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50c Heavy Knit Underwear for - 25c.
75c Extra heavy Fleece Underwear 60c.
A Heavy Fleece Wright's Health Underwear for 50c.

THIS SALE IS FOR 30 DAYS ONLY.

We have just purchased 100 Dozen HEAVY KNIT UNDERWEAR which is sold by all others for 50c, and as good a 50c garment as we ever sold. We were on the ground just in time to bid these off for spot cash at a price that enables us to place them on sale FOR CASH for the small sum of 25c. and an extra heavy fleeced Wright's Health Underwear that is a 75c garment for 60c.

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If you are in want of Clothing call and look over our samples and get our prices. We guarantee satisfaction.

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Goods. A THOUSAND PATTERNS—the Latest and Best—all grades.
Style. Every garment correctly made in the prevailing fashion.
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Cost. Hardly more than "ready-made" but infinitely better every way.
Makers. The Largest Custom Tailoring Establishment in the World.
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The Average Man...

Is judicious in the expenditure of money. As a rule he gets value received. At least he BELIEVES he does and when he thinks he doesn't, his trade, and to a certain extent his influence, is directed in other channels.

For the year ending July 1, 1892, THE ROYAL TAILORS, of Chicago, made, in round numbers, 16,000 suits of clothes for some 13,000 average men (many ordering the second and third suit during the year).

In 1893 they made 24,800 suits for 18,000 average men.

In 1894, 34,500 suits for 25,600 average men.

In 1895, 43,000 suits for 31,000 average men.

And for the year ending July 1, 1896, 62,300 suits for 44,400 average men.

Believers in economy in dress without depreciation in value are invited to call and see the finest line of samples ever shown by any Merchant Tailoring Establishment.

Crockery.

We are over stocked in this line and must make room for a large line of Fancy Crockery soon to arrive. For the next 30 days we will sell you FOR CASH a Beautiful Decorated Semi Porcelain 100 piece Dinner Set for only \$11.00, former price \$15.00. A 100 piece Semi Porcelain Plain White Dinner Set for \$9.50. This sale only lasts 30 days.

WANTED. QUINCES.

BRING SAMPLE.

L. C. HOUGH & SON.

W. O. T. U.

Woman suffrage, instead of being repealed after six months' trial, as claimed by Max O'Rell, has become firmly rooted in New Zealand. The governor-general of the colony recently voiced the almost unanimous opinion of the colony that equal suffrage has worked most satisfactorily. Since women have had a voice in choosing legislators, the laws for the protection of women and children have been greatly improved. An Infant's Life Protection Act has been passed, the age of consent raised to fifteen, female inspectors have been appointed to lunatic asylums, the laws dealing with the adoption of children and industrial schools have been revised, and a severe measure has been passed against the keepers of the houses of ill-fame. The women have flocked to the electoral rolls, they have taken the keenest interest in political contests, they have carried on their agitation peaceably and orderly. What more could the most carping critic desire? A measure giving women the power to sit in the New Zealand Parliament, has just been introduced in the Colonial House of Representatives.—*Union Signal, Sept. 24th.*

Ignorance is not an entity to fight against, but a want to be supplied, a vacuum to be filled. Let us hasten to supply it in whatever way our means permit. To diffuse knowledge is better than to attack error, and one truth disseminated is more effective than a hundred blows at false conclusions.—*Home Life.*

Epworth League Convention.

FRIDAY.
3:00. DEVOTIONAL SERVICE. Addie L. Wheaton, Address of Welcome. Rev. J. E. Oliver, Responses. C. E. Knight, Bertha Marker.

6:30. BANQUET.
7:30. PRAISE SERVICE. Plymouth Choir. Fraternal Greetings. Miss Bessie Ellis. Secretary's Annual Report. Miss Bessie Ellis. Address, Provisional Persons, Rev. J. M. Thurston D. D. BENEDICTION.

SATURDAY.
6:15. EARLY DAWN SERVICES.
8:45. DEVOTIONS.
9:00. The Unseen Power of the League, Addie L. Wheaton, Presidents. Walter G. Sealey, Jr. Mercy and Help, Practical Experiences and Workings, Miss L. A. Gladdis. The Reading Course and Epworth Herald, Fred K. McDowd, Department Programs, Clarence C. Green.

AFTERNOON.
1:30. DEVOTIONS.
1:45. REPORTS FROM CHAPTERS. (Two minutes each.)
2:45. THE EPWORTH LEAGUE AND MISSIONS, Miss Zaide L. Voorheis.
3:00. JUNIOR HOUR. Graduating Exercises, Plymouth Juniors. Chalk Talk, W. D. Butterfield.
4:00. BUSINESS SESSION. Report of Committees. Election of Officers. The Next Conference—Where?
4:30. CONSIGNMENT SERVICE. Conducted by Rev. C. T. Allen, D. D.

Ladies' Literary Club.

The first meeting of the Plymouth Ladies' Literary Club for '96-'97 was held Friday afternoon, Oct. 2, at Mrs. R. G. Hall's, with an attendance of fifteen members.

The programs for the year's work were submitted to the club by Mrs. A. W. Chaffee, the chairman of the committee, and accepted.

A discussion on the revision of by-laws was then taken up by the club, and a meeting of the advisory committee and secretary appointed for Monday evening, at Mrs. O. A. Frazer's, to prepare a new form to comply with the growth of the work, a report to be given in two weeks.

A motion was made that Lewis' History of Germany be retained by the club as a book of reference. Carried.

As much time had been taken up in discussion, the literary work of the day was laid over until Oct. 16, a meeting to be held at Mrs. Frank Hodges' on that date.

The meeting was then adjourned.

It is surprising to many that foot-ball players and other athletes regard a sprain or bruise of so little consequence. One reason of this is, they know how to treat such injuries so as to recover from them in a few days, while others would be laid up for two or three weeks, if not longer. Writing from Central State Normal School, Lock Haven, Pa., Mr. W. H. Losch, captain of the base ball club and gymnast, says: "I take pleasure in stating, that members of our base ball club have used Chamberlain's Pain Balm with most excellent results. I unhesitatingly recommend it as the best remedy for sprains, swellings, cuts and bruises, of any that I know." For sale by Dr. J. G. Meyer.

Hood's Pills are the favorite family cathartic, easy to take, easy to operate.

Council Proceedings.

The common council of the village of Plymouth, held a meeting in the council rooms on Monday evening, October 5th, with Trustees Collier, Allen, Baker, Gale and Smitherman present.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

The following bills were allowed and ordered paid:

J. L. Gale..... \$ 9 77
C. Chambers..... 13 00
J. Knapp..... 6 50
W. Kensler..... 1 00
Conrad Springer..... 5 00

Moved and supported that R. L. Root be paid \$300 for superintending the building of the reservoir, and putting in new pipes, repairs, etc. Carried.

R. L. Root was unanimously reelected as member of Board of Water Commissioners for three years.

H. W. Baker was appointed a committee of one to purchase a soft coal stove for the hose tower.

Council adjourned.

A New Version.

(Printed by request.)

Our father who art in England, Rothchild be thy name; thy kingdom come to America; thy will be done in the United States as it is in England. Give us this day our bonds in gold, but not in silver; give us plenty of laboring men's votes to keep monopoly in power and its friends in office. We know, our father, that we have done many things that are wrong. We have robbed the honest poor, and brought distress to many a poor man; we know it was wrong to refund the bonds and make them payable in coin; we know that it was wrong to water our railroad stock, but thou knowest O, Lord, that we made money by the transaction. Now our father, thou knowest that we are above political trickery; it is the same with us whether Democrats or Republicans rule, for thou knowest we are able to sway all parties in our favor. Lead us not in the way of strikers, and above all things, deliver us from the Knights of Labor, and thus shall we have the kingdom, bonds and interest, the power and gold until the Republic shall end. Amen.—*Ex.*

Van Vredenburg's Famous Painting.

An exquisite reproduction in 14 colors of Van Vredenburg's oil painting, "Our Bench show," representing a yard of playful puppies (size 10x36 ins.), is given to every subscriber, with the December issue of *Demorest's Magazine* (published November 15). This issue is enlarged and bound in a beautifully printed cover, and is replete with illustrations and reading matter pertaining to the X-mas holidays. It is sold for 30 cents a copy. The Van Vredenburg alone in this one number is worth more than the price of a year's subscription. It is the cutest picture we have seen and appeals to every lover of art and to everyone who is fond of dogs. Any of our readers who wish this beautiful picture can, by cutting out this notice and sending it to the *Demorest's Magazine*, 110 Fifth Avenue, New York, with 20 cents in stamps, receive it by mail, carefully packed, and at the same time a copy of the X-mas *Demorest*. The magazine, by the way, has been phenomenally successful during the past year, having increased its subscription list to 180,000 names—a clear gain of 100,000. There must be something in a magazine that can do that.

Feed the Nerves

Upon pure, rich blood and you need not fear nervous prostration. Nerves are weak when they are improperly and insufficiently nourished. Pure blood is their proper food, and pure blood comes by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla, which is thus the greatest and best nerve tonic. It also builds up the whole system.

Irish New Year's Cakes.

In County Antrim, in Ireland, among the Scotch-Irish, oaten bannocks with a hole in the middle, like our doughnuts, are especially baked for gift cakes. In other Irish counties a cake is thrown outside the door on New Year's eve to keep out danger the ensuing year. In the Isle of Man a curious belief and custom existed till the middle of this century. In each home the housewife smoothed the ashes over the kitchen floor just before stepping into bed. If there were found in the morning on the surface of the ashes anything resembling a footprint that pointed toward the door, it indicated a death in the family within a year. But if the heel of the boot were toward the door it was a sure sign that the family would be increased.—*Ex.*

Time is the truest test. Survive it and it is an absolute guarantee of sterling worth. For 24 years the Domestic sewing machine has stood at the top. Careful buyers prefer the Domestic. It is always up-to-date. It is always the best.

READERS

Will find something in this space to interest them in the next issue.

GALE'S

WALL PAPER. WALL PAPER.

GREAT 1-4 OFF SALE

on all wall paper to make room for a new spring stock of wall paper. During the month of October I will give

1-4 off

on all wall paper sold. This is a splendid opportunity for those who can use any wall paper this year, as this is an honest 1-4 off sale.

In the line of groceries, for a few days we are making a special drive in the following articles:

Best Home-Made Lard, per pound	8c
Clear Salt Pork per pound	6c
Adam's Plymouth Flour, per sack	45c
Yerkes Bros' Flour, per sack	45c
Sweet Potatoes, per pound 3c, 10 pounds	25c

All other goods in the grocery line equally as cheap. Now is a good time to lay in a stock for the winter.

See our new line of Pocket Books.

J. L. GALE.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 4, 1896.—We send this out, one of the most unique sermons Dr. Talmage ever preached. It is as novel as wide-sweeping and practical. His subject is, "Divine Chirography," the text being: Luke, 10: 20: "Rejoice because your names are written in heaven."

Chirography, or the art of handwriting, like the science of acoustics, is in a very unsatisfactory state. While constructing a church, and told by some architects that the voice would not be heard in a building shaped like that proposed, I came in much anxiety to this city and consulted with Professor Joseph Henry, of the Smithsonian Institution, about the law of acoustics. He said: "Go ahead and build your church in the shape proposed, and I think it will be all right. I have studied the laws of sound perhaps more than any man of my time, and I have come so far as this: Two auditoriums may seem to be just exactly alike, and in one the acoustics may be good and in the other bad." In the same unsatisfactory stage is chirography, although many declare they have reduced it to a science. There are those who say they can read character by handwriting. It is said that the way one writes the letter "I" decides his egotism or modesty, and the way one writes the letter "O" decides the height and depth of his emotions. It is declared a cramped hand means a cramped nature, and an easy, flowing hand a facile and liberal spirit; but if there be anything in this science, there must be some rules not yet announced, for some of the boldest and most aggressive men have a delicate and small penmanship, while some of the most timid sign their names with the height and width and scope of the name of John Hancock on the immortal document. Some of the cleanest in person and thought present their blotted and spattered page, and some of the roughest put before us an immaculate chirography. Not our character, but the copy-plate set before us in our school-boy day, decides the general style of our handwriting. So also there is a fashion in penmanship, and for one decade the letters are exaggerated, and in the next minimized; now erect and now slant, now heavy and now fine. An autograph album is always a surprise, and you find the penmanship contradicts the character of the writers. But while the chirography of the earth is uncertain, our blessed Lord in our text presents the chirography celestial. When addressing the seventy disciples standing before him, he said: "Rejoice because your names are written in heaven."

When you come up and look for your name in the mighty tomes of eternity and you are so happy as to find it there, you will notice that the penmanship is Christ's, and that the letters were written with a trembling hand. Not trembling with old age, for he had only passed three decades when he expired. It was soon after the thirtieth anniversary of his birthday. Look over all the business accounts you kept or the letters you wrote at thirty years of age, and if you were ordinarily strong and well, then there was no tremor in the chirography. Why the tremor in the hand that wrote your name in heaven? Oh, it was a compression of more troubles than ever smote anyone else, and all of them troubles assumed for others. Christ was prematurely old. He had been exposed to all the weathers of Palestine. He had slept out of doors, now in the night dew and now in the tempest. He had been soaked in the surf of Lake Galilee. Pillows for others, but he had not where to lay his head. Hungry, he could not even get a fig on which to breakfast; or have you missed the pathos of that verse, "In the morning, as he returned to the city, he hungered, and when he saw a fig tree in the way, he came to it and found nothing thereon." Oh, he was a hungry Christ, and nothing makes the hand tremble worse than hunger, for it pulls upon the stomach, and the stomach pulls upon the brain, and the brain pulls upon the nerves, and the agitated nerves make the hand quack. On the top of all this exasperation came abuse. What sober man ever wanted to be called a drunkard? but Christ was called one. What man, careful of the company he keeps, wants to be called the associate of profligates? but he was so called. What loyal man wants to be charged with treason? but he was charged with it. What man of devout speech wants to be called a blasphemer? but he was so termed. What man of self-respect wants to be struck in the mouth? but that is where they struck him. Or to be the victim of vilest expectation? but under that he stood. Oh, he was a worn-out Christ. That is the reason he died so soon upon the cross. Many victims of crucifixion lived day after day upon the cross; but Christ was in the court-room at 12 o'clock of noon and had expired at 3 o'clock in the afternoon of the same day. Subtracting from the three hours between 12 and 3 o'clock the time taken to travel from the court-room to the place of execution and the time that must have been taken in getting ready for the tragedy, there could not have been much more than two hours left. Why did Christ live only two hours upon the cross, when others had lived forty-eight hours? Oh, he was worn out before he got there, and you wonder, oh, child of God, that, looking into the volumes of heaven for your name, glance. It will not be taken for the name of some other, so that in regard to it there shall come to be dispute. Not one of the millions and billions and quadrillions of the finally saved, will doubt that it means you and only you. Oh, the glorious, the rapturous certitudes of that entrance on the heav-

enly roll. Not saved in a promiscuous way. Not put into a glorified mob. No, no! Though you came up, the worst sinner that was ever saved, and somebody, who knew you in this world at one time as absolutely abandoned and desolate, should say, "I never heard of your conversion and I do not believe you have a right to be here," you could just laugh a laugh of triumph, and turning over the leaves containing the names of the redeemed, say, "Read it for yourself. That is my name, written out in full, and do you not recognize the handwriting? No young scribe of heaven entered that. No anonymous writer put it there. Do you not see the tremor in the lines? Do you not also see the boldness of the letters? Is it not as plain as yonder throne, as plain as yonder and the handwriting unmistakable? and the handwriting unmistakable? The crucified Lord wrote it there the day I repented and turned. Hear it! Hear it! My name is written there! There!"

I have sometimes been tempted to think that there will be so many of us in heaven that we will be lost in the crowd. No. Each one of us will be as distinctly picked out and recognized as was Abel when he entered from earth, the very first sinner saved, and at the head of that long procession of sinners saved in all the centuries. My dear hearers, if we once get there, I do not want it left uncertain as to whether we are to stay there. After you and I get fairly settled there, in our heavenly home, we do not want our title proved defective. We do not want to be ejected from the heavenly premises. We do not want some one to say, "This is not your room in the house of many mansions, and you have on an attire that you ought not to have taken from the heavenly wardrobe, and that is not really your name on the books. If you had more carefully examined the writing in the register at the gate, you would have found that the name was not yours at all, but mine. Now move out, while I move in." Oh, what wretchedness, after once worshipping in heavenly temples, to be compelled to turn your back on the music, and after having joined the society of the blessed, to be forced to quit it forever, and after having clasped our long-lost kindred in heavenly embrace, to have another separation! What an agony would there be in such a good-by to heaven! Glory be to God on high that our names will be so plainly written in those volumes that neither saint, nor cherub, nor seraph, nor archangel shall doubt it for one moment, for five hundred eternities, if there were room for so many. The oldest inhabitant of heaven can read it, and the child that left its mother's lap last night for heaven can read it. You will not just look at your name and close the book, but you will stand, and soliloquize, and say, "Is it not wonderful that my name is there at all? How much it cost my Lord to get it there? Unworthy am I to have it in the same book with the sons and daughters of matrimony and with the choice spirits of all time! But there it is, and so plain the word and so plain all the letters!" And you will turn forward and backward the leaves and see other names there, perhaps your father's name, and your mother's name, and your brother's name, and your sister's name, and your wife's name, and apostolic names, and say, "I am not surprised that those names are here recorded. They were better than I ever was. But astonishment overwhelming, that my name is in this book!" And turning back to the page on which is inscribed your name, you will stand and look at it, until seeing that others are waiting to examine the records with reference to their own names, you step back into the ranks of the redeemed, with them to talk over the wonderment.

Again, if you are so happy as to find your name in the volumes of eternity, you will find it written indelibly. Go up to the State Department in this national capital and see the old treaties signed by the rulers of foreign nations just before or just after the beginning of this century, and you will find that some of the documents are so faded out that you can read only here and there a word. From the paper, yellow with age, or the parchment unrolled before you, time has effaced line after line. You have to guess at the name, and perhaps guess wrongly. Old Time is represented as carrying a scythe, with which he cuts down the generations; but he carries also chemicals with which he eats out whole paragraphs from important documents. We talk about indelible ink; but there is no such thing as indelible ink. It is only a question of time, the complete obliteration of all earthly signatures and engrossments. But your name, put in the heavenly record, all the millenniums of heaven cannot dim it. After you have been so long in glory that, did you not possess imperishable memory, you would have forgotten the day of your entrance, your name on that page will glow as vividly as on the instant it was traced there by the finger of the Great Atoner. There will be new generations coming into heaven, and a thousand years from now, from this or from other planet, souls may enter the many-mansioned residence, and though your name were once plainly in the books, suppose it should fade out. How could you prove to the newcomers that it had ever been written there at all? Indelible! Incapable of being cancelled! Eternity as helpless as time in any attempt at erasure! What a reinforcing, uplifting thought! Other records in heaven may give out, and will give out. There are records there in which the Recording Angel writes down our sins, but it is a book full of blots, so that much of the writing there cannot be read or even guessed at. The Recording Angel did the writing, but our Saviour put in the

blots; for did he not promise, "I will blot out their transgressions?" And if some one in heaven should remember some of our earthly iniquities and ask God about them, the Lord would say, "Oh, I forgot them. I completely forgot those sins, for I promised, 'Their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.'" In the fires that burn up our world all the safety deposits, and all the title-deeds, and all the halls of record, and all the libraries will disappear, worse than when the 200,000 volumes and the 700,000 manuscripts of the Alexandrian Library went down under the torch of Omar, and not a leaf or word will escape the flame in that last conflagration, which I think will be witnessed by other planets, whose inhabitants will exclaim, "Look! There is a world on fire." But there will be only one conflagration in heaven, and that will not destroy but irradiate! I mean the conflagration of splendors that blaze on the towers and domes, and temples and thrones, and rubied and diamonded walls in the light of the sun that never sets. Indelible!

There is not on earth an autograph letter or signature of Christ. The only time he wrote out a word on earth, though he knew so well how to write, he wrote with reference to having it soon shuffled out by human foot, the time that he stooped down and with his finger wrote on the ground the hypocrisy of the Pharisees. But when he writes your name in the heavenly archives, as I believe he has or hope he may, it is to stay there from age to age, from cycle to cycle, from aeon to aeon. And so for all you Christian people I do what John G. Whittier, the drying poet, said he wanted done in his home. Lovely man he was! I sat with him in a hay mow a whole summer afternoon, and heard him tell the story of his life. He had for many years been troubled with insomnia and was a very poor sleeper, and he always had the window curtain of his room up so as to see the first intimation of sunrise. When he was breathing his last, in the morning hour, in his home in the Massachusetts village, the nurse thought that the light of the rising sun was too strong for him, and so pulled the window curtain down. The last thing the great Quaker poet did was to wave his hand to have the curtain up. He wanted to depart in the full gush of the morning. And I thought it might be helpful and inspiring to all Christian souls to have more light about the future, and so I pull up the curtain in the glorious sunrise of my text and say, "Rejoice that your names are written in heaven." Bring on your dogologies! Wave your palms! Shout your victories! Pull up all the curtains of your bright expectations! Yea! holst the window itself, and let the perfume of the "morning glories" of the King's garden come in, and the music of harps all a-tremble with symphonies, and the sound of the surf of seas dashing to the foot of the thrones of God and the Lamb.

An Incentive to Art Study.
Art students ambitious for a course in Paris in drawing, painting and decoration are reminded by a circular issued from Art Students' League, by George W. Breck, that the Paris prize jury will be ready next month to pass upon the drawings of candidates. The prize was established five years ago by subscriptions gathered by John Armstrong Shanley. It entitles its holder to \$800 per year for five years, for support and study for that time in Paris. Any man or woman, more than 21 years old, resident in New York, or who has studied art here for one year, may compete. The requirement is that the applicant submit to the jury in competition two drawings from life of a full-length nude figure. Drawings must be delivered to Mr. Breck, at 255 West Fifty-seventh street, by October 12. They will be handed to a jury consisting of the presidents of the National Academy of Design, of the Society of American Artists, of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, and of the Art Students' League, three artists chosen by the National Academy of Design, three artists chosen by the Society of American Artists, and one artist chosen by the Paris prize subscribers. In Paris, J. L. Jerome will supervise the work of the student winning the prize and will report annually to the jury in New York.—New York Times.

A Hundred Miles an Hour.
An electrical engineer has been exhibiting in London the model of his proposed single rail electric line for speeds of 150 miles an hour. The rail is fixed on a V-shaped trestle, and runs up into the body of the car, which, as it were, runs astride of it. The car runs on twelve bearing wheels, and seats 135 passengers, with space for their baggage. One of the difficulties met with in schemes for excessively high speed travel is the tendency of the car to run off the track. By running the rail within the car the lateral tendency of the train is overcome. But in this late scheme the great difficulty seems to be the passenger. What would happen to the passenger when the train took a sharp curve while going at 150 miles an hour is not explained.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Society Note.
Mrs. Noshape—We will have to discharge our coachman. He mistook me for the cook in the dark hallway last night and kissed me.
Mr. Noshape—He is in hard luck, but I can sympathize with him. I made that same mistake myself the other night.

Isn't it about as bad to rob a man of his peace as it is of his money?
The revival that is followed by cutting down the preacher's salary didn't begin right.

Handling Hogs.
In a general way we may very much modify the disposition of animals by handling, writes G. W. Waters in Journal of Agriculture. Even hogs, the most unresponsive creatures that we commonly keep, are very much improved by continued gentle treatment. That quiet, gentle animals thrive better than wild and vicious ones is a proposition requiring no argument. When I was a lad my father bought a bunch of shoats in the wilds of Salt river bottom. He caught them in a trap, hauled them home, and put them in a small pasture. They never got gentle, and never got fat. They made less gain with six months' feeding than a good bunch of gentle ones should make in thirty days. Every stock feeder knows from experience that the restless, roaming specimens do not thrive. And besides thriving better, stock that are quiet and contented are so much more easily handled. At farrowing time, for instance, it is frequently necessary for the swine breeder to enter the pens and handle the little pigs. This may be done with safety among our improved stock, where they have been handled carefully.

But I would not want to see you go into the pen of an old style sow, pick up one of her progeny, and let it squeal! A neighbor of mine tried that once. He went out to feed a sow at a straw rick. She was gone, so he concluded to venture under the rick, and got a pig by the tail, the pig's other end protesting loudly, of course. Quite engrossed in his task, he forgot that the maternal porker was liable to return at any moment. But he was recalled to the fact very quickly when return she did and jumped at him with the fury of a tigress. She grabbed a mouthful of his coat tails and breeches, and snatched them to shreds, presumably under the impression that she had his hide. Discovering her mistake, she made another plunge at him just as he was getting up. In a second she had torn off the only remaining trouser leg, and was chewing up his old wool hat, with which he had been trying to defend himself. Improving the momentary respite, he regained his feet, and thereupon made a swift race across the meadow for home, sans coat tail, sans breeches, sans dignity and hat, but fortunately getting off with nothing more serious to his person than a few scratches. A case like this is no joke. Theodore Lewis, of Wisconsin, a prominent writer on swine breeding, came near losing his arm, on one occasion, from the attack of a vicious boar. Incidents like these, with others less tragic, coming under the observation of the farmer and stockman almost every day, attest the great importance of giving all domestic animals such training as will soften down the primitive feral and vicious traits.

Too Smart.
An Iowa paper says: We sell \$2,200,000 worth of cheese and buy \$1,134,000 worth. Filled cheese has destroyed our reputation abroad. We buy because many people will have good cheese if they have to pay 25 cents a pound for it. What we buy is not first-class cheese, but it is well-cured, digestible, and generally from about three per cent milk. We can make very fine cheese here and we can make them cheaper than Europeans can, but there is an abominable feeling abroad in our land that we are so exorbitantly smart that we can make imitations that will fool the foreigner. The cure is plain, common honesty, and it should be preached more than it is.

Drouth Lessons.—Every year some section of our common country has its season of drouth and consequent damage to growing crops. Drouth is a serious misfortune, and yet it may have mitigating circumstances if it helps to make the farmer a progressive thinker, lifting him out of routine and qualifies him to adapt himself to a wide variety of conditions. It benefits a farmer to get out of the ruts, and drouth is likely to get him out of many ruts. Drouth teaches the advantage of catch crops and expedients to minimize the loss, and of that system of culture that will enable the soil to resist the effects of drouth for some time. Drouth emphasizes the importance of irrigation—the application of water to the growing plant in the right quantity and at the right time. Farmers should profit by the teachings of the late drouth and put in a large acreage of small grain and forage crops this fall.—Ex.

Buying Pure-Bred Stock.—At the low rates at which pure breeding stock can be bought, the farmer can secure all the advantages of pure-bred stock cheaper by purchase than he can by breeding up. Don't get the idea uppermost that the cross-bred with unknown pedigrees is more hardy and consequently more profitable than the pure-bred animal, for such is not the case. The pure-bred animal if properly bred and handled is not a weakling because of pedigree, but is as hardy as any other, and should have more stamina than mongrel of woods sogs. It strikes us that farmers would take much more pride in their hogs if they handled purely bred animals. Similarity in appearance is one pleasing feature about them, not to speak of other and more valuable ones.

During damp weather in the summer coffee often loses its flavor and strength. An old housekeeper says that if the quantity of coffee berries needed for breakfast be put into a bowl, covered closely and put into the warming oven over night, the flavor of the coffee will be much improved.
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Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, acts gently and purifying on kidneys, liver, and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispels colds, cures headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. 10-day: 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to cure by all druggists.

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If you want to quit tobacco using easily and forever, regain lost manhood, be made well, strong, magnetic, full of new life and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker that makes weak men strong. Many gain ten pounds in ten days. Over 400,000 cured! Buy No-To-Bac from your druggist, who will guarantee a cure. Booklet and sample mailed free. Ad. Sterling Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

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Begin small and work up, instead of beginning large and working down.

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are fit only, for naked savages. Clothes are the marks of civilization—in pills as well as people. A good coat does not make a good pill, any more than good clothes make a good man. But as sure as you'd look on a clothesless man as a mad one, you may look on a coatless pill as a bad one. After fifty years of test no pills stand higher than
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Oakland county farmers, says the Pontiac Times, will be pleased to know that their farms have increased in value during the past five years. It is possible the pleasure may be reduced to the vanishing point when they pay their taxes, as the assessed valuation of the county has increased \$400,000. The farmer would find no fault if the selling price of real estate would keep pace with the rate of taxation. But the trouble is it don't.—Holly Independent.

The United States government has paid \$5,147,312 for the education of Indians in schools under private control, for the past ten years, of which \$3,430,157 has been paid to the Roman Catholics, \$352,470 to the Presbyterians, \$219,644 to the Congregational, \$33,945 to the Methodists, \$170,577 to the Friends, \$123,348 to the Episcopalians, \$83,700 to the Lutherans, \$44,550 to the Unitarians, \$36,465 to the Mennonites, \$387,400 to the Lincoln school, \$220,440 to the Hampton school, and numerous lesser amounts to other denominations and schools.

A man who won't take a paper because he can borrow one, has invented a machine by which he can cook his dinner by the smoke from his neighbor's chimney. The same fellow sits in the back pew at church to save interest on his contributions, and is always borrowing a ride to town to save the wear and tear on his own horsefeet. Yes, we know him. He is first cousin to the man who never winds up his watch for fear of breaking the spring. He was undoubtedly a near relative to the man who went into the back yard last winter soaked his hair in water, let it freeze and then broke it off in order to cheat the barber out of a hair cut.—Milo (H-Ho) Alliance.

The reporter lay on his eiderdown couch, slowly breathing his life away. It was evident that the end was very near. Suddenly the luxuriously furnished room was filled with phosphorescent light, and a pale shade appeared, standing at the bedside, grim and inscrutable. "I am the Messenger of Death," he said. "One moment, please!" gasped the reporter, reaching feebly for his note book and pencil. "How do you like America?"—Copy Hook.

"One of the greatest problems in bicycling," said a giddy bicyclist, "is how to kiss a girl while riding a tandem without upsetting. The first time I tried it there was the blindest catastrophe on record. We were spinning along at a scorching rate and struck a shady place, where the electric light was obstructed by the dense foliage, and the shadows lay heavy and somber. I had made sufficient progress with the damsel whom I had honored with the front seat to venture upon a delicate caress, and as we struck the shadows I leaned forward, throwing my weight upon the handles and giving my neck the necessary curve. She was naturally somewhat startled and dodged, giving the wheel a wrench that was fatal. In a moment we were sprawling on the boulevard, and when I gathered up her remains and my battered self she was the picture of an intensely irate damsel. What she said to me was plenty. Only a man who can ride a bucking bronco in a cyclone ought to tackle such a feat."—New York Telegram.

The Best For Children. "I believe Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the best for children I ever used. For croup it is unequalled. It is a splendid seller with us. T. M. Eckles, Ph. G., Manager Wampum Pharmacy, Wampum, Pa." When used as soon as the first symptoms appear, that is as soon as the child becomes hoarse or even after the croupy cough has appeared, it will prevent the attack. The mothers of croupy children should bear this in mind and always keep the remedy at hand. It is also the best medicine in the world for colds and whooping cough. For sale at 25 and 50 cents per bottle by Dr. J. G. Meiler.

Table with columns for 'DETROIT, Lansing & Northern', 'GOING EAST', and 'GOING WEST'. It lists train numbers, departure times, and destinations for various routes.

Chicago and West Michigan Ry. Trains leave Grand Rapids For South \$2.00 a. m., 1:25 p. m., and 4:10 p. m. For Muskegon \$2.30 a. m., 1:25 p. m., 6:25 p. m. For Muskegon \$2.30 a. m., 1:25 p. m., 6:25 p. m. Agent, Plymouth. GEO. DE WAGEN, G.P.A. Grand Rapids

CURE FOR HEADACHE. As a remedy for all forms of headache, Electric Bitters has proved to be the very best. It effects a permanent cure and the most dreaded habitual sick headaches held to its influence. We urge all who are afflicted, to procure a bottle and give this remedy a fair trial. In cases of habitual constipation, Electric Bitters cures by giving the needed tone to the bowels, and few cases long resist the use of this medicine. Try it once. Large bottles only fifty cents at John L. Gale's drug store.

Friday, Oct. 9. 1896. FROM OUR EXCHANGES. The Milford Fair Association expects to make both ends meet, in a financial sense notwithstanding the bad weather of last week. The Farmington band polished up their horns and got all ready to "blow" for the Milford fair, but just as they were about to leave, they received a telegram stating that they had better remain at home until the weather cleared up.

SPECIFIC FOR SCROFULA.

"Since childhood, I have been afflicted with scrofulous boils and sores, which caused me terrible suffering. Physicians were unable to help me, and I only grew worse under their care. At length, I began to take



AYER'S Sarsaparilla, and very soon grew better. After using half a dozen bottles I was completely cured, so that I have not had a boil or pimple on any part of my body for the last twelve years. I can cordially recommend Ayer's Sarsaparilla as the very best blood-purifier in existence."—G. T. REINHART, Myersville, Texas.

AYER'S THE ONLY WORLD'S FAIR Sarsaparilla

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral cures Coughs and Colds

Dressmaking!

I shall hereafter be located with Nellie Steele & Co., Rooms formerly occupied by Miss Fowler. All Kinds of Work done on Short Notice. Satisfaction Guaranteed. CLAIRE NUNNELEY

Thursday; October 15th, D. L. & N. LOW RATE Detroit EXCURSION. Don't miss it.

Nellie Steele & Co.

WE HAVE THE MOST ARTISTIC LINES of Trimmed Hats and Bonnets ever shown in Plymouth and we are only too pleased to show them and give ideas to any that call. Don't lose the opportunity. WE ALSO WISH TO ANNOUNCE that Miss NUNNELEY, of Mt. Clemens, will occupy our dressmaking rooms, formerly occupied by Miss Fowler.

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SUITS, PANTS, OVERCOATS.

I am now located in the Coleman Block, over A. H. Dibble's store, and am ready to do all kinds of

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at Very Reasonable Prices. We have purchased our New Fall Stock and invite your inspection.

We can give you Latest Styles And a perfect Fit

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You can see just how this will work. Exports the medicine on the sore spot.

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This machine is the simplest and most efficient device ever invented for PULLING STUMPS, LIFTING STONES, RAISING UP and MOVING BUILDINGS, and HANDLING ALL KINDS OF HEAVY BODIES. We warrant these machines superior to others now in use for durability and efficiency. Send for Catalogue and prices. ST. ALBANS FOUNDRY CO. Mfrs. ST. ALBANS, VT.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Detroit, on the eighteenth day of September, 1896, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six. Present, Edgar O. Durfee, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of JOHN F. HAGO, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of Fred Saco, praying that a administration of said estate may be granted to George A. Starkweather or some other suitable person.

EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate. JOHN ROOT, Commissioner. Dated October 1st, 1896. 473-476

Notice of Foreclosure.

Default having been made in the conditions for payment of a certain mortgage made by AUGUST ZIPPER, of Detroit, Michigan, in the Industrial Building and Loan Association of Detroit, Michigan, dated the first day of July, 1896, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Wayne County, Michigan, in Liber 134 of mortgages, on page 45 on the 15th day of July, A. D. 1896, and said Association having by resolution of its board of directors elected to consider the whole amount remaining unpaid on said mortgage as due and payable at once, on which mortgage there is claimed twenty-one hundred and thirty-six dollars and forty-six cents (\$21,366.46) and an attorney fee of thirty-five dollars (\$35.00) provided for in said mortgage and no suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted for the recovery of said amount or any part thereof, or for the foreclosure of said mortgage.

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained and of the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will sell the premises described in said mortgage at public auction or vendue, to the highest bidder thereof, at the westerly front door of the City Hall, in the city of Detroit, Michigan, (that being the place of holding the Circuit Court for said county), on the 23rd day of November, A. D. 1896, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day, or so much of said premises as shall be necessary to satisfy the amount due on said mortgage and all legal costs on and accrued thereon, with said attorney fee as consented therein. Said premises are described in said mortgage as follows: Lots sixteen (16) and seventeen (17) of Walz subdivision of part of certain thirty-two (32), thirty-three (33), and thirty-four (34) subdivisions of George Hunt farm, Detroit, Michigan.

Dated Detroit, August 27, 1896. THE INDUSTRIAL BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION, Detroit, Michigan.

FRANK B. ERLAND, Attorney for mortgagee.

CHAS. BREMS

Is the place to buy A Good Buggy AND IF YOU WANT

General Blacksmithing Done on

Shortest Notice, Call and See Him.

He keeps all kinds of Farming Tools.

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North Village, Plymouth.

National Exchange Bank

CAPITAL, \$50,000.

A General Banking Business Transacted.

4 PER CENT

Interest paid on Savings and Time Deposits

YOUR PATRONAGE SOLICITED.

O. A. FRASER, CASHIER.

Eli drives the bus But says it is no fun. The horses cannot go you know Unless he gets the "mun."

12 Bus Rides for \$1.00.

If tickets are purchased in advance.

H. C. ROBINSON, Livery and Sale Stables.

F. & P. M. R. R.

TIME TABLE. In effect Sept. 30, 1896. Trains leave Plymouth as follows:

Table with columns for 'GOING SOUTH', 'GOING NORTH', and 'STANDARD TIME'. It lists train numbers, departure times, and destinations for various routes.

Trains No. 2 and 3 run through to Alpena. Train No. 4 connects at Lansing with steamer for Milwaukee, (during season of navigation), making connections for all points West and Northwest.

Trains No. 5 and 6 run through to Detroit. On Western Division it runs daily, except Sunday. Connections made at Port Huron, Sibley, Detroit, Union Depot for all points South, Canada and the East.

For further information see Time Card of the company. Ed. PELTOR, Local Agent.

Administrator's Sale of Real Estate.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WAYNE. In the matter of the estate of MARGARET BURWELL, deceased. NOTICE is hereby given that in pursuance of an order granted to the undersigned, administrator of the estate of said deceased on the twenty-ninth day of September, A. D. 1896, there will be sold at public vendue to the highest bidder, at the front door of the post-office, in the village of Plymouth, in the county of Wayne, in said State, on Saturday, the twenty-first day of November, A. D. 1896, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day the following described real estate to wit: A certain parcel of land situated on the east half of the southeast quarter of section twenty-seven (27) in the village of Plymouth county of Wayne, state of Michigan, containing three-fourths of an acre more or less, and bounded north by the east and west center line of said section, on the east by lands now owned by Sarah J. Hood, on the south by Sutton street and on the west by lands now owned by William H. Bassett and formerly known as the school house lot, and being the same lands as sold and conveyed to said Margaret Burwell by two several deeds, one of which said deeds was made and executed by John N. McFarlan and wife to Margaret Burwell, bearing date the 2nd day of September, 1894, and recorded in the Register's office of said Wayne county in Liber 100 of deeds on page 26, the other of said two deeds was made and executed by William Burwell to said Margaret Burwell on the 17th day of October, A. D. 1895, and recorded in said Register's office, in Liber 46 of deeds on page 10. To which said deeds and said records there is reference made for a more detailed description of said parcel of land to be sold as above.

Dated October 28, 1896. GEO. A. STARKWEATHER, Administrator of the estate of Margaret Burwell, deceased. (474-26)

FREE—64-page medical reference book to any person afflicted with any special chronic or delicate disease peculiar to their sex. Address the leading physicians and surgeons of the United States, Dr. Hathaway & Co., 70 Dearborn street, Chicago. (458-508)

Constipation Hood's Pills

Cases fully half the sickness in the world. It retains the digested food too long in the bowels and produces biliousness, torpid liver, indigestion, bad taste, coated tongue, sick headache, insomnia, etc. Hood's Pills cure constipation and all its results, easily and thoroughly. 25c. All druggists. Prepared by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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For Choice Meats

Of all kinds at prices to meet the times, call at our market.

Special Prices given on short clear Salt Pork.

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Salt Pork 6 and 7 cents.

We make our own sausages, bologna, mince meat, etc., and can guarantee it to be pure.

Successors to C. F. Bennett.

COAL. COAL.

Give us your orders NOW, as Coal will not be so cheap in a short time. We have never sold on so small a margin, and therefore must have

CASH.

The price is \$6.25 delivered. Don't forget we can sell you Lumber as Cheap as any retail yard in Michigan, Detroit not excepted. We also Sell

In fact Anything in our line. See our \$2.10 Pine Shingles.

Respectfully,

C. A. FRISBEE, Plymouth

A. PELHAM, DENTIST.

Wanted—An Idea

You agree that baking powder is best for raising. Then why not try to get its best results? Just as easy to get all its good—some of its bad, by having it made with digestion strength; no bad effects. No use to clog the stomach with what never helps make flesh and blood.

KEYSTAR is the one all digestible baking powder. Just right for best baking results; harmless to a delicate digestion. \$1.00 per lb. made with alum or other bad. Fresh, sweet and pure, all foods raised with it digest so easily that you are quickly surprised with better appetite and health.

Pure Food

KEYSTAR BAKING POWDER

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Can't Eat

This is the complaint of thousands at this season. They have no appetite; food does not relish. They need the toning up of the stomach and digestive organs, which a course of Hood's Sarsaparilla will give them. It also purifies and enriches the blood, cures that distress after eating and internal misery only a dyspeptic can know, creates an appetite, overcomes that tired feeling and builds up and sustains the whole physical system. It so promptly and efficiently relieves dyspeptic symptoms and cures nervous headaches, that it seems to have almost "a magic touch."

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier. Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pills, aid digestion.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS AND PERSONAL MENTION.

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

Have you registered?
Fred Peck is in town.
Bryan will be in Detroit next week.
L. C. Hough had business in Holly today (Friday).
E. C. Hough was in Saginaw Wednesday on business.
Miss Ella Flathan, of Vermontville, Mich., is visiting at Mrs. Chas. Larkins.
Republican township caucus will be held at Northville this Friday afternoon.
Ed Lauffer has amputated his connection with the hardware firm of M. Conner & Son.
Miss Helen A. Ireland, of Ann Arbor, visited her sister, Mrs. I. A. Beddow, over Sunday.
Claude Bennett and wife are moving into the house recently vacated by M. F. Gray on Union St.

Edgar Peck returned Thursday from Willoughby, Ohio, where he has been spending his vacation.
The new water tanks for the F. & P. M. R. R. Co. will be situated a little north of the Main St. crossing near the elevator.
Ed Huston says the Favorite stoves are the best on the market and he is selling a good many of them too.
If you are not advertising in the MAIL at present, we would like to say that it is a good time to get in a line for the holiday trade.

Mrs. H. M. Taft, who has been spending the summer with her daughter, Mrs. H. Peck and other relatives, has returned to Ann Arbor.
M. Conner & Son report the largest stove trade this fall they have had in years. Rob is a "cracker Jack", when it comes to selling stoves.
Mrs. E. Kensler has rented the Penney house on Button street and will start a first class boarding house about the middle of the month.

The Synod of Michigan, (Presbyterian) will hold its sixty-second session in the Westminster church, Woodward avenue, Detroit, Oct. 13-16.
If the number of traveling men who stop in Plymouth are any indication, our business houses must be having a large trade this fall. 59 knights of the grip registered at the Berdan House between Monday morning and Friday morning.

E. C. Hough expects to leave Saturday for Mobile, Ala., to attend a wedding, which is to occur on the 14th inst, the contracting parties being Miss Mary Louise Sheffield, of Mobile, and himself. After Nov. 3rd, they will be at home at Plymouth.
Maud Markham was taken suddenly ill last Thursday with what the physicians pronounced appendicitis. She continued to grow worse and for three or four days it was thought she could not live. The disease took a turn however and we are pleased to state that at present she is recovering rapidly.

Our correspondent from Meads Mills recently informed us that she would be unable to continue as correspondent for the MAIL. We desire a letter from Meads Mills every week and would be pleased to have some one living in that locality offer their services. Stamps, stationery and the MAIL furnished.
The opening session of the Detroit District Epworth League, will be held at the M. E. church, Plymouth, this Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock p. m. There will be addresses by Rev. A. W. Stalker and C. H. Ferris, of Detroit, on interesting topics. The conference will be in session all day Saturday. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

The Berdan House will change hands about the 20th of this month. M. R. Weeks, the present landlord, retiring and John Strong taking possession. The Berdan House has been a first class hotel ever since Mr. Weeks has been in charge and the new management informs us that he intends to keep it up to the standard. Mr. Warner will be the new clerk.

Maud Lapham is teaching school at Oak. Harry Bradner spent Sunday with his parents here.

The cider mill is doing a thriving business these days.

Elizabeth Durham, of Redford, is visiting at E. H. Briggs.

Misses Dibble and Safford visited in Detroit over Sunday.

Our merchants report business in a flourishing condition.

Hiram Roe had important business in Ypsilanti last Sunday.

Mrs. E. Pelton and daughter visited in Howell and Fowlerville this week.

Mr. Hiram Scovell, of Kalamazoo, has been visiting his sister, Mrs. A. Holloway.

Some of our business places should be just a little more prompt in closing at 8 o'clock.

C. J. Hamilton visited his son and daughter in Cleveland on Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Thomas Davis and children, of Carbondale, Pa., are spending a month with her sister, Mrs. Frank Polly.

Czar Penney and Hiram Weeks returned Saturday night from St. Johns, where they had been attending the fair.

The youngest child of Chas. Holloway and wife, of Elkhart, Ind., has been sick with scarlet fever but is recovering.

John Walker, living on the old Broadfoot farm, died early this Friday morning. Funeral will be held at the house Sunday at 10:30.

There is rather a peculiar business combination at Cass City. A. A. McKenzie is funeral director and real estate dealer. Probably owns the cemetery.

In a civil suit, B. F. Wright, plaintiff, vs. Ashley Harlow, in Justice Lombard's court, Monday, the plaintiff was given judgment for \$15.90 and costs.

Chauncey Rauch informs us that he took a straw vote on the train coming from Milford last Friday which resulted in 30 for McKinley and 15 for Bryan.

Miss Bertha Wells, who has held the position of stenographer for the Markham Air Rifle Co. for several months past, left Saturday for her home in Sandwich, Ont., where she expects to teach school.

Privileges at the Milford fair this year were more profitable for the association than for the parties holding them. A novelty base ball man paid five dollars for a place to pitch his game and took in exactly eighty-five cents.

The L. A. S., of Newburg, will hold their "market day" at Newburg hall on Wednesday, Oct. 14, instead of Thursday. A boiled dinner, fried chicken, sweet meats and coffee will be served from 4 p. m. till 9 p. m., all for the small sum of 10 cents.

A large crowd filled the opera house on Wednesday evening to listen to Hon. Geo. Spaulding, republican nominee for Congress from this district, discuss the political issues. The Plymouth cornet band enlivened the occasion with several selections.

Mrs. Thomas McClumpha, and old lady living a short distance from the village, died last Friday after an illness of several months. The funeral was held at the house on Sunday, conducted by Rev. Robt. Bramfitt. She was buried in Riverside cemetery.

The F. & P. M. will give their last excursion to Detroit this season, Tuesday, Oct. 27th. Special train will leave Northville at 8:32 a. m., fare 65 cents; leave Plymouth at 8:39 a. m., fare 50 cents, children half price. Returning leave Detroit at 6:15 p. m.

Plymouth Young People's Temperance Movement, Oct. 11, at 8 p. m., at Baptist church. Question, How to vote? Recitation, Prohibition, by Mrs. L. McKenzie; music by Mrs. Chas. Grainger; singing by Pearl and Minnie Jolliffe. Everybody come.

Miss Lillie Smith arrived from Butte, Mont., where she has been spending the summer, on Monday, and has been visiting her brother George this week. Next Wednesday they will both leave for Geneva, N. Y., for a short visit. From there they will go to New York city and then to Washington, D. C., where they will spend the winter.

In the ball game at Brighton, Wednesday, Milford vs. Plymouth, Milford won by a score of 10 to 3. Batteries, Milford, German and Curtis; Plymouth, Kirkwood and Rutter. In Thursday's game, Brighton vs. Gregory, Brighton won by a score of 16 to 8. Batteries, Gregory, Roach Bros.; Brighton, Luther and Fox. Today Milford and Brighton will finish the series.

The initial number of the Cass City Gazette, Chas. S. Seed, manager, M. F. Gray, editor, is at hand. It is a six column quarto and starts out with a veral columns of well displayed ads. Cass City is an enterprising town of about 1,400 souls, with a good rich country round about, and there is no reason why the Gazette should not flourish. The MAIL wishes it an abundance of success.

BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE.
THE BEST SALVE IN THE WORLD FOR CUTS, BRUISES, SORES, ULCERS, Salt Rheum, Fever sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Sale By John L. Gale.

Dr. Owen, the eye and ear specialist, of Detroit may be consulted at the Berdan House, Plymouth, 2 to 4 p. m., the first Tuesday of every month. (423)

RIGGS' Busy Big Store.

Overcoats. Suits, Underwear.

Hats, Caps, Gloves and Mittens are what you are thinking about now, and we are the place to buy them.

JACKETS, CAPES.

Ladies' Misses and Childrens'. Every garment New, Nobby, and Stylish. They can't be nicer, and crowded with good Value.

See our Nobby, New Dress Goods.

All the Newest Novelties of the Season. Never has such a line been shown in Plymouth.

Do your fall trading with us, we will save you Dollars.

RIGGS' Busy Big Store, Plymouth, Michigan.



Ladies' and Gents' fine \$4 00 Shoes at \$3 00
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A good double sole tap boot at - 2 00
Ladies, Gents' and Childrens, Rubbers. all sizes, all toes.

H. K. LUM, Physician and Surgeon. Office at Residence—Cor. Deer and Ann Arbor streets, opposite the park, PLYMOUTH, MICH. 427

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.
Services held in Safford's Hall every Sunday morning at 10:30, and every Friday evening at 7:30. All are most cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. Draper visited relatives in Milford this week.

Born to Frank Garfield and wife a 9 pound boy.

Dan Adams has been quite ill during the past week.

WANTED—Pasture for a horse for five or six weeks. Call at MAIL office.

Douglass Kellogg, formerly of Plymouth, is attending Kalamazoo college.

L. H. Bennett left Wednesday for southern Michigan and Ohio on a business trip.

Mrs. F. E. Lamphere has been spending two or three weeks with her brother near Ypsilanti.

Miss Agnes Fifley and Miss Lula Leland of Leland, Mich. are guests of Dr. Oliver and family.

E. P. Baker will be at his studio in Plymouth every weekday hereafter and will make photos at very reasonable rates for guaranteed work. A special feature is made in baby photos.

Horace Sweeney, a farmer living near Cherry Hill, fell from a load of hay and struck on a five tined pitch-fork producing wounds which may prove fatal. Dr. Oliver was called and dressed the wounds and the patient made as comfortable as possible.

Lahon D. Shearer, aged 73, died at his home about a mile from the village, on Saturday last. Rev. Reed Stewart, of Detroit, had charge of the funeral services which were held at the house on Tuesday. The remains were placed in the vault. His wife and son Charles are left to mourn his loss.

The entertainment given by the Van Amburgh family at the opera house last Tuesday evening was poorly attended. Only 30 or 40 people were present but the company went through the program even to the encores. Every member of the Van Amburgh family is an artist, the entertainment they give is high grade and they deserved a full house.

"I had chronic diarrhoea for ten years," says L. W. Kichlein, a justice of the peace at South Easton, Pa. "No remedy afforded me real relief until I was induced by Chas. T. Kilian, the druggist, to try Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. It cured me and for a year I have had no return of the trouble." It has also cured many others, among them old soldiers who had contracted the disease in the army and given up all hope of recovery. For sale by Dr. J. G. Meller.

FORSALE—A good Garland coal stove, cheap. Inquire of Walter Riggs.

Eleventh Annual Ohio Excursion.
Look out for the 11th Annual Ohio Excursion via Ann Arbor R. R. first week in October. Time of trains, round trip rates, limit of tickets and points to which they will be sold will be announced soon. (474)

It Will Pay You
To go to Detroit on the D. L. & N. excursion, Oct. 15. Rates are very low. (474)

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W. H. BENNETT,
Gen'l Pass. Agent.

VEEDER CYCLOMETER.
Lightest, Smallest, Best. Water-proof, Dust-proof.
Weight, one ounce. Guaranteed accurate. Endorsed by the Pope Mfg. Co.
1,000 or 10,000 Miles.
Retail Price \$1; 66¢-Packed and shipped, 55¢.
For sale by all Dealers. Distributor, Boston, Mass.
VEEDER MFG. CO., Hartford, Conn.
Deliveries can now be made immediately.

Dr. J. G. Meller's ASPERINE
A new pack of kidney pills for \$1.
Dr. J. G. Meller's Aspirine Wine, a pleasant to the taste liquid medicine is sold at \$1.00 per bottle upon the guarantee of your money back if not benefited. Cures Kidney Disease, Rheumatism, Constipation and Urinary troubles caused by impure blood. Sold at drug stores or will be sent express prepaid upon receipt of price. Free by mail, 20-page pamphlet "A New Fair of Kidneys." NATURE'S REMEDY CO., Boyce Bldg., Chicago, Ill.

Geo. W. Hunter & Co., DRUGGISTS, Plymouth, Mich.

Mrs. Dr. Oliver, DISEASES OF Women and Children A SPECIALTY. (662)

Cider Mill.

My Cider mill will be open Every Day (except Sept. 17), until further notice.
THOS. SHERWOOD.

JELLY and SORGHUM MILL

Will be open for business Sept. 23rd. Parties desiring Boiled Cider or Jelly can get the same at the Mill after above date.
SHERWOOD & DEAN.

What is nicer for a present than a Clock?

It always stands in view as a reminder of your kindly feeling, and is very useful as well as ornamental. A fine select line of Black, Green and Red enameled Iron Clocks Oak and Walnut Cottage Clocks, Oak and Walnut Mantle Clocks, Polished Blackwood Clocks, Nickel Alarm Clocks, Nickel Time Clocks, Illuminated Clocks and Pocket Clocks always on hand and at reasonable prices at

C. G. DRAPER'S.

PLYMOUTH, MICH. FLY NETS!! FLY NETS!!

- Five Bar and fifty lash upper leather Team Fly Nets \$4.00 per pair.
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- Cottoncord mesh Nets from 75c to \$2.25 each.
- Harness Repairing a Specialty.

F. E. LAMPHERE, PLYMOUTH.

Advertise in the MAIL.

WITHIN OUR WALLS.

MRSE MENTION OF MICHIGAN MATTERS.

Houghton is the scene of an Attempted Murder and the Would-be Murderer Escaped by Jumping from a Bridge—Cigarmakers Convention at Detroit.

International Cigarmakers' Convention.

The International Cigarmakers' convention was held at Detroit with a very large attendance of delegates. President Perkins reported that the trade had had no material improvement within the last three years.

Charters have been granted to 68 unions since the last convention, with a gain in membership of 16,576; 34 unions have discontinued for various reasons, representing a decrease in membership of 13,075; the total number of unions in good standing is 350, with a total membership of 28,700.

Sensational Shooting and Drowning.

Felix Dulmonte met George C. Sheldon on the principal street of Houghton, and without warning him, emptied his revolver into Sheldon's body.

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Dispatches from Marquette say that destructive forest fires are burning two miles south of the city along the line of the Marquette & Western railway. The railway telegraph lines are down and the lines of the Postal Telegraph Co. are in danger.

Later—Showers have greatly abated the forest fires about Marquette and the danger has probably passed.

Head Blow to Ishpeming Miners.

The Lake Angeline mine at Ishpeming, which in former and more prosperous years paid \$500,000 dividends annually, has closed down all its workings throwing 600 men out of work.

Village of Dushville Badly Scorched.

Nearly the entire business portion of the little village of Dushville, situated nine miles west of Shepherd, was destroyed by fire. The town had no fire protection and, as a consequence, the flames had their own way.

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was stage struck and ran away from home to become an actress. She got as far as Ludington where she was arrested and the sheriff took her home.

The 4-year-old son of Moses Middleton, of Otisville, placed a dynamite cartridge on a stove and hit it with a hammer. Both of his hands were torn nearly off and his face badly lacerated.

The 4-year-old daughter of James Colton, at White Creek Corners, fell into a cistern. Her mother jumped in after her, but could not get out and stood in four feet of water two hours before help arrived.

The Saginaw Coal Co. has completed the shafts and buildings for its mine on the outskirts of Saginaw and is now building spur tracks. Operations will begin at once. The coal ranks with the best Ohio product.

Frederick Weinmann, an Ann Arbor drayman, struck his brother, John Weinmann, a terrible blow over the head with a stick of stove wood, crushing his skull. He then skipped. A trivial quarrel caused the deed.

Burglars broke into Wah Lee's Chinese laundry, at Hastings, carried his trunk several blocks away, and breaking it open, stole \$261 in cash, a certificate of deposit for \$100 and several notes. Three young men have been held on suspicion.

The Lake Superior, Cleveland Cliffs, Champion, Republic and other mines at Ishpeming have reduced the wages of nearly 3,000 men 6 per cent. The Pittsburg & Lake Angeline, which recently threw 500 men out of work, may resume next month.

Mrs. Ella Mahny attempted to fill the gasoline reservoir of the burnisher at Murry & Casterline's laundry at Three Rivers. The reservoir exploded, completely cleaning out the laundry; also the barber shop on the second floor. Mrs. Mahny was badly burned about the hands, and face, and inhaled dangerous gases.

The Second brigade, First division, Ninth army corps, held the annual reunion at Jackson. Numerous prominent veterans were present and the business and social meetings—including the banquet with its toasts—were much enjoyed. Gen. Wm. Humphrey, of Adrian, was elected president.

At 5 a. m. the watchman at the Willie mine at Iron Mountain discovered a man sitting at the bottom a 40 foot pit enjoying a smoke. He had evidently fallen down the shaft as he was badly cut about the head and shoulders and his hip was dislocated. He said his name was John Anderson but he didn't know how he got into the pit.

Thomas Mason, the octogenarian president of the Quincy Mining Co., has set apart 160 acres on Portage lake, Houghton county, where he proposes to establish an industrial home for neglected and parentless boys. Agriculture, horticulture and forestry will be taught. Ultimately mechanical schools will be started, with complete equipment of tools.

Justice Haggarty, of Grand Rapids, in trying Manager Stair, of the Grand opera house, and several members of the Wilbur opera company for conducting a theater and giving a show on Sunday made several convictions and said that the spectators could be arrested and fined as well as the participants. In fact the justice found one man guilty on such a charge.

Fire in the basement of the Manufacturers' shoe store, at Jackson, did considerable damage. It started in the rear of the basement. The furniture store of Newall, Richardson & Galbraith and the clothing store of J. L. Loeb adjoining were also damaged by smoke. All are fully covered by insurance. The building is owned by C. R. Knickerbocker, and is insured for \$7,000, which covers the loss.

A wreck occurred on the Ann Arbor railroad at the junction of the Ann Arbor and Lake Shore railways at Dundee. Engineer Hanney, of a sand and gravel train, was following a north bound freight which stopped to take water and the fog being rather thick caused the gravel train to run into the freight. The wreck was a sad looking affair. The gravel train engine was ditched and cars were piled two and three deep. The train crews jumped in time to save their lives.

Douglas Dawson, secretary of the McKinley and Hobart club, at Iron Mountain, was murderously assaulted by a stranger in the club headquarters. Dawson was in the rooms alone when the stranger entered and said he wanted to talk to him. Dawson alleges that the stranger suddenly pulled a knife and stabbed him in the left breast, inflicting a slight flesh wound. The blow knocked him down and the stranger rushed upon him and stamped him into insensibility. Dawson is in a precarious condition.

In the U. S. district court at Detroit John C. Bodewig and Geo. W. Johnson were found guilty on the charge of conspiring to obstruct the U. S. mail. It is alleged that they were participants in the wrecking of a Grand Trunk press at Battle Creek, July 16, 1894, during the great A. R. U. strike. This will be remembered as one of the most cold-blooded crimes of the kind in the history of the state. The track was deliberately spread and in the wreck which occurred the fireman was killed and the engineer seriously injured.

Asa C. Cutler, once a prominent lumberman of Traverse City, in the employ of Hannah, Lay & Co., was arrested, charged with threatening to kill Perry Hannah. Several years ago, Cutler had some business dealings with Hannah, Lay & Co., which terminated unfortunately for Cutler. Cutler has written to Mr. Hannah letters in which he declared he had a powerful death-dealing instrument and was determined to use it on the first opportunity. He said he would prefer death or imprisonment for life rather than endure the hunger and loneliness that seemed before him.

FROM MANY POINTS.

NEW ITEMS OF VARIOUS KINDS BRIEFLY RELATED.

Over 50 Peoples Reported Killed in Florida—Georgia Suffers Tremendous Property Loss—11 Killed in Savannah—Pennsylvania Touched Up.

Florida, Georgia, Virginia, and Pennsylvania were visited by the worst cyclone which the southern Atlantic coast states have experienced in years. The total property loss is something enormous and the loss of life can only be estimated at present and until full reports can be received, which will be sometime, as communication by wire is completely crippled in the storm stricken districts.

News comes from Jacksonville, Florida, which say that fully 50 deaths resulted from the storm in that state. The hurricane struck Florida at Cedar Keys and reports show that it passed in its path of destruction over 20 towns and villages and that between 30 and 40 people have certainly been killed. Cedar Keys is about 100 miles southwest of Jacksonville. Moving north-easterly, the storm struck Willistown, where 11 houses were blown down, one person was killed and several fatally wounded. Near there is a large turpentine farm where state convicts are employed. Twenty of these were huddled together in a cabin. A tree was blown across the cabin and six of the convicts were crushed to death.

In Alachua county the storm did frightful work. In Gainesville the Methodist church, about 20 residences and business houses were destroyed. At La-crosse 15 buildings were destroyed. Rev. W. A. Barr, Mrs. A. McIntosh and her baby were killed. Near there four laborers on a turpentine farm, were crushed by falling trees. At Newberry four were killed; five at High Springs; one at Gracy; four at Lake Butler. In Baker county four towns were almost totally destroyed; they are McClenny, Sanderson, Glen St. Mary and Olustee. Among other towns which suffered severely were Live Oak; Welborn; Lake City where six were killed; Ft. White also had six fatalities. North of Jacksonville, in Nassau county, considerable destruction is reported. Five children were killed in the wreck of a schoolhouse. Miss Stewart, the teacher, had her arm broken. Near by Lila Rails, a 12-year-old girl, was killed at her home, her brother being fatally injured and Harry Johnson was also killed. At Kings Ferry, five were killed, besides three sailors on schooners that were loaded with lumber. In Jacksonville no person was killed, but almost every public building in the city, including churches, hospitals, schools, depots, etc., and a very large number of business houses and residences were more or less wrecked.

After crossing the state line between Florida and Georgia the cyclone continued the work of ruin through the country districts and came upon the city of Savannah with terrific force. It continued two and a half hours, entailing a loss of a dozen lives and over \$1,000,000 in property. Each report received was worse than the preceding one and the death list continued to grow until 11 were reported killed and a large number injured. Besides the damage to scores of business houses, churches and public buildings, hundreds of residences were partially, if not totally, wrecked and the most beautiful trees blown down. The loss to shipping is over \$100,000; five large vessels were wrecked and many small craft driven to sea. At Brunswick, Ga., 12 vessels in the harbor were wrecked and a dynamite boat with 500,000 pounds on board was sunk.

The loss in Pennsylvania was greatest about Shamokin and Lancaster. The Patterson breaker at Shamokin is a total wreck. Fourteen of the dwelling houses and 20 board shanties occupied by the mine workers were also blown down. Two of the tenants were killed, several injured and 11 cattle were crushed to death. Mr. Carmel, Locust Gap and other surrounding towns suffered heavily. Reports from the farming districts indicate that barns were demolished by hundreds. At the Colbert mine, the fan and engine house, and both boiler houses were demolished, throwing 400 men and boys out of employment. A block of eight new houses erected by Dr. F. D. Baker at Springfield were leveled to the ground. Barns and hundreds of outbuildings were overturned in all portions of the town. Individual losses were small at Lancaster but hundreds of them make a large aggregate. The great Pennsylvania railroad bridge across the Susquehanna river at Columbia, comprising 27 spans and insured for \$350,000, was completely demolished. A coal breaker at Natalie was blown down, six houses demolished and six people killed. The Conemaugh river rose 11 feet and flooded Johnstown. The cashouse of the Temple furnace, near Reading, was blown down and a dozen men buried; two were killed and the others badly injured. Vast tracts of country districts were swept and great damage done. Trainers say the storm in the mountains was the worst they ever experienced.

In "ole Virginia" the Shenandoah valley suffered most and every tributary stream became a roaring torrent. At Staunton the lower portion of the city was submerged, many houses carried away, several lives lost. Scores of families are homeless, and the property loss is about \$500,000. Richmond experienced the worst storm in her history, but no one was killed. The damage will foot up a quarter of a million dollars. Alexandria, suburb of Washington, suffered heavily and four lives were lost. Other places were also damaged and the country districts suffered a great deal.

CANADIAN PACIFIC TIED UP.

Telegraph Operators Strike Against Long Hours and Small Pay.

A strike of widespread proportions was inaugurated among the railroad telegraphers on the Canadian Pacific railway in Canada. The entire force of operators on the Canadian Pacific system from the Atlantic to the Pacific are out and the trans-continental line was tied up as it had never been before. There are between 800 and 900 telegraphers employed by the company.

The men ask in substance, first, that a standard salary of \$50 a month be paid all operators; and second, that operators be relieved of some of the present menial duties. They are at present receiving an average salary of between \$35 and \$40 per month and are required to be on duty for 12 consecutive hours, seven days a week. Besides their duties as operators many of the men are made to do such work as pumping water for engines, cutting the wood for station use, cleaning lamps, checking baggage and handling freight. Almost every train on the Canadian Pacific and "Soo" roads was tied up by the strike, and the men are confident of victory.

Developments in the telegraphers' strike on the Canadian Pacific railway show that the men are almost having their own way. A very few men have returned to work and a few more have been imported from the United States. On account of the latter feature of the case the trades unions in Toronto and elsewhere are urging upon the members of parliament the necessity of making regulations to prohibit the importation of American labor. The most important question now agitating both the railroad company and the strikers is whether the engineers, conductors and trainmen will strike out of sympathy for the telegraphers. There is some strong talk of such action. Only a few freight trains are running on the Canadian Pacific and the vast wheat crop of Manitoba is tied up at a time when it is usually being rushed to the seaboard.

The Storm in Washington.

Reports received from the suburban towns about Washington show that great damage was done by the big southern cyclone. At the Catholic university, just outside the city, the dormitory in process of construction was demolished. At Brookland, the town hall was partially destroyed and many other buildings were unroofed and otherwise damaged. On the outskirts of the city few localities escaped. The White House was slightly injured by the storm, a portion of the copper roofing being stripped off and other damage done. The tall flagstaff disappeared completely; 25 of the splendid trees, elms, sycamores, walnuts and magnolias, some of great age and of historical association, were completely leveled, while fully 50 other trees are permanently defaced. The state and navy building lost part of its roofing; the new naval observatory, one signal service building and a ship house at the navy yard all suffered considerably. A large amount of other like damage was done about the city.

Baltimore experienced considerable loss and the wind blew so strong that several schooners lifted from the water into the center of Pratt street. Various sections of New York state were also visited by the storm and more or less damaged.

Frightful Railroad Wreck.

A railroad wreck, attended by serious loss of life, on the Santa Fe road, occurred near Osage City, Kan. Seven dead bodies have been recovered from the wreck. The engineer should have stopped for water at Osage City, but being behind time he endeavored to run to the next tank. The train had run but two miles when two terrific explosions were heard. The boiler had exploded and the locomotive was completely shattered. The express, baggage and passenger coaches came crashing upon the wrecked engine and the forward coaches were piled up in the heap of wreckage. The rear coaches were all derailed, but the passengers riding in them escaped serious injury. The wreck was marked by scenes of the wildest confusion among the terrified passengers. Win. Beckler, of Los Angeles, Cal., en route to Chicago, seemed to lose his reason entirely. When the crash came he drew a pistol and in the presence of a car full of terrified passengers took his own life. He had been drinking heavily. Later—the number of dead is 10; injured 11.

Bag Foundered—Four Men Drowned.

The barge Sumatra, consort of the B. W. Arnold, bound down from Chicago with a load of railroad iron, foundered off the government pier at Milwaukee. Arthur Burnsted, Charles Hillmer, Patrick Peterson and Peter Anderson, all of West Bay City, were drowned. The rescued are: Capt. Charles Johnson, John Burbeck, mate, and Ira Purser, cook, all of West Bay City.

The Sumatra had about 1,300 tons of steel rails for the Canadian Pacific, valued at about \$65,000. It was insured for its full value.

Mrs. John B. Ketcham, formerly a Toledo belle, secured a divorce from her multi-millionaire husband in 20 minutes in Chicago, and was given \$200,000 worth of property.

As communication with the eastern

and middle portion of Florida is opened up again the reports of the destruction of the big storm become more terrible. A large number of towns not heard from before report heavy damage. The death list in Florida will total over 100 people. The investigation into the death of Wm. Leopold, whose body was found, near St. Louis, with a gunshot wound in the head and a rifle near by without a shell or cartridge in the barrel, showed that the stomach contained strychnine. The coroner's jury would not place the responsibility.

Bishop Keane Removed by the Pope.

An extraordinary coincidence has startled the Roman Catholics of Washington and of the entire country. Immediately following the arrival at Washington of Archbishop Martelli, the new apostolic delegate, the announcement is made that Bishop Keane is deposed by the pope as rector of the Catholic university, one of the greatest educational institutions under the management of the church. It is generally assumed by Roman Catholics that the removal of Bishop Keane is the first of a series of important changes in church management to be made by Archbishop Martelli. This is denied, however.

1,000 Armenians Beaten to Death.

A dispatch from Constantinople says that the Turkish marines aided the rabble to loot the Armenian houses in the town of Galata. Another dispatch says that the governor of Kharput telegraphs that a thousand Armenians were clubbed to death at Nikde. This dispatch also says that the sultan has given \$150,000 to indemnify the foreigners injured in the massacres.

New Light on the Venezuelan Matter.

Frederick E. Couderc, of the Venezuelan commission, has returned from The Hague, where he examined the old Dutch records relating to the Venezuelan boundary. His researches were rewarded by the discovery of valuable testimony bearing upon the point at issue between the United States and Great Britain. He could not say when the commission would report.

NEWS ITEMS IN BRIEF.

Mary Anderson Navarro, the former American actress, is the mother of a bouncing baby boy.

The Cigarmakers' national convention at Detroit, sat down on the socialist members rather hard.

Appeals are being made for aid for the people left alive in the cyclone swept district of Florida. They are in utter destitution.

A British powder magazine exploded at Bulawayo, South Africa, killing five whites and scores of Kafirs camping in close proximity.

Lansing E. Lincoln, People's Party candidate for governor of New York, declined the nomination and asks his party to vote for Porter and Schraub the silver Democratic nominees and thereby assist in the election of W. J. Bryan.

A terrible tragedy has stirred up Prairie county, Ark. At DETAILS Bluff Bud Chaffin and his five children are believed to have been murdered, and suspicion points to Mrs. Chaffin and John King, her paramour, as the murderers, as they have left the country. The crime had been committed several days before the bodies were discovered.

During a parade at Burlington, Iowa, at the Iowa semi-centennial celebration the reviewing stand containing Vice-President Stevenson, Gov. Drake, of Iowa and staff, and many other prominent people collapsed, throwing all to the ground and injuring some 30 people. Vice-President Stevenson and Gov. Drake escaped with slight wounds.

Representatives of Great Britain and Germany are having an interesting squabble at Zanzibar. After the recent bombardment of the sultan's palace at Zanzibar by the British the pretender Seyd Khalid, who had proclaimed himself sultan, found refuge at the German consulate. The British consul protested and considerable warm diplomatic correspondence passed between Germany and Great Britain. Another insult has been heaped upon the British by the German consul placing Seyd Khalid on board a German cruiser to take him to a place of safety.

THE MARKETS.

Table with columns: LIVE STOCK, Wheat, Corn, Oats. Rows for New York, Chicago, Detroit, Toledo, Cincinnati, Cleveland, St. Louis, Pittsburg, Lower grades.

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REVIEW OF TRADE.

Cooler weather and continued purchases by interior merchants, notably west and south, continued the slight improvement in trade reported in preceding weeks. Merchants at primary cotton markets and at large centers in the spring wheat region report a better movement of staples due to unusually heavy receipts of those crops. Throughout the central West the volume of trade falls behind that of a year ago in some instances, but it is equal to it in others. At eastern centers the improvement is seen in greater ease in the money markets and more disposition to discount commercial paper, although at unchanged rates. Wholesale merchants report a better feeling very generally, but few anticipate any material increase in the volume of business this month. Mercantile collections continue slow and a distinct lack of activity is noted. There is also a better demand for pig iron and for steel.

Spencer academy, 10 miles west of Antlers, I. T., burned to ashes, together with all the furniture, and four Choctaw boys were cremated. The origin of the fire is supposed to be incendiary, as no one was occupying the room in which the fire broke out and there had been no fire in it this season. The academy was built by the Choctaw nation and 102 boys were there when it burned. Everything is a total loss as the nation did not carry any insurance.

Niles authorities are much alarmed at the prevalence of diphtheria and scarlet fever. The school children are

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NOTES OF THE DAY.

In most of the London churches on a recent Sunday night special thanksgivings were offered up for the rain that had fallen.

More than five-sixths of the convicts in the penitentiaries of Pennsylvania have never been apprenticed to any trade or occupation.

Six-legged black beetles, a new pest in that locality, have done much damage to the watermelon crop in Sacramento County, California.

Farmer Decker of Oonway, Mo., has a walnut tree on his farm which he himself planted about thirty years ago, which is over five feet in circumference.

PERSONALS.

Mr. Balfour is getting the reputation of being a reckless cyclist mid the London traffic.

Archbishop Benson of Canterbury is 67 years of age. He has been a bishop nineteen years.

Phillip James Bailey, the author of that wonderful poem, "Festus," is still living in Nottingham, England. He is in his 80th year.

Robert Slipp, the violin teacher of Richard Wagner, who is now 90 years of age, was present at this summer's performance at Bayreuth.

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With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a congested condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

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A BARTERED LIFE.

BY MARION HARLAND.

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CHAPTER XII.



WILL you have the kindness to ring that bell again, Harriet, and inquire whether Mrs. Withers has returned?" fretted the convalescent. "It is after six o'clock, and I am faint for want of nourishment."

The dutiful dependent obeyed, they slipped from the room to push investigations upon a plan of her own. In a quarter of an hour she reappeared with an agitated, yet important countenance, that arrested her cousin's regards.

"What is it? Where is she?" he demanded, impatiently. "You have heard something. Tell me at once what it is."

Harriet collapsed as gracefully as her suppliant sines and stays would allow into a kneeling heap upon the floor at his feet. "My beloved cousin! My dear, deceived angel! I have heard nothing that surprised me. I dared not speak of it to you before now, agonizing as was my solitude. You would have driven me from you in anger had I whispered a word of what has been the only gossip for months, to which you only were blinded by your noble, your generous, your superhuman confidence in your betrayers. I see that you are partially prepared for the blow," as he grew pale and tried without success to interrupt her. "Brace yourself for what you must know, my poor, ill-used darling! Your brother and your wife have eloped to Europe in company!"

For one second the husband staggered under the shock. His eyes closed suddenly, as at a flash of lightning, and his features were distorted, as in a wrench of mortal pain. Then all that was true and dignified in the man rallied to repel the insult to the two he had trusted and loved. "I do not believe it," he said distinctly and with deliberate emphasis. "You are the dupes of some mischievous slanderer, my good woman. Edward Withers is the soul of integrity, and my wife's virtue is incorruptible. Who told you this absurd tale?"

"Mrs Withers stated to you that she was going to drive alone this afternoon, did she not?" Harriet forgot the pathetic in the malicious triumph as she proceeded to prove her rival's guilt. "You heard her say it," laconically, and still on the defensive.

"Yet John says she called by the office to take up Mr. Edward Withers, and that they drove in company to the wharf, where lay an ocean steamer. He saw them go on board, arm in arm, and, although he waited on the pier as long as the vessel was in sight, they did not return."

"I will see the man myself."

Crossing the room with a firmer step than had been his since his illness, Mr. Withers rang the bell and summoned the coachman. His evidence tallied exactly with Harriet's report, and she flattered herself that the inquisitor's manner was a shade less confident when the witness was dismissed.

"You have said that this disappearance was no matter of surprise to you, and added something about vulgar gossip. I wish a full explanation," he said, still majestically.

Thus bidden, Harriet told her tale. Before their return to the city in the autumn, she had seasons of anxiety relative to the intimacy between Mr. Edward Withers and his beautiful sister-in-law. Not, the unsuspecting virgin was careful to affirm, that she doubted then the good faith and right intentions of either, but she feared lest Mrs. Withers' partiality for the younger brother might render her negligent of her husband's happiness and comfort. The winter festivities had brought the two into a peculiarly unfortunate position for the growth of domestic virtues, and eminently conducive to the progress of the fatal attachment which was now beyond the possibility of a doubt. Although one of the family, and known to be wedded to their interests, she had not been able to deter busy-bodies from sly and overt mention of the scandal in her hearing. She had, on such occasions, taken the liberty of rebuking the offender, and maintaining, in her humble way, the honor of her benefactors' name. But she could not silence a city full of tongues, and they had wagged fast and loudly of the husband's indiscreet confidence in the guilty parties, and their shameless treachery.

He checked her when she would have dilated upon this division of her subject. "I will have no hearsay evidence. What have you seen?"

Harriet demurred, blushing, not, as it presently appeared, because she had seen so little but so much. Duets, vocal and instrumental, had been the vehicles of living intercourse—hand-squeezing, meaning sighs and whispers. Her blood had often boiled furiously in beholding the outrageous maneuvers practiced in the very sight of their trusting victim. Her eyes, in passing from their smiles of evil import, their languishings and caresses to the serene face bent over the chess-board, or wrapt in innocent slumber, had alternately overflowed with tears and glowed with indignation.

"But all this was as nothing compared with my sensations on the morning of the day in which you made your will. Changing to enter your dressing-room, on my way to your bedside, I surprised Mrs. Withers and Mr. Edward Withers standing together, her head upon his bosom, his arms upholding her, while he whispered loving

words in her ear. He kissed her at the very moment of my silent entrance, with this remark: 'We have too much to live and to hope for, to nurse unhealthy surmises and fears.' I could testify to the language in a court of justice, and am positive that his reference was to your possible recovery."

"No more!" The mischief-maker was scared out of her gloomy exultation by the altered face turned toward her. "Please excuse me from going down to dinner today. I am very weary, and shall spend the evening alone," pursued Mr. Withers, with a pitiful show of his old and pompous style. He arose as a further signal that she must go, when she threw herself before him and clasped his knees.

"Elnathan!" the heady eyes strained in excruciating appeal, "do not banish me from you in this your extremity! Who! Who should be near you to sustain and weep with you but your poor devoted Harriet—she whose life has but one end—the hope that she might serve and aid you; but one reward, your smile, and so much of your love as you may see fit to bestow upon so worthless an object?"

But in the honest sorrow that bowed the listener's proud spirit to breaking, her factitious transports met no response beyond weary impatience. The ecstacy that had flattered the unworthy complacency of his prosperous days rang discordantly upon his present mood. He wanted pity from no one, he said to himself, and, in his rejection of hers, there was a touch of resentment, the consequence of her unsparring denunciation of Constance. He might come to hate her himself soon. Just now he almost abhorred the one who had opened his eyes to his own shame. "You mean well, I dare say, Harriet," he said, in his harshest tone, "but you are injudicious, and your offers of sympathy are unwelcome. I am sure that I shall shortly receive a satisfactory explanation of this mysterious affair. As to your gossiping friends, I can only regret that your associates have not been chosen more wisely. New you can go."

She made no further resistance, but hers was one of the chamber doors that unclosed stealthily when, at midnight, the rattle of a latch-key sounded through the front hall, and was followed by the entrance of the two supposed voyagers. There were more wakeful eyes under that roof that night than the master recked of, and a bevy of curious gazers peered from the obscurity of the third story into the entry, where Mr. Withers had ordered the gas to be kept burning all night.

"You see we are expected," said Edward to his companion.

Mr. Withers met them at the head of the staircase, clad in dressing-gown and slippers. "Ah, here you are. How did you get back?"

"The obliging captain hailed a fishing yacht and put us on board," answered his brother. "Have you been uneasy about us?"

"Only lest you might be carried some distance out before you fell in with a returning vessel. You look very tired, Constance. I shall not let her go with you again, Edward, unless you promise to take better care of her."

"Tell him just how it happened, Connie," laughed Edward, and the conference was over.

"They played their parts well all of them," muttered Harriet, sneaking back to her sleepless pillow. "But they need not hope to gag people now that the scandal has taken wind; 'murder will out.'"

Her sagacity was proved by the appearance in the next day's issue of an extensively circulated journal of a conspicuous article headed "Scandal in High Life" setting forth the elopement, per steamer to Europe, of the junior partner in a well-known banking house with the beautiful wife of his brother, the senior partner of the aforesaid firm. The intimacy of the fugitives, the chronicle went on to say, had been much talked of all winter in the brilliant circles to which they belonged. The deserted husband was a citizen whom all delighted to honor for his business talents, his probity in public life, and his private virtues. "This affliction falls upon him with the more crushing severity from the circumstance that he has been for some months an invalid. He has the sincere sympathy of the entire community."

The editor of the humane sheet, albeit not unused to eating his own words, never penned a more humble and explicit retraction of the "unlucky error into which, through no fault of ours, we have fallen," than graced his columns the following morning. He could hardly have expressed himself more forcibly had Edward Withers really horsewhipped him, instead of threatening to do it, and to bring an action for libel as well.

Constance breakfasted in bed, at her husband's request, on the day succeeding the Prynns' departure. The popular daily, above referred to, lay as usual by Mr. Withers' plate when he went down-stairs, folded with what was known to his constant readers as the naughty corner outermost. Harriet was engaged in concocting her cousin's cup of foaming chocolate when he opened his sheet, but she both saw and heard the paper rustle like a paper bough before a storm, then grew suddenly hard, unnaturally still. When Mr. Withers lowered it there was nothing in voice or expression to betray to his brother that ought was smiss. When the meal was over he repaired to his wife's room, taking with him the newspaper which he had

not, as was his custom, offered to pass to Edward.

Without a word he spread it before the pale woman whose haggard countenance should have moved him to delay her accusation and sentence. He rose swift glance took in the import of the cruel article, and she buried her face in the pillow with a cry that destroyed what faint remnant of hope might have lingered in his bosom. "My sin has found me out!"

A heavy hand was laid upon her arm. "This is childish, Constance, and you have shown yourself to be no child in craft. Nothing short of your own confession would have persuaded me that much contained in this paragraph is true, that you have abused my confidence, sullied my name, and made me the object of universal contempt—you and—and—my brother!"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Tame Catamount.

Probably it is true that some men have by nature a peculiar power over wild animals, and it is a matter of common experience that animals sometimes strike up sudden friendships with persons they have never seen before. An extreme instance of this kind is described by a military correspondent of the New York Sun: "Perhaps of all the wild animals that may be at least partially civilized or tamed, the Rocky Mountain lion or catamount offers the least promise; and yet in the writer's experience one specimen was as gentle and docile as human kindness could make him. He followed his master around like a dog, obeying every wish or nod, but would allow no other persons to approach him with offers of kindness or anything else. This creature was a full grown mountain lion, that for some strange reason had taken a fancy to a Cheyenne Indian. Whether in camp, on the prairie, or in the post, the brute could always be seen quietly following the Indian, but he would never leave his master's heels for any reason except at his master's bidding. Often would he accompany the buck into the post trader's store, where his entrance was the signal for all dogs to get out and for bipeds not acquainted with the situation to lose no time in taking to the counters. The officers of the post finally persuaded the Indian to part with his pet for a consideration, and the lion, after being securely caged, was shipped as a present to the National Museum at Washington."

The Wisdom of the Crow.

A naturalist who is much interested in birds says that the crow is the wisest of all feathered animals. He has made a number of experiments recently, and declares that an ordinarily well educated crow can count to twenty, and that he has found a sentinel crow, very old and very wise, that can count to twenty-six. He made these discoveries in a very interesting way. Recently he spent some time in the mountains of Wales, where a company of boys was camping out. One day he found a flock of crows gathered round the body of a sheep that had died, and which lay near a barn. They flew away as he approached, so he hid himself in the barn and waited; but they would not come back. Then he went out and walked up the mountain, and they all settled down again to the feast. That afternoon he took four boys from the camp with him and they marched into the little building and waited. No crows came back. Two of the boys went out. Still no crows. Then the other two went out, and only the naturalist remained. But the old sentinel crow had evidently counted them as they went in, and he knew they had not all come out. At last the naturalist left the building and straightway all the crows returned. This experiment was repeated a number of times with varying numbers of boys, but the crows kept count, and would not come down until the building was entirely empty.

Facts About Pumice Stone.

Pumice, as is well known, is of volcanic origin, being a trachytic lava which has been rendered light by the escape of gases when in a molten state. It is found on most of the shores of the Tyrrhenian sea and elsewhere, but is at present almost exclusively obtained from the little island of Lipari. Most of the volcanoes of Lipari have ejected pumaceous rocks, but the best stone is all the product of one mountain, Monte Chirica, nearly 2,000 feet in height, with its two accessory craters. The district in which the pumice is excavated covers an area of three square miles. It has been calculated that about 1,000 hands are engaged in this industry, 600 of whom are employed in extricating the mineral. Pumice is brought to the surface in large blocks or in baskets, and is carried thus either to the neighboring village or to the seashore to be taken there in boats. The supply is said to be practically inexhaustible. Pumice is used not merely for scouring and cleansing purposes, but also for polishing in numerous trades, hence the fact that the powdered pumice exported exceeds in weight the block pumice. Between twenty and thirty merchants are engaged in the pumice trade in the island.—London News.

What a Horse Can Do.

On meal falls in the most favorable condition and smooth from use, a horse can draw one and two-third times as much as on the best asphalt pavement; three and one-third times as much as on wood paving in good condition; five times as much as on wood paving in bad condition; seven times as much as on good cobblestone; thirteen times as much as on bad cobblestone; twenty times as much as on earth road; and forty times as much as on mud.

THE MINISTER'S WIFE

From the Patriot, Jackson, Mich.
Mrs. J. M. Aikin, wife of the pastor of the First Methodist Church, of Spring Arbor, Mich., cannot say too much in praise of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. For several years past she has been gradually running down in health, until a year ago she was completely prostrated with female weakness, stomach trouble and general debility. She tells her own story in this way:

"I was hardly able to do anything. My appetite was gone, I could not sleep and I really believed I was slowly passing away. I had tried many physicians and taken almost all kinds of medicines, but it did me no good, and I could see plainly that I was gradually growing worse and was completely discouraged. About this time I saw an advertisement of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and concluded to try them, for I believed that if they did me no good they could not make my condition worse. I sent for a box, and I am now in Jackson, and procured two boxes. I must confess I took them with but little hope of improvement. I had not taken all of the two boxes before I began to notice a change for the better. I continued the treatment until I had taken six boxes, and I am now able to do my work, but on several occasions have assisted my neighbors. I must say I have never received so much good from so small an amount of medicine."

A young lady who is a neighbor of Mrs. Aikin, but who objects to having her name used, was troubled with spasms, caused by suppressed menstruation and her condition became critical. Mrs. Aikin recommended Pink Pills to her. She had no faith in them, but to please her friend she sent for a box, and she is now well. Before she had taken them a week she felt better, and after taking six boxes she is apparently a well woman.

Another young lady who declined to allow her name to be used in print was very low with Bright's disease and had been in bed for several months. Upon Mrs. Aikin's recommendation she began taking Pink Pills, and after having used them but a few months, she is in better health than for years, and she gives all the credit to the wonderful curative qualities of Pink Pills.

In concluding her story Mrs. Aikin said: "My recovery, as well as those of the two girls mentioned, has been so remarkable that I would like all the world to know what a remedy I found in Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and if my statement will induce any sufferers to try them, I am sure they will be greatly improved, and I gladly give it." Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. Pink Pills are sold by all druggists or will be sent postpaid on receipt of price, 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

The Bedroom.

Every bedroom should, if possible, contain a couch, if it be only of wicker, and especially is one indispensable in the room of a guest, who frequently longs for a short nap, but refrains from taking one in the fear of disturbing a beautifully made or decorated bed. Guest furnishings, by the way, should not be made so fine as to be overpowering. If the room be small, and there is no other place for a couch, it could be set at the foot of the bed, where, if supplied with castors, it may be easily moved when necessary.

One suitable for use in a bedroom may be contrived with very little trouble, and it is astonishing what treasures the attic will afford.

I have a sofa in mind which was so unsightly as to be absolutely useless. It was one of the old-fashioned sort, with a carved-back; not by any means an antique of graceful shape and design, but a thoroughly plebeian, uncomfortable piece of furniture. The back was unscrewed and taken off, the soiled cover removed, and at a small cost new springs and a fresh cover of white cotton made it ready for a pretty spread and pillows, which transformed it completely. This spread of safeen in blue and white matched the hangings of the room, and it was made by sewing a deep frill gathered on a cord to a piece of the material of a suitable size to the cover of a sofa. This particular frill, by the way, was composed of many small pieces pinned together, and as it was quite full the gathers concealed the seams very effectively. When finished, two large pillows, covered with the same material as the spread, were added, the result being a luxurious resting-place on which one might while weary hours away.

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AN ACCIDENT.

Mr. Quintus Hummel, of 118 Michigan Ave., Detroit, tells a War Story of his own Experience, and the Result.

Our representative called at 118 Michigan Avenue, the residence of Mr. Quintus Hummel. Mr. Hummel is a veteran of the late war, and received, in the campaign, an injury which has given him much pain and suffering since. He belonged to a Michigan cavalry regiment and his horse becoming frightened one day reared up, throwing him backward. In falling he struck his spine on a sharp stone, inflicting a deep cut over five inches long. The injury affected the kidneys. About two years ago the left kidney started to bleed, and has been doing so ever since. Mr. Hummel, in a few pointed sentences, gave our representative the following account: "The accident of my 'war days' left me in bad shape; pain in my back and spine rendered me almost useless, and I was compelled to give up work entirely. I could not turn over in bed without assistance. I have spent hundreds of dollars in various ways trying to find relief. Physicians have told me my spine was honey-combed for 18 inches. I had given up in despair, never hoping for relief, when a friend told me about Doan's Kidney Pills, and they have done me a world of good. The pains have disappeared from my back, and the bleeding of my kidney has almost entirely stopped. I know I can never be entirely cured, as I would have to be a new man, but Doan's Kidney Pills have done more to make me feel like a new man than all the other things I have tried during past years. I have not had any recurrence of the pain or bleeding since taking them."

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