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KILLED BY P. M. TRAIN

James Mosher of Greenville Hit Near Alton Monday Night.

James Mosher, an employe of the Hanney Refrigerator company at Greenville, was killed by the west bound 9:55 express train near Alton Monday evening. The engineer saw him sitting on the rail but not in time to stop the train. Mosher's legs were cut off and his head crushed. The train backed up to investigate and then came on and reported the case at Lowell.

Justice Thos. W. Read of Vergennes took charge of the body and next morning it was taken to the undertaking establishment of Yeiter & Co., Lowell.

Mosher was about 25 years old, single and was a foster child of the Snyder family in Greenville. He had been about town drinking that afternoon; and when the 6:08 train came in tried to board same but having no ticket was not permitted to do so. Then he started to walk home, with result as stated.

There were two bottles on his body after the accident, one crushed and the other full of wine. Up to time of going to press the body had not been claimed and it is expected that it will be buried by Kent county and a bill rendered to Montcalm county for the expense incurred.

FIRST TWO LOWELL'S REYNOLDS REUNION

Home Team Wins Opening Games of Alto Series

Lowell captured the first game in the Lowell-Alto baseball series at the latter village last Friday by a score of 4 to 2. It was a well contested game and well attended. Mayor Ellis of Grand Rapids officiated as umpire and made a good job of it.

Following is the score by innings:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Lowell	0	0	0	1	0	2	1	0	4
Alto	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2

Batteries—Lowell, Stuart and Oshinski; Alto, Collins and Lee Bryant.

The home team won the second game of the Lowell-Alto series at Recreation park, Tuesday, by a 4 to 3 score, with a good crowd of fans from both towns, considering the uncomformably cold day. It was too cold for good baseball and errors were numerous.

Stuyker pitched for Lowell until the second inning when Alto had the bases full and only one man out and Stuart was substituted.

Bardley and Collins pitched for Alto and Fatty Bryant wore the mask. Messrs. Ellis and Dickerson of Grand Rapids umpired.

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The third game of the series will be played at Alto Friday, Sept. 3.

MOTHER HONORED BY HER CHILDREN IN HOME GATHERING.

The home of Mrs. Orville Reynolds, near the Snow church, was the scene of a pleasant little gathering Sunday Aug. 22, when the children and grandchildren met in honor of her sixty-seventh birthday anniversary.

The occasion was not unmixted with sadness, it being the first reunion of the family since the death of the father who passed to the Heavenly home not quite a year ago.

At the close of a bountiful dinner, the eldest son Fred A., in a few well chosen words presented his mother with a beautiful ring, a gift from the children.

A snap shot of the group was taken on the lawn in the afternoon to commemorate the happy event before their departure for their several homes.

Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Reynolds, 115 Griggs St., Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Onan and Viola, Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Tidd and children, Victor and Helen and Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Reynolds and daughter Leah Vivian, all of Lowell.—[Com.]

CAMP FIRE CHATS

Veteran-Mail Carrier Still Active as a Boy.



MERRITT SAYLES

The above portrait is familiar to everybody in Lowell and for many miles about, especially on Route 47, whose people he has long efficiently served as mail carrier.

Mr. Sayles was born in Keene township, Ionia county in 1846, and lived on the home farm until he was seventeen years old, when he enlisted in September 1863, in the Eleventh Michigan Cavalry, with headquarters at Kalamazoo. Early in December they left for Lexington, Kentucky, and went into camp there for the winter, during which time the regiment was employed in scouting in Eastern Kentucky.

During Mr. Sayles' nearly two years of service, his regiment met the enemy in Kentucky, West Virginia, Tennessee, both Carolinas and Georgia, in engagements great and small, fifty-seven times, too many, he thinks, to permit of details.

December 16, 1866, he was united in marriage with Marietta Andrews. Three children blessed the union: Mrs. C. D. Miller of Lowell, Mrs. Geo. Severy, deceased, and Mrs. Elva Pinkney of Lansing.

Thirteen years ago, Mr. and Mrs. Sayles moved to Lowell, where they have pleasant home on Peck's hill. He served as village marshal five years and for the past six years has been one of Uncle Sam's rural mail carriers.

He is still hale and hearty and with his good wife and happy disposition is enjoying life. His tongue is sometimes a little sharp but his heart is kind, true and loyal. Long may he wave.

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Workhouse Plans Advanced.

After many weeks of negotiation, the plan to use the old fair grounds in the south end of the city for a county workhouse appears to be near fulfillment.

All eight directors of the Kent County Agricultural society, which controls the old fair grounds, have agreed to submit the question of turning the land over to the county to the stockholders of the society; providing the county supervisors in turn will submit to the people a proposition of voting \$100,000 for a workhouse to be erected on the land in question. The seven supervisors who met with the Agricultural society directors were agreeable to the proposal, and as these seven were acting for the supervisors as a whole, there is small chance that the bonding scheme will not go through.

At this late date there is no reason for dwelling upon the importance of a county workhouse. The whole matter has been thoroughly discussed and it is generally agreed that the people of Kent county desire the workhouse established. The sooner the whole matter can be brought to a conclusion the better.

But the directors of the Kent county Agricultural society deserve commendation for agreeing to turn over to the people, for the public good, the valuable tract of land that has been in their keeping. They have done so gracefully, and the public is doubly grateful. When the directors see the workhouse plans carried out, they will undoubtedly feel still more amply rewarded.

—Grand Rapids News.

POOR PATRONAGE

Given Last Race Matinee at Recreation Park.

The postponed matinee given at Recreation park Tuesday did not receive the patronage that would naturally be expected as it has been conceded that the present management have given the public the best and cleanest races that have ever been held in Lowell. The condition of the weather however was such that although the management worked hard, it was impossible to get the track safe enough to start the hopped paces. As the owners refused to start four of the best pacers, the management called off the pace, but put on the trot and running race, also an exhibition by the good mare Iva Online who showed her class by stepping a half-mile in 1:09 1/2 over a very heavy track.

The 2:30 trot was won by Lady Hammond 1, Sheriff Girl 2, Thrilling 3, Alpha S. 4, Allwin 5, All Wilks 6. Best time 1:11.

The half-mile run was won by Ben Stone 1, Chapple Boy 2, Equitina 3. Time 53 1/2.

Iva Online exhibition, mile, last half mile in 1:09 1/2. [Com.]

THE PEET REUNION

Large Gathering at George Stevens' Home, Grand Rapids.

The sixth annual Peet family reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Stevens on Michigan road, Grand Rapids, August 19. At nine o'clock friends and relatives began to assemble and at noon about 175 sat down to tables that were well filled with many varieties of appetizing dishes.

After dinner a business session was held and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Pres., O. D. Peet, McCords; First Vice Pres., H. K. Peet, Caledonia; Second Vice Pres., K. P. Peet, Ithaca; Sec'y, Wm. H. Lind, Alto; Treas., Joseph Peet, McCords.

Following the election of officers an interesting program was rendered, after which the remainder of the day was spent renewing acquaintances and recalling events of by-gone days. The young people enjoyed themselves playing games, auto riding, etc., while the men struggled for supremacy in the game that has been a favorite pastime for Peets for generations, i. e., pitching quoits, and judging from the form in which they played if an outsider ever plays a member of the family he wants to hurl a "ringer" every time.

Friends and relatives were present from Ohio, New York, and the following counties of Michigan outside of Kent were Benzie, Antrim, Allegan, Gratiot, Grand Traverse and Clinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Stevens were hosts with more than ordinary ability and left nothing undone for the entertainment or comfort of their guests. The next reunion will be held in Gratiot county in August, 1916. Sec'y.

Ada Lady Returns From The West.

Mrs. Joe Buttrick has just returned to her home in Ada from a two months' visit in California, where she attended the Panama Exposition and the fair at San Diego.

She also took an automobile trip through the state, visiting the Yosemite Valley and the Mariposa grove of big trees in Yosemite National Park. From there she went to Lake Tahoe, one of the famous scenic features of California, high in the Sierra Nevada, seven thousand feet above the sea and a famous summer resort, surrounded by snow clad mountains.

On the return trip she stopped at Salt Lake City one day and heard a recital on the famous organ and saw the Mormon temple and the Great Salt Lake. After a ten days stop over in Kansas visiting relatives and friends, she returned home saying "Michigan is good enough for me."

Mrs. Buttrick was accompanied by her daughter, Mrs. H. L. L. L. Barge of Muskegon Heights.

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New Teachers.

Among the successful applicants for teachers' certificates at the August 12 examination announced by County Commissioner of Schools Freeland, are the following:

Second grade, good for three years—Edith L. Brew, Bertha Lacey, Alto; Cora Fletcher, Ada; Marie E. Byrne, Smyrna; Mary J. Croninger, McCords; Bertha Carey, Marie C. Byrne, Mabel Troy, Marie M. Roth, Lowell.

Third grade certificates good for one year—Rose Balabuck, Kafe VanLier, Kathleen M. Keenan, Ada; Mabel Watts, Mabel Myers, Mary Alexander, Alto; Bradley Croninger, McCords; Irene E. Troy, W. Joseph Byrne, Lena L. Yeiter, Neva M. Coons, Lowell.

Notice to Light & Power Users.

Starting yesterday, the Lowell Municipal L. & P. Co. will rebuild the plant, making a fire proof tile and cement building.

This means that all wiring for lighting arrestors, switch boards and generators will have to be put in iron conduit—work which cannot be done with the current on. We will endeavor to do this, as much as possible, at noon hours, Sundays and after midnight.

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Ada Pioneer Picnic.

The Ada Pioneer association will hold its annual picnic Sept. 6, Labor day, in Schenck's grove. There will be good speaking and plenty of music and other entertainments during the day. Come early and have a good time visiting old friends and acquaintances.—[Sec.]

Telephone the news to THE LEDGER. Office phone 200, during business hours. Or call house phone 230, at any hour of day or night.

Vergennes Co-operative Club.

The regular meeting of the Vergennes Co-operative club was held August 12 with Mrs. Andrew Chaffee. The business session was brief, the most important act being the appointing of a committee to confer with the Ladies Aid society regarding the reseating and remodeling of the church. A community church is the idea, a church equipped and ready for all helpful social gatherings.

It was Babies day at the club. Several babies were present and Mrs. Charles Lane read a very interesting paper on "Better Babies." Mrs. M. B. McPherson read a humorous selection from Hepsy Burke.

As usual it was a jolly good time and the refreshments most excellent.

Miss Nettie Kerr, Mrs. D. S. Blanding and Mrs. Goldsmith were guests of the club.

Meeting adjourned to meet with Miss Ina Alger Sept. 9.

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South Boston—Sunday school, 2:00. Services at 8:00.

BAPTIST CHURCH.

Preaching, 10:30 a. m., theme "Carried by Four." Plan to stay to the Bible school which convenes at 11:45 a. m.

You will enjoy the evening sermon better if you come and take part in the B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m. Theme for 7:30 p. m., "Obstacles to Conversions." You will enjoy the Christian life much better if you attend the prayer and social meetings on Thursday at 7:30 p. m.

Alto—The Union Sunday school picnic held last week at Campau lake was a great success. Bible school at 1:30 p. m.

Subject at 2:30 p. m., "Man Intended For Lofty Living." Do not fail to attend the prayer services each Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.

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Buy a Season Ticket and Save Money

You can buy a season ticket from the local committee for \$1.50 or at the gate for \$1.75. Adult single admission tickets, afternoon, 25 cents; evening, 35 cents, except on Band Day, when the afternoon admission will be 35 cents and the evening admission 50 cents. Thus if you expect to attend only part of the sessions it will pay you to buy a season ticket. Let some other member of your family or a friend use it when you can't go. All season tickets are transferable.

Children—Season tickets 75 cents from the local committee, \$1.00 at the gate. Single admission tickets 15 cents, both afternoon and evening, except Band Night, when the admission will be 25 cents.

Lowell Chautauqua Aug. 31 to Sept. 4

METHODIST CHURCH.

Morning class 10 a. m., D. O. Shear, leader.
Morning service 10:30, "Wanted, Harvest Help."
Sunday school, 11:45, Clarence Collar, supt.
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STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Twenty minutes after he had fallen from his own automobile Matthew Haller, a grocer, died in a hospital at Mt. Clemens. His widow and several children survive. Bay County is defendant in a suit for \$200 instituted by May Mueller, a nurse, who claims that amount is due her for attending a family that was unable to pay the bill. The suit is a test case. Roy Helms, 7 years old, entered the municipal swimming pool at Grand Rapids at a forbidden time—while the guard was at lunch—and was drowned. Stanley H. Howe, formerly of Albion college, has been appointed secretary of charities of New York city. While in college he won first honors in the national peace oratorical contest at Baltimore and went to The Hague to give his prize oration before the Hague peace tribunal. An order has been issued by the state railroad commissioner authorizing the Southern Michigan Telephone Co. to increase its rates for toll service. Oscar Doll, 21 years old, of Mt. Pleasant, was drowned in Coldwater lake while bathing, Sunday night. He had just recovered from typhoid fever and is believed to have been taken with cramps. Guy Gorton, eight years old, was drowned while swimming in Black river at Appleton. The lad suddenly cried for help while in the middle of the stream, and Ray Graham, a playmate, reached his side, but was unable to rescue the drowning boy because of the swift current. Graham had a hard fight to save himself.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN. The Circuit Court for the County of Kent is in session. Plaintiff vs. Defendant. No. 19,281. At a session of the said Court, held at the courthouse in the City of Grand Rapids in said County on the 15th day of July, A. D. 1925. Present: THE HONORABLE WILLIAM B. BROWN, CIRCUIT JUDGE. In this case, it appearing by affidavits on file, that the defendant, FRITZ MUTTI, is not a resident of this state and that it cannot be ascertained in what state or country he resides, the said Fritz Mutti, now resides. On motion of R. M. Shivel, Esquire, Solicitor for the Plaintiff, and that in case of his appearance in this cause within five months from the date of this order, and that in case of his failure to do so, a copy of this order be served upon the defendant, the said Fritz Mutti, within fifteen days after service on him of a copy of this order, and that the said Fritz Mutti, in default thereof, that the said bill be taken as confessed by the said defendant, Fritz Mutti, and it is further ordered that the said complaint cause this order to be published in the Lowell Ledger, a newspaper printed, published and circulating in said county and that said publication be commenced within twenty days from the date of this order, and that such publication be continued therein once in each week for six weeks in succession, or that the complaint cause a copy of this order to be personally served on the said defendant Fritz Mutti at least ten days before the time above prescribed for his appearance. William B. Brown, Circuit Judge.

State and General News Section of Ledger Compiled and Condensed for Readers of Lowell and Environs

TWO AMERICANS LOSE LIVES WHEN ARABIC SINKS

White Star Liner is Victim of German Submarine On Thursday

ALL BUT FOURTEEN OF FOUR HUNDRED ON BOARD SAVED

State Department at Washington Feels Tension of Situation But Will Not Act Until All Facts of Case Are Known.

Washington—While president Wilson and the state department were in a state of keen anxiety following the receipt of news of the sinking of the White Star Liner Arabic and the loss of two American lives, they let it be known that the government would not be drawn into any hasty action and that judgment would be reserved until all facts were known.

Ship Sunk by Submarine. London—At least fourteen persons, two of whom were Americans, lost their lives when the White Star Liner Arabic was torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine off Fastnet Thursday morning.

The two Americans who went down with the ship were Mrs. Josephine L. Bruguliere, of San Francisco, and Dr. Edmund T. Woods, of Wisconsin. Mrs. Bruguliere was thrown into the water and was kept afloat for some time by her son, Louis, who was forced to relinquish his hold when he was struck by a piece of wreckage. Nothing was seen of Dr. Wood after the steamer was struck.

Most of the missing members of the crew belonged to the engineer's staff. They remained at their posts and went down with the ship. Captain Finch and the other officers of the Arabic assert that the submarine gave them no warning. They declare the torpedo was fired as they were going to the rescue of the steamer Dunsley, which had just been torpedoed, presumably by the same submarine.

Prepared for Attack. That the loss of life was not heavier was due to the preparation made by the officers in view of the possibility of an attack while passing through the war zone, to the fine weather which prevailed and to the splendid discipline maintained by the crew. Life belts had been placed on the decks and the life-boats swung out. As soon as the ship was struck rats flew over the side. Many of the passengers and crew who were thrown into the water climbed on board these rafts or were dragged onto them by persons already on them.

The Americans who reached Queenstown were cared for by the United States consular. With the other passengers they left Ireland for England Friday night. They lost all their baggage and many of them wore bare feet. The Arabic carried 2,813 bags of mail, mostly for the United States. The mail included several hundred bags from Sweden, Norway, Holland, Switzerland, Spain and other countries.

The Arabic was one of 11 British steamers sunk during 48 hours. Many Survivors Suffer Wounds. Queenstown—The landing here of the survivors of the ill-fated White Star liner Arabic was a pitiable scene. All of them were scantily clothed and none had hat or head coverings of any kind.

A large number of the survivors were suffering from injuries to their heads and other wounds, or from shock and the effects of being forced to take to open boats scantily attired. Many women were in their berths when the liner was torpedoed and ran to the deck in their night clothing. These were provided with blankets and rafts by the crews of the rescue ships. A number of those saved were picked out of the water and arrived here in Queenstown gay and fresh. The American vice-consul here assisted the local authorities in aiding the survivors.

Captain Finch, who is suffering from injuries to his leg, said he did not see the submarine, but distinctly observed the torpedo approaching in the water. "It was then impossible to escape it," the captain said. "We had only eight minutes to get the boats away and save all on board."

Joseph Hanley, 13, was drowned in a mill pond in Grand River Wednesday, and his brother Wayne, aged 10, was rescued by employees of a flour mill. Neither could swim, and both got beyond their depth.

Maurice Nichols, 44 years old, Iowa farmer, fell into Leclaire lake while attempting to cast, and was drowned. Nichols was a brother-in-law of C. A. Gunther, wealthy Chicago candy manufacturer. Mrs. Nichols and her son were in Toledo at the time of Nichols' death.

The Shawwassee county Holstein breeders perfected a county organization at Owosso Friday with 40 charter members. B. H. Hardy, of Bennington, was chosen president. A movement was started to exhibit a herd at the state fair this year. As a result of the visit to Bay City of the United States mine rescue car a short time ago, a miners' ambulance association has been organized by the miners of Bay county. A complete rescue organization will be formed for each local mine. The operators are co-operating.

AMERICAN WOMAN GETS GOLD MEDAL FROM FRANCE



MRS. W. K. VANDERBILT.

Paris—The foreign office, upon recommendation of the ministry of war, has awarded a gold medal to Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt, of New York, president of the American committee for clothing the wounded. In conferring the medal the foreign office expresses appreciation of the services of Mrs. Vanderbilt, "whose active sympathies have so often come to the aid of our wounded."

ITALY AT WAR WITH TURKEY

Formal Declaration is Made After Short Cabinet Session On Saturday—Two Causes Are Cited.

Rome—Italy declared war on Turkey Saturday. The Turkish ambassador to Rome, Naby Bey, has been handed his passports and departed immediately for Switzerland. Marchese Garroni, the Italian ambassador to Constantinople, has been instructed to notify the Turkish government of Italy's intention and immediately to demand his right of safe conduct from the country.

The declaration came at the end of a short cabinet session. The Italian government had demanded that reservists of the Italian army be permitted to leave Turkey without restriction. In announcing the declaration of war the government cited two primary causes: The Turkish support of the revolt in Libya, and the prevention by Turkey of the departure of Italian residents in Syria.

Announcement of the new declaration of war was received with wild enthusiasm by the crowds that had gathered outside the government offices. During the session the populace, being well aware that an important decision would be made in all likelihood, awaited the news amid scenes of great excitement.

Another Dividend is Paid. Richmond—W. H. Acker, proprietor of the Richmond bank, now in liquidation, paid the second dividend of 25 per cent, making half the payments due depositors. About \$62,000 was on hand for the payment, and although no definite time is set for future dividends, Mr. Acker says, they will be paid as soon as money due on mortgages, etc., is called in.

Mr. Acker hopes that within a year from the date of liquidation that he will be able to pay all depositors.

ITEMS OF STATE INTEREST

The news from Washington that Donald R. Duncan, a midshipman, whose home is in Port Huron, had been acquitted by the court of inquiry into the "gouging" scandal in connection with the recent examinations, was received with much pleasure by relatives and friends in that city.

The Detroit & Mackinac railroad has asked the state railroad commission for permission to tear up 10 miles of its track. This consists of a branch southwest of Towar and the Dog Lake branch. The commission will grant the railroad's request unless there is a protest from property owners in the vicinity.

While bathing at Lakeside park at Port Huron Thursday evening, Miss Blanche Button, a telephone operator, went beyond her depth and was drowned.

The Michigan securities commission Friday held its last meeting under the law which created it in 1913. Between now and its next meeting next Friday, the "Blue Sky" law will go into effect and the entire procedure will change. Friday the commission approved the sale of securities of the Michigan Quiltire company of Detroit and the price.

Sunday Kervonen, Mass City farmer, Sube night accidentally shot his three-year-old daughter in the temple with a revolver while shooting at a stump to empty the weapon. The fatal shell was the last one in the weapon. Death was instantaneous. Mathon Hill, 30 years old, started Friday night from Belding to Ionia on a motorcycle. When two miles south of Orleans his machine struck a tree, throwing him off and crushing his forehead. He was found lying by the side of the road unconscious by Alva Hill, an Orlean farmer.

LETTER FROM STATE CAPITOL

RECEIPTS OF INSURANCE DEPARTMENT GREATEST IN ITS HISTORY.

ANNUAL REPORT IS FILED

Commissioner Winship Believes That Taking Insurance Premiums is Laying a Burden On Thrift and Prudence.

[By Gurd M. Hayes.]

Lansing—The gross receipts of the insurance department during the last fiscal year amounted to \$737,973.42, according to the annual report filed with Governor Ferris Saturday by Commissioner Winship. The total receipts last year were the greatest in the history of the insurance department. These receipts come from two sources: the taxation of the Michigan premiums of insurance companies of other states and foreign governments, the retaliatory fees exacted from companies of other states and foreign countries, and certain statutory fees. The former, amounting to \$686,094.32 is turned over to the primary school fund of the state, and the fees of both classes, amounting to \$51,879.10 are in part used for the payment of running expenses of the department.

"Inasmuch as the entire expenses of the department are less than the fees alone, it is seen, therefore, that the insurance department does not cost the taxpayers of Michigan one cent," said Commissioner Winship. "It is a great earning power in the matter of exacting a taxation upon premiums of insurance companies, yet I cannot help but believe that the whole system is wrong, for every dollar of tax on premiums exacted by the state is drawn from our own people by the companies in making up their premium rates. This would not be so bad were it drawn uniformly from all citizens, but it is only drawn from the present, those who realize the necessity of insurance, from an economic standpoint. It must be admitted that the taxation of insurance premiums is a tax upon thrift and prudence.

"So long as the department can be supported by the retaliatory fees exacted from insurance companies, there seems to be little practical sense in exacting the enormous taxation upon premium income from the companies, when it is positively known that the taxation cost and our own people pay it. If insurance were a luxury there might be an argument in favor of this peculiar method of doing business, but it is not a luxury. It is a necessity.

"Life insurance relieves the drain upon the poor funds of the various municipalities and counties, and upon the charitable institutions of the state, and as for fire insurance, its abandonment would stop the wheels of commerce. The retaliatory fees of the insurance department have had an additional drain placed upon them during the past few years, and it is growing year by year, as the fire marshal's bureau is developing. The appropriation for that bureau is derived from this fund, and were it not that the Michigan insurance commission is conducted more economically than any other state in the union, in the same rank of premiums collected and elaboration of supervision, we would not be able to meet the demands of the department and of the fire marshal's bureau out of this fund.

"While our net receipts have been greater by \$21,400.87 than last year, our net disbursements have been \$1,681.82 less. The disbursements for the year were increased by an item of \$3,094.46 that has no connection with this year's operation of the department, as this sum was a refund of taxes collected a few years ago, in compliance with the decision of the supreme court that they were illegally collected.

"As the department grows in efficiency, its expenses will necessarily increase. The passing of certain laws by the last legislature will necessarily require the operation of certain machinery, if best results are to be obtained, that will cost money, and it is this specific situation that causes me to feel that the next legislature ought to relieve the insurance department of the burden of supporting the fire marshal's bureau."

Railroad Commissioner Charles Cunningham, who returned Friday from the northern parts of the state where he has inspected the railroads of the upper peninsula, says that the roads in that section of the state are in better condition than last year as regards the physical property, although the earnings have been somewhat reduced.

Commissioner Cunningham says that township highway commissioners should have a tendency to reduce the number of crossing accidents. He says that this would be a good system for township commissioners to establish throughout the lower peninsula.

Although the bill introduced during the last session by Representative Dr. Nicholas Gruesel, the former Lansing druggist who was returned to Ionia prison in February, 1914, for violation of his parole will have to serve the remainder of his term, as the state pardon board has refused to recommend his release. Gruesel was on parole when he was charged with illegal sales of drugs last year. Unless he receives a good time allowance Gruesel's term will not expire until 1922.

The Michigan live stock sanitary commission has just completed the investigation of several cases of diseases among Grafton county cattle. In each case it was found that the cattle were suffering from what is known as hemorrhagic septicaemia.

Reports have it that many cattle through central Michigan are suffering from the same disease. It is the same one that has been causing so much trouble in Saginaw county of late, and which proved so puzzling to the Saginaw county officials.

As near as has been ascertained the disease is the result of the cattle eating forage which owing to the extreme wet weather, was unfit for feed.

The state game warden says that every person hunting ducks or other wild water fowl when the season opens September 1, must obtain a license. Game Warden Oates calls attention to the new law whereby the rabbit and partridge season opens October 1.

The state live stock sanitary commission received reports that black leg has been discovered among cattle near Bentley, Bay county. This disease is first noticeable by a swelling in the hind legs of the cattle, causing death almost immediately. It is stated that the wet weather is responsible for the disease. Although six cattle have already died from black leg, officials believe that they will be able to check its spread. The disease has appeared in but one herd.

Watkins of Grand Rapids, which will become a law the latter part of this month, authorizes the governor to name a commission to investigate the administration of the present laws relative to the relief of the poor, it is doubtful whether this commission will ever be named. The bill requires the appointment of a commission of five by the governor whose duty it will be to hold meetings in various parts of the state, and prepare a report for the next legislature. However, the legislature while passing the bill neglected to make an appropriation and as provision is made for the expenses of the members of the commission, they will have to pay their own expenses if they care to serve. It is not believed that Governor Ferris will succeed in meeting five persons to devote their time to this proposition.

Although Secretary Burkart of the state board of health declared that the case of pellagra reported from Hancock a few days ago was the first to come to the attention of Michigan medical authorities, the mortality report for July just issued by Secretary of State Vaughan shows that one death resulted from pellagra in Michigan last month. A further investigation into the records of the state department show that four deaths from pellagra were reported in Michigan last year.

During the month of July 2,932 deaths were reported to the state department. This corresponds to an annual death of 11.4 per 1,000 estimated population. Among the deaths recorded were 593 infants under one year of age and 144 deaths of children ranging from one to four years in age. Tuberculosis in its various forms caused the deaths of 237 persons last month. Cancer caused the death of 216 and 215 deaths were due to violence. The total number of births reported for July was 6,308, an increase of 37 over the month of June.

Insurance Commissioner Winship is not a coward but he believes in playing safe where leprosy is concerned and the efforts of a University of Michigan physician to send an insurance policy held by the Cass county to the state insurance office for examination, were met with a courteous refusal by Commissioner Winship.

It appears that there was some dispute as to the amount the company should pay in sick benefits to the leper and the university physician wrote Commissioner Winship that he would fumigate the policy and send it to Lansing to be examined by the insurance commissioner.

"Don't send that policy to Lansing," "I'll get a duplicate from the company," was the prompt reply that Commissioner Winship wired to the physician in charge of the case.

In an opinion to State Oil Inspector Barron, the attorney general says that the anti-discriminatory law of Michigan does not apply to competition between two firms operating in the same town.

After a local dealer receives a consignment of oil he may retail it at a lower figure than his competitor if he sees fit. The anti-discriminatory act seeks to prevent big companies from charging different prices for a product in towns equally distant from a central distributing point, where there is no difference in freight rates and selling conditions are about the same.

This recalls to mind a measure that General Manager Towley, of the Ann Arbor lines, tried to have put through the legislature last winter, but which the legislature frowned on, alleging it would be too much expense to the various counties. At that time it was argued that as the railroads place danger signs near the crossings it would be a good thing for the county commissioners to do their part and place signs at a distance from dangerous crossings.

The railroad commission has no jurisdiction in having such signs placed. Commissioner Cunningham says that the passenger traffic of the upper peninsula railroads is not up to normal. Through freight business, he also says, is not as good as usual. The commissioner states that the railroads of the north have suffered this year on account of a falling off of the resort business due to the cold weather.

To Study Trade Regulations. Washington—An investigation of the tariff laws and customs regulations of the tariff laws and customs regulations of South and Central American countries by the federal trade commission was announced Sunday as a step in the government's efforts to promote reciprocal trade relations between the United States and Latin America.

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San Francisco—Cincinnati was named as the place for the 1916 convention and Robert H. Bean, of Boston, was elected president at the closing session of the thirteenth annual convention of the American Institute of Banking.

El Paso, Tex.—Reports from the south Friday state that the City of Durango, occupied August 13 by a raiding party of Arrieta and Carranza forces, aided by a revolt of the Villa troops, has been reconquered by Villa forces from Torreon without a fight.

STATE INSURANCE PAYS DIVIDENDS

FIFTEEN PER CENT EARNED FOR EMPLOYERS BY NEW YORK FUND.

PLAN IS A GREAT SUCCESS

Surplus to Policy Holders for First Year is \$370,829 After All Losses Are Paid and Setting Up Reserve.

New York—The directors of the state insurance fund, organized to insure employers under the employers' liability law, announce that dividends averaging about 15 per cent have been declared to policy holders on the second six months' term ending June 30.

The average dividend on the first six months was nearly 20 per cent, but the reduction of 12 per cent which went into effect on January 1. The net cost of insurance to policyholders was 7 per cent less for the second term than for the first.

Dividends were declared in all the 42 groups of employment enumerated in the act, the highest dividend being 20 per cent paid in the light manufacturing groups. In the heavier manufacturing, building construction, mining, quarrying and lumbering industries 13 per cent is paid and the lowest rate 5 per cent, is paid in the transportation, (public utilities and miscellaneous trades.

The fund earned a surplus to policy holders of \$370,829 on the first year's business after paying all losses and setting up a loss reserve of \$621,883 and a catastrophe surplus of \$109,111. The expense for the 12 months amounted to \$207,100 or 17 per cent of the earned premiums. The loss ratio for the first year was 64.7 per cent.

EXPORTS SHOW GREAT GAIN

Bank Report at New York Gives Figures for Month of August.

New York—The current statement issued by the foreign trade department of the National City bank shows that the exports from the port of New York for the week ending August 14 were \$31,800,000 against \$10,725,000 for the corresponding week of last year, or nearly three times as great.

For the full month of June, the same compilation shows, the export trade from all ports of the United States was 70 per cent greater than in June of last year, manufacturers exported in June amounting to \$150,000,000 against \$90,000,000 in June of last year and foodstuffs to \$72,000,000 against \$31,000,000 in June, 1914, the percentage in gain in foodstuffs being greater than in manufacturers.

Venezolas Premier of Greece.

London—Eleutheros Venezolas accepted the post of premier of Greece, after a conference Sunday with King Constantine, which resulted in a perfect understanding between them. The king congratulated M. Venezolas, who will present as soon as possible the list of men he will invite to accept portfolios. Athens is enthusiastically celebrating M. Venezolas's return to power.

This information is contained in a dispatch from Athens. In addition to the premiership, M. Venezolas will take charge of the ministry of foreign affairs.

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Seen and Heard in Michigan

Potoskey.—The state tax commission has increased the assessed valuation of Emmet county by \$3,000,000, making it approximately \$15,000,000.

Grand Rapids.—Gaining entrance through a rear doorway, thieves entered the West drug store, at 306 Monroe avenue, and rifled three cash registers of \$60 in change.

Easton Rapids.—The cucumber crop here, on account of so much rain, is coming on so fast that another installment of Belgians has been brought in to assist in harvesting the pickles on the acreage here and at Onondaga.

Hillsdale.—Rev. Frank B. Haggard, pastor of the Warren Avenue Baptist church in Detroit, has been given a call to become pastor of the Hillsdale College church at a salary of \$1,300 a year.

Flint.—Carl Burdick and his young child narrowly escaped death when an automobile in which they were riding collided with a Pere Marquette switch engine and was carried several feet along the tracks.

Lansing.—Ingham county wets are planning to submit to the supervisors in October petitions asking for a vote on the local option at the spring election in 1916. Petitions now are being circulated in the city and rural districts.

Bellaire.—Because he couldn't reconcile Socialism and the European war, Ernest L. Blaudoux, a well-to-do farmer, killed himself in Bellaire by shooting himself in the head. He had been much agitated since a recent lecture here by Miss Nellie Zay.

Kalamazoo.—Fred Zinn, a Galesburg boy who enlisted last fall in the French army, in a letter to friends in this city tells of the activity of the firing squads in the French army because of fear of German spies. "They shoot first and ask questions afterwards," in his description of it.

Hillsdale.—Elliott Green of Montgomery was sentenced to the house of correction at Detroit for 100 days for Judge Guy M. Chester on the charge of violating the local liquor law. He is alleged to have sold liquor to Ross Donley of Montgomery during the recent trispartite soldiers and sailors' encampment.

Muskegon.—Rudolph A. Satriani, Chicago bandit who confessed to a hold-up campaign here, implicating James H. Joslin, a local lawyer man, was sentenced to four to ten years in Ionia by Circuit Judge James E. Sullivan. Satriani's effort to implicate Joslin fell so far short that the charge against him will be dropped.

Cadillac.—With a half-dozen boys looking admiringly at him and urging him to "make a high dive," Neil Davis, seventeen, dove to death from a spile in Lake Cadillac. The body was recovered. The dead boy was the oldest of a family of six children. His father died two years ago and Neil was the chief contributor to the support of his little brothers and sisters.

Port Huron.—Miss Blanche Dutton, twenty years old, a telephone operator of this city, was drowned while bathing at Lakeside park. Miss Dutton, accompanied by a number of young ladies, had spent an afternoon at the park and organized a bathing party. Miss Dutton went beyond her depth and sank. Strikers of her companions brought several men, but it took some time to locate her body. A pulmonar failed to revive her.

Grand Rapids.—Deputy Sheriff Bert Hayes is blamed for the death of Dr. John Vandenberg, in an automobile wreck near Reed's lake August 2, in the verdict of a coroner's jury here. Doctor Vandenberg was riding with Hayes when the latter's machine crashed into another driven by Ward Benton. Following the inquest, prosecuting Attorney Barnard announced that he would urge the state legislature to require dimmers on auto lights in the country as well as in the city.

Grand Rapids.—Capt. William A. Loutit, eighty-two years old, replied to be the wealthiest resident of Ottawa county, was married here August by Justice Loucks, but the marriage was kept secret until the venerable capitalist returned to his home in Grand Haven with his bride, Mrs. Anna E. Hincken-Loutit of Grand Rapids, fifty-eight years old. Captain Loutit made his money in the lumber business. He is the father of W. H. Loutit, president of the West Michigan Pike association.

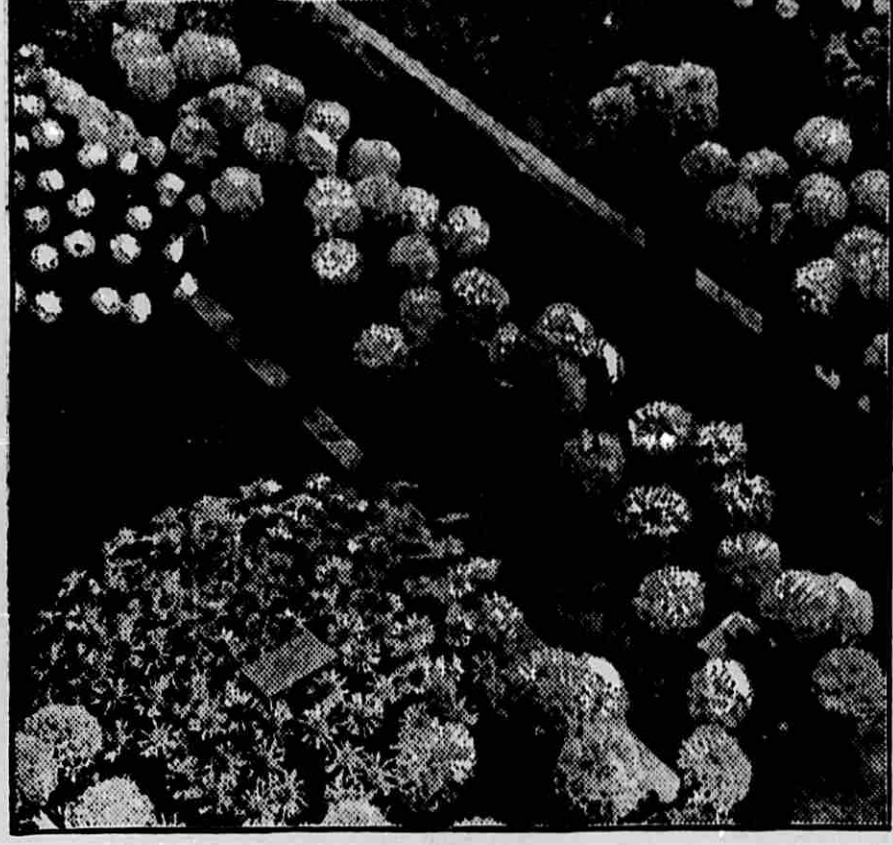
Battle Creek.—Justice Clyde Eberstein of the municipal court started a new kind of local option campaign when he fined C. A. Vansell and Earnest Caldwell \$10 each with costs of \$4.20. The wealthy residents of Ottawa county, was married here August by Justice Loucks, but the marriage was kept secret until the venerable capitalist returned to his home in Grand Haven with his bride, Mrs. Anna E. Hincken-Loutit of Grand Rapids, fifty-eight years old. Captain Loutit made his money in the lumber business. He is the father of W. H. Loutit, president of the West Michigan Pike association.

Ewen.—While lower Michigan farmers have been wallowing in rainstorms all season and the southern part of the upper peninsula has even had a snowstorm, Ontonagon county has been enjoying fine weather and the farmers have harvested good crops.

Flint.—Tony Parines, an Italian army reservist who had planned to leave in response to a call to the colors, was delayed by being arrested on drunk charge as the result of a fare well party given by fellow countrymen Sunday. He paid a fine of \$10 and will leave Wednesday.

THE HOME BEAUTIFUL

Flowers and Shrubbery
Their Care and Cultivation



Asters suffer from black beetle.

SEASONABLE SUGGESTIONS

By EBEN E. REXFORD.
Keep watch of your asters, "in such an hour as you know not" the maggot may attack them. It is better, however, to act on the belief that this enemy is sure to come, and take measures to head him off.
Work wood ashes into the soil about the plants, and remove a little soil immediately about the base of each plant and scatter tobacco dust there liberally. This will not injure the plant, but it may discourage the pest in its effort to get at the base of it. Of late, many collections of asters have been ruined by this grub.
The plant will look perfectly healthy today; tomorrow it will have a withered appearance and the next day it will be yellow, and if you take hold of it top and give a slight pull, off it will come close to the ground.
Examination will show that it has been eaten into at that point. Wood ashes are the best preventive of its attacks of anything I have used, and I would change the location of the bed yearly.
Another aster trouble to guard against is the black beetle. This pest comes suddenly, does its ruinous work rapidly, and often injures your plants beyond the prospect of recovery before you are aware of its arrival. Here is where the necessity of keeping watch of them comes in.
When the first beetle is discovered, prepare an emulsion after the following formula: One-half pound of any good, white soap, reduced to a liquid by melting.
One teaspoonful of kerosene.
Let the soap, to which a little water may be added while it is melting, come to a boil, then add the kerosene; remove from the stove and stir vigorously while the mixture is cooling. A sort of jelly will result. Use a part of this to ten parts of water. Stir well to make sure that the emulsion unites with the water and apply as a spray. Use it liberally all over the plant, and repeat the application frequently. Prompt and persistent efforts are needed to rout this voracious enemy.

NEW HYBRID CARNATIONS

By L. M. BENNINGTON.
Thanks to the skill of the hybridist, we now have races of lovely, fragrant, ever-blooming carnations, dwarf and bushy in growth, that show buds and flowers in four or five months after the seeds are sown.
The flowers, too, are not only borne in abundance, but are of all the leading shades of color, from white through shades of pink to dark crimson, and from cream to bright yellow, as well as striped and blotched.
These new carnations are as easily grown as Japan pinks. The seeds may be sown in a box in the window during March or April, and the plants set out where they are to bloom when the weather becomes warm and settled.
Give them a sunny bed, and if you wish a fine show of flowers from each plant, pinch off the first stem that pushes up to bloom. This will cause the plant to stool out, and develop several stalks, each of which will bear a cluster of buds and flowers.
A rich, rather tenacious soil suits the plants, and they should stand eight inches apart in the row or bed.
For winter blooming sow the seeds in May or June and grow in pots, shift-

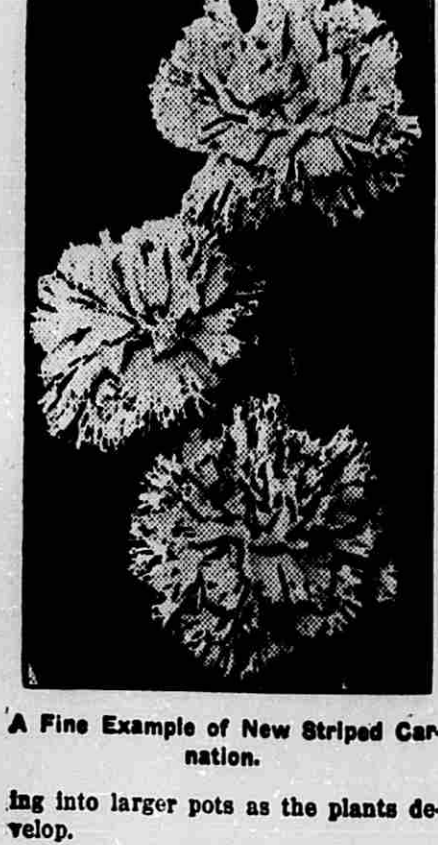
FLOWER LIST FOR AMATEUR

By L. R. O'BRIEN.
Among the most desirable plants for the amateur I would place the sweet pea first.
This flower has great value both for garden decoration and also for cutting. If care is taken not to allow it to develop seed, it will blossom during the entire season.
Plant at least three inches deep and as early as possible. Be sure and give a support of brush or of wire netting. The brush is preferable.
Among the old standbys is the petunia, which begins to bloom in June and keeps on blooming until frost. The flowers are showy and easily grown.
Floxy drummondii and the verbenas are both profuse bloomers with a wide range of color and no garden should be without them.
Nasturtium, calliopsis, the poppy and marigold are old tried and true favorites and should not be overlooked.
The most fragrant flowers, the mignonette, the pansy, the ten week stock, the aster and the snapdragon should all find a place in the garden, however small it may be. A corner of bachelor's button, the ragged robin, requires little care and makes a glorious splash of color.
These are all old favorites, all are good, easily grown, and all are kinds that the beginner in gardening will soon get on friendly terms with.
Blackberries.
But the real greatness of a blackberry is in the eating it fresh from the bush. It does not need sugar and cream. It does not need anything but a thumb and finger and a mouth. The mushy ones that grow big in the shade may be improved by doctoring, but the firm ones of moderate size that grow in the open fields are not susceptible of improvement by human art. We knew a man, raised in the country in middle Tennessee, who came back from Oklahoma in his old age just to fill himself once more with blackberries as they grow. Nobody who knows what real blackberries are would think him foolish. A man might almost come back from paradise for a feast like that.



Snapdragon One of the Old-Fashioned Favorites.

A FINE EXAMPLE OF NEW STRIPED CARNATION



A Fine Example of New Striped Carnation.

PRUNE THE SHRUBS

Keep watch of your shrubs and do whatever pruning seems necessary now, rather than to let them go on, and complete the growth of the season, and then after a large amount of vitality has been expended in the development of the branch, to cut it away. Always aim to throw the energy of any plant into development that will be permanent and thus avoid wasting its efforts.—E. E. R.

GIVE PLANTS ROOM

Do not plant flower-pots too close together. Verbena should be at least 18 inches apart; petunias the same; phlox a foot; balsam a foot; pansies 10 inches; zinnias 18 inches; marigolds 2 feet; poppies 10 inches. If flowers are too close in the bed they will not make as thrifty a growth nor will the flowers be as large and plentiful.

FOUR THOUSAND LANGUAGES

Most people are so sparing of the use of languages other than their own that they have little idea that there are more than 4,000 languages in the world. There are six languages common in Austria-Hungary, and Emperor Franz Josef is master of most of them. It is said that there are 60 vocabularies in Brazil. In Mexico the Nahuatl is spoken in 700 dialects. There are hundreds in Borneo while in Australia there is no counting of the dialects.

PESTS ALWAYS WITH US

"When a large crowd is trying to get out of a hall," says a Central States editor, "did you ever notice how many of the crowd are like the flies?"

MICHIGAN EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

By FRED L. KEELER
STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION

From "Michigan—The Land of Plenty." In a comparative study of the 48 states by the Russell Sage Foundation, Michigan, considered from the various educational standpoints, is accorded a place above the average. The educational conditions are such as to be worthy of considerable pride to the citizens. There is no other public interest in the state to be compared to that of the public schools. President Emeritus Angell of the University of Michigan declares that the people of Michigan have a "veritable passion for education."

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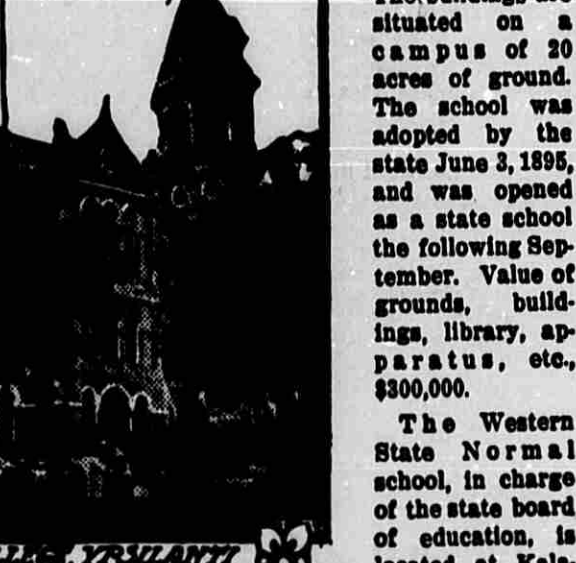
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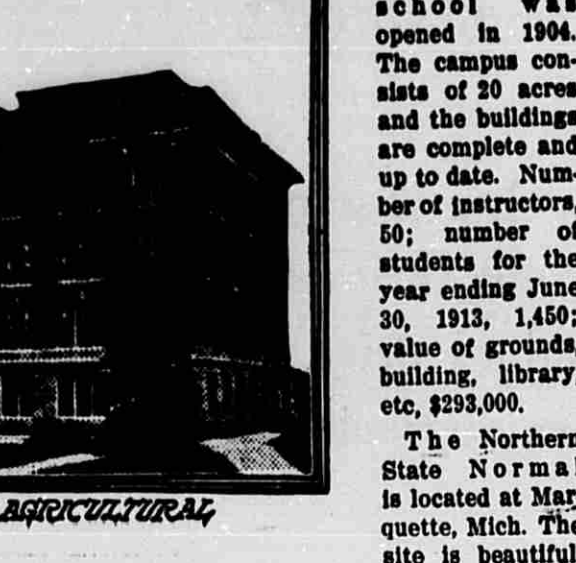
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STATE NORMAL COLLEGE, Ypsilanti



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completed in 1908. The buildings are situated on a campus of 30 acres of ground. The school was adopted by the state June 3, 1895, and was opened as a state school the following September. Value of grounds, buildings, library, apparatus, etc., \$300,000.

The Western State Normal school, in charge of the state board of education, is located at Kalamazoo. The school was opened in 1904. The campus consists of 20 acres and the buildings are complete and up to date. Number of instructors, 50; number of students for the year ending June 30, 1913, 1,450; value of grounds, building, library, etc., \$293,000.

The Northern State Normal is located at Marquette, Mich. The site is beautiful, overlooking Lake Superior. The campus consists of twenty acres, part of which has been laid out in beautiful grounds and part of which has been left in its natural state. The buildings are new, constructed of Marquette sandstone, complete and well equipped. Departments: drawing, English, expression, geography, German and French, Latin, history, kindergarten, mathematics, music, natural science, physical science, physical training, psychology and education, sociology, domestic art and science, training school department. The school was established by act No. 51 of the public acts of 1899.

The Michigan College of Mines is a state institution, located at Houghton. The object of the college is to educate men to assist in the development of the mineral wealth of the country, in which work it has been eminently successful. It was opened for students first in 1856, and since 1890 it has been one of the largest and most prominent mining schools in the country, its graduates holding prominent positions. It is situated among active mines, mills and smelters, to all of which it has access for the training of its students, and of such facilities it makes constant use. The course of study is eminently practical. For this reason many mature men come to it for instruction. It has ten large and well equipped buildings for use in its technical work. The College of Mines is under charge of a board of control consisting of six members appointed by the governor. Each of the present members of the board is prominent in the mining industry of the state. Its course of instruction covers mathematics, physics, chemistry, assaying, metallurgy, drafting, civil, mining, mechanical and electrical engineering, hydraulics, ore dressing, mineralogy, petrology, geology, etc.

The State Normal college, located at Ypsilanti, Washtenaw county, was established in 1849. Its first cost was \$25,000, and the present valuation of the property \$650,000. The school is under the control of the state board of education, the members of which are elected by the people for a term of six years.

Its sole purpose is to furnish competent teachers for the several grades of the state's public schools. Its enrollment is made up chiefly of high school graduates, and numbers annually 1,600 in collegiate department. For several years the graduating class has averaged about seven hundred, three-fourths of whom have taken the life certificate course. Teachers are prepared to do critic and supervisory work in the grades, for special departments in high and normal schools and for college teaching. The present faculty numbers 88.

The Central Michigan Normal school, in charge of the state board of education, was started by private enterprise and is located in the city of Mount Pleasant, Isabella county, and consists of a commodious building capable of accommodating 700 students. In 1901, a new training school building and a large addition to the original building were erected. The legislature of 1905 appropriated \$25,000 for a central heating and lighting plant. This plant is in operation and light the present buildings and any building that may subsequently be erected on the campus. In 1907 the legislature appropriated \$50,000 for a physical training building which was

financed the scheme and Holland designed a boat which for several months entertained the people on the waters around New York. The Fenians had done everything they could to keep the thing a secret, though rumors of the usual "British spies" were numerous. Occasionally an excursion boat or a tug would be amazed to see a peculiar contrivance suddenly stick its head out of the waters; there were stories that it was a sea serpent or a whale or a devil. When the con-

ing tower opened, however, and Holland's good natured Irish face suddenly peered out on the outside world, the mystery was explained. The inventor had no difficulty in operating in all the waters about New York; his boat handled easily, deftly and safely, the only trouble being, as always, with the engine. The newspapers, which depicted columns to his under-water voyage, dubbed the vessel the Fenian Ram, a name more picturesque than descriptive, as it was not a ram at all, but a torpedo boat.

Popular Demand.
"Do you prefer a story with a moral?" queried the young writer.
"Personally, I do," replied the man behind the blue pencil, "but it is the story with an immoral that catches the crowds nowadays."
A Disillusionment.
"I had a shock after our minister declared that men are what they eat."
"What was the shock?"
"He refused my angel cake and took the deviled crabs."

MODISH AND PRETTY

NEUTRAL TONES ARE DECIDEDLY ATTRACTIVE.

Also There is Enough Variety to Enable Any Woman to Make a Selection That Will Please Permanently.
If you prefer a dark coloring for your new silk dress, are tired of blue and do not want black, there are such lovely neutral tones to choose from, such as gun-metal gray, very dark blue greens and the almost black shade of brown known as tete de negre, and seal brown. This is a very modish color, and when touched up with a bit of enlivening color of white to relieve the neck and sleeve ends some very rich effects can be achieved.

The illustrated design is a splendid one for a development in seal brown, with an interesting vest-drip, and sleeves of cream-colored taffeta striped with lapis-lazuli blue.
There is a high-necked gumpie of white Georgette crepe, shirred at the neck and wrists to give a generous fullness. Trills of self-material add a soft finish at the top of the collar and sleeve ends. Over the gumpie is worn the attractive jumper blouse of brown taffeta, widely open in front, slashed over the shoulders and bloused over the top of the striped girdle. The under elbow-length sleeves of striped silk must be attached to the gumpie. A close row of silver buttons trims the center of the draped girdle, to whose lower edge the tunic and drop skirt are applied with a cord finish and narrow heading of plaited silk. China silk will do for the drop skirt, to which the two lower flounces are sewed. They are circular flounces and finished with narrow plaited ruffles of the goods.

The tunic is a little below knee length, and similarly bordered with a narrow plaiting. Unlike the two



Splendid Design for Seal Brown Taffeta.

floances, it is not circular, but is evenly gathered around the hips. The same design may be used for a thin wash fabric, such as voile, organza or crepe de chine.

ROSE COLOR FIRST IN FAVOR
Most Attractive Shade is Given Preference Over All Others, at the Present Moment.
Rose linen is a favorite and rose mull and sweaters in rose and pink and white embroidery, rose net embroidered in silver, rose girdle and rose garlands are everywhere. And as for millinery, the rosy hats are "all over the place."

Most fascinating to wear with lingerie gowns are rose taffeta jackets. They are made in a number of beguiling ways. Some are short Eton and others come well below the waist. On the rose-trimmed hats the roses are used in large single ones or wreaths about the crown. A whole crown of them is sometimes used. From the handsome full-blown variety to the weeniest buds are employed. Even the wild rose is often pressed flat against the crown in delightful effect.

The rosiest of hems of taffeta is used on frocks of chiffon, net or embroidery. Sometimes, too, the only rose the gown may show will be in the hem itself.
The rose applique trimming used now is not like the old-fashioned applique. It is far more graceful and has almost the effect of painting. Perhaps the reason that older women may venture into pink these days is because there are so many more with gray hair and pink cheeks.

Rose is the first choice in dance frocks, and rose color means anything from deep American beige to the palest pink.
To Restore Worn Leather.
Leather hand bags, purses, card cases and belts, if black, can be restored to original beauty in the following manner: Buy a tube of Ivory-black oil paint and apply it to the leather by rubbing it in with a piece of old stocking. It should be used generously and rubbed in vigorously, so as to leave no noticeable residue. Let it stand 24 hours and if the surface of the leather is rough, polish with a piece of old Turkish toweling. Let it stand another 24 hours, and if the dye will be permanently set and none will rub off even on white gloves. By the same method a number of coats would be necessary. Each coat should be given 24 hours to dry, and each coat must be polished before another is applied. The degree of polish depends on the amount of rubbing.—The Ladies' World.

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MOST USEFUL LETTER BOARD

Simple Contrivance of Especial Service Where There Are Many Members of the Household.

Our sketch shows a useful article to prepare for hanging upon the wall at some convenient spot in the hall of a boarding house, or where there are many members in a family. For its construction, in the first place a piece of thin board measuring 18 inches in length and 8 inches in width will be

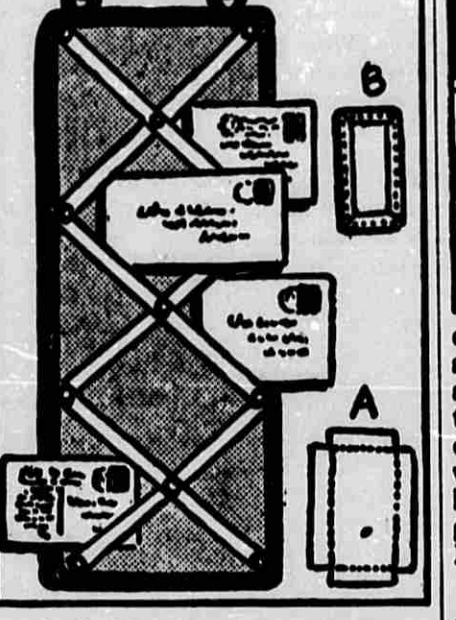


Diagram A shows the shape in which the casing cloth should be cut; the spaces enclosed by the dotted lines corresponding in size with the surface of the board. Diagram B shows the back with the four flaps folded over and tacked down. Across the front of the board bands of broad white elastic are fastened on with small brass-headed nails, the nails being inserted at each end of each band and also at the points where the bands cross each other.

The rack is finished off at the edges with a dark green cord, and by suspending it from nails in the wall two ordinary picture rings are screwed in to the upper edge.

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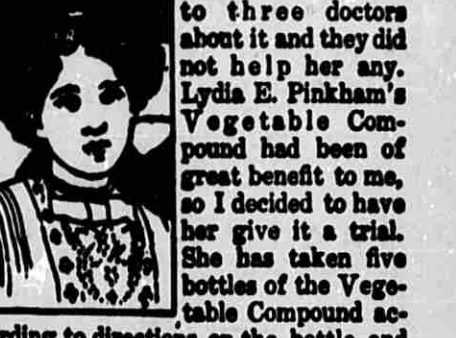
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Tells How Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound Restored Her Daughter's Health.



Flower, Iowa.—"From a small child my 18 year old daughter had female weakness. I spoke to three doctors about it and they did not help her any. Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound had been of great benefit to me, so I decided to have her give it a trial. She has taken five bottles of the Vegetable Compound according to directions on the bottle and she is cured of this trouble. She was all run down when she started taking the Compound and her periods did not come right. She was so poorly and weak that I often had to help her dress herself, but now she is regular and is growing strong and healthy."—Mrs. MARTIN HELVIG, Flower, Iowa.

Hundreds of such letters expressing gratitude for the good Lydia E. Pinkham's vegetable compound has accomplished are constantly being received, proving the reliability of this grand old remedy.
If you are ill do not drag along and continue to suffer day in and day out but once take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, a woman's remedy for woman's ills.
If you want special advice write to Lydia E. Pinkham Medicine Co. (confidential) Lynn, Mass. Your letter will be opened, read and answered by a woman and held in strict confidence.

Make the Liver Do its Duty
Nine times in ten when the liver is right the stomach and bowels are right. CARTER'S LITTLE LIVER PILLS gently but firmly compel a lazy liver to do its duty. Cures Constipation, Indigestion, Sick Headache, and Distress After Eating. SMALL PILL, SMALL DOSE, SMALL PRICE. Genuine must bear Signature.



SKY MARAUDER IN AIRSHAFT
Birds Cling Fearfully to Fire Escape While Sparrow Hawk Hovers Near.
A servant maid in an apartment on the fourth floor of the Victoria, at Riverside drive and Ninety-seventh street, opened the kitchen window Monday morning and wondered why dozens of sparrows that were huddling on fire escape and window sill did not take fright and scurry away. Then she glanced outward and upward into the airshaft and discovered the reason.

A sparrow hawk, sun glinting on its wings, was wheeling rapidly high up in the airshaft, but below the roof level. Occasionally, when the marauder's keen eye glimpsed a sparrow which hadn't taken refuge it darted like a flash. Twice while the maid watched the hawk made a capture and soared out of the airshaft.

The air shaft worked for about two hours and disappeared shortly before noon, but it was at least half an hour later when the plump, brown sparrows recovered from the terror caused by the hawk's appearance.

Wash day is smile day if you use Red Cross Ball Blue, American made, therefore the best made. Adv.
No Bookworm.
"What works on political economy have you read?"
"None," replied Senator Borah.
"Political economy is a science that tells you how a government ought to be run, but it doesn't tell you how to get the votes that will enable you to run it."
"Two-Way" Masons.
Members of the Chicago Craftsmen chapter of Operative Masons are Masons in two senses of the word. They are bricklayers and stone masons and are members of the Masonic order.

Proof Positive.
White—Is Brown an optimist?
Black—Just now he is! He has just put in his garden seeds.
Contrary to popular belief, a woman never gives a piece of her mind. She hands him the whole business.

That Knife-Like Pain
Have you a lame back, aching day and night? Do you feel sharp pains after stooping? Are the kidneys sore? Is their action irregular? Do you have headaches, backaches, rheumatic pains, feel tired, nervous, all worn-out? Use Doan's Kidney Pills—the medicine recommended by so many people in this locality. Read the experience that follows:
A Michigan Case
Ambrose Hatfield, Brook St., Easton, Mich., says: "My kidneys were disordered and I was tortured by sharp pains in my back. As I got older, the trouble increased and the pains went up into my limbs and shoulders. I was weak and depressed and could not get around. After other medicines failed I tried Doan's Kidney Pills. They restored me to good health. My strength came back and I was able to return to work. Free from pain."
Get Doan's Any Store, 50c a Box
DOAN'S KIDNEY PILLS
FOSTER-MILBURN CO., BUFFALO, N. Y.

Safe and Sure
should be your relief from indigestion, biliousness, or constipation. Known to be reliable and famous for their prompt and certain efficacy—
Beecham's Pills
Largest Sale of Any Medicine in the World. Sold everywhere. In 10c, 25c.

HOLLAND WAS A FENIAN

With His First Submarine He Hoped to Destroy the British Fleet.

John P. Holland, the inventor of the modern submarine, was an ardent advocate of freedom for Ireland, says a writer in the July World's Work. With this end in view he allied himself with the Fenian movement in America and designed for them a type of vessel with which he hoped to destroy England's fleet. The Fenians financed the scheme and Holland designed a boat which for several months entertained the people on the waters around New York. The Fenians had done everything they could to keep the thing a secret, though rumors of the usual "British spies" were numerous. Occasionally an excursion boat or a tug would be amazed to see a peculiar contrivance suddenly stick its head out of the waters; there were stories that it was a sea serpent or a whale or a devil. When the con-

DOG SAVES MAN FROM BULL

Pet Seizes Influrated Animal's Nose While Master Takes to His Heels.

F. O. Spotts, a wealthy business man of Tarentum, owes his life to the prowess of his pet bulldog Ben. A Pittsburgh dispatch to the Philadelphia Record says:
"While passing the stables of H. A. Froy when a vicious bull broke out into the street. Efforts to lasso

the infuriated animal were fruitless and Spotts, with several others, gave chase. Just before reaching Bull creek the animal turned on Spotts, who was leading the pursuers, and dashed for him with head lowered. Spotts dodged the first onslaught, but in doing so slipped and would have been gored to death in another minute had not his pet bulldog Ben grabbed the bull by the nose and, despite all efforts to dislodge him, held on while his master got him out of harm's way. The bull was killed.

SOMETIME among the ruins of an ancient land, a temple will be weathered sacred to Success, and high over the altar, hewn into living rock, these lines:

"I exist only in Man—I am Human Will. All who doubt themselves destroy me; they who believe, achieve." *Herbert Kaufman*

Human Will built the Panama Canal.
Human Will harnessed the falls of Niagara.
Have you enough of it to start?

LOWELL STATE BANK
LOWELL, MICHIGAN
INTEREST ON SAVINGS
A BANK ACCOUNT

Hakes' auto livery, phone 35. Charles Cuddeback spent Sunday in Petoskey.

F. G. Hoffman was home from Grand Rapids over Sunday.

Latest barrettes, forward and back combs at Weekes'. adv

Miss Frances Leonard is spending her vacation in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. White and children spent Sunday in Portland.

Miss Vera Loucks spent a few days last week with friends in Ionia.

Miss Susie Elmondorf of Saranac visited relatives here over Sunday.

El. Walker spent Sunday with his wife and daughter in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Strong and baby were in Grand Rapids Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Lewis of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with their parents here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Simpson of Grand Rapids spent Sunday at the Althen home.

Mrs. Robert Cahoon and son Lionel of Eureka spent Saturday with Jesse Cahoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kenyon of Freeport spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chester Leary.

Get our prices on sash, window and door frames. Westfield & Fall River Lumber Co. tf

Mrs. Henry Klooster and sons of Muskegon spent last week at the home of Henry Visser.

Miss Bertha Visser returned Tuesday from a ten-day visit at Holland and Grand Rapids.

Get a Fall Style Book 20c, with free pattern at Weekes'. adv

Misses Grace and Gretchen Heing of Terre Haute are visiting Elmer Richmond and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Parker and daughter Irene of Ionia visited relatives here over Sunday.

New buttons at Weekes'. adv

Mrs. R. M. Johnson and baby returned to Alma Tuesday after two weeks' visit with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Andrews and baby of Clarksville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John L. Andrews.

Christopher Leonard and Harold and Manning Jones are enjoying a week's camping near Smyrna.

Mrs. C. A. Meyers and daughter, Miss Mary Babcock, returned Sunday from a week's outing at Lake Odessa.

Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Parrish and daughter Pearl of Grand Rapids visited their cousin, Mrs. G. W. Rouse, Sunday.

50c auto caps and chiffon veils at Weekes'. adv

Mrs. Joseph Tandler and granddaughter Josephine of Grand Rapids spent Sunday at the home of F. G. Hoffman.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tredenic of Grand Rapids are spending a couple weeks with their mother, Mrs. G. W. Rouse.

Best 50c silk boot hose in black, white, emerald, grey, Copenhagen and tan at Weekes'. adv

Mrs. F. J. Morse returned home from Morley Saturday, leaving her daughter, Mrs. V. P. Pierce, much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Morgan spent Sunday and Monday with friends in Kalamazoo, the latter remaining for a longer visit.

\$1.25 crepe dresses with Quaker collars, 3 tier and latest tucked skirts; all sizes just received.

A. W. Weekes & Son.

Unclaimed letters in Lowell postoffice for Harold Drinkaus, Grant Bros., E. Lillie, J. H. McLane, C. V. Saunders, Mrs. L. W. Baily, Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Helen Shannon.

Phone 36. adv. u. Joe Shiels was in Grand Rapids Sunday.

Mrs. Mary Adams spent Thursday in Ionia.

Summer net corsets 50c at Weekes'. adv

Miss Mabel Charles spent Sunday in Grand Rapids.

Neville Davarn of Pewamo visited friends here Sunday.

Lorna Krum is spending a few days with relatives in Ada.

Harvey Haysmer and family were in Grand Rapids Sunday.

Hakes gives prompt bus and luggage service. Phone 35 tf

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Scott spent last Thursday in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cadwallader were in Grand Rapids Sunday.

Best red shingles \$2.98. Westfield & Fall River Lumber Co. tf

Artis Davarn has returned to Pewamo after a week's visit here.

Mrs. Harvey Callier and Miss Ida Taylor spent Friday in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kroft and two children spent Sunday at Moseley.

Miss Alice Crawford spent the week-end with Mary Davarn at Pewamo.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Scott and family were in Grand Rapids Monday.

Miss Louise Hunt of Potterville is visiting her aunt, Mrs. A. T. Barnes.

Allerton Dee has returned to Chicago after a visit with relatives here.

Fred Malcolm returned Saturday night from a two weeks' stay in Toronto.

Miss Grace Mains of Valparaiso, Ind., spent Saturday with Mrs. Ray Clayton.

Miss Nina Spence of Grand Rapids is spending the week with relatives here.

Misses and Mesdames F. B. McKay and Will Flynn were in Ionia Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Arharr and children motored to Martin Friday and returned Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Perry of Grand Rapids spent Saturday at the home of Mrs. Leonora Perry.

Miss Lillian Skelding returned to Grand Rapids Sunday after spending a week with her parents.

Misses Abby Malcolm and Marion Hine spent the week-end with Mrs. Adelbert Odell in Vergennes.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Foreman and children are spending the week at Grand Haven and Cooperville.

Miss Ruth Johnson returned Monday from a three weeks' visit with her brother, Holf Roy, in Pontiac.

Mrs. J. W. Brunnthaver has returned from a trip to Toledo where she attended the Retailers' 5c, 10c and 25c convention.

Latest fitted top taffeta and messaline petticoats \$3.00 and \$3.50, black and colors.

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Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Johnson of Grand Rapids, Mr. Shriver and F. K. Fisher of Erie, Pa., and Mrs. Frank Buchanan of Albion are guests of Mrs. A. N. Garstone this week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Sissam entertained Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kyser and son of Buffalo, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Kyser and son of South Boston and Misses Dorothea and Jessie Youngs of Saranac and Lelia Rogers of Keone.

Cannon transfer: Thos. Ream wife to Duane Curran and wife, part \$4, section 15, \$3,000. Duane Curran and wife, part block 82, Cedar Springs, \$2,000.

Hammocks 1/2 off at Weekes'. Always at your call, McQueen's bus. Phone 6. tf

Mrs. Isaac Joseph spent Saturday in Belding.

Miss Helen King spent Sunday in Grand Rapids.

\$1.00 size casting minnows 50c at Stocking's. adv

Mrs. Helen Avery is visiting her son Arthur in Grand Rapids.

Miss Jennie Joseph has returned from a two weeks' vacation.

Best farm gates made. Westfield & Fall River Lumber Co. tf

Miss Blanche Wood has returned from a week's visit at Crystal Lake.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Barnhill of Alma. Friday, Aug. 20, twin boys.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlov Yeiter are taking an auto trip through Ohio this week.

Mrs. Bank of Blanchard spent last week at the home of her brother, E. R. Collar.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Watters and two children are spending this week in Saranac.

M. C. DeCoux of Sioux City, Iowa, spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Howk.

Miss Florence Malone of Grand Rapids spent the first of the week with Miss Kathryn Drew.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hulbert visited his niece, Mrs. Bert Douglas, of Whitneyville Sunday.

Miss Hazel Anderson of Kalamazoo is spending two weeks with relatives and friends here.

Mrs. Mary Purple returned Monday from Edmore, where she has been spending a few weeks.

Silas Braisted visited his granddaughter, Mrs. Freeman Whitmyer, of South Lowell over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Parish and daughter of Grand Rapids called on Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Collar Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Braisted and sons Leonard and Lee attended the Peet reunion in Grand Rapids Thursday.

Duck season opens in September and we have the guns and ammunition for you.

B. D. Stocking.

Mr. and Mrs. George Oakes of Addison, Mich., are spending two weeks with Mrs. Oakes' brother, W. F. Howk and wife.

Eliminate bake-day trouble by using Pansy Blossom Flour. Guaranteed as good as the best. For sale by all dealers.

Mrs. R. T. Ford and son Warren and Miss Sophie Wingleier have been spending a few days at Andrew's cottage, Murray lake.

Warner brassieres at Weekes'.

Mr. and Mrs. F. N. White and daughter Winnie returned Monday evening from a visit with their son and brother Robert at South Haven.

Mrs. George Blakeslee, an old resident of Lowell township, died at her home Monday morning. Funeral services were held there yesterday afternoon.

Wheeler Hull's home paper from Columbia Falls, Mont., reports a sample bundle of timothy nearly seven feet high with heads from six to eleven inches long.

M. N. Henry sells Parisian Sage for 50 cents a large bottle and guarantees it to stop falling hair, itching scalp, banish dandruff, and stimulate the hair to grow long and beautiful or money back. adv

Diamond Dick's show will give a parade at noon which will exhibit in a striking manner, the merits of this show and the wide variance of talents and feature exhibits carried with the show. Will be in Lowell one day only, Monday, Sept. 13. adv

The Linids Beta club met with Miss Erma Scott, Thursday evening. The yard was prettily decorated with Japanese lanterns, and croquet and music were features of the entertainment. Dainty refreshments were served and a good time enjoyed by all.

Battle Creek is making great preparations for the entertainment of delegates and their friends at the Grand Chapter, order of the Eastern Star, October 12-14. Provision will be made for 3,500 delegates and friends and official sessions will be held in the new \$85,000 Masonic temple. The food manufacturers, C. W. Post estate and sanitarium will join in entertaining the guests.

If you like to watch a real reliable exhibition of life as it is lived west of the Mississippi river on the expansive cattail ranches of the golden west, or as your pioneer forefathers lived it in the days of the pony express and the prairie schooner, you don't want to miss Diamond Dick's Congress of World's Western Champions, direct from a limited engagement at Ramona Park, Grand Rapids, at Pecosation park, Lowell, Sept. 13. adv

Kimona aprons at Weekes'. Charles Jones was in Ionia Friday.

Lee Lampkin spent Sunday in Ionia.

Summer parasols 1/2 price at Weekes'. adv

Glenn Barnes spent Sunday at Macatawa Park.

J. W. Rutherford is visiting his brother at Fremont.

Mrs. S. O. Littlefield is visiting in Saranac this week.

Mrs. E. S. White is in Detroit on business this week.

Mrs. James Jones of Gladstone is visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Jones spent Tuesday in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Catherine Stone is visiting her father in Lockport, N. Y.

Miss Ellen Close of Detroit is the guest of Miss Mary Bangs.

A. F. Jay of Ionia was in town on business the last of the week.

Two Overland cars for immediate delivery. R. D. Stocking.

Miss Inez Rutherford has returned home from New York city.

Miss Vestra Gardner went to Grand Rapids today to spend a week.

Rufus Gregory and Will Dawson are spending a few days in Detroit.

Miss Flo Morse is spending the week with relatives and friends in Saranac.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Boyce, Tuesday, August 24th, a daughter.

Have your job printing done in colors. See our west window. Ledger office. tf

Miss Mabel Robinson of Howard City spent over Sunday with friends here.

Mrs. Clarence Myres and daughter Beatrice have returned home from Indiana.

Miss Bessie Fletcher spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Fred Jacob, in Ionia.

Mr. and Mrs. Gay West of Lansing are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. West.

Mrs. Earl Hunter and two children are spending several days at D. C. Hunter's in Keene.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whorley of Ionia spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Haysmer.

Lowell Chautauqua Aug. 31—Sept. 4—five big days. tf

Miss Ida Belle Rutherford is home from Grand Rapids for a week's vacation with her parents.

Best ribbons at Weekes'. adv

James Lind, wife and three children spent the first half of last week with his mother, Mrs. E. P. Sweet.

Mrs. E. P. Sweet spent an hour or two with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Carr in Keene, Wednesday evening.

Mrs. M. W. Gee, daughter Barbara and son James of Plainwell are visiting their husband and father here.

Fibre silk boot hose 25c at Weekes'. adv

Mrs. L. S. Chase returned to her home in Cleveland Saturday, after spending three weeks with Mrs. Cora Chase.

Little John Rutherford caught one of the fingers of his left hand in a machine at the canning factory last week and badly bruised it.

New stock of watches, watch bracelets, diamond lavilliers, diamond rings and up-to-date jewelry just received at R. D. Stocking's. adv

Mr. and Mrs. John Nicklin of Grand Rapids came Sunday morning and took Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shuter to spend the day at their home in Grand Rapids.

Telephone the news to THE LEDGER. Office phone 200, during business hours. Or call house phone 239, at any hour of day or night.

Mr. and Mrs. Orley Rulason and Mrs. James Denton and daughter Ona spent the week-end with relatives at Reed City and called on friends at Morley.

Watch bracelets at Stocking's.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Anderson and son Clare of Vergennes and Mrs. Eugene Ford and daughter Della of Levering motored to E. P. Sweet's, Sunday, and spent the day.

Our friends having business with the Probate court will do the publisher a favor by requesting that the necessary advertising be sent to THE LEDGER. It will cost them no more and will help the home paper. tf

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Lyons and sons of Ludington motored here Friday and visited over Sunday with Mrs. Lyons' sister, Mrs. F. W. Braisted, and also with Mr. Lyons' mother, Mrs. Mary Clark, who is in poor health.

The Ledger is enjoying a liberal increase in job printing patronage. A prompt, reliable and reasonably priced service to all. We strive to give what you want, when you want it and to make the price right. Try us on your next order.

Recall Dyspepsia Tablets

will relieve your indigestion. Many people in this town have used them and we have yet to hear of a case where they have failed. We know the formula. Sold only by us—25c a box.

D. G. Leok.

Pure Gold Flour

Best for Bread and Pastry

24 lb. sax.....\$ 75
49 lb. sax..... 1.50
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Did Not Know He Had Kidney Trouble

"Until I applied for life insurance," writes Andrew O'Donnell, Birmingham, Ala., "I did not know that I had kidney trouble, but four physicians who examined me for the company told me, and each turned me down on account of this insidious trouble. Later I was seriously disabled and used Foley Kidney Pills, and used them persistently, until now one of the same physicians says I'm all right and he will give me my application. I have caused many of my friends to buy Foley Kidney Pills."

Overworked kidneys may become inflamed and seriously diseased while the sufferer ignores the warnings. Backache, rheumatism, uric acid in the blood, discolored urine, stiff joints, sore muscles, puffiness under eyes—any and all of these conditions deserve instant attention. Foley Kidney Pills help the kidneys to do their work, soothe and heal irritations and help throw out poisonous waste matter from the system.

For sale by M. N. Henry

MOSELEY

Gordon Frost and wife, Phil Hayes and wife, R. T. Ford and family of Lowell, Roy Ford and family and Ans. Duppe and family of Grand Rapids have been camping at Murray lake the past week.

Mrs. M. J. of Lowell spent Friday night with Mrs. John Miller.

Miss Louva Church visited Helen Andrews Saturday.

Burr Davis called on Vincent Nugent at Stratton Friday.

Miss Edith Weeks of Albion City is visiting her uncle, Clinton Weeks and other relatives at Moseley.

Horace and Byron Weeks visited their aunt, Mrs. Grace Kellogg, Friday night at Moseley.

Ethel and May Renella of Grand Rapids visited their cousin, Mrs. Chris Kroft, Friday and Saturday.

Mrs. Lemuel Davis spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Aichin of North Grand.

Clare Ford and family and Martin Johnson spent Sunday in Ionia.

John Kroft and family of Lowell visited Ake and Chris Kroft Sunday.

Miss Rose Wingleier of South Lowell visited her aunt, Mrs. Frank Keech, over Sunday.

Garfield VanLanen returned to his home in Grand Rapids Saturday after spending a week with Moseley friends.

Frank A. Brook of Granton Center visited Carol Whitten last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlov Weeks of Sherman City came Saturday to spend a few days with relatives at Moseley.

Worms Cause Many Children's Ills

Worms, by thousands, rob the child of nourishment, stunt its growth, cause constipation, indigestion, nervousness, irregular appetite, fever and fretful and spasms. Kickapoo Worm Killer gives relief from all these. One-fourth to one of these pleasant candy lozenges, taken as directed, kill and remove the worms, regulate your child's bowel and restore its health and vitality. Get an original 25c box from your druggist. Don't endanger your child's health and future when so sure and simple a remedy can be had.

KEENE HEIGHTS

Married, in Ionia, Saturday, July 31, 1915, Miss Glennie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elroy Sayles of Keene, to Mr. Lester Abbott of Sheridan, Nev. G. Hoag officiating. Mrs. Abbott was one of Ionia county's successful school teachers. Mr. Abbott has a fine position with the Grand Trunk Railway company. They are now at Spring Lake. Congratulations.

SOUTH BOSTON.

Aug. 23—Nearly everyone from this way attended the free fair at Ionia.

John Freeman reports 237 bushels of oats from three acres.

The South Boston ball team will play against Banner boys at the Grange picnic at Lake Odessa Aug. 26.

Charles Ayres and family and Mr. Robert Ellis went to Stanton Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Maudie Lippa (Wanderer), Mrs. O's transder spent part of her childhood here.

Rev. Chamberlain requests all automobile owners to be at the M. E. church Sunday at 10:30 as he has a special sermon prepared for them.

NORTH CAMPBELL

Mrs. Mae Shanks of Grand Rapids visited last Thursday with Mrs. Vernon Trovbridge and family.

Mrs. Lewis Leede visited relatives in Grand Rapids last week.

Ozel Johnson and family spent Saturday night and Sunday with his brother and family at Alto.

Mrs. Carl Hunt left Thursday to visit her parents at Vestaburg. She will also visit relatives at Alma and St. Louis.

A miscellaneous shower was given Ed. Almond and bride at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Heaven Friday night.

Will Hendworth visited relatives in Grand Rapids Sunday.

Istah Long and daughter Anna were Sunday guests at the home of Alfred Bedell and family of South Boston.

Muriel Hunt entertained the Misses Jesse and Geneva Church of Lansing Monday.

Thomas Headworth passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. M. Drew, August 18, aged 84 years. Funeral services were held at the home on Thursday. Rev. Woolsey of Saranac officiating, burial in South Boston cemetery.

A MEDICINE CHEST FOR 25c.

In this chest you have an excellent remedy for toothache, bruises, stiff neck, sprains, backache, neuralgia, rheumatism and for most emergencies. One 25c bottle of Sloan's Liniment does it all—because these ailments are symptoms, not diseases, and are caused by congestion and inflammation. If you doubt, ask those who use Sloan's Liniment, or better still, buy a 25c bottle and prove it. All druggists.

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We have the stock and variety, 75c to \$3.

They will do their stunt regularly and we guarantee them to stay on the job for one year anyway.

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W'RE talking to you, Mr. Farmer, Mr. Business Man, Mr. Professional Man, Mr. Working Man! Not only do you recognize your obligation to your family, but it's a pleasure, isn't it, to provide for their enjoyment and instruction! And what better could you do for them than give them a week's entertainment, instruction and inspiration such as has been provided for our Chautauqua! Nor have we forgotten YOU. A glance below at the list of attractions will surely convince you that this is the one week of the year when the whole family should take a vacation and simply "camp" on the Chautauqua grounds! It's such opportunities as this that make life worth living.

A Program That Will Please Everybody

CANADA'S FAMOUS BAND—THE KILTIES
GEORGE H. SPENCER—Lecturer—DR. E. G. SHOUSE
CONGRESSMAN M. CLYDE KELLY
WINIFRED TOWNSEND CONCERT COMPANY
THE STRATFORD OPERA COMPANY
NEWTON, PRINCE OF MAGIC
MRS. DEMARCHUS BROWN Lecturers on Social Problems FRED EASTMAN
FREDERIC M. MARSTON MONTANELLI'S VENETIAN QUARTET

Buy a Season Ticket and Save Money

You can buy a season ticket from the local committee for \$1.50 or at the gate for \$1.75. Adult single admission tickets, afternoon, 25 cents; evening, 35 cents, except on Band Day, when the afternoon admission will be 35 cents and the evening admission 40 cents. Thus if you expect to attend only part of the season it will pay you to buy a season ticket. Let some other member of your family or a friend use it when you can't go. All season tickets are transferable.

CHILDREN—Season tickets 75 cents from the local committee, \$1.00 at the gate. Single admission tickets 15 cents, both afternoon and evening, except Band Night, when the admission will be 25 cents.

Lowell Chautauqua August 31 to September 4

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Everything for a Ford in stock.

Improved B. B. Starter, \$10.00. Call and see it.

Will install any electric starter you wish.

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Eat! The Baker's Bread with Eat!

a Home-Made Flavor

We are now prepared to handle all our trade and give satisfaction to our customers. We are putting out a line of bake goods that you will go a long ways to beat, and are starting this week to supply our customers with

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which we hope to make as near perfect as possible. Watch our window display every day and you will find what you long wanted. There is nothing we cannot make if ordered in time.

We have added one more first-class baker to our force so as to supply the groceries with the best. You can get our wholesome bread at Alexander & Son's, VanDyke's and Bangs'. The other grocers will supply you with it if you call for our goods. Stop and see our new line.

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PROOF OF AFFECTION.

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The Way of a Lover.

When a man finds a woman for whom he thinks there's nothing good enough he asks her to take him.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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

In the matter of the estate of Charles B. Horn, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that four months from the 18th day of August, A. D. 1915, 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 18th day of December, A. D. 1915, and that said claims will be heard by said court on Saturday, the 18th day of December, A. D. 1915, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated August 18, 1915.

Clark E. Higbee,
Judge of Probate.

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by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and the tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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AUTHOR OF "THE CLOSED BOOK," ETC.
ILLUSTRATIONS BY C. D. RHODES

CHAPTER XV—Continued.

"Quite likely," he answered. "But our first object must be to rediscover Muriel. Would it not be best to send an urgent wire to the address where I always write? She would then reply here, no doubt. I've told you practically everything, my dear old fellow. The facts of the affair can be made known only by Muriel. I tell you, we must find her."

"Yes, we must—at all hazards," I said. "Let's go across to the telegraph office opposite Charing Cross. It's open always." And we rose and walked out along the Strand, now nearly deserted, and dispatched an urgent message to Muriel at an address in Hurlingham road, Fulham.

Afterwards we stood outside on the curb, still talking. I loath to part from him, when they passed by in the shadow two men in dark overcoats, who crossed the road behind us to the front of Charing Cross station, and then continued on towards Trafalgar square.

As the light of the street lamp fell upon them I thought I recognized the face of one as that of a person I had seen before, yet I was not at all certain, and my failure to remember whom the passer-by resembled prevented me from saying anything further to Jack than:

"A fellow I know has just gone by, I think."

"We seem to be meeting hosts of friends tonight," he laughed. "After all, old chap, it does one good to come back to our dear, dirty old town again. We abuse it when we are here, and talk of the life in Paris and Vienna and Brussels, but when we are away there is no place on earth so dear to us, for it is home. But there!" he laughed, "I'm actually growing romantic. Ah! if we could only find Muriel! But we must tomorrow. I shall go round to the club and sleep, for I haven't fixed on any diggings yet. Come in at ten tomorrow, and we will decide upon some plan. One thing is plainly certain—Elma must at once be got out of Russia. She's certainly in deadly peril of her life there."

"Yes," I said. "And you will help me?"

"With all my heart, old fellow," answered my friend, warmly grasping my hand, and then we parted, he strolling along towards the National Gallery on his way back to the "Junior," while I returned to the Cecil alone.

"Captain Durnford?" I inquired of the hall porter of the club next morning.

"Not here, sir."

"But he slept here last night," I remarked. "I have an appointment with him."

The man consulted the big book before him, and answered:

"Captain Durnford went out at 9:27 last night, sir, but has not returned. Strange, I thought, but although I waited in the club nearly an hour, he did not put in an appearance.

About four o'clock, as I was passing through the big hall of the hotel, I heard a voice behind me utter a greeting in Italian, and, turning in surprise, found Olinto, dressed in his best suit of black, standing hat in hand.

In an instant I recollected what Jack had told me, and regarded him with some suspicion.

"Signor Commendatore," he said in a low voice, as though fearing to be overheard, "may I be permitted to speak in private with you?"

"Certainly," I said, and I took him in a lift up to my room.

"I have come to warn you, signore," he said, when I had given him a seat. "Your enemies mean harm to you."

"Look here, Olinto!" I exclaimed determinedly. "I've had enough of this confounded mystery. Tell me the truth regarding the assassination of your poor wife up in Scotland."

"Ah, signore!" he answered sadly in a changed voice, "I do not know. It was a plot. Someone represented me—but he was killed also. They believed they had struck me dead. They added, with a bitter laugh, 'Poor Armida's body was found concealed behind a rock on the opposite side of the wood. I saw it—ah!' he cried shuddering.

The police had, it seemed, succeeded in discovering the unfortunate woman after all, and had found that she was his wife.

"You know a man named Lethcourt?" I asked a few minutes later. "Now, tell the truth. In this affair, Olinto, our interests are mutual, are they not?"

once or twice. But she's dead, isn't she? She knew the secret of those men, and they intended to kill her. I tried to prevent them taking her away on the yacht, and I would have gone to the police—only I dare not because my own hands were not quite clean. I knew they intended to silence her, but I was powerless to save her, poor young lady. They took her on board Lethcourt's yacht, the Iris, and they sailed for the Mediterranean, I believe."

"And what was your connection with them?"

"Well, I was Lethcourt's servant," was his reply. "I was steward on the Iris for a year, until I suppose they thought that I began to see too much, and then I was placed in a position ashore."

"And what did you see?"

"More than I care to tell, signore. If they were arrested I should be arrested, too, you see."

"But I mean to solve the mystery, Olinto," I said fiercely, for I was in no trifling mood. "I'll fathom it if it costs me my life."

"If the signor solves it, then I cannot be charged with revealing the truth," was the man's diplomatic reply. "But I fear they are far too wary."

"Armida has lost her life. Surely that is sufficient incentive for you to bring them all to justice?"

"Of course. But if the law falls upon them, it will also fall upon me. I explained the terrible affliction to which my love had been subjected by those heartless brutes, whereupon he cried enthusiastically: 'Then she is not dead! She can tell us everything!'"

"But cannot you tell us?"

"But what is the use, if we have no clear proof?" was his evasive reply. I could see plainly that he feared being implicated in some extraordinary plot, the exact nature of which he so steadfastly refused to reveal to me.

We talked on for half an hour, and from his conversation I gathered that he was well acquainted with Elma. "Ah, signore," she was such a pleasant and kind-hearted young lady, always felt very sorry for her. She was in deadly fear of them."

"But why did they induce you to entice me to that house in Lambeth? Why did they so evidently desire that I should be killed?"

"By accident," he interrupted, correcting me. "Always by accident," he smiled grimly.

"Surely you know their secret motive?"

"At the time I did not," he declared. "I acted on their instructions, being compelled to, for they held my future in their hands. Therefore I could not disobey. You knew too much, therefore you were marked down for death—just as you are now."

"And who is it who is now seeking my life?" I inquired gravely. "Only returning from Russia yesterday."

"Your movements are well known," answered the young Italian. "You cannot be too careful. Woodroffe has been in Russia with you, has he not? And Chater is in London."

"And the Lethcourts?"

He shrugged his shoulders with a gesture of ignorance, adding, "The Signorina Muriel returned to London from Eastbourne this morning."

"Where can I find her?" I inquired eagerly. "It is of the utmost importance that I should see her."

"She is with a relation," I said, thinking of Bassett road, Notting Hill. The house is called 'Holmwood.'"

"Then, after a pause, he added, with a strange, earnest look in his dark eyes, 'Pardon me, Signor Commendatore, if I presume to suggest something, will you not?'"

"Certainly. What do you suggest?"

"I suddenly recollected those two men who had passed by as we walked, and how that the features of one had seemed strangely familiar. Therefore I took a cab to the police station down at Whitehall and made inquiry of the inspector on duty in the big, bare office with its glaring gas jets in wire globes. He heard me to the end, then turning back the book of 'occurrences' before him, glanced through the ruled entries.

"I should think this is the gentleman, sir," he said. And he read to me the entry as follows:

P. C. 424 reports that at 2:07 a. m., while on duty outside the National Gallery, he heard a revolver shot, followed by a man's cry. He ran to the corner of Suffolk street, where he found a gentleman lying upon the pavement suffering from a serious shot-wound in the chest and quite unconscious. He obtained the assistance of P. C.s 218A and 348A, and the gentleman, who was not identified, was taken to the Charing Cross hospital, where the house surgeon expressed doubt whether he could live. Neither P.C.s recollect having noticed any suspicious-looking person in the vicinity."

JOHN PERVICAL, inspector.

I waited for no more, but rushed round to the hospital in the cab, and was five minutes later, taken along the ward, where I identified poor Jack lying in bed, white-faced and unconscious.

"The doctor was here a quarter of an hour ago," whispered the sister. "And he fears he is sinking."

"He has uttered no words?" I asked anxiously. "Made no statement?"

"None. He has never regained consciousness, and I fear, sir, he never will. It is a case of deliberate murder. The police told me early this morning."

I clenched my fists and swore a fierce revenge for the man's death. And as I stood beside the narrow bed, I realized that what Olinto had said regarding my own peril was the actual truth. I was a marked man. Was I never to penetrate that inscrutable and ever-increasing mystery?

CHAPTER XVI.

The Truth About the Lola.

Throughout the long night I called many times at the hospital, but the reply was always the same. Jack had not regained consciousness, and the doctor regarded his case as hopeless.

In the morning I drove in hot haste to Bassett road, Notting Hill, and at the address Olinto had given me found Muriel. When she entered the room with folding doors into which I had been shown, I saw that she was pale and apprehensive, for we had not met since her flight, and she was, no doubt, at a loss for an explanation. But I did not press her for one. I merely told her that the Italian Santini had given me her address and that I came as bearer of unfortunate news.

"What is it?" she gasped quickly. "It concerns Captain Durnford," I replied. "He has been injured in the street, and is in Charing Cross hospital."

"Ah!" she cried. "I see. You do not explain the truth. By your face I can tell there is something more. He's dead! Tell me the worst."

"No, Miss Lethcourt," I said gravely, "not dead, but the doctors fear that he may not recover. His wound is dangerous. He has been shot by some unknown person."

"Shot!" she echoed, bursting into tears. "Then they have followed him after all. They have deceived me, and now, as they intend to take him from me, I will myself protect him. You, Mr. Gregg, have been in peril of your life, that I know, but Jack's enemies are yours, and they shall not go unpunished. May I see him?"

"I fear not, but we will ask at the hospital." And after the exchange of some further explanations we took a hansom back to Charing Cross.

At first the sister refused to allow Muriel to see the patient, but she implored so earnestly that at last she consented, and the distressed girl in the black coat and hat crept on tiptoe to the bedside.

"He was conscious for a quarter of an hour or so," whispered the nurse who sat there. "He asked after some lady named Muriel."

The girl at my side burst into low sobbing.

"Tell him," she said, "that Muriel is here—that she has seen him, and is waiting for him to recover."

Day succeeded day, and although I was not allowed to visit my friend, I was told that he was very slowly progressing. I hid at the Hotel Cecil, longing daily for news of Elma. Only once did a letter come from her, a brief, well-written note, from which it appeared that she was quite well and happy, although she longed to be able to go out. The princess was very kind indeed to her, and she added, was making secret arrangements for her escape across the Russian frontier into Germany.

I saw Muriel many times, but never once did she refer to Rannoch or their sudden departure. Her only thought was of the man she loved.

One afternoon, ten days after the attack upon Jack, I was allowed to sit by his bedside and question him.

"Ah, Gordon, old fellow!" he said faintly. "I've had a narrow escape—by

the skin of my teeth. I was walking round to the 'Junior.' The short, wintry day had ended, the gas lamps were lit and the darkness of night was gradually creeping on."

Jack had not been to the club, and I began now to grow thoroughly uneasy. He had parted from me at the corner of the Strand with only a few minutes' walk before him, and yet he had apparently disappeared. My first impulse was to drive to Notting Hill to inquire of Muriel if she had news of him, but somehow the Italian's warning words made me wonder if he had met with foul play.

I suddenly recollected those two men who had passed by as we walked, and how that the features of one had seemed strangely familiar. Therefore I took a cab to the police station down at Whitehall and made inquiry of the inspector on duty in the big, bare office with its glaring gas jets in wire globes. He heard me to the end, then turning back the book of 'occurrences' before him, glanced through the ruled entries.

"I should think this is the gentleman, sir," he said. And he read to me the entry as follows:

P. C. 424 reports that at 2:07 a. m., while on duty outside the National Gallery, he heard a revolver shot, followed by a man's cry. He ran to the corner of Suffolk street, where he found a gentleman lying upon the pavement suffering from a serious shot-wound in the chest and quite unconscious. He obtained the assistance of P. C.s 218A and 348A, and the gentleman, who was not identified, was taken to the Charing Cross hospital, where the house surgeon expressed doubt whether he could live. Neither P.C.s recollect having noticed any suspicious-looking person in the vicinity."

JOHN PERVICAL, inspector.

I waited for no more, but rushed round to the hospital in the cab, and was five minutes later, taken along the ward, where I identified poor Jack lying in bed, white-faced and unconscious.

"The doctor was here a quarter of an hour ago," whispered the sister. "And he fears he is sinking."

"He has uttered no words?" I asked anxiously. "Made no statement?"

"None. He has never regained consciousness, and I fear, sir, he never will. It is a case of deliberate murder. The police told me early this morning."

I clenched my fists and swore a fierce revenge for the man's death. And as I stood beside the narrow bed, I realized that what Olinto had said regarding my own peril was the actual truth. I was a marked man. Was I never to penetrate that inscrutable and ever-increasing mystery?

CHAPTER XVI.

The Truth About the Lola.

Throughout the long night I called many times at the hospital, but the reply was always the same. Jack had not regained consciousness, and the doctor regarded his case as hopeless.

In the morning I drove in hot haste to Bassett road, Notting Hill, and at the address Olinto had given me found Muriel. When she entered the room with folding doors into which I had been shown, I saw that she was pale and apprehensive, for we had not met since her flight, and she was, no doubt, at a loss for an explanation. But I did not press her for one. I merely told her that the Italian Santini had given me her address and that I came as bearer of unfortunate news.

"What is it?" she gasped quickly. "It concerns Captain Durnford," I replied. "He has been injured in the street, and is in Charing Cross hospital."

"Ah!" she cried. "I see. You do not explain the truth. By your face I can tell there is something more. He's dead! Tell me the worst."

"No, Miss Lethcourt," I said gravely, "not dead, but the doctors fear that he may not recover. His wound is dangerous. He has been shot by some unknown person."

"Shot!" she echoed, bursting into tears. "Then they have followed him after all. They have deceived me, and now, as they intend to take him from me, I will myself protect him. You, Mr. Gregg, have been in peril of your life, that I know, but Jack's enemies are yours, and they shall not go unpunished. May I see him?"

"I fear not, but we will ask at the hospital." And after the exchange of some further explanations we took a hansom back to Charing Cross.

At first the sister refused to allow Muriel to see the patient, but she implored so earnestly that at last she consented, and the distressed girl in the black coat and hat crept on tiptoe to the bedside.

"He was conscious for a quarter of an hour or so," whispered the nurse who sat there. "He asked after some lady named Muriel."

news that the safe in the admiral superintendent's office had been opened by expert safe-breakers, and certain most important secret documents stolen.

"Well!" I asked, much interested. "Again, two months later, when the villa of the prince of Montevichi, at Palermo, was broken into and the whole of the famous jewels of the princess stolen, it was a very strange fact that the Iris was at the moment in that port. But it was not until the third occasion, when the yacht was at Villefranche, and our squadron being at Toulon I got four days' leave to go along the Riviera, that my suspicions were aroused, for at the very hour when I was dining at the London house at Nice with Muriel and a schoolfellow of hers, Elma Heath—who was spending the winter there with a lady who was Baron Oberg's cousin—that a great robbery was committed in one of the big hotels up at Cimiez, the wife of an American millionaire losing jewels valued at thirty thousand pounds. Then the robberies, coincident with the visit of the yacht, aroused my strong suspicion. I remarked the nature of these documents stolen from Malta, and recognized that they could only be of service to a foreign government. Then came the Leghorn incident of which you told me. The yacht's name had been changed to the Lola, and she had been repainted. I made searching inquiry, and found that on the evening she was purposely run aground in order to strike up a friendship at the consulate, a Russian gunboat was lying in the vicinity. The consul's safe was rifled, and the scheme certainly was to transfer anything obtained from it to the Russian gunboat."

"But what was in the safe?" I asked. "Fortunately nothing. But you see they knew that our squadron was due in Leghorn, and that some extremely important dispatches were on the way to the admiral—secret orders based upon the decision of the British cabinet as to the vexed question of Russian ships passing the Dardanelles—they expected that they would be lodged in the safe until the arrival of the squadron, as they always are. They were, however, bitterly disappointed because the dispatches had not arrived."

"And then?"

"(TO BE CONTINUED.)"

AIDS THE DIGESTIVE ORGANS

Importance of Thorough Mastication of Food is Hardly Properly Understood.

"Chew your food well." is a motto which should be written large on the walls of dining rooms, restaurants, and every other place where human beings eat. The reason is that in order to digest food in the shortest possible time, and with the least possible effort, it must first be dissolved, and this can be accomplished only by adequate chewing.

Just how much thorough chewing lessens the strain on the digestive apparatus can be seen by a very simple experiment.

Take a one-inch cube of hard, solid, non-porous sugar candy and drop it into a pint of water. It will take at least half an hour and perhaps much longer to dissolve, because a cube of this size has only six square inches of surface exposed to the solvent action of the water.

If, however, a similar cube of candy is broken into 100 smaller pieces before being placed in the water it will dissolve in 10,000 times as quickly, because there is now 10,000 times as much surface area exposed.

In digestion we have to deal not merely with simple solution but with the chemical conversion of insoluble into soluble substances—a much more difficult process. For this reason a one-inch cube of solid food would take much more than 10,000 times as long to digest as the same quantity which has been reduced to fine bits by the action of the teeth and the saliva glands.

Science now believes that much modern dyspepsia arises from our having lost the habit of living on hard, dry foods. When all our food was so hard that it had to be well chewed before we could swallow it our salivary glands were kept more active and our teeth cleaner.

When Mind Meets Mind.

The crash of onyx upon porphyry, the dull thumping of empty coconuts, the shrill whistling of windmills in a gale, the howling of tom-cats, the explosion of red-hot bladders, the bleating of sheep on lonely moors, the clack of tin awards, the rattling of dumb-waiters, the braying of jackasses, the snorting of hippopotamuses, the squeaking of handbags and bagpipes, the gurgle of out jarglers, the cracking of scelerotic knees, the blowing up and busting of logic, the torture and death of the English language . . . a meeting of the house of representatives of the United States.—H. L. Mencken in the Smart Set.

Yawn for Your Health.

Doctor Naegeli, professor of medicine at Liege university, commends the practice of yawning as a physical restorer. A good yawn, the professor maintains, is excellent for the lungs, and for all the breathing organs as well. But there is an art in yawning, he says, just as there is an art in breathing. Every yawn should be as deep as possible, so as to bring all the muscles of the throat and chest into action, and also to fill the lungs with a current of fresh air.

Doctor Naegeli has known of many cases in which a sore throat has been alleviated by persistent yawning, says the London Chronicle.

ermoon, and darkness overtook him before he reached home. As it is a sin to ride on the Sabbath, the rabbi for a moment was perplexed what to do. Then he uttered a command, and to the right of him and to the left of him it was Sabbath, but where the rabbi rode it was not Sabbath!"

High Rents in Cities.

The enormous rise in London rents, among rich and poor alike, during the past five years is shown by statistics issued by the board of trade. Lord Alendale, who three years ago paid \$5,500 a year for his house in Piccadilly, now pays \$8,250. The rent of the United Service club, which until 1904 was \$721 a year, is \$1,150; and that of Lloyds bank, at the corner of St. James street and King street, is \$15,000 a year. One must, however, go to New York to find the most highly rented tenement in the world.—Mr. Murray Guggenheim, who pays \$25,000 a year for his residence at the corner of Fifth avenue and Eighty-first street.

NOT SABBATH FOR THE RABBI

Miracle Had to Be Performed to Keep Him From Breaking Law, and He Did It.

A gabbe, the special messenger of a miracle-performing rabbi, so the story is told, came to a village and all the elders gathered around him. The conversation fell upon the subject of miracles. "I heard of a wonderful rabbi," said one of the villagers, "who performed great miracles. One day he was out walking, when clouds gathered, and before he could find shelter it commenced to rain. The rabbi did not have an umbrella with him, and, not wishing to get drenched he uttered a command. 'Now to the right of him and to the left of him it rained, in back of him and in front of him it rained, but where the rabbi walked it did not rain.'"



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The farmer charged them \$125 for keeping of the stock and other expenses and the boys will net \$100 apiece from the transaction. The boys are quite satisfied with their investment and incidentally have become somewhat interested in life upon a Vermont farm.—Springfield (Vt.) Reporter.

Mandy Didn't Care.

"Mandy," said the old woman to her daughter just back from a day's washing. "Mandy, what-all did Miss Sally done say 't' yo'?"

"She done say," repeated Mandy solemnly and impressively: "Mandy, does yo' know that yo' peresseses a immortal soul?"

"Lan' sakes, Mandy! An' what did yo' respon'?"

"Ah saked," answered Mandy flippantly. "Ah don' care!"—Times of Cuba.

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naturally come with proper care of the brain and body. And in this connection food plays a mighty important part.

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INCREASE RANGE OF VISION

New Night Glasses Are Said to Be Four Times as Effective as the Old Ones.

Night telescopes four times as effective as those that have long been in use by marine officers have been perfected comparatively recently and are now in practical service. It hardly seems possible that a telescope could be of much use in bringing nearer or making more distinct a distant ship or building at night, but the modern night glasses do give an astonishing amount of assistance to the eye.

Under the old theory, any attempt to magnify a distant object very much—over three or four diameters, for instance—would be disastrous, because only so much light could come to the eye from the distant object; and spreading this scanty light over a wide space by much magnifying would simply result in blurring the object, making indistinct objects even less distinct.

The new glasses avoid this trouble by using the principle of adapting the

pupil of the eye to the amount of light. Every one is familiar with the changing pupil of a cat's eye—a narrow slit by day and a big disk by night—opening up at night to admit all the light obtainable. The old night glasses focused the light to a point, and the light entered the eye of the observer practically at a point.

The new glasses focus the light into a pencil one-fifth of an inch in diameter, because it has been found that the pupil of the human eye will admit a pencil of dim light that of width at night. Consequently the eye can take better advantage of such light as there is, and the modern night telescopes can magnify to eight diameters safely. Tests have shown them to be four times as effective as the old night glasses.—Saturday Evening Post.

"Paradise Lost" Was Popular Book.

How many English soldiers, one wonders, have read "Paradise Lost"? Maurice Baring, when in Russia, found that nearly every soldier he met knew it well. "When two years ago a schoolmaster in the Tambov government told me that 'Paradise

Lost' was the most popular book in the village library," he writes, "I was astonished, and thought it an isolated instance. At a fair in Moscow during the Russian week . . . I noticed that there were five or six different editions of translations of Milton's poem, with illustrations, ranging in price from 12 rubles to 30 kopeks, and while I was looking at one of them a mouzhek came up to me and advised me to buy it. 'It's very interesting,' he said. 'It makes one laugh and cry.' . . . It is possible to purchase 'Paradise Lost' at almost every village bookshop."—London Chronicle.

Wouldn't Have Sister Hurt.

The Call of the Cumberland

By Charles Neville Buck
With Illustrations from Photographs of Scenes in the Play

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SYNOPSIS

On Misery creek Sally Miller finds George Lescott, a landscape painter, who has been shot and is bleeding to death. She calls for help and the doctor, Dr. Lescott, arrives. He finds the wound is mortal and tells her to prepare for the worst. She then tells him of her life and how she came to be on the creek. Dr. Lescott is moved by her story and decides to help her in any way possible. He arranges for her to be taken to a sanatorium and then returns to his work. Sally stays in the sanatorium and eventually recovers. She then returns to her home and finds that her life has changed in many ways. She is now a successful artist and has found a new purpose in life.

CHAPTER IX

Christmas came to Misery wrapped in a drab mantle of desolation. At the cabin of the Widow Miller Sally was sitting alone before the logs. She laid down the slate and spelling book, over which her forehead had been strenuously puckered, and gazed some what mournfully into the blaze. Sally had a secret. It was a secret which she based on a faint hope. If Samson should come back to Misery he would come back full of new notions. No man had ever returned from that outside world unaltered. No man ever would. A terrible premonition said he would not come at all, but if he did—if he did—she must know how to read and write. Maybe, when she had learned a little more, she might even go to school for a term or two.

The cramped and distorted topography on the slate was discouraging. It was all proving very hard work. The gazed for a time at something else saw in the embers, and then a faint smile came to her lips. By next Christmas she would surpass Samson with a letter. It should be well written, and every "hain't" should be an "isn't."

The normal human mind is a reservoir which fills at a rate of speed regulated by the number and caliber of its feed pipes. Samson's mind had long been almost empty, and now from so many sources the waters of new things were rushing in upon it that under their pressure it must fill fast, or give away.

He was saved from hopeless speculations of thought by a sanity which was willing to smile with him out too much effort to analyze. The boy from Misery was presently less bizarre to the eye than many of the unkempt bohemians he met in the life of the studios, men who quarreled garrulously over the end and aim of Art, which they spelled with a capital A—and, for the most part, knew nothing of. He retained, except with in a small circle of intimates, a silence that passed for taciturnity, and a solemnity of visage that was often construed into surly egotism.

He still wore his hair long, and though his conversation gradually sloughed off much of its idiom and vulgarity, enough of the mountaineer stood out to lend to his personality a savor of the crudely picturesque. Meanwhile he drew and read and studied and walked, and every day of advancement was a forced march. Lescott, tremendously interested in his experiment, began to fear that the boy's too great sobriety of disposition would defeat the very earnestness from which it sprang. So one morning the landscape-maker called on a friend whom he rightly believed to be the wisest man, and the greatest humorist in New York.

"The artist is much like the setter pup. If it's in him, it's in his instinct as a dog's nose. But to become efficient he must go a-field with a steady veteran of his own breed."

"I know!" The great man, who was also the simple man, smiled reminiscently. "They tried to teach me to herd sheep when my nose was itching for bird country. Bring on your man; I want to know him."

Samson was told nothing of the benevolent conspiracy, but one evening shortly later he for himself sitting at a cafe table with his sponsor and a stout man, almost as silent as himself. The stout man responded with something like churlish tactfulness to the half-dozen men and women who came over with fatteries. But later, when the trio was left alone, his face brightened, and he turned to the boy from Misery.

confessed, as he drifted into reminiscence, which to Samson was like water to a parched throat. When they left the cafe the boy felt as though he were taking leave of an old and tried friend. By homely methods, this unerring diagnostician of the human soul had been reading him, liking him, and making him feel a heart-warming sympathy. He was not until much later that Samson realized how these two really great men had adopted him as their "little brother" that he might have their shoulder-touch to march by. And it was without his realization, too, that they laid upon him the imprint of their own characters and philosophy.

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"They weren't the right things. They were, as you say, toys." The smile faded and Horton's chin set itself for a moment as he added: "If you don't think I'm going to stay put—watch me."

"Why do you have to make war—be chronically insurgent?" "Because—the young man, who had waked up, spoke slowly—"I am reading a certain writing on the wall. The time is not far off when, unless we regulate a number of matters from within we shall be regulated from without."

Starr. Having come, as they explained, direct from the theater where Miss Starr danced in the first row, they were in evening dress. Samson mentally acknowledged, though with instinctive distaste for the pair, that both were, in a way, handsome. Collas drew him aside to whisper importantly: "Make yourself agreeable to Farbish. He is not until much later that Samson realized how these two really great men had adopted him as their 'little brother' that he might have their shoulder-touch to march by. And it was without his realization, too, that they laid upon him the imprint of their own characters and philosophy.

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As he accused himself, Samson was looking at her with unblinking directness; and she met his glance with eyes that twinkled. "Mr. South," she said, "I know all about manners, and you know all about a hundred real things that I want to know. Suppose we begin teaching each other?"

Samson's face lighted with the revolutionizing effect that a smile can bring only to features customarily solem.

"Miss Lescott," he said, "let's call that a trade—but you're gettin' all the worst of it. To start with, you might give me a lesson right now in how a fellow ought to act, when he's talkin' to a lady—how I ought to act with you!"

Her laugh made the situation as easy as an old shoe. Ten minutes later, Lescott entered. "Well," he said, with a smile, "shall I introduce you people, or have you already done it for yourselves?"

"Oh," Adrienne assured him, "Mr. South and I are old friends." As she left the room, she turned and added: "The second lesson had better be at my home later, one day, for rehearsal, and Graddy came up with that sarcastic manner of his, and said: 'Miss Starr, I don't doubt you are a perfectly nice girl, and all that, but it rather gets my goat to figure out how, on a salary of fifteen dollars a week, you come to rehearsals in a million dollars' worth of clothes, riding in a limousine—and ten minutes late!'"

She broke off with the eager little expression of awaiting applause, and, having been satisfied, she added: "I was afraid that wasn't going to get a laugh, after all."

She glanced inquiringly at Samson, who had not smiled, and who stood looking puzzled. "A penny for your thoughts, Mr. South, from down South," she challenged.

"I guess I'm sort of like Mr. Graddy," said the boy, slowly. "I was just wondering how you do it."

He spoke with perfect seriousness, and, after a moment, the girl broke into prolonged peal of laughter. "Oh, you are delicious!" she exclaimed. "If I could do the ingenué like that, believe me, I'd make some hit." She came over, and, laying a hand on each of the boy's shoulder's, she kissed him lightly on the cheek.

"That's for a droll boy!" she said. "That's the best line I've heard pulled lately."

effect repairs, so the girl, explaining to the boy that this event gave the affair the aspect of adventure, turned and led the way, on foot, to the nearest road house.

"We will telephone that we shall be late, and then have dinner," she laughed. "And for me to have dinner with you alone, unchaperoned at a country inn, is by New York standards a delightful unconventionality in borders on wickedness." Then, since their attitude toward each other was so friendly and innocent, they both laughed. They had dined under the trees of an old manor house, built a century ago, and now converted into an inn, and they had enjoyed themselves because it seemed to them pleasingly paradoxical that they should find in a place seemingly so shabby-genteel a cuisine and service of such excellence. Neither of them had ever been there before, and neither of them knew that the reputation of this establishment was in its own way widespread and unsavory.

The repairs did not go as smoothly as the chauffeur had expected, and when he had finished, he was hungry. So, eleven o'clock found them still chatting at their table on the lighted lawn. After awhile, they fell silent, and Adrienne noticed that her companion's face had become deeply, almost painfully set, and that his gaze was intently focused on herself.

"What is it, Mr. South?" she demanded. The young man began to speak in a steady, self-accusing voice. "I was sitting here, looking at you," he said, bluntly. "I was thinking how fine you are in every way; how there is as much difference in the texture of men and women as there is in the texture of clothes. From that automobile cap you wear to your slippers and stockings, you are clad in silk. From your brain to the tone of

your voice, you are woven of human silk. I've learned lately that silk isn't weak, but strong. They make the best balloons of it." He paused and laughed, but his face again became sober. "I was thinking, too, of your mother. She must be sixty, but she's a young woman. Her face is smooth and unwrinkled, and her heart is still in bloom. At the same age, George won't be much older than he is now."

The compliment was so obviously not intended as compliment at all that the girl flushed with pleasure. "Then," went on Samson, his face slowly drawing with pain, "I was thinking of my own people. My mother was about forty when she died. She was an old woman. My father was forty-three. He was an old man. I was thinking how they withered under their drudgery—and of the monstrous injustice of it all."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

OLD CRAFT OF ODD DESIGN MUCH LIKE THE PRESENT DAY Mesopotamian Boat, Known as Kufa, Known to Have Been in Use Before Christian Era.

The Kufa, a curious circular boat made of basketwork, and seen now where else in the world, is a common sight in Mesopotamia. The ferry-men charge only a cent each passenger. There is one good point about these strange craft—they are not easily upset. Their carrying capacity also is great, and the kufa men pack in their passengers like herrings in a barrel. I had the good luck to take a photograph of the actual building of a kufa on the banks of the Tigris river, says a writer in the Wide World. They are made of date palm branches woven together with rope made out of leaves of the same palm, thickly plastered on the outside with bitumen. They range from four to twelve feet in diameter. Nowhere but on the Tigris and lower Euphrates rivers can one see these curious craft, which serve principally for the transport of passengers, country produce and beasts of burden across the river. About three men are required to make a kufa of respectable size, and it takes them some twenty days to build it. Like the kelek, the kufa is of great antiquity, for both these strange craft were here long before the time of Christ. The evidence of this is disputable, for on the bas-reliefs taken from the palace of Sennacherib both craft are clearly represented.

Depends on the Well. "Truth lies at the bottom of a well," quoted the sage. "If it happens to be an oil well," corrected the fool.

GINGERSREAD OF OLD DAYS Was a Luxury That Filled an "Aching Void" in the Down East Boy.

What memories this reference to the five-cent ginger cake of commerce will arouse in the minds of men approaching or past middle age who passed their boyhood in the country! At all public gatherings where refreshments were given for the serving of refreshments it was the chief feature in the order of the day down to a period of much later than half a century ago. And then it seems to have disappeared, suddenly and mysteriously, after the manner of the disappearance of the bootleg and the passenger pigeon, and like them probably never to return.

Who among us whose hair has grown thin atop or disappeared altogether cannot recall the bill of fare of the refreshment vendors in those earlier and simpler days at fairs, town meetings and Fourth of July celebrations! The assortment was not elaborate, but it was filling and satisfying, and one got a good deal for his money, says the Biddford (Me.) Daily Journal.

Most conspicuously displayed were those ginger cakes, everywhere locally known as "baker's gingerbread," to distinguish it from homemade gingerbread, which lacked the delicate color, the spicy fragrance, the workmanlike finish and pleasing regularity of the imported article. Then there were coffee served in big mugs; crackers and cheese, baked beans and brown bread, not infrequently homemade doughnuts, and always raw oysters.

The gingerbread and the oysters were the things that took with the crowd; for only on such occasions were these viands readily available. What country boy has not watched some older person order a saucer of raw oysters, coat them with vinegar and cayenne pepper and then absorb them as to the manner born, without admiring the grace and nonchalance with which the trick was done and wishing for the time to come when he might venture to give such an exhibition?

His consolation lay in a "sheet" of that famous baker's gingerbread, and if he was particularly well fixed financially, a piece of cheese to go with it. Those were, indeed, happy days, when a piece of gingerbread and a hunk of cheese at a total expense of six cents, would fill an aching void which in those deenerate days is hardly satisfied with a six-course dinner.

It may be assumed that the men who made that famous gingerbread are not all dead. Here and there throughout the country there must be several survivors who retired for well-earned rest after long service in the best interests of hungry humanity. This being the case, it is barely possible that the recipe for those ginger cakes is not irrevocably lost.

More Than a Stranger. Manager Hugh Jennings of the Detroit Tigers makes it a rule to give a tryout to everyone claiming to be a ball player who comes seeking a place with him. One day at morning practice, as Jennings tells the story, a chap wandered in and asked for a chance.

"You're an experienced player?" questioned Jennings. "Oh, yes," replied the candidate. "Can you hit and field pretty good?" "Oh, yes, indeed!" "What do you usually play?" "I'm a right fielder."

"Well, go out in right," instructed Jennings, "and we'll see what you can do." Jennings instructed one of the pitchers to hit a few flies to the new man in right and turned to other affairs. He was back in a few moments and, greatly to his surprise, found the candidate still beside the plate.

Certain-teed Roofing Shingles. What kind of roofing shall I buy? The General says: You can buy a cheap unguaranteed roofing and save a few dollars in total cost—or you can pay the slight difference and get a roofing guaranteed by the world's largest manufacturer of roofing and building papers. The final cost is what counts and you'll find it cheaper in the long run to buy Certain-teed.

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GODS OF LOVE AND JEALOUSY. Sometimes Associated, but Not by Any Means inseparable, as Generally Supposed.

Weight of Ore Cars. The weight of one car descending a mine in South Africa is used to produce power by pulling a cable wound around a drum that drives a dynamo.

Placing Him. Hewgas—He's a lowdown crook. Bidd—Who's a lowdown crook? Hewgas—The man higher up.

Unless It is a medium soft-boiled egg, an earnest, efficient, conscientious man usually is able to get anything he wants.

On Time for Breakfast. Ever know a real boy who wasn't on time for meals when there was something he liked? Boys are always ready for breakfast when they're going to have the New Post Toasties. These delicious, new corn flakes bring to your table all of the delightful flavour of sun ripened corn. They're made by a new method that keeps them crisp and firm even after cream or milk is added—they don't mush down as other corn flakes do.

FAMOUS RESORT IS PASSING. Jardin de Paris, Landmark of Gay Capital, a Victim of Evolution. The Jardin de Paris is doomed. After a gentle decadence of some ten declining years it will perish soon, with no pain, when the Champs Elysees chestnuts are shedding their first rusty leaves. I noticed a sad change in it when, after many years, I visited it a night or two ago. The trail of the moving picture was over it all.

and Valentín le Desosse—Valentín, the boneless wonder—were the particular stars of the Jardin de Paris. Unstrungly they evolved in the tangles of the day on the asphalt floor surrounding the orchestral kiosks. In comfortable fauteuils—the chairs of the Jardin de Paris were deservedly famous—sunk in a gentle after-dinner languor, literary, sporting, and dramatic Paris watched their evolutions. Thanks to its chairs, the Jardin de Paris became a sort of open-air salon in the summer months.—Exchange.

Famous Confederate Soldier. Gen. David Bullock Harris, a distinguished soldier and engineer in the service of the Confederacy, was born in Virginia 100 years ago. He graduated from the West Point academy in 1833 and resigned from the army two years later to practice civil engineering. At the beginning of the Civil war he offered his services to the Confederacy. He planned and constructed the defensive works on the field of Manassas and at Island No. 10, Fort Pillow and Vicksburg.

In 1863 he was in charge of the defensive engineering operation at Charleston, S. C. and the following year he constructed the defenses at Petersburg, Va. He died of yellow fever while on engineering duty at Charleston in 1864, shortly after he had been promoted to brigadier general.

Proper Deduction. I have not drawn my principles from my prejudices, but from the nature of things.—Montesquieu.

AFTER THE STORM

Former Keene Woman Writes of Galveston Disaster

The following letter written by a former Keene resident, nearly 80 years old, who has been living alone since the death of her husband last spring, will be of interest to her former friends and townpeople.

THE HAND AND THE RING

By VANE TREMAINE.

Jack Bronson gave up his seat and clung to a strap while he tried to read the morning paper. All around him were other men and women pressing closely as the train bore swiftly through the underground passage.

HEARD ABOUT TOWN

Newspaper Notes About People You Know.

Band concert Monday night. S. E. Braendle spent Sunday in Grand Rapids. Hi! We had a little cold sunshine yesterday.

SEELEY CORNERS

Byron Green, Robert and Gladys Ferral attended an ice cream social at C. Weldon's at Cascade Friday evening.

The Ledger notes and deprecates a disposition in some quarters to capitalize what is termed "bitter base ball rivalry" between Alto and Lowell.

Mrs. H. N. Wilder has returned to her home in Lansing after visiting her sister, Mrs. R. Ferral.

W. Heche and family and S. Reynolds and wife attended the Kent County Pomona Grand rally at Comstock Park last Thursday.

C. Richards and family, H. Heche and family, Z. Lewis and F. Qelgig and family attended the Iowa fair.

I. Westbrook and wife have returned from visiting relatives at Remus and Lakewick.

J. H. Skinner of Grand Rapids will hold an agricultural meeting at the farm home of R. Ferral Sept. 2 at 1:00 p. m.

Fred Reynolds and wife of Grand Rapids, G. Onas and family of West Lowell and J. Yild and family of Lowell spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. H. Reynolds.

Operator Whitman is taking a much needed vacation by request of the P. M. company. Relief Operator Frank Miller of Elmira, N. Y., is amply filling the former's position.

The Misses Genevieve McCall and Leona Laver were in Grand Rapids Thursday.

John Leonard and wife attended a O. M. conference in Ohio last week.

Peter Stahl and family and Charles Stahl, wife and daughter (Glenis) motored to Indiana to spend a week with friends.

R. J. Moore made a business trip to Grand Rapids last Thursday.

Mrs. Claude Stadt and son Elwin of near Ionia are visiting relatives of this vicinity for a couple of weeks.

E. L. Grant and family enjoyed a week's outing at Morrison lake last week.

Steve Custer and wife were Ionia visitors last Friday.

Mrs. Mae Shanks visited in this vicinity several days last week.

FALLASBURG

Aug. 24.—H. W. Smith and family of Lowell accompanied by Miss Zelma Simpson of Grand Rapids spent from Friday until Wednesday night at their camp.

Word comes to us that Mrs. A. McLeod who went to Butterworth hospital last Wednesday is able to be removed to the home of her mother, Mrs. M. C. Collins, at West Lowell, where we hope for a speedy recovery and her return here. Mr. McLeod was home Friday and returned to the Rapids Saturday.

Mrs. Eunice Richmond of Grand Rapids, after spending a month with her mother, Mrs. M. C. Collins, and Denny, went to Lowell Sunday to her daughter Mrs. Walter Rogers and will continue on home as soon as able. She was under the doctor's care while here.

Mark Simpson of Grand Rapids and Clara of Lowell spent Monday here fishing.

Our school opens the first Monday in September with Miss E. M. Smith of Jenison as teacher, who taught last year and gave good satisfaction.

J. E. Tower accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Daniels of Keene went to Grand Rapids last Thursday to attend the Grange picnic at Comstock Park and were callers on A. G. Steckette and wife. Mrs. Tower returned with them after a few days of pleasure with her sister who has entertained the past week a friend of both, Miss Miriam Harrison of Saginaw.

Miss Morris Kallward and children were in Grand Rapids Monday to meet a friend, Mrs. Jake VanDiam of Kalamazoo who is visiting them.

Mr. and Mrs. William Davis of Elmira, N. Y., came last Tuesday to spend a time with their brother Frank Jones and family.

Master Gilbert, who with his mother has been visiting Mrs. Vera Pottruff of Moseley, came Sunday to visit until Tuesday with his former schoolmate Master Herman Jones.

George Lane of Lansing is visiting his cousin Floyd Lang and family.

Miss Luva Davyport of Keene spent last Friday with her friends Misses Myrtle and Orma Lang.

Miss Grace Helwig of Terra Haute, Ind., is visiting her sister Mrs. Elmer Richmond and family of Vergennes.

Medames Elsie Hice of Belvidere, Ill., Carrie Barber and Miss Louise Richmond of Grand Rapids were guests of their aunts Medames Sherrard and Denny recently.

Willie Reford and family of Grand Rapids were callers Sunday at Mrs. Sherrard's.

Elmer Richmond and family of Vergennes and sister Miss Helwig were Sunday visitors at Mrs. Frank Sherrard's.

DISTRICT NO. FIVE

We were very sorry to hear of the serious illness of Caleb Welland of Bowne. Here's hoping for his recovery in the near future.

J. P. Needham and son Emmet were in Alto on business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Graham and the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peel of near W. Whitneyville, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Needham, Jr.

W. M. Wilcox and daughter Emma were over Sunday guests of his sons Harrison and Hubert at Lansing and Wallace at Durand.

McCORDS and WHITNEYVILLE

Mrs. Norm Thomas and daughter Grace have returned from a visit with relatives in Grand Rapids.

There was a large attendance at the lawn social held at the home of Mrs. Lizzie Sears. A very pleasant evening was spent with music and games.

Mrs. Ella Lind is visiting relatives at Vicksburg and Kalamazoo.

Chas. Green and family attended the Jones-Benevise reunion, which was held at U. B. Hembling's at Caledonia Wednesday.

Levi Cooper and family went to Jenisonville last Wednesday in the Brown auto to attend a picnic.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Brown, son L. Z. and wife and Mrs. Adley spent Sunday in Grand Rapids with Mr. and Mrs. J. Hodgeman.

Howard Batey has returned to his home near Clarkville after a visit with his grandmother, Mrs. Ellen Linton, and aunt, Mrs. Rockefeller.

Mrs. Semyon visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Vandermel, near Hastings over Sunday.

Carole Kellogg is spending a week with her grandmother, Mrs. L. Spaulding, at West Cascade.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Fairchild of Grand Rapids are visiting at the homes of their cousins, Medames S. C. Snyder and Mrs. Lizzie Sears.

Paul Teeple has returned from Sand Lake where he visited his aunt, Mrs. Dr. Teeple.

Ernest Bates and family spent over Sunday with Frank Brooker and family at Hart.

Mrs. Fred Thomas recently entertained in honor of her little daughter's 6th birthday. A number of little children enjoyed the afternoon with games after which refreshments were served.

Miss Kathryn Vandermel returned Tuesday from a visit with her parents near Hastings. Her sisters Matilda and Helen accompanied her home for a few days' visit.

THE CHEERFUL CHERUB

I sing in praise of common things, They may not have much spice, But though they pall at least they make uncommon things seem nice.

THE CHEERFUL CHERUB

I hitched my wagon to a star, It came to earth with quite a jar - I took my dounfell with a smile - The ride was thrilling for a while; And now though skies be blank and void I'll seek another asteroid.

Stratford Opera Company at Chautauqua



LOVERS of high class vocal music in this community are promised a rare treat on the last day of our Chautauqua, when the prelude to the afternoon lecture and most of the evening program will be given by the Stratford Opera Company.

Any Ladies' Trimmed Hat, 98c. ENAMEL WARE Saturday, Aug. 28th. 49c each. RIEDE'S Successors to Gendemanns Road Block. Stretch Your \$\$ by Trading at Riede's.

LOWELL MARKET REPORT. Corrected Aug. 6, 1915. Wheat (red) 80-1b. 1.00, Wheat (white) 80-1b. .95, Corn 20-1b. .45, Oats, bu. .35, Soybeans, bu. .40, Pork, dressed, lb. 12.00, Lard, 100-lb. 11.00, Butter, 1-lb. 25.00, Eggs, doz. 17.00, Hens, doz. 14.00, Chickens, doz. 13.00, Turkeys, doz. 18.00, Mutton, 100-lb. 10.00, Beef, dressed, lb. 11.00, Veal, dressed, lb. 10.00, Lamb, dressed, lb. 9.00, Sheep, live, 100-lb. 4.00-5.00, Slaughter Fat, lb. .22

Railroad Time Cards. PERRY MARQUETTE Effective June 30, 1915. East Bound: 7:40 a.m. Daily, 2:10 p.m. Daily except Sunday, 6:50 p.m. Daily. West Bound: 10:32 a.m. Daily, 5:38 p.m. Daily except Sunday, 8:25 p.m. Daily.

Classified Advertising. LEE FARM. Located 5 1/2 miles south west of Lowell and about 2 miles from Alto, 100 acres, good buildings, windmill and cement tank; about 25 acres of timber and 30 acres under cultivation.

HELP WANTED. An experienced man wanted for farm work. Good position by month or year to right man. Address or call on W. L. MacFarland, Mercer farm, Clarkville, Mich. 1011

FOR RENT. Third floor, Kopt block, well suited for lodge purposes. Inquire G. W. Bangs. FOR RENT. Eight room house on West Main street. Inquire of R. Brinkley, or at Alexander's store. 11

FOUND. NEW DISCOVERY—Hand made Hurley 5c cigar. Have you tried one? Mild and sweet! Made in Lowell. 11 Try LEDGER job print on next order.

Old Naval Custom. "Show a leg or else a purser's stocking" is the cry with which sailors in the navy are awakened. The words date back to the time when women were allowed to go on the cruises. They were permitted to stay aboard later than the men, and showed a "purser's stocking" to prove that they weren't get up.

The RED MIST by Randall Parrish. "An honest man" said Uncle Eben, "ain't guiter git along very well unless he has de courage to insist on folks he deals with bein' de same way."



HERE is a story of love and war told in the way that only Randall Parrish can tell it. A Confederate spy and the daughter of a Federal officer, neighbors in childhood, are the two leading characters. Then there is a murderous gang of bushwhackers. There is action and excitement all the way through. You'll not be troubled with ennui while reading it. By all means read The Red Mist Our Next Serial or Watch for the Opening Installment!

Safety On G. & M. Boats Is Assured.

Grand Rapids—The Graham & Morton Co., who have been in business over half a century and owners of a fleet of boats plying on Lake Michigan between Holland, Benton Harbor, St. Joseph and Chicago is now one of the few big steamboat companies operating on the Great Lakes which is doing a good business despite the unfavorable weather conditions and the fact that the Eastland disaster has made people timid about going aboard lake-going vessels.

"Can't Do Without It."

Riversdale, Jamica, B. W. L., Aug. 10. Dear Editor: I am sending one dollar in this letter to pay on my subscription to the Ledger. We can't do without its weekly visits when we are so far away. Greetings to all the Lowell friends.

Very sincerely, Mrs. M. E. VanDusen

THE LEDGER \$1.00 per year.

County Sunday school leaders will meet this Thursday evening at the Grand Rapids Y. M. C. A. to plan a home visitation campaign which will be waged in all the Sunday schools of Kent county outside of the city.

Among those who attended the picnic at Saranac yesterday were Mrs. John Frazee, daughters Fern and Inez, Misses Bessie Fletcher, Vera Dennis, Alma Wilcox, Vera Loucks, Lyana and Mary Babcock, Etta Gable, Gladys Callier, Millie Barr, Mr. and Mrs. James Denton, Mr. and Mrs. Oley Bulson, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Hudson, Mrs. Frank Fenning and son Jack, Mrs. Leone Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. P. Finies, Mrs. R. T. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Strong, Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Meyers, Dr. Huntley, Wayne Young, Bert Hayes, Geo. Taylor, Harvey Haysner, Jack Bannon, James McMahon, Jack Hayes, Ray Hatherly and Arthur Mills.

Agency for Parisian Dye House Grand Rapids. Gents' Suits Dry Cleaned.....\$1.00 Ladies' Garments Dry Cleaned or Dyed. Everything Dyed on Earth. Let me send you my work. The New Fall Suitings are in. Leave your measure now for your new suit. Suits Pressed, 75c. We do your work good and have it ready when you want it. Will C. Stone

Jack Bronson was in love.

Jack Bronson was in love. If any one person was responsible for this fact it might be his sister, Fanny, who has invited him down to spend the weekend, and there introduced him to Alice Selden.

"I used to wear one."

"I used to wear one," she said rather pensively. "It was a darling ring, and to punish myself for losing it I have vowed not to wear another until I find it."

"Not any ring at all!"

"Not any ring at all!" quavered Jack, who had been dreaming of placing an engagement ring on her pretty hand.

"I want to free you from your rash vow."

"I want to free you from your rash vow. I want to make it possible for you to indulge in at least one ring," he said earnestly.

"What sort of ring was it?"

"A cluster ring, an emerald surrounded by diamonds. Father gave it to me on my last birthday. I lost it in the subway. It was rather an odd affair—if you don't mind, I'd rather not talk about it any more."

"I want to speak to you,"

"I want to speak to you," whispered Jack as they met next morning in the breakfast room. "Join me on the beach in half an hour. May I expect you?"

STILL THEY COME

Names of Those who Have Paid for Ledger Subscriptions. Receipt of subscriptions since our last report, is hereby acknowledged from the following: M. E. VanDusen, Frank Condon, Mrs. W. H. Murphy, Mrs. Oscar Hesse, Mrs. P. G. Hansen, Mrs. W. S. Merrill, M. B. Remington, Charles Burr, Mrs. Martha Combs, Mrs. M. C. Collins, Frank W. Brinkley, Charles R. Hine, Mrs. Thomas Roman.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Lawrence

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Lawrence arrived home from the West last Thursday, but Miss Ariel remained at Clifton, Col., for another week with her sister Clara.

Mrs. Phoebe Barber died

Mrs. Phoebe Barber died at the home of her sister, Mrs. Gottlieb Rittenger, in South Lowell, after a four months illness of paralysis. Funeral services will be held Friday at 10 o'clock.

Mr. Bishop of the Bishop Furniture Company

Mr. Bishop of the Bishop Furniture Company, Grand Rapids, is desirous of stocking his oak grove with squirrels. Anyone having surplus will find a ready customer in Mr. Bishop.

Mrs. C. O. Hill, who was taken

Mrs. C. O. Hill, who was taken to St. Mary's hospital, Grand Rapids, August 15th for an operation, is making a good recovery and is expected to be able to return home late this week.

Miss Agnes Anderson returned

Miss Agnes Anderson returned Friday from an extended visit at Brunswick. She was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Horace Smith and son Elwin of Hamilton, Ont., who spent several days here.

Dame Rumor says that three

Dame Rumor says that three Lowell ladies out buggy riding Sunday were seen unloading green corn on their arrival home and that they obtained their supply from the field of an old man who is sick a bed. Sick 'em!

A child was drowned in the

A child was drowned in the Grand Rapids swimming pool and now the father is going to sue the city for damages. There is that disadvantage about a municipality trying to teach the rising generation to swim.—Bay City Times.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Merriman

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Merriman, daughters Lois, Elizabeth and Julia and Mrs. Idema and daughter, of Grand Rapids, called on the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Merriman, Tuesday. Lois and Elizabeth will remain till Saturday with their grandparents.

Advertisers, take notice.

Advertisers, take notice. Owing to a new postal ruling, The Ledger will be obliged to go to press Thursday noons hereafter; and no copy can be received later than Wednesdays for issue the same week. Preferably, all ads should be in Mondays. Please co-operate with us for a prompt service.

A series of township farm

A series of township farm meetings has been arranged by County Agriculturist J. H. Skinner. Neighboring towns will get together and discuss agricultural topics and their experiences of this season. Among the appointments are: Casco township—Sept. 2, 8 a. m. Jack Rockefeller; 10 a. m. Jack Rockefeller; 1 p. m. Robert Farrell, Ada township—Sept. 6, 8 a. m. L. Gillespie; 10 a. m. Burt Clinton; 1 p. m. Jerome Crampton; 3 p. m. J. H. Ward.

Lowell Chautauqua August 31 to September 4, 1915.