, and writing materials.

We have a large, light, cheerful office, with plenty of chairs, tables and the daily newspapers, also a retiring room and a comfortable couch to rest upon.

Ask your friends to meet you at THE LEDGER office. Plenty of room and everybody made welcome.

No, GENTLE reader, Mr. Bryan will not speak at Grand Rapids Labor day, the hopes of the press of that city to the contrary notwithstanding. He is booked for Lowell that day in the afternoon. For once, Grand Rapids can come to Lowell or, she "can sit on the fence and see us go by."

THERE are Roosevelt admirers and Roosevelt worshippers. To the latter class belongs Brown's Farmer, of North Dakota, which advocates a life term for the popular president. The first class includes millions of good, intelligent, sensible citizens. The latter—enough said.

WE HAVE, on prior occasions, pointed out the danger of appeals to the "Unwritten law;" but now it seems to be our duty to warn young men that—right or wrong—that law exists in the hearts of men, regardless of locality. We fear that Lowell is no exception. Far be it from us to advocate or even to defend it; for the written law is better and safer; but we are now dealing with hard facts. The sanctity of home and the rights of womanhood and girlhood must be respected here as elsewhere. Are girls and young women unsafe on our streets in the early evening? If so, those who threaten them must beware the consequences. This is no trifling matter. Be warned!

WE HAVE noticed several cases in which people have confused the Home-Coming and Chautauqua events, one lady writing that she expects to attend the Home-Coming to hear Bryan. After printing the dates at the head of this paper for several months, this is a little discouraging. The two events are entirely distinct. Now that both programs have been published, no LEDGER reader has any excuse for misunderstanding regarding them.

MOTHERS, where are your daughters? Report says that girls in short skirts have been seen going up the fire-escape into the school house late in the evening with boys. Are you doing your duty?

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Regular special meeting of the common council of the village of Lowell, held in the council rooms on Monday evening, July 15, 1907.

Meeting called to order at 7:30 p. m. by President Look.

Present, trustees, Bergin, Mattern, McQueen, Peckham, and Smith, absent, Winegar.

Minutes of preceding meeting read and approved.

Street commissioner's report for the week ending, July 6th and 13th, received and placed on file.

Matter of repairs to the engine house, referred to Fire Com.

Matter of placing seats and tables on Island Park, referred to the Public Buildings and Parks Committee.

Moved by Trustee Smith that the P. M. railroad be ordered to construct a sidewalk abutting their property on the corner of Main and West streets and that Ullie Hawk be ordered to construct a sidewalk abutting his property on Main street. Carried. Yeas, 5. Absent, 1.

The matter of a walk on the Monroe street side of Mrs. I. M. Rhode's property was referred to the street committee.

Trustee Smith moved that Miss Mary McLean be ordered to construct a walk on the North side of her property at the corner of High and Jefferson streets. Carried. Yeas, 5. Absent, 1.

On motion by Trustee Smith, the L. & P. Committee was authorized to expend not exceeding \$25.00 for electrical decorations for home-coming week. Yeas, 5. Absent, 1.

On motion by trustee Mattern, the following bills were allowed. Yeas, 5. Absent, 1.

STREET FUND.

W. J. Gibson \$37 00

GENERAL FUND.

J. W. Wayson 2 00
John Bruen 2 00
M. Ransford 2 00
W. J. Gibson 2 00
E. Carr 2 00
G. P. Taylor 2 00
G. R. Edison Co. 150 00
Klug Milling Co. 1 61

LIGHT AND POWER FUND.

Wm. G. Fargo 18 62
Illinois Elec. Co. 11 80
Ray Beech 3 75
Harry Lake 3 75

37 92

On motion by Trustee Peckham, council adjourned.

T. A. MURPHY, Clerk.

Special for HOME Coming Week

at the Crystal Vaudette, the celebrated

Passion Play

or Life of Christ, 3,500 feet of beautiful colored film. A rare treat to the public. One week Aug. 3-10.

Owing to the great expense in securing this subject we are obliged to charge admission: adults 15c, children 10c.

We have added considerably to the attractions of our Vaudette by installing a piano and hope for your continued patronage.

Hesse & Mansor Proprietors.

WHEN BUTTE NEWSPAPERS STOPPED

STRANGE COMPLICATIONS THAT ENSUED WHILE A CITY OF 90,000 WAS WITHOUT NEWS.

Governmental Machinery Put Out of Business—Week After Week Stores Remained Almost Empty—Even Interest in Baseball Could Not Be Maintained—Theaters Lost Thousands—One Store Laid Off 50 Per Cent of Its Clerks—Wild Rumors and Absence of Advertising Seriously Hurt Business.

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By LOUIS M. THAYER.

UNTIL labor difficulties shut down the daily press of Butte, Mont., Feb. 13 last, the publishers of newspapers and their patrons, the advertisers, had had no opportunity to ascertain exactly what is the value of advertising. It is probable that there is not, in modern American journalism, an instance as striking as that in Butte, where for thirty-nine days following Feb. 13, no daily papers were printed. The difficulty—a question of wage scales, in which printers, pressmen and stereotypers were involved—developed into a stubbornly fought strike, ending in a compromise. These details may be found in the history of union labor. But advertisers and publishers may never again enjoy the opportunity to study the relations of commerce and the daily press, under the circumstances existing during the press shutdown in Butte, for except in time of war or after a great disaster, no American city had had a similar experience or is likely to have. Butte is like no other community in the world, and so closely interwoven are the interests and propaganda of all union crafts that conditions in Butte scarcely could be duplicated elsewhere, and hence it is improbable that a newspaper shutdown of such duration will occur again.

While a city of only 90,000 people, Butte enjoys four daily papers of

it daily, advertising therein the filing of nominations, the notices of primaries and conventions for all parties. To this temporary paper came also the United States government in its stress. Many sorts of legal federal notices must appear during a certain period. Notification of patents of several sorts, locations of mining claims, notices that other sorts of land has been taken out, must be advertised. Without a newspaper city, county, state and federal governments had visions of legal difficulties that might continue in the courts for years.

Moreover, the usual legal notices of private corporations must, under the Montana law, appear in a newspaper during a certain period before the annual meeting of the corporation. If otherwise, any stockholder may contest the election of directors. For the first time the public as a whole, stockholders and directors of corporations, public officials, state and federal, and political parties of every hue began to see what part the newspaper plays and how indispensable it has become to modern American society.

Other corporations, if political parties and public officials, became almost immediately impressed with the importance of the press, their plight was nothing compared to the actual loss suffered by merchants of every sort, not a few of whom had carried full



MAIN STREET OF BUTTE, MONT.

standing. The Butte Miner, the Butte Inter Mountain, the Butte Evening News and the Anaconda Standard are the dailies, running from eight to thirty-two pages. The Evening News has a Scripps-McRae telegraphic service; the remaining three take the Associated Press. The Anaconda Standard, while printed in Anaconda, twenty-six miles away, is to all intents and purposes a Butte newspaper.

The advertising carried by these four papers was unusually heavy. Wages are high in Butte, the payroll of the camp being greater than that of other cities with twice the population; hence retail business always is brisk and advertising profuse. Competition for the merchant's share of the great wage scale is keen, and in addition, as the mining district has been enjoying a boom, mining stocks and real estate contributed quotas to the average advertising. The Christmas editions preceding the shutdown were among the largest issued in the United States and at least one of the four dailies probably carried in display ads, and readers as much paid matter as any daily issued in the United States on that day. This boom, at its height in the holidays, was well sustained when labor troubles caused a suspension of all the newspapers.

Importance of the Press.

After the newspapers suspended a week passed without notable developments; then gradually the place of the newspaper began to make itself felt. It was discovered that candidates for office in the municipal elections could not qualify unless properly advertised. Furthermore, political conventions, under the state laws, could not legally sit without certain advertisement. In addition, the successful candidates could not take office because, under the statutes, their candidacy and the conventions that named them could not be legal without due advertisement in the press. It was a striking commentary on the importance of the press that the state laws should have provided that governmental machinery could not be set in motion unless the agency of the press were employed.

Appalled at the prospect of complications, the politicians of one party leased a small weekly paper and issued

page advertisements daily. Simultaneously with the newspaper shutdown a difficulty with the Butte Miners' union had caused general uneasiness, but this was speedily adjusted, and those merchants unacquainted with the value of newspaper advertising and not as yet convinced that it is absolutely indispensable to success in a large city, rubbed their hands in expectation of a brisk spring. But day after day, week after week, their stores remained almost empty. Less than 400 people had been thrown out of work by the newspaper tie-up, and the payroll of the camp, \$2,000,000 a month, had been inappreciably diminished. With spring coming, with Easter only a few weeks off, the leading dry goods and department stores, the clothiers to men, the haberdashers, the milliners, began to lay off clerks. Their spring orders remained unpacked or idle on their shelves.

A Truth Hammered Home.

The shutdown of the newspapers of Butte, covering a period of thirty-nine days, hammered home the truth that without suitable newspaper advertising the housewife does not come downtown to buy until forced by necessity, and the busy head of the house will not make the rounds of the stores to choose.

It was hammered home, this truth, that advertising enables the buyers in the modern American household to make their choice before leaving home; that the advertising columns of the newspaper save the buyers a large amount of time in addition to spurring them to purchase and putting them in mind of purchases timely and necessary.

So accustomed has the buyer become to scan the newspapers before going to the stores that the old time practice, general a generation ago, of making the rounds of all the stores before purchasing has been abandoned. Today the buyer takes up a newspaper, goes over the advertisements relating to the purchase contemplated, chooses his or her store and goes directly to that store.

In this busy day and age only the frivolous gadabout visits every store in a city, and gadabouts rarely buy. The housewife and the head of the

Hot Weather Suits



Don't think anything will do. Get a Clothcraft Suit and not take any chances, none better. A \$15.00 suit for \$12.50.

Straw Hats

Summer underwear

Negligee shirts

Bathing suits

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CLOTHCRAFT CLOTHES

A. L. Coons, Lowell, Mich.

This Go-Cart for only \$1.50



Has rubber tires and is worth \$2.00. To close them out we will let them go at \$1.50.

We have others.

Yeiter & Wadsworth.

OUR COUNTRY COUSINS

SOUTH LOWELL.

The Ladies' Aid society will meet Mrs. Chas. O'Harrow Wednesday, July 24. All are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. Hufford of Manistee returned home last Friday after a several weeks visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. S. Pettit.

Mrs. E. McDiarmid is on the sick list.

Mrs. A. Hood entertained her mother and sister last Sunday.

Forest Wardell spent a few days in Grand Rapids last week.

Earl Behler of Grand Rapids spent Sunday here.

Miss Anna Layer of Alma visited her parents Sunday.

Mrs. G. Rittinger was in Grand Rapids last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John O'Harrow and family spent Sunday with her parents near Freeport.

Mrs. Chas. Yelter visited her mother Mrs. King of Elmdale last week.

Earl Wardell of Grand Rapids is visiting his grandparents Mr. and Mrs. S. Pettit.

Mrs. Geo. Bartlett went to Grand Rapids Monday to visit her niece Mrs. French who is very ill.

Mrs. H. Klahn is entertaining her aunt Mrs. Rowlander.

Mrs. J. E. Cronin and children of Grand Rapids are spending the summer with her parents Mr. and Mrs. T. VanHaitma. Mr. Cronin spent Sunday with them here.

At the school meeting last Monday night the following officers were elected: Director, Howard Bartlett Moderator, Frank Rittenger.

Notice To Creditors.

State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent.

In the matter of the estate of John Woodcock Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that four months from the 14th day of July, A. D. 1907 have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court for examination and adjustment, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court, at the probate office, in the city of Grand Rapids in said county, on or before the 14th day of November, A. D. 1907, and that said claims will be heard by said court on Monday, the 11th day of November, A. D. 1907, at ten o'clock in the afternoon.

Dated July 11 A. D. 1907.

HARRY D. JEWELL, Judge of Probate.

Peckham's Croup Remedy Guaranteed

under the Pure Food and Drugs Act of June 30, 1906. Serial No. 111. It is the children's medicine for coughs, colds, croup, whooping cough. Mothers, get a bottle today, you may need it tonight! 25c. Ask your druggist about it.

BALL GAME ANNOUNCED

From the Pulpit by Rev. Bready Last Sunday Morning.

A base ball game announced from the pulpit was the rather startling invocation listened to by Rev. Russell H. Bready's congregation at the Baptist church last Sunday morning; and yet when explained seemed proper enough.

A benefit game had been arranged for last Sunday. Through the pastor's influence it was declared off, he promising under that circumstance to help get out a crowd at the postponed benefit game. Too often, declared the preacher, church people protest against Sunday amusements and yet refuse to patronize them when held at the proper time.

In consideration of this postponement he urged his congregation to attend the benefit game to be held Friday, June 19.

HERE'S ANOTHER ONE MIXED.

Grand Rapids, July 15.

F. M. Johnson, Dear Sir: Please change my address to 277 S. East street, which I have purchased for a home. Mrs. W. and I will attend the "Home-Coming" on labor day.

Find enclosed two dollars for Ledger which we are anxious to get each week and then remail to Don at Tustin, where he is an operator. Yours Truly, Geo. E. Wilson.

Glad to hear from Friend Wilson' and for all he writes and particularly for the chance to fix up his dates. See heading of paper, "Home-Coming Aug. 6-8." Pipe Organ Chautauqua Aug. 23 to Sept. 2." The last is Labor day—Bryan day; but not the Home-Coming. Come both times, George.

METHODIST.

Methodist Episcopal Church, No services next Sunday. The Methodist congregation is invited to worship with the Baptist Sunday school at the usual hour.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to our neighbors and friends for all their kindness to us in our sad bereavement.

B. L. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Walker.

FOR SALE—40 ACRE FARM. Mrs. Henry Hiller, Lowell.

FOR SALE—Two second-hand lumber wagons. John Mills, if

FOR SALE OR TRADE FOR 40 acre farm—house and 3 lots on Main street. B. F. Wilkinson, phone 119, 1-2.

LOST—Saturday night, 1 brown bull, 1 1/2 years old, Durham stock. Return to Chas. Katek on old Mart Snyder farm. 2wp

Our Country Cousins

PARNELL.

Leo Cary and Nelle Couch of Grand Rapids attended church here Sunday.

Frank McCormick lost a horse Sunday night by lightning.

Steve Murphy is home from the South.

Essie Murphy and Lillian McGee are home from Hersey. Miss Mayne Cody returned with them.

Miss Florence Malone has returned to her home in Grand Rapids after spending a week with relatives here.

Joe Hurly was in Grand Rapids Tuesday.

Mrs. T. Lally, who has been ill the past four weeks, is now able to be about.

KEELEY CORNERS.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Osborn July 9, a girl.

Charles Thibos of Grand Rapids is the guest of his sister Mrs. Charles Reynolds.

Wm. Hesche had the misfortune to lose a young colt Sunday.

The singing school is progressing finely.

Marton Reynolds is working for M. P. Schneider of South Lowell.

C. A. Barrow had a barn raising Tuesday.

Sherman Reynolds visited at the home of Earl Stinton Sunday.

Rev. J. H. Bennett preached at West Lowell Sunday afternoon.

Willie Stinton was the guest of his uncle James Green and family Sunday.

CANNONSBURG.

Mrs. Hurbert Johnson of Cascade who visited her sister, Mrs. Inwood last week, returned to her home Sunday.

Miss Hazel Haines is attending the summer school at South Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Vesta Sturgis who recently attended the teachers' examination held in Grand Rapids received a second grade certificate and will teach in Lowell August.

George Judson of Kalamazoo is helping his uncle Charley Armstrong through haying season.

VERGENNES STATION.

Miss Hattie Culver left last week for Grand Rapids.

Some from here attended the dance at Tom Pant's in West Lowell last week Wednesday night and report a fine time. Clinton Weekes furnished the music.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Howe June 29, a son.

Mrs. M. McAndrews was at Grand Rapids last Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Howe and children of South East Vergennes, spent Sunday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. C. Wiggins at Moseley.

Bible reading again next Sunday after Sabbath school. Everyone bring their bible.

Mrs. Stinson's mother leaves her this week.

Miss Ina Wiggins has been assisting her sister Mrs. Chas. Howe the past two weeks.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. L. Stinson July 12, a son.

Over-Work Weakens Your Kidneys.

Unhealthy Kidneys Make Impure Blood.

All the blood in your body passes through your kidneys once every three minutes.

The kidneys are your blood purifiers; they filter out the waste or impurities in the blood.

If they are sick or out of order, they fail to do their work.

Pains, aches and rheumatism come from excess of uric acid in the blood, due to neglected kidney trouble.

Kidney trouble causes quick or unsteady heart beats, and makes one feel as though they had heart trouble, because the heart is over-working in pumping thick, kidney-poisoned blood through veins and arteries.

It used to be considered that only urinary troubles were to be traced to the kidneys, but now modern science proves that nearly all constitutional diseases have their beginning in kidney trouble.

If you are sick you can make no mistake by first doctoring your kidneys. The mild and extraordinary effect of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, the great kidney remedy is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases and is sold on its merits.

By all druggists in fifty-cent and one-dollar sizes. You may have a free bottle by mail.

Home of Swamp-Root, free, also pamphlet telling you how to find out if you have kidney or bladder trouble. Mention this paper when writing Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

Don't make any mistake, but remember the name, Swamp-Root, Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root, and the address, Binghamton, N. Y., on every bottle.

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Four more of the Sabbath school children received their prize for prompt attendance for twelve Sundays.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Weekes visited Sunday at Frank Bachelor's near Lowell.

Mrs. E. Keech entertained her sister Mrs. Aleck Wingleter, and children of Alto, Sunday.

EAST PARIS—WEST CASCADE. Gilbert Bailey, who has been spending some time in Maine, has returned.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vanderbill of Owosso are visiting friends here and in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Cobb left last Monday for her home in Los Angeles, Cal.

Messrs. Joe, Bert and Mark Davis were guests of Mlner Davis Sunday.

Born—to Mr. and Mrs. M. Sztzmer, July 11, a daughter.

P. Thiner visited friends in Grand Rapids over Sunday.

Mrs. Sarah Patterson's house has been improved with a new coat of paint.

Miss Jeanette Fraldek, who has been spending some time with her grand-arents, Mr. and Mrs. Mark Davis, has returned to Grand Rapids.

Her brother Henry, who has been ill with diphtheria, is at home after a two weeks' stay at the hospital.

Miss Edith Thiner, who has been ill at her home here, has recovered and returned to her home in Grand Rapids accompanied by her sister Maggie.

ADA.

The Baptist Young People's Union will give a play entitled "Out in the Streets," Friday night, July 26, at the I. O. O. F. Hall. The characters are:

Colonel Wayne.....Melvin Heaton
Solomon Davis.....Boyd Smith
Matt Davis, his son.....Harry Smith
Dr. Medfield.....Homer Wilde
Mrs. Wayne.....Ada Schenk
Pete.....Leon Heaton
Nina Wayne.....Claire Bristol
Mrs. Bradford.....Frances Clark
Mable, her daughter.....Blanche McNaughton.

Misses Grace Johnson and Carrie LaBarge left Wednesday for a trip to Niagara Falls, after which they will visit friends in Alden and Rochester, New York.

The Baptist Sunday school will give a reception for the new members at the church, Friday night, July 19. All members of the Sunday school are invited to be present.

The "Social of all Nations" at the home of T. H. McNaughton was a great success. Those who represented the different nations were photographed by P. K. Archibald Saturday morning, after which they held a picnic on Jasper's lawn. The photographs will be sold as souvenirs at the next social.

LOGAN.

Peter K. Thomas returned from Remus Wednesday, after a visit with his son, Nelson Thomas and family.

Mrs. Austin Haun and children went to Sunfield Saturday to remain over Sunday at the home of the former's mother.

Lydia Brighton of Lowell was a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. Hiram Seese, Thursday.

Mrs. William Glasgow and baby Mildred spent the past week at the home of the former's parents in Grand Rapids and Logan.

Charles and Melvin Hooper returned Wednesday from their visit in Northern Michigan.

Mrs. Hiram Livingston and children of Freeport visited the former's father, Peter K. Thomas, and brother Noah Thomas, and family Thursday.

Mrs. N. Ford and children were guests at the home of Mrs. J. Devoe and the former's daughter, Mrs. Don Smith, at Lowell Sunday.

Hiram Seese and his men are erecting a new barn for W. Davis in West Bowne this week.

Lulu Thomas has a very sore foot caused by stepping on a rusty nail.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brighton and baby of Zion Hill visited at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. Hiram Seese, Saturday.

KEENE CENTER.

Evart Post of Clarksville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Warren Reed.

Mrs. Watkins and daughter Frances of Chicago are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Israel Cave, and other relatives.

Mrs. John W. Smart and son John Jr., and Miss Fannie Wood of Saginaw visited Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wood last week.

Mrs. C. A. Lee has gone to Elsie to help care for Mrs. A. C. Lee, who is improving slowly.

Mrs. Frank Daniels spent last week at the home of Mrs. Mark Brown in Otisco. The latter entertained the Ladies' Aid of Ashley church, with an attendance of nearly seventy.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Weatherly and son of Grand Rapids visited relatives here last Tuesday.

Mrs. T. Daniels has returned from Otisco, greatly improved in health.

Mrs. H. O. Joseph and three children and Miss Clytia Joseph visited at the home of J. G. Carr last week.

Miss Clara Hornbrook visited Miss Lela Wood Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Brock entertained Messdames Israel and E. Cave, Mrs. M. J. Titus Mrs. Watkins and daughter Frances of Chicago Friday evening.

Mrs. B. F. Wilkinson visited Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bowen Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Vanderwoude and children of Clarksville visited at

Do You Open Your Mouth

Like a young bird and gulp down whatever food or medicine may be offered you? Or, do you want to know something of the composition and character of that which you take into your stomach whether as food or medicine?

Most intelligent and sensible people now-a-days insist on knowing what they employ whether as food or as medicine. Dr. Pierce believes they have a perfect right to insist upon such knowledge. So he publishes, broadcast and on each bottle wrapper, what his medicines are made of and how they are made. This he feels he can well afford to do because the more the ingredients of which his medicines are made are studied and understood the more will their superior curative virtues be appreciated.

For the cure of woman's peculiar weaknesses, irregularities and derangements, giving rise to frequent headaches, backache, dragging-down pain or distress in lower abdominal or pelvic region, accompanied, oftentimes, with a debilitating, pelvic, catarrhal drain and kindred symptoms of weakness, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription is a most efficient remedy. It is equally effective in curing painful periods, in giving strength to nursing mothers and in preparing the system of the expectant mother for baby's coming, thus rendering childbirth safe and comparatively painless. The "Favorite Prescription" is a most potent, strengthening tonic to the general system and to the organs distinctly feminine in particular. It is also a soothing and invigorating nerve and cures nervous exhaustion, nervous prostration, neuralgia, hysteria, spasms, chorea or St. Vitus's dance, and other distressing nervous symptoms attendant upon functional and organic diseases of the distinctly feminine organs. A host of medical authorities of all the several schools of practice, recommend each of the several ingredients of which "Favorite Prescription" is made for the cure of the diseases for which it is claimed to be a cure. You may read what they say for yourself by sending a postal card request for a free booklet of extracts from the leading authorities, to Dr. R. V. Pierce, Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y., and it will come to you by return post.

the home of John Rosman over Sunday. The little son of Emergen Davenport is recovering from a severe illness. Mrs. Israel Cave, Mrs. Watkins and daughter visited Hal Cave at Easton Monday.

Mrs. Dell Bowen, president of the Ladies' Aid, requests all who have yellow and black quilt blocks to bring them to the next meeting and also pieces to finish the quilts now on hand. The next meeting will be at the Grange hall August 7. Please supper.

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Origin of Chauffeur. The original chauffeurs were disguised robbers who, toward the end of the eighteenth century, operated in the French rural districts. They got the title from a practice they had of roasting the soles of their victims' feet at a fire to force the revelation of hidden treasure.

Educating a Novelist. Thomas Hardy, the novelist, was little boy when his mother gave him a copy of Dryden's "Virgil." He took great pains with his education, and had him taught Latin at twelve, and at the age of fifteen he received his first lesson in French from a governess.

The Bedouin's Repast. The Bedouin Arabs are light eaters. Six or seven dates, soaked in salted butter, serve a man a whole day, with a very small quantity of maize flour or a little ball of rice.

Refuse Bank Checks. The Bank of Ireland declines to honor checks written in Erse. The Irish are independent. If, they say, he bank accepts checks in Japanese and Russian, why should it reject those in Erse?

In Using Gasoline. The gasoline engine, like the steam engine, in fact, like all engines, is all the better for being run light for a few minutes before it is called upon to exert its full power, says the Automobile Magazine.

My Hair Ran Away

Don't have a falling out with your hair. It might leave you! Then what? That would mean thin, scraggly, uneven, rough hair. Keep your hair at home! Fasten it tightly to your scalp! You can easily do it with Ayer's Hair Vigor. It is something more than a simple hair dressing. It is a hair medicine, a hair tonic, a hair food.

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THE PAY OF SCHOOL TEACHERS.

In Maine It Averages but a Trifle More Than That of Mill Hands.

Nine-tenths of the Maine school-marks are working for an average salary of from \$6 to \$9 a week. Half of them receive less than \$200 a year.

In comparing the pay of Maine teachers with the wages of cotton mill operatives in the State, says Leslie's Weekly, an investigating committee found that the balance in favor of the former was very slight. The 6,530 women working in the cotton mills of Maine get an average weekly wage of 5.99, while the woman school teachers get an average weekly wage of \$6.90. The men in the cotton mills of Maine get an average weekly wage of \$8.01, while the men teachers get \$9.18.

It costs more to become properly equipped for the teaching profession than it does to become an efficient mill worker, to say nothing of the higher expense of daily living for the former.

There is no reason to suppose that teachers in Maine are worse off with respect to pay than they are in most other States of the Union.

Where Illiteracy is Rare.

The lowest rate of illiteracy in the world is found in Sweden, Norway and Germany. In the two first-named countries there is no person above the age of ten years who cannot read and write unless he has forgotten those accomplishments or his mental faculties are so feeble that he has not been able to acquire them. His fact is so well understood that the census enumerators do not inquire whether a person can read or write. It is not considered necessary to do so. Education is compulsory, every child is required to attend school and there is no community so small or too poor to provide educational facilities for its children. The same is true, in a great measure, throughout Germany. The only people who cannot read and write are the feeble-minded and the aged who have outgrown their knowledge. —Washington Star.

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Origin of Chauffeur.

Time Will Tell

Whether old Dr. Goose has put the shape and style into the suit you buy. Better be on the safe side and pick your new suit from our splendid stock of

Sincerity Clothes

Their shape is permanent. Call on us when you want a suit that will give you service.

Be sure and see those new summer shirts and ties just received.

NEWEST GOODS AT LOWEST PRICES

H. J. Taylor & Co.

Sincerity Clothes Shop

Lowell, Michigan.

SINCERITY CLOTHES

Our Country Cousins

ADA.

The Juniors will give a "Mother Goose" social on Mr. Perkins' lawn on Thursday.

Sunday school picnic will be held at Reed's Lake on Tuesday July 23.

The Young people's meeting held at the Congregational church Sunday evening was one of more than ordinary interest, conducted by Rev. Blaisell of India.

All who attended the party given by Miss Esther Weldon Saturday evening report a fine time.

Farmers are all busy taking care of their hay.

A Memorable Day.

One of the days we remember with pleasure, as well as with profit to our health, is the one on which we became acquainted with Dr. King's New Life Pills, the painless purifiers that cure headache and biliousness, and keep the bowels right. 25c. at D. G. Look's Drug Store.

MOSELEY.

Born—to Lester J. Stimson and wife, July 12, a nine pound son.

Moseley Brothers are having their warehouse repainted.

The Bible reading after Sunday school Sunday was quite interesting. There will be another one next Sunday.

Mrs. Eva Luce left for her home near Hawkins Wednesday, after staying with her daughter Mrs. L. J. Stimson for some time.

Several fishermen are camping at Murray's lake.

Thomas Lally purchased several head of young cattle of W. Summers.

Several Moseley people went to Grand Rapids Sunday.

Several teams have been drawing gravel and making a much needed improvement in the road.

A Wonderful Happening.

Port Byron, N.Y., has witnessed one of the most remarkable cases of calling ever recorded. Amos F. King of that place says: "Bucklen's Arnica ointment cured a sore on my leg with which I had suffered over 80 years, am now eighty-five." Guaranteed to cure all sores, by D. G. Look, Druggist 25c.

BOWNE.

There was a good attendance at the Grange social Friday night and proceeds amounted to \$14.50.

Jessie and Ethel Boulard spent Sunday with their brother Percy in Grand Rapids.

Jim Porritt who has been very seriously ill during the past seven weeks is beginning to improve slowly and to the joy of his parents and friends.

Rev. J. H. Bennett of Ada preached five sermon at Bowne Center Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. John Murphy and two daughters Lena and Louise of Lowell spent Sunday with Mrs. Thos. Gougherty, Mrs. Louise remaining until Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Smith and two children of Freepport and Mrs. Chas. Smith spent Friday at the home of S. Thomas.

Mrs. R. F. Benton and Mrs. James Brew went to Grand Rapids Thursday. Mrs. Brew remaining for a two weeks' visit with her daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Lightfoot and son of Freepport visited at the home of Robert Johnson Sunday.

Albert VanDyke is entertaining his sisters Mrs. Martha Criser of Newcom and Mrs. Mary VanDyke of Grand Rapids.

EAST LOWELL.

There will be quarterly meeting at the Ware schoolhouse Saturday and Sunday July 20 and 21.

FALLSBURG.

Henry Booth and Worthy Willard and wife of Lowell accompanied by friends from Ionia enjoyed an outing here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gardner of Grand Rapids spent Sunday here.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sherrard Sunday were Hamilton and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. D. Townsend and baby of Lowell and Mr. Quackenbush Sr. of Grand Rapids.

Mr. Quackenbush and two sons Bert and Norman of Grand Rapids came last Thursday to enjoy a few days and were entertained by Messrs. Sherrard and Denny. Bert and Norman returned to their homes Saturday.

Mrs. J. E. Tower who has been visiting her sister Mrs. Steketee and family in Grand Rapids for a week returned home last Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Halsted visited their old friends Mr. and Mrs. S. Stoles near Saranac Sunday.

William Bovee of Alto was helping his brother in haying last week.

James Stanton and daughter Gladys returned from Milwaukee last Tuesday, having spent a week with Odie Stanton and wife. They visited Lee Stanton at Saranac last Wednesday.

Frank and Fred Raymond of Keene were in the burg Sunday.

Frank Knapp and Stanley Parker of Grand Rapids have rented the mill of Frank Jones, who recently secured it from D. Garfield, and will continue the business there.

Mr. Stiles with a party of five came from Grand Rapids Sunday in his auto to spend the day.

CASCADE.

Cascade Ladies Aid society will give an ice cream social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kraeger in this

village Friday evening July 19. All cordially invited.

Rev. J. G. Wilson will begin a series of sermons at Cascade next Sunday evening July 21, subject: "The Church of the New Testament." This series will run several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. I. Forbes attended the funeral and burial of the former's father in Grand Rapids Saturday.

Mrs. Mary Ferris, Miss Dennis and Herbert Merrill, all of the valley city visited W. S. Merrill Friday July 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred DeWeert entertained the latter's mother, Mrs. J. J. Roberts, and her friend Mrs. A. Kolkman of Grand Rapids from July 8 to 11.

Rev. J. G. Wilson preaches at McCords hall each Sunday at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. Bessie Whedon has gone north to visit friends in Benzie county and at Elk Rapids.

Miss Maud Brockway is attending the summer normal in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. John Noble, Sr., is entertaining the following guests: Her daughter, Mrs. Lizzie Raesde and children Noble, Mary and Ralph of Grand Rapids, and granddaughter Miss Bessie Croll of Zeeland Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Noble of Grand Rapids also visited there from Friday evening to Sunday evening.

Mrs. C. M. Dennison left last Wednesday for the home of her daughter Laura at Middleville who is suffering with an injured foot as the result of stepping on a nail.

W. S. Merrill makes 20 pounds of butter each week from two cows.

Misses Gladys and Florence Thompson of Grand Rapids spent last week at the home of their uncle, V. A. Thompson and family.

The Charming Woman

is not necessarily one of perfect form and features. Many a plain woman who could never serve as an artist's model, possesses those rare qualities that all the world admires: neatness, clear eyes, clean smooth skin and that sprightliness of step and action that accompany good health. A physically weak woman is never attractive, not even to herself. Electric Bitters restore weak women, give strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, beautiful complexion. Guaranteed at D. G. Look's, Druggist 50c.

PRAIRIE LAKE—SOUTH BOSTON.

Mrs. Sid Kellar and four children of Grand Rapids have been spending several days with Mrs. Mose Kellar, their husband and father coming Saturday to accompany them home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Phillips of South Bend, Ind., spent several days last week with the latter's mother, Mrs. P. D. Sneathen, and other relatives.

Mrs. J. J. Story is entertaining her grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. John Godfrey of Grand Rapids and Miss Alice Story of Holland.

D. W. Lind and family attended Carlton Grange Saturday night and spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Sayles at Freepport.

Mrs. Wellington Cilley of Clarksville, formerly of South Boston, died Sunday evening at her home, of apoplexy.

James English is entertaining his sister Mrs. Annette Smith of Grand Rapids this week.

Herb Tucker of Leonidas is visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity.

Messrs. and Mesdames S. B. Beyer and Dan Hill spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Kellogg near Smyrna.

Born—July 3, at Leonidas, to Mr. and Mrs. Howd Tutwiler (nee Tucker) a son.

Messrs. and Mesdames A. M. Andrews and son, J. B. Nicholson and two children, Mrs. N. L. McCarty, Dr. and Mrs. G. G. Towsley and daughter of Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. Lyon Dalton of Milwaukee, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Coon and Mrs. Joe Coon of Campbell and Mrs. Bessie Butler and two children of Grand Rapids spent last Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Draper.

TEACHERS, GET REPORT cards at THE LEDGER office. tf.

MORSE LAKE.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Ogilvie spent the Fourth at Greenville.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Winks spent several days last week in Grand Rapids with their daughter, Mrs. Emma Hillton.

Messrs. Floyd and Orlo Yelter and Frank Kiel spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clair Yelter at Freepport.

Roy Carlisle of Grand Rapids is spending several weeks with his uncle, John Brannan.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brannan and son Barry spent Sunday with relatives in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Nina Hartley and son Charley after spending several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. L. Jacobson at Grattan Center, returned Sunday accompanied by the former's father, Geo. Needham.

Mrs. C. Smlecher of Freepport recently visited her brother at this place.

Edward McCue, who has been sailing on the Great Lakes, is home for the present and expects to remain until after haying and harvesting.

Visitors at the home of M. L. Duell and family Sunday were Phillip Hartley and family and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cook and son.

Herman Vanderstolp and wife entertained company from Grand Rapids Sunday.

Miss Nettie Thomas of Washington has returned home.

Miss Winnie M. Hartley, after spending several weeks with relatives at Lowell, returned home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Winks and Charley Hartley were at Alto Saturday.

Mrs. Wesley Johnson and daughter Nelle, who have been visiting in Milwaukee, are expected home Tuesday.

Donna Graham spent Sunday with her brother.

Mrs. Earl Curtiss has received a box of beautiful cherries from The Dalles, Ore.

Announcement

It has been 16 years since A. J. Howk & Son have had a shoe sale. People that remember our past sales, know that when we start a special sale it is not for the purpose of selling \$3.00 goods for \$2.99. We will cut the price deeper than any other shoe house in this state. We can't quote you prices on every article in the store, but below are a few prices to think about.

- All Ladies Queen Quality oxfords 3.00 and 3.50 goods, now..... 2.00
- All Ladies oxfords, Johnson Bros. make, stamped at factory 2.50 and 3.00 now..... 1.50
- In this oxford we have every size and every width from 2 1/2 to 7 in every leather.
- Ladies white canvas oxfords 1.25, 1.50, 1.75 and 2.00, now..... 1.00
- Childrens of same 75c.
- Every mans oxford in the store will be sold now for..... 2.00
- This includes Weber, Packard and Whitcomb 3.00, 3.50 and 4.00, all leathers.
- Smith Wallace boys Elk skin, former price 2.00 now..... 1.00
- Dayes Andrews and Co. wolfel seal as good a work shoe as ever was made (lace or congress) at 2.75 now..... 2.00
- A good, calf lace work shoe, tap sole size 7-11 former price 2.00 now..... 1.25

Sale to commence on Saturday, July 20, and last until we think we have room enough for fall goods which will be here in August.

The Old Reliable Shoe House

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Collar's Annual Summer Clearance Sale.

A rare opportunity to purchase Seasonable Goods just the time you need them At Startling Prices.

Clearance Sale of White Waists and White Shirt Waist Suits

- 1.00 white waists clearance sale price 87c 1.50 white waists clearance sale price 1.29
- 2.00 " " " " " 1.69 2.50 " " " " " 1.89
- 4.50 " " " " " 3.79
- 3.00 white shirt waist suits sale price 2.49 4.50 white shirt waist suits sale price 3.75
- 5.00 " " " " " 4.25 6.00 " " " " " 4.89

Clearance Sale of Wash Goods Big Stock to Select From.

- 5 and 8c Lawns and Batistes sale price 4 and 5c.
 - 10 and 12 1/2c Lawns and Batistes sale price 8 and 10c
 - 25c Organdies Lawns etc. sale price 19c.
 - 50c silk fancies sale price 39c
- Clearing out the Remnants, odds and ends. Bargains all through the stock to close out cheap.

E. R. Collar, Lowell, Michigan

Lowell Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Parker and child of South Lowell were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lew Yelter.

Mrs. David McConnell and daughter Nora and Walter Blakeslee recently visited at the home of Thos. Stowe.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Stowe spent Sunday with the latter's brother, M. J. Sterling, in East Lowell.

RECORDS.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Haskin of Byron Center are the guests of Dr. Haskin and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Tucker of Chicago, who have been visiting the latter's parents, returned to their home Friday.

Miss Mattie Patterson returned Saturday evening after a ten days' visit with her sister, Mrs. J. T. Epley in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wood are entertaining their cousins, Misses DeVolna, of Rochester, N. Y.

Miss Linda Gieb spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Arch Wood.

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Mrs. Myers of Lake Odessa visited her parents, Mr. and Nate Morse, Sunday and her little daughter accompanied her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lew Yelter have a new piano.

Will Yelter and children of Alto recently visited the former's brother, Lew Yelter.

Miss Ida Merriman is having an addition to her house built.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tomlinson and family and Herman Jay were recent visitors of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Holmes.

Mrs. Thos. Stowe suffered a bad fall while on Main street at Lowell Monday, injuring her arms and side. She was scarcely able to walk for a while, and is still very lame.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Merriman and

Mrs. W. H. Patterson received a bouquet of beautiful flowers Friday from her friend, Mrs. Charles Outman of "Rose Arbor."

Howard Croninger of Grand Rapids is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Dean at Whitneyville.

Mrs. Herman Snelden of Whitneyville is seriously ill.

Miss Blanche Snelden of Jamestown was the guest of her sister, Mrs. H. F. Patterson, over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Wood entertained at their home, "Maple Ridge," July 8, in honor of the twenty-fifth birthday anniversary of their son Arch. A five-course dinner was served at one o'clock and the afternoon was pleasantly spent with music and social chat. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Arch Wood, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Haskin of Byron Center, Mr. and Mrs. Del Wood of Alto, Mrs. Edd Coapple of Grand Rapids, Rev. and Mrs. Chaple of Columbus, Indiana.

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SERIAL STORY

THE HOUSE OF A THOUSAND CANDLES

By MEREDITH NICHOLSON
Author of "THE MAIN CHANCE," "ZELDA DAMERON," ETC.

CHAPTER XVIII.—Continued.

"Mr. Glenarm! Mr. Glenarm!" he exclaimed in broken whispers. "It is Bates, sir."

"What have you done? what has happened?" I demanded.

He put his hand to his head uncertainly and gasped as though trying to gather his wits.

He was evidently dazed by whatever had occurred, and I sprang round and helped him to a couch. He would not lie down but sat up, staring and passing his hand over his head. It was rapidly growing lighter, and I saw a purple and black streak across his temple where a blow from some sort had struck him.

"What does this mean, Bates? Who has been in the house?"

"It was early this morning," he faltered, "about two o'clock, I heard noises in the lower part of the house. I came down, thinking likely it was you, and remembering that you had been sick yesterday—"

"Yes, go on."

"The thought of my truncheon was no help to my conscience last then."

"As I came into the hall, saw lights in the library. As you weren't down last night the room hadn't been lighted at all. I heard steps, and some one tapping with a hammer—"

"Yes, a hammer. Go on!"

"It was, then, the same old story! The war had been carried openly into the house, but Bates,—just why should any one connected with the conspiracy injure Bates, who stood so near to Pickering's leader? The fellow was undoubtedly hurt,—there was no mistaking the wound on his head. He spoke with a painful difficulty that was not assumed. I felt increasingly sure, as he went on."

"I saw a man putting out the books and tapping the inside of the shelves. He was working very fast. And the next thing I knew he let in another man through one of the casements—the one there that still stands a little open."

He blinched as he turned slightly to indicate it, and his face twitched with pain.

"Never mind that; tell the rest of your story."

"Then I ran in, grabbed one of the big candleabra from the table and went for the nearest man. They were about to begin on the chimney breast—it was Mr. Glenarm's pride in all the house,—and that accounts for my being there in front of the fireplace. They rather got the best of me, sir."

"Clearly, I see they did. You had a hand-to-hand fight with them, and being two to one—"

"No, there were two of us,—don't you understand, two of us! There was another man who came running in from somewhere, and he took sides with me. I thought at first it was you, sir. The robbers thought so, too, for one of them yelled, 'Great God! Glenarm's come back!' Just like that. But it wasn't you, sir, but quite another person."

"That's a good story so far; and then what happened?"

"I don't remember much more, except that some one soused me with water that helped my head considerably, and the next thing I knew I was staring across the table, there at you."

"Who were these men, Bates? Speak up quickly!"

My tone was peremptory. Here was I, felt a crucial moment in our relations.

"Well," he began, deliberately, "I dislike to make charges against a fellow man, but I strongly suspect one of the men of being—"

"Yes! Tell the whole truth or it will be the worse for you."

"I very much fear one of them was Ferguson, the gardener over the way. I'm disappointed in him, sir."

"Very good; and now for the other one."

"I didn't get my eyes on him. I had closed with Ferguson and we were having quite a lively time of it when the other one came in; then the man who came to my help mized us all up,—he was a very lively person,—and what became of Ferguson and the rest of it I don't know."

There was room for thought in what he said. He had taken punishment in defense of my property,—the crack on his head was undeniable,—and I could not abuse him or question his veracity with any grace; not, at least, without time for investigation and study. However, I ventured to ask him one question:

"If you were guessing, shouldn't you think it quite likely that Morgan was the other man?"

He met my gaze squarely.

"I think it wholly possible, Mr. Glenarm," he replied at once.

"And the man who helped you—who in the devil was he?"

"Blas me, I don't know, sir! He disappeared. I'd like mightily to see him again."

"Humph! Now you'd better do something for your head. I'll summon the village doctor if you say so."

"No; thank you, sir. I'll take care of it myself."

"Very well. Now we'll keep quiet about this. Don't mention it or discuss it with any one."

"Certainly not, sir." He rose, staggering a little from weakness, but crossed to the broad mantel shelf in the great chimney-breast, rested his arm upon it for a moment, passed his hand over the dark wood with a sort of caress, then bent his eyes upon the floor littered with books, drawings and papers torn from cabinets and all splashed with tallow and wax from the candles. The daylight had increased until the havoc wrought by the night's visitors was fully apparent. The marauders had made a sorry mess of the room, and I thought Bates' lip quivered as he viewed the wreck.

"It would have been a blow to Mr. Glenarm; the room was his pride—his pride, sir."

He went out toward the kitchen, and I ran upstairs to my own room. I cursed the folly that had led me to leave my window open, for undoubtedly Morgan and his new ally, St. Agatha's gardener, had taken advantage of it to enter the house. Quite likely, too, they had observed my departure for Cincinnati, and this would undoubtedly be communicated to Pickering. I threw open my door and started back with an exclamation of amazement.

A stranger stood at my chiffonier, between two windows, calmly shaving himself. He was clad in a bath gown—my own, I saw with fury—and he hummed softly to himself as he seized the brush and applied it dextrously to his upper lip.

Without turning he addressed me, quite coolly and casually, as though his being there was the most natural thing in the world.

"Good morning Mr. Glenarm! Rather damaging evidence, that costume, I

and again I'm sure there's a big stake in it. The fact that Pickering is risking so much to find what's supposed to be hidden here is pretty fair evidence that something's buried on the place."

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"Well,—I began and hesitated. I had not mentioned Marian Devereux and this did not seem the time for confidences of that sort.

He took a cigarette from his pocket and lighted it deliberately.

"Bah! these women! Under the terms of your excellent grandfather's will you have thrown away all your rights. It looks to me, as a member of the Irish bar in bad standing, as though you had delivered yourself up to the enemy, so far as the legal situation is concerned. How does it strike you?"

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"My lad, don't deceive yourself. Everybody round here will know it before night. You ran off, left your window open invitingly, and two gentlemen who meditated breaking in found that they needn't take the trouble. One came in through your own room, noting, of course, your absence, let in his friend below, and tore up the place regrettably."

"Yes, but how did you get here?—if you don't mind telling."

"It's a short story. That little chap from Scotland Yard, who annoyed me so much in New York and drove me to Mexico,—for which may he dwell forever in fiery torment,—has never given up. I shook him off, though, at Indianapolis three days ago. I bought a ticket for Pittsburg with him at my elbow. I suppose he thought the chase was growing tame and that the farther east he could arrest me the nearer I

suppose it's the custom in the country for gentlemen in evening clothes to go out by the window and return by the door. You might think the other way round preferable."

"Larry!" I shouted.

"Jack!"

"Kick that door shut and lock it," he commanded, in a sharp, severe tone that I remembered well, and just now welcomed—in him.

"How, why and when—?"

"Never mind about me. I'm here—thrown the enemy off for a few days; and you may confess your own sins first, while I climb into my armor. Pray pardon the informality—"

He seized a broom and began work upon a pair of trousers to which mud and briars clung tenaciously. His coat and hat lay on a chair, they, too, much the worse for rough usage.

There was never any use in refusing to obey Larry's orders, and as he got into his clothes I saw him in as few words as possible the chief incidents that had marked my stay at Glenarm House. He continued dressing with care, helping himself to a shirt and collar from my chiffonier and choosing with unflinching eye the best tie in my collection. Now and then he asked a question tersely, or, again he laughed or swore direly in Gaelic. When I had concluded the story of Pickering's visit, and of the conversation I overheard between the executor and Bates in the church porch, Larry wheeled round with the scarf half tied in his fingers and surveyed me comprehensively.

"And you didn't rush them both on the spot and have it over?"

"No. I was too much taken aback for one thing—"

"I dare say you were!"

"And for another I didn't think the time ripe. I'm going to beat that fellow, Larry, but I want him to show his hand fully before we come to a smash-up. I know as much about the house and its secrets as he does—that's one consolation. Sometimes I don't believe there's a shilling here

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should be to a British consul and tide-water. I went ahead of him into the station and out to the Pittsburg sleeper. I dropped my bag into my section,—if that's what they call it in your atrocious American language,—looked out and saw him coming along the platform. Just then the car began to move—they were shunting it about to attach a sleeper that had been brought in from Louisville, and my carriage, or whatever you call it, went skimming out of the sheds into a yard where everything seemed to be most noisy and complex. I dropped off in the dark just before they began to haul the carriage back. A long train of empty goods wagons,—freight cars—was just pulling out and I threw my bag into a wagon and climbed after it. We kept going for several hours, until I was thoroughly lost, then I took advantage of a stop at a place that seemed to be the end of terrestrial things, got out and started across country. I expressed my bag to you the other day from a place that rejoiced in the cheering name of Kotonno, just to get rid of it. I walked into Anandate late last night, found this medieval marvel through the kindness of the station master and was reconnoitering with my usual caution when I saw a gentleman romantically entering through the open window."

Larry paused to light a fresh cigarette.

"You always did have a way of arriving opportunely. Go on!"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Terror's Effect on Hair.

It has been repeatedly affirmed that Queen Marie Antoinette's Auburn hair turned white in the days of the reign of terror, and an English surgeon named Purry states that just after the Indian mutiny he actually saw the jet black hair of a rebel Sepoy, who was under examination and feared a dreadful death, turn white in the course of an hour. In the time of the commune in Paris, the dark hair of Baron Alphonse de Rothschild was blanched in a few hours.

SAVED FROM DREAD FATE.

Kind Woman's Assistance Meant Much to This Tramp.

A certain lady, noted for her kind heart and open hand, was approached not long ago by a man who, with tragic air, began:

"A man, madam, is often forced by the whip of hunger to many things from which his very soul shrinks—and so it is with me at this time. Unless, madam, in the name of pity, you give me assistance, I will be compelled to do something which I never before have done, which I would greatly dislike to do."

Much impressed, the lady made haste to place in his hand a five-dollar bill. As the man pocketed it with profuse thanks, she inquired:

"And what is the dreadful thing I have kept you from doing, my poor man?"

"Work," was the brief and mournful reply.—Harper's Weekly.

WESTERN MEN IN NEW YORK.

Brains of Mountain and Prairie in Demand in the Financial Center.

Ever since the early days, when D. O. Mills, J. B. Haggan and James R. Keene "emigrated" from California to New York, the metropolis has been drawing largely on the west and south for its supply of "men who do things." Theodore P. Shouts, both a southerner and westerner, who has undertaken to solve New York's great transit problem, is the latest importation in response to the call of the east.

The promptness with which Thos. E. Ryan, of Virginia, turned the Equitable Life Assurance Society over to its policyholders, who now elect a majority of its Board of Directors, and divested himself of the control of the stock which he bought from Jas. H. Hyde, and the success of the new management of the Society under the direction of President Paul Morton, have created a demand for the strong men of the south and west that is greater than ever before. Under the Morton management the Equitable has made a better showing than any other insurance company in the way of improved methods, economies and increased returns to policyholders.

E. H. Gary, head of the greatest corporation in the world—the U. S. Steel Co.—John W. Gates, Henry C. Frick, Norman B. Ream, Wm. H. Moore and Daniel G. Reid are other westerners who are among the biggest men in New York.

SOMEWHAT OF A REFLECTION.

Naive Comment of Debutante That Amused Hostess.

A charming hostess of one of the "big houses," as they are called by those who are welcomed into them, has the added beauty of premature white hair. That which seems to her contemporaries an added charm may appear to the crudely young a mark of decline, at least so it appears in one instance of which the hostess herself tells with enjoyment.

The lady is a connoisseur of antiques. At one of her teas a debutante rich with the glow of youth, but sadly constrained by her sense of novelty, was handed a cup of tea; the cup was beautifully blue and wonderfully old. The hostess desiring to lighten the strain on her youthful guest by a pleasant diverting remark said:

"That little cup is a hundred and fifty years old!"

"Oh," came the debutante's high strained tones. "How careful you must be to have kept it so long!"

Mixed Voices.

Alice had been to Sunday school for the first time and had come home filled with information. She was overheard to say to her six-year-old sister, as she laid a wee hand over her heart, "When you hear something wite here, you know it is conscience whispering to you."

"No such thing," responded Six-year-old; "it's just wind in your tummy."—Lippincott's Magazine.

A SMALL SECRET.

Couldn't Understand the Taste of His Customers.

Two men were discussing the various food products now being supplied in such variety and abundance.

One, a grocer, said, "I frequently try a package or so of any certain article before offering it to my trade, and in that way sometimes form a different idea than my customers have."

"For instance, I thought I would try some Postum Food Coffee, to see what reason there was for such a call for it. At breakfast I didn't like it and supper proved the same, so I naturally concluded that my taste was different from that of the customers who bought it right along."

"A day or two after, I waited on a lady who was buying a 25c package and told her I couldn't understand how one could fancy the taste of Postum."

"I know just what is the matter," she said, "you put the coffee boiler on the stove for just fifteen minutes, and ten minutes of that time it simmered, and perhaps five minutes it boiled; now if you will have it left to boil full fifteen minutes after it commences to boil, you will find a delicious Java-like beverage, rich in food value of gluten and phosphates, so choice that you will never abandon it, particularly when you see the great gain in health."

Well, I took another trial and sure enough I joined the Postum army for good, and life seems worth living since I have gotten rid of my old time stomach and kidney troubles."

Postum is no sort of medicine, but pure liquid food, and this, together with a relief from coffee worked the change. "There's a Reason."

Read "The Road to Wellville," in pgs.



A HAY BARN.

Style of Structure Which Will Allow of Easy Handling of Hay.

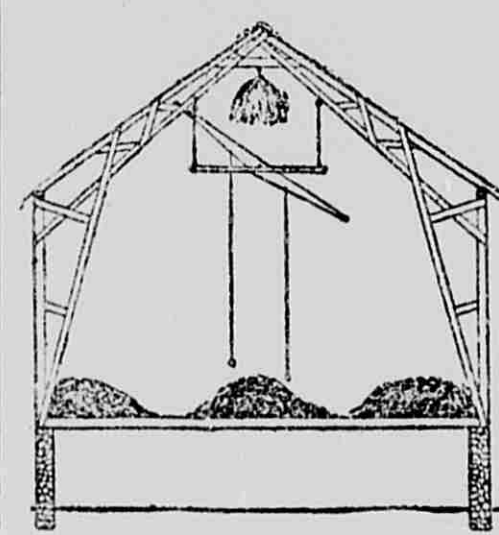
When a considerable quantity of hay is to be stored, the style of barn should be such as will permit easy handling both in unloading and re-loading. To store 60 tons of hay, with a 14-foot driveway between each bay and with 12-foot bays 18 feet deep, would require a length of 64 feet, the floor space would then be 38x64 feet, divided into two bays 12 feet wide, of four 16-foot bents each.

The filling can be expeditiously handled with the horse fork in two ways, explains Central Herald—first, filling each bent by itself from a carrier running lengthwise along the ridge of the shelter, dropping the hay in the center of the 14-foot space of that bent and filling this bent with one kind of hay; the second and third bents would be filled in the same manner, and the horse fork could be worked from either one or both ends as desired. If the first unloading is to be done by hand, the hay can be unloaded by driving crosswise, stopping the wagon opposite either of the 12-foot spaces or the 14-foot space.

If the center driveway is to be kept free for more expeditious removal of

the hay, the simplest and most convenient method of handling the fork is represented in the cut, where the hay fork is represented as working on a track suspended under the ridge of the roof, and running the full length of the barn. Beneath the forkful of hay is represented a tilting platform which, when inclined as represented in the cut, throws the hay on the right side; if tilted in the opposite direction, the hay would fall on the left side of the driveway; but if the tilting platform is not under the forkful of hay the hay would fall in the center. With such an arrangement as this, the hay can be delivered on one side or the other of the driveway, or it may be dropped in the middle, at the will of the operator on the bay, and hence the arrangement can be used equally well for entirely filling each bent of the shelter at once, and thus diminish the labor of distributing the hay, over what would be required if each forkful of hay was dropped at one place.

This tilting platform can be made in various ways—most simply in the form of a series of slats made of inch boards and carried on a central axis on which it turns. The length of the slants would be determined by the width of the driveway, and must be long enough so that the hay falls on the bay after sliding from it. The width of the platform should be in the neighborhood of 12 feet, and it should be carried on parallel tracks, as represented in the figures. A bar should connect each pair of rollers carrying the platform car, just below the rollers, so that as the platform is tilted it stops when striking this bar, causing it to deliver its load at the proper place.



Plan of Barn.

The Weeder Ready for Use.

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GOOD WEED CUTTER.

Sled with Cutting Blades to Run Down Between Rows.

For sled use two pieces 2x8 by 6 feet. Fasten a wagon tire to bottom of runners and have runners six to eight inches apart on inside. Use any heavy iron, as a buggy axle, for an arch to hold the runners in position. Bolt on inside of runners, a little in front of where knives are attached. Two bolts through runners and tires hold the knives in place. Knives should be three feet long, and set at an angle that will keep them from

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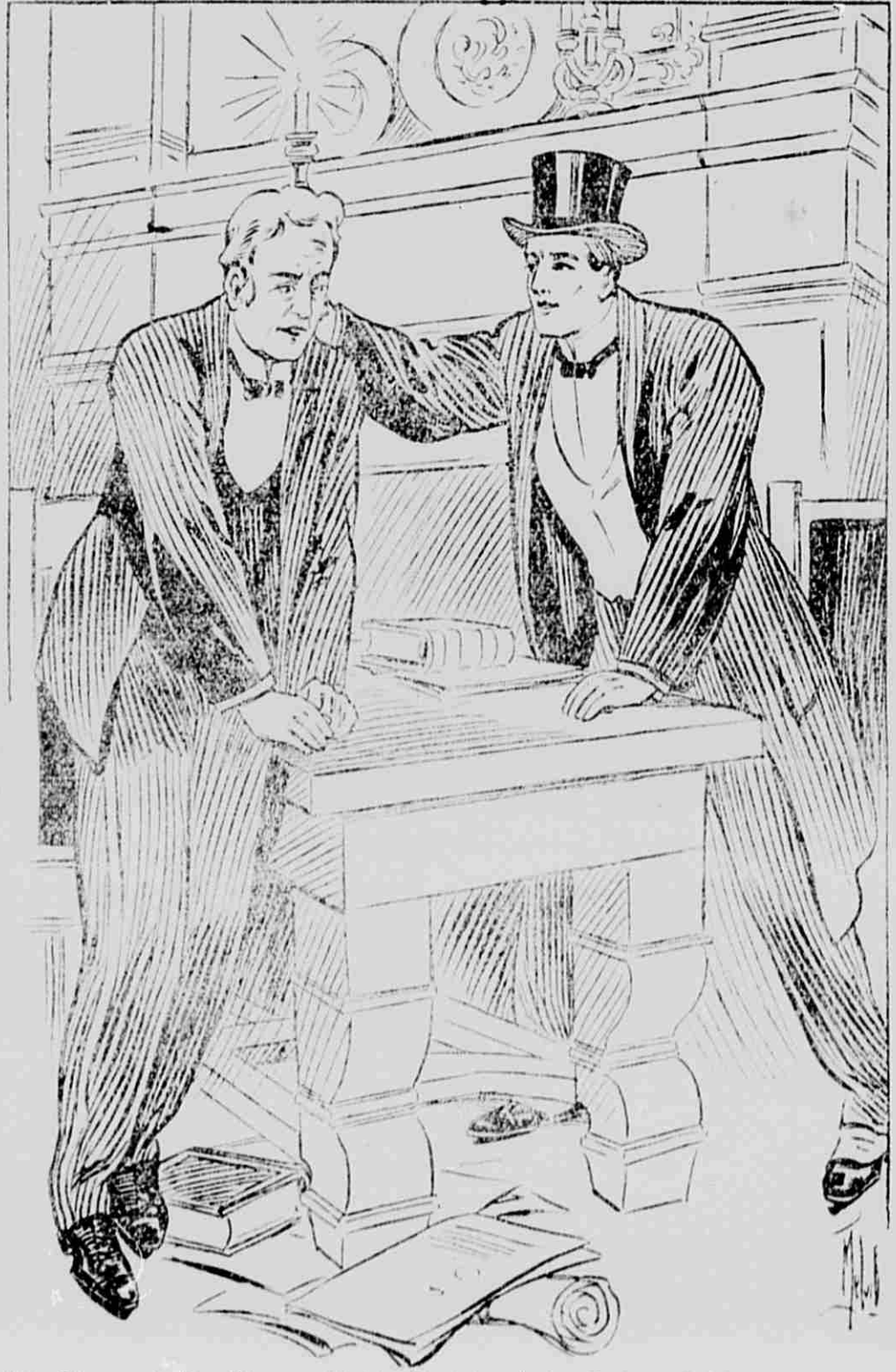
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Mrs. Emma Stolt, of Appleton, Wisconsin.



MRS. EMMA STOLT.

Mrs. Emma Stolt, 1069 Oneida St., Appleton, Wis., writes: "Perma has done me a great deal of good since I began taking it and I am always glad to speak a good word for it. Three years ago I was in a wretched condition with backaches, bearing down pains, and at times was so sore and lame that I could not move about. I had inflammation and irritation, and although I used different remedies they did me no good."

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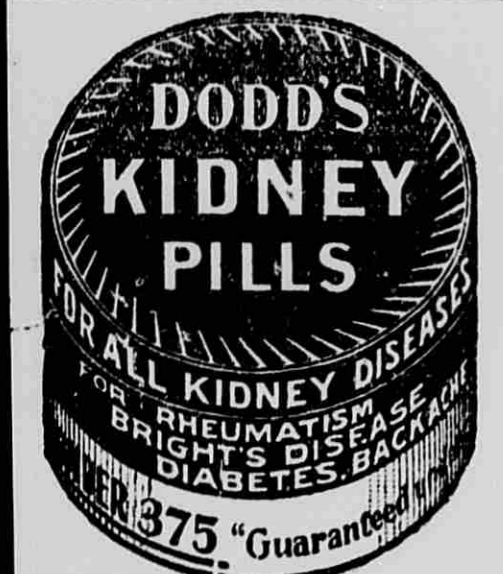
Catarrh of the Internal Organs.

Miss Theresa Bertles, White Church, Mo., writes: "I suffered with catarrh of the stomach, bowels and internal organs. Everything I ate seemed to hurt me. I never had a passage of the bowels without taking medicine. I was so tired mornings and ached all over. I had a pain in my left side, and the least exertion or excitement made me short of breath. Now, after taking Perma for six months, I am as well as I ever was. Perma has worked wonders for me. I believe Perma is the best medicine in the world, and I recommend it to my friends."

One Extreme Or the Other.

I have been more than lucky in the women I have met; a woman is always heaven or hell to a man—mostly heaven; she don't spend much of her time on the border-lines—Walt Whitman in the American Magazine.

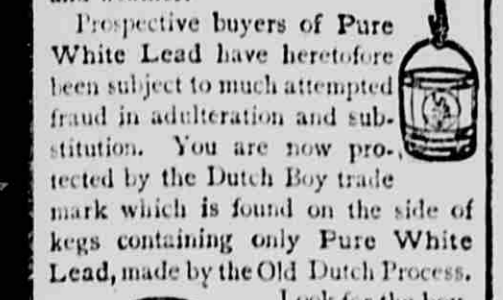
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The Rebellion of Jackie

By Susie Bouchelle Wight

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"What a perfectly exquisite child!" exclaimed a passer-by to her companion, after a glance at little Jack. Jack's mother fidgetted with complacency, and looked admiringly at the vision at her feet—a vision of golden curls, rich, creamy complexion, and the most tempting briar-rose cheeks—a small boy, clad from top to toe in spotless white. He was a pretty boy. She knew there was no denying that fact, and so she did not tarry to ask herself the meaning of that inscrutable look that was dawning in the great brown eyes. A look new and strange, it would have seemed to her, for she was all a-flutter with maternal vanity. Mrs. Perham sighed.

"How fortunate you are Mattie," she said. "Jack is such a perfect gentleman, and takes all the lovely dressing you can think up for him, but my James—" She sighed again, and Jack's mother laughed, for the mere mention of James, the unspicable, usually provoked smiles in Oldtop. "You needn't laugh, Mattie. I assure you it is anything but funny to be the mother of a freckled little tough, that will not stay clean two minutes after he is dressed."

Jack's mother laughed again. "Oh, James is all right, only it is a pity that he looked like the Perhams instead of like our family—that is all I do believe, though, Jennie dear, that if you would pursue a different course with him, you could mold him as much to your liking as Jack is to mine. Now, no matter if he does rebel at blouses and frills and other things that he ought to wear as a matter of course, you ought to make him understand that your will is to be his law about his dress for a good many years to come yet."

"How can I? I told him only last week that if he would wear a sweet little brown linen sailor suit to the Fourth of July celebration I would give him a dollar—now what do you suppose Jim said to that? Why, he simply looked up from his paper and said, 'Take her up on it, son, and get your dollar, and then father will give you another to go out and roll in a mud-puddle with that suit on.'"

"Jennie Perham! You don't mean to say that Jim Perham set your authority at naught in that way?" "Oh, he didn't mean to set it at naught—but he is always saying that he cannot bear to see country people trying to put on city airs—" Mrs. Perham stopped suddenly and bit her lip at a recollection of the connection in which he had said this, but Jack's mother did not seem to feel bit, so she continued: "He is given to abetting James in all of his shames, any way, and I simply haven't the backbone to undertake the quelling of the two of them."

"There's where you and I differ!" said her sister. "Now listen to me, go right on and make that linen suit for the Fourth, and when the time comes let him choose between wearing it and staying at home all day, and you will see that he will come to terms; then, when he has worn it there will be no more trouble. Don't say a word to Jim about it, and above all, do not try to hire James—just be firm and positive and you will see that you will carry your point readily. He really would be a striking handsome boy if he were well dressed, and whether you will believe me or not, his freckles and his snagged teeth look a great deal worse to you than they do to anyone else."

They left the room and Jackie, aged seven, looked out of the window across the street at his cousin James turning a handspring in the dust of a vacant lot, and then down at his own immaculateness, with envy and rebellion in his soul.

The Fourth came. It was in the south, where the sound of fireworks did not smite the morning air. Early in the morning the people began to gather from all the country round, for Oldtop was to do itself proud this day, and was keeping open house.

Jack's mother, flushed and charming in white and lavender—the first appearing in anything else than widow's weeds for a long time—came down the street, leading her lovely child by the hand. He was all in white, except for a tiny bow of blue ribbon, which peeped out from under the broad-rolling brim of a handsome white sailor—the bow of which tied back the long front locks, which were saving for subsequent use. His little shoes were white, too, so he had to walk circumspectly, to avoid mud and dusty spots.

They paused a moment at the gate for Mrs. Perham, who came down the walk, drawing on her long white silk mitts.

"Why, Jennie, where is James?" asked Jack's mother. "James is in bed," replied Mrs. Perham, firmly. "I have locked up all his other clothes, and laid out the linen suit and the tan shoes, and he can either wear them or spend the day in bed."

"That's right—be firm and positive, and you will carry your point, as I have always told you—but what about Jim?" "Oh, Jim! I'll tell you later about him. He had to sally out immediately after breakfast—you know he is chairman of the committee on tables, so he doesn't know a thing about the unpleasantness," she concluded as the

sound of a muffled kick and howl came from James' room. Jack's mother stood a moment in thought, then said: "Jackie, dear, suppose you go back and talk to your little cousin, and then you can help him dress, too, and come on to the pavilion with him. If you persuade James to get up and come right on, mother will buy you a beautiful new book."

Jack faced obediently about, and when his back was well turned, he made a wry face which would have curdled the blood of a Goop, for he had overheard his Aunt Jennie say, admiringly:

"Now, isn't Jackie the sweetest thing! I don't see how it will be possible for James to persist in his naughtiness after he sees him!"

Jack felt very doubtful about his mission, for he knew that James did not approve of himself or his mother, but the unusually smart raiment with which he had been decked out made him wildly reckless, and he longed for something to break the monotony of his perfect propriety, and even felt equal to the fiction which he half expected. If James should get the best of him, as he was altogether likely to do, still there would be the satisfaction of wearing tumbled clothes in consequence, and oh, sweet hope, perhaps in the melee the blue ribbon would be loosened and fall from his hair!

James lay sprawled out in the middle of the bed, with his feet propped up on the pillows, a neat array of holiday garments lying on a chair by his bed.

"They sent me back," said Jack, "to help you put on your little clothes."

"Shoo!" cried James. "I guess papa'll see me through this thing!" With a bounce he landed on the floor, and snatched from the wall a long-discarded Astrakhan cap.

"Come on, little gal-boys!" he called. "I'll take care of you, and we'll go right on to the pavilion and hear the band play."

"Oh, Jamie, you wouldn't ever?" panted Jack, as he raced along at James' heels, and watched the pink night-shirt flopping.

"Oh, you come on, little frill-breeches!" was all the answer he received, and then Jack made a grab for James, just as the gate clanged behind them. He planted one small fist plump in the back of his cousin's neck and then they both stopped and squared off. James gave Jack another of those puzzled looks, and then dropped his fists. "I couldn't bear to hurt a little thing like you!" he said, and then he had to dodge Jack's fist again. "Say Jack!" he said, as a sudden thought struck him, "I dare you



"Oh, You Come On, Little Frill-Breeches!"

"I double-dare you—to stomp in your sundown!"

In a twinkling the lovely white sailor hat was trampled in the dust, and a blue ribbon lay beside it.

"Jiminy! But won't Aunt Mat skin you for that? Dare you to roll over in the road!" The words were scarcely out of his mouth before a little white figure was kicking and tumbling in the middle of the street and Jack was thinking as actively as his legs were working. He was relieving the pent-up feelings of all the weeks that had gone by since his first realization of the fact that he was not as other boys of his age. He had thirsted for a fight, but this was even better, and he gave a final roll as he saw a team drive past.

"You're a sight!" James remarked, coolly, when Jack straightened up. "Want to dare me some more?" "No, thank you—not any more for to-day—but what Aunt Mat will do to you when she sees you will be a plenty."

Permanent Affliction.
He—That handsome girl over there made a fool of me two years ago.
She—I felt sure that something happened in your past life that you had never got over.

Defiant.
The Judge—And did this man do you bodily harm?
The Victim—Now, yer anner. He smashed me fa-ace. —Cleveland Leader.

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A Vivid Description of the Most Insidious of Diseases.

Miss Emma Shirley, Killbuck, N. Y., writes: "Kidney disease mysteriously fastened itself upon me two years ago and brought awful headaches and dizzy spells. I was all unstrung, weak and nervous, could scarcely totter about. Pains in the side and back completely unnerved me. My food distressed me, I looked badly and the kidneys were noticeably deranged. I sank lower and lower until given up and at this critical time began with Doan's Kidney Pills. Details are unnecessary. Twelve boxes cured me and I weigh six pounds more than ever before. They saved my life."

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"What was Salson doing?" was the first question.

"Oh, he was slashing around."

"Well, sir, just what do you mean by that?"

"Why, he was knocking about him here and there."

"Now, sir, kindly tell us plainly what Salson did to this man."

"Why, he—he enticed him," said the old minister slowly. "He enticed him with a crowbar. He used the crowbar to persuade the man—to entice him; and by a series of pokes and blows he succeeded in doing it," said the minister, mildly.

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Cayley, Alta., Dec. 7, 1906. Agent Canadian Government, Watertown, S. D.

Dear Sir: Your letter dated Nov. 27th at hand and was very glad to hear from you. I see that you are still at work persuading people to move into the Canadian Northwest. I must tell you that I owe you many thanks for persuading me to come out here, am only sorry that I wasn't persuaded sooner, and there is still plenty of good chances for many more right at the present time. I hope that you will be able to induce more to make a start out to this part of the country.

Now I must tell you what I have accomplished since I came out here and it won't be three years till the 1st of July. I shall shortly receive my patent for my homestead, the homestead cost me \$10.00 in all, to-day it is worth \$30.00 per acre, but it is not for sale. Then a year ago last May I bought 320 acres at \$7.00 per acre and sold this fall for \$20.00 per acre and cleared a profit of \$1,600.00. How is that for the Northwest? I now have 320 acres of land and all paid for, 15 head of horses, 30 head of cattle, 22 pigs, 2 sheep and about 150 chickens and other poultry, and all new machinery and everything is paid for. We also bought 8 lots in Calgary and 7 in High River. We gave \$470 for the 15 lots and they are paid for. At present I consider myself worth \$13,000.00, and when I left Wisconsin less than three years ago I had about \$2,000.00. This year I threshed a little over 4,000 bushels of grain, have about one thousand bushels of fine potatoes and about five hundred bushels of turnips. Mrs. Beisegel sold about \$200 worth of garden truck and poultry this fall. Now there are lots of others in this community who did as well as I did in the same length of time.

The family and myself are all well at this writing and hope this letter will find you the same.

Yours very truly, (Signed) PHILIP BEISEGEL, Cayley, Alta., Canada.

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