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THE RICHARDS MURDER.

It is on Call at Ann Arbor for Monday—
One of the Accused Was a Youthful Musical Prodigy.

Ann Arbor, Oct. 8.—The famous Richards murder case is on call for Monday in the circuit court. The three young men, Larkins, Lyons and Jones, charged with the murder of Richards, have been confined in the county jail since February 13th last, the delay in the case being due to the inability of the prosecution to secure evidence. The men would not talk about the case to a representative of the Journal further than to declare that they can prove their innocence when given a chance. Public sentiment seems to be veering in favor of the young men.

Rupert Jones, one of the accused men, when but 10 years old, challenged any one of his own age in the state of Michigan through the columns of the Journal to compete with him on the piano, but no one answered his challenge. During his stay in the jail he has received and answered more than 600 letters. He has saved the stamps, pasting them on a strip of paper, four in a row. The string now reaches from the top to the bottom of his cell a distance of six feet.—Detroit Journal, Oct/8th.

Crop Report.

The number of acres of growing wheat in the State last May as shown by the supervisors' returns was 1,513,919; the average yield per acre as found by threshing is 16.46 bushels, and the total yield in the State, 24,925,907 bushels. The total yield is found by multiplying the number of acres in each county by the average per acre in the same county and footing the products. The average per acre in the southern counties is 17.74 bushels; in the central, 13.35 bushels, and in the northern, 9.33 bushels. These averages are based upon a return of 117,250 acres threshed in the southern counties, more than 30,000 in the central counties and more than 4,000 in the northern counties.

The total number of bushels of wheat reported marketed by farmers since the September report was published was 2,447,282, and in two months, August and September, 3,635,032. This is 1,463,775 bushels more than reported marketed in the same months last year.

Oats are estimated to yield 35.79 bushels per acre, barley 21.18 bushels, and corn 64 bushels of ears, per acre. This estimate for corn is about three bushels less than the average yield in 1896. The yield of oats is from threshers' records. Considerable corn fodder has been injured by frost.

Potatoes are estimated to yield in the State 61 per cent. of an average crop. The estimate for the southern counties is 53 per cent.

Beans are estimated to yield 86 per cent of an average crop.

The percentages for winter apples are: Southern counties 11, central 23, northern 32 and State 18. These figures indicate no more than that the crop is a failure. The percentages for late peaches are: Southern counties 8, central 32, northern 16 and State 12.

It is probable that the ground was never so dry in Michigan at the usual time of wheat sowing as this year. The average rainfall in the state in August was 2.04 inches, and in September 1.30 inches. While these figures show a deficiency each month as compared with the normal, they do not convey any idea of the severity of the drought. The rainfall during the latter part of August and most of September was mostly in the northern counties and upper peninsula. Since about the middle of August the average rainfall in the central and southern counties, where ninety-six per cent. of the wheat is grown, has not been sufficient to be of appreciable benefit. The ground is thoroughly dried out. Wheat sowed early has come up, but unevenly. That sowed later was "dusted in," and much of it will hardly grow, at least not until rain comes. Many farmers had not yet sowed on the first of October. They were still waiting for rain.

The Farm Statistics for 1896-7, reported by supervisors, furnish the following statistics in live stock six months old and over, in the State in May, 1897, and sheep and wool sheared in 1896: Horses, 424,821; milch cows, 402,101; cattle other than milch cows, 253,261; hogs, 393,093; and sheep, 1,225,861. Sheep sheared in 1896, 1,353,127; pounds of wool, 8,392,742; average per head, 6.30 pounds.

WASHINGTON GARDNER,
Secretary of State.

U. V. U. and Women's Relief Corps Meeting at Urbana, O., October 19th to 21st.

One fare for the round trip via Ohio Central Lines. Tickets on sale Oct. 18th and 19th, good returning until Oct. 22d.

Crosby-Curtiss.

The beautiful home of Mr. C. B. Crosby was rendered still more attractive on Wednesday evening of this week by being neatly and tastefully decorated with a profusion of flowers and wreaths of smilax and asparagus. Pink and white carnations, with satin ribbons of the same tint, furnished the prevailing colors used in the decorations.

The occasion was the marriage of Miss Nellie Crosby and Mr. Geo. S. Curtiss. The ceremony occurred promptly at eight o'clock, and was impressively performed by Rev. Lee S. McClester, of Detroit, in the presence of about one hundred invited guests. Congratulations followed, supplemented by refreshments, after which the bride and groom left on a brief wedding trip. The presents were both numerous and costly.

Notes From the School Room.

The floors in the rooms occupied by Misses Durfee and Entrican have been oiled by a preparation, which, when the room is swept, will allow no dust to rise. It also prevents the rise of dust through the day. Very fine particles of dust floating in the air are often the cause of very serious lung and throat difficulties.

The paper on current events read by Norman Miller Tuesday a. m. was enjoyed by all.

Miss Jayne Corwin called at the school Wednesday noon.

Plans for some work of a very practical nature in the line of rhetorical have been announced. For the fall term members of the ninth grade are to give recitations before the high school at morning exercises. The members of the tenth grade are to write reproductions of short standard selections, which, after correction, are to be read before the school. The aim is two fold—for pupils to become familiar with the best literature of our language, and to attain some facility in rendering productions before an audience.

Work is slowly progressing in the arranging of the library. Many books are worn out and are useless; many can be remedied with a very slight expense and be made to stand service for a number of years.

The following out-of-town people attended the Crosby-Curtiss wedding Wednesday evening: Mrs. S. E. Curtiss, Lyons, N. Y.; Miss Curtiss, Manistee; Mrs. Wagoner, Cleveland; Miss Blanchard, Canandaigua, N. Y.; Mrs. E. J. Taft Grand Forks, N. D.; Mrs. H. F. Brown, Northville; Miss Amanda Carper, Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Vaughn, F. A. Dibble, Dr. H. E. Safford, Detroit.

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Geo. DeHaven, G. P. A.

Necessary Preliminary.

"What is the necessary preliminary to breaking off the liquor habit?" said a Covington Sunday-school teacher to one of her pupils.

"Learning to drink," replied the pupil.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

She—What do you think of the proposition to tax bachelors with a view to encouraging matrimony? He—I think it would be much better to give a bounty with wives.—Truth.

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Dr. J. J. MORRISON, June 8, 1888.
I have used a Huzinet furnished me by
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feet of a horse that was injured by shoeing
and pinched, and have found it very beneficial,
the most so of anything I have used.

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Brown university to E. Benjamin An-
drews—"Come back and all will be for-
given."

President Faure remarked nervously,
when the noise of the bomb mingled
with the cheers with which he was re-
ceived on his return from Russia, "I
say, don't be so deucedly enthusiastic."

The latest rules of the postoffice de-
partment require employes to use the
utmost civility in all their dealings
with the public. Civil service will
leave no room for a demand for civil
service reform.

They told how he ate, drank, slept,
talked, walked, winked, smiled, dressed
and undressed. The result, we believe,
was the supremest disgust the city ever
felt. If it was not humbuggery it was
the silliest of all possible slush by way
of personal revenge of political oppo-
sition; and the only man of the crowd
who didn't suffer from it was Mr. Cro-
ker.

Wilhelmina, the young girl who will
presently be queen of Holland, refuses
to marry the prince her mother picked
out for her and insists on choosing her
own time for marrying and likewise
the man who is to be her husband.
That is sheer rebellion. No prospective
queen and no real queen has any right
to such privileges. They are reserved
solely for the young sovereigns of the
world who have nothing to do with af-
fairs of state.

An east end of London boy of eight
years who was put on the witness stand
said he did not know what a lie was.
"Do you go to school?" "Yes, sir."
"Don't they teach you that it is wrong
to tell lies?" "No, sir." "What do they
teach you, then?" "Sums, sir." "What
a picture of a mechanical educa-
tion which cares for figures and not for
faith; for marks and not for man-
liness; for catch question more than
for a clear setting forth of the funda-
mentals of morality!"

The Boston subway, one of the most
interesting experiments in under-
ground rapid transit, was opened, in
part, September first. The section in
use is somewhat less than a mile long,
and extends from the entrance in the
Public Garden to the corner of Park
and Tremont streets. It is practically
an underground street, holding a part
of the way four tracks, and a part of
the way two, so constructed that there
is no crossing of tracks at the same
grade. Fourteen street car lines, run-
ning ninety cars an hour, are using it,
to the great relief of surface travel
on Tremont and Boylston streets.

The "Mad Mullah."—The great mutiny
in India forty years ago was largely
indicated by the preaching of a fan-
atical priest, the Moulvie of Fyzabad.
Another fanatical priest, the so-called
"Mad Mullah," or Moulvie, of Haddab,
is the most conspicuous leader in the
present troubles on the northwestern
frontier of India. He expects a power-
ful influence over the Moman and other
Mohammedan tribes, and the Brit-
ish agent at Cabul estimates his disci-
ples at one hundred thousand. The
home of the Mullah, who is otherwise
known as Najam-uddin Akhond-zada,
—that is, disciple of the Akhond,—is
at Haddab, in the Jelehab district.
He was active in fomenting the hos-
tility to the English which was the
cause of the Chitral expedition of 1895.
Lately he has been preaching a holy
war against them, and he led in person
the tribesmen who attacked Malakand
last month.

It has been estimated, says the Loco-
motive Firemen's Magazine, that the
present producing capacity of the world
is such, by the aid of improved ma-
chinery, that if operated to its full ex-
tent ten hours per day sufficient can
be produced in six months to supply
the world's demand for one year. This
being the condition with which the
people are confronted, it remains for
them to provide some means of greatly
increasing these demands, or else to
control methods of production that all
who depend upon labor for means of
subsistence shall have an opportunity
to secure employment. If half of the
population by working ten hours or
more a day can produce sufficient to
supply the demand of the entire popu-
lation, and this half insists on retain-
ing a monopoly of employment, what
is to become of the other half—the half
who are unemployed? There are but
three courses to pursue: Those who
earn wages must contribute as charity
sufficient to sustain the unemployed;
the employed can join with the unem-
ployed in dividing such employment so
that all may work ten hours or more
per day for half the number of days;
or, as is now advanced by trade union-
ists, the remedy can be found by short-
ening the hours of labor, so that all the
people can find some employment all
the time.

Before the Woman's Temple in Chi-
cago stands a charming fountain
known as "the little cold water girl,"
of whom it is said that though her
face is hard and her heart stone, she
has done more good than any other lit-
tle Chicago girl of the same age.

The editor of the Brooklyn Eagle
puts the new woman in bloomers and
then, oddly enough, calls her a rowdy
in petticoats. One ought to know the
difference between breeches and skirts
if one is going to discuss such a sub-
ject as that.

OUR BUDGET OF FUN.

SOME GOOD JOKES, ORIGINAL
AND SELECTED.

A Sure Thing for Smith—Why Erastus'
Horns Was Fast—His Catching Aver-
age—A Sign of Civilization—Flotsam
and Jetsam.

Just as Happy.
HEY silent sat,
while round them
soft
The whispering
breezes crept:
On high the moon;
a kindly cloud
Its face averted
kept.
The stars were filled
with envy of
The light within
her eyes—
At least, he thought
so, and he looked
Disdainful at the skies.

They silent sat; no intoned word
The tenderness did break;
Nor needed was to voice their love,
So neither of them spoke.
She smiled—a ripple faint and vague
Her charming lips did curl—
She laughed, and straight delicious went
His brain all in a whirl.

They silent sat; their souls did thrum
In rhythm sweet and soft.
The refrain of their love and did
Repeat it oft and oft.
Now was the time, it would be thought,
For him to say the word,
But not a sound did pass his lips
Nor was one by her heard.

They silent sat; it did seem strange
On her part, if not his:
Nor did a word from either come
When he stole a sudden kiss.
No occult wave did voice their thoughts,
Nor did it keep them mum—
Their finger ends they used, you see,
For both were deaf and dumb.



She—"Oh, Mr. Smith, won't you re-
cite for this evening?"
He—"Really there will be so many
strangers present; that—ah—"
She—"Oh, don't mind them, they'll
be gone before you're half through."

A Public Benefactor.
Mr. Smithkins (drawing up his will)
—To the Pockville Home for Incurables
I leave and bequeath the sum of \$10,
000; to the Pockville Orphan Asylum,
\$40,000; to the Pockville Baptist church,
\$5,000; to start a town library in the
town of Pockville, \$10,000; to the
Mrs. Smithkins—Goodness me! are
you crazy? You ain't worth ten cents,
and you know it.

Mr. Smithkins—Oh, shut up and
lemme me alone! I'm going to take
this will round to the president of the
Pockville National Bank and have him
witness it. I've got to overdraw my
account there for \$27 next week.

Its Antiquity.
A large earthenware vase in a down
town window in one of the large cities
is surrounded by a conspicuous sign
bearing this inscription:
Made of Egyptian Clay.
Three Thousand Years Old.

One day an expert, who happened to
be passing the window, stopped and
looked at the vase.
"Yes," he said, after a brief inspec-
tion, "it is considerably older than
three thousand years. I refer, of
course, to the clay. The vase probably
was made in 1893."

A Sentimentality.
Daughter (sentimentally)—Ah, moth-
er! the summer wanes. How beauti-
fully it does! Soon we will have the
frost—
Mother (who has tried ten seasons to
get the girl off her hands)—Oh, psaw!
You have had nothing but a "frost" all
summer!

Fast Indeed.
Squire—"Is it a fast horse, Eras-
tus?"
Erastus—"He oughter be, Squire.
He's been er' fastin' fo' free weeks."

His Catching Average.
"Have a good time on your vaca-
tion?" asked a man who could not
go.
"Made a record of 750," cheerfully
answered the young man.
"Did what?"
"Proposed to thirty-six girls and was
accepted by twenty-seven."

A Sign of Civilization.
"Somebody must be cultivating the
widow."
"Yes."
"Anyway, her weeds have disap-
peared"

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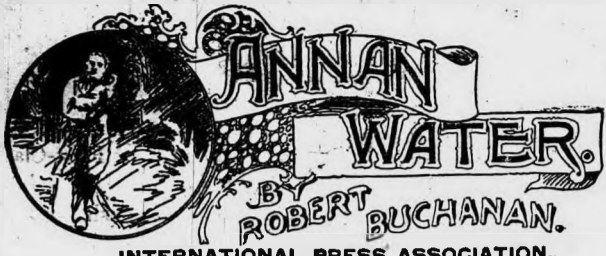
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CHAPTER XXVII.—(Continued.)

Presently the object of his search entered, being no other than the fairy prince he had admired so much from the first. Seen closely, she was a young woman of about five-and-twenty, with bold, black eyes, and a petulant mouth, significant of ill-temper. Directly she saw him she tossed her head and made a grimace.

"So it is you!" she cried. "I thought you were dead, and buried."

"And you did not mourn me?" returned Caussidiere, softly, with his most winning smile. "Well, I have come to ask you to sup with me tonight at the Cafe des Trente Etolles."

"I shall not come! I am engaged!" "Nonsense, Seraphine! You will come."

"Of course she will come," cried the low comedian, breaking in. "My children, live in amity while you can, and drink of the best, for the Germans are approaching. Papa Corbert commands you—be merry, my children, while you may. Seraphine, Caussidiere is a king tonight; you will join him and drink confusion to the enemies of France."

"Why did you not come before?" demanded Seraphine, sharply. "It is a week since I have seen you. Were you nursing the baby at home?"

"Ah, Caussidiere is a model husband," exclaimed Mademoiselle Blanche; "he rocks the cradle and goes to bed at ten."

"Ladies," said Corbert, with mock solemnity, "I conjure you not to jest on such a subject. I am a family man myself, as you are aware. Respect the altar! Venerate the household! And since the Germans are approaching—"

"Both the Germans!" interrupted Seraphine. "Let them come and burn Paris to the ground. I should not care. I tell you, Caussidiere, I have an engagement."

"Don't believe her!" cried Corbert. "Seraphine will sup with you. She loves Brunet's oyster patés too well to deny you. Think of it, my child! A little supper for two, with Chamberlin that has just felt the fire, and champagne."

An hour later Caussidiere and Mademoiselle Seraphine were seated in one of the cabinets of the Cafe des Trente Etolles amicably discussing their little supper.

When the meal was done and the waiter had brought in the coffee, the pair sat side by side, and Caussidiere's arm stole round the lady's waist.

"Take your arm away," she cried, laughing. "What would Madame Caussidiere say if she saw you?"

Caussidiere's face darkened. "Never mind her," he returned. "Ah, but I do mind! You are a bad man, and should be at home with your wife. Tell me, Caussidiere," she continued, watching him keenly, "does she know how you pass the time?"

"She neither knows nor heeds," replied Caussidiere. "She is a child, and stupid, and does not concern herself with what she does not understand."

Seraphine's manner changed. The smile passed from her face, and the corners of her petulant mouth came down. Frowning, she lighted a cigarette, and, leaning back, watched the thin blue wreaths of smoke as they curled up toward the ceiling.

"What are you thinking of?" asked Caussidiere, tenderly. "I am thinking—"

"Yes." "That you are incorrigible, and not to be trusted; you have given this person your name, and I believe she is your wife after all; and if that is so, what will become of your promises to me? I am a fool, I believe, to waste my time on such a man."

"Seraphine!" "Is she your wife, or is she not?" "She is not, my angel."

"Then you are free! Answer me truly; no falsehoods, if you please."

"I will tell you the simple truth," replied Caussidiere, sinking his voice and nervously glancing toward the door. "In one sense, look you, I am married; in another, I am not married at all."

"What nonsense you talk! Do you think I am insane?"

"I think you are an angel." "Fuhaw! Take your arm away." "Listen to me, Seraphine. The affair is very simple, as I will show you."

"Blen! Go on!" "In a moment of impulse, for reasons which I need not explain, I married her of whom you speak, according to the English law. It was a foolish match, I grant you, and I have often repented it from the moment when I met you."

"Apres?" murmured Seraphine, with a contemptuous shrug of her little shoulders.

"Apres? Well, the affair is clear enough. I am a French citizen, my Seraphine!"

He looked at her smilingly, with an expression of wicked meaning. She returned the look, laughing petulantly.

"What of that?" she asked.

"Do you not perceive? So long as I remain in my mother country, where no ceremony has taken place, this person is not my wife at all. The law is very convenient, is it not? A marriage in England with an English subject is no marriage unless it has been properly ratified in France."

"Oh, but you are traitreux," she cried.

"It is abominable. Why do you not do what is right, and acknowledge her according to the French law?"

"For a very good reason. There is some one I love better, as you know."

But the actress drew herself angrily away. "You love no one. You have no love in your heart. I tell you, Leon, I am sorry for her and for her child. There is a child, too, is there not?"

"Yes," replied Caussidiere.

"Does she know, this poor betrayed, what you have just told me?"

"Certainly not. It would only distress her!"

"It is infamous!" exclaimed Seraphine. "Not at all," he answered. "She is very happy in her ignorance, I assure you. When the time comes, and it may come when you please, I will tell her the truth and she will quietly go home."

There was a long pause. Seraphine continued to smoke her cigarette and to glance from time to time with no very admiring eagerness at her companion. It was clear that the frank confession of his villainy had not raised him in her esteem. Seeing her coldness, and anxious to change the subject, he rang for the waiter and ordered the bill. While that document was being prepared he opened his purse and looked into it. The act seemed to remind him of something he had forgotten. He felt in the pocket of his coat, and drew forth a small cardboard box.

"I have something to show you," he said, smiling.

Seraphine glanced up carelessly. "What is it, pray?"

"It is this," replied Caussidiere, opening the box and showing a gold bracelet richly wrought. "Do you think it pretty? Stay! Let me try it on your arm!"

So saying, he clasped the bracelet on Seraphine's left wrist. Holding out her arm, she looked at it with assumed carelessness, but secret pleasure, for she was a true daughter of the theater, and loved ornament of any kind.

"I see," she said, slyly. "A little present for madame!"

"Diable! No, it is for you—if you will accept it."

"No, thank you. Please take it away. I will not take what belongs to another."

"Then I will throw it into the street!"

At this moment the waiter returned with the bill. It amounted to a considerable sum, and when Caussidiere had settled it, and liberally fed the bringer, there was very little left in the purse.

"You will wear the bracelet for my sake," said Caussidiere, softly, as he assisted theatrically to put on her cloak.

"No, no," answered Seraphine, but without attempting to take the bracelet off. "Apropos, Leon, where do you get your money? You do not work much, I think, and yet you spend your cash, sometimes like an English milor."

"I wish I were twenty times as rich, for your sake!" cried Caussidiere, evading the question. "Ah, my Seraphine, I adore you!"

He drew her toward him and kissed her on the lips. The present of the bracelet had prevailed, and she suffered the salute patiently; but there was an expression in her face which showed that she rated her admirer exactly at his true worth.

A few minutes later Caussidiere, with the actress hanging on his arm, gayly quitted the cafe.

CHAPTER XXVIII.

ON the morning after her strange interview with Marjorie, Adele of the Mouches d'Or, dressed in the wildly extravagant costume of a petroleuse, and holding a flaming torch in her hand, was standing in an artist's studio—a grimy enough apartment, situated in a back street in the neighborhood of the Madeleine.

She was posing for the benefit of the artist immediately in front of her, but her eyes were fixed not upon him, but upon the figure of a young man who was working hard at the other end of the room. Ever since she first came to the studio, just three days before, Adele had watched the young man very curiously.

His behavior interested her. He seldom spoke, but worked at his picture with quiet pertinacity. Presently the young fellow dropped his brush and walked silently from the room. Adele turned her eyes upon her companion.

"Who is your friend, monsieur?" she asked abruptly.

The artist, deeply engaged in his work, failed at first to notice her question.

"Who is he?" she asked again.

"He?" "Yes; the young man who works always and never speaks."

"He is a friend."

"Naturally, monsieur, since he shares your studio. But where does he come from?"

The artist smiled.

"You seem curious about him, made-

moiselle," he said. "What do you wish to know concerning him?"

The girl shrugged her shoulders. "Wish to know!" she exclaimed. "Ea fo! I have no wish to know, monsieur."

"Then I don't mind telling you. He is a countryman of mine. He was born in a village near where I was born. I knew him when he was a boy; and when he came to Paris a few months ago, determined to work hard and compelled to live on slender means, I offered to share my studio with him, and he is here. There, you have lost your fierce look and got quite a tame one into your eyes. You are no longer a wild creature of the Revolution. You are also stiff, I perceive. Take a few turns about the rooms, mademoiselle, then we will go on."

The artist walked over to a table littered with all kinds of debris, filled a well-colored briar-root pipe, and began to smoke.

He was a tall man, slight in build, rather good-looking, but very carelessly dressed; when he walked, he did so with a slight limp, though he appeared to have well-knit limbs; and when he spoke French, he did so with a very strong insular accentuation. From himself Adele had learned nothing of his personal history, for he was chary of giving that kind of information, and at times more inclined to work than talk.

Having received permission to rest, Adele shook herself like a young panther, and leaped lightly from the rostrum, while her employer, having lit his pipe, strolled off and left her in sole possession of the studio. She stood for a moment to stretch her limbs, already cramped with posing, then strolled thoughtfully to the further end of the studio, where the younger of the two men had been working. There stood the picture at which he worked so assiduously, covered with a green tord of balze. Adele longed to have a peep at it. She listened; returned to the door; there was no sound; then she ran lightly across the room, lifted the loose balze and exposed the picture to full view.

"Holy Mother!" she exclaimed, starting back with raised eyebrows and hands.

"You are started, mademoiselle," said a voice. "Do you consider the picture a bad one?"

Adele turned and saw her employer gazing at her from the threshold of the room.

"If you please," he continued, advancing, "we will return to our work. Your face has got some expression now; the rest has done you good."

Without a word she turned from the picture, mounted her rostrum and fell into her accustomed pose.

For a time the artist worked again silently, and Adele, glancing from him to the picture, seemed deliberating as to what she should do.

Presently she spoke. "How long has he been in Paris?" she said, indicating by a sidelong movement of her head the person who usually occupied the other end of the room.

"Several months, as I informed you," returned the artist, without looking up from his work.

"Who is his model?"

"Which one?"

"For that picture."

"No one. He paints from memory."

"Ah, then, he has known her? He is a compatriot of madame?"

"Of whom?"

"Of the original of that picture—Madame Caussidiere."

"Ah, you think you trace a likeness to a friend."

"I do not think it, monsieur; I know it. It is madame, not as she is now—ah, no—but as she must have been years ago, before she married that chouan of a Caussidiere!"

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

HAND TO MOUTH.

In America People Leave Nothing for Their Children to Spend.

In America it is the custom—very nearly the universal custom—for parents to spend upon the luxuries and pleasures of the family life the whole income, says the North American Review. The children are educated according to this standard of expenditure and are accustomed to all its privileges.

No thought is taken of the time when they must set up households for themselves—almost invariably upon a very different scale from the one to which they have been used. To the American parent this seems only a natural downfall. They remark cheerfully that they themselves began in a small way and it will do the young people no harm to acquire a similar experience, forgetting that in most cases their children have been educated to a much higher standard of ease than that of their own early life. They do not consider it obligatory to leave anything to their children at death. They have used all they could accumulate during their own lifetime—let their children do the same. The results of the system are crystallized in the American saying, "There are but three generations from shirt sleeves to shirt sleeves." The man who acquires wealth spends what he makes. His children, brought up in luxury, struggle unsuccessfully against conditions to which they are unused, and the grandchildren begin in their shirt sleeves to toil for the wealth dissipated by the two preceding generations.

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Mr. Furuya and Mr. Mizutani are planning to open tea bazars in many of the principal cities in the United States and Canada, where ladies can enjoy a cup of fine Japanese tea made by experts, and at the same time receive instructions which will enable them to make it equally well at home. More than half the tea consumed in the United States and Canada is of Japanese growth, yet, the majority of Americans apparently do not understand how to prepare it so as to develop the delicious qualities which it contains. It is believed by these gentlemen that when Americans are in possession of the secret of making good tea, the consumption in this country will fully equal that of Europe in proportion. The Japanese government has appropriated a large fund to aid the Japanese tea growers and tea merchants in prosecuting this educational work, and it is hoped that American ladies will be apt students. The main bureau of the Japanese Tea Guild has issued an official recipe for making Japanese tea, the translation of which is as follows:

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We have just taken the agency for Ladders and can furnish any length from 10 to 24 feet at 11 cents per foot. Extension Ladders, 20 to 44 feet at 14 cents per foot. These are strictly No. 1 Ladders with hickory or elm rounds. We also have No. 2 Ladders at 8 cents per foot.

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Carleton will have a street fair Oct. 20 and 21.

A civil service examination will be held in Pontiac Dec. 4th.

Get figures on job printing at THE MAIL, job rooms and get good work.

Greenfield people fear an epidemic of diphtheria. They have a few cases now.

The Ann Arbor Argus is agitating the question of a park at that place. Come over and take a squint at Plymouth's park and pattern after it, then you will have something to be proud of.

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Friday, Oct. 15, 1897.

FAR AND NEAR!

IMPORTANT EVENTS FROM OUR EXCHANGE CONDENSED AND RECORDED HERE.

Chas. Smack and Miss Pattie Bennett, of Belleville, were married at that place. The Petersburg Sun has shown for six years, but like everything else has its falling.

The Seventh Day Advents contemplated building a church at Belleville in the near future.

The new building of the Wayne carriage factory is certainly an ornament to the town. It is a large brick structure and will afford ample room to carry on their work.

The township of Plymouth fixes the license for peddlers, under the new law, at \$15 per year. There's where the town makes a \$15 fool of itself, toward monopoly.—Adrian Press.

What is the matter with Wayne? Nearly every week some one is held up or houses entered and valuables taken. Try a good night watch and if that doesn't stop 'em, get the whole Detroit police force.

Ypsilanti alderman are trying to imitate Detroit as nearly as possible. One night last week one of the alderman charged Curtiss, the public works commissioner, with taking water into his system from the water-works system without liquidating the necessary "root of evil" therefor. It is all right, too. Any man that will drink that Ypsilanti water when he is in a position to "work" the budge peddlers he ought to be squealed on.

Probably nearly as much money is spent (or rather thrown away) on fake advertising schemes as is expended in legitimate and profitable newspaper advertising. We know some local merchants whose business announcements never appear in the city newspapers, yet who are the softest marks that the fake advertising man strikes. They pay out considerable sums every year for advertising that does them no good whatever. Cheap and irregular methods are dear at any price.

The attorney general of Michigan says book agents must hereafter pay a state tax, in compliance with the new law. Sewing machine agents must also "cough up," as well as those who peddle musical instruments, lightning rods, pumps, patent medicines, soap, dry goods, cloth, china and tinware, groceries, meat, fruit, etc. Only the manufacturer, mechanic, nurseryman, farmer or butcher, keeping a regular place of business, can sell his own productions by himself or employees.

The trial of Harold Ainsworth for adultery came off in the circuit court, Detroit, on Wednesday. After hearing a portion of the evidence for the prosecution, the judge ordered a verdict of acquittal. Judge Donovan took occasion to say that suspicions are not proofs upon which persons can be convicted of crime. The case against Mrs. Ainsworth was ordered dismissed. This fortunate termination of the case for them does not change the verdict of the people in the least.—Wayne Review.

When Daniel Cotcher, of Flushing, Mich., was in Palestine a few years ago he brought home some of the corn, such as mentioned in the Bible, Luke 6:1, "And it came to pass on the second Sabbath after the first that he went through the corn field, and his disciples did pluck the ears of corn and did eat, rubbing them in their hand." T. V. Rogers, of Flushing, planted some of the corn in his garden last spring and it is now nearly matured. The stalks and leaves resemble our own, but the grain instead of growing on ears grows in clusters on the top, and resemble in appearance the tassel of our corn. The kernels are spherical and smaller than the kernel of wheat. They are covered only by a thin chaff and are very palatable. We can understand better this passage of scripture when we know the nature of the corn mentioned.—Chelsea Standard.

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Due from other banks and houses	250 54	Savings deposits	84,988 88
Checks and cash items	2,963 49		\$219,513 66
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at Plymouth, in the State of Michigan, at the close of business, October 28, 1897.

RESOURCES.		LIABILITIES.	
Loans and discounts	\$89,831 67	Capital stock paid in	\$50,000 00
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	579 86	Surplus fund	10,000 00
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	12,500 00	Undivided profits, less taxes and interest	5,000 01
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	1,875 00	Dividends unpaid	189 50
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures	7,341 15	Commercial deposits	85,194 17
Due from U. S. Treasury	18,144 08	Certificates of deposit	35,000 67
Notes of other National Banks	2,477 00	Savings deposits	84,988 88
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	229 19		\$219,513 66
Special tender notes	7,922 09		
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Mat Edwards was very seriously injured by falling from the roof of F. M. Warner's new house Thursday afternoon. He had gone on the roof to cut off the brackets and one gave way. He fell about 15 feet striking on one foot, badly crushing the ankle bone.—Farmington Enterprise.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS AND PERSONAL MENTION.

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

Rev. L. N. Moon, of South Lyon, will exchange pulpits with Rev. J. B. Oliver next Sunday.

Dell Knapp has again resumed duties as brakeman on the F. & P. M. between this place and Toledo.

Ed. Crosby says it was a mistake about his trying to balance on his wheel when he fell, that he was trying to turn a short corner.

On Friday evening, Oct. 15th, the Ypsilanti Corps of the Salvation Army will hold a meeting in the Baptist church. All are welcome.

A careful investigation will convince purchasers that Plymouth is the place to trade. Carefully peruse the advertisements in THE MAIL and you will certainly save money.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Wright died on Saturday night last of neuralgia of the bowels. The funeral was held Monday afternoon at the M. E. church, and the remains interred in Riverside cemetery.

While in town last week August Wolf, of Detroit, ordered a fine survey of Chas. Brems, as did also J. G. Streng. Mr. Brems has an enviable reputation as a carriage builder and will no doubt out-do all previous efforts on these jobs.

H. W. Tuttle, of Plymouth Grange, was elected at a meeting of the Wayne Co. granges, held in Wayne, Oct. 5th, to act as delegate at the state grange to be held in Lansing in December. Mr. Tuttle is well qualified to ably represent the granges at that meeting.

By this item we wish to give a word of warning to the newsboys and others, who are in the habit of frequenting the depot in the evening, that the railroad company has issued orders to the effect that any ungentlemanly conduct on their part will be resented by prosecution.

Thomas McGraw, a former resident and business man of Novi, died in Detroit Monday night from injuries received by being run down by a street car Sunday afternoon. He was 78 years of age and had resided in Michigan since 1835. He was a brother of Geo. McGraw, a former resident of Plymouth.

At the meeting of the board of supervisors Tuesday in Detroit, L. J. Christian was elected to the office of auditor for Wayne county. There is no doubt but what Mr. Christian - as his name indicates - is a good man and well qualified for the position to which he was elected, although we regret that he was chosen instead of our townsman, W. H. Hoyt, than whom no man in the county or state is better qualified or more capable of satisfactorily filling the office. Mr. Christian is a man of sterling qualities, and will make the people an efficient and painstaking officer.

The Brighton fair has attracted many Plymouth people this week.

The Courtenay-Morgan Company came here from Northville well recommended. Here all next week.

Admission reduced to 10 and 15c for the week's entertainment.

Born, on Monday last, to Mr. and Mrs. Willard Bain, of Stark, a daughter.

Compliments may be silly, but that man or woman never lived who didn't like them.

Born, Monday forenoon, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shields, a son; weight, 11 pounds.

The Courtenay-Morgan Comedy Co. are playing this week in the Northville opera house.

Plymouth Rock Lodge, F. & A. M., will go to Ypsilanti Monday evening next to confer the third degree.

L. C. Hough & Son, have put in a "World" cash register in the elevator. It is an ornament, as well as a time saver.

Roy Lane has been working on crutches the past few days on account of coming in contact with two logs badly crushing his foot and leg.

On account of sickness F. E. Lamphere was unable to attend to business yesterday. Will Travis attended the wants of his customers.

E. L. Riggs is again flooding the country with large bills, announcing the arrival of his new fall stock and the great bargains he is offering.

New correspondents have been secured at Stark and Northville, and hereafter our readers may look for an interesting letter from those places each week.

M. S. Miller is now the owner of a wheel, and has so far conquered it that he rides up town. He will not attempt to break any records - nor his neck - but will use the machine to facilitate business.

B. H. Rea, who has been in the laundry business here the past year, departed yesterday morning for Ohio, where he will start a new laundry. His brother, Frank, will continue the business at this place.

Fred Bath lives over in Plymouth, but the Plymouth people don't make a great fuss like the Ypsilanti folks, and call public meetings to advertise their Bath house. Still it wouldn't be of any use for more than one lady to try and get a Bath over at Plymouth. - Adrian Press.

E. K. Bennett is the possessor of some "jumping beans," or at least a good imitation of their movements, in the form of a capsule. There is no "now-you-see-it-and-now-you-don't" about them, but it is great sport to watch their life-like movements when let loose on the counter or floor.

Some dirty sneak stole 70 feet of hose (not ladies' hose) from in front of E. L. Riggs' store one night last week. The hose was owned by E. L. Riggs, O. A. Fraser and J. R. Rauch & Son and was nearly new. A person that is mean enough to steal an article of that kind would steal the pennies off from his dead grandmother's eyes and swear because they were not dollars.

Monday Marshal Nowland received no tice from the Bay City chief of police that burglars were headed for here and thought they would be here that night. Mr. Nowland, who is also night watch, kept a close look-out that night and every night since, but as yet the night marauders have failed to materialize, and it is hoped they will not. Should they visit our town there is no doubt but what they would meet with a warm reception.

The Courtenay-Morgan Company playing here this week is universally conceded by the public to be the best combination that ever visited Milford. The fair star, Miss Courtenay-Morgan possesses great personal charms and has evidently been a close student of her chosen art. Richly robed, she appeared Monday night in the part of "Felicia" and invested that character with the varied moods of scorn, hate and maternal love. Her voice is fresh and liquid, her every pose a picture. In the lighter roles, such as "Polly" in "Wanted, a Wife," and "Sweetheart" in the play of the same name, she was chic and piquant, and has proved herself to be an actress of wonderful versatility. The company has rendered her throughout an excellent support in quite an extensive repertoire. - Milford (Mich.) Times, Oct. 2, '97.

AS THEY COME AND GO!

Purely Personal Paragraphs Promiscuously Picked:

Claude Briggs was in town over Sunday.

Fred Dibble and wife spent Sunday in Plymouth.

Mrs. Thos. Perry visited friends here last week.

E. S. Roe and Miss Burch spent Sunday in Pontiac.

F. T. Peck, of Willoughby, O., is visiting old friends in town.

The Courtenay-Morgan Company at the opera house all next week.

F. H. McLain, of Northville, was in town a short time Monday.

Clay Hoyt returned Saturday from a two weeks' visit at Ann Arbor.

Miss Mamie Conner is visiting Brighton friends and attending the fair.

Master Walter Sumner is spending a couple of weeks at A. A. Taft's home.

August Wolff and wife, of Detroit, were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Streng.

"Jim" Huff, of Northville, is again working for M. Conner & Son in their "tinners."

Mrs. Rasch, of Northville, has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. H. Nevison, this week.

R. L.-Root has been entertaining his sister, Mrs. Kate Covert, of Lexington, the past week.

Mrs. Hannah Barker, of Bay City, is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Shattuck for a few days.

Mrs. E. A. Shafer, of Northville, has been a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Shafer a part of this week.

John Potter departed Monday for Detroit, where he will again take up studies in the Detroit Business college.

J. D. Murdock and I. Wright attended a meeting of the supreme lodge of the Columbian League at Detroit Tuesday.

M. H. Briggs has gone to Detroit to attend his mother, who has been there the past five weeks being treated for a cancer.

Miss Isle Atchinson, of Plymouth, has been the guest of her friend, Miss Libbie Johnson, this week. - Farmington Enterprise.

A. B. Smith, publisher of the Milan Leader, was a pleasant caller at this office Tuesday. He was on his way home from a visit with Farmington friends.

Mrs. Aiken, of Chicago, and Mrs. Feigle, of Minnesota, who have been visiting their sister, Mrs. G. E. Brownell, for the past four or five weeks, have returned to their homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Clark, of Grandin, N. D., are visiting Mrs. Clark's uncle, Ira Kinyon. They will leave next Monday for Staten Island, N. Y., where they will visit Mr. Clark's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradner called on Plymouth friends last Tuesday going by wagon road. Mr. Bradner states that had the dust been a little thicker they would not have received so much in their eyes, but as Mr. Bradner contemplates going to Klondike he drives to Plymouth in order to become familiar with (gold) dust. - Northville Cor. Courier.

Wednesday was clearly F. & A. M. day in Plymouth, as on that day a school of instruction was held in their hall under the supervision of State Lecturer Arthur M. Clark. Northville, South Lyon, Wayne, Belleville and Farmington lodges were well represented. In the evening the third degree was exemplified, F. E. Lamphere being the candidate, after which, according to custom, a banquet was served. The banquet, of course, was one of the features of the evening, and was heartily enjoyed by all in attendance. Such occasions not only instruct members in the duties implied in their order, but bring and bind them closer together in the bonds of friendship and fraternal affection.

Plymouth Markets.

The following is the market report for Plymouth as corrected every Thursday:

Wheat, No. 2, red,	87
Wheat, No. 3, red,	86
Wheat, No. 1 white,	86
Oats, No. 2,	41
Rye, No. 2,	41
Butter,	18
Eggs,	14
Potatoes, new,	35-40
Beans, according to sample,	60-75

Latest style calling cards at THE MAIL office.

M. S. Miller has moved into his house on Main-st.

Huston & Co. offer heating stoves from \$4.50 up. Call and see them.

The fattened turkeys will soon be gobbled up for Thanksgiving festivities.

Mrs. C. H. Nevison was confined to her bed by sickness the first of the week.

The Imperial Jubilee Concert Co. gave an entertainment in the M. E. church Monday evening.

Rev. J. H. Herbener will use for his subject next Sunday afternoon, "The Cost of a Mess of Pottage."

Is a lecture course for Plymouth this winter one of the impossibilities? It seems as though it might be a good thing for some of the societies to take hold of.

The Brighton fair is in full blast this week. The base ball tournament is the attraction. Wednesday the Fowlerville team was defeated by Brighton, and yesterday Howell and Northville crossed bats.

Anyone having friends from a distance visiting them, or there is any unusual happening transpires in their neighborhood, will confer a great favor on the editor by telling him or dropping it in the item box at the door of the postoffice.

The new State Telephone exchange is now being put in. The switch board and phones have been here over a week, but the company's men have been kept busy elsewhere, thereby delaying the work of getting these in running order.

The twentieth annual convention of the first district of Michigan W. C. T. U. was held at the M. E. church Wednesday and Thursday of this week. All the surrounding local unions were well represented. A full report will be given next week.

J. R. Rauch & Son have been making great improvements this week on the interior of their double store, by papering and painting. It presents a very neat and attractive appearance. They are now ready to supply you with your winter goods.

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Having thoroughly remodeled my mill with sixty horse-power engine and two run of stone, I am now prepared to serve the public in first-class shape in feed grinding. My mill will open Tuesday with a capacity of 500 bushels per day. Satisfaction guaranteed. L. L. Lewis.

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Probate Judge Peter Pasco, of Marquette county, an ex-state senator, has died at the age of 86. Already there are 10 candidates for the judgeship.

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"CALIFORNIA JOE."

(By W. F. Cody.)

N 1874 I was acting as guide to the Big Horn Mountain expedition against the Indians, of which Gen. Anson Mills was in command. One day we were marching along the very summit of the big divide between the Big Horn and the Powder rivers and came to a halt to rearrange the pack-train, saddles and so forth. We were fully 400 miles from the living place of any human beings. So when all of a sudden we saw a man on the hills at a distance in the rear we watched him pretty sharply. He was on horseback, traveling quietly along in the same direction we were headed. Gen. Mills asked me if I had any of my men out. I had none, and we made up our minds that it was an Indian.

As we drew nearer, however, I saw it was a white man, and in a few minutes I recognized my old acquaintance, California Joe. And a curious spectacle to behold he was. He was mounted on a tough, battered-up looking old bronco with a saddle that looked as though it might have seen service since the days of the Forty-niners. His dirty buckskin leggings had been so shrunken by frequent wettings and dryings that they were drawn up above the tops of his boots and nearly to his knees. His boot heels were so worn down that they were nearly obliterated and his buckskin shirt was a maze of grease and dirt. He had a Navajo blanket and an old blue army overcoat strapped to his saddle, while on one side of the bronco there dangled a piece of raw elk meat. His rifle was an old Hawkins muzzleloader.

"Hello, Joe," I shouted as soon as he was within hearing. "Where in the world are you going, away off here?"

"Oh, nowhere in pertickler," he replied; "jest out fer a mornin' ride."

Gen. Mills and the officers had heard of Joe, and when I introduced him all around they greeted him very warmly. They pressed him with questions and I did the same. But it was no use. We could get nothing out of him save that he was "jest out fer a mornin' ride," as he had said when I first hailed him.

"Well, Joe," I said at last, "don't you want to go along with us?"

"Waal, no," he said slowly; "leastwise unless you've got some terbaccher. I don't travel with no Government outfit unless they've got terbaccher."



HOW THE OLD MAN DID LAUGH.

Tobacco was rather scarce in the command, but such of the officers as had any contributed their mite, and Joe was supplied temporarily and agreed to go with us. His knowledge of the country made him invaluable as a guide, although he was generally trailing along behind with the soldiers, swapping his lies for tobacco—for Joe was a notorious expert at drawing the long bow.

He kept along with us without event for several days, until rather late one afternoon, when we were nearing Cloud Peak, in the Big Horn Mountains. I had dropped back to ask Gen. Mills about how many miles further on we would go before camping, and found Joe, as usual, retailing a yarn for a chew of tobacco. While talking with Gen. Mills we noticed that the advance guard had come to a halt and were examining something on the ground with every appearance of great interest. It was an unusual thing for the advance guard to stop for anything, so that our curiosity was greatly aroused to know what it was which they were looking at. It proved to be only a grave, but a grave made with such care, so beautifully and heavily covered with stones to keep out the prowling wolves, that it told a very touching little story of its own devoted friendship.

As we stood grouped about it Joe came up. He looked at the grave for a moment, and then suddenly dashed his greasy coyote-skin cap on the ground, and in a voice that thrilled curiously in contrast with his usual listless drawl, he cried out:

"At last!"

It was some time before he would answer any of the questions that were fired at him, but finally, in response to an inquiry by Gen. Mills, he said:

"Do I know anything about that grave? Waal, I reckon I do, bein' as I helped make it myself."

And then he told his story, slowly and with a good deal of dramatic power. The name he gave as being that of the occupant of the grave has now slipped my mind.

"The man in this grave," he said, "was one of a party of us that was trappin' and prospectin' ever so long ago at the mouth of the Columbia river; doin' a little work for the Astors trappin' and doin' a little work for ourselves trappin'. But there wasn't no lead in sight up that way that promised to pan out, so we all allowed we'd strike back towards the Missouri river, prospectin' as we went along."

"We went through Idaho and Montana and worked along in western Wyoming. One day while we was goin' slowly along down a tributary of the Shoshone river, all of a sudden we see suthin' glitterin' in the bed of the stream. Nuggets! That's what they was. Big and little yellow nuggets scattered around in the bottom of the stream. No man livin' ever seen the like of it. We never stopped to bother about our broncos. We jest splashed into that stream hands and feet and began clawin' out them nuggets. In less'n half an hour we had the bank heaped up and scattered all about with 'em."

"Then we thought about the broncos, and all I need to tell you is that we loaded down the broncos and loaded down ourselves with them gold nuggets until we couldn't carry another ounce. We threw away everything we had and could get along without and took nuggets on in its place. Then we struck out. Our plan was to get to the Missouri and then build a raft and float down to St. Louis, and we did. Only when we got right where we are now standing the man lyin' under them stumps took sick all of a sudden and in two hours he was dead. We buried him and fixed that grave jest the way you see it now. Nothin's ever touched it. That I'd swear to."

"Well," asked one of the officers, "what did you do with your nuggets?"

"Oh, I cashed mine in St. Louis, went to New York, and from there went to Paris. It was nearly two years before the last of it was gone. Then I got over to England and worked my way

stirred up by it, and notwithstanding the old man's awful reputation as a liar, the circumstances of his triumphant expression when he first caught sight of the grave as well as his earnestness of manner and the circumstantial detail of his story—all this had more effect even on some of the officers than they cared to admit, and more than one wistful eye went sneaking back to the lonely grave when the order was given and the command resumed its march.

I won't deny that I was a good deal interested myself, and when we camped that night, a few miles further on, I kept a sharp eye on Joe's movements. I fully believed he would take the first chance to sneak off to that grave. I didn't know whether he had noticed my watching him and had given up trying to slip away from me or not, but pretty soon he gave me a wink and in a few minutes we were out of sight, talking together.

"Look here, Bill," he said as soon as we were alone, "do you want to see some fun?"

"Of course I do," I replied.

"Well, then, you come along with me; we can make a sneak right now," said Joe.

"But," I replied, "don't we need anything? Don't we need a pick or—"

Joe looked at me with a grave, almost melancholy expression for a moment before he replied. Then he said slowly:

"N—no. I guess we can get along without any pick."

He led the way and I followed. He started in the opposite direction from the grave, but, as I thought would be the case, he gradually began to circle around, until finally we were among some boulders overlooking the spot where the dust of the dead man was mouldering away among his buried treasure. It was a starlight night and we could see the gleam of the gray stones on the grave quite clearly. I was beginning to get quite in a fever to begin the resurrection business once.

"Now," said Joe, "your jest about yourself behind that there boulder fer awhile and you'll see more durn fun than you ever seen in your life before."

"But," I said, "what?"

"What?" broke in Joe. "What? Why, in less'n than an hour you'll see half that camp come prowlin' around here with picks and shovels and jackknives rippin' up the ground around that stone heap like a pack of pawin' buffalo bulls."

"Yes, but why don't we cut in now," I urged, "and get out the gold ahead of 'em?"

"Gold be durned," said Joe, contemptuously. "I never set eyes on that cussed grave afore this mornin'."

Well, Joe was right. Before we had been there half an hour shadowy forms began stealing in and out of the gloom. They came singly, they came in pairs and they came in groups of three and four, and such a clattering of picks and tossing of dirt as they made! They dug up about half an acre of earth before one after another, wheezing and blowing with the work, knocking off and melted away in the darkness, out of which they had emerged, leaving a sulphurous trail of language devoted to old Joe behind them. And how the old man did laugh—holding his sides and grinding his face into the ground to stifle the noise.

As for me, it was not altogether such fun as it was for Joe. I couldn't help thinking as I watched the lunatic's antics that it was only an accident that I was not a conspicuous star among them.

Yet I would have had good company. There were officers among them as well as privates.

Joe died with his boots on. Somebody shot and killed him at the Red Cloud agency in 1874.

PERSONAL.

Verdi has handed over to his friend Bolto a box containing the complete score of an opera, which is not to be opened till the great composer is dead.

President Kruger has presented a rare specimen of native gold to the Royal Geological Museum at Berlin. The gift is said to be worth about \$300.

It is stated that Mr. Cecil Rhodes will soon return to London, his presence being necessary in connection with the settlement of certain difficulties arising out of the titles to land in Rhodesia.

The king of Siam is in England, and there is a discussion over his name. It is commonly supposed to be Ohulalong-korn, but a member of the Athenaeum writes to the London Times to protest that this is a "mistransliteration." The real name, he says, is Kulalankaram.

Thomas Jefferson Sappington, who died a few days ago near St. Louis, boasted he once saved General Grant from capture by the confederates. Some men were lying in ambush for the general, but Sappington learned of their plans and warned Grant in time.

Sergeant Egen of the Boston police force has been admitted to the bar. He entered the Boston university law school in 1894, and was graduated cum laude last year. A few weeks later he passed the examination for the Suffolk county bar with honor. He has been on the police force fifteen years. He was born in Boston in 1858.

M. Limburg, one of the testamentary executors of the late Duc d'Anjou, has, in a letter to the French institute, given some interesting particulars about the value of the Chantilly estate. Since the year 1886 it appears that books, manuscripts, pictures, and various works of art amounting to nearly \$50,000 have been added to the Conde museum. The total value of the collection is now appraised at \$600,000. The library alone, comprising 13,000 rare volumes and 15,000 less valuable books and manuscripts, is worth \$30,000.

Cost of an Acre of Wheat.

James Glover of Harper county, Kansas, sends the state agricultural department an estimate, which he says many good farmers approve or have verified, showing the cost at which wheat can be and is raised for in that county on lands that can be bought for \$70 to \$12 per acre and give yields ranging anywhere from 15 to 40 bushels per acre. His figures are as follows:

Interest on land (\$15 per acre) at 8 per cent	\$1.20
Taxes	.15
Plowing	.25
Harrowing twice	.25
Drilling	.25
Harvesting	1.00
Seed, average	.60
Total	\$4.15

On the foregoing basis he places the cost per bushel on different yields per acre, including 6 cents per bushel in each instance for thrashing, thus:

15 bu. per acre cost 34 cents per bu.
18 bu. per acre cost 29 cents per bu.
20 bu. per acre cost 27 cents per bu.
25 bu. per acre cost 22 cents per bu.

It is on record that in 1889 E. F. Burchfield of Harper county raised an average of 42-3 bushels on a 20-acre field; J. P. Marker of Ellsworth county the same year raised 50 bushels per acre on 130 acres; Israel McComas of Jackson county had 51 bushels average on a 19-acre field, and Warren Fulton of Polk county harvested 64 bushels per acre from 18 acres. Secretary Coburn has no doubt later thrashing will show that these figures have in many instances been surpassed this year in Sumner, Cowley and other counties, but suggests it would be a mistake for everybody to "rush into wheat" expecting to acquire fortune through often realizing the phenomenal yields mentioned.

The Farmers' Review would like the opinion of its readers on the above estimates.

Horses' Sore Mouth.

Many horses, especially during the first year of their working period, are constantly in possession of a sore mouth, and this not only causes the animal great suffering and usually loss of flesh, but is also a matter of great inconvenience to the driver, says an exchange. This, if continued for several months, is also liable to leave the animal with a chronic habit, such as throwing the head while hitching or unbitching. We have in view one very valuable young horse, owned by a neighbor, which became almost worthless on account of the habit of throwing its head, and at the same time lunging sideways into the ditches. The most effective plan which we have ever tried consists of winding any ordinary bit at the corners and down on the same for about an inch, with tanned sheepskin (which can be procured at any harness store), being sure that it is not too thick and heavy. With this well wound on, now have a cup of sulphur, and each time as the bit is placed in the horse's mouth moisten the leather and rub on a little of the pulverized article. It is well also to lengthen the bridle as much as possible during this time and not drive with a tight checking rein. After having adopted this plan we succeeded in curing a young horse of a very sore mouth which was contracted during the working period the past season.

Cover the Bulb Bed.—Be sure to give the spring blooming bulbs a nice warm winter blanket of leaves, litter from the stable, or brush, or a combination of all, and do not be in a hurry in spring to get them out of their winter clothes. Don't rush out the first warm day and clear away all the brush and litter just because it is unsightly looking. The crocus and snowdrop will not need so warm a covering as the other bulbs and can be uncovered earlier in the spring. But from the tulip, hyacinths, etc., gradually remove the covering, leaving the finest of the stable litter on the beds permanently. —Vick's Magazine for September.

Protected the Birds.—A pretty anecdote is related of a child who was greatly perturbed by the discovery that her brothers had set traps to catch birds. Questioned as to what she had done in the matter, she replied: "I prayed that the traps might not catch the birds." "Anything else?" "Yes," she said. "I then prayed that God would prevent the birds getting into the traps," and, as if to illustrate the doctrine of faith and works, she added: "I then went and kicked the traps all to pieces."

Burning Straw Stacks.—A country correspondent reports that farmers are burning the straw stacks in his neighborhood to get rid of them, says Nebraska Farmer. That is more heathenish than the burning of corn for fuel. There is some show of reason for that. But a straw stack is an innocent thing on the farm, and it may be turned to great good. A farmer had better keep his hands in his pockets when he begins to think of burning his straw stacks.—Ex.

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The Farmers' Review some time ago asked its readers as to the kind of floor most serviceable in a poultry house. The majority of the replies favored a board floor.

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STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Detroit, on the eighth day of October in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Present, EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of CATHERINE ANN STEVENSON, deceased.

Oscar H. Stevens, executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, having rendered to this court his final account and petition for discharge, and reading and filing the petition of said executor, praying that the residue of said estate may be assigned to the persons entitled thereto.

It is ordered, that on the sixth day of November next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office be appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.

And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the PLYMOUTH MAIL, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Wayne.

EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate.
HENRY S. HULBERT, Deputy Register.
(A true copy.) 527-0

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Detroit, on the twenty-fifth day of September in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Present, EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of ALVIN P. HUBBARD, deceased.

George H. Stettin, administrator of said estate, having rendered to this court his final administration account, and reading and filing the petition of said administrator praying that the residue of said estate may be assigned to the persons entitled thereto.

It is ordered, that the twenty-sixth day of October next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition. And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the PLYMOUTH MAIL, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Wayne.

EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate.
HENRY S. HULBERT, Deputy Register.
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COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE. In the matter of the estate of WILLIAM C. HERR, deceased. We, the undersigned, having been appointed by the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, state of Michigan, Commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against said deceased, do hereby give notice that we will meet at the late residence of said deceased in the township of Nankin, in said county, on Tuesday the 16th day of November, A. D. 1897, and on Tuesday, the 5th day of April, A. D. 1898, at one o'clock p. m. of each of said days, for the purpose of examining and allowing said claims, and that six months from the 5th day of October, A. D. 1897, were allowed by said Court for creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.

WILLIAM HERSCHLEIN,
THOMAS KERR,
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CORRESPONDENCE.

Livonia.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Wilber, of Willamston, and Mrs. E. L. Norton, of Pikes Peak, visited Mrs. C. L. Ferguson Friday and Saturday.

Miss Anna Cort spent last week visiting friends at Redford.

Miss Emma Garchow spent last Sunday at home.

A number from here attended Mr. and Mrs. John Byers' silver wedding. There was a large crowd, and the presents were costly and numerous.

Mrs. A. Turant and Mrs. C. L. Ferguson visited friends at Pikes Peak Tuesday. Miss Ada Creger called on her aunt, Mrs. E. Stringer Wednesday.

Mrs. W. O. Minkley, who has been confined to her bed for some time with inflammatory rheumatism, is slowly improving.

Married, at Rochester, Mich., Oct. 2nd, Mrs. M. C. Millard, of this place, and Mr. J. C. Daines, of Goodison, Mich. May happiness follow them is the wish of their many friends.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Helm, which has been dangerously ill for some time, is somewhat better at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Lambert, of Ypsilanti, spent the first part of last week with the former's sister, Mrs. Nathan Kingsley.

The farmers in this vicinity have nearly all their potatoes dug, and some have commenced to husk their corn.

Miss Lizzie Smith called on friends at the Center Monday and Tuesday.

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Salem.

A small barn and straw stack belonging to F. M. Simmons was destroyed by fire Wednesday night. Origin of the fire unknown. Loss, \$500. Fully insured.

Mrs. Adaline VanSickle has a fine new horse barn just completed on her lot in the village here. Tim McCarty was the builder.

Harry VanSickle, Clarence Whipple and John Bussey left this week for Cleary Business college at Ypsilanti.

The new M. E. parsonage on Adams avenue is rapidly nearing completion under the direction of Mr. Sawyer, of Owosso.

A number of Salem people attended the fair at Brighton Thursday and Friday.

Geo. S. Wheeler attended the soldiers' reunion at Whitmore lake Wednesday.

H. R. Doane, former proprietor of the saw and feed mill here and dealer in hard wood lumber, left Wednesday for Detroit, where he has a position with the E. W. Leech Lumber Co. Henry will be missed in Salem, as he has been a good man for the town.

The Northville Croquet Club met defeat at our grounds Wednesday afternoon in a series of five games. Referee Hamilton giving Salem every game.

Chas. Stanbro and wife attended the funeral of Mrs. Stanbro's father, Mr. Samuel Barber, of Canton, on Sunday last.

Prof. E. C. Goddard, of the University, delivered a very interesting lecture before the township Sunday-school association at Wordens Thursday evening last.

Yerkes & Harmon, of Northville, are putting a new furnace in the Baptist church here.

Miss Kate Pfeifle, of Emery, has been spending a few days with S. D. Chapin and wife.

The township board of Salem have fixed the peddler's license for Salem at ten dollars.

Jno. J. Decker and wife, brother-in-law of Rev. O. M. Thrasher, who have been spending a few days here, left for their

new home, in Willshire, Ohio, where Mr. Hecker has purchased a newspaper publishing house.

Supervisor Bailey is at Ann Arbor attending the annual meeting of the board of supervisors.

Jno. Lewis is building a much needed addition to his house on Brown avenue.

N. H. Caverly, proprietor of the Salem House, gives a dancing party and oyster supper in Stanbro's hall Friday night of this week.

Prof. Hinsdale, of the U. of M., has been spending a few days hunting with Dr. Walker and son.

Northville.

Clifton Covert went down to Detroit Sunday to look the city over. He saw all the sights.

Clarence Cornwell, who took a header from his bicycle last week Thursday evening and broke his collar bone, is recovering rapidly. He hopes to return to school by the first of next week.

Mrs. C. S. Dubuar and son, Jamie, were in Detroit from Friday until Monday.

The High School Oracle, which was published here for two issues, has been discontinued on account of financial embarrassment.

Miss Carolyn Holt Babbitt, elocutionist, and Miss Norine Clarkson, violinist, will give an entertainment at the opera house next Tuesday evening for the benefit of the high school. Everybody come.

Prof. D. C. Bliss made a business trip to Detroit Tuesday. Miss Mabel Lancaster took his place in the high school.

A poultry exhibition will be held in this place on December 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11. Preparations are being started and indications point to a very successful show.

The Detroit district of the Epworth League will hold a convention at the M. E. church Friday and Saturday. A good time is expected.

Sneak thieves have been prowling around this place for some time. Several houses were entered, but not much was stolen. Money is all they seem to care for, as they do not touch anything else.

Rev. Herpener delivered one of his usual powerful and interesting sermons Sunday morning on the subject: "What if the Universalists Were Right?" Mr. Mead, of the U. of M., sang a baritone solo, which was highly appreciated.

The Automatic Hatching Co. of this place has just issued a neat eight-page circular descriptive of the Suspension brooder.

The C. E. society of the Presbyterian church has arranged for a lecture course this winter, and it is to be hoped that our townspeople will patronize it liberally. Some of the numbers will be lectures by Morgan Wood, Prof. W. N. Ferris and Mr. Hathaway, and an entertainment by the Boston Stars. There will be two other numbers, making six in all. The price for a season ticket is \$1.00.

The Tennessee Jubilee Singers gave a second entertainment at the opera house Saturday evening for the benefit of the B. Y. P. U. Everybody who attended seemed highly pleased with the entertainment.

The new condensed milk factory is nearly ready to commence operations. Its location is near Yerkes Bros' grist mill.

Miss Minnie Smith attended the Sunday-school convention at Detroit last week as a delegate from the Presbyterian Sunday school.

Thad. Knapp and Claud Burgess have returned to the U. of M. Thad is now a senior and will graduate next June, carrying off the degree of Ph. B.

Stock in the Northville Telephone Co. has all been placed, and the work of putting up phones goes merrily on. A large number have been put in and there are many more to follow. Subscribers here have free service to Novi and Farmington, as well as over home lines. The New State Telephone Co. is also putting in quite a number of phones, as the number of wires on their poles would indicate. Makes our place look quite like a city to see these improvements. The next thing is an electric car line from here to Detroit.

The Courtenay-Morgan company has been presenting some first-class plays at the opera house this week. We have heard it stated that this is the best troupe that has been here for years. Their entertainments are of a high class kind and very well acted.

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