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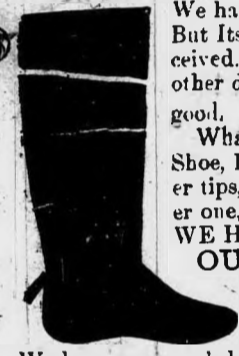
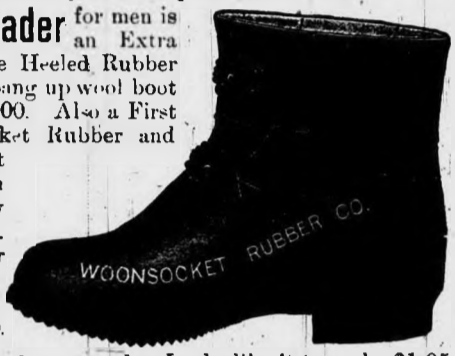
For Honest, Reliable, Good Fitting Rubbers and warm Shoes, Rubbers that will fit your shoes in any toe and width, and give you Satisfactory wear, call on

BENNETT & CO.

We want to say that there are three grades in all rubber goods. We make a specialty of FIRST QUALITY goods but can sell you cheap rubbers at cheap prices. In either grade we can save you a few pennies on each pair.

Our Great Leader for men is

an Extra High Two Buckle Heeled Rubber (like cut) and a bang up wool boot complete for \$2.00. Also a First Quality Woonsocket Rubber and the best wool boot made, combination first-class in every particular at \$2.50. As good a rubber and boot can't be bought anywhere for less than \$3.00.



We have one that Looks like it for only \$1.85, But its Cheap and Won't Wear. Don't be deceived. Compare our prices and quality with other dealers and see if we can't do you some good.

What do you think of a woman's fine Kid Shoe, Paris square and Opera toe, patent leather tips, nicely made at \$1.15. A nicer and finer one, Pat. tip, any toe, button or lace, \$1.48. WE HAVE THEM.

OUR LEADER and best wearer, Razor. Needle and all nobby toes, Pat. tips and lace stay, up to date and usually sold for \$2.50. Our Price \$1.75.

We have a woman's high cut, good quality, beaver side, fox, fleeced lined, Cong. or lace \$1.25.

We have a woman's extra quality, beaver, full dongola foxed, fleeced lined button at \$1.50

We have a woman's extra quality beaver, full kangaroo, foxed fleeced lined, lace at \$1.50

We are the Leading Shoe Dealers and sell Reliable Boots and Shoes at fair Prices. Call and see us before you purchase.

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Dohmstreich Building.

HAY!!! HAY!!!

H	Mixed Hay.	H
A	Timothy Hay.	A
Y	Prairie Hay.	Y
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!	Special Prices on ton lots.	!
!	PROMPT DELIVERY.	!
!	L. C. Hough & Son.	!
!	HAY, STRAW AND FEED.	!

A Merry Christmas And Happy New Year to All.

I have a large assortment of both ladies' and gents' Handkerchiefs, Art Denims and Chenille Table Spreads, gents' Silk Scarfs and Neckties, Silk Suspenders, Fleeced Kid Mitts, Silk and Yarn Mitts for both ladies and gents, Fancy Towels, a large line of those celebrated Rochester Nickle Lamps and various other articles which I have not space to mention.

I also have a large line of Staple Goods such as Youths' Clothing and Overcoats, Hosiery for both ladies and gents, Underwear of all descriptions, a large line of gents' and boys' Plush and Wool Caps at all prices. Dress Goods, Gloves and Mittens of all kinds. Any of the above articles will make a very suitable present.

Thanking you all for past favors and hoping that I may increase my business with you all in the years to come, I remain,
Yours,
A. A. TAFFT.

A piece of Silverware given away with every \$30.00 in Cash trade.

FAIR LADIES' FAIR.

THE FAIR AND BAZAAR A GRAND SUCCESS.

Penniman Hall Never Presented a Handsomer Appearance than Now.

The ladies of the M. E. and Presbyterian churches are holding a grand fair and bazaar at Penniman hall this week, Thursday, Friday and Saturday, at which the great Mably doll is to be disposed of.

They, with the assistance of friends, have labored hard all the week arranging and decorating the hall, building booths, etc., so that on entering, a very beautiful sight presents itself. To the left as you enter, observe the doll booth, under the charge of Mrs. A. A. Tufft and Mrs. C. A. Pockney, next to which is a voting place. Then comes the fish pond, in which most any kind of "fish" can be found. Mrs. D. Peck and Mrs. A. W. Chaffee here attend to your wants and bait your hook. Santa Claus booth comes next, and he has engaged Mrs. H. Springer and Miss N. Church to show you the thousand and one things he has on sale. The fancy booth is looked after by Mrs. J. L. Gale and Mrs. E. W. Chaffee, and they have some very handsome things to show you. The domestic booth is next, superintended by Mrs. C. Valentine and Miss Carrie Brown, and in the domestic line nothing is lacking. The old fortune teller is at every fair, but seldom does one see so fair a fortune teller as Miss Anna Baker, who tells the past, present and future, and everything else if you have the price. Now we come to the "sweets for the sweet," sweetly waited on by Miss Sweet, that is to say, Miss Carper and Miss Maud Dunn. They dispense candies, taffies, pop corn, etc. This is the only booth where man is favored by admission to the inside, Mr. Brownell being the lucky scamp. To the last booth, and by no means the least, we wend our way. The paper booth, under the supervision of the originators, Mrs. E. B. Roe and Mrs. W. H. Hoyt. This booth stands in the center of the hall and is very tastily decorated with flowers, etc., all being of paper. Then the ladies rushed us into the lunch room where Mrs. R. Durfee and Mrs. A. Harlow attend to the wants of the inner man. Things were not in eating order, however, for we did not get a swing at the good thing, the ladies said were provided.

Lamps! Lamps!

A new line of Banquet Lamps, they are Beauties. Remember that we are Headquarters for Fine Decorated Crockery, Dinner Sets, Tea Sets, Toilet Sets. Will have a fine selection for the holiday trade.

Remember that we give you your choice with a \$40 cash trade, either a 56 piece Tea Set or a 10 piece Toilet Set or your choice of Banquet Lamp.

GROCERIES

Our line of Groceries and Provisions is always Fresh and of the Best Quality that can be bought, (we buy no cheap goods.)

Have you tried KOFFA-AID? It is a fine drink. Hams Bacon Oysters

Try our 35c TEA. It is a Hummer. CRANBERRIES 10c A Qt. CHOICE DAIRY BUTTER AT 20c.

We are agents for the New Home Sewing Machine. Have one brought to your home and try it. You will have no other after trying one of these Machines.

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Plymouth.

shook his head several times, and then said:

"How do you know?"

"Because," I answered rather embarrassed, "because I know. I have heard it before."

The answer did not seem to satisfy him. A few minutes after, the band struck up something from "Faust."

"This," I said, "is from a well-known opera."

Akiyama looked more amazed than ever, and, shaking his head, asked again, "How do you know?"

"Because, of course, I know the opera." "Oh!" said he, in a very incredulous manner.

At last the band played "Home, Sweet Home."

"And now," said I, feeling very happy, "this is the music of a very popular American song."

"But, how can you tell?" exclaimed Akiyama.

"Because, I already told you, I know the music."

"Well," he remarked, "it all sounds alike to me!"

"What," I exclaimed, "all sounds alike? Don't you notice the difference between 'La Marseillaise,' 'Faust' and 'Home, Sweet Home'?"

"No, sir, no difference at all; it all sounds alike."

Strange as this may seem at first, the explanation will be found in the fact that the ears of these people have not been trained to appreciate our music, any more than ours have to understand theirs. It is all a question of training. Another very intelligent Japanese told me once that to his people, at first, all foreigners looked alike. They could not see any difference between them. From "Music in the Far East" in Denigres' Magazine for December.

A Public Letter.

CINCINNATI, Ohio, August 16, 1893. AUNT RACHAEL SPEER. Dear Madam:—

We are seven in a family—myself, wife, her sister and four children. All have been sick two summers with malaria. Quinine would break it but leaves us weak and distressed in the head, and when we stopped the quinine the fever returned. Many people praised your 'eruvian' bitters and our physician told us to use it. I feel grateful to you because your bitters have cured every one of us after using it 21 days. We used it five and six times a day, taking a tablespoonful of the bitters in a small wine glass of Speer's port wine.

Rev. JOHN J. THOMAS.

Chinese captives at the MAIL office.

75 Cts. ALL WOOL UNDERWEAR 75 Cts.

We have just 4 dozen Suits of All Wool Underwear worth \$1.25 that we will sell for 75c per garment, or \$1.50 per suit. We also have as many, or more of the Arabian Fleece and Fancy all wool \$1.50 underwear that we are selling for only \$1.00. These goods are all Swits Code make and never before were there such bargains in underwear in Plymouth or Detroit. We also have Bargains in Childrens', Misses' and Ladies' Underwear.

We are closing out our Rubber Goods.

Boys' Rubber Coats worth \$2.00 for \$0.99
Men's Rubber Coats worth \$3.50 and \$4.00 for \$2.50

We have a few boys' Overcoats that we will close out at less than cost price.
Men's Kersey Wool Pants for \$1.00. Men's Heavy Cotton Pants for 68c and 75c.

Dress Goods.

Our line of Dress Goods is Complete and Prices Right. We have just received a Fine line of English Flannelettes, double faced, fast colors, that we will sell for 10 cents.

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GALE

Wants to call your attention to some very cheap prices on new goods just received:

Cucumber Pickles 8c dz

Mixed Pickles, 12c qt

Sweet Pickles, 15 "

Cranberries, A new Barrel Very Cheap today 10 "

Olives in Bulk, 15c pt 25 "

Hunters take notice that we have a new stock of Quick Shot Loaded Shells that we sell 12 guage at 35c. Box, 10 guage 40c Box.

Come in and see the

Christmas Goods

Which commenced to arrive this week.

J. L. GALE.

We sell the best Carbon Oil at 10c a gallon. The best patent roller Buckwheat Flour small sacks 25c. The best patent roller Buckwheat Flour, 25 pound sacks, 55c.

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PLYMOUTH MAIL.

M. F. GRAY, Publisher.

PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN.

The good old game of ten pins is getting a boom on itself this year.

If the railroads really mean business the upper berth will be sure to come down.

It is not what is inside a man that makes him look distinguished; it is his clothes.

Those men who are seeking ideal wives seldom stop to think if they would make ideal husbands.

Yellow fever in Cuba continues to fight on the side of the insurgents, rarely losing an engagement.

Atchison, Kas., is said to be flooded with \$1 bills raised to \$10. Atchison, too, evidently has a gas trust.

We find that the great thing in this world is not so much where we stand as in what direction we are moving.

It is curious how a woman who screams at a mouse is not startled at a millinery bill that makes a man tremble.

A court at Bogota is said to have fined a man \$398,000, and it is feared that it may cripple him financially for a few days.

Kansas City is at length the proud owner of its own water works, and thereby becomes a shining example to other cities.

Wisconsin has a woman borstheif. If the new woman intends taking to this vocation she would do well to give the west a wide berth.

A Philadelphia man has been arrested for loud laughing in the public streets. Probably he had been indulging in a few preliminary smiles.

Chill has also found some "rich gold mines." Chill should not be noisy about it, or the first she knows England will send her "an ultimatum" about something.

There appears no way for the sultan to repair his finances except by disguising himself as a man and coming over to America and making himself agreeable to some girl in the Vanderbilt family.

Hon. T. C. Platt hastens to announce that he is not in his anecdote and will not write a book. Evidently Mr. Platt thinks this is as hard as he should make an old gentleman like Mr. Sherman.

The assurance comes from Marlborough's lawyer that his client is not mercenary. Certainly not. The Duke was simply too courageous to let a \$10,000,000 handicap interfere with a love match—that's all.

Claude Falls Wright, the theosophist, asked in New York the other night: "How do we know that what we call life is not, after all, a dream from which we may awake some day?" One good reason for thinking that life is not a dream is that the man who has a note coming due on a certain day never wakes up to find that he has been the victim of mere nightmare.

Judge Riner, of the United States Circuit court at Cheyenne, has decided that the treaty with the Bannock Indians, giving them the right to hunt on the unoccupied government lands in Wyoming, is of full force and effect and is superior to the game laws of that state. Judge Riner will henceforth be an unpopular man with the cattle thieves, land grabbers and pot hunters of the west. Every other class will applaud the decision.

A strange thing has happened to Mr. Richard Mansfield, the eminent actor. Upon recovering from a severe attack of typhoid fever he finds he has forgotten the lines of his plays, and he must learn them anew. The disease has also had a strange effect upon his sight. Previous to the attack he was so near sighted as to be practically unable to see, and habitually wore eye-glasses. Now his sight is normal, and the glasses are discarded.

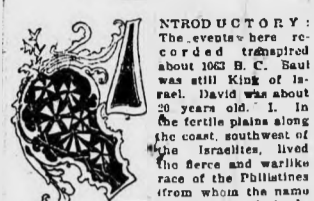
In a single week of the present fall American bicycles have been exported from the port of New York to the British East Indies, the British West Indies, to the United Kingdom, Belgium, Brazil, Cuba, Denmark, Central America, Ecuador, Germany, Italy, Porto Rico, Russia, and Venezuela. That shows what the skill of American manufacturers and American inventors can do in the way of furnishing wheels for all the world to ride. There are few civilized lands in which American bicycles will not be in use next season, and everywhere they may be tried they will surely win their way.

Perhaps no more momentous utterance than that of Lord Salisbury at the Lord Mayor's banquet in London, was ever made by an English statesman. It can literally be said that the fate of nations hung upon his words. The best opinion concedes that it was a foreboding, gloomy utterance upon the present critical situation, and that the manifest attempt to throw the Asiatic question into the background indicates that Great Britain is far more concerned over the action of Russia and France in China than in the impending crash of the Turkish Empire.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON X, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8—DAVID AND GOLIATH.

Golden Text: The Battle Is the Lord's.—1 Samuel, 17:41.—Goliath, the Champion of the Philistines, Goes Down Before David.



INTRODUCTORY: The event here recorded transpired about 1063 B. C. Saul was still King of Israel. David was about 20 years old. In the fertile plains along the coast, southwest of the Israelites, lived the fierce and warlike race of the Philistines from whom the name Palestine is derived.

These people were often made God's instrument for the punishment of the sins of his people. After Saul's disobedience it is said that "there was war against the Philistines all the days of Saul" (14: 52). "The mode of warfare pursued by them was of the guerilla description. They made a series of sudden raids on unprotected places for purposes of plunder. At the time of this lesson their central camp was in the valley of Elah, near Shechoch. The hills on either side are seven hundred to eight hundred feet high, running north and west. Through the middle of the valley wound a ravine with steep sides, the bed of the winter torrents, forming a natural defense to any force drawn up on either side of it. The Philistines were encamped on the southern slopes; and Saul had assembled an army of defence on the northern, with the valley between, and neither army dared to leave its position, and make an attack across the ravine, whose steep sides would give the enemy a great advantage. Goliath, the Champion of the Philistines—While the armies were in this position, with a sight and speaking distance of each other across the ravine, there came out from the Philistine ranks a giant champion, who proposed that the Israelites should send forth a warrior to meet him, and have the whole battle decided by a single combat.

III. The Challenge.—This armed, and plumed, the giant stalked down into the valley in sight of Saul's camp, and in a voice answering to his huge form defied the armies of Israel morning and evening for forty days. "I challenge the Champion of the Philistines, or of the Norman Taillefer, at Senlis."

IV. David Visits the Army.—The three oldest of David's brothers were in the army of Saul; only about ten miles from home, and Jesse, feeling anxious for news about them, sent David to the camp with some fresh provisions. It was the fourth day of Goliath's challenge when he reached the camp, and heard his haughty words. He soon took in the state of affairs. His inquiries and comments brought upon him the rebuke of his oldest brother. But he kept on till his words came to the ears of Saul.

30. And he put them in a shepherd's hat, and his conflict with the lion and the bear in previous days were necessary steps to his great victory.

V. The Israelites' Champion, David.—Vs. 38-40. It is well to mark the moral qualities which David manifests, and which make him worthy champion, and without which he would either have failed altogether, or diminished the value of the victory.

38. And Saul armed David with his armor, and he put a helmet of brass upon his head; and he armed him with a coat of mail.

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Wanted, an Honest Market.

American stock raisers have for years been clamoring that their interests are being injured by the greed of the retailers of meats. They say that the prices at which the live animals are purchased from them bear no relative position to the prices at which meats are retailed. They point out that there have sometimes been advances in the retail price at the same time that the prices of live stock were declining.

It is for the interest of all breeders of stock that meat be sold to the people at as low a price as possible, the middle man and the retailer being content with a fair profit. This has a tendency to stimulate a greater demand for meat.

With such stimulation there could be no meat of any kind exported, as the home market would take everything the stockmen could raise.

Let us illustrate. Last year we exported live stock products as follows in value: Live cattle, \$33,461,922; live hogs, \$14,756; live sheep, \$832,763; beef products, \$28,259,863; mutton, \$174,400; pork products, \$93,433,692. This gives a grand total of \$156,177,296. Reckoning our population at 70,000,000, this would represent \$2.23 per capita per year, a little more than 4 1/2 cents per week. In other words, it would be necessary only to increase our consumption per capita 4 1/2 cents worth per week to consume the entire product now being exported.

This could be done by selling meats at a fair price. The fact is that a great many markets all over the country charge high prices, sell less meat, but make just as much money as they would in selling a larger quantity at a lower price. They prefer this plan for it saves them the trouble of handling the extra amount of meat. They are thus the gainers, but both the producers and the consumers are the losers. It is not what we would call an honest market, which would operate to the advantage of all concerned. We cannot, however, expect to see any reform along this line, as a result of preaching. Commercial selfishness is stronger than commercial philanthropy. The position will yield only to commercial force. The time may come when stockmen of all kinds will be compelled to take measures to see that their products are placed in the hands of the consumers at a reasonable price.

Feed the Corn Crop.

What shall we do with the enormous corn crop? Is a question receiving a great deal of thought at the present time. Any crop shipped long distances to market in its crude state cannot bring as satisfactory and remunerative returns as if manufactured into "finished products." Whether the corn crop of 1895 will be a blessing or the reverse, to the producer, depends entirely on the wisdom he displays on marketing it.

It will prove a blessing only when disposed of at a profit. At the prices now prevailing many of us will be unable to realize above the cost of production, unless by some other method of disposing of it than in its original state. Shipping it as a raw product involves the expense of additional freight. By becoming a manufacturer and converting his corn, oats and hay into beef, pork, mutton or butter the farmer not only obtains an increased price for his crop, but also a profit on the finished product. The farmer who has or can obtain hogs and cattle to feed corn, will hold a decided advantage over the man who places his crop on the market in its crude state. By feeding the entire products of the farm at home the fertility of the land is not only kept up, but is increased. The successful farmer is the one who converts all he raises into "finished products."—American Corn and Hog Journal.

Useless Work.

When I started in the poultry business, says a writer in Farm Poultry, I had four Barred Plymouth Rocks, a trio of Black Minorcas and six mongrel hens. Finding my room too small for two breeds, I disposed of the Minorca cock and put them all in one pen. The mongrels contained a preponderance of Leghorn blood and laid a small white egg, the Minorcas a large white egg, and the Plymouth Rocks a brown egg, so that I had no trouble in distinguishing them. For the year the percentage of eggs laid by each was as follows: Two Minorcas 21 1/2 per cent; four B. P. Rocks, 40 per cent; six mongrels, 38 1/2 per cent.

Through the months of April and May the mongrels laid more eggs than the other six, but at no other time did they equal either the Minorcas or Plymouth Rocks.

I have no doubt that a few years' breeding would have raised the standard of the mongrels, but I shall never spend my time that way. They were an eyesore to me while I had them, and so long as I can get better, or even if I could only get their equals as egg producers and have a certain amount of beauty combined with utility, I shall keep a pure breed.

Bovine Rabies.—In Ware, Mass., twenty head of cattle on five farms have died of a disease diagnosed as rabies. The origin of the disease is traced to a mad dog. The most important symptoms were intense uneasiness and excitement, grating of the teeth with champing of the jaws, frequent fits of bellowing and continued straining. The temperature remained normal and the changes in the pulse were slight. Death resulted in from one to seven days after the first signs of the disease. Nine of the animals averaged twenty-four and four-ninth days from the time they were bitten to the first manifestations of illness. In two other animals the period of incubation was forty-seven and six-eighth days.

At St. Malo, France, there has been an exhibition an edible mushroom for feet in circumference and weighing seven and a half pounds.

CONGRESS AT WORK.

FIFTY-FOURTH U. S. CONGRESS IN SESSION.

Some of the Opening Scenes and Incidents.—Thomas H. Reed Chosen Speaker of the House—Michigan Man Chairman of the House—The Grand Begins.

The Fifty-fourth congress of these United States assembled in the national capitol at Washington without very much ostentation.

THE SENATE was called to order by Vice-President Stevenson. The hall was unusually abundant, many of the desks being literally buried beneath the weight of roses and carnations. With impressive tones the blind chaplain invoked the divine blessing on the chamber. The first business transacted was the reading of two resolutions and those re-elected. They proceeded to the clerk's desk in groups of three and four, accompanied by the state delegates, and with uplifted hands took the oath as it was read by the vice-president. The usual formal resolutions were quickly adopted: Providing for the date when the House shall meet daily; notifying the House that a quorum of the Senate was present and ready to proceed with business; providing for a committee of two Senators and two Representatives to wait upon the President and notify him that congress awaited any communication on the executive branch of the government.

The President's message would not be submitted until the following day, and on motion of Mr. Sherman, the grand began.

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Talmage in Washington.

Still interested in New York Affairs—Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars for Charities—What He Thinks of Certain Books.

Everybody knows that the illustrious Dr. Talmage, who made the Brooklyn Tabernacle famous throughout the world, has recently been called to a pastorate in Washington. His church is the First Presbyterian church of that city, and while in former years a very prominent institution, it latterly had been favored with small audiences, composed principally of men and women who remained loyal to the old church even though now surrounded largely by business houses.

However, has suddenly come over this time-honored landmark, and to-day the First Presbyterian church of Washington, owing to the wondrous eloquence of its newly installed pastor, is every Sunday besieged by multitudes, many of whom stand there frequently hours in advance of the opening of the service in hopes of being able to wedge their way in somehow or other, and to listen to the matchless eloquence of America's foremost pulpit orator.

People all over the country are wondering whether Dr. Talmage, in moving to the National Capital, and in exchanging his Brooklyn residence for a house in Washington, has actually divorced himself from all connection with the east. Dr. Talmage was recently interviewed on this subject by a reporter of this paper, and the reverend gentleman said that as long as his editorial chair had two legs in New York and two legs in Washington he could never be considered as having severed all his connections with the metropolis.

"The Christian Herald," he said, "with its wide circulation, is a tremendous power for good," and as long as the Lord gave him health and strength he would write for that paper—in fact, he would be in his editorial chair at the Bible House more frequently now than ever. Continuing, the genial preacher said: "There is no paper in America that yields a more potent influence for good than The Christian Herald, with a circulation of nearly two hundred thousand copies weekly. Nothing but death shall separate me from it. Dr. Klopsch, its proprietor, is a man of extraordinary enterprise. This year besides printing The Christian Herald every week in beautiful colors, a veritable enchantment for the eye, he offers as a premium a complete library, consisting of ten splendid volumes, full of interest and full of entertainment, with an elegant bookcase, delivered free of all expense, together with the paper itself. Fifty-two times, for the moderate sum of \$3. Hereafter let no home in America be without a library.

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The custom-house officers in New York were in a good deal of trouble last week appraising a monkey. Duty was finally fixed on a valuation of \$1.67.

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IN TWO PENINSULAS.

NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE PENINSULAR STATE.

Convicts in Jackson Prison Riot Against Work—Deputy Warden Northrup Fatally Injured and Others Badly Hurt—Machinery Ruined—A Fire Started.

Eight desperate criminals started a desperate riot in the shirt factory at Jackson prison and but for the timely arrival of guards well armed there would have been terrible results. The trouble came like a flash, and was about a trivial matter. Foreman Muller told Dick Huntley to trim the shirt collars better, or he would report him. Suddenly Huntley knocked Muller down with a club. Then Supt. Coffey ran to Muller's assistance. Curley and Lige Bullard hooped Coffey with a smash over the head with an iron bar. The alarm was sent in and Deputy Warden A. C. Northrup hurried to the door. He was struck on the head with a hammer by one convict, and another with a bar of iron on the chest, and lay upon the ground. Then the rioters found the keepers coming, armed, to the scene, and fearing they would be shot, ceased their murderous efforts, and were at once all placed in their cells.

There are 109 convicts in the shirt factory. There were eight convicts directly engaged in the battle. Of this number, Dick Huntley, the 20-year burglar, and Curley, the five-year man, and Lige Bullard, the fighting "coon," serving a second sentence, all of Detroit, were the ringleaders. Dick Huntley is one of the worst men in the prison. Three years ago he scaled the wall, attempting to escape and a guard shot a heavy bullet through his body, but he lived. A year ago Curley came near killing a foreman on the granite works by hitting him on the head. Mr. Gibson prison physician, says he fears Deputy Warden Northrup is fatally injured.

Kelly and Western keepers in the shop, were badly frightened, but are not dangerously hurt. Supt. Coffey of the shirt factory, has several lumps on his head from blows of a club, and one eye is badly cut. As soon as the fight began general in the shop, some convict threw a lighted match into greasy cotton waste, and flames sprang up. To add to the horror of the situation, one of the convicts turned on all the steam, while another attempted to smash the pipes and let the steam into the room to cause a stampede into the yard. Prompt action of the officers in overcoming the demons alone saved a general break, no doubt, and great loss of life as well. In all there were 40 machines smashed to pieces by the convicts with iron bars and hammers.

Aged Lady Fatally Injured by Robbers.

Mrs. Delina, aged 80, living alone near Columbiaville, was nearly killed by burglars. She was aroused by a noise at the kitchen door, and a moment later there were two men in her room. One of them caught her by the throat and asked for money. She said she had none and begged them to spare her life. After this she remembers nothing until several hours afterwards when she awoke, nearly frozen. She had been transferred to another bed. She managed to make her way to the house of Leander Levalley and Dr. Wisner was sent for and discovered that she had been drugged. It is thought that on account of Mrs. Delina's extreme age she will not recover. The thieves got no money, although there was a small sum in her safe.

Steamer on Fire on the Lake.

While on her way from the "So" to Duluth the steamer W. H. Gilbert encountered a terrific storm off Manitowish Island. She tossed and rolled fearfully, her hull several times passing under the water. Between decks were 200 barrels of kerosene oil. These broke loose and several were smashed and the contents flowed in every direction. The inflammable material soon reached the fire hole and the vessel was in flames. The firemen were driven out and the utmost consternation reigned aboard. The vessel was put about and worked into smoother water in the lee of Manitowish island and after a hard and desperate fight the flames were smothered, but the boat was badly scorched.

Two Miners Frightfully Mangled.

Joseph Branca had his head blown from his shoulders and Ambrose Gibani received fatal injuries by an explosion at the Chapin mine at Iron Mountain, the result of their own carelessness. The men were working partners and were engaged in blasting down ore. They had charged three holes with dynamite and fired them. Two of the shots promptly exploded, but the third hung fire. The men, having counted wrong, returned to the room just as the third exploded, with the above result.

Terrible Accident at Traverso City.

John Stewart, 17 years old, was killed in the factory of the Oval Wood Lick Co. at Traverso City. His clothing caught in a shaft and his body was hurled around it about 40 times before the machinery could be stopped. Every stitch of clothing was torn off, both legs and arms were broken in several places, and all his ribs were broken and his head crushed.

Shot His Son's Head Off.

Charles Harris, of Hillsdale, shot and instantly killed his son Ray, aged 13, while hunting rabbits. A rabbit had been driven from its burrow and when in the act of shooting it, the boy stepped in range, the entire charge of shot striking him in the head, tearing the top off. The father is almost insane with grief.

The dwelling house of L. L. Taylor, at Stebon, the largest farm house in Cass county, was destroyed by fire.

In place of the stone pile it is said that hobos who stop at Manistee for winter quarters will have to work on the poor farm.

Albert Walters, colored, was murdered by Alfonso Armstrong, also colored, at Detroit, by being so badly cut that he bled to death.

Four cars of a freight train on the G. R. & L. jumped the track at Kalamazoo and two of them went down an embankment into a marsh.

MINOR MICHIGAN NEWS.

Sanilac Center wants a woolen mill. Ludington has voted to bond for \$10,000 to pay off indebtedness.

Ed Bates, while lumbering at Inland, was struck by a falling tree and had his neck broken.

About 300 miners of the Corunna Coal Co. are out on a strike against a reduction in wages.

The large country residence of Nelson Bigbee, near Big Rapids, was destroyed by fire. Loss \$20,000.

The trades and labor assembly of Muskegon has given an invitation to the Michigan Federation of Labor to hold their next meeting there.

The Livingston county fair grounds at Howell were sold at public auction to one of the old stockholders. A new company is now being organized.

While Jesse Denves and a young man named Jamison, near Fairview, were chasing and endeavoring to shoot a bog Denves was shot, perhaps fatally.

George Hartigan fell under the wheels while attempting to steal a ride from Union City to Jackson, and lost both legs, but has good prospects of recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Emerick, of Ypsilanti celebrated the fifth anniversary of their wedding. The former is 74 and the latter 65 years of age and were pioneers.

The old Indian chief at Amber, known as "Bushy Joe" and who was claimed to be 110 years of age, died recently. Bushy Joe was an expert hunter and trapper.

Battle Creek's troat officer is carrying on a vigorous warfare against tobacco dealers who sell cigarettes to boys. Wm. Edmund is fined \$10 for this violation of law.

Ernest Gray, aged 28, a Grand Trunk fireman of Battle Creek, was found dead in his room at Kalamazoo. Near the body was a half empty morphine bottle indicating suicide.

Diphtheria is raging about Beaton Harbor to an alarming extent. Several country schools near town are closed. Over 40 cases were reported within two weeks, with six deaths.

Mrs. A. F. McGillis, of Monomine, was badly burned while rescuing her daughter from their burning home, and died from her injuries. Her husband was also severely burned.

Herbert W. Babbell, clerk of the police court at Grand Rapids, has disappeared, with between \$50 and \$100 of funds. He had just resigned, his bondsmen forcing him to do so, owing to recent crooked transactions.

About 100 feet of one of the G. R. & L. freight boxes in Grand Rapids, collapsed from the weight of the snow on the roof. The night watchman was the only man in the building and had a narrow escape from death.

Ed. M. Lapierre was found dead in the cemetery at Niles. From appearances he had lain down and then shot himself with a .38-caliber revolver through the right temple. Death was instantaneous.

John A. Moll, of Minden, ex-representative and one time aspirant to the office of secretary of state, was arrested in Detroit and lodged in the county jail at Sanilac Center on a charge of forgery.

Clarence D. Vining, of Ypsilanti, who held a \$1,000 clerkship in the treasury department at Washington, has been dismissed in disgrace. He was charged with removing internal revenue stamps from old bonds on file in the department.

Four desperate young criminals escaped from the county jail at Coldwater by cutting through the floor and crawling through a cellar window. They stole Dr. Wilcox's horse and buggy, but Allie Bedford and the rig were captured at Quincy.

Mrs. Jane Heritage, wife of the former pastor of the Wealthy avenue Baptist church at Grand Rapids, suicided by taking chloroform. Mrs. Heritage has been in poor health for some time. She had tried to suicide a week before with laudanum.

John Widdecomb, president and manager of the Widdecomb Furniture Co. at Grand Rapids, which employs about 4,000 hands, is an enthusiastic supporter of the eight hour day principle. He considers it a question of vital importance to the entire country.

Shortly after dark Geo. P. Burgess, of Port Huron, started to cross the bridge over Black river on his bicycle. The draw had been opened to allow a steamer to pass and no danger signals were displayed to give warning, and Burgess plunged from the end of the bridge into the river and was drowned.

David L. Pearson, living near New Buffalo was driven insane as the result of the bell that the recent earthquake heralded the end of the world, and is now confined in an asylum. Miss Alice Pearson, aged 18, was adjudged to be of unsound mind, her father's peculiar hallucination having also affected her reason.

Otie J. Watkins, the Detroit ex-convict, who has served 18 months of a four years' sentence to Jackson prison for forgery, is now a free man, Gov. Rich having granted him a pardon. The action of the governor was based on the unanimous recommendation of the pardon board, and was petitioned for by a excellent citizen of Detroit.

The schooner Mary Collins was picked up off Alpena in a badly battered condition. The schooner was caught in the gale off Sturgeon point, and lost her canvas in the first few hours. Her spars were broken, everything above deck washed overboard, and several leaks were sprung. The crew worked heroically and were nearly dead from exhaustion and exposure when rescued.

The Alpena Hide & Leather Co. has started to work its new plant, one of the largest hemlock tanning concerns in existence. The plant is tanning 1,000 hides a day to start with. This is only one of a great many plants now building in the pineries of Michigan, where bark is cheap. It is understood that western packers are backing this concern to get rid of their hides without selling them to the trust.

CASUALTIES.

Robert Janssen, aged 30, employed at a chemical laboratory at Anna, Md., fell into a vat of nitric acid and was killed.

Mistaking William Lenning, his hired man, for a burglar, Willis Broughton, of Corfu, N. Y., chopped him to death with an ax.

Peter Ingelwitz was fatally injured in a runaway at Millwood, Ind.

By the caving in of a coal mine at Cargel, N. Y., fourteen Italian and Austrian miners were crushed to death.

Harry Heintzelman of Joliet, Ill., aged 12 years, while shooting sparrows, accidentally shot himself.

James, Sheran of Elwood, Ill., was struck by a train on the Chicago and Alton road and killed.

Harris Hawk and Harry March of Lisbon, O., were killed by a train near Leotonia while crossing the Port Wayne railroad in a buggy.

A serious freight wreck occurred in the Akron, O., yards, a south-bound freight running into a switching train. Engineer Abrams jumped and was probably fatally injured.

August Sahnamon, a business man of Walnut, Ill., was killed by a railroad train between Mendota and Walnut. The coroner's jury rendered a verdict of accidental death.

Rev. A. Heinrich and wife were asphyxiated by gas from their hard-coal stove at Platte City, Neb. Mr. Heinrich was found dead and his wife was dying when neighbors forced the door.

A 12-year-old son of ex-County Treasurer Columbus A. Freeland accidentally shot himself at Illiopolis, Ill.

Jesse Wimp, a farmer living near Colusa, Ill., was run over and killed by a passenger train on the Carthage branch of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad.

While preparing for a hunting trip, a son of Mrs. C. Wilhelm, of Buckingham, Ill., accidentally killed his mother.

FOREIGN.

L. Henri Sevère, a civil engineer in the employ of the French government tobacco factories, is on his way to Chicago to secure modern machinery for manufacturing tobacco and matches.

A rebellion against the authority of the sultan has broken out among the Arabs in the vicinity of the holy city of Mecca, and Turkish troops sent to subdue the uprising have been defeated.

Count Edward von Tanc, the famous Austrian statesman, and many times premier of the empire, is dead.

A Seoul, Corea, dispatch says the Tai-Won-Kun has practically given up his attempt to play usurper. General Cho, minister of war, has been dismissed, and the status of the dead queen who, after death, was degraded to the level of a concubine, has been restored. Japan is losing ground in Corea, and Russia's influence is growing.

A special to New York from Guatemala says President Barrios has just received a letter from Mrs. Carlo Ezeta, in which she claims that she is a citizen of Guatemala and urges the president to use every possible effort to induce Salvador to turn over to her the Ezeta property, which, she declares, was arbitrarily confiscated. She claims the property belongs to her and her children.

CRIME.

Mrs. Susan Etcherson, aged 61 years, shot herself through the heart at the residence of her son at Greencastle, Ind. She has been insane for some time.

Post mortem examination of the remains of Dan Turner, killed at Prairieburg, Iowa, in a saloon fight, developed the fact that he was murdered.

Burglars robbed the hardware store of Sumner & Morris at Madison, Wis., of property worth \$500. The store is less than fifty yards from the police station.

Tramps who threatened to burn Cumberland, Wis., unless they were fed and sheltered have all disappeared, with the exception of four leaders in jail. No further annoyance is apprehended, although citizens, heavily armed, are patrolling the streets.

In Dooly county, Georgia, Tony Sutton and his son, who killed an officer sent to arrest them, were lynched.

A passenger train ran into an open switch at Preble, N. Y., killing the engineer and fatally injuring the fireman. The members of "A Bowery Girl" troupe were on the train, but none was seriously hurt. Somebody had tampered with the switch with the deliberate intent, evidently, of wrecking the train.

H. H. Holmba, convicted at Philadelphia of the murder of Benjamin F. Pitzel, was denied a new trial and sentenced to death.

Two negroes at Fayetteville, Tenn., after being tried and convicted for attempted assault, were taken from jail by a mob and langed. Troops were unable to reach the scene in time.

The general store of Hinton & Roberts at Orono, Ill., was robbed two successive nights, Thursday and Friday of last week, of considerable money and goods. The burglars, B. Blackey and R. Hagley, young men, were captured at Sandoval and are in the Shelby County jail unable to give bond.

Bushrod Kelch shot and killed his divorced wife at Cleveland, and then sent a bullet through his own head. The bullet, which lodged between the two lobes of his brain, was extracted and he will probably recover.

Gov. Altgeld has honored the requisition of the governor of Kansas for Gyp and Ed Corson, wanted in Harper county, Kansas, for grand larceny and under arrest at Jerseyville.

The grand jury adjourned at Marshall, Iowa, returning sixty-five indictments. Thirty-one men and boys from Darwin pleaded guilty to gambling and were fined \$18 each.

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(From the Jackson Citizen.) Mr. A. E. Wing resides at 613 N. Jackson Street, Jackson, Mich. He is a keeper in the Michigan State Prison, a man of sterling integrity, and whose word is beyond dispute. He tells the following story of a wonderful escape, and the incidents connected with the dangerous position in which he was placed. He says, some months ago my attention was attracted by a swelling of my groin, which began to increase in size to such an extent that I was alarmed. It spread down my legs to my feet, and I was blinded from my waist down, so badly that I could not pull my pants, over my legs, and I had to open my shoes fully two inches before I could get them on. Even my face became puffed up; and my whole system seemed affected. I could hardly drag myself upstairs to unlock my men. I consulted a physician, one of the best in the city. He said the swelling was caused by an irritation of the kidneys, and I commenced treatment with him. But I seemed to be getting worse. I was strongly urged by a friend to try Doan's Kidney Pills, and I finally consented. After the first week I commenced to see a change, and felt much better. This was encouraging, and I continued their use. I took five boxes in all, with the happy result that I was completely cured. I have never heard of any medicine which had such a pronounced and radical effect, and yet not affect the system generally, and leave it in such a good condition. I feel better now than I ever did. After the effect was once established the swelling gradually disappeared until it was entirely gone. I regard Doan's Kidney Pills as a most wonderful agent in the curing of any form of kidney disorder. For sale by all dealers—price, 50 cents per box. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name, Doan's, and take no other.

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FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

How many people there are in this world that have a tendency to speak ill of others, not knowing they are only lowering themselves in the estimation of the ones they are conversing with. If you can't say anything good of a person, say nothing at all.

Oh! the clothes press is a swell affair for garments nice and neat, the hay press is a grand machine and does its work complete, the cider press is lovely, with juices rich and sweet, but the printing press controls the world and gets there with both feet.

Young girls tired of monotony of country life and fond of adventure, frequently go to the city and quickly come to grief. The papers are full of stories of such foibles, and every one of them should be a lecture heeded by those who are still safe and content to be happy in their own country homes.

Take a dollar bill and fold it length ways and you double it several times each way and then open it out again and you will find it increases. Take a silver dollar and loop it on the counter and it will ring; give the ring to your best girl or wife and you'll have the dollar left to pay the poor printer your subscription.—Ez.

When John Clark went to Whitefish Point 22 years ago with 10 cents in his pocket and boldly announced that he was going to cultivate cranberries for a living, everybody laughed at him, but he went ahead and is now independently rich. Last week he took to the Sault 220 bushels, which sold for from \$2.75 to \$3 per bushel.

Unthinking people sometimes complain that newspapers are "not accurate and reliable in giving news." If the public could see how much nearer accurate and reliable is the news published than the conflicting reports that come to the editorial rooms to be sifted, tested and toned down by the editor, they would give the paper more credit than they do.

A school teacher says the pupils who have access to newspapers at home, when compared with those who have not, are better readers, better spellers, better in punctuation and better grammarians, read more and understand, and obtain a practical knowledge of geography in almost half the time it requires others. The newspaper is needed as an important factor in modern life.

Two or three men are traveling through several Michigan counties selling groceries for a Chicago house. The outfit costs \$1, and the list is headed with 40 pounds of granulated sugar for \$1, the balance of the list is composed of soap, starch, spices, etc. Local firms offer to duplicate the order including 40 pounds of sugar for \$5. It is always best to consult the home merchants before buying of traveling peddlers.

Girls, if you are not handsome or good looking, console yourself with the fact that it is the plain girl who is never found breaking her father's heart or her husband's head. It is the plain girl who is never found on a marble slab in the morgue with cold water dripping off her. It is the plain girl, who, although she may have an aching heart, has a level head. It is a plain girl, with a pug nose, freckled face and red hair, who never causes the tongue of scandal to wag.—Westminster Budget.

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Since the opening of the institution in 1874, nearly 3,700 children have been received and cared for. There are now in the institution about 200, and over 1,350 are with good families throughout the state and under the supervision of the school. The others have passed out from under the school's control. Those with families are placed on contracts which provide for their proper care and education.

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Masonic Fair.

There is no longer any question about the tremendous success of the great fair which the Masonic fraternity is holding in the new temple in Detroit. The city papers have been full of the glories of this exposition, claiming that it rivals in grandeur anything ever given in the state. The vast seven-story building is filled from top to bottom with strange and unusual things gathered from every quarter of the habitable globe, while in entertainment two theaters, two scenic productions of great interest, and Oriental Fairyland, a curio exhibit, numismatic di play, a flower and art show are seen, the like of which the citizens of Michigan never saw before. The booths on the top floor form a veritable bower of beauty. Hon. E. W. Cotterell, chief of the bureau of admissions, says that there never was such an opportunity offered to the people to buy holiday goods at a great reduction. He said, "there seems to be a mistaken impression among the people of the state as to what the coupon of admission on the regular railroad ticket entitles the holder to. This railroad coupon admits the holder to each and every department in the building." Dr. W. H. Kessler, who has been appointed chairman of the reception committee, has members of his committee at every depot, and will, on notification, send a special delegation to meet visitors coming in as party. A few quotations from Detroit papers will show how the grand exposition is regarded by the trained critics of the metropolis. The Free Press in a double column head described it as a scene of "pomp and pageantry" and then says "the fair is a wonder and the admiration of thousands who went to the temple." In the introduction the Free Press says, "All other fairs given in the state become meager and slight when compared to the Masonic fair. The public had been lead to expect much, and the realization was equal to the anticipation. All that money could buy and good taste suggest, were found within the massive walls of the temple." The Tribune in its headlines said, "Masonic fair no longer a dream but a reality. The temple full of life. Atmosphere of the Orient present everywhere. Beauties in booths galore," and in opening its article said, "during all this week and next week the beauties and rarities of a hundred lands will be open for inspection, and the interests of the Masonic temple, in which building the collection is on exhibition." The Journal describes the opening in the following terms, "Magnificent. Brilliant opening of the great Masonic temple fair." In the opening of its two columns and more of description the Journal said, "the great fair is opened and in the opening yesterday every promise of novelty, amusement and beauty in every way was realized." The Evening News describes the fair in its headlines thus: "It's a dream—a bewildering display of beautiful things, and in a burst of enthusiasm the writer exclaims, "The Masons are in their noble temple, let all the people appear before them." The Evening Press grew as enthusiastic, heading its story with the statement, "The star event of the season opened with unpretentious ceremony" and it continued, "The attractions of the fair are beyond description in number and character."

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Attorney-at-Law,

DETROIT, MICH.

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE In the matter of the estate of LEONARD HUDSON, 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 persons against said deceased, do hereby give notice that we will meet at the office of Geo. A. Strickland, in the village of Plymouth, in said County, on Tuesday the thirty-first day of December, A. D. 1895, and on Wednesday, the sixth day of May, A. D. 1896, at ten o'clock a. m. of each of said days, for the purpose of examining and allowing said claims, and for the purpose of settling the accounts of said deceased, and for the purpose of presenting to the said Court for its consideration and allowance.

ISAIAH GLEASON, Commissioner.

Dated November 21, 1895.

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE In the matter of the estate of JACOB LYON, 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 persons against said deceased, do hereby give notice that we will meet at the office of Geo. A. Strickland, in the Village of Plymouth, in said County, on Tuesday, the first day of December, A. D. 1895, and on Wednesday, the sixth day of May, A. D. 1896, at ten o'clock a. m. of each of said days, for the purpose of examining and allowing said claims, and for the purpose of settling the accounts of said deceased, and for the purpose of presenting to the said Court for its consideration and allowance.

HARRY JOLLIFFE, Commissioner.

Dated November 21, 1895.

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 nineteenth day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five. Present, EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of M. CHARLTON, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of James Connor, praying that administration of said estate be granted to William F. Connor or some other suitable person.

EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate.

ROBERT A. FLINT, Register.

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 nineteenth day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five. Present, EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of PHINEAS P. WILSON, deceased. Norman Wilson, the administrator of said estate, having rendered to this court his final administration account, and on reading and filing the petition of said administrator, praying that the residue of said estate may be assigned to the persons entitled thereto.

EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate.

ROBERT A. FLINT, Register.

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 twentieth day of November, 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. Martin A. Leonard, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, having rendered to this court his final administration account, and on reading and filing the petition of said Martin A. Leonard, praying that the residue of said estate may be assigned to him.

EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate.

ROBERT A. FLINT, Register.

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 twentieth day of November, 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. Martin A. Leonard, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, having rendered to this court his final administration account, and on reading and filing the petition of said Martin A. Leonard, praying that the residue of said estate may be assigned to him.

EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate.

ROBERT A. FLINT, Register.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS AND PERSONAL MENTION.

Whit O. Scriber Gathered on the Outside. News

Mrs. J. O. Eddy, who has been ill for the past two weeks is much improved.

Prof. Biddow, with his mother and sister, now occupy the Curtis residence on Union street.

A full attendance of the L. O. T. M.'s is expected at the election of officers on Dec. 19th, 1895.

R. L. Root and sister drove to Ypsilanti Sunday to attend the funeral of their uncle, James Root.

About four inches of the beautiful fall Sunday night and the sleighing is at present in good condition.

Fred Miller and Bertie Packard were married at M. Leonard's Wednesday evening by Rev. J. B. Oliver.

Services at the village hall Sunday, Dec. 8, at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Preaching by Rev. Olivia J. Carpenter.

Miss Minnie McGran and Chas. Tuttle were married in Detroit, instead of at Mr. Tuttle's as announced last week.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Root, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Root and Carman Root attended the funeral of James Root in Ypsilanti, Sunday.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

Services held in Safford Hall every Sunday morning at 10:30. All are most cordially invited to attend.

Fred Kelly, of Wayne, is managing the drug department of the "33" pharmacy. He expects to move his family here in a short time.

Mrs. Dr. Collier returned from her Thanksgiving visit at Defiance, Ohio, Thursday evening, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Dawns, who will remain in Plymouth during the winter.

The Plymouth Concert Co. will entertain the Northville people this (Friday) evening. The entertainment is a good one and the company should be greeted with a full house.

The following officers were elected at the last meeting of the Masonic Lodge: C. L. Wilcox, W. M.; F. N. Dewey, S. W.; E. C. Luffer, J. W.; M. H. Ladd, Sec.; A. A. Taft, Treas.; Ed. K. Bennett, S. D.; Robt. Mimmack, J. D.; Frank Bell, Tyler; John Wilcox and Chas. Butterfield, Stewards.

The Plymouth Ladies' Literary Club met with Mrs. C. H. Bennett, Nov. 29. Notwithstanding the severe rain there was a fair attendance. In the absence of both the President and vice-President, the meeting was called to order by the secretary at three o'clock. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The history work of the day was postponed, as the reader was absent. Mrs. Bennett entertained by reading a most interesting and finely prepared paper, "History of the Crusades." An article, "The New Woman" as a current topic, gave us a different version than is usually read. The Shakespearean reading was also laid over. The meeting adjourned until Dec. 13, at Miss Goldsborough's.

James R. Root died at his home in Hillsdale, Nov. 28th, of paralysis of the bladder. He came to Michigan when 10 years of age and settled on the farm now owned and occupied by Henry R. Root. He was well and favorably known in and around Plymouth for many years. It was in his hotel that the fire started which burned the business portion of Plymouth in 1855. He was buried in Ypsilanti, Dec. 1st, by the side of his wife, Harriet Teeple, who died in 1873. He leaves two sons and their families to mourn his loss, besides two sisters, two brothers and a large circle of nieces and nephews.

WANTED to exchange Clothes, made to order, for wood.

J. W. ROSEBRUGH,

Fine Merchant Tailor, Plymouth, Mich.

Possibly the finest concert company that has visited Plymouth in many moons will be at village hall next Wednesday evening, Dec. 11, under the direction of the celebrated comedian and character vocalist, Mr. Joe M. Henry, under the auspices of the I. O. O. F. Mr. Henry has a splendid combination with him, and their concert every where have been received with crowded houses. Master Gerald Deming and Miss Lena Deming, "two little sweets," are a wonderful pair, and never fail to win the hearts of all by their comic and character songs, duets, readings, etc. Nor is Miss Eva Smith, the wonderful little whistler, less popular, but always receives a storm of applause. Mrs. Robt. Deming, a leading pianist, will render difficult piano selections. There is not the least doubt of this company being first-class, and suitable to the most fastidious in every respect. The editor of this paper has known Mr. Joe Henry for a number of years, having been play-mates, together, and cheerfully attests to his worth as an entertainer, and a natural born comedian. In short the fact that the members of the I. O. O. F. have engaged this company to entertain you is sufficient guarantee that they are gilt edge. If it's a good hearty laugh you want, don't miss it. Mr. Henry is equally as good off the stage as on, and is always pleased to become acquainted with people. Don't fail to hear him. Seats on sale at J. R. Ranch's.

A nice selection of set and band rings at C. G. Draper's.

Fountain pens at C. G. Draper's.

I. O. O. F. benefit Wednesday evening next.

Mrs. Will Nichols, of Northville, was in town Saturday.

The Universalist service announcement last week was an error.

Born, to Dr. and Mrs. Oliver, a 11 pound boy on Thursday, Dec. 5. Both doing well.

Dr. Collier will read a paper on "Farm Hygiene" at the farmer's institute to be held at Wayne, Jan. 28 and 29, 1896.

Rev. Mr. Mine will remain another Sunday at Dundee, preaching for them the 8th. The 15th he will surely be in Plymouth.

On Sunday morning it is thought that Rev. Arnold, of Northville, will occupy the Baptist pulpit of this place. Union service at the M. E. church in the evening.

Capt. M. R. Weeks feels very much elated over the promptness of the members of his hose company in turning out to the fire Friday morning last. In fact E. K. was so anxious to be on deck that he just had time to get his clothes half on when he heard the bell on No. 1 coming down the road. He couldn't wait any longer, so left as he was, and the boys had a good laugh but didn't smoke.

It is rumored that the local "wonder workers" are about to put in practice one of the most difficult, yet extremely beautiful operas of the day, "The Isle of Champagne." This will be for the benefit of some local improvement. The Mail suggests the establishing of a fund for a public water fountain in the park. This would be both ornamental and a memento to our worthy young people.

E. P. Baker, our photographer, has proven himself an expert on group pictures. On Thanksgiving day, after eating well high to exploding (which is the daily custom of the four junior male members), the genial L. H. Bennett lead the way to E. P.'s studio and demanded that he produce on cards a fac-simile of the crowd that followed, being the results of years of constant worry, and L. H. wanted a memento of the fact. It did not take long to gratify his wish, and the fact of their being first class photos is attested by the advance in the usual receipts at the P. O. for stamps to pay the freight on the mementos sent to friends.

Don't forget the Joe Henry concert at village hall under auspices of I. O. O. F. Wednesday evening next.

Our unequaled subscription offer of a handsome volume containing sixty-four photographs of the Columbian Exposition has produced most gratifying results in every quarter. It has not only brought us many new subscribers, but has delighted every person who has been so thoughtful as to secure the work, which in the splendid list of photos presented, together with the accompanying descriptions, constitutes a valuable history in narrative and picture of the scenes presented. It is sent free, postage paid, to every new subscriber, and to every one of our present readers who renews his subscription for one year from its expiration. The work itself is well worth the full price of the year's subscription, as any one who has inspected it will attest. Since we have stopped the offer a large number have called and asked for a copy with a year's subscription. We now have a list of about 30 to send for and for 10 days more will hold the offer open, so that any person desiring a copy of this splendid souvenir may secure it without extra charge by calling on or before Saturday, Dec. 14th. This is positively the last opportunity. You cannot purchase the book for less than \$1.00. But by sending in an order for 100 we get them at reduced rates. It makes a beautiful Christmas present to send a friend, and we mail it direct to any place at the same price. The year's subscription and all arrearsages must be paid in advance and accompany the order, and the volume will be sent at once. Remember the offer holds good for one week from this date only.

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THE KOFFA-AID COMPANY,

Detroit, Mich.

Novi.

Joshua McCrumb is still very sick.

Mrs. Thos. Gurr is in poor health.

Mrs. P. J. Taylor is on the sick list.

Many of our people seem to be enjoying the sleighing.

H. B. Wight and a Detroit friend spent Sunday in Novi.

Miss Nina Clark, of Milford, spent Sunday at James Taylor's.

A Christmas supper will be given at the M. E. church Christmas night.

Miss Nellie Bloomer, of Farmington, was a guest at the Baptist parsonage last Sunday.

The "Butterfly social" at O. M. Whipple's was poorly attended owing to stormy weather.

A new line of calling cards just received at the MAIL office. Late styles.

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In Mahogany or Oak Finish

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WHERE GRAIN GROWS.

Manitoba's magnificent crop of 1895 demonstrates the wonderful fertility and productivity of the soil of that western Canadian province. The yield of wheat on 1,145,276 acres was about 35,000,000 bushels; of oats, nearly 30,000,000 bushels on 432,578 acres; of barley, 6,000,000 on 152,839 acres, and there were besides 1,250,000 bushels of flax, 65,000 bushels of rye and 25,000 bushels of peas. This is an average of over 30 bushels of wheat to the acre, of 60 bushels of oats, and of 29 bushels of barley, and this immense crop was safely harvested by 25,000 farmers, many of whom settled in Manitoba within the past ten years with very little capital except industry and energy, and some with little or no experience whatever in farming. In the aggregate these 25,000 farmers have averaged 2,850 bushels of grain of all kinds, and besides this have produced magnificent crops of roots, potatoes, cabbages, onions and garden vegetables of all kinds. They have shipped to eastern markets, in addition, thousands of head of sleek cattle and large numbers of sheep. And all this has been accomplished without the expenditure of one dollar for artificial fertilizers and with a very small outlay for wages.

Beyond this province are fertile lands and a ranching country stretching to the foothills of the Rocky Mountains. These are divided into the districts of Assiniboia, Saskatchewan and Alberta. The eastern part of the former is also admirably adapted for wheat raising and mixed farming, and the western part of the district and the southern half of Alberta combine to furnish the great cattle ranches of the northwest, there being countless acres of prairie land on which grow the most nutritious grasses on the continent. Northern Alberta, to which have flocked in recent years thousands of settlers from Nebraska, Kansas, Washington and other states, is the poor man's paradise, and although it has only had the advantage of railway communication since 1891, it is rapidly filling up. There is practically no taxation in these districts, except for educational purposes, and each one possesses every requisite—in climate, soil, fuel, water, etc.—that the most favored old settled countries enjoy. No country is more prosperous than this Canadian northwest, and to none will there be a larger immigration, so its wonderful productivity becomes known.

Miss Georgia Elliget, aged 18, was frightfully burned at Adrian while lighting a gasoline stove in the home of A. B. Walker. She spilled gasoline on herself when filling the stove.



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OUT OF THE CITY.

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CHAPTER X.—(CONTINUED).

"Guests! Whose guests?" he cried anxiously. "What is the meaning of this exhibition?"

"We have been giving a little supper party. They were our guests."

"Oh, indeed?" The doctor laughed sarcastically. "You think it right, then, to entertain young bachelors late at night, to smoke and drink with them, to—Oh, that I should ever have lived to blush for my own daughter! I thank God that your dear mother never saw the day!"

"Dearest papa," cried Clara, throwing her arms about him. "Do not be angry with us. If you understood all, you would see that there is no harm in it."

"No harm, miss! Who is the best judge of that?"

"Mrs. Westmacott," suggested Ida, slyly.

The doctor sprang from his chair. "Confound Mrs. Westmacott!" he cried, striking frantically into the air with his hands. "Am I to hear of nothing but this woman? Is she to confront me at every turn? I will endure it no longer."

"But it was your wish, papa."

"But I will tell you now what my second and wiser wish is, and we shall see if you will obey it as you have the first."

"Of course we will, papa."

"Then my wish is that you should forget the odious notions which you have imbibed, that you should dress and act as you used to do, before ever you saw this woman, and that in future you confine your intercourse with her to such civilities as are necessary between neighbors."

"We are to give up Mrs. Westmacott?"

"Or give me up."

"Oh, dear dad, how can you say anything so cruel?" cried Ida, burrowing her tawny golden hair into her father's shirt front, while Clara pressed her cheek against his whisker. "Of course we shall give her up, if you prefer it."

"Of course we shall, papa."

The doctor patted the two crestfallen heads. "These are my own two girls again," he cried. "It has been my fault as much as yours. I have been astray, and you have followed me in my error. It was only by seeing your mistakes that I have become conscious of my own. Let us set it aside, and neither say nor think anything more about it."

CHAPTER XI.

A BLOT FROM THE BLANK.

BY THE CLEVERNESS of the two girls a dark cloud was thinned away and turned into sunshine. Over one of them, alas, another cloud was gathering, which could not be so easily dispersed. Of these three households which fate had thrown together, two had already been united by ties of love. It was destined, however, that a bond of another sort should connect the Westmacotts with the Hay Denvers.

Between the admiral and the widow a very cordial feeling had existed since the day when the old seaman had hauled down his flag and changed his opinions, granting to the yachtswoman all that he had refused to the reformer. His own frank and downright nature respected the same qualities in his neighbor, and a friendship sprang up between them which was more like that which exists between two men, founded upon esteem and a community of tastes.

"By the way, admiral," said Mrs. Westmacott, as they walked together down to the station, "I understand that this boy of yours in the intervals of paying his devotions to Miss Walker is doing something upon 'change'."

"Yes, ma'am and there is no man of his age who is doing so well. He's drawing ahead I can tell you, ma'am. Some of those that started with him are hull down astern now. He touched his five hundred last year, and before he's thirty he'll be making the four figures."

"The reason I asked is that I have small investments to make myself from time to time, and my present broker is a rascal. I should be very glad to do it through your son."

"It is very kind of you, ma'am. His partner is away on a holiday, and Harold would like to push on a bit and show what he can do. You know the poop isn't big enough to hold the lieutenant when the skipper's on shore."

"I suppose he charges the usual half per cent."

"Don't know, I'm sure, ma'am. I'll award he does what is right and proper."

"That is what I usually pay—ten shillings in the hundred pounds. If you see him before I do, just ask him to get me five thousand in New Zealand. It is four thousand now, and I fancy it may rise."

"Five thousand!" exclaimed the admiral, reckoning in his own mind. "Lemme see! That's twenty-five pounds commission. A nice day's work, upon my word. It is a very handsome order, ma'am."

"Well, I must pay some one, and why not him?"

"I'll tell him, and I'm sure he'll lose no time."

"Oh, there is no great hurry. By the way, I understand from what you said just now that he has a partner."

"Yes, my boy is the junior partner. Pearson is the senior. I was introduced to him years ago, and he offered Harold the opening. Of course we had a pretty stiff premium to pay."

Mrs. Westmacott had stopped, and was standing very stiffly with her red Indian face even grimmer than usual.

"Pearson?" said she. "Jeremiah Pearson?"

"The same."

"Then it's all off," she cried. "You need not carry out that investment."

"Very well, ma'am."

They walked on together side by side, she brooding over some thought of her own, and he a little crossed and disappointed at her caprice and the lost commission for Harold.

"I tell you what, admiral," she exclaimed suddenly, "if I were you I should get your boy out of this partnership."

"But why, madam?"

"Because he is tied to one of the deepest, slyest foxes in the whole city of London."

"Jeremiah Pearson, ma'am? What can you know of him? He bears a good name."

"No one in this world knows Jeremiah Pearson as I know him, admiral. I warn you because I have a friendly feeling both for you and for your son. The man is a rogue and you had best avoid him."

"But these are only words, ma'am. Do you tell me that you know him better than the brokers and jobbers in the city?"

"Man!" cried Mrs. Westmacott, "will you allow that I know him when I tell you that my maiden name was Ida Pearson, and that Jeremiah Pearson is my only brother?"

The admiral whistled. "When?" he cried. "Now that I think of it, there is a likeness."

"He is a man of iron, admiral—a man without a heart. I should shock you if I were to tell you what I have endured from my brother. My father's wealth was divided equally between us. His own share he ran through in five years, and he has tried since then by every trick of a cunning, low-minded man, by base cajolery, by legal quibbles, by brutal intimidation, to juggle me out of my share as well. There is no villainy of which the man is not capable. Oh, I know my brother, Jeremiah. I know him and I am prepared for him."

"This is all new to me, ma'am. 'Pon my word, I hardly know what to say to it. I thank you for having spoken so plainly. From what you say, this is a poor sort of consort for a man to sail with. Perhaps Harold would do well to cut him adrift."

"Without losing a day."

"Well, we shall talk it over. You may be sure of that. But here we are at the station, so I will just see you into your carriage and then home to see what my wife says to the matter."

As he trudged homeward, thoughtful and perplexed, he was surprised to hear a shout behind him, and to see Harold running down the road after him.

"Why, dad," he cried, "I have just come from town, and the first thing I saw was your back as you marched away. But you are such a quick walker that I had to run to catch you."

The admiral's smile of pleasure had broken his stern face into a thousand wrinkles. "You are early to-day," said he.

"Yes, I wanted to consult you."

"Nothing wrong?"

"Oh, no, only an inconvenience."

"What is it, then?"

"How much have we in our private account?"

"Pretty fair. Some eight hundred, I think."

"Oh, half that will be ample. It was rather thoughtless of Pearson."

"What then?"

"Well, you see, dad, when he went away upon this little holiday to have he left me to pay accounts and so on. He told me that there was enough at the bank for all claims. I had occasion on Tuesday to pay away two cheques, one for 150 and the other for 120, and here they are returned with a bank notice that we have already overdrawn to the extent of some hundreds."

The admiral looked very grave. "What's the meaning of that, then?" he asked.

"Oh! It can easily be set right. You see, Pearson invests all the spare capital and keeps as small a margin as possible in the bank. Still it was too bad for him to allow me even to run a risk of having a cheque returned. I have written to him and demanded his authority to sell out some stock, and I have written an explanation to these people. In the meantime, however, I have had to issue several cheques, so I had better transfer part of our private account to meet them."

"Quite so, my boy. All that's mine is yours. But who do you think this Pearson is? He is Mrs. Westmacott's brother."

"Really? What a singular thing! Well, I can see a likeness now that you mention it. They have both the same hard type of face."

"She has been warning me against him—says he is the rankest pirate in London. I hope that it is all right, boy, and that we may not find ourselves in broken water."

Harold had turned a little pale as he heard Mrs. Westmacott's opinion of his senior partner. It gave shape and substance to certain vague fears and suspicions of his own, which had been pushed back as often as they obtruded themselves as being too monstrous and fantastic for belief.

"He is a well-known man in the city, dad," said he.

"Of course he is—of course he is. That is what I told her. They would have found him out there if anything had been amiss with him. Else you, there's nothing so bitter as a family quarrel. Still it is just as well that you have written about this affair, for we may as well have all fair and above board."

But Harold's letter to his partner was crossed by a letter from his partner to Harold. It lay awaiting him upon the breakfast table next morning, and it sent the heart into his mouth, as he read it, and caused him to spring up from his chair with a white face and staring eyes.

"My boy! My boy!"

"I am ruined, mother—ruined!" He stood gazing wildly in front of him, while the sheet of paper fluttered down to the carpet. Then he dropped back into the chair, and sank his face into his hands. His mother had her arms round him in an instant, while the admiral, with shaking fingers, picked up the letter from the floor and adjusted his glasses to read it.

"My Dear Denver," it ran. "By the time that this reaches you I shall be out of the reach of yourself or of any one else who may desire an interview. You need not search for me, for I assure you that this letter is posted by a friend, and that you will have your trouble in vain if you try to find me. I am sorry to leave you in such a tight place, but one or other of us must be squeezed, and on the whole I prefer that it should be you. You'll find nothing in the bank, and about 13,000 unaccounted for. I'm not sure that the best thing you can do is not to realize what you can and imitate your senior's example. If you act at once you may get clean away. If not, it's only that you must put up your shutters. But I am afraid that this missing money could hardly be included as an ordinary debt, and of course you are legally responsible for it just as much as I am. Take a friend's advice and get to America. A young man with brains can always do something out there, and you can live down this little mischance. It will be a cheap lesson if it teaches you to take nothing upon trust in business, and to insist upon knowing exactly what your partner is doing, however senior he may be to you. Yours faithfully, JEREMIAH PEARSON."

"Great heavens!" groaned the admiral. "he has absconded."

"And left me both a bankrupt and a thief."

"No, no, Harold," sobbed his mother. "All will be right. What matter about money?"

"Money, mother! It is my honor."

"The boy is right. It is his honor, and my honor, for his is mine. This is a sore trouble, mother, when we thought our life's troubles were all behind us, but we will bear it as we have borne others." He held out his stringy hand, and the two old folk sat with bowed grey heads, their fingers intertwined, strong in each other's love and sympathy.

"We were too happy," she sighed.

"But it is God's will, mother."

"Yes, John, it is God's will."

"And yet it is bitter to bear. I could have lost all the house, money, rank—I could have borne it. But at my age—my honor—the honor of an admiral of the fleet."

"No honor can be lost, John, where no dishonor has been done. What have you done? What has Harold done? There is no question of honor."

The old man shook his head, but Harold had already called together his clear practical sense, which for an instant in the presence of this frightful blow had deserted him.

"The matter is right, dad," said he. "It is bad enough, heaven knows, but we must not take too dark a view of it. After all, this insolent letter is in itself evidence that I had nothing to do with the schemes of the base villain who wrote it."

"They may think it prepared."

"They could not. My whole life creeps against the thought. They could not look me in the face and entertain it."

"No, boy, not if they have eyes in their heads," cried the admiral, plucking up courage at the sight of the flashing eyes and brave, defiant face. "We have the letter and we have your character. We'll weather it yet before we're there. It's my fault from the beginning for choosing such a landsark for your consort. God help me, I thought I was dodging such an opening for you."

"Dear dad! How could you possibly know? As he says in his letter, it has given me a lesson. But he was so much older and so much more experienced, that it was hard for me to ask to examine his books. But we must waste no time. I must go to the city."

"What will you do?"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

OUTNIMRODS OLD NIM.

The Petaluma Po-hunter Tells a Story of the Chase Convincingly.

Frank Timins, the Petaluma po-hunter, had the floor, and the crowd around the stove breathlessly awaited a thrilling story of the chase.

"You want a story of the chase, eh?" repeated Timins. "Well, I'll tell you about the greatest bit of chasin' I ever did in my life. I wuz out huntin' one day for quail with my ol' muzzle-loadin' shot-gun, when three quail jumped up out of bush right ahead of me. One flew to the right, one to the left and the other straight ahead, but I got 'em all three."

"Killed three quail going in different directions with a muzzle-loading shot-gun?" repeated one of the listeners, incredulously.

"Yep; that's what I done."

"Your gun must have had three barrels, then?"

"Nop; only two."

"How did you do it?"

"Well, I killed the one that went to the right with the right barrel; then, quick as a flash, I killed the one that went to the left with the other barrel; then I took after the one that went straight ahead and knocked the stuffin' out of it with the ramrod."

"I wouldn't believe that if I told it myself," declared one of the assemblage.

"Hub! That ain't nothin'. I killed six quail with one barrel once, and they wuz all flyin' in different directions."

"Run 'em all down?"

"Nop; never moved out o' my tracks. When they all started out o' the same bunch of grass I held the gun away over to the right, an' as it went off I swep' it aroun' to the left. The result was that I slung shot in every direction, same as you can sling water outen a pan, an' a little of the shot ketches 'ery one."

Mountain-climbing in Switzerland is attended this summer with an unusual number of accidents. Since July 1 there were fifty-two deaths and thirteen cases of serious injury.

BRITISH BACK DOWN.

THE SULTAN FORCED THEM TO "TAKE WATER."

British Gun-ship Dryad Made to Turn Back After She Had Started to Pass Through the Dardanelles—The Powers Divided—The Situation in Turkey.

Sleeping over the crater of temporarily quiet volcano might be called a comfortable position when compared with the situation in Turkey in general and in Constantinople in particular. To be an ambassador of one power to the port is at present not what might be termed a "snapp" and within the past week those officials have not been resting on "flowery beds of ease." This is especially the case with Sir Philip Currie, the British ambassador. This gentleman took the lead of the representatives of the powers in demanding of the sultan that each of the powers be granted brawns (passports) for at least one more gun-ship each to pass through the Dardanelles and be stationed before Constantinople for the purpose of protecting foreign residents. Abdul Hamid, the sultan, and his ministers consulted and Twelk Pasha, minister of foreign affairs, informed Sir Philip Currie that the request would be granted. This eased matters up somewhat, as the ambassador had begun to feel that it would be refused and a crisis was felt to be imminent. Acting on the report of Twelk Pasha the British ambassador ordered the gun-ship Dryad to make the passage from Salonica bay, where the fleets of the powers were stationed, through the Dardanelles. This was to be followed by gun-ship of Russia, Italy and Austria at least. But in the meantime the "palace party," consisting of the priests, chamberlains, valets, etc., who are the sultan's real advisers, had taken a hand and made Abdul Hamid believe that the gathering of any more foreign warships in the Bosphorus would be equivalent to a loyal demonstration before Constantinople, and as such would so inflame the Mussulmans that they would regard it as an affront to their sultan and resent it by a terrible carnage of bloodshed in which no Christian would be safe. This had the effect the "palace party" desired and the sultan hurriedly called Twelk Pasha and sent him to Sir Philip Currie with instructions to do everything possible to countermand his order for the gun-ship. Sir Philip, however, refused to do so, saying that he was tired of being trifled with. Twelk Pasha returned to the palace in a very unenviable frame of mind and announced the failure of his mission. The sultan is said to have been frantic with rage and drove Twelk from his presence with fierce revilings. The president of the state council, Said Pasha, who is supposed to have some influence with Sir Philip Currie, was thereupon hurriedly sent for and Abdul Hamid eagerly besought him to go immediately to the British ambassador and spare no effort to induce him to order the recall of the Dryad. The entreaties of Said Pasha seem to have had weight with the ambassador, for Sir Philip finally consented to place the whole matter, at that late hour, once more before his government, and to wait further instructions, although he is understood to have quite blanché as to what steps he thinks it necessary to take in treating with the sultan. There was some delay in obtaining a reply to the message to Lord Salisbury, but it finally became apparent that Great Britain "would not do anything calculated in any way to hinder the efforts of the sultan to restore order and put in force" the reforms advocated by the powers, and therefore, in view of Abdul Hamid's strong objections, the demand for the extra gun-ships would not be carried to the extreme of forcing the passage of the Dardanelles. Therefore the Dryad was ordered to return to Salonica bay.

This was, to the diplomatic corps, quite an unexpected denouement of a situation which had assumed a most dangerous aspect, and the general opinion is that the powers have been placed in a somewhat ridiculous position. Following the repeated threats of forcing the passage of the Dardanelles if the sultan persisted in refusing to allow the gun-boats to enter the Bosphorus, this looks very much as if Abdul Hamid and his advisers were holding out against the demands of the representatives of Great Britain, Russia, Italy and Austria for additional gun-ships, believing that they were justified in so doing on the ground that the powers are not in accord, as so frequently claimed and officially stated, and that the dissenting powers were behind Abdul Hamid in the stand he has taken. However Sir Philip strongly impressed upon the mind of the sultan that any further disturbances which would threaten the lives of foreigners would be the signal for the enforcement of the treaty rights of the powers regarding the extra gun-ships even if Great Britain had to act alone in the matter. Meanwhile the "palace party" is triumphant, and the impression is being conveyed to the Turkish public that the sultan has won a great victory over the powers. This tends to make the matter more delicate to handle, as to demonstrate that such is not the case is almost certain to lead to an outbreak.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Gustav Florian was killed by a falling tree near Luther.

Venezuela now has a revolution on her hands, and is drowning it.

Gov. Altgeld, of Illinois, announces that he does not want a re-nomination.

Louis Merckel, a Toledo saloonist, was beaten to death when he tried to stop a fight between a lot of toughs in his saloon.

A new comet has been discovered by C. D. Perrine at Lick observatory and it will be visible to the naked eye by the middle of December.

Over \$5,000,000 in gold being shipped abroad created quite a stir last week in financial circles and with the fact that the government's gold reserve had been reduced to a little over \$2,000,000, caused considerable talk of another issue of bonds.

BLOW AND BLUSTER.

An Extensive and Disastrous Storm Wreaks Several States—Vessels Wrecked.

A severe wind storm and blizzard, which was a combination of a hurricane from the Gulf of Mexico and a genuine terror from Manitoba struck the central Mississippi and the lake states and did great damage. In Chicago telegraph and telephone communication was completely broken up; the trolley wires broke down and traffic was at a standstill in the city; several horses were killed by live wires. Passengers on several suburban electric street railroads were snowbound in a desolate portion of the city, and some of them were compelled to remain all night in the cars, being unable to reach their homes. Freight and passenger traffic from every direction was practically blocked and suburban trains very much delayed. The same state of affairs is reported throughout Illinois, although but one fatal accident is reported. The steamer John Emory Owen and consort Nicholson and Michigan went ashore at Lakeside, north of Chicago. Big seas swept the wrecks for an hour or more, and the Owen and Michigan were scuttled to save them from pounding on the rocks but the Nicholson sank. The wrecks were sighted by the sailors from Evanston an hour after they stranded and the crews were taken ashore. The Nicholson's crew lost all they had and the captain's wife and child were rescued in their night clothes. The stranded boats are owned by the J. Emory Owen estate, Detroit, and were valued as follows: Steamer Owen, \$5,000; schooner Michigan, \$35,000; schooner Nicholson, \$10,000. They carried a total of 5,200 tons of coal.

The steamers Jewett and John Oades were badly damaged by striking as they entered the harbors of Milwaukee and South Chicago respectively. There were numerous minor mishaps at various lake ports.

In the oil regions of Ohio great damage was done by the blowing down of hundreds of derricks. Over 1,000 were wrecked about Bowling Green alone. The village of Cynth was almost entirely blown away, it is reported. At Cleveland many houses were unroofed, among them the Music hall, one of the largest structures in the city. Trees were uprooted and nearly all wires were down. John Zimmerman was fatally injured by a roof falling on him. Several residences were wrecked at Akron and people sought safety in their cellars. Toledo suffered likewise, and Cincinnati had some startling experiences. A number of large boats were torn from their moorings and sent spinning up the river in great danger of dashing against piers, bridges, etc. A Congregational church at North Columbus, just finished, was totally demolished and the Pan Handle railroad shops were wrecked.

At Elwood, Ind., the casting hall of the glass factory was demolished over the heads of 400 workmen. Only two were injured, and they not fatally. The McCoy lamp chimney factory was lifted from its foundation. Much other damage was done. The loss is estimated at \$100,000 and 700 men are temporarily idle. At Frankfort, Ind., the roof of the new Clyde window glass factory was unroofed, business blocks were demolished and the Indianapolis gas pumping station was destroyed. Loss \$30,000 and 300 men are rendered idle. Many small buildings wrecked at Indianapolis and several larger ones unroofed. A factory on Madison avenue was dismantled, and a new Moravian church was upended. James Howard was seriously injured at Anderson, Ind., by a building falling on him.

The storm raged violently through Missouri and Arkansas. The Texas ranches are covered with snow several inches deep, severely exposing all kinds of live stock. If the temperature falls much lower there will be great loss of cattle and sheep. A fast freight on the Illinois Central struck a box car at Lamar station, Miss., which had been blown from the siding, in the storm, and completely wrecked. Engineer J. C. Woolsey and a Negro tramp were killed. The water in Buffalo harbor was raised nine feet by the west wind and about \$10,000 damage done to vessels laid up. The tug Elk was cut in two by the steamer Syracuse.

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Base Line.
Owing to the storm last Sunday evening we had no services at the school house.
G. P. Allen is very little, if any, better at this writing.
Several of the young people of this vicinity attended the social at the Baptist parsonage in Salem Thanksgiving night.
Mr. and Mrs. Martin Potts spent Thanksgiving at Birmingham with the family of Wm. Colby, who formerly lived one mile north of the Base Line.
Vernor Morrill is doing a thriving business among the skunks now-a-days. Dollars and not perfume is what "Dick" is after, although he gets both at almost every capture.

There seems to be a growing sentiment against holding prohibition meetings in churches, and the practice should be discontinued. There are other places for political gatherings, and such meetings should be held there.—*Novi locals, Northville Record.* This growing sentiment our friend speaks of is, in our opinion, confined to a certain few professors of religion who do not wish to have their conscience disturbed by the denunciation of sin in which each legalized voter must feel their responsibility, and for the existence of which they are each in a measure responsible. We would suggest to our friend the careful reading and meditation of the 15th verse of the second chapter of Habakkuk.

Livonia.

C. H. Potter is on the sick list.
We had a snow and rain storm last Monday.
We had the first sleighing of the season last Monday.
Geo. Kellogg, of Plymouth, was in town one day last week.
The town board met at the hall last Monday to audit accounts.
John Cort, brother and mother started for New York last week.
A Stavehasse has been laid up for some time with a very bad hand.
E. P. LeVan will be at the town hall next Friday to collect taxes.
H. Peck and Mr. Stringer, of Plymouth, was in our village last week.
David Colby, of Fowlerville, was a caller in our village last Monday.
E. K. Bennett, of Plymouth, passed through our village last week.
Miss Ada Criger, of Detroit, visited friends in this town last week.
John Myers has bought a lot of timber from H. Wollgast west of the Center.
A Stavehasse had a well bored last week, and now has a good supply of water.
A great many of our citizens are rejoicing because the water is rising in their wells, which have been dry for some time.

Salem.

Mrs. Rosa Smith and son, Floyd, spent Thanksgiving in Ypsilanti.
Miss Martha Ryder is dressmaking at the home of Adelbert Curtis this week.
Miss Ethel Chubb, who has been visiting at Dearborn, has returned home.
The Womans' Missionary Society meets at the residence of Mrs. Mary A. Ham this week.
There were three church socials in Salem township on Thanksgiving night, and all were well attended.
Thomas Lavender, a former Salem boy, but now of Hamburg, is visiting old friends in this vicinity. He expects soon to commence work at Whitmore Lake as a hostler in one of the hotels at that place.
The B. Y. P. U. will elect officers for the ensuing six months on Wednesday evening of this week. The names of the new officers and some interesting facts regarding the society will be given next week.
Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Atcheson attended the wedding of the former's cousin, Miss Lyon, of Plymouth, who was married to Mr. Walter Lake, of Detroit, at the residence of the bride's parents on Thanksgiving day.
Last Sunday evening Clayton Deak, superintendent of the Congregational Sunday school, gave a very interesting report of the convention held in Detroit recently. Mr. Deak is a live up-to-date young man and a jolly good fellow in every way.
Mrs. Elizabeth Ryder is to have the future care of her little grandson, George, whose mother's funeral was mentioned in last week's items. Mrs. Ryder will soon commence keeping house by herself. At present she is living with her brother, G. S. Wheeler.
"What's the matter with our Salem correspondent? Wonder where he is at!"—*Novi Items in the Mail Nov. 23.* Owing to the kindness of someone who wished to read our copy of the MAIL of that date, and who kept the same until after our items for the next week were sent to the office, we did not see your query, hence our failure to reply until this late day. We think, however, our items in last week's issue will fully answer your query and let you know "where we are at" without any further explanation on our part.
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Newburg.

Taylor Geer was a visitor at the church last Sunday.
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Mrs. D. Geney, who has been undergoing a very critical surgical operation at the hospital, Detroit, returned home Tuesday.
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The winter term of school began last Monday, and was increased by several new scholars.
The L. A. S. will meet at the home of Mrs. Amanda Dean, Friday, Dec. 13. All are invited.

Pikes Peak.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather, the chicken pie supper at P. of I. hall Friday night was a failure.
The people who attended church last Sunday had the pleasure of listening to an address by Mr. Perriah, the oldest member of the M. E. church in this locality, he being 85 years old, and having been a member of the church for 70 years.
Someone asked if the "Parson" was lost recently. Well, "I don't think" The very idea! Only exchanged pulpits, that's all.
Nice weather to husk corn.
Ed. Kerr, of Wayac carriage factory, spent Sunday with Day C. Dickerson.
Wm. R. Parmalee spent last Wednesday in Detroit.
Gerald Knight has returned from Dakota, where he has been since last August.
George Skene, who lived two miles west of here, has sold his farm to Mr. Watts, who has moved thereon.

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