

# The Plymouth Mail.

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## OUR GOVERNMENT.

WHO WILL TAKE THE THANK-LESS JOBS.

Nobody Seems to be Anxious to Become President and Receive Abuse for Pay.

The time is near at hand when it will be necessary to make some changes in the village council or send back for another term those who have served us so faithfully.

The out going members are: President Hunter, Clerk Eddy, Trustees Gale, Chaffee and Smitherman. As far as the MAIL is concerned, and in the opinion of a majority they should all be returned, with the exception of Clerk Eddy, who is now engaged in Detroit and cannot accept.

Candidates for clerk are scarce, and only two have so far signified their willingness to accept. One is Ed. C. Lauffer, the genial member of the firm of Chaffee, Hunter and Lauffer. The other is a fellow we don't care to mention. Mr. Lauffer is probably as popular a young man as Plymouth possesses and would make a capital clerk.

For president there seems no alternative but to return George W. Hunter, who has served us so faithfully, much to his own disadvantage.

Mr. Hunter declines a renomination, but his friends say nay. In the event of Mr. Hunter refusing point-blank to be returned, the MAIL has had two names brought to its notice. Elmer W. Chaffee and W. O. Allen. Others have been mentioned but they have refused decidedly to run.

Mr. Gale is a valued member of the council and his renomination should not fail to materialize.

Mr. Smitherman says no more for him, thank you, but "Billy" is a pretty good sort of a fellow, you know, and can easily be won back again.

In any event Mr. Chaffee should not be omitted from the list, and should be promoted to the chair or at least returned to his present post of duty.

### SOME MAY—WE CAN'T.

The following has been going the rounds of the press:

"After you get angry and stop your paper, just poke your finger into water, pull it out and look for the hole. Then you will know how sadly you are missed. A man who thinks a paper cannot thrive without his support ought to go off and stay a while. When he comes back half his friends will not know he had gone, and the other half will not care a cent, while the world at large kept no account of his movements."

When we lose a subscriber we regret it very much, and we certainly cannot "thrive" unless we have the united support of the community. We recall that last June the Wayne Tidings published the above under the head of "Too good to let pass." The editor may have thought so, but the people seemed to think the Tidings was not "too good to let pass." It passed—out of existence for want of proper support. Yes, sir, we miss every subscriber that drops from our list and notice the "hole" at that. We want more subscribers and will endeavor to make the paper worth ten times over the dollar paid for it.

### Salem.

Clarence Nollett, of Pikes Peak, was in town last week looking hale and hearty. His many friends here who were privileged to shake his hand were pleased to see him back among us again only for a day.

Mr. and Mrs. Giger and two little daughters were visitors in Superior a part of last week, and at this writing have not returned home, doubtless on account of the almost impassable north and south roads.

It takes more than a blizzard to stop some of our young folks from attending a dancing party, as we learn the party at Stanore's hall was well attended.

Salem Lodge, K. of P., took in two new members at their last meeting.

Clothes line thieves are the latest nuisance heard of in Salem. A person must want clothing wonderfully bad, we think, to steal in order to get them, but we learn some parties who live west of town have actually had their clothes stolen from the line. If this is reported someone may hear something drop, and with a vengeance too.

The type made one of our items in last week's MAIL read: "Mrs. M. Murry" when it should have read "Mrs. William Murry." We are pleased to learn, however, that the lady in question is somewhat better, although still very weak.

We are informed that Rev. D. H. Conrad went to South Lyon last Friday evening expecting to deliver an address on temperance, but owing to the inclemency of the weather, no doubt, the audience was so small that the address was not given.

On account of the bad condition of the roads and the cold weather the social at Lee Stevens was rather poorly attended.

The surprise party at Mr. James Merzitt's, on the baseline road, was a very pleasant affair throughout.

Quite a large company of friends from Blackwood district, made Fred B. Herrick a pleasant surprise last Friday evening. Mr. Herrick, as it is known, has for some time been preaching in the school house and the people took this means to show their appreciation of his services.

### Meads Mills.

Mrs. Ella Waterman is quite sick with tonsillitis.

Mrs. G. H. Bryant went to Detroit on Tuesday last.

Miss Clara Benton visited her aunt, Mrs. Colby, of Livonia, last week.

Geo. Bryant and wife spent Sunday with Mr. Frisbee, in Plymouth.

Miss Nannie Benton spent Sunday with her friend, Lillie Stuart, of Northville.

Master Francis Soules has returned from Detroit where he has been visiting with friends for a week.

We are informed that Miss Belle Downey has a situation in a large shoe house in Detroit, pasting shoes.

Mrs. Fanny Hughes, the lady who had a tumor removed last spring, has been quite poorly lately, but is better at this writing.

Five couples from here piled into a wood rack and surprised Ervin Stuart's family last Friday night. A good time reported by those who went.

There was a fair turn-out last Monday to hear Mr. Arnold preach, but not so many as might come if they would. He will preach again next Sunday at the same hour, 2.30. Everybody come and bring your friends.

The Plymouth laundry is a home in dustry. Patronize it.

Pedro score cards at the MAIL office. Don't forget the Plymouth Laundry.

### Newburg.

Miss Emma Joans, of Detroit, spent Sunday with her aunt, Eliza Clark, as it was her birthday. She also visited others of her numerous friends here.

A number will be baptized and a number admitted to full membership in our church next Sunday. Services at 2 p. m. Sabbath school immediately after.

A democratic club was organized by our enterprising young folks last Friday, with E. Rutter, president; Miss Hattie Hoisington, vice president; Jas. Norris, secretary; Miss Bessie Rattenbury, treasurer. They are going to prepare entertainments. Look out for something fine in the future.

Our dramatic boys, Ed. Rutter, Jas. Norris and E. P. LeVan, assisted E. M. Dramatic Club to place "Uncle Sam" on the boards last Saturday evening.

Rob Rutter, of Lansing, visited home last Saturday and Sunday.

Wm. King has purchased the little farm of A. G. Johns, part of the Latreal place, and is building a house thereon.

We are pleased to see the smiling face of S. Stoneburner among us again. He has been spending the winter among old associations in New York state.

Miss Stella Bassett, who has been learning dressmaking at Detroit, is now working at her business in this community.

We understand that Will Meinbhart has rented the farm of L. Dean, now occupied by C. Gerr.

A. Selwood, who is suffering very severely from rheumatism, does not improve very much.

Mrs. Rawson, mother of Jas. Rawson, was buried from our church last Sunday, Rev. J. B. Oliver conducting the services. A large concourse of friends were present and listened with rapt attention to the sermon which was prepared from a text selected by the deceased, Isaiah 41-10.

Our church has got back its poor old organ and this community has received a shock that we hope will teach us all to, in the future, be more careful to analyze the actions of and to have more charity for others, and follow nearer the blessed Savior's rule, "do unto others as you would that they should do by you."

In spite of the awful weather, 56 met with the L. A. Society last Friday and ate dinner with Mrs. Hoisington and had a very interesting time. This society has the following ladies who are working faithfully for its interest and the benefit of our community. Mrs. C. E. Ryder, president; Mrs. D. Ellenwood, vice president; Mrs. J. G. Bennett, secretary; Mrs. D. G. Genney, treasurer. They will meet with Mrs. C. H. Armstrong the second Friday in March and will elect officers. They have made many improvements and now are going to paint the church. See their advertisement to painters.

Painters—Look over our church and send sealed bids, before March 1, '95, for painting it, they furnishing paint, (the very best), or the committee furnishing it. Send to church painting committee, Naukin P. O.

There will be an oyster supper at Newburg hall Wednesday evening, Feb. 20th, given by Newburg Dramatic Club. All should turn out as they are working for a good purpose.

An object lesson. If the nice entertainments we started out with could have been kept up all winter it would not be necessary for our young people to be holding dances to enjoy themselves.

### Crop Report.

Cold weather prevailed during the month of January. Snow fell in the early part of the month in sufficient amount to afford a good protection to the wheat plant. The average depth of snow in the lower peninsula on the 15th was about eight inches, and at the end of the month there had been no reduction.

In reply to the question, "Has wheat during January suffered injury from any cause?" 192 correspondents in the southern counties answer "yes," and 295 "no;" in the central counties, 34 answer "yes," and 143 "no," and in the northern counties, 8 answer "yes," and 90 "no."

The total number of bushels of wheat reported marketed by farmers in January, is 1,061,838, and in the six months August—January, 7,296,941, which is 1,933,971 bushels less than reported marketed in the same months last year. At twenty elevators and mills from which reports have been received, there was no wheat marketed during the month.

The condition of live stock averages from 98 to 97 per cent, comparison being with stock in good healthy and thrifty condition.

### DIRECTOR'S MEETING.

A meeting of the directors of the Plymouth fair association will be held on Saturday, (to-morrow evening,) at 7 o'clock at the Plymouth Savings Bank. All officers requested to be present. F. D. HOLLOWAY, Secy.

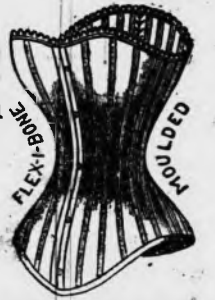


FEB. 16th  
BAPTIST DAY  
16th FEB.

We will give Ten Per Cent of our gross sales to the churches of Plymouth, as noted below.

Saturday, Feb. 16, Baptist Church  
Saturday, Feb. 23, Lutheran Church  
Saturday, March 2, Presbyterian Church  
Saturday, March 9, Universalist Society  
Saturday, March 16, Methodist Church

J. R. RAUCH,  
AGENT, PLYMOUTH.



## WALL PAPER WALL PAPER WALL PAPER

I take pleasure in announcing to the public that with Mr. Chas. Holloway I shall put in the largest and most fashionable stock of Wall Paper ever shown in Plymouth. All paper will be new, bright and of the latest shades and designs, bought of the Perfection Wall Paper Co., Chicago, and will be sold at the very lowest price that Spot Cash will bring. Samples can be seen at the store or Mr. Holloway will call at your house and show samples any time desired.

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## Secure a Mask at a Very Low Price

We have just bought a large stock of Toilet Soap at hard times prices, which we would like to have everyone come in and see. Among the lot will be found the celebrated Cocoa Castile Soap, regular price 10c, our price 5c a cake. Pine Tar Soap, regular price 10c, our price 5c. Tea Leaf Soap, regular price 10c, our price 5c. Marseilles Castile Soap and Jockey Club Soap, regular price 10c, our price 5c. Rose Bouquet regular price 15c, our price 10c or 3 for 25c. Cucumber Soap, regular price 15c, our price 10c or 3 for 25c. Orange Peel 10c. Also Oatine, White Clover and Glycerine Bouquet Soaps.

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## AUTHORS AND OTHERS.

Miss Rhoda Broughton, the novelist, has been described as "a snippy lady with a girlish figure and a fondness for tea."

David Belasco, the playwright, is said to have made \$100,000 in his profession. He was born in San Francisco thirty-seven years ago.

Samuel Minturn Peck cultivates one of the largest flower gardens in Alabama. And he lives in a house that is literally roofed with roses.

After Victor Hugo's death more than 10,000 isolated verses were found scattered about his room written on small slips of paper. He used to write incessantly, even while dressing himself in the morning.

William Moseley Hall, who died recently, called himself the "Father of Chicago," because he originated a river and harbor convention, nearly a half century ago which gave the Lake City its first great boom.



## KNOWLEDGE

Brings comfort and improvement and tends to personal enjoyment when rightly used. The many, who live better than others and enjoy life more, with less expenditure, by more promptly adapting the world's best products to the needs of physical being, will attest the value to health of the pure liquid laxative principles embraced in the remedy, Syrup of Figs.

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Syrup of Figs is for sale by all druggists in 50c and \$1 bottles, but it is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only, whose name is printed on every package, also the name, Syrup of Figs, and being well informed, you will not accept any substitute if offered.

## PATENTS

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ACRE APPLES, \$1.453. This is the best of the best. A general fruit and farm paper, published by Star House, 406 N. York street, Chicago, Ill. The "Acres of the Green" gives the best fruit growing in America. It is the only paper to be read and a great name of success. What it best from them all, what it wants to know, what would take him time to search out for himself.

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## LAND OF VALENTINES.

Benny stood looking into the windows of the valentine shops. Such lots and lots of lovely Valentines as Mr. Simpson showed! There were fat little gilt Cupids and bleeding hearts transfixed with arrows;

beautiful leaves of very pink roses with very green leaves, and stars and darts and true lovers' knots galore!

Benny looked and admired, and sighed and debated. He had 25 cents. How many of these glories, he wondered, would 25 cents buy? Benny was a generous little chap. He wanted to buy a valentine for everybody he knew, and then again for everybody who wanted a valentine, and he felt sure that it would take more than 25 cents to do that!

"If it would only rain Valentines on Valentine's day," thought Benny. "Oh! if Valentines grew on trees, and I could pick as many as I liked. Or if they grew up like the grass, or I could dig them out of the ground like stones. Then," sighed Benny, "I could get all I wanted."

But they didn't seem to do that way in the neighborhood of Mr. Simpson's shop. At last Benny went in and bought three. One had a bouncing Cupid on it, one had a wreath of red roses and one was some very loving verses with little stars around the border.

"That's for mamma, Mr. Simpson," cooed Benny.

The thought of the rain of Valentines haunted him all day. So when he woke up in the middle of the night and found it really was raining Valentines he was not at all surprised.

He slipped out of the bed softly and ran out. A few Valentines fluttered down out there, then the rain stopped, but the ground was covered with them. They were prettier and gayer



if Mr. Simpson only kept such pretty ones as this and sold 'em three for 25 cents!"

Then Benny wandered along, and he plucked Valentines out of the grass and off the bushes. And every valentine was lovelier than the last, and every motto written upon it more tender and affectionate. He picked up a little palegreen lace paper one from the grass and the motto upon it was:

"Faithful is the love and true Valentine has brought to you."

And another white one in the shade of a heart declared:

"Sweetest heart, forever thine, Is the heart of Valentine."

"They're very lovely," cried Benny, glowing with admiration. "Every thing is lovely and loving here," cried a little voice over his head, "for this is St. Valentine's land!"

And then, over the branches of the tree overhead, Benny saw a curious sight. Hundreds of little gold Cupids with gilt wings and little bows and arrows slung over their shoulders were swinging and swaying back and forth. How pretty they looked and how the light fluttered over their wings, and flickered over Benny's hair, as he stood looking up at the frolicsome Cupids!

And suddenly a sorrowful thought struck Benny, and right in the midst of all this wealth of Valentines he sat down and cried!

"Dear! dear! dear!" he sobbed; "and to-morrow it won't be Valentine's day any more!"

Mamma shook him and woke him up. "What a pity," Benny repeated; "to-morrow it won't be Valentine's day any more!"

Then he told her all about it and she coaxed him and cuddled him and told him to go to sleep again and bring some of the Valentines of St. Valentine's land back with him to save for next St. Valentine's day.

EVA LOVETT.

Benny studied this one admiringly for some time. Then he raised his eyes.

"Oh!" he cried in surprise. Opposite to him stood a stately tree, with broad spreading branches. And up and down its boughs, like leaves, were hundreds of fluttering Valentines! Dainty lace and pink papers with hearts and shafts and Cupids valentine style.

Benny had grown critical in Valentines. He threw down those in his hand, and started eagerly to pluck more showy ones growing upon the tree. He seized a pink tissue beauty, with fringed and gilt edges. And inside he read the prettiest verse yet:

"Darling sweetheart, tell me, do, Will thou be forever true? Will thou knowst my heart is thine, Choose me for thy Valentine."

Then Benny tried another one. This one had stars shining on pale blue gauze and it read:

"The stars of heaven look down to see How I love you and you love me!"

"Beautiful!" sighed Benny. "Now



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## FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.

### INTERESTING READING FOR THE YOUNG PEOPLE.

Little Bob Forgot His Grandma's Many Kindnesses—Books Instead of Candy—The Small Boy's Latest Game—A Clever Retort.

Little Bob sat very still at the breakfast table. He was so busy thinking that he ate only one saucerful of the big red raspberries fresh from grandma's garden and covered with golden cream from grandma's milk pans.

Bob was spending his vacation at grandma's farm, and there were so many pleasant things going on that the little fellow hardly knew what to do first.

"Now, if I ride to mill, I can't go fishing with Sam," he thought, shaking his little puzzled head. "Sam says the fishes in the creek are big as grandma's turkeys, and they bite quicker'n squel-toes. Guess I'll go with him."

But just at that moment he saw grandma and the hired man in the empty hay wagon; they must be going to the meadow for a load of hay.

What fun it would be to ride home on the soft, sweet hay, away up among the treetops! It was nicer than riding on the elephant in the park, Bobby thought.

So his little heels made quick time along the path to the barn, and he clambered into the big wagon, over the wheel, and cared nothing more for Sam's wonderful fish.

"Wait a minute, dear," called grandma from the kitchen door. "Do you know any little boy who wants to climb up into this tree and get some cherries for grandma's pies?"

"No-o, grandma," said little Bob, with a very long face. "I don't know any such boy, honesty. Arn't you 'fraid he might tumble out of the tree and break his arms and legs?"

"Oh, ho, Bob!" laughed grandma. "That's the first time you ever were afraid to climb a tree!"

Lazy Bob hung his head, but he did not give up his point.

"Sides, I don't think cherry pies are very good," he argued. "Kind of sour and pucky."

"You'll eat 'em fast enough when dinner time comes," said grandma.

"Well, never mind, Bob," said gentle grandma, seeing how sober the little fellow looked. "I'll get along without the cherries. Go and have a nice ride, dearie; you can't be a little boy but once."

So the long wagon went jelling and rattling away so fast that Bob had to catch hold of the high rack to keep from tumbling over.

The meadow looked so pretty with the green hay-fields dotted evenly over it, like wigwags in an Indian village, Bobby fancied. The hired man jumped out of the wagon and lit-hold one rock after another with their long pitch-forks.

Grandpa arranged the hay in the wagon so that the load would balance well, and little Bob's seat rose higher and higher as the wagon was filled.

But somehow Bobby was not having a very good time. He could not help thinking that grandma was always ready to leave her work, and hunt for his missing balls and whistles, or give him a doughnut when he was hungry—which, to tell the truth, was most of the time from breakfast to dinner, from dinner to tea.

He remembered, too, how yesterday he had poked a hole in a hornet's nest, just to see what it was made of, and how the hornets stung him, and how grandma cured them with soda, and told him stories till he forgot the pain.

"Say, grandpa, let me out," said Bobby. "I want to go to the house. I forgot something."

"Forgot what? Your knife? Here, take mine," said grandpa, handing in his pocket.

"No, thank you, grandpa," said Bob. "Something else."

"Something to eat, I'll warrant!" said grandpa, pulling out a paper bag. "Grandma said you'd be hungry, so she put you up a lunch."

Bob looked into the bag, and saw it was full of grandma's nice sugary cookies in the shape of little rings and hearts. He felt more ashamed than ever, and he could not have eaten one of those cookies if he had been starving.

"Oh, isn't that grandpa!" he said, with a little shake in his voice. "I forgot what lots of things grandma does for me."

"Hey? Well, I guess you did," said grandpa. "Those cherries must be tired of waiting for you."

So, with grandpa's help, Bob slid down to the ground, and ran home like a squirrel. In a very short time grandma was surprised to see a small boy coming in at the washhouse door, with a big pile of the red cherries.

"And, grandpa," said Bob. "I won't forget again, you'll see."—The House-hold.

**The Rival Mothers.** This story is, beyond doubt, original to Japan in its present form, but it bears a remarkable resemblance to another celebrated judgment given more than two thousand years ago on the other side of the world.

About a century and a half ago a woman who was a servant in the house of a daimyo had a little girl born to her. But it was inconvenient for her to have the child with her in the daimyo's mansion, and so she put the little one out to nurse with a woman in the neighboring village. The child grew to be very intelligent, and the foster-mother, who was a heartless woman, thought she saw an opportunity to earn money through the girl's services, and determined to keep her. Accordingly, when the mother's term of service expired, and she came to get back her child, the foster-mother treated her claim as false, said the child was her own, and utterly refused to give her up.

So at last they came before Oka, the town magistrate of Yedo, who, after some thought, hit upon a novel plan or deciding. He placed the child between the two mothers, had each one take an arm of the child, and then ordered them to pull! He could then tell, he said, which one deserved to have the child. The foster-mother, thinking only

of winning, pulled with all her might; but the true mother, full of her affection for her child, could bear to inflict on it such brutal pain; and she let go as soon as she felt the other woman pulling. "The child is mine!" exclaimed the foster-mother, triumphantly. "Not so!" said Oka, sternly; "you are a pretender; this other is the true mother."

Then the false mother confessed her deception, and begged for pardon. The people, when they heard of the judgment, were full of admiration for the penetration and sagacity of their great magistrate.

### A Boy Policeman.

"Lieutenant, when do I get my pay? I think it about time, 'cause I want to get a tin whistle and lots of things," said a cute little shaver of six, as he strutted into the central police station and walked up to the lieutenant's desk.

Lieut. Hill peered over the desk and recognized a little protege, Horace W. Carle, all dressed in a complete lieutenant's uniform, with a silver badge, stripes on his shoulders, with a revolver in one hand and a club in the other.

"Well, how much pay do you think you ought to have?" asked Lieut. Hill.

"Well, you might give me about \$50, I-guess. That's a big pile of money, but I 'spect it's about what a lieutenant ought to get, and you know I am a lieutenant now," and the little shaver strutted about and then asked Lieut. Hill if he thought a burglar could get away from him.

"Lieut. Horace Carle, though only a very little boy, is a born policeman. Ever since he was a baby he has been wild over policemen. When he was in short dresses he strutted around with a club and would run to the window and call every policeman that passed.

He got acquainted with Lieut. Hill when the latter was a sergeant. Little Horace had his aunt fix his suit up as a sergeant's uniform, and when Lieut. Hill was promoted he had his uniform changed too, and Lieut. Hill got him a silver star and a club.

When he does not mind his father tells him if he is not good that he will not let him be a policeman, and that brings little Horace to time at once. His great ambition is to catch a real live burglar, and who knows but that he may some day?—Cincinnati Enquirer.

### The Small Boy's Latest Game.

Who has noticed a curious scroll drawn in chalk upon the sidewalk, dotted with apparent hieroglyphs, and serving to interest and amuse youthful New Yorkers? asks the New York World. This is a new game an echo of the great fair, and it rejoices in the name of "the Ferris wheel."

It is a kind of "hopsotch," but much more complex, and ingenious, and rose in the firmament of youthful sports a star of the first magnitude, during the Columbian exposition. When it will set no astronomer can predict. Its discoverer was a Chicago lad.

A great, double spiral is drawn, lots are cast to decide who is to lead off, and then Master A. B., who has won the cast, hops into the diagram, as far as the center, and then retraces his hops—steps would be inaccurate. After this he places his initial in any part of the spiral which appeals to his taste. The others follow in order. No one must touch the lines of the spiral, fall to keep one foot clear of the ground, or rest upon any initial except his own. This is no easy matter, particularly after the diagram has become an interlaced confusion of letters.

"The players score one for each successful effort, the highest score naturally winning.

The rapid spread of the game, its meaning in honor of the exhibit which probably impressed youthful visitors most deeply, and to which they could trace an intended resemblance in the curved lines of the diagram, its curious complexity, all make the new sport extremely interesting.

### How They Grew a Bell.

At the beginning of the last century the only church bell at Grosslitzwitz, Germany, was so small that its tones were not sufficient to penetrate to the ends of the village. A second bell was badly wanted but the village was poor and where was the money to come from?

One Sunday when the schoolmaster, Gottfried Hayn, was going to church, he noticed growing out of the churchyard wall, a flourishing stalk of corn, the seed of which must have been dropped by a passing bird. The flock suddenly struck him that perhaps this one stalk of corn could be made the means of procuring the second bell they wanted so much. He waited until the corn was ripe and then he plucked the six ears on it and sowed them in his own garden. Next year he gathered the little crop thus produced and sowed it again, till at last he had not enough room in his garden for the crop, and so he divided it among a certain number of farmers, who went on sowing the ears until in the eighth year, the crop was so large that when it was put together and sold they found that had money enough to buy a beautiful bell!—Harper's Young People.

### A Clever Retort.

That was a clever retort which a laborer once made to Lord Chancellor Camden of England. It appears that in consequence of the interest which the lord chancellor took on behalf of Wilkes, he became so popular that the parliamenters of Chischester, where he resided, made him a present of ten acres of common. His lordship, who was a very early riser, was the first to discover, in one of his morning walks, that a poor widow who resided on the common had all her geese stolen during the previous night. He wanted to meet a laborer going to work, and, thinking from being wrapped up in his great coat, that he was unknown to the man, he inquired of him respecting the geese, and asked him if he knew what punishment would be inflicted on the offender who stole the geese from the common. The man answered, "No."

"Well, then," said his lordship, "he would be transported for seven years."

"If that is the case," replied the laborer, "I will thank your lordship to tell me what punishment the law would inflict on the man who stole the common from the geese."

## Forests Whittled Away.

A notable example of a big result produced by small means is found in the fact that lead pencil users have whittled away several big forests of cedar trees in Europe and the supply of wood suitable for lead pencils is practically exhausted in the old world. An order has just been placed by a noted German firm of pencil makers with a California lumber company for a large quantity of sequoia wood, which is found to be the best wood now available for lead pencils. The sequoia is the big tree of California.

## The Horse's Power of Scent.

There is one perception which a horse possesses to which little attention has been paid and that is the power of scent. With some horses it is acute, as with the dog, and for the benefit of those who drive at night, such as physicians and others, this knowledge is invaluable. Never check your horse at night, but give him a free head and you may rest assured that he will never get off the road and will carry you safely and expeditiously.

## Russian Subjects.

The law of Russia requires all Russian subjects over the age of 12 years to take the oath of allegiance on the accession of a new czar. The Russian government never surrenders its claim to the allegiance of a native of Russia, or admits that a Russian can, without its permission, become a citizen of another country. Of course there is no means of enforcing this claim against Russians who have become American citizens.

## Top-Heavy.

Four hundred tons of top weight must come off the new French battle ship Brannus before she can be made seaworthy; one of her fighting masts will be taken out and her upper deck will be almost completely dismantled.

## A Connecticut Frank.

A news paragraph in the Norwich, Conn., Sun the other day announced that: "Frank Crumb, of South Plymouth, narrowly escaped death Wednesday at the hands of a ferocious bull."

## MORE ABOUT BACKS.

Back: the Warning Note a Sounded—Is It Coming Your Way? (From the Detroit News.)

The pertinent question of the day is—Does your back ache? Is it lame? Thousands suffer from what they commonly term "Back." They have been compelled to assume a stooped position for some time and of course the ache and pain comes from that—that is true enough, but in this case the more direct cause is overlooked. It is simply the problem. Why does the back ache? The kidneys are affected. Why are the kidneys affected? Because they have been overtaxed. This same overtaxing of the kidneys and over the back means disease, and even death will follow relief is not promptly rendered. The kidneys secrete as nature has provided; must filter out of the system a vast amount of waste matter. Dropsical swellings and even that dread destroyer, Bright's disease, set in. Then you have a struggle to live at all. If you but heed timely warning, a few words of advice, you will not wait until the struggle, but strike the enemy while you can strike hard. Doan's Kidney Pills are performing wonders right here in Detroit, they are everywhere, and they have removed all the trouble. Too much cannot be said in praise of Doan's Kidney Pills.

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DECISION OF ATTORNEY GENERAL.

The following decision of the Attorney General of Michigan was in response to inquiries as to the construction to be put upon the constitutional amendment "relative to the qualifications of electors," which was adopted last fall.

Previous to the last general election, by section 1 of the constitution of this State, in all elections, every male inhabitant who had resided in this State two years and six months, and who had declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States...

An examination of this section of the constitution, as amended, shows that there is not the slightest possible ground for doubt as to who are now electors and entitled to vote in this State.

There is but one question that has been presented in the many letters which I have received on this subject, and that is as to how this section of the constitution, as amended, affects male inhabitants of foreign birth in this State.

Before this amendment all that was required of a foreigner, who came to this State, was a residence therein of two years and a half, and a declaration of his intention to become a citizen of the United States six months preceding an election.

LAVINA RAWSON. Died, at the residence of J. M. Paddock on Feb. 8th, 1895. Mrs. Lavina Rawson, aged 81 years, 11 months and 27 days.

IT MAY DO AS MUCH FOR YOU. Mr. Fred Miller, of Irving, Ill., writes that he had a severe kidney trouble for many years, with severe pains in his back and also that his bladder was affected.

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WASHINGTON.

The legislative appropriation bill was passed by the house after the item placing clerks on the annual pay roll had been stricken out.

The house ways and means committee discussed the gold bond plan and made decided progress toward an agreement.

The house committee on Pacific roads decided to again report the Reilly bill, together with the proposition of the companies to pay the principal of the debt.

Messrs. Morgan and Pugh protested in the senate against the speech of Mr. Allen on the alleged election frauds in Alabama.

A bill providing for the unlimited coinage of silver was favorably reported to the senate from the finance committee.

The board of Indian commissioners reports a deplorable state of affairs in the territory and suggests that congress take control of affairs.

John E. Russell of Massachusetts is likely to enter the cabinet if Postmaster General Bliss retires.

The house has agreed to the senate amendments to the Chicago postoffice bill and it now goes to the President.

Resolutions defining the policy of the government in regard to gold and silver were offered in the senate Monday by Messrs. Hill and Stewart.

The house completed consideration of the legislative appropriation bill with the exception of the paragraph relating to pension offices.

A bill to incorporate a company which proposes to lay a cable to Hawaii, Australia and Japan was presented in the house Monday.

The house committee on Pacific railroads gave a hearing to representatives of the companies.

A resolution arraigning the management of the Pacific roads and directing the attorney general to begin foreclosure proceedings was presented in the senate.

OBITUARY.

Rev. Father J. N. Reinbolt, for twenty-two years secretary of the Holy Trinity in the United States, died at Dayton, Ohio, Feb. 7, 1895.

William Garrett, for forty-three years secretary of the grand lodge of Oddfellows of Iowa, died at Burlington, aged 72 years.

L. C. Garland, for nearly half a century one of the leading educators of the country, died at Nashville, Tenn.

Charles Gayarre, historian and litterateur, who introduced the culture of indigo and sugar cane into Louisiana, died at New Orleans, aged 90 years.

Montgomery Corse, who was brigadier general in the confederate army, died at Alexandria, Va. He was 79 years old.

Judge Charles I. Walker, one of Detroit's most learned and distinguished men, died at Flint. He was in his 81st year.

Mgr. May, vicar general of the Long Island diocese of the Roman Catholic church, died at his residence in Brooklyn.

FOREIGN.

Lieutenant Marcel Canrobert severely wounded M. Hubbard, a socialist member of the French parliament, in a duel.

A report is current in Berlin that Prince Ferdinand has been expelled from Bulgaria. He is said to be in Roumania.

During the debate in the house of commons Secretary Morley denied that either he or Gladstone had promised amnesty to dynamiters.

Japanese are in full possession of Wei-Hai-Wei, the Chinese having surrendered on condition that their lives be secured.

A large number of students have been arrested at Moscow, Russia, for participating in a movement against the police.

Members of the left in the Norwegian storting have formulated a reply to the letter of the king regarding the formation of a cabinet.

A deputation from the corporation of Dublin, headed by the lord mayor, appeared in the house of commons with a petition for the release of men convicted of dynamite outrages.

The amendment to the address in reply to the queen's speech proposing a dissolution on home was rejected in the house of commons, the vote being 236 to 256.

Austria has issued 4 per cent gold notes to the amount of 50,000,000 florins in pursuance of a plan to establish a gold standard.

It is reported at Honolulu that an American protectorate will be declared over Hawaii when the political conspiracy has been disposed of.

POLITICAL.

Five hundred delegates attended the convention at Columbus of the Ohio League of Republican Clubs.

A free silver resolution presented in the Michigan senate was promptly laid on the table by a vote of 12 to 10.

Several hundred bills were presented in the Wisconsin legislature on the last day for the introduction of new business.

The bill designed to increase South Dakota's divorce business to its former dimensions passed the state senate.

At the Lincoln banquet in Philadelphia Congressman Walker said President Cleveland and Secretary Carlisle should be impeached.

A bill providing for the issuance of \$5,000,000 in gold bonds was presented to the senate by Mr. Vilas.

A resolution authorizing Secretary Carlisle to sell gold bonds was favorably reported to the house by the ways and means committee.

A resolution urging the passage by congress of the labor arbitration bill was adopted by the Illinois house.

Five bills were passed by the Illinois senate, including one authorizing an increase in the Chicago public library tax.

Senate of Illinois adopted a resolution providing for an investigation of the feeding of slops to cattle.

At a meeting of the democratic steering committee at Springfield it was decided to support the civil service reform bill.

A resolution declaring in favor of the free coinage of silver was tabled by the Illinois Grocers' Association.

CASUALTIES.

Five firemen were killed and seven fatally and nine seriously injured by a falling wall at a Lynn fire.

An explosion of natural gas wrecked a building at Meadville, Pa., killing one man and injuring three others.

Chief Ree and two of his assistants were seriously hurt by a falling wall at a fire in London.

Cyrus Bussey, ex-assistant secretary of the interior, was run over by a sleigh in Washington and badly hurt.

One fireman was frozen and four others hurt while fighting a blaze at Kansas City. Three may die.

Two children of William Cassidy, living near Brazil, Ind., were burned to death, their clothes catching fire at a grate.

A hundred thousand dollars' damage was done by a blaze in the Denig & Person Block at Columbus, Ohio.

CRIME.

Peter Vallarie, a hackman, gave damaging evidence against Harry Hayward in the murder trial at Minneapolis.

James Roach, Richard Foreman and Charles Stead were indicted at Mount Sterling, Ky., for taking part in the lynching of Blair.

John Wypka, an employe of the post office at La Salle, has confessed to robbing the mails for five years.

Cross-examination of Adry Hayward in the murder trial at Minneapolis showed bitter dissensions existed in the family.

In the Hayward trial at Minneapolis Adry told of his brother's attempts to secure his aid in murdering Miss Gings.

SPORTING NOTES.

Nominations for the McGrathiana stakes for 2-year-olds, to be run at Hawthorne, are announced.

Johnson, the American, knocked out Robinson ("Cock Robin") in a fight at London for the 146-pound championship.

One hundred and twenty-four entries have been made to the La Belle stakes, for two-year-olds, to be run at Hawthorne.

Tommy West, a Boston welterweight, and George Fitzgerald of Chicago, fought a hot fifteen-round draw at Lyons.

Over \$1,200,000 in stakes and purses will be distributed by western and southern race tracks during the season.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Eastern lines held an unexpectedly harmonious meeting, at which it was resolved to abandon all cut-rate deals.

Southern roads have determined to abandon their passenger association and form a new organization on stronger lines.

For the benefit of the Nebraska sufferers the long and short haul clause of the interstate commerce act has been suspended.

A report advers to Health Commissioner Kempster will be made by the investigating committee of the Milwaukee council.

Ex-Gov. Richard J. Oglesby, who has been seriously ill at his home at Elkhart, Ill., is believed to be out of danger.

Sarah Jane Polk, daughter of a Des Moines, Iowa, millionaire, was secretly married to Albert G. Malsh, who had been forbidden the house by her father.

Friends of David Paige are smoothing the way for his return to this country by buying up the forged Huntington paper.

Tonnage men having consented to accept a cut, the Joliet mills of the Illinois Steel company will be at once reopened.

Judge Noble of Cleveland declared unconstitutional the law requiring a license for the sale of goods made by convicts in other states.

Gen. and Mrs. Lucius Fairchild and Capt. and Mrs. Eugene Cary were given an informal reception by the Minnesota legislature.

Fifty destitute farmers broke into a car loaded with relief supplies at Kearney, Neb., but were forced to relinquish their plunder.

Galveston, Texas, business men have boycotted the Santa Fe, alleging it discriminates in favor of Fort Worth.

Bondsmen of the late State Treasurer Ramsey have filed a claim against his estate for \$35,533, the amount of the shortage which they made good.

As the result of a whipping at school Carl Eaton, 9 years old, of Boyne Falls, Mich., will either die or be a cripple for life.

Gov. McKinley and Chauncey M. Depew paid tributes to Lincoln in addresses at Albany, N. Y. and Burlington, Vt., respectively.

La Gasconne was greeted with cheers from thousands of Frenchmen as she drew up to her dock in New York.

A receiver has been appointed for the Linden Steel company of Pittsburg, whose liabilities are \$485,000 and estimated assets \$655,000.

In a letter to Secretary McBryde, T. V. Powderly advises miners to set up a rival Knights of Labor organization.

The maharajah of Mysore, who has lately died of diphtheria at 30, was the most progressive of the Indian princes.

Under his rule Mysore was fully abreast of British India in the administration of justice, the protection of property and in public works.

while in some things, like the education of women and the development of the natural resources of the country it was far ahead of it.

The maharajah was the first Hindoo prince to establish a school for girls in India.

Martin Fisher, an employe of the Postal Telegraph Cable company in Philadelphia, is a remarkable man.

While he lost his right arm below the elbow, and has but the thumb and two fingers of his left hand, he is one of the most expert telegraphers and typewriters in the employ of the company.

Several shops in London conspicuously hang out a sign reading: "Fresh shipment of American fruits just received."

Apples and quinces stewed together make a palatable dish. It has long been a sort of gastronomic fad in New England.

WITH INTENT TO PLEASE.

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No. 7, 6:55 p. m.

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HERE AND HEREAFTER.

Rom. vi., 1-4. Rev. 21. I am tired of wearisome labor, And the round of daily care; Of the pain and strife that fill each life With a dull and deadly air.

IMPORTANT.

We have been requested in the name of humanity and charitable fellowship to make an earnest appeal to our readers to contribute to the support of the destitute and helpless people in Western Nebraska.

The following is the request: To the Publisher: Dear Sir:—We beg to submit to you in the name of humanity and charitable fellowship an urgent appeal for your kindly and valuable assistance toward the starving and helpless families of Western Nebraska.

In the single County of Custer, which has an area of 1,592 square miles, the very heart of the drouth stricken districts, there are over 15,000 destitute and helpless people. They are the hardy pioneers of America, overcome by three consecutive disastrous seasons of drouth and hot winds.

These people will be literally starved from the face of the earth unless the most generous support is quickly forthcoming. A fund of \$100,000 must be raised with which to procure seed grain and the bare necessities of life. It is thought that this can be raised, at least partially through this method.

This will give these unfortunate people (through no cause of their own) a fair opportunity to begin anew the fight for existence and the rehabilitation of the Western homes.

We desire to appeal through you to your generous and well-to-do patrons for such aid, however small, as they may be able to give.

Cash contributions should be solicited for a short period through your columns and receipted for by you through announcement in your paper. Success or failure in this work rests in a measure with you.

This fund is to be used by The Broken Bow Relief Association for the purchase of seed, provisions, and feed for teams.

A close estimate by competent authorities shows that even the amount sought, \$100,000, will purchase but one-third of the grain seed required the coming season by the farmers of this district, without which there is no hope for them.

The following endorsements should be sufficient. LINCOLN, NEB., Jan. 28, 1895.

"I have carefully examined the plan of The Broken Bow Relief Association for raising a fund with which to purchase seed grain for the farmers of Custer county to sow the coming spring, and heartily endorse the same. I believe that the money will be honestly and faithfully applied to the object and purpose for which it is raised. T. L. NORVAL, Chief Justice"

"I am personally well acquainted with the situation in Custer county, and all of the parties connected with the foregoing charitable work, having made my home at Broken Bow for the past ten years. I know that the foregoing statement of the business men is correct, and I feel warranted from long personal acquaintance in stating that the conditions of the undertaking will be faithfully carried out by those gentlemen. Respectfully yours, SILAS A. HOLLCOMB, Governor."

Kindly leave whatever you may feel able to, with O. A. Fraser, cashier of First National Bank, who will forward same on March first.

ARTICLE NO. 2.

As to the second proposition, namely, that the people are not educated up to it, that is, the prohibition of the liquor traffic. Educated up. Grand, glorious thought. Up toward God and eternal right. The position we maintain on this question is this: We believe the people are educated up to it; that a free ballot and a fair count would have carried the amendment. We believe it was defeated by "bulldozing" by threats of arson; by attempts at arson; by preparation for an extensive use of the boycott; by threats of violence and great bodily harm. We believe there were repeaters employed; that "no" ballots were substituted for "yes" ballots. And now we propose to give a reason for our belief, and that is found in the action of those opposed to the amendment and published by the press of that day and during that campaign. We will commence with one from Howell. "F. N. Monroe, chairman of the county committee of the prohibition party, recently received the following letter:

F. N. Monroe, Howell, Mich.: Sir—We wish to inform you that you must stop your work in the prohibition cause or we will burn you out root and branch. You may prepare for the worst for we are on your track.

Many saloon keepers. Detroit, Mich., Feb. 1887.

Later—Last Saturday night a fire broke out in Mr. Monroe's hardware store and simultaneously an explosion, no doubt caused by dynamite, shattered the block. Upon the appearance of the fire engine a shot was fired which grazed a watchman glanced on the engine and struck a bystander."

Holly heard from. "March 21.—Special—The M. E. church was crowded to its utmost last night to hear W. A. Taylor, of Lansing, formerly of Holly, speak on the amendment question. A few minutes after the speech began Arthur Hillman, who was passing, saw a light under the church and found it to be a ball of rags saturated with kerosene. Had the fire not been discovered until 15 minutes later there would have been great loss of life."

From Detroit. "The anti-prohibition association held a meeting at Turner hall yesterday and among other things reported by the secretary was that 6,000 persons had signed the roll not to deal with merchants who favored the amendment."

As to great bodily harm. "A certain alderman of the 11th ward is reported to have said: 'If I were a prohibitionist you would not get me east of Woodward avenue next Monday. Here is a chance for prohibitionists to insure their lives on Saturday and die rich on Monday. I am speaking the solid truth when I say it will not be safe for a man to vote for prohibition in my part of town if it is found out. I understand that the amendment people are going to send workers out among us. For the sake of peace and safety they had better keep away. If they have any slip boxes there the first thing you know somebody will plant the toe of his boot under the box and land it in the middle of the street.'"

A certain ex-alderman of the 13th ward: "In reply to the question, will prohibitionists be permitted to work peaceably out here on election day, 'wait and see' said he, with a flash in his eye. 'If they come out here next Monday they had better not come alone. They had better stay away or bring a lot of police with them. Who is another well informed man to see on this question? Anybody. Just start down Gratiot avenue and ask anyone you meet. At a grocery store and saloon in the 11th ward, the bartender said it would be very uncomfortable for any amendment people who attempted to work on election day in the neighborhood. He said he knew of a man who was preparing a long club for use on election day but did not say who the man was. Many more instances might be cited showing the acrimony and determination of the liquor element to defeat the prohibitory amendment at all hazards."

A certain ex-chairman of the prohibition city committee says: "In a certain precinct of the second ward, repeater after repeater walked up and voted without question. I saw one man vote twice and could not prevent it though I strongly expostulated. In another instance I was more successful. A man came up to the window not ten minutes after he first voted and was going to vote again. I called the attention of several to it, and beckoned to a policeman. The man was jerked out of the line."

Continued next week.

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SCHOOL NOTES.

The Arena club had a very interesting program Wednesday evening. The spectre bidegroom—Irving—read by E. S. Corwin secured the hearty applause of all. A very lengthy program has been prepared for the next meeting. The debate, resolved, "that women ought to exercise the political privileges of men" is expected not only to excite some mirth but bring forth many deep thoughts and much profound logic.

Our editor, Mr. Potter, Mr. Curtis, our principal, and the president of the village were each given a vote of thanks for the assistance that the club received at their hands in booming the recent entertainment.

The high school is doing excellent work this year and a higher grade of work than has ever been known before, according to the test papers. In addition to the regular classes, a French class has been formed. The French listed in the 1895-96 year book.

MARVELOUS RESULTS.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Dimondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist church at Rives Junction she was brought down with Pneumonia succeeding La Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." Trial bottles free at John L. Gale's Drug Store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00. Foreign Money Orders at half price at Dohmstreich's.

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Dr. J. H. Watts, druggist and physician, Humboldt, Neb., who suffered with heart disease for four years, trying every remedy and all treatments known to himself and fellow-practitioners; believes that heart disease is curable. He writes: "I wish to tell what your valuable medicine has done for me. For four years I had heart disease of the very worst kind. Several physicians I consulted, said it was Rheumatism of the Heart."



DR. J. H. WATTS. I finally tried Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure, and was surprised at the result. It put new life into and made a new man of me. I have not had a symptom of trouble since and I am satisfied your medicine has cured me for I have now enjoyed, since taking it Three Years of Splendid Health."

I might add that I am a druggist and have sold and recommended your Heart Cure, for I know what it has done for me and only wish I could state more clearly my suffering then and the good health I now enjoy. Your Nerve and other remedies also give excellent satisfaction." J. H. WATTS. Humboldt, Neb., May 9, '94.

Dr. Miles Heart Cure is sold on a positive guarantee that the first bottle will benefit. All druggists sell it at 50c per bottle for \$5, or it will be sent prepaid, on receipt of price by the Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

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COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE. In the matter of the estate of Sarah Moreland, deceased. We, the undersigned, having been appointed by the probate court, for the County of Wayne, State of Michigan, Commissioners to receive, examine, and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against said deceased, do hereby give notice that we will meet at the office of Geo. A. Starkweather, in the village of Plymouth, in said county, on Saturday the fourth day of May, A. D. 1895, and on Saturday the third day of August, A. D. 1895, at ten o'clock a. m. of each of said days, for the purpose of examining and allowing said claims, and that six months from the fifth day of February, A. D. 1895, were allowed by said Court for creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance. DAVID D. ALLEN, ISAIAH GLEASON, Commissioners. Dated Feb. 7th, 1895. 388-391

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE. In the matter of the estate of Herbert Thompson, deceased. We, the undersigned, having been appointed by the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, State of Michigan, Commissioners to receive, examine, and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against said deceased, do hereby give notice that we will meet at the office of Geo. A. Starkweather in the village of Plymouth, in said County, on Thursday the sixth day of May, A. D. 1895, and on Thursday the eighth day of August, A. D. 1895, at ten o'clock a. m. of each of said days, for the purpose of examining and allowing said claims, and that six months from the fifth day of February, A. D. 1895, were allowed by said Court for creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance. DAVID D. ALLEN, ISAIAH GLEASON, Commissioners. Dated Feb. 7th, 1895. 388-392

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE. In the matter of the estate of Janette Bradford, deceased. We, the undersigned, having been appointed by the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, State of Michigan, Commissioners to receive, examine, and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against said deceased, do hereby give notice that we will meet at the residence of Herbert W. Bradford, in the township of Canton, in said County, on Saturday, the fourth day of May, A. D. 1895, and on Saturday the third day of August, A. D. 1895, at ten o'clock a. m. of each of said days, for the purpose of examining and allowing said claims, and that six months from the fifth day of February, A. D. 1895, were allowed by said Court for creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance. HENRY O. DURFEE, GEO. A. STARKWEATHER, Commissioners. Dated Feb. 7th, 1895. 387-392

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Detroit, on the seventh day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five. Present, Edgar O. Durfee, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of JOHN PASSEGE, deceased. Merrit J. Smith, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, having rendered at this court his final administration account. It is ordered, that the twelfth day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, said Probate Office, be appointed for examining and allowing said account. And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the PLYMOUTH MAIL, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Wayne. EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate. (A true copy) HOMER A. FLINT, Register. 388-390

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Detroit, on the Fifteenth day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five. Present, Edgar O. Durfee, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of MARY J. LEONARD, deceased. An instrument in writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, having been delivered into this court for probate. It is ordered, that the Twenty-sixth day of February next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for proving said instrument. And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the PLYMOUTH MAIL, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Wayne. EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate. (A true copy) HOMER A. FLINT, Register. 387-7

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Detroit, on the Fifteenth day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five. Present, Edgar O. Durfee, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of WILLIAM A. BASSETT, deceased. Louisa Bassett, the executrix of the last will and testament of said deceased, having rendered to this court her final administration account. It is ordered, that the Nineteenth day of February next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for examining and allowing said account. And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the PLYMOUTH MAIL, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Wayne. EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate. (A true copy) HOMER A. FLINT, Register. 387-7

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Office of THE PIONEER PRESS COMPANY, C. W. HORNICK, Sup't. St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 7th, 1894. Dear Sirs—I have been a tobacco fiend for many years, and during the past two years have smoked fifteen to twenty cigars regularly every day. My whole nervous system became affected, until my physician told me I must give up the use of tobacco for the time being, at least. I tried the so-called "Keely Cure," "No-To-Bac," and various other remedies, but without success, until I accidentally learned of your "Baco-Curo." Three weeks ago to-day I commenced using your preparation, and to-day I consider myself completely cured; I am in perfect health, and the horrible craving for tobacco, which every inveterate smoker fully appreciates, has completely left me. I consider your "Baco-Curo" simply wonderful, and can fully recommend it. Yours very truly, C. W. HORNICK. (42-158)

PLYMOUTH MAIL.

M. F. GRAY, Publisher.

PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN.

THE public utterances of the young emperor of Germany are a continuing argument in favor of republican government.

NO FEWER than 6,195 people are engaged in making laws in this country at the present time. No wonder the broth is spoiled now and then.

A NEPHEW of the new French president is a citizen of Georgia, residing at Augusta. It is not often that Kansas gets scooped in this humiliating fashion.

THERE are no "cuss words" in the Japanese language, and the Chinese have exhausted all that are in theirs, so that the atmosphere of the two countries is mild and balmy.

In the way of drawing cards we should say that the congressman who does not imagine he has the only sure solution of the financial problem would break the record of the fat woman or the zebra without stripes.

A SPRINGFIELD legislator wants to pass a law providing that every school-text book must bear on its first cover "a picture of the United States flag in colors, each picture to be not less than four inches in size." In the case of a three-inch book this law would occasion perplexing complications.

If the lady who sits in front of you at the theater wears a high hat lean forward and politely request her to remove it. If her hair has been combed or she doesn't wear a wig or has no bald spot on top of her head for the gods in the gallery to throw paper wads at she will promptly comply with the request.

SOME men wonder how the world managed to waver before they were born, and how it can get along after they are dead, when at the same time their most intimate friends couldn't tell the day of their birth, and when they pass away perhaps there won't be to exceed five lines in the papers about it.

A VACANCY occurring the other day in a \$1,800 a year postoffice in a Massachusetts town, only two applicants applied, each by letter, intimating that he would accept it if nobody else would. What do the aspiring people of that town want, anyhow? Will they accept nothing more modest than a cabinet portfolio or an ambassadorship?

CIGARETTE smoking is a growing vice, destroying the character, health and usefulness of thousands of young men and boys. It is the duty of every state legislature to pass stringent laws making it a penal offense to sell them to anyone under eighteen years of age and providing that a high license shall be paid for the privilege of selling to those over eighteen.

TO BE just, the governments of states will have to set aside a fund of millions to procure expert testimony as to the sanity or insanity of pauper murderers. The law, to be law, should be just to all. The law that allows a millionaire to prove parenthood should provide expert testimony both pro and con for the impecunious accused. What are we drifting to?

PENNSYLVANIA'S new governor has advanced ideas on the subject of public education. In his inaugural address Governor Hastings said he hoped to see the time when every boy and girl in the state will have a chance "to obtain a thorough preparation for any calling or profession, as free from cost as tuition in the primary schools." Industrial education in various forms is making rapid progress in the Eastern states.

THE rapid spread of electric railroads puts a new phase on the grade-crossing question. No one, we presume, doubts that if steam railroads were now being introduced they would be compelled to cross highways either over or beneath the surface. That is the teaching of common sense and the requirement of common safety. It is too late to deal with this subject in a radical way; but it is not too late to deal with the question whether electric roads shall cross steam roads at grade. Now is precisely the time to deal with it, and it ought to be settled in every state.

In connection with the commendable purpose of the Sickles bill, making the battlefield of Gettysburg a national park, to have placed in the field a bronze tablet inscribed with the full text of Lincoln's Gettysburg speech, a correspondent of the New York Sun makes known the singular fact that when Matthew Arnold was in this country about ten or twelve years ago he had never heard of Lincoln's Gettysburg speech; that it was equally unknown to Robert Louis Stevenson, and that Sir Lepel Griffin and Rudyard Kipling had an idea that it was a newspaper fake.

By the death of M. De Giers Russia lost one of its ablest statesmen. For a long time he took a prominent part in conducting the foreign affairs of Russia, and it may be said that the wise management of foreign matters during the reign of Alexander III was due in the main to him.

THE natives of interior Madagascar defend themselves against the advance of the French soldiers by removing all food from the line of march and refusing to furnish supplies at any price.

THE TALMAGE SERMON

SHEEP THAT ARE NOT OF THE CHURCH FLOCK.

Bring Them In and Put on Their Helmets, Their Sandals and Their Breastplates—The Battlefield is Yonder, the Fight is On.



HERE IS NO MONOPOLY in religion. The grace of God is not a little property that we may fence off and have all to ourselves. It is not a king's park at which we look through the barred gateway, wishing we might go in and see the deer and the statutory, and royal conservatory. No, it is the Father's orchard and everywhere there are bars that we may let down and gates that we may swing open.

In my boyhood, next to the country school house, there was an orchard of apples, owned by a very lame man, who, although there were apples in the place perpetually decaying, and by scores and scores of bushels, never would allow any of us to touch the fruit. One day, in the sinfulness of a nature inherited from our first parents, who were ruined by the same temptation, some of us invaded that orchard, but we soon retreated, for the man came after us at a speed reckless of making his lameness worse, and cried out: "Boys, drop those apples, or I'll set the dog on you!"

Well, my friends, there are Christian men who have the church under severe guard. There is fruit in this orchard for the whole world; but they have a rough and unsympathetic way of accounting outsiders, as though they had no business here. "Though the Lord wants them all to come and take the largest and ripest fruit on the premises. Have you an idea that because you were baptized at thirteen months of age and because you have all your life been under hallowed influences, that therefore you have a right to one whole side of the Lord's table, spreading yourself out and taking up the entire room? I tell you no. You will have to haul in your elbows, for I shall place on either side of you those whom you never expected would sit there; for, as Christ said to his favored people long ago, so he says to you and to me: "Other sheep I have which are not of this fold."

MacDonald, the Scotchman, has four or five dozen head of sheep. Some of them are browsing on the heather, some of them are lying down under the trees, some of them are in his yard; they are scattered around in eight or ten different places. Cameron, his neighbor, comes over and says: "I see you have thirty sheep; I have just counted them." "No," says MacDonald, "I have a great many more sheep than that. Some are here and some are elsewhere. They are scattered all around about. I have four or five thousand in my flocks. Other sheep I have which are not in this fold."

So Christ says to us. Here is a knot of Christians and there is a knot of Christians that they make up a small part of the flock. Here is the Episcopal fold, the Methodist fold, the Lutheran fold, the Congregational fold, the Presbyterian fold, the Baptist and the Pedo-Baptist fold; the only difference between these last two being the mode of sheep washing; and so they are scattered all over; and we come with our statistics and say there are so many thousands of the Lord's sheep; but Christ responds: "No, no; you have not seen more than one out of a thousand of my flock. They are scattered all over the earth. Other sheep I have which are not of this fold."

Christ, in my text, was prophesying the conversion of the Gentiles with as much confidence as though they were already converted, and he is now, in the words of my text, prophesying the coming of a great multitude of outsiders that you never supposed would come in, saying to you and saying to me: "Other sheep I have which are not of this fold."

In the first place, I remark, that the heavenly Shepherd will find many of his sheep among the non-church goers. There are congregations where they are all Christians, and they seem to be completely finished, and they remind one of the skeleton leaves which, by chemical preparation have had all the greenness and verdure taken off them and are left cold and white and delicate, nothing wanting but a glass case to put over them. The minister of Christ has nothing to do with such Christians but to come once a week and with ostrich feathers dust off the accumulation of the last six days, leaving them bright and crystalline as before. But the other kind of a church is an army, with perpetual sound of drum and fife, gathering recruits for the Lord of Hosts.

We say to every applicant: "Do you want to be on God's side, the safe side and the happy side? If so, come in the army and get equipped. Here is a bath in which to be cleansed. Here are sandals to put upon your feet. Here is a helmet for your brow. Here is a breast plate for your heart. Here is a sword for your right arm, and yonder is the battle field. Quit yourselves like men!"

There are some here who say: "I stopped going to church ten or twenty years ago." My brother, is it not strange that you should be the first man I should talk to to-day? I know all your case; I know it very well. You have not been accustomed to come into religious assemblage, but I have a surprising announcement to make to you; you are going to become one of the Lord's sheep. "Ah," you say, "it is impossible. You don't know how far I am from anything of that kind." I know all about it. I have wandered up and down the world and I understand your case. I have a still more startling announcement to make in regard to you; you are not only going to become one of the Lord's sheep, but you will become one to-day. You will stay after this service to be talked with about your soul. People of God, pray for that man! I shall not break off so much as a crumb for you, Christians, in this sermon, for I am going to give it all to the outsiders. "Other sheep I have which are not of this fold."

When the Atlantic went to pieces on Mars' Rock, and the people clambered upon the beach, why did not that heroic minister of the Gospel, of whom we have all read, sit down and take care

of those men on the beach, wrapping them in flannels, kindling fire for them, seeing that they got plenty of food? Ah, he knew that there were others who would do that. He says: "Yonder are men and women freezing in the rigging of that wreck. Boys, launch the boat!" And now I see the car blades bend under the strong pull; but before they react and the rigging a woman was frozen and dead. She was washed off, poor thing! But he says: "There is a man to save; and he cries out: 'Hold on five minutes longer and I will save you. Steady! Steady! Give me your hand. Leap into the life boat. I thank God he is saved!' So there are those here to-day who are safe on the shore of God's mercy. I will not spend any time with them at all; but I see there are some who are freezing in the rigging of sin and surrounded by perilous storms. Pull away, my lads! Let us reach them. Alas! one is washed off and gone. There is one more to be saved. Let us push out for that one. Clutch the rope. Oh! dying man, clutch it as with a death grip. Steady, now, on the slippery places. Steady there! Saved! Saved! Just as I thought. For Christ has declared that there are some still in the breakers who shall come ashore. "Other sheep I have which are not of this fold."

Christ commands his ministers to be fishermen, and when I go fishing I do not want to go among other churches, but into the wide world, not sitting along Hokokus creek, where eight or ten other persons are sitting with hook and line, but, like the fishermen of Newfoundland, sailing off and dropping net away outside, forty or fifty miles from shore. Yes, there are non-church goers here who will come in. Next Sabbath they will be here again, or in some other church. They are this moment being swept into Christian associations. Their voice will be heard in public prayer. They will die in peace, their bed surrounded by Christian sympathies, and to be carried out by devout men to be buried, and on their grave be chiseled the words: "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." And on resurrection day you will get up with the dear children you have already buried and with your Christian parents who have already won the palm. And all that grand and glorious history begins this hour. "Other sheep I have which are not of this fold."

Again I remark, that the heavenly Shepherd is going to find a great many sheep among those who have been slung of evil habit. It makes me sad to see Christian people give up a prodigal as lost. There are those who talk as though the grace of God were a chain of forty or fifty links and after they had run out there was nothing to touch the depth of a very bad case. If they were hunting and got off the track of the deer, they would look longer among the brakes and bushes for the lost game than they have been looking for the lost soul. People tell us that if a man have delirium tremens twice, he can not be reclaimed; that after a woman has sacrificed her integrity, she can not be restored. The Bible has distinctly intimated that the Lord Almighty is ready to pardon four hundred and ninety times; that is, seventy times seven. There are men before the throne of God who have wallowed in every kind of sin; but, saved by the grace of Jesus and washed in his blood, they stand there radiant now. There are those who have plunged into the very lowest of all the hells in New York, who have for the tenth time been lifted up, and finally, by the grace of God, they stand in heaven gloriously rescued by the grace promised to the chief of sinners. I want to tell you that God loves to take hold of a very bad case. When the church casts you off and when the club room casts you off and when society casts you off and when business associates casts you off and when father casts you off, and when mother casts you off, and when every body casts you off, your first cry for help will bend the Eternal God clear down into the ditch of your suffering and shame.

The Good Templars can not save you, although they are a grand institution. The Sons of Temperance can not save you, although they are mighty for good. Signing the temperance pledge can not save you, although I believe in it. Nothing but the grace of the Eternal God can save you, and that will if you will throw yourself on it. There is a man in this house who said to me: "Unless God helps me I can not be delivered. I have tried everything, sir; but now I have got in the habit of prayer and when I come to a drinking saloon I pray that God will take me safe past and I pray until I am past. He does help me." For every man given to strong drink there are scores of temptations, and when he goes out on business to-morrow he will be in infinite peril, and now he is every where present God can see that man through. Oh! they talk about the catacombs of Naples and the catacombs of Rome and the catacombs of Egypt—the burial place under the city where the dust of a great multitude lies; but I tell you New York has its catacombs and Boston its catacombs and Philadelphia its catacombs. They are the underground restaurants, full of dead men's bones and all uncleanness. Young man, you know it. God help you. There is no need of going into the art gallery to see the skillful sculpture that wonderful representation of a man and his sons wound around with serpents. There are families represented in this house that are wrapped in the martyrdom of fang and scale and venom—a living Laocoon of ghostliness and horror. What are you to do? I am not speaking into the air. I am talking to hundreds of men who must be saved by Christ's gospel or never saved at all. What are you going to do? Do not put your trust in broumle of potassium, or in Jamaica ginger, or in any thing that a apothecaries can mix. Put your trust only in the Eternal God and he will see you through. Some of you do not have temptations every day. It is a periodic temptation that comes every six weeks or every three months, when it seems as if the powers of darkness kindle around about your tongue the fires of the pit. It is well enough at such a time, as some of you do, to seek medical counsel; but your first and most important duty is to be to God. If the fiends will drag you to the slaughter, make them do it on your knees. Oh, God! now that the paroxysm of thirst is coming again upon that man, help him! Fling back into the pit of hell the fiend that assaults his soul this moment. Oh, my heart aches to see men go on in this fearful struggle without Christ.

There are in this house those whose hands so tremble from dissipation that they can hardly hold a book; and yet

I have to tell you that they will yet preach the Gospel and on communion days carry around consecrated bread, acceptable to everybody because of their holy life and their consecrated behavior. The Lord is going to save you. Your home has got to be rebuilt. Your physical health has got to be restored. Your worldly business has got to be reconstructed. The church of God is going to rejoice over your discipleship. "Other sheep I have which are not of this fold."

While I have hope for all prodigals, there are some people in this house whom I give up. I mean those who have been church goers all their life, who have maintained outward morality but who, notwithstanding twenty, thirty, forty years of Christian advantages, have never yielded their heart to Christ. They are Gospel hardened. I can call their names now and if they would rise up they would rise up in scores. Gospel hardened. A sermon has no more effect upon them than the shining moon on the city pavement. As Christ says: "The pulpit and the throne will go into the kingdom of God before them." They have resisted all the importunity of Divine mercy, and have gone, during these thirty years, through most powerful earthquakes of religious feeling and they are further away from God than ever. After a while they will lie down sick, and some day it will be told that they are dead. No hope!

But I turn to outsiders with a hope that thrills through my body and soul. "Other sheep I have which are not of this fold." You are not Gospel hardened. You have not heard or read many sermons during the last few years. As you came in to-day everything was novel and all the services are suggestive of your early days. How sweet the opening hymn sounded in your ears and how his hour is ever yours. Every thing suggestive of heaven. You do not weep, but the shower is not far off. You sigh, and you have noticed that there is always a sigh in the wind before the rain falls. There are those here who would give anything if they could find relief in tears. They say: "Oh, my wasted life! Oh, the bitter past! Oh, the graves over which I have stumbled! Whither shall I fly? Alas for the future! Everything is dark—so dark, so dark! God help me! God pity me!" Thank the Lord for that utterance. You have begun to pray, and when many men petition, that sets all heaven flying this way, and God steps in and beats back the hounds of temptation to their kennel, and around the poor wounded soul but the coverlet of his pardoning mercy. Hark! I hear something fall. What was that? It is the bang of the fence around the sheep fold. The shepherd lets them down and the hunted sheep of the mountain bound in; some of them their feet lame with the brambles, and some of them their feet lame with the dog, but bounding in. Thank God! "Other sheep I have which are not of this fold."

FLYING MACHINES.

They May Be Perfected, But Man Himself Will Never Be Able to Fly.

Mr. Hiram Maxim, the inventor of the famous gun which bears his name, is a firm believer in the possibility of so far perfecting flying machines that they may be used in warfare. He has been explaining his views on this subject to a contributor to Cassell's Saturday Journal, who has been to see him at his English residence at Bexley. Mr. Maxim thinks that highly civilized nations, able to make and use first-rate machinery, will in the near future utilize flying machines in their armies. This mode of warfare, he believes, could be carried on in spite of armaments and weapons of war as we understand them now, and if one civilized nation used flying machines in such a way, others would be compelled to follow suit. At the same time, he has no faith in navigable balloons, the whole thing being inherently wrong. In France, especially, attempts have been made to navigate balloons, and vast sums of money have been spent upon them; but no balloon has ever been navigated against even a very light wind. Another point, Mr. Maxim thinks, is this, that man will never be able to fly by energy derived from his own muscles. A man with sufficient energy would have to weigh seventy-five pounds to have forty-pound muscles to his arms and seventy-pound muscles to his chest, and he would have to have a breast-bone twenty-eight inches.

Nickel-in-the-Slot Gas Meters.

The use of the "nickel-in-the-slot" gas meters for small consumers attracts a good deal of attention in England. There are estimated to be between 80,000 and 100,000 houses and tenements, for instance, in South London without any gas supply and the prepayment meter is looked upon as the solution of the problem of furnishing gas to the poor people occupying such premises. The cost of gas is greater than it is to the ordinary consumer and hence a higher rate of charge is necessary. The would-be consumer of this class will not buy fittings and pay for fitting them, nor can he put down a deposit, which he generally does not possess. A quarterly account or monthly bill is out of the question where removals of tenants are so frequent and hence the tariff has to be raised in order to help the gas company recoup itself on the unusual investment. But the service-proves a great boon to the workmen of humbler condition and hence the rapid extension of the system is expected.

It Was a Brilliant Affair.

A London society woman, wishing to give a fancy ball recently was besieged by letters after her invitations were out, asking permission to appear in ordinary evening dress. Alarmed at the prospect of a colorless ball, she diplomatically replied that any woman over thirty-five might come in evening dress. The ball was a brilliant affair, and every woman came in a character gown. Which story is matched by one told at a woman's club last week of the efforts of a good clergyman to interest the women of his flock in some church movement. "I will ask," said he, at the close of the sermon, "the elderly ladies of the congregation to remain a few minutes after the benediction." He found himself alone with one woman—the mother of the teller of the story, who, at thirty-five, was willing to sacrifice herself for the sake of her pastor and remained to point out to him his grievous blunder. The same notice, differently worded, the following Sunday, secured a numerous response.

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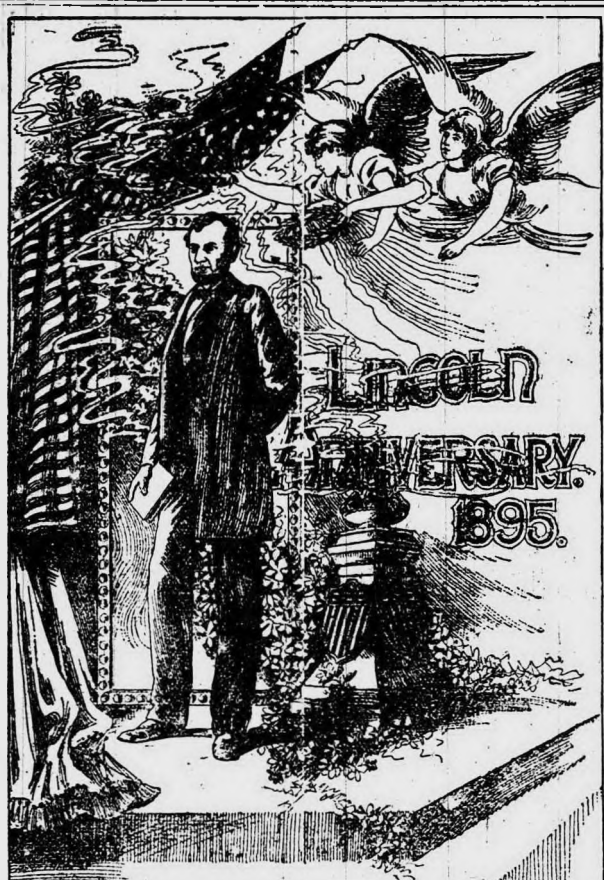
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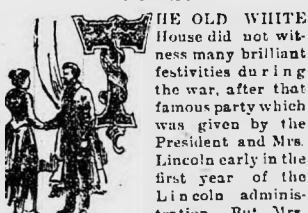
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**STORY ABOUT LINCOLN**



**THE OLD WHITE** House did not witness many brilliant festivities during the war, after that famous party which was given by the President and Mrs. Lincoln early in the first year of the Lincoln administration. But Mrs. Lincoln's afternoon receptions and the President's public levees were held regularly during the winter. Nothing could be more democratic than these gatherings of the people at the white house. They were usually held twice a week during the winter, those on Tuesday evenings being so called dress receptions, and the Saturday levees being less formal in character. A majority of the visitors went in full dress; the ladies in laces, feathers, silks, and satins, without bonnets; and the gentlemen in evening dress. But sprinkled through the gaily attired crowds were hundreds of officers and private soldiers, the light blue army overcoat of the period being a conspicuous feature of the moving panorama. Here and there a day laborer, looking as though he had just left his work bench, or a hard working clerk with ink stained linen, added to the popular character of the assembly.

Usually the President stood in the famous blue room, or at the head of the east room; and those who wished to shake hands made their entrance, one by one, and were introduced by the functionary detailed for that occasion. So vast were the crowds, and so affectionate were their greetings, that Mr. Lincoln's right hand was often swollen so that he would be unable to use it readily for hours afterward; and the white kid glove of his right hand, when the operation of handshaking was over, always looked as if it had been dragged through a dust bin. Much of the time, I think, the President never heard with his inner ear the names of persons presented to him by Secretary Nicolay, Commissioner French, or United States Marshal Lamont. His thoughts were apt to be far from the crowd of strangers that passed before him.

At a luncheon given by Gen. Sickles at his headquarters, among the ladies present was the Princess Salm-Salm, whose husband was a staff officer in the army. This lady attracted much admiration by her graceful and dash-



**KISSED THE PRESIDENT.** ing riding in the cavalcade that attended the reviews. Before her marriage she was a Miss Lecker of Philadelphia. It was this remarkable woman who astonished the President, on his entering Gen. Sickles' headquarters by flying at him, and imprinting a bounding kiss on his surprised and not altogether attractive face. As soon as he could pull himself together and recover from his astonishment, the President thanked the lady, but with evident discomposure; whereupon some of the party made haste to explain that the Princess Salm-Salm had laid a

wager with one of the officers that she would kiss the President. Her audacious ally won her a box of gloves. During the war the proportion of civilians to those who wore the trappings of the army and navy was so small that men felt it almost a distinction to wear the ordinary evening dress. An order from the war department forbidding military officers to come to Washington without leave did not by any means abate what was felt to be a great nuisance. Too many officers haunted the lobbies of the capitol in search of political aid to secure them the promotions that they desired, or the passage of bills in which military or naval officers had special interest. I saw a curious example of military absenteeism one night at Ford's theater, where I had accompanied the President to see Booth in "The Merchant of Venice."

The President had sent word late in the afternoon that he would like to have a box for himself and a friend, going in by the stage entrance, were met by the manager, who said that the boxes had all been taken before the President's message had been received, but he would use his efforts with a party of officers, as soon as they arrived, to induce them to give up the box which they had engaged. While he was speaking, an usher came behind the scenes, and said the officers had very willingly relinquished their box for the pleasure of the President.

Between the acts the manager came to pay his respects to the President, and to inquire for his comfort, and Lincoln asked the names of the military gentlemen who had so kindly given up their evening's entertainment in his behalf. The manager replied that he did not know, but afterward quietly told me that he knew that one half of the number were officers absent from the army without leave, and that they considered it a good joke that they could escape the President's observation at the cost of relinquishing their box at the theater. The manager shrewdly guessed that the President had asked for their names in order to discover if they were in Washington on leave; but that was not Lincoln's way.

President Lincoln's theater going was usually confined to occasions when Shakespeare's plays were enacted; for, although he enjoyed a hearty laugh, he was better pleased with the stately dignity, deep philosophy, and exalted poetry of Shakespeare than anything that was to be found in more modern dramatic writings. But I remember a delightful evening that we once spent at the old Washington theater, where we saw Mrs. John Wood in John Bromham's travesty of "Pocahontas." The delicious absurdity and crackling puns of the piece gave the President food for mirth for many days thereafter. At another time we saw Edward Forrest in "King Lear," and the President appeared to be more impressed by the acting of John McCullough in the role of Edgar than the great tragedian's appearance as the mad king. He asked that McCullough might come to the box between the acts; and when the young actor was brought to the door, clad in his fantastic garb of rags and straw, Mr. Lincoln warmly, and yet with diffidence, praised the performance of the scene in which he had just appeared.

**Lincoln's Literary Force.** Richard Watson Gilder, in an address on "Lincoln's Literary Growth," says that the two greatest statesmen of the nineteenth century are Napoleon Bonaparte and Abraham Lincoln. Each had a literary faculty which was a part of his power of government. Both began their careers as agitators. Both wrote a good deal of nonsense at first. Napoleon made speeches and wrote much and in a sudden movement leaped into a literary style—and so did Lincoln. Lincoln's style was marked by no wealth of scholarly adornments, but by great simplicity and directness

There is, too, a beautiful cadence in his prose. Lincoln failed as a lecturer. An exception, however, exists in the Cooper Union address. His powers require a suitable subject. His education was not broad enough to deal with uninteresting subjects, but he excelled in those which required the weight of his character, for we have in Lincoln an absolute grasp of truth. He never said an untrue thing.

The man of great powers was miserably born in a place which is now unknown. His father was shiftless and his mother died when he was 9 years old. He had one year's schooling and when he was 16 years old earned only \$6 a month. But where did he get his literary style? What books did he have? The Bible, Esop's Fables, Robinson Crusoe, Franklin's Life, the History of the United States, Shakespeare and Burns. This was Lincoln's college.

And what manner of man out of all this? His first document was written when he was 23. But it is in talking and letter writing that we get the beginning of style. His letters have a peculiar tenderness and always express his thoughts. The letters to a shiftless friend of his are admirable. His poetry is awkward, but shows a correct ear. He always knew what he wanted to say and often sent anonymous letters to the newspapers. It was not until he was 45 years old that he developed that in him which made him the man of our people and the man of humanity. In 1838 he rose to the solemnity of utterance. His literary force verily brought about the war.

**LINCOLN'S EARLY LIFE.**

**Old Story Retold for the Little Ones of a New Generation.** Abraham Lincoln was born in Kentucky, Feb. 12, 1809. His father removed to Indiana when he was a little boy, and while that country was exceedingly wild and rough. The family lived in a half faced camp—that is, a cabin with one side left out and the fire built out of doors, in front of the open side. Abraham endured many privations, and struggled hard to get an education. The schools were few and the teachers ignorant, but Lincoln trained his own mind by carefully thinking out every subject that puzzled him, and he spent his spare time in reading. He worked on a farm, went to New Orleans on a flat boat, was clerk in a country store, learned and practiced surveying, and then studied law. He served several terms in the legislature of Illinois, and was a member of congress. He became a leading lawyer and politician in his state, and gained a national fame by a series of debates, in which he was engaged with Senator Douglas in 1858. His integrity, his moderation, and his strong speeches brought him the nomination for President, and the rest of his history is that of the country. His death took place on the 15th of April, 1865.



FROM AN OLD TINTYPE OF LINCOLN

ered among the war archives in the war office at Washington. It is one of the most priceless treasures in the office of the secretary of war.

**Lincoln's Wonderful Memory.** One of my cousins, John Holmes Goodenow of Alfred, Maine, writes Noah Brooks in the Century, was appointed minister to Turkey early in the Lincoln administration, and was taken to the white house before his departure for his post to be presented to the President. When Lincoln learned that his visitor was a grandson of John Holmes, one of the first senators from Maine, and a man of note in his day and generation, he immediately began the recitation of a poetical quotation which must have been more than a hundred lines in length. Mr. Holmes, never having met the President, was naturally astonished at this outburst; and as the President went on and on with this long recitation, the suspicion crossed his mind that Lincoln had suddenly taken leave of his wits. But when the lines had been finished the President said: "There! that poem was quoted by your grandfather Holmes in a speech which he made in the United States senate in —" and he named the date and specified the occasion.

**Grave of Lincoln's Mother.** The grave of Nancy Hanks Lincoln stands amid a clump of old elm trees



**WHERE THE BONES OF LINCOLN'S MOTHER** rest near the old Indiana home of the Lincolns. For years it was neglected, and even at this late date only a common iron fence guards the little mound beneath which rests the bones of the martyred President's mother. The fence was erected by the country people themselves. It may here be said that it has been against the traditions of the Lincoln family to mark the resting place of their dead in any way.

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# NEWS OF THE WEEK.

## LOCAL HAPPENINGS AND PERSONAL MENTION.

What Our Scribe Gathered on the Outside.—Other News Items.

### The Newspaper Law.

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Little boy—Gee, you bet I will. So look out for the MAIL on the street hereafter.

Did you get a valentine?

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Subscribe through your post master.

O. Westfall was in town this week.

The K. O. T. M. masquerade will be held the 21st inst.

One more meeting of the council before village election.

Will Warner, of Alpena, made us a pleasant call Wednesday.

Dr. J. E. Bennett and wife, of Wayne, were in town over Sunday.

Mrs. Ezra Crosby and daughter, of Bad Axe, are visiting in town.

Mrs. W. J. Burrow entertained the pedro club Thursday afternoon.

Extracts from the new election law will be found elsewhere in this issue.

The MAIL is enjoying a nice little boom just at present from its many friends.

Short time—grain bags—spot cash—is the way L. C. Hough & Son's ad reads.

A Mr. Stewart, of Detroit, spent Monday evening with Mr. and Mrs. E. Pelton.

The prohibition amendment question will no doubt be placed before the voters again.

Mrs. Durkee, of Albany, N. Y., is visiting at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. W. A. Bassett.

The time is not far distant when the farther up Sutton street you go the prettier it will be.

We are glad to report that senator Briggs has recovered sufficiently to return to Lansing.

Secretary Holloway has issued a call for a meeting of the fair association. Let every director attend.

Mrs. Dr. J. N. Donaldson, formerly of Pontiac, and sister of M. A. Vrooman, died at Denver, Col. on Feb. 12.

New York's 400 are in mourning. Its leader, Ward McAllister, died on Thursday, Jan. 31st, from the effects of la grippe.

J. L. Gale will go into the wall paper business with Chas. Holloway as an associate. A new and complete line will be put in at once.

Miss Rhoda Spicer gave a tea party last Saturday to a dozen of her schoolmates, it being the anniversary of her 14th birthday.

Barnes Bros., opticians, with headquarters at Detroit, made Plymouth a few days' call during the week. They are both gentlemen.

A. J. Lapham has selected a space in the MAIL and will hereafter be to the front with good goods at bargain prices. Look out next week.

Remember the chicken-pie supper, given by the W. C. T. U., in Safford's hall, tomorrow evening. Supper served from five till eight. Price 15 cents.

Northville and Plymouth are just like brother and sister—inseparable. Well, at least, our boys go over to Northville and Northville girls come here.

Messrs. Campbell and Fleming, of Springwells, have purchased the bakery business of Purdy Bros., and will continue the same at the old stand.

Miss Blanche H. Tibbitts of U. of M. hospital, Ann Arbor, who has been at home the past week on account of a severe cold, returned Monday morning.

The following delegates to the county convention to be held in Detroit, Feb. 19, were elected on Thursday afternoon: H. W. Baker, Dr. Collier, Mark Ambler and George Ryder.

A dance will be given in Coleman hall this Friday evening. We have an orchestra in the village consisting of seven pieces, which has recently been organized and it is for their benefit.

Remember the social at the residence of Jed Noyes this Friday evening, given by the ladies of the M. E. church. Conveyances will be ready about 7 o'clock in front of J. L. Gale's store, for all those who wish to ride.

The Rev. John Hazen White, who is warden of Seabury Divinity school at Fairbank, Minn., has been elected Bishop of Indiana, and will remove to Indianapolis in the near future, with his family.



The Plymouth Cash Outfitter.

Plymouth can boast of more natural born poets than any other town of its size in the state. They are all assistant editors of the MAIL. In fact everybody in town has a claim on that "cloak."

We are indebted to supervisor Hoyt for a copy of the Jacksonville daily paper. The weather has been colder than usual for that part of the country, but at present it is very comfortable in ones shirt sleeves.

From those who have taken in the lady minstrel shows at Lansing, Jackson and other places we learn that none of them had the real vim and go in them that was displayed by our own girls in their minstrel show.

A plan whereby Mackinac Island is to be turned over to the state of Michigan to be used for encampment purposes and a state park, is now on foot. It's a good scheme and a capital place for the boys to go to camp.

The efforts of the Arena club in securing the services of Laura Dainty and her associates, the Misses Robinson, are worthy of praise. The entertainment, which was held in the village hall last Friday evening, was fine in every particular. If the weather had not been so disagreeable, they would probably have had a full house.

Jolliffe Bros., general dealers, and proprietors of the Plymouth cheese factory, have closed negotiations with the Salem Butter & Cheese Mfg. Co. at Salem under the terms of which they will operate that enterprise as a cheese factory during the season of 1895. Jolliffe Bros. are successful cheese makers and business men, and will give the people of Salem value received.—Michigan Tradesman.

The Myers American Ballot Machine will be exhibited in Detroit, at the auditorium, Wednesday, Feb. 20, to the mayor, or common council, officers of the city government, editors and representatives of the press, and invited guests. Thursday, Feb. 21, to the members of the republican state convention. Friday, Feb. 22, to the citizens of Detroit and all friends of ballot reform.

The ladies of the Presbyterian church sent out to Ashland, Nebraska, for the poor and suffering there, two boxes of clothing and bedding, most of which was of excellent character and quality. The merchants did generously, giving not only from personal wardrobes but also from their stocks. No doubt the recipients will bless the donors and those instrumental in getting and sending. In response to their need.

In this week's issue we have several communications from friends of the MAIL who have something to say and want to say it. We wish to state in connection with this that, while we do not take sides in any religious, political or economical discussion, the columns of the MAIL are always open to its readers. If you take exceptions to any communication which may appear, join issue and we will have a friendly discussion which may prove of interest and benefit to all our readers.

The interest manifested in the MAIL is becoming more apparent each week by the many communications sent in for publication, and the continual additions made to our subscription list. Plymouth was never so well represented in the newspaper line as at present, and never before were there so many actual subscribers receiving the MAIL. All seem to know a good thing and help push it along. The live, progressive business man is looking after his welfare and his ad is always found in the MAIL. During the week we have had handed in to us over sixty new names. And still the good work goes on.

The following Plymouth people were entertained by the "Owl Dancing Club," of Northville, last Tuesday evening: Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Gale, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Riggs, Mr. and Mrs. E. Pelton, Mrs. Dr. Kimble, Mamie Connet, Nellie Steele, Lotta Davie, Addie Dibble, Mrs. Walter Riggs, Mrs. George Shafer, Mrs. Albert Shafer, Robert Mimmack, Harry McClumphia, Louis Steele, John Smith, Albert Gayle, Will Brown, Fred Shafer, Claude Shafer, Charley Bennett, Fred Burch, Dewey Holloway, Frank Ray, Clifford McClumphia, Bert Baker.

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### CO-OPERATIVE COLONIES.

Many people, on becoming enthused with socialistic ideas, conceive the notion that they can solve the economic riddle, practically for themselves at least, and get away from the anarchic warfare and strife of the world by organizing co-operative colonies or companies and building up a miniature "Heaven on earth" after their own peculiar conceptions. In recent years many of these co-operative organizations have been put in operation, engaging in agriculture, horticulture, stock raising, manufacturing, etc., while many more are in process of formation and still others in embryo. Some of these colonies have been successful in their undertakings, while others, from various causes, have been failures. They are usually organized by people of moderate means and, as none of them are sufficiently extensive to produce all the varieties of commodities they consume, they must depend on the outside world for a market for their surplus products and as a place to purchase such supplies as they do not produce, hence whatever their mere or internal regulations, they are subject to the same economic conditions as ordinary stock companies. Because of their limited power to overcome these conditions they are prohibited from carrying out the full philanthropic program of socialism. They are inaccessible to the "submerged poor" or the mass of hand to mouth workers, because these classes cannot command the capital necessary to secure a membership, therefore these colonies come no nearer to a solution of the great problem of humanity than any other business corporation.

In common with all companies or corporations made up of a number of individuals, they demonstrated that a union of knowledge, power and resources will achieve greater proportionate success than the same individuals could by independent personal effort, but the great monopolies and trusts afford a still better demonstration as they are one step nearer to the all absorbing monopoly that is sure to follow. Although co-operative colonies may be distinguished from other stock corporations by the feature that the members perform all of the necessary labor instead of hiring it done, however successful they may be from a business point of view, because of the nature of surrounding conditions beyond their control, they cannot afford a fair illustration of the wisdom and beneficence of full fledged socialism. In order to do this they must be sufficiently extensive to include all classes of people and produce commodities in such abundance and variety as to make them practically independent of exterior influences. As economic enterprises requiring capital, they are an essentially middle class movement, demonstrating that the down-trodden poor are not the only ones who are disgusted with and tired of fighting for a living, and, as straws indicating the direction of the wind, they are prophetic of the future. While they may benefit their promoters, they will aid in the preliminary advancement of brotherhood ideas.

The advantages of co-operation has been, and is being demonstrated in many ways from the simple partnership of two persons to our public school and postal systems, but in the form of colonies, corporations, monopolies and trusts, it is shown to be the coming system for the absolute control of economics. As they educate the masses or crush out opposition, the principle and operation of co-operation becomes more familiar, less odious and more desirable. In no other age has the principle had so wide an application and the wider its application the more it becomes an evident necessity. The day is not far distant when all of our industries will be owned and operated for the benefit of collective humanity by the co-operative commonwealth. L. H. C.

### New Dates For Low Rates.

For Home Seekers' excursions on March 5th, April 2nd and 30th, the C. & W. M. and D. L. & N. lines will sell round trip excursion tickets to points in southern and western states at very low rates. Ask agents for particulars. GEO. DRHAVEN, G. P. A. 383-391

John P. Bauer, traveling salesman for Gem City Stove Co., Dayton, Ohio, says: "I will continue to recommend Adironda, Wheeler's Heart and Nerve Cure, for I know it will do all that is claimed for it." Sold by John L. Gale.

### THE OTHER SIDE.

EDITOR PLYMOUTH, MAIL.

In common with your other readers, I have been interested in several successive articles by your correspondent, L. H. C., upon Socialism as a politico-economic philosophy. While all admire the beauties of the system as he portrays them, there are a few hard physical facts and some qualities in human nature as at present existing, which seem to me always fatal to its successful working. It may be that in his series of articles, the time has not come to notice these difficulties and that I am anticipating, in bringing them up at this stage. If so I am sure he will pardon me the interruption with the same courteous spirit which actuates me in apologizing.

1st. Food and clothing can only be wrested from mother Earth at the price of wearisome toil. Whether the socialistic philosophy will acknowledge the divinity of the arrangement or not, the hard fact is, that we must "eat our bread in the sweat of our brow."

Weeds will choke the grain, and briars root out the grass.

2nd. Man is an indolent animal.

He does not like to sweat, indeed, were it not for the beneficial ministry of physical pain, incident to hunger, thirst and nakedness, he would never win from the unwilling soil the necessary supplies of his daily wants, and the race would soon become extinct from sheer disinclination to the necessary labor, to attain them.

In the simplest form of organized society, that which books call the Savage State, the result of these two forces, laziness and the goading of our natural appetites, is the absolute rule of the strongest. Because man is lazy and stronger than woman he casts upon her almost all the burden of procuring food and clothing.

3rd. If we ignore the preceding facts and grant all that the Socialistic Philosophy claims, how is it to become prevalent as an organized condition of society. The change would certainly be a revolution. Could that revolution be a bloodless one, or must we reach it through such scenes as attended the overthrow of slavery thirty years ago.

There is an old French story which I will put into American dress to show the difficulty of accomplishing the change peacefully.

Jones and Smith were skilled artisans. Both were earnest advocates of Socialism, and in a general way of the abolition of private property.

Jones had always spent his money as fast as he had earned it, but Smith had saved his, until he owned a comfortable house and small shop worth, besides his tools, a thousand dollars, and had a wife and children who were very dear to him.

As the story goes, Socialism had come to be a very great power in the land. The National Assembly of its leaders met regularly to work out the details of the change from private to public ownership of property. So powerful had the movement become, that congress was paralyzed, and feared to move lest there should be a collision and blood flow in profusion.

One day news came that the National Assembly had decreed that in the new and reconstructed State no more fortunes of a million or more dollars should ever be allowed to accumulate.

"Long live the Commune!" shouts Smith. "Down with the millionaire. The dust of his carriage wheels is stifling to the honest citizen. Only that my strong right arm had forced back his insolent steeds, their murderous hoofs would have trampled the life out of my boy as I crossed the street to-day."

Another day the limit is placed at \$100,000, and Smith shouts again with joy. As the good work goes on, the limit is placed at \$50,000 and Smith's soul is deeply stirred. "Hang out the red flag of communism. Drape the shop in tricolor. No more shall the purse proud aristocrat, the bloated bondholder flaunt their ill-gotten gains in the faces of honest men," he cries. But when successive decrees of the Revolutionary Tribunal lower the amount to \$10,000 and again to \$5,000, he begins to look grave. "Whither are we tending," he asks? He begins to fear. All the father stirs in his heart as he sees his own little accumulations threatened, and when Jones rushes in one day to tell him that the good work is done, that all rights of property are abolished, that his

little property which he hoped would support him when he was old, and give his children a better start than he himself had, must be appraised and go into a common fund to be administered by a committee, who in secrecy and idleness would give to the lazy, the vicious, the violent, the fruits of the years of his toil and self denial, the crisis comes.

Fiercely he bids his comrade begone. Tear down the red flag. Let the hottest flames consume that symbol and the tricolor together," he shouts. "Enroll my name among the loyal defenders of all that is sacred to parental and family affection." And because these feelings are divinely appointed ones, because men will die for those they love, the struggle must commence only to cease when those who fight for plunder are stronger than those who die for home and family.

As memory serves me I have reproduced in an imperfect manner the old, and, if you will, the fanciful tale, but the lesson it teaches seems to me a truthful one. That, had as society is, it cannot be reformed upon the lines of socialistic philosophy without such a bloody upheaval as would make the losses far more than counterbalance the gains.

### W. C. T. U.

PROTECTION FOR RABBITS BUT NONE FOR THE BOYS.

The columns of our state newspapers just now are flooded with the wants of various leagues and associations and the formulas of the bills which they intend to present to the state legislature. We notice one in particular with a decided prohibition ring in it, clipped from the state news in one of our papers.

BETTER PROTECTION FOR GAME AND FISH.

About thirty sportsmen from various sections of the state attended the meeting at Lansing, at which the organization of the Michigan State Fish and Game Protection League, was perfected. President Judge John J. Sped, of Detroit, presided. As the result of the session, the bills will be prepared and presented to the legislature prohibiting all spring shooting; making a uniform open season for deer in both peninsulas from Oct. 10 to Nov. 1; prohibiting the killing of rabbits, save in the month of October, and prohibiting the use of ferrets in hunting rabbits; making violations of the game laws circuit court offenses; fixing the open season for trout from May 15 to Sept. 15; providing that bass shall be taken only by hook and line; requiring the meshes of nets to be large enough to permit the escape of undersized fish; prohibiting spearing in inland waters; prohibiting the selling of brook trout or grayling; prohibiting the use of nets in St. Clair river and calling for the repeal of all local fish laws.

Now we don't believe these sportsmen who intend to present this bill are all prohibitionists. Some may have been but we doubt it, for we believe any "simon pure" prohibitionist would not spend his time in seeking prohibitory legislation on deer and rabbits, and at such a time as this. What we, as a state, eye, as a nation, need just now is a prohibitory law that will protect our boys and girls. After we have secured such a law then will be time enough to protect the little insignificant rabbits which have proved themselves such a nuisance to many a fruit grower.—Living Issues, SUPP OF PRESS, Jan. 18.

### MORE ABOUT EARLY FRIENDSHIPS.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 12th '95.

MR. EDITOR.—In your last edition I noticed an article under the heading of "Early Friendships", which contained some very beautiful thoughts, and if our friend, A. E. B., will excuse the liberty, I will venture to express a few thoughts on the same subject.

"Early friendships" can, indeed, only be compared with the brightest and most beautiful things of nature. Let us take a small sprig of evergreen which, as the spring advances, sprouts forth, and as the air becomes warmer, it sends forth fresh shoots until it has grown into one strong bough, which even the hard frosts and severe storms of our cold northern winter seldom destroy, and as winter disappears and spring slowly comes in view, the bough greets it as bright if not brighter than before. When at last a storm, more severe than the others, cuts its bright life off, to return to earth from which it sprung, the mother tree weeps, but begins to send forth new sprouts, although they may be just as bright and grow just as large, still they are not the same, and a new bough cannot fill the same space as the old.

So it is with our "Early Friendships." We lose a friend and perhaps after a time make a new one—what would this world be without friends?—and though the affection may be true for the new friend, it cannot fill the same space as the early friendship; but unlike our friend who says, "our friendship will be renewed in a brighter and purer world." I think with the great poet who said:

"Friend after friend departs,  
Who hath not lost a friend,  
There is no union here of hearts  
That hath not here its end."

For after we depart this life and become the perfect man which we were intended to be, we shall be one large family with one affectionate Father and Friend to love and advise us—not friends, but loving brothers and sisters, all in one everlasting dream of harmony, peace and love. Thanking you for your space, I am Sincerely yours,  
THYTTERTON.

### Livonia.

F. M. Briggs was home from Lansing this week.

H. Wolgast killed eight fide hogs last Monday.

J. Clizbe, of Beech, was in the village last Monday.

We have had about four weeks sleighing at this place.

A horse belonging to J. M. Peck broke his leg in the stable and had to be killed.

J. V. Cogswell, of Wayne, was in the village one day last week.

George Chilson and son Ora, of Nankin, was in the village last Monday.

Wm. Gow has rented S. W. Everett's farm west of the Centre, and is moving on to it.

Gus Myre is moving to Farmington where he will work his father-in-law's farm.

Wm. Gates came very near losing his dwelling house by fire last Sunday while at a neighbor's visiting. It was caused by a spark from the stove. One of the doors was almost destroyed, a new carpet was burned. The neighbors turned out and carried water and snow and saved the house.

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