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RESENTS IT!

COMMISSIONER OF HIGHWAYS BENTON WRITES A LETTER.

He Wants By His Sarcastic Letter to Prove The Mail's Charges Incorrect.

NORTHVILLE, Nov. 23, '97.

To the Editor of THE PLYMOUTH MAIL.
DEAR SIR: In the last issue of your paper in speaking of Northville's plan "to bridge the F. & P. M. R. R. and make Plymouth help pay for it" if you knew the facts in the case, you know that what you stated was an untruth. Now, Mr. Editor, with your permission I should be glad to refute your charges, as I was the instigator of the plan of the overhead bridge at this time. I can assure you and your people that I had no idea of doing you or your people an injustice any more than you had when you made an application for additional protection at your crossing, which I believe was right. I have contended that it was the railroad's duty to build said bridge without the aid of Northville or Plymouth, and think, Mr. Editor, you are not showing the right spirit to assert that our crossing is "safe enough now," but perhaps your decision will be final and binding on all parties concerned, railroad and street crossing board notwithstanding. In regard to the other bridges, I am not a member of the township board, but am under instructions, but do not believe they have done anything more than was right and just. As far as I am concerned, I feel very kindly toward the people of Plymouth, and can not believe that the majority of your people feel as you seem to. And when you get ready to draw that line you spoke of, think that "little suburban town of Northville" will have something to say about it, and you can sit idly by and see the work going on. So, Mr. Editor, please remember that "Worry, not work, uses up men."

C. R. BENTON,
Commissioner of Highways,
Plymouth Township.

THE MAIL is always glad to make a wrong right if it is clearly proven that it is in the wrong, and although Mr. Benton has asserted that such was the case has come a long way from proving it. He asserts that if THE MAIL editor "knew the facts in the case, he knew that what he stated was an untruth." Well, that is a good argument as far as it goes, but it doesn't go far. As is always the case when a man can't think of anything else to say in an argument, he calls his opponent a liar. Furthermore, Mr. Benton says he was the instigator of the plan and contended that the railroad should pay for it, in answer to which we will take from THE RECORD's issue of November 12 the statement in regard to it being necessary for the township to pay one-fourth of the cost of building said bridge, which would amount to something over \$1,000. In regard to the decision being final and binding on all parties, street crossing board, etc., we will say THE MAIL never takes a leap in the dark, but has its facts and plans well laid.

Plymouth people are united on the subject and THE MAIL but voices their sentiments. We would ask why you are working under instructions on other bridges and working without assistance on this one?

Sad Fatality.

SUSIE, THE 10-year old daughter of Representative and Mrs. John K. Campbell, of Augusta, met with a horrible accident Wednesday night, which resulted in her death Friday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Campbell were away for the evening and the hired girl was doing some quilting, when the little girl ran against the frame and knocked over a kerosene lamp. The lamp broke and oil ran over the dress of the little girl. By the time the flames were extinguished she had received such a shock and such injuries that death resulted Friday. Dr. Benn, who remained with the little girl two nights and a day, says death was due more to the shock than to the burns.—Ypellant Sentinel.

It Is Said.

That one mistake generally leads to twenty more.

That microbes have been discovered in everything but whiskey and tobacco.

That if you give any man all the liberty he wants he will soon go to the devil.

That we know a man in this town who ought to go to a dentist and have his nerve killed.

That when a man thinks as much of his wife as he does of himself, that is love.

That the Missouri governor stole Governor Pingree's Thanksgiving proclamation, and that Pingree stole the first two paragraphs from Gov. Rich's proclamation of two years ago.

That some of the young people of our town go to church to whisper and have fun, instead of listening to the sermon.

That winter has commenced in good earnest.

That winter wheat is in excellent condition, and that prospects are bright for a large crop next year.

That it takes Will Bassett and George Smitherman to scoop up the hickory nuts.

L. O. T. M. ENTERTAINMENT.

Two Laughable Comedies.—Lots of Fun at Little Expense.

ON FRIDAY evening, Dec. 3d, the L. O. T. M. of Plymouth will give the two one-act comedies, entitled "Champion of Her Sex" and "A Precious Pickle," together with their guard drill. The comedies are probably the most laughable ones ever written and cannot help but please, and people who enjoy a good, laughable comedy should by no means miss this entertainment. Following is the cast of characters for both plays:

"CHAMPION OF HER SEX."
Mrs. Duplex..... F. Deborah Gale
Florence Duplex..... J. Larzelier Park
Caroline Duplex..... E. Timlow Shafer
Mrs. Hartshorn..... L. Esther Vickory
Rhoda Dendton..... L. Nancy Bradner
Polly Ney..... L. Tuller Robinson
Kate O'Neil..... C. Amelia Riggs
Maggie Donovan..... M. Eliza Conner

"A PRECIOUS PICKLE"
Miss Pease..... L. Pheobe Patterson
Mrs. Gabbie..... M. Louise Wildey
Sissy Gabbie..... L. Anna Micol
Bessie Snow..... A. Davenport McKeever
Sadie Bean..... Charlotte Jolliffe
Jennie Frost..... Lillian Brown
"Juno"..... Sarah Bernhardt Dewdrop
Admission, 20c; reserved seats, 25c; children under 12, 10c.

HYNE BROS., who have been running the grist mill for the past few years, have leased it to W. J. Adams, of Plymouth, and James H. Nichols, of Holly, who are to take possession December 1st. These men are both practical millers, having worked at that business all their lives; and each have served in the capacity of foreman in large mills. They come with the determination of holding the large trade that has been worked up by the Hyne Bros., and of giving the people of Brighton and vicinity a mill that is second to none in the country. May their expectations be fulfilled and the mill prosper is our wish.—Brighton Argus.

Mr. Adams has operated the Phoenix mill here for some time and given the best of satisfaction. We are sorry to lose Mr. Adams as he is a good citizen and business man.

Pleaded Guilty.

MONDAY WEEK George Stanley, proprietor of a Novi hotel that is alleged to have done an illegal liquor business, was arraigned in the circuit court before Judge Smith on the charge of selling liquor without a license. He pleaded guilty to the charge and sentence was deferred until the first day of the December term of court. Stanley was arrested on complaint of William W. Brown, proprietor of a rival hotel at Novi, who is also said to have sold liquor without a license.

UPPER PLYMOUTH.

Wm. Gayde sold lots of turkeys for Thanksgiving dinners.

Aylmer Smith is spending a week at Ypellant with his brother.

Bert Bradner spent Thanksgiving with his grandmother, Mrs. J. Bradner.

F. F. Pinckney made such a lively move in trying to save their milk car from the train that he came near dislocating his neck. He says he has had wheels in his head ever since.

Chas. Coldren and Geo. Rider, of Salem, with their wives, ate turkey at E. Rider's Thursday.

Albert Gayde took tea with his best girl Thursday evening.

Albert Strem, of Canton, has two little boys who haul milk to the factory with an old gray horse. On their return trip with the whey, the boys get off at the school house, and the old gray goes on home alone with the whey and pulls up safely where the whey is dumped.

John Packard, the genial conductor of the Plug, is on the sick list.

J. A. Robins, of Salem, visited Plymouth Wednesday.

Josie Stockfleat, of Livonia, visited her sisters, Anna and Minnie, on Wednesday.

Wm. Alexander says he will be still in the ring with the ice business. He is making arrangements to put in an immense quantity of ice for the coming season.

G. A. Starkweather took a business trip to Detroit Tuesday.

Miss Clara Nelf, of Detroit, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Wm. Gayde. They all took dinner at Hotel Plymouth Thursday.

Prof. O. Miller, of Charlotte, made a short call on his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Miller, Thursday.

Mr. Archie Collins is on the sick list.

Harry Willett, who has been confined to the house two weeks with the grip, is able to be out again.

Burglars entered the house of E. A. Lapham, east of here, last Friday night, but were driven out of the house before they got any plunder.

Henry Lutz says he doesn't need any permit for he catches his rabbits alive, which he did this week.

Wanted!

Hubbard Squash, Cabbage,

Onions.

Potatoes * Potatoes * Potatoes

Highest Market Price

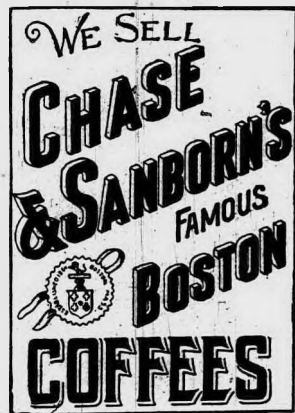
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At 1-4 off

Until December 1st.

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Just received, a New Stock of the Celebrated Flint Buckwheat Flour, Best in the world. Come and try it.

John L. Gale.

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A. J. Lapham, F. Polley,
F. Reiman, C. Brems.

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Reiman, Allen, Polley.
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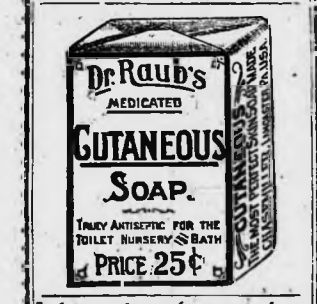
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The most refreshing and
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It lasts twice as long as others.
A trial will convince you of its great
merit. Will please the most fastidious.
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ESTABLISHED, 1849.

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A FOOT
IS OF NO VALUE, HENCE THE FEET BEING
AN ALL-IMPORTANT PART SHOULD BE
TREATED WITH GREAT CARE.

Morrison's English Liniment,
"THE GREAT HOOF GROWER."
Saves you the trouble of soaking and packing.
Cures Contracted Feet, Corns, Quarter Cracks,
Thrush, Nasal Discharge, Brittle Feet, Splints,
Sprains, Rheumatism. Is an unequalled re-
medy for affections of Hoofs or Legs.
The Best Healer Known.
Is sold at \$1.00 for full weight 16 ounce bottle.
5 ounces, 50 cents.

FAMILY LINIMENT, 25 cents.
Send one testimonial—we have hundreds
of them.
Dr. J. W. Foster, June 9, 1896.
I have used your liniment furnished me by
George Morrison of Bath, N. H., on the fore
foot of a horse, that was injured by shoeing
and pinched, and have found it very beneficial,
the most of anything I have used.
J. W. Foster, Bath, N. H.
Writer of the above is Chief Justice of the
Vermont Supreme Court.
JAMES W. FOSTER CO., Proprietors,
Bath, N. H.
"The well-known maker of Lady Ross' Liniment."

THE PLYMOUTH MAIL.

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PLYMOUTH MICHIGAN.

We trust the counterfeiters of the
Pittsburg penitentiary will not break
out and drench the country with their
presence and their bogus dollars.

It is the athlete who wins the favor
of women in France, says a French
writer, rather than the man of means.
So here; but while our Sullivans and
Corbets win women with the great-
est ease, they set them aside with
equal rapidity. They are fickle charm-
ers. They are by no means the noble
fellows they should be to warrant the
affections so effusively thrown at them.

Mrs. Langtry lives to vindicate her-
self with the public statement that she
contributed yearly to the support of
her husband. The man, being dead,
can not explain or deny; so that, while
his life was miserable, his memory is
dishonored. It would have been far
better generosity to have omitted both
the money and the statement; but the
dead can not command their friends,
while their enemies live to continue
their injustice and persecution.

It is a great advantage to a person to
be trustworthy in the midst of a popu-
lace which nobody can trust. When
Korea was lately torn by contention
and the queen was assassinated, the
king shouted for the American mission-
aries, and when one was admitted,
threw his arms about his neck, clung
to him like a child, and kept him all
night by his side. To affirm that the
missionary is without political influ-
ence is erroneous. He may have the
best sort of influence.

On a recent Sunday a child's gold
ring was found in the contribution bas-
ket at the Baptist church in Birming-
ham, Ala. It seems a special collec-
tion had been taken that morning, and
little Helen Church, aged four years,
having deposited her contribution at
the first collection, had nothing left
when the basket appeared the second
time but her penny for Sunday
school. The little one asked her moth-
er to let her contribute the penny, but
was told she must keep that for Sun-
day school, whereupon the generous
little girl, not wishing to be disobe-
dient, yet feeling the missionary spirit
strong within her, quietly slipped off
her ring and dropped it in, unbeknown
to her mother.

Probably never in the history of our
beloved country has so many economic
problems been pressing for solution
than are now engaging public atten-
tion. And never before has there been
manifested such widespread difference
of opinion as to how these problems
of government should be settled. Differ-
ences of opinion have led to serious
consequences in the past, but it would
seem that our civilization is too strong-
ly fortified for an appeal to anything
but reason. After all these differ-
ences are nothing more than an intel-
lectual search for the truth, in which
all are engaged. The fellow with
whom you do not agree is seeking the
same truth that you are pursuing. The
chances are that you are nearly at an
equal distance from it. The logic of
events is leading you to the same
point. You should try and keep this
fact in mind. Therefore be tolerant
and Christian-like toward your fel-
low. If he has false ideas, the very
fact that he is exploiting them aids
others to discover the truth.

The Inter State Commerce commis-
sion in their report say: The statis-
tics submitted show that the number
of railway employes killed during the
year ending June 30, 1896, was 1,861,
and the number injured was 29,969.
These figures indicate an increase of
50 in the number killed, and of 4,273
in the number injured, as compared
with the preceding year. The number
of passengers killed was 181, and the
number of passengers injured 2,873,
being an increase of 11 in the number
killed and of 498 in the number in-
jured. The number of persons other
than employes and passengers killed
was 4,406, and the number injured
5,845. These figures include casualties
to persons reported as trespassers, of
whom 3,811 were killed and 4,468 were
injured. From summaries showing
ratio of casualties it is found that for
every 444 men employed on railways 1
was killed, and for every 28 men em-
ployed 1 was injured. A similar com-
parison as to trainmen shows that 1
trainman was killed for each 152 train-
men employed, and that 1 trainman
was injured for each 10 trainmen em-
ployed. The number of passengers
carried for 1 passenger killed was 2,
827,474, and the number of passengers
carried for 1 passenger injured was
178,132. As showing in another way
the immunity of passengers from acci-
dents, the report gives ratios based
upon the number of miles traveled,
from which it appears that 72,093,963
passenger-miles were accomplished for
every passenger killed, and 4,541,945
passenger-miles for every passenger
injured.

New York has a society for the pro-
motion of good manners among wom-
en. It thinks women ought to be
kinder to each other, that they should
thank men for street car and other
courtesies, and that they should be
more charitable in their judgment of
women as well as men. It is opposed
to woman suffrage, however, and we
suspect that all the other women soci-
eties will immediately begin to pitch
into it with such abusive energy that
it will be sorry it was ever so foolish
as to have itself born.

SHAKESPEARE IN SHORTHAND.

German Rewriting the Plays in Elix-
abethan Tachygraphy.

Dr. Eduard Engel has written the
following letter to one of the Berlin
newspapers: "In a lecture I delivered
some years ago to the Berlin Society
of Stenographers, who use Stolze's sys-
tem, I suggested that those accurately
acquainted with the oldest English
shorthand systems of the sixteenth
century should try to ascertain whether
many of the deficiencies of the text
of Shakespeare might not be explained
by stenographic mistakes. The idea
was suggested to me by the old and
well founded conjecture of Shake-
spearean scholars that the oldest cop-
ies of Shakespeare's plays—the so-
called quartos—were printed from
stenographic notes, taken in the the-
ater, and that many of the unintelli-
gibilities of the text are due to this.
My suggestion fell on fruitful soil, and
I have now the pleasure of making the
excellent work of a young savant, who
has thus sprung at one leap into the
ranks of our best Shakespearean schol-
ars, known to wider circles. In a se-
ries of articles on Shakespeare and the
beginning of English stenography,
Herr Kurt Dewischelt has proved be-
yond the shadow of a doubt that the
quarto editions of Shakespeare's plays,
were pirated editions printed from
stenographic notes, that the steno-
graphic system used was that of Tim-
othy Bright, who was born in 1550,
and that innumerable mistakes in the
quartos, innumerable contradictions
between them and the first authorized
folio editions, can be at once and most
simply explained by the defects of that
stenographic system and the indexter-
ity of the stenographers of that time.
Herr Dewischelt has confirmed my con-
jecture almost beyond my own expec-
tation. He is at present the only per-
son who possesses all the requisite
qualifications for this quite new kind
of text investigation, and it is to be
wished that he, with his accurate
knowledge of the oldest English steno-
graphy, combined with solid Shake-
spearean scholarship, would subject
the texts of the dramas to a thorough
reinvestigation. The purification of
the text of Shakespeare is raised by
him for the first time from arbitrary
fantasticity to the rank of a strict
science, with which, however, only
Shakespearean scholars theoretically
and practically trained in stenograph-
ical questions are at liberty to busy
themselves. Seldom has a higher, never
has a more delightful, task fallen to
stenography."

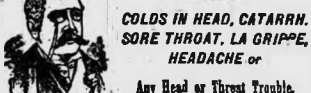
Old Man's Singular Freak.
A few years ago a singular ceremony
was gone through at a village in the
Yonne department, France. For a
year gravediggers and masons had
been engaged in preparing the tomb of
a rich and eccentric old gentleman of
the neighborhood. When it was ready
he had a handsome marble slab put
up, with the date of his birth and the
list of his titles and distinctions, wind-
ing up with the comforting assurance
that he "had been a good father and a
law-abiding citizen" inscribed thereon.
On his ninety-fifth birthday all his
friends and acquaintances were invited
to the rehearsal of his funeral. A
burial service took place at the church
and his empty coffin was placed under
a catafalque and surrounded with wax
candles.

Dear Child,
Little Petie—"Will it make" much
noise, Mr. Constant?" Mr. Constant—
"What, my boy?" Petie—"Sister said
she thought you would pop to-night,
and I was wondering if it could be
heard up-stairs."—Philadelphia North
American.

JUST FOR FUN.

The typewriter machine furnishes
the key to many a situation.
The great fa-mine in the Klondike
will soon be producing plenty of dust.
A man never lies about a girl's mus-
ical talent after he has married her.
A Chicago man who was killed
shooting the chute did not realize that
he was in the Killchute pass.
The esteemed Washington Star has
an editorial entitled "Great Britain in
India." There's geography for you.
"Papa, this paper says something
about a 'street car plant.' What is a
street car plant?" "A street car plant,
Tommy, is the biggest thing in urbs."
He—When I first met my wife I
thought she was one of the most econ-
omical women in the matter of
clothes I had ever known. She—You
met her at the seashore, didn't you.
"Bridget, how did it happen that
when we came in last night after the
theater there was a policeman in the
kitchen?" "Sure, mum, OI don't know;
but OI think the theater didn't last
as long as usual."
Kirk—Lots o' them Klondike pros-
pectors is gettin' rich afore they strike
the gold fel's. Dirk—How d'yer
make that out? Kirk—Why, most of
em get a check on de bank of de Yuc-
an as soon as dey start out.
"I believe it to be a fact," remarked
the spindleshanked young man, "that
persons become to some extent that
which they habitually feed upon."
"Then why don't you eat freely of
veal?" asked his elder sister. "You
haven't nearly as much calf about you
as you ought to have."
An eminent preacher who prided
himself upon his ability to discourse
without the aid of notes, once got into
the pulpit; but, when he found himself
face to face with his congregation, his
ideas vanished, his mind was a blank.
He tapped his forehead, but in vain,
his ideas would not come. "My
friends," he said, "I pity you; you
have lost a fine sermon," and he de-
scended the pulpit steps.

THE GREATEST AUTHORITY IN THE WORLD PRESCRIBES CUSHMAN'S MENTHOL INHALER



**COLDS IN HEAD, CATARRH,
SORE THROAT, LA GRIPPE,
HEADACHE OR
Any Head or Throat Trouble.**

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Dr. Brown is Senior Surgeon to the Central London Throat and
Ear Hospital. He has been identified in a recent medical journal in an
article as follows: "The vapor of Menthol inhaler is in a
measure hardly less than the vapors, over colds in the head. For
colds of nasal character, causing obstruction to the natural
ventilation, I prescribe Cushman's Menthol Inhaler to the extent
of two or three times a day."
A CHRONIC NERVOUS HEADACHE IN EVERY BAD COLD!
"Then why do you go on in a delirious way trying to wear out your
nerves when Cushman's Menthol Inhaler will cure you instantly."
It is a Cough-Compressor. It is of worth of medicine for \$0.50.
No medicine containing drugs to debilitate your system. Only a
stimulating and soothing aid to you. Indispensable to traveling
Public stages and especially use in and find it the greatest aid in
structure the throat, the chest and the lungs.
INFLUENZA! Dr. J. H. BALSLEY, a distinguished
physician of New York, has published the following in the
Medical Record: "I have used Cushman's Menthol Inhaler in a
number of cases of influenza, and have found it to be a most
beneficial remedy. It has a marked effect in relieving the
inflammation of the nasal mucous membrane, and in clearing
the passages of the nose. It is a most valuable remedy in
every case of influenza, and is a most valuable remedy in
every case of influenza."—Medical Record, N. Y., Jan. 11, '97.
I have had Catarrh about ten years. A friend sent me a new
inhaler. It helped me the first time I tried it.
Kosovon, N. Y.

I have used one of your Menthol Inhalers for about a year for
Chronic Catarrh of twenty years' standing. It has given me more
relief than all other remedies I ever tried.
The Menthol Inhaler is a most valuable remedy for
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Softens the Hands.
Go and get a box of Cushman's Menthol
Inhaler and keep it in the house. It is the safest
remedy and surest for Cuts, Burns, Bruises, Chaps,
Chapped Hands, Sores, or any skin eruptions. It is
also a most valuable remedy for the relief of
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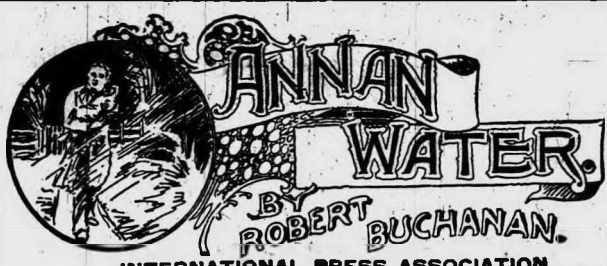
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CHAPTER XXXIV.—(CONTINUED.)

He knew that at that hour Marjorie would be from home, wandering in the fields, perhaps, with her little boy, or visiting some of her old village friends. Feeling strong in this hope, he hurried toward the Castle.

He found Miss Hetherington alone. She was glad to see him, but rated him soundly on what she termed his neglect.

"It is not for me to control ye if ye dinna wish to come, Johnnie Sutherland," she said. "You're your own master, and ye can gang your own gait, but it's scarcely fair to Marjorie. She's lonesome, poor lassie, and she takes it ill that ye come so seldom."

"Miss Hetherington," returned Sutherland, "I stayed away not because I wished, but because I took too much pleasure in coming. I love Marjorie. I've loved her ever since I was a lad, and I shall love her till I die. I couldn't come before, knowing she had a husband; but it's for you to say now whether I may come in or not."

"For me? What do you mean, Johnnie Sutherland?"

For answer he put both the letter and paper in her hand, and bade her read. She did read; eagerly at first, but as she proceeded her hand trembled, the tears streamed from her eyes and the paper fell from her grasp.

"God forgive me!" she cried; "it's an evil thing to rejoice at the death of a fellow-creature, yet I cannot but rejoice. He broke the heart of my poor bairn, and he tried to crush down me, but Heaven be praised! we are both free now. Johnnie Sutherland, you say that you love her? Weel, I'm glad. You're a good lad. Comfort her if you can, and may God bless ye both."

That very night Marjorie learned the news from Miss Hetherington. The old lady told it with a ring of joy in her voice, but Marjorie listened with a shudder. After all, the man was her husband. Despite his cruelty, she had once almost loved him; and, though she could not mourn him as a widow should, she tried to respect the dead. But it was only for a while; then the cloud lifted, and she almost thanked God that she was free.

Sutherland now became a constant visitor at the Castle, and sometimes it seemed to him and to Marjorie also that their early days had returned; the same, yet not the same, for the old Castle looked bright and genial now, and it was, moreover, presided over by a bright, genial mistress.

Things could not last thus forever. Marjorie knew it; and one evening she was awakened from her strange dream. She had been out during the afternoon with her little boy, and as they were walking back toward the Castle they were joined by Sutherland. For a time the three remained walking together, little Leon clinging to Sutherland's hand; but after a while the child ran on to pluck some flowers, and left the two together.

"How he loves you!" said Marjorie, noting the child's backward glance; "I don't think he will ever forget the ride you gave him on the roundabouts at the Champs Elysees—you were very kind to him; you were very kind to us both."

She paused, but he said nothing; presently she raised her eyes, and she saw that he was looking fixedly at her. She blushed and turned her head aside, but he gained possession of her hand.

"Marjorie," he said, "you know why I was kind to you, do you not? It was because I loved you, Marjorie. I love you now—I shall always love you; tell me, will you some day be my wife?"

The word was spoken, either for good or evil, and he stood like a man awaiting his death sentence. For a time she did not answer; when she turned her face toward him it was quite calm.

"Have you thought well?" she said. "I am not what I was. I am almost an old woman now, and there is my boy."

"Let him be my boy, Marjorie; do not say 'No!'"

She turned toward him and put both her hands in his.

"I say 'Yes,'" she answered, "with all my heart, but not yet—not yet!"

Later on that evening, when little Leon lay peacefully sleeping in his cot, and Miss Hetherington was dozing in her easy-chair, Marjorie, creeping from the house, walked in the Castle grounds and to think over her new-found happiness alone. Was it all real, she asked herself, or only a dream? Could it be true that she, after all her troubles, would find so much peace? It seemed strange, yet it must be true. Yes, she was free at last.

CHAPTER XXXV.

AFTER the confession of her love for Sutherland, and the promise his love had wrung from her trembling lips, Marjorie was not a little troubled.

Again and again she reproached herself for want of fidelity to Cassidier's memory, for she was tender-hearted, and could not readily forget what the man had once been to her. Inable is the capacity for forgiveness

implanted in the heart of a loving woman, and now that Cassidier had gone to his last account, a deep and sacred pity took possession of his victim's heart.

Sutherland saw the signs of change with some anxiety, but had sufficient wisdom to wait until time should complete its work and efface the Frenchman's memory from Marjorie's mind. When they met he spoke little to her of love, or of the tender hope which bound them together; his talk was rather of the old childish days, when they were all in all to one another; of old friends and old recollections; of such as sweeten life. He was very gentle and respectful to her; only showing in his eyes the constancy of his tender devotion, never harshly expressing it in passionate words.

But if Sutherland was patient and self-contained, it was far different with the impulsive lady of the Castle. No sooner was she made aware of the true state of affairs than she was anxious that the marriage should take place at once.

"I'm an old woman now, Marjorie," she cried, "and the days of my life are numbered. Before I gang awa' let me see you a happy bride—let me be sure you have a friend and protector while I'm asleep among the moors."

She was sitting in her boudoir in her great arm-chair, looking baggard and old indeed. The fire in her black eyes had faded away, giving place to a dreamy and wistful pity; but now and again, as on the present occasion, it flashed up like the gleam upon the blackening brand.

Marjorie, who was seated sewing by her mother's side, sadly shook her head.

"I cannot think of it yet," she replied, "I feel it would be sacrilege."

the old man in the garden, looking unusually bright and hale; but his talk was still confused; he mingled the present with the past, and continued to speak of Marjorie, and to address her, as if she were still a child.

The sun was setting when they left him, turning their steps toward Annandale Castle. They lingered slowly along the road, talking of indifferent things, and sweetly happy in each other's society, till it was growing dark.

Then Marjorie held out her hand. "Let me go with you to the Castle gate," said Sutherland eagerly.

"Not to-night," answered Marjorie. "Pray, let me walk alone, with only little Leon."

Very unwillingly he acquiesced, and suffered her to depart. He watched her sadly till her figure disappeared in the darkness, moving toward the lonely bridge across the Annan.

Having wished Sutherland good-night, Marjorie took the child by the hand and walked back across the meadows toward the Castle. It was a peaceful gloaming; the stars were shining brightly, the air was balmy; so she sauntered along, thinking dreamily of the past.

She walked up by the bridge, and looked down at Annan Water, flowing peacefully onward.

As she looked she mused. Her life had begun with trouble, but surely all that was over now. Her days in Paris seemed to be fading rapidly into the dimness of the past; there was a broken link in her chain of experience, that was all. Yes, she would forget it, and remember only the days which she had passed at Annandale.

And yet how could she do so? There was the child, little Leon, who looked at her with her father's eyes, and spoke his childish prattle in tones so like those of the dead man, that they sometimes made her shudder. She lifted the boy in her arms.

"Leon," she said, "do you remember Paris, my child—do you remember your father?"

The child looked at her, and half shrunk back in fear. How changed she had become! Her cheeks were burning feverishly, her eyes sparkling.

"Mamma," said the boy, half drawing from her, "what is the matter?"

"Nothing, darling," she said. She pressed him fondly to her, and set him again upon the ground. They walked on a few steps farther, when she paused again, sat down upon the grass, and took the boy upon her knee.

"Leon," she said, patting his cheek and soothing back his hair. "You love Annandale, do you not?"

"Yes, mamma, and grandmamma, and Mr. Sutherland."

"And—and you would be able to forget the dreadful time we spent in Paris?"

"And papa?"

"My darling, your father is dead," she pressed the child to her again; raised her eyes and looked straight into the face of her husband.

Cassidier! It was indeed he, or his spirit, standing there in the starlight, with his pale face turned toward her, his eyes looking straight into hers. For a moment they looked upon one another—he made a movement toward her, when, with a wild cry, Marjorie clasped her child still closer to her, and sank back swooning upon the ground.

When she recovered her senses she was still lying where she had fallen; the child was kneeling beside her, crying bitterly, and Cassidier, the man, and not his spirit, was bending above her. When she opened her eyes, he smiled, and took her hand.

"It is I, little one," he said. "Do not be afraid."

With a shudder she withdrew her hand, and rose to her feet and faced him.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

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In Limousin there is a barren range of low hills which lies along the dividing line between the departments of Dordogne, Correze and Haute-Vienne, about half way between Périgueux and Limoges, says Popular Science Monthly. The water courses show the location of these uplands. They extend over an area about seventy-five miles long and half as wide, wherein average human misery is most profound. Dense ignorance prevails. There is more illiteracy than in any other part of France. The contrast in stature, even with the low average of all the surrounding region, is clearly marked by the dark tint. There are sporadic bits of equal diminutiveness elsewhere to the south and west, but none are so extended or so extreme. Two-thirds of the men are below five feet three inches in height, in some of the communes, and the women are three or more inches shorter even than this. One man in ten is below four feet eleven inches in stature. This is not due to race, for several racial types are equally stunted in this way within the same area. It is primarily due to generations of subjection to a harsh climate, to a soil which is worthless for agriculture, to a steady diet of boiled chestnuts and stagnant water, and to unsanitary dwellings in the deep, narrow and damp valleys. Still further proof may be found to show that these people are not stunted by any hereditary influence, for it has been shown that children born here, but who migrate and grow up elsewhere, are normal in height; while those born elsewhere, but who are subject to this environment during the growing period of youth, are proportionately dwarfed.

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The "Our Boys" Theatre Co. played in Northville opera house last night.

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Henry Ward, the Pontiac man of sheep ranch fame, will try his hand at tobacco raising.

Huron county farmers paid up one hundred and ten mortgages between Oct. 10 and Nov. 1 of this year.

Holly has a man so mean that he stole a bicycle from a poor preacher. He will surely be a "scorcher" in the next world.

The big plate glass in the hardware store of G. T. Greedy's, at South Lyon, was broken by burglars last week Monday night. The robbers took two revolvers and four boxes of cartridges. The plate glass was valued at \$100.

An exchange says that a minister in one of the northern counties has wisely declined an addition to his salary, on the ground that the hardest part of his work during the last year has been the collection of the same, and it would kill him to undertake to collect \$100 more.

Judge Hosmer has granted a temporary injunction against the trustee of school district No. 1, of Escorse, to prevent the issue of \$5,000 bonds for a new building. The bonds have already been sold, and the money is in the hands of the trustees.

The old power house of the Fort Wayne & Belle Isle railway, at Detroit, which has been out of use since the consolidation of the street railway companies, has been purchased by the Detroit, Ypsilanti & Ann Arbor Suburban Railway Co. The property will be removed to Wayne.

Art Vealey, Tim Vealey and Manly Daygo, of Milan, were just getting ready for Thanksgiving and had a nice lot of chickens, when the officers arrested them. The chickens belonged to their neighbors and now they give thanks because they didn't take more.

Sneak thieving was manifest last week at Mrs. Mosher's \$10 was secured, but in their flight a pair of pants and a watch was dropped at the door as the thieves made a hasty exit. At Frank Moore's a pocketbook belonging to Mrs. Moore was touched for \$5 cents, Frank having the big wallet under his pillow on the second floor.—Northville Record.

If more men were as interested in the Y. M. C. A. as C. G. Curtis shows himself to be there would be more and better work done. He walked up from Plymouth Sunday to fill his engagement. The address given was a fine one, the subject being "An Ideal Life."—Northville Record.

Will anyone kick because of the ordinance passed by the council at the last meeting? It provides that nothing that ever shall be removed from the engine room, ladders, ropes, axes, nails, or what room. Much of the equipment has been broken and lost by the rules of the past. See that it is enforced.—Saline Observer.

There would probably be some kicking in case of fire, and we wouldn't blame the people a particle for doing it.

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Sunday School Convention.

ON SUNDAY, Nov. 15th, the Sunday school workers of Van Buren township met in convention in the M. E. church at Belleville. Despite the rain, which continued throughout the day and evening, the gathering increased at each session. The program proved an interesting one, and was participated in by nearly all the local workers C. E. Fox and J. E. Bolles, from Detroit, were also present and took a prominent part in the convention. The addresses in the evening were by C. E. Fox, "The power, and influence of the Sunday school," and J. E. Bolles, "Our young people." The convention was greatly helped by the good singing of the choir, in charge of Andrew Renton. The Township Association was reorganized and the following officers were elected: President, Oscar Austin, Belleville; vice presidents, C. W. Minard, Rawsonville; William Smith, Denton; secretary, Miss Katie Haak, Belleville; treasurer, A. A. Cheeseman, Belleville; executive committee, John C. Post, Romulus; Ed. Edwards, Belleville; George Post, Romulus.

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I stood at the corner of Saginaw and Lawrence streets the other evening when a most distressing sight met my eyes. A drunken father was reeling homeward with his two little sons, almost babies, and as he tottered along under his baneful influence, the little fellows looked piteously up into his face as if to anticipate the sorrow of their mother when the father should come home for the night. It was a sight to make the strongest man shudder and make him wonder if there was really such a thing as a just compensation for the mother and her children in this disgrace. I thought of what Robert G. Ingersoll said in his scathing impeachment of intemperance: "It bereaves the dying mother, extinguishes natural affections, erases conjugal love, blots out filial attachments, blights parental hope, and brings down mourning age in sorrow to the grave. It produces weakness, not strength; sickness, not health; death, not life. It makes wives widows, children orphans, fathers fiends, and all of them paupers and beggars. It covers the land with idleness, misery and crime. It defames benevolence, hates love, scorches virtue and slanders innocence. It burns up men, consumes women, detests life, curses God and despises heaven. It brings shame, not honor; terror, not safety; despair, not hope; misery, not happiness; and with the malevolence of a fiend it calmly surveys its frightful desolation, and unsatisfied with its havoc, it poisons felicity, kills peace, ruins mortals, blights confidence, slays reputations, and wipes out national honors, then curses the world and laughs at its ruin."—Pontiac Post.

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" No. 6, 3:25 p. m.
" No. 8, 8:45 p. m.
" No. 10, 6:38 a. m.
GOING NORTH.
Train No. 1, 3:10 a. m.
" No. 3, 8:10 a. m.
" No. 5, 2:00 p. m.
" No. 7, 7:00 p. m.
Trains Nos. 3 and 9 run through to Alpena.
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Lv	7:00	1:30	5:35	
Ar	7:25	1:45	6:10	
Lv	8:35	2:15	7:15	
Ar	10:50	4:27	9:31	
Lv	11:40	5:40	10:20	
Ar				
Lv	8:00	1:10	6:10	
Ar	8:48	1:48	6:55	
Lv	9:03	1:48	6:55	
Ar	10:53	3:32	8:45	
Lv	12:17	4:30	10:10	
Ar	1:00	6:20	10:50	

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Ar	6:25	5:30	4:30	
Lv	7:25	6:30	5:30	
Ar	7:40	6:45	5:45	
Lv	8:40	7:45	6:45	
Ar	9:05	8:00	7:00	
Lv	10:05	9:05	8:05	
Ar	10:30	9:30	8:30	
Lv	11:30	10:30	9:30	
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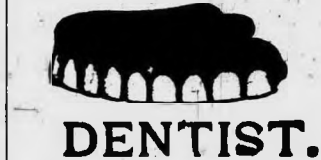
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This is the complaint of thousands at this season. They have no appetite; food does not relish. They need the toning up of the stomach and digestive organs, which a course of Hood's Sarsaparilla will give them. It also purifies and enriches the blood, 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."

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS AND PERSONAL MENTION.

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

The Miller bridge has been removed and a new one will soon be built.

The flax mill east of town has been in operation the past couple of weeks.

The Daisy Manufacturing Co. is working over time in consequence of increased orders.

Phone users who tried to use the New State line to Detroit last Friday were disappointed, as the line refused to work.

The pretty lawn at the home of Messrs. Leach and Bennett has been improved by the removal of a large apple tree, which has stood for years.

—FOR SALE—Good two-story business block in central part of town. Requires \$1,500 cash, balance on time. Pays 10 per cent. on investment. Inquire at this office.

A new platform has been built across the back and along the end of the union depot. It is a great improvement over the condition in which it has been the past few months, or since the new pavement was built.

The Plymouth correspondence in the Courier last week was headed, "Exciting Capture of a Supposed Chicken Thief." This is only another riddle the Courier representative has sprung on the people, as nothing in the items had reference to anything of the kind.

An interesting feature of the school work this winter will be a series of debates between the Plymouth and Northville high schools. This is a commendable movement on the part of our instructors, and will result in much good. The first debate will take place at Northville.

Look out for him. He is after the unsuspecting farmer again. This time it is the "dollar-wheat" swindler. The farmer signs a receipt to deliver his wheat to the nearest railroad station. Afterward this receipt turns up in some bank, calling for amounts varying from \$25 to \$100. Never sign papers of any kind for strangers.

S. M. Lyndon, a Plymouth inventive genius, has applied for a patent on a burr fastener. Some people are never satisfied with nature. Behold the burdock of the roadside. It toils not, and it doesn't spin enough to speak of, but its burr fastener is autumn stic and instantaneous. Lyndon, in all his inventive glory, will not originate a burr fastener like one of these.—Adrian Press.

The hose tower in Upper Plymouth is completed, and the Phoenix Hose Co. has taken possession. They have a nice home for their equipments now, and show their appreciation of the same by the manner in which they have taken hold of the company's affairs and getting ready for any emergencies. We wish to say a good word for the boys, as they are always ready to go at almost the first tap of the alarm bell.

L. C. Hough & Son shipped three car loads of cabbage this week.

Rev. Rease will give a free lecture on Dec. 21st at the M. E. church.

The D. & L. N. railway has a new timetable in this issue. This is fast becoming a popular route.

If you have anything to sell or want to buy anything, a liner in THE MAIL will do the business for you.

"Tede" Slyfield, who has been sick for some time, is no better at this writing. Dr. Lum, of Plymouth, is attending him.—Touquish Cor. Courier.

You don't want to forget the L. O. T. M. entertainment at village hall on the evening of Dec. 3d. You can get a seat reserved at Geo. W. Hunter & Co's.

Local fire insurance agents have received notice of a general reduction in premium rates, which include all classes of risks. The scale will hereafter be from 3 to 15 per cent. lower.

The morning train from the north now brings mail from both ways. The early train brings mail from the east and transfers to this train from the north. The change took place on the 13th inst.

"Is the Average Man a Lunkhead?" is the subject on which Dr. Budgett will speak at the M. E. church tonight. Season tickets for this lecture course can be purchased for the small sum of 50c and every person in town ought to get one. The single admission to these lectures will be 15c.

The Lilliputian entertainment at the M. E. church last Friday evening was a thoroughly enjoyable affair, as is the case with everything the W. C. T. U. of this place undertakes. The little folks deserve much praise. Those who attended were well pleased and speak highly of the program.

The statement in THE MAIL was wrong in reference to the entertainment, which was to be given on Tuesday evening, Nov. 16th, under the auspices of the C. E. society. The piano was rented and was satisfactory, but the weather was so bad it was thought not advisable to give the same on that date, but will be given in the future. Particulars later.

I. Gunsolly, who has for some time past managed the dray line for H. C. Robinson, will open a first class meat market in the building recently vacated by J. D. Murdock. Mr. Gunsolly has had considerable experience at the block, and we feel safe in saying will serve the public in first-class shape. He has engaged the services of Will Larkins, who is an experienced butcher, and expects to open the market for business tomorrow.

The village council through Clerk Baker notified the D. G. R. & W. R'y that the crossing east of the union depot was dangerous, and recommended that some protection be given the people at that place. In response to this complaint the company ordered all trains entering from the east to not exceed a speed of six miles an hour. This will improve the dangerous condition to a great extent and makes the crossings in the village in a practically safe condition.

The examination of Rupert Jones last Saturday before Justice Deming, of Wayne, on a charge of seduction preferred by Lizzie Finch, was continued until next Saturday, when he will be discharged on that complaint and arrested on the charge of bastardy. The complainant was the only witness sworn and the assistant prosecutor ordered that case dropped and the one above mentioned commenced, but on account of the bondsmen not being present the case was continued until Saturday next at 9 o'clock.

There are some rules in the postoffice department that are not understood by the general public. Postmasters are strictly prohibited from giving information relative to the persons who rent boxes in the postoffice. A man's wife may rent a box for the reception of clandestine mail, but her husband cannot be told by the postmaster, and even the courts cannot compel a postmaster on the witness stand to answer such a question. Another provision, not understood, is that while parents can control the correspondence and demand letters addressed to minor children, the rule applies only to those who are dependent upon their parents for support. A boy or girl of fifteen, if they are earning their own living, can prohibit a postmaster from delivering their mail to parents or guardians.

Read the new advs. in this issue.

Belleville has a scarlet fever epidemic. The postoffice war is on and waxeth warm.

Born, on Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schiffe, an 8½ pound son.

The Klondike cold has reached here, but the Klondike gold is as scarce as ever.

The Knights of Pythias are talking of giving one of their popular dances on New Year's eve.

A man likes to refer to himself as an idiot at times, but it makes him mad if anyone else agrees with him.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of a former Plymouth girl, Miss Katie Bostwick, now of Milledgeville, Ga.

Just drop a line in the item box at the postoffice if you entertained friends on Thanksgiving, or tell us where you spent the day.

Rev. O. J. Carpenter Woodman, former pastor of the Universalist church, will preach here on December 12th, morning and evening.

Mr. Vickery, a former resident of Plymouth and a brother of Len Vickery, who now resides here, died in Detroit on Wednesday last.

The O. E. S. held a pleasant social and banquet at their rooms Tuesday evening. The members and their families participated.

Hunters have only a few more days to hunt partridge, quail, spruce hen, woodcock, plover and snipe, as the law runs out December 1st.

Frank Adams, of Detroit, has been here a part of the week revising the Wayne county directory, which will be much larger than ever before.

We would like some wood on subscription. Several have promised to bring some, but it has failed to materialize. Bring it along if it's good, we need it now.

Preaching at village hall next Sunday evening at 7:30 o'clock by the Rev. Lee S. McCollister, subject, "Christ's place in the Universalist theology." Everybody welcome.

The high school football team was to play the return game with Northville yesterday, but owing to a previous engagement by the Northville team it was postponed.

The ladies of the Methodist and Presbyterian churches will hold a "Mother Goose Market" in Peniman hall on Dec. 9, 10 and 11. Save your money and buy Christmas presents there.

Word was received from the managers of the F. & P. M. to the effect that the job of acting as fireman would be given to some former employe of the company. This will be a disappointment to some who have had an eye on the job.

Our people are not unfamiliar with the plans of conducting a public reading room and the good it does in keeping the boys and girls off the street. Let us agitate the question and see what the results will be. It can be done only through the united efforts of our townspeople. More will be said about it later, and it is hoped in the meantime it will be talked up among our citizens.

W. J. Hubbell, of Jephtha fame, is now in Tecumseh, as will be seen by the following item from the News of that place: "The parts for the cantata of Jephtha and his daughter have been assigned and rehearsals are now in progress under the instruction of W. J. Hubbell, of Ypsilanti. The cantata will be given under the auspices of the Eastern Star Chapter and the date has been set for the evening of Tuesday, Nov. 23d.

—FOR SALE—Good second-hand coal stove. Inquire of A. M. Potter.

—FOUND—Memorandum book in Justice Lombard's office. By proving property and paying for this notice, owner can have the same.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE. Services held in Safford's Hall every Sunday morning at 10:30, and every Friday evening at 7:20. All are most cordially invited to attend.

To RENT—Rooms formerly occupied by Minnie Fowler for dressmaking. In care of J. L. Gale.

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,	20-21
Oats, No. 2,	42
Rye, No. 2,	20
Butter,	16
Eggs,	50
Potatoes, new,	50-70
Beans, according to sample,	50-70

AS THEY COME AND GO!

Purely Personal Paragraphs Promiscuously Picked.

Harry Bradner and wife ate turkey under the parental roof yesterday.

Chas. Draper ate Thanksgiving turkey with his best girl at South Lyon.

Private Detective Wallace, of Pontiac, was in town the first of the week.

Mrs. F. C. Wheeler, of Salem, was a guest of Plymouth friends Tuesday.

Hattie Huffman, of Detroit, spent Thanksgiving with Plymouth friends.

Mrs. Jennie Voorhies, of Ann Arbor, visited Plymouth friends over Sunday.

Lou. Reed and Art. Briggs will recreate a few day at Richmond visiting friends.

I. Gunsolly was in Detroit Wednesday to purchase his meat market furnishings.

W. L. Davis and wife, of Mt. Pleasant, are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Davis.

Mrs. C. M. Duntley returned Tuesday from a four months' visit with Traverse City friends.

Jas. Woodard and family, of Detroit, are spending the week here with Mrs. W.'s parents.

Mrs. J. M. Collier returned last Friday from a two weeks' visit with her parents at Mansfield, O.

Mrs. R. B. Roberts and son, Clifford, of Brighton, were guests at the editor's home on Saturday last.

Mrs. Ira Platt, who has been visiting friends in Detroit for a few days, returned home Monday.

Miss Belle Downey, of Detroit, has been visiting her sister, Mrs. James McKeever, this week.

Mr. James L. Reed and daughter, of New London, Connecticut, visited at the home of E. L. Riggs last week.

L. H. Bennett departed the first of the week for Gladwin county on a business trip. He will be absent two weeks.

Louie Steele has secured a position as telegraph operator up in Mecosta county, whither he went on Tuesday night last.

J. R. Kellogg, D. E. Kellogg and Mrs. C. A. Zollinger and daughter, Alice, spent Thanksgiving with A. A. Taft and family.

H. Harris returned Monday evening from his hunting trip in the north, but you can't buy any venison at the market yet.

Mrs. A. B. Taylor, of Brockport, New York, and Mrs. A. L. Bedell, of Fishkill on the Hudson, are visiting at C. W. Bradner's.

Frank Close, a former employe of the Matthews House, who has been working at Plymouth, was in town a few days this week.—Carleton Times.

W. N. Wherry returned the first of the week from a week's visit with Bell Branch relatives. Mr. Wherry says he tried to get acquainted with some deer, but they were rather shy of strangers.

Mrs. John Fuller and daughter, who have been stopping at Hotel Plymouth for some time past, have gone to Detroit, where they will make their permanent home on Lafayette avenue.

A fine selection of monuments now in stock at the Hoyt Monumental Works, Plymouth, Mich.

For Sale. One Jersey heifer calf, one week old; also quantity boiled cider and jelly.

L. DEAN, Plymouth, Mich.

For Sale. Base burner coal stove in perfect order.

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For The Holiday Trade.

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My line of Dry Goods is complete with all of the latest styles in Dress Goods, etc.

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As for new styles of Hats and Caps, Gloves and Mittens I cannot be outdone.

Youths' Clothing I also have a good stock of.

Gents' Furnishing Goods is complete.

Floor Oil Cloths I have in patterns and piece goods.

My stock of Groceries is also complete.

A. A. TAFFT, Plymouth.

WITHIN OUR WALLS.

MERE MENTION OF MICHIGAN MATTERS.

An Allegan Girl in Trouble Attempts to Commit Suicide at Ann Arbor—Three Officers of a "Busted" Lansing Bank Arrested.

Strange, Sensational Affair at Ann Arbor.

There may be trouble for at least one student at the U. of M. as the result of an affair which almost ended in one death. A well-dressed young woman took rooms at the Arlington house, Ann Arbor, giving her name as Nellie Fawn, of Toledo.

Bank Officers Arrested.

Prosecutor Cummins, of Ingham county, caused the arrest of Cashier Chas. H. Osband and Directors Chas. Brosas and Christian Briesch, of the defunct People's Savings bank at Lansing.

A TERRIBLE AFFAIR.

Michigan Boy Kills His Father, Fires a Barr and Suicide in the Flames. Henry Kammerer, aged 30, shot and killed his father, John Kammerer, aged 70, set fire to a shed and then committed suicide.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS

State Association Met at Port Huron—The New Officers. An audience of over 1,500 people was present at the formal opening of the state Sunday school convention in the Auditorium at Port Huron.

MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

Christian Bowmann, aged 60, committed suicide at Muskegon because of domestic troubles. Sebastian Mutzgar, a farmer, near Daggett, committed suicide by hanging himself in a smokehouse.

Mort Strong, a South Haven local option law violator who had already paid one fine of \$110 during the present term of court, has been fined \$85 more.

John W. Ulm, of Chicago, has commenced foreclosure proceedings against the Ohio Paper Co. to recover \$153,960, and against the Niles Paper Mill Co. to recover \$44,580.

The Corunna Coal Co. claims to pay the highest wages of any coal mine in the United States. Rates are from 80 to 95 cents a ton and experts make from \$2.50 to \$4 a day, and none fall below \$1.50.

The strike at the Atlantic mine at Houghton is still on and 120 men are idle. The company says that they cannot raise the wages and if the men do not return at once others will be hired in their places.

Over 4,000 feet of drifts in the Franklin, Jr., mine near Hancock, have been opened up, showing continuously rich veins. The company is about to build a stamp mill and L'Anse and Baraga have offered sites.

Michael Kennedy's house at Owosso, was discovered to be on fire at 1 a. m. He was found on the floor dressed and dead. There are many suspicious circumstances that point to murder.

Dell C. Slaght, secretary of the Commercial Travelers' union of Michigan, took three grains of morphine and turned on eight gas jets in the Elks' club room at Flint.

Robt. M. Steel, the former millionaire banker and manufacturer of St. Johns, whose failure last year created a big sensation, died of paralysis.

Mrs. Anna Bentley Lewis, who celebrated her one hundredth anniversary at Saginaw, had a remarkable dream which came true.

Alexander Phillipsky was found hanging from a small window in the rear of Anderjewska's hall, at Bay City, where a dance had taken place.

Edgar and Herbert Winn, of Black's Corners, near Imlay City, boarded a train at Lapeer, bound for Flint.

George Hart, a young farmer living near Meridian station, Ingham county, was shot and killed by John Burgess, aged 19, through a mistake.

Charles M. Spencer, manager of the Postal Telegraph office at Deadwood, S. D., shot himself fatally in the Methodist Episcopal church at Westville, Ind., while the congregation was singing.

William Moody, a well-known man of Augusta, Ga., shot himself in bed. He was married two months ago to Miss Maggie Puryear, one of the belles of the city.

Samuel H. Skewes, aged 80, a pioneer of Racine county, Wis., was found dead in his room at the Thompson house in Union Grove.

It is reported the Charles T. Yerkes, the street railway magnate, has purchased a controlling interest in the Chicago Inter Ocean and George Hinman, of the New York Sun, will take control of the paper.

A passenger train on the Cleveland, Canton & Southern railway was derailed at the approach to a bridge over the Pettibone brook, near Cleveland.

Edward E. Vanoy, aged 25, a blacksmith, attempted to murder Nellie Skiffman, aged 19, and her brother Bert at Bear Creek, 12 miles north of Grand Rapids.

The United Alkali Co., of England, has obtained an option on the McGraw property at Bay City with a view of starting a large caustic soda factory.

There was an early morning freight wreck on the D. & S. A. railroad near Marquette. Twenty cars of coal broke loose from a train at the top of a grade.

ITEMS OF NEWS.

IMPORTANT AND INTERESTING MATTERS IN BRIEF.

Report of Secretary of the Interior Blais Predicts a Big Increase in Penalties in 1898—United States and Canada Come to an Understanding.

Big Increase of Penalties for 1898. Secretary of the Interior Blais, in his annual reports, submits estimates aggregating \$156,532,419 for appropriations by congress for the fiscal year ending 1899.

The total Indian population of the United States, exclusive of the New York Indians and the five civilized tribes, approximates 117,178, located on 117 reservations, which contain approximately 33,404,837 acres.

For Better Government of Alaska.

Concerning Alaska, Secretary Blais says existing conditions demand a radical change in the laws relating thereto, and he recommends that the public land laws be extended to that district; that additional land offices be created and appropriations made to carry them into effect.

Washington: The Bering sea meeting, in which representatives of Great Britain, Canada and the United States have participated, has come to a close.

Some Hope for the Seals.

The Canadian officials would put their views in writing after returning to Ottawa and submit them to the authorities here. All parties concerned say that the outlook is favorable to a satisfactory adjustment.

The unanimous agreement of the experts brings the governments together for the first time on all the facts relating to the seals. This agreement was reached after painstaking comparison of notes, which show, in brief, that not over one-fourth the number of seals are now to be found in the Bering sea that were there a few years ago.

Competitor Prisoners Released.

In pursuance of cable instructions from Spain Capt. Gen. Blanco has released from Cabanas fortress at Havana Alfred Laborde, Chas. Barnett, Ona Melton and Wm. Gilda, members of the American schooner Competitor, captured in April, 1896, by the Spanish gunboat Mesagra on a charge of filibustering.

No Trace of Andree.

The steamer Victoria, which was fitted out by the governor of Tromsøe, under the direction of King Arthur of Norway, to search for Prof. Andree, has returned from Spitzbergen. She brings no news of the whereabouts or movements of Prof. Andree, though exploring parties were landed at 10 different points.

An Ohio Murderer Executed.

Albert J. Frantz was electrocuted at the Ohio penitentiary at Columbus for the murder of Bessie Little, a young girl whom he had betrayed, at Dayton, Aug. 27, 1896. Frantz took the girl for a buggy ride and shot her through the head, afterward throwing the body from a bridge into Stillwater river.

A dynamite explosion at Des Moines, Ia., killed and terribly mangled Chas. Barton and John Walters.

Ten sticks of dynamite in a tent used by a street excavating gang exploded.

CASUALTIES.

Des Moines, Iowa.—By a premature discharge of dynamite in one of the city sewers two men, named Walters and Barton, were fatally injured.

La Porte, Ind.—William Aspy was crushed to death by the falling of a building.

Pawtucket, R. I.—While trying to save the life of her six-year-old son Henry Mrs. Arthur Fortin was struck by a train near the village of St. Jean Baptiste, a mile from Valley Falls.

Los Angeles, Cal.—The Southern Pacific train from Long Beach to this city ran into a wagon, killing H. Compton and his son.

Fort Madison, Iowa.—An entire business block in Dallas City, Ill., nine miles east of this city, was destroyed by fire. Loss, \$17,800.

Carthage, Ill.—Fire at Dallas City destroyed the Commercial hotel, J. C. Carther's livery stable, Charles Schuit's tailor shop and Ganway & Feldhausen's grocery store. Loss, \$13,000.

St. Louis, Mo.—W. H. Clemens, a contractor and builder, and Riley Wallace, a carpenter, were fatally injured in the sheds of the St. Louis Cotton Compress company.

St. Paul, Minn.—Fire broke out in the packing establishment at New Brighton, burning up the smaller packing house of the plant. The loss is estimated at \$40,000 to \$50,000.

Gladstone, Mich.—Fire destroyed Blittner's meat market, Conroy's hotel, and Aaron Miller's building.

Plattsburg, N. Y.—Mrs. Terrill and her nephew, Edward Mason, were burned to death on a farm a few miles from Peru.

FOREIGN.

Athens.—M. Romas, the Delyannist candidate, was elected president of the chamber of deputies by a vote of 83 to 64. Eleven deputies refrained from voting.

Constantinople.—The sultan has conferred upon Count Muraviev, the Russian minister of foreign affairs, the grand cordon of the Osmanli Order for his services in "consolidating the friendship existing between the two countries."

Rome.—Signora Verdi, wife of the celebrated composer, Giuseppe Verdi, now in his 84th year, is dead.

Berlin.—Seven persons perished in a fire which broke out among the woodwork of the shaft of a mine near An-London—John Baguold Burgess, member of the Royal Academy and a distinguished painter, died in his sixty-eighth year.

CRIME.

St. Louis.—Henry Clay Johnson, colored, was hanged for the murder of William Amend, a newsboy whom he shot on the night of Aug. 1, 1896.

Tacoma, Wash.—Ex-President Henry Olver and ex-Cashier W. G. Peters of the Columbia National Bank, charged with misappropriation of funds, were acquitted in the United States court, the jury holding that the money received was trust funds and not deposits.

Spokane, Wash.—Mayor E. D. Olmstead, A. A. Newbury, D. F. Wetzel and E. B. Hyde have been arrested on a second charge of accepting deposits in the Citizens' National Bank at a time when the institution was in an insolvent condition.

Newport, Ky.—Duke Croxon, the first to be tried of the nine men who followed Mr. and Mrs. Gleason out of this city, and taking the woman from her husband at the point of a revolver, brutally assaulted her, has been sentenced to twenty years in the penitentiary.

St. Joseph, Mich.—Peter Peterson was sentenced to eight years in the penitentiary for an attempt to murder his sweetheart, Eliza Harris.

Kansas City, Mo.—Francis A. Wade was given a verdict of twenty years in the penitentiary by a jury at Liberty, Mo., for the killing of Alex Schammel.

St. Louis, Mo.—Henry Clay Johnson, colored, was hanged for the murder of William Amend.

St. Louis, Mo.—The Supreme court has affirmed judgment in the case of George Thompson, convicted of murder, and set Jan. 7 as the date of his execution.

Carson City, Nev.—Julian Guinan, the boy who shot and killed United States District Attorney Charles Jones recently, was exonerated by the grand jury.

Springfield, Ill.—John Kloppenburg committed suicide by hanging.

Kankakee, Ill.—M. C. Wagner of Saunemin, Ill., will probably die from a bullet wound inflicted by John Emmons.

\$25,000,000 FIRE.

Disastrous Conflagration Causes Immense Loss in London.

Not since 1666 has London experienced such a disastrous conflagration as that which has swept the streets of the metropolis. Nearly 150 warehouses, filled with stocks of goods, were destroyed. The historic church of St. Giles suffered severely, the principal damage being to the roof, the old windows, the baptismal font and Milton's statue.

The fire started in a large block of buildings lying east of Aldersgate street, between that thoroughfare and Red Cross street, and fanned by a strong wind and fed by highly inflammable stocks that filled the six-story buildings, gained such headway that it was soon far beyond the possibility of being checked.

More than a hundred engines worked for hours before the flames were gotten under control. The scene must occupy the fire brigade for several days, especially in view of the grave danger of the collapse of walls still standing.

The latest accounts indicate that 150 warehouses have been destroyed, while the loss will fall below \$25,000,000.

German Capture a Chinese Fort.

The murder of two German Catholic missionaries near Yung-Tu by Chinese, and the unsatisfactory reply to a demand for reparation led to a naval demonstration at Kiao Chau. The three forts there were held by 1,500 Chinese and their guns commanded the feet. Admiral von Diederich placed his four cruisers immediately opposite, ready to fire, and sent an ultimatum ordering the evacuation of the forts within three hours.

About 600 German troops and six guns were then landed and began to march forward. The Chinese hesitated for a few moments and then the whole 1,500 fled across the hills behind the forts.

The Germans quietly entered the fortifications, hoisted down the Chinese flag and hoisted the German standard, which the warships saluted immediately. The forts are now held by the Germans, who, it is believed at Shanghai, intend to remain permanently.

Official Chinese circles Germany is considered to have committed an act of war. American and British warships have been ordered to Kiao-Chau to watch developments.

Mutiny in British-Soudan Army.

Particulars have been received of a revolt among the Soudanese-British troops in Maj. McDonald's expedition in the lake country south of the equator in Africa. It appears that the expedition was advancing into the interior from the Uganda country when the mutineers, assisted by 150 Mohammedan tribesmen, attacked the camp at Usoga. In the fierce fighting that followed Lieut. Fielding, Maj. Thurston, Launch Engineer Scott, Civil Officer Wilson and 15 soldiers were killed. The wounded number were 30.

The mutineers were finally defeated, after losing 100 killed and wounded. Maj. McDonald has been joined by the Usoga native army, and it is hoped that he will be able to quell the mutiny.

Cubans Refuse to Buy Independence.

It is stated that the Cuban provisional government, acting through representatives in New York, has refused a loan of \$200,000,000 with which to buy their freedom from Spain, the offer being made by a syndicate of millionaires of St. Louis and the east. The syndicate proposed to loan the Cubans the amount stated or any sum in excess of that necessary to purchase their independence from Spain without further fighting.

Bonds of the republic of Cuba were to be accepted as security for the amount, and at very near their face value. Six per cent interest was to be asked. The insurgent leaders say they are prepared to fight it out to the bitter end, and to meet Spain with lead and steel.

The Marietta Glass works at Redkey, Ind., burned with a loss of \$100,000.

THE MARKETS.

Table with columns for various commodities like Wheat, Corn, Cattle, Sheep, Hogs, etc., and their market prices in different cities.

GRAIN, ETC.

Table showing grain prices for Wheat, Corn, Oats, etc., in various locations like New York, Chicago, St. Louis, etc.

REVIEW OF TRADE.

Colder weather has done much to accelerate retail trade, so greatly delayed in many lines by unusually mild and open weather. The producing force increases on the whole, and many manufacturers are unable to take all the orders offered, while others are commencing to advance their prices.

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Railroad Economy.
The Baltimore and Ohio South Western Railway has been experimenting with electric motors on turn-tables. Turning locomotives at divisional points and terminals is a service of much annoyance and no little expense to railroad companies. It generally takes four men to turn a locomotive, and while they are doing so their regular work is abandoned.

Experiments were made with an electric motor on the 60-foot turn-table at Chillicothe with such success that the Park Street turn-table in Cincinnati was similarly equipped. The result has been rather astonishing in the matter of expense. The current was purchased from the power plant, and it cost on an average of less than one-half a cent for each time the table was turned. When this same table was operated by hand it cost 12 cents for each engine. The yearly saving is about \$709.

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PASSING OF TOMBSTONE.

No other Southwestern Camp had such a Meteoric History.
There never was another camp in the southwest like that at Tombstone in 1879 and 1880. Indeed, there have been very few similar conditions in the world. For over seven months the daily output of precious metals averaged about \$50,000, says the New York Mail and Express. Over a dozen men went there penniless and came away worth over \$500,000 in less than a year, and six or seven men struck it rich and sold out for \$1,000,000 each. Fully half the population walked hundreds of miles to get there. No railroad ran through southern Arizona in those days, and the awful Colorado and Mojave deserts had to be crossed in wagons or on foot by the multitude of fortune seekers from California. Desert sandstorms were encountered, and for days travelers to Tombstone endured a temperature of over 130 degrees in the shade. Many a man died on the hot, sandy plains. Miners on their way to the new camp from the east and south toiled across the Arizona alkali plains through immense cactus areas, and risked their lives in the then hostile land of the Apache Indians.

When Tombstone was reached there were new privations and more physical distress for the greater number, especially for those who had hastened from offices, stores, clerkships and their pastor's study. Over one-third of the men in camp had very little money, or none at all, and knew no way of earning it except by the hardest kind of manual labor, to which they were unused. It cost \$1 a night to sleep in a dirty, rough, pine bunk. Water sold at 20 cents a gallon, a small dish of beans at 50 cents, a tall candle at two bits (25 cents), common overalls at \$5 each, smoked hams at \$12 each, and cowhide boots were disposed of as fast as they could be hauled to camp across the desert from Los Angeles and Yuma for \$35 a pair. In 1881 all the Tombstone mines that paid well were in the hands of a few persons and the population of the place had gone down from 10,000 to 5,000. In 1883 the mines, with two exceptions, began to peter out and the population dropped to 3,000. Since then it has gone down slowly to less than 1,000 souls.

Trees and Men.
A single tree, according to a computation in Knowledge, is able, through its leaves, to purify the air from the carbonic acid arising from the respiration of a considerable number of men, perhaps a dozen or even a score. The volume of carbonic acid exhaled by a human being in the course of twenty-four hours is put at about 100 gallons; but by Boussingault's estimate, a single square yard of leaf surface, counting both the upper and under sides of the leaves, can, under favorable circumstances, decompose at least a gallon of carbonic acid in a day. One hundred square yards of leaf-surface then would suffice to keep the air pure for one man, but the leaves of a tree of moderate size present a surface of many hundred square yards.

After all that has been said in favor of the different methods of Bible study the fact remains that there is no better way to get at the meaning of the Bible than by trying to live up to it.

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It's always just as you are going to bow particularly gracefully to somebody that your foot slips.

Spain and Turkey were once great nations. Both are today on the verge of an utter collapse.

AN OLD MAID'S SONG.

THE boarders used to look across the boarding house table at the Old Maid with a keen, psychological sort of interest.
"Why should she look so happy?" the elder, who was something of a belle would demand. "She can't have any admirers."
"Why should she look so happy?" the younger, who spoke of Art and Missions with capitals in her voice, would ask. "She can't regard being secretary to that lawyer as a noble calling."

And the wives of the boarding-house used also to puzzle over the Old Maid's joyousness, "for she has no husband," they said, "and at her age can hardly hope to get one."
But I never marveled at the gentle spinster's radiant face after we had heard the Singer, not because hearing his voice was enough to provide his hearers with a fund of inner joy for the remainder of their days, but because of the song he sang.

Now, the Old Maid had lived so long in the boarding-house on the square that it had become second nature for her to choose the less tarnished spoons in the holder and to avoid instinctively the top slices of bread on the bread plate. She was familiar with all varieties of boarding-house servants, and she knew that all alike despised her as "the fourth floor front." She knew by heart the landlady's stories of pressing present need and of past affluence. She had nothing to learn in the matter of substituted gas jets, and her feet were trained to skip the torn spots in the stair carpet. Altogether there was nothing in the Old Maid's position in her boarding-house to account for her serenity.

Down-town the Old Maid was a stenographer in a law office, where prettiness was at a discount as a hindrance to unremitting toil. She did not realize that her chief attraction to her employers was the lack of distracting features and complexion. Long as she had lived in the sordid, but educating boarding-house, she had not learned everything that was to be learned about motives, and she believed that her father's old friendship with the lawyer had much to do with her position.

Before the remote day when the Old Maid first came to the law office and the boarding-house she had lived in the country. Even yet when the spring rains came down and drenched the grim pavements she had a swift, fleeting sense of late snows melting by the rim of the brooks and of timid



"IT'S MINE! IT'S MINE!"

flowers pushing through the soft earth. And whenever there was the fresh odor of new-growing grass, and new-sprouting leaves in the city parks her mind turned toward peaceful, pastoral ways, and her eyes were filled with visions of hilly, blossoming trees, of plowmen moving across upland fields, of the waking up of life and industry. In short, the Old Maid was a poet, although the crude little expressions of her emotions never met the keen eyes of critics or even the kindly eyes of her friends.

Well, once upon a time the Singer came to the boarding-house on the square. He was young and his audiences—they were largely feminine—declared that nowhere else was there a singer who caroled out songs and sobbed out ballads so movingly. Whether or not he was peerless is a question, but at any rate he had made a great success, and people wondered that he should come to the dingy abode of the boarders and the Old Maid. Some said that it was because he had lived there in the days before he was known to fashion, and some whispered knowingly that the lady to whom the Singer sang lived over the way in the stone house with the balconies at the window and the guarding lions at the door. Be that as it may, it is a fact that when the Singer came to the city for his series of concerts and recitals he sanctified the abode of the Old Maid with his presence for a whole week. And the Old Maid was agitated mysteriously by his presence, though it is doubtful if he even saw her shabby little figure.

One night she crept down the stairway when the house was still and slipped a paper beneath the Singer's door sill. The paper bore a set of verses written in the fine hand of a woman who was educated a quarter of a century ago, and a little note that read:

"If you should sometimes find this worthy to sing I would be the happiest woman on earth."

Now, the Singer felt a brutal indifference about all happiness save his own, which had been sorely tried that night by the lady of his songs. So he merely muttered: "Confound imbecile women!" Then he looked at the verses and then he went gloomily to bed. But through the night, as he reflected upon his blighted hopes and the hardness of

his fate, some of the Old Maid's lines sang themselves through his mind: I'll see thee in each flower that grows; Thou art not lost while lives the rose. Not lost while lives the rose, the foolish refrain insisted.

In the morning the silly rhymes would not be banished. He found himself humming them to an air, and by and by—so weak was he, owing to the cruel lady—he sat down at the piano and played the air softly.

It was the same week that he gave his great concert at the hall up-town. With indifferent generosity he offered the landlady tickets to be distributed and so it happened that the Old Maid and I went together.

The Old Maid was very plump and very tremulous, and, not being in her confidence, I could not understand her state. After all there was nothing in a successful singer of 33 to excite a spinster stenographer of 50.

The Singer had sung grand opera arias and the music from masses. He had sung Scotch ballads and German love songs. But he could not sing enough to satisfy his audience. After each properly numbered selection he was recalled again and again. Finally he came out and said:

"I wish I could tell you the author of the words I am going to sing. They were sent to me anonymously in manuscript, and I have no means of giving credit to whom it is due."

The Old Maid's figure quivered. She breathed sobbingly and drew closer to me, and I wondered if she were going crazy.

And though thou hast banished me, I touch thee in each nodding flower; I see thee, dear one, every hour, In sky, or star, or sea.

All beauty holds some hint of thee. And so thou canst not banish me. Thou canst not banish me, the hall forgot to applaud for fully three seconds, when it caught its breath and surreptitiously wiped its eyes. That is, all but the Old Maid. She wept quite openly, turning her radiant, tear-stained face toward me.

"It's mine! It's mine!" she half sobbed. "O, it's mine and I am so happy!" And then she told me the whole story. But neither prayers nor entreaties could prevail upon her to let me tell her secret. And the boarders still wonder why it is that a colorless little lady like the Old Maid sometimes wears a look of pride.

FREAK OF NATURE IN FLORIDA

Stretch of Land, 50,000 Acres in Extent, Covered with Sink-Holes.
Payne's prairie, three miles south of Gainesville, Fla., covers an area of 50,000 acres. A large proportion of the prairie is now covered with water, but there are thousands of acres around the borders of the lake which has been formed on which horses and other cattle graze. There is no way of estimating the number of cattle, but there are many thousands, and they are in fine condition. The prairie, or savanna, which it really is, occasionally goes dry, the water passing out through a subterranean passage called the sink. Where the water goes has never been determined. When the sink is open the lake goes dry, and when the outlet becomes gorged or choked a lake from five to seven miles wide and about eighteen miles long is formed. When the waters of the lake suddenly leave it thousands of alligators, snakes, fish and turtles are left with nothing but mud for their places of abode. The fish and turtles perish, but the saurians and reptiles seek and find other quarters. For miles along the northern border of the lake there is a succession of sinks, averaging in depth all the way from twenty-five to 100 feet. Subterranean passages run in every direction, leaving the ground in the shape of a honeycomb. The ground is liable to give way at any time, creating a new sink. Scenery around the lake, especially on the north side, is unique and grand, and is an attractive feature to strangers who visit Gainesville. The sink has long been popular as a resort for citizens of Gainesville, who go there to fish, boat ride and in other ways enjoy themselves. It is said that this vast area of land could be drained at trifling expense, and were it drained it would be the largest as well as the richest tract of productive land in Florida. It is for the most part a bed of muck. The land is owned by various individuals.

Too Little Respect for Coarls.
Kansas City Star: The repeated appeals which conservative writers and speakers feel called upon to make to the people to persuade them to maintain respect for the courts show forth a necessity which ought not to exist in this country. They simply prove that the courts are not worthy of the honor and confidence which the public would like to yield them.

Venice and the Horse.
It is said that some of the Venetians—those who have never been to the mainland—have never seen a horse in all their lives. A showman once brought one to a fair and called it a monster, and the factory hands paid a shilling each to see the marvel.

Hades.—If there is a heaven there is naturally a hell. One could not exist without the other, but the Bible does not teach of a brimstone hell, but merely by implication.—Rev. John W. Westlock, Christian Church, Omaha, Neb.

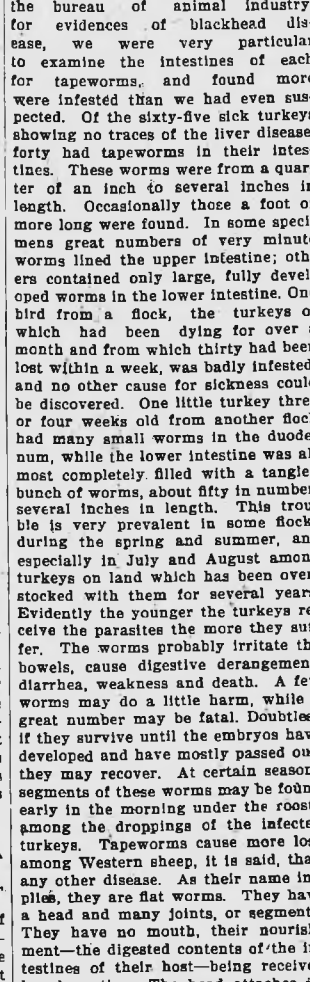
DAIRY AND POULTRY.

INTERESTING CHAPTERS FOR OUR RURAL READERS.

How Successful Farmers Operate This Department of the Farm—A Few Hints as to the Care of Live Stock and Poultry.

Tapeworms in Turkeys.

A MUEL CUSHMAN: Tapeworms, as well as the infectious liver disease termed blackhead, kill many young turkeys. When dissecting turkeys (sick ones selected from many different flocks) with Dr. Smith, of the bureau of animal industry, for evidences of blackhead disease, we were very particular to examine the intestines of each for tapeworms, and found more were infested than we had even suspected. Of the sixty-five sick turkeys showing no traces of the liver disease, forty had tapeworms in their intestines. These worms were from a quarter of an inch to several inches in length. Occasionally those a foot or more long were found. In some specimens great numbers of very minute worms lined the upper intestine; others contained only large, fully developed worms in the lower intestine. One bird from a flock, the turkeys of which had been dying for over a month and from which thirty had been lost within a week, was badly infested, and no other cause for sickness could be discovered. One little turkey three or four weeks old from another flock had many small worms in the duodenum, while the lower intestine was almost completely filled with a tangled bunch of worms, about fifty in number, several inches in length. This trouble is very prevalent in some flocks during the spring and summer, and especially in July and August among turkeys on land which has been overstocked with them for several years. Evidently the younger the turkeys receive the parasites the more they suffer. The worms probably irritate the bowels, cause digestive derangement, diarrhea, weakness and death. A few worms may do a little harm, while a great number may be fatal. Doubtless if they survive until the embryos have developed and have mostly passed out, they may recover. At certain seasons segments of these worms may be found early in the morning under the roosts among the droppings of the infested turkeys. Tapeworms cause more loss among Western sheep, it is said, than any other disease. As their name implies, they are flat worms. They have a head and many joints, or segments. They have no mouth, their nourishment—the digested contents of the intestines of their host—being received by absorption. The head attaches itself to the lining of the intestines by its suckers, or by curved, claw-like hooks. The segments are gradually formed next to the head and are pushed back by the formation of new ones, and finally reach a position at the opposite extremity, or tail, when they mature, separate and pass away. When mature each segment is full of embryo tapeworms. These embryos, those of most species, are taken up by some animal, within which they pass the intermediate stage of development and then pass to their final host. Dr. Salmon thinks it will be found that earthworms, insects or snails are the intermediate host of these tapeworm embryos; that they probably are not able to develop without an intermediate host. The longer tapeworm-infested turkeys have been kept on a place and the greater the number annually grown the more thoroughly will tapeworm eggs be sown upon the land. If you can keep the breeding turkeys free from the worms you may prevent them from sowing the seeds of the tapeworm crop. Dosing them in winter and spring to free them would be an important preventive measure. They should be confined to an inclosure while being treated and the ground and their droppings frequently disinfected to destroy the eggs that pass off. The little turkeys should be raised on land that turkeys or chickens have not run on for years, as well as given an occasional dose that will kill worms. Possibly wild birds and animals may infest such ground with the same embryos. Freshly powdered kousso is recommended as one of the best worm medicines for human beings. The dose for a child of six years is one-fourth ounce, given in the morning on an empty stomach. A previous evacuation of the bowels is recommended, as well as a brisk cathartic, should the medicine not act on the bowels within three or four hours. One dose is usually sufficient to destroy the worms. Kousso poisons the worms, but not the patient. Male fern is also efficient, but an overdose poisons the patient. Tansy, powdered arica nut and ground pumpkin seed are also used as remedies. Asafoetida and turpentine are recommended. Turkey growers should cautiously test the remedy to learn the proper dose for little turkeys. We have not done that.



Tapeworms in Turkeys.

He is in charge of one of the finest chemical laboratories. Occasionally, we see a dairyman who attempts to conduct a dairy on scientific lines without the good sound judgment that must enter into the management of all successful business. His failure is the cause of much rallery at the so-called book-farming. The axiom that "In wisdom there is strength" is just as true of farming as anything else, and he who best prepares himself for his life's work, all other things being equal, will attain greater success. Too much of the dairying to-day is of the hit or miss kind. We are too apt to follow the tradition of our fathers, hardly keeping pace with mechanical improvement and mental growth. A great evolution has taken place within the memory of the youngest dairyman. First, we remember when our dairy consisted of two or three cows. The milking was done in the yard, the milk set in pans in the cellar, the cream churned in the old stone churn, the butter worked with bowl and ladle, packed in jars and traded at the country store for what it would bring in the way of provisions for the family. A little later came the first cooling processes, the box or rectangular churn and wooden packages; soon creameries began springing up and the Cooley and Fairbank cans and the skimming wagons came in vogue, then the separators, Babcock tests, and all the later improvements of to-day. But the management of the cows seems to have hardly kept pace. In our nineteenth century haste we have pushed ahead straining every nerve to get the most milk regardless of cost. Cows have grown old before their time by milking the year round, and by feeding more heavy feed than can be properly assimilated. After two or three seasons of milking, the cow is sold for a "canner" and a new one put in her place at a good stiff price. There are many dairymen who have made money in the business, who cannot tell which of their cows they are keeping at a loss, or which are profitable; they cannot tell what it costs them to produce a pound of butter; they have never investigated the relative value of feed stuffs nor made anything of a thorough study of breeding, of disease, their prevention or cure, and are weak in a thousand other questions that are of vital importance to the dairyman. They have made their money through hard knocks, strict economy and frugality. Of course industry and good management are necessary to success, but information regarding the details of their profession makes money easier with less investment, elevates, ennobles and enriches the industry and raises it to a plane that makes it a desirable field for the labor of those who have looked upon it as a life of drudgery and sorrow. It is a life of scientific research and practicability; worthy the efforts of the brightest and best minds. We cannot fear to know too much about our business, and the dairyman should hail with gladness any new light that may be shed upon his work and be proud of the noble profession he has chosen.

Buttermilk in Demand.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat says that buttermilk is in such demand in the saloons and restaurants of that city that the dairymen find it difficult to fill all their orders in this line. It has been shipped in from 100 miles away. Continuing, that paper says:
But it is a mistake to think that the saloons buy it all. That they should buy it at all is merely one of the queer features of the business. Much buttermilk is sold to restaurants. During the hot season, sweet milk has been largely tabooed, iced tea has lost caste, coffee could not be tolerated, lemonade and soda were not acceptable, and buttermilk was ushered in as a substitute for all of them. And a most desirable substitute it has proved itself to be. Much buttermilk has been sold to families, and there is not an ice cream or soda water parlor in the city that does not handle it. As with the saloons, the demand began with the hot weather. As the temperature rose, the call became greater. Restaurants, saloons and ice cream parlors have been forced to keep it, and in large quantities. The dairy companies recognized the possibilities of the business, and made arrangements to handle an immense supply. They had placards printed which called attention to their buttermilk, or set forth its virtues.

Razor-Back Hams.

The department of agriculture has recently issued a report on the subject of ham, a product of Isle of Wight, Surrey, Southampton and Nansemond counties of Virginia. About 30,000 pounds of the annual output, most of which is exported to Europe. These hams are pronounced equal if not superior to the Westphalian. They are made from what is called the razor-back hog. During its youth this animal is allowed to range the woods throughout the summer, where it acquires the peculiar gamy flavor for which its flesh is noted. In the autumn, when the corn crop is gathered, the hogs are driven into the fields, in which every other row is planted with black-eyed peas. On these and the small corn that remains they fatten very rapidly. As a finishing process the animals are allowed to eat the small potatoes that are left after the crop is harvested. The method of curing the hams and bacon is peculiar to the locality. There are many imitations of the Virginia razor-back ham, some of which are probably equal to the genuine, where the same system of fattening and curing is employed. To secure the genuine it is necessary for individual customers to give their orders a year in advance.

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The bladder was created for one purpose, namely, a receptacle for the urine, and as such it is not liable to any form of disease except by one of two ways. The first way is from imperfect action of the kidneys. The second way is from care less local treatment of other diseases.

CHIEF CAUSE.
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Don't Talk of Your Ills.

EVERY ONE of us has his or her own ailments," writes Edward W. Bok in the December Ladies' Home Journal decrying the unpleasant habit many people have of discussing their own bodily ills. "It is enough for us all to keep well ourselves; to be compelled to listen to the ailments of others does not make that task any easier. Besides all this, these unnecessary narratives of personal ailments are positively injurious to ourselves. Physicians all agree that many of the slight illnesses, of which some people make so much, could be cured if they would but take their minds from themselves. Too many people work themselves into illness, or prevent themselves from getting well, by talking of a petty ailment, which, if forgotten, would right itself. I will not say that women, more than men, are prone to this evil. But as the majority of women have more leisure than the majority of men, they are more likely to let their minds dwell upon every little ill that assails them, and talk about it. It seems to me that one of the most important lessons we can all learn from the close of the year is to refrain from inflicting upon others what is purely personal to ourselves. Let us cease this tiresome, this inconsiderate, this unnecessary talk about our ailments. Cold and hard as it may seem, the fact is nevertheless true, and will ever remain so, that the vast majority of people are interested in what is pleasant in our lives, but not in what is unpleasant. Pains and sorrows are elements in our lives which are sacred and interesting only to ourselves."

After the Road.

A CITIZENS' mass meeting was called in Dearborn Saturday afternoon to discuss the franchise asked for by the proposed Detroit, Ypsilanti & Ann Arbor railroad. About 300 people were present. Supervisor Gully stated that his board had given a franchise to a Mr. Taylor two weeks ago. If he could be released from his promise to this railway he would gladly support the Detroit, Ypsilanti & Ann Arbor road. He had taken legal advice, he said, and had been told that the township board could give but one franchise through the township. After a number of speeches had been made in favor of the Detroit, Ypsilanti & Ann Arbor line, a resolution was unanimously adopted, calling on the Dearborn township board to grant the desired franchise. The board will hold a special meeting Thursday morning in regard to the matter.

CORRESPONDENCE

Stark.
Chas. Millard has returned from a week's hunting tour in the north. He reports a good time and plenty of game. Mrs. Geo. Creaser, of Sunfield, Mich., visited friends here last week.

A poverty social, given by the Epworth League of Newburg, was held at Miss Grace Dean's on Friday evening week. There was a large attendance and all report a good time. Mrs. E. M. Durfee, of Detroit, dressed as a gypsy, made a good fortune teller.

Richard Smith has moved from Chas. Minning's house into his own, and is making some improvements in the way of out buildings.

George Hoisington, who has been sick with typhoid fever, is now able to be out again. His brother, Ed, now has the same disease, but is reported as getting along nicely.

Has a History.

RS. FOX, a wealthy widow living near Novi, is charged by Mrs. Charles Dingman with alienating her husband's affections. Mrs. Fox, who is very popular and well thought of in the neighborhood, has a romantic history.

Fifteen years ago, when a pretty country girl, she lived with her bachelor brother, Norton Tubbs. They owned a large property together two miles out from Novi. Mr. Fox was Miss Tubbs' "steady company." When Norton heard that she had a lover and was going to be married, he became insane with rage and tried to kill her with a butcher knife. When the officers came Tubbs had turned the house into a fortress. Doors were barricaded and the stairway was filled with furniture. He watched the officers from an upstairs window. While they were parleying with him, he placed a gun's muzzle under his chin, pushed the hammer back with a ramrod and blew his face, brains and eyes over the plastered ceiling. Miss Tubbs married Fox and inherited the whole property.—Ypsilanti Sentinel.

The laws prohibit the use of dynamite in fishing, but Novi men have a scheme which evades this prohibition and at the same time enables them to catch fish by the hundreds. They take a fruit jar and put into it a piece of unslaked lime, with a chunk of lead to make it too heavy to float. Just before the cover is screwed on the can a little water is dropped on the lime, and then the can is thrown into the lake. In a short time the water on the lime confined in the bottle causes an explosion, which stuns or kills the fish in the vicinity, and they rise to the surface, where the fishermen can gather them by the bushel.

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IGNORANCE.

Guides Who Led the King of Siam About London Had Trouble. The King of Siam has proved himself to be familiar with English history. He has not passed a regular examination, but has shown himself acquainted with the occupants of the tombs in Westminster Abbey, which is about the same. The King was shown about England's Valhalla by Canon Wilberforce. He coldly passed by the statues of Pitt, Livingstone and Herschel in the nave, but paused before that of Darwin. "Darwin, great man, I know him," he remarked. "The helmet worn by Henry V. at Agincourt was shown him. He looked at it carefully and inquired its weight. He seemed surprised when told that it weighed nine pounds, twelve ounces. When shown the flag of the Knights of the Bath, he asked for the Duke of Wellington's Queen Elizabeth's tomb impressed him greatly. All of a sudden he said, "Where is Mary?" No one knew exactly what he meant. Then he went on, "Mary—Mary, Queen of Scots." "She was beheaded," he added. This circumstance seemed to impress him, for in a moment he said: "Where is the other?" Soon it was understood that decapitation was the connecting link and that he wished to see the tomb of Charles the First. He was appointed to learn that Charles was buried at Windsor. In the Poet's Corner Tennyson and Scott received most of his attention. At St. Paul's he was shown the memorial of General Gordon, but shocked his guides by inquiring with great sincerity: "Who was General Gordon?" "Oh, he was a man very well known in the East," was the only answer thought necessary. Altogether Chulalongkorn showed himself to be a pretty fair historian, but better posted in ancient than modern events.

Just the Kind. The youth in the tan colored cycling suit turned to the white attached man with a deferential gesture. "Pardon me, Mr. Bards," he said, "but will you permit me to ask what kind of matches you prefer for domestic use?" "Matches?" echoed the old gentleman. "Matches for domestic use? What an extraordinary question? Why, safety matches, of course." The young man smiled. "Then Mr. Bards," he said, "permit me to inform you that your daughter Milla and I eloped on wheels this morning and are now back for the customary parental blessing." He blew lightly on his whistle and the lovely girl darted into the room. —Cleveland Plain Dealer.