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3 00	"	2 25
2 50	"	1 88
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2 00	"	1 50
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1 50	"	1 13
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2 FOR 25 CENTS.

This is a bargain. Don't miss it.

A Fancy Line of Fans to sell at 10c each

J.R. Rauch & Son

AN EASY MARK

IS WHAT THE NORTHVILLE BALL CLUB PROVED TO BE.

Plymouth Boys Took Firsts at Northville on the 4th.

Northville entertained quite a large crowd of people on the Fourth and everyone appeared to be having a real good time. The ball game was the center of attraction for Plymouth people as it was understood that our boys were going over with "blood in their eye."

Three years ago, at their last celebration, Northville imported a ball team and they didn't do a thing but shut our boys out. This year we were determined to get even and we did. Our boys did not desire to make an uninteresting game of it, but they did intend to win and they did, "hands down."

All of our boys were in fine form and fielded and batted well. The battery work of Slack and Spranger was excellent. Following is the score.

Innings 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

Northville... 0 0 4 0 1 2 1 1 0—9
Plymouth... 0 5 0 3 4 1 5 2 *—20

Batteries: Northville, Hantz, Thornton and German; Plymouth, Spranger and Slack.

Some special features of the game were Micol's long run and side catch, Slack's not giving a single man a base on balls. Thornton struck out 7 men in four innings, when German was put in, and Plymouth found him for 6 singles, 2 doubles and one three bagger, with a total of 12 runs in four innings. Thornton let two men to bases on balls and German favored four. Penney stopped a good hot one and caught the man on first. Peck got a three and two bagger, Roe got four singles, Smith single and one two-bagger. Northville had six and Plymouth seven errors.

Plymouth not only won the ball game, but in the other events she captured a large majority of the prizes. The following won prizes in the different races: Lee Passage, Steve Jewell, Fred Babcock and Frank Black, running races; Elmer Smith, Claude Jones and Ford Lyndon, bicycle races; Asa Lyon, horse race.

We Will Send no More Sons to the War.

At the National Congress of Mothers recently held in Washington, Mrs. Leeds stated that a missionary in Spain had written her that in many parts of the country the women are marching through the streets with banners on which was inscribed, "We will send no more sons to the war."

We believe that something like 100,000 of these sons of Spanish mothers, forced into the Spanish army, have already died in Cuba alone.

With one-thousandth part of the money now spent on war the children in all the schools of Spain could have been so humanely educated that war would have been impossible. And the same would be true in America and other nations.

We are rich and Spain is poor. We have between 70,000,000 and 80,000,000 of people. Spain between 17,000,000 and 18,000,000.

If other nations do not interfere, there can be no doubt of the first result of the war, but what may follow no man can at present foresee.—Geo. T. Angell.

Does Reed Rule?

In the Wayne council minutes we find the following rare rulings: Trustee Scarrow offered the following resolution: Resolved, That the marshal be authorized and instructed to watch the saloons each Sunday and that he be allowed \$1.25 each Sunday for so doing. No debate was had and the motion was lost. Yes—Trustees Scarrow, Bennett, Cullen; no—Trustees Brown and Lohr. Yes—3. No—2. Trustee Lohr moved that the resolution to have the village pay four cents per foot as their portion of the cost of cement sidewalks be rescinded. Lost by the following vote: No—Cullen, Scarrow; yes—Bennett, Lohr, Brown. No—2. Yes—3.

The Review must be away off its base or the Wayne council is ruled by Reed law.

The Sure La Grippe Cure.

There is no use suffering from this dreadful malady if you will only get the right remedy. You are having pain all through your body, your liver is out of order, have no appetite, no life or ambition, have a bad cold, in fact are completely used up. Electric Bitters is the only remedy that will give you prompt and sure relief. They act directly on your Liver, Stomach and Kidneys, tone up the whole system and make you feel like a new being. They are guaranteed to cure or price refunded. For sale at J. L. Gale's Drug Store, only 50 cents per bottle.

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Cakes in Bulk and 1 lb boxes.

Ice Cream Soda,

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For Fruit Cans, Rubbers, Tops, etc., go to

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Lady's Bicycle to Rent or Sell Cheap.

MICHIGAN NEWS SUMMARY.

Doings of the Week Recorded in a Brief Style.

CONCISE AND INTERESTING.

The Supreme Commandery Knights of St. Johns at Detroit—Michigan Boys at Santiago—Printers' Strike at Lansing Ties Up State Work.

Knights of St. Johns.
Detroit was well filled with visitors on the occasion of the annual convention of the supreme commandery of the Knights of St. John (Catholic). Over 3,000 members of the order, including about 2,000 uniformed Knights, poured into the city to participate in the big parade and the convention. The parade was the picturesque feature of the gathering and drew an immense crowd of spectators. There was lots of music and the brilliant uniforms made a most spectacular exhibition.

Pontifical high mass was celebrated in St. Mary's church for the benefit of the delegates. Music by a special choir of 80 voices and an orchestra of 18 pieces was a feature of the ceremony.

The first business session of the convention consisted principally in addresses of welcome by Mayor Maybury, Bishop Foley and Capt. John B. Todenbier, chairman of the executive committee. Gen. Werst, supreme commander, responded.

The reports of officers showed the order to be in a prosperous condition. Although the number of commanderies expelled and the new ones organized ballooned—15 each—the new commanderies brought more members than were lost with the old ones. The total membership is 13,163. The ladies' auxiliary has a membership of 3,800; 28 auxiliaries were chartered the past year.

There are 16 cadet commanderies, their total membership being 584. Supreme Treasurer Werner reported the total receipts for the year: General fund, \$4,434; disbursements \$5,474; widows' and orphans' fund, \$9,543; disbursements, \$9,500.

The prize drill of the crack commanderies was won by No. 202, Crawfordsville, Ind., over 10 competitors. There were but two entries in the cadet drill, both from Columbus, O., and St. George's No. 20 won out. [Supreme commander Henry J. Werst, re-elected. W. P. Hloran, of Colorado, was elected first vice-supreme commander by acclamation; second vice-supreme commander J. J. Nunold, of Rochester, N. Y.; supreme treasurer, Louis N. Werner, of Sandusky, O.; supreme secretary, M. J. Kane, of Buffalo. J. A. Todenbier, of Detroit, and H. J. Fries, of Erie, Pa., were elected supreme trustees. The next convention will go to Cleveland.

Michigan Troops Join Gen. Shafter.

Washington: The navy department announced the receipt of official news of the landing of Brig.-Gen. Duffield's command, which comprised the 33d Michigan volunteers and one battalion of the 34th Michigan, at Baiquiri. The brigade was transported by the cruiser Yale, which made the run from Norfolk to Santiago in three days. The remaining battalions of the 34th regiment and the Ninth Massachusetts volunteers were transported by the Harvard, and later advices say they also arrived safely, two days after the Yale. Both vessels will return to the United States to carry other troops for Shafter's reinforcement.

The Glorious Fourth.

The Fourth of July in the state was apparently not observed in so noisy a manner as in former years. In many places no arrangements had been made for an official observance of the day, but the news of Sampson's destruction of Cervera's fleet at Santiago de Cuba changed matters. It caused great excitement and enthusiasm. Parades were formed, bands played patriotic airs and general rejoicing ensued. A noticeable feature was the decrease in interest in sporting events. Where programs had already been arranged the glorious news added immensely to the enthusiasm.

Strike in State Printing Office.

The Robert Smith Printing Co., of Lansing, which recently secured the state printing and binding contracts, tied up on account of a strike of all the employees. The men claim that they gave the proprietors notice that they would insist on nine hours as a day's labor. The firm bid close to the margin and state that under the terms of the contract it would be suicidal to accede to the wishes of the men. The strike promises to be a stubborn fight.

Michigan Boys Fare Well at Tampa.

A Tampa dispatch says the Michigan boys in camp there live fairly well, and the heat is not overpowering. The daily routine grows monotonous at times, but day in and day out the Michigan boys have a pretty good time. The men have several hours to themselves each day, and they employ their spare time in bathing, fishing and hunting curiosities to send to their families at home.

Pontiac Masons have just dedicated a new temple.

The residents of Laingsburg and vicinity are excited over a series of explosions on a marsh owned by R. Taylor. Great chunks of earth and rock are being thrown feet into the air, accompanied by loud reports. The explosions are attributed to accumulations of natural gas.

The residence of John Martin, together with its contents, was destroyed by fire at Owosso. The fire was caused by the explosion of a lamp. Loss \$1,300. Martin, who was away from the home when the fire started, reached home just in time to rescue his children who had been awakened by the flames.

MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

The Muskegon Woman's club has purchased a lot and will build a club house.

A movement has started at Benton Harbor to organize a Pingree presidential club.

On St. John's day Three Oaks Masons dedicated a new temple with imposing ceremonies.

H. H. Jones, colored, of Jackson, fell from a train and had both legs and a hand cut off, at Ann Arbor.

The Bradley homestead at Bay City will be converted into a hospital, in charge of the Sisters of Mercy.

The Stars and Stripes now float from a flag staff 150 feet high recently erected on the campus of the U. of M.

At Whitmore Lake, a boy named Bailey, aged 13, son of Supervisor Bailey, of Salem, was accidentally drowned.

Frank Howe, aged 23, of Muskegon, was killed instantly by being cut in two by a Michigan Central freight train at Niles.

The regents of the U. of M. have elected Keene Fitzpatrick, the well-known physical trainer, acting director of the gymnasium with a salary of \$2,000 per annum. Fitzpatrick is at Yale at present.

Maggie Vogt was washing friction with gasoline at Adrian. The friction of rubbing caused an explosion. The girl was enveloped in flames, but she escaped with her life, although she is severely burned.

The Toledo & Northwestern railroad, in course of construction between Albion and Charlotte, which suspended operations about three months ago has resumed work under control of Chicago capitalists.

The Detroit & River St. Clair railroad ran several excursion trains over the new line between Chesterfield and Algonac, for the first time on the Fourth stopping at New Baltimore, Anchorville and Fair Haven.

The building occupied by J. D. Powers as a grocery store and residence at Eaton Rapids, was damaged \$2,500 by fire. The fire was caused by an explosion of a gasoline stove. Miss Powers, a sister, was badly burned about the head.

James Pendill, of Marquette, has been active in the prosecution of saloonkeepers. The other night a large quantity of kerosene was poured on his house and set on fire, but the flames were discovered before much damage was done.

The meeting of the Alumni association of the U. of M. was largely attended by representative members, L. L. Barbour presiding. The reports show an encouraging condition, there being 1,800 members. Total receipts for the year were \$2,733.60.

A party of young married people from Saginaw went into the woods near the city to celebrate the Fourth in a quiet way. Samuel Holden, a prominent man of the south side, climbed into a tree to fix a swing. He fell to the ground and broke his neck.

Privates Northrup and Dykema, who left Grand Rapids with a batch of recruits, deserted at Richmond, Ind. The men were arrested and sent on to Tampa, where they will probably be tried by court-martial. Northrup was married the day before he started south.

The 54th annual commencement of the University of Michigan closed with the presentation of 674 sheepskins to graduates, divided as follows: 263 in the literary, 53 in the engineering, 69 in the medical and 200 in the law department, 20 in the school of pharmacy, 9 in the homeopathic medical college, and 55 in the college of dental surgery.

Louis St. Charles was fatally shot by Henry Duschane, the bullet piercing his lung. Duschane then tried to kill himself but was unsuccessful. A week ago Duschane's wife left him and went to live with St. Charles, her brother-in-law. Duschane went to the house, and when ordered away drew his revolver and shot St. Charles and then turned the gun on himself.

The Spaniards at Santiago are using brass-sheathed lead bullets and the brass ribs on touching and tears the flesh horribly, while the small brass splinters cause blood poisoning. They are practically explosive bullets and are used in the Remingtons. They also cut a small cross through the end of the Mauser bullet, so that it mushrooms on striking, with a similar result.

The resignation of Adjt. Fred E. Abel, of the 31st Michigan, at Chickamauga, has been accepted by the secretary of war. Mr. Abel does not like the routine work of the adjutant's office, and prefers a commission in the line. Lieut. Homer D. Nash, of Co. H (Jackson), has been appointed adjutant, and Lieut. I. J. Collins, Co. D (Jackson), will succeed as regimental commissary.

Last March Insurance Commissioner Campbell notified the United Friends of Michigan, a fraternal insurance organization, that it could have until June 15 to fix up its books and get in proper shape to do business. Matters have not been fixed up to suit the commissioner, and he refused the order a license to do business in the state. Campbell advises the officers to fix up the affairs of the order, and will give them a reasonable time to make a favorable showing.

The state military board has decided to raise one regiment of state troops for home guard duty for emergency use. In order to make room for it, eight companies of state troops now at the front must resign their places in the National Guard and it is said that two companies from Detroit and one each from Calumet, Monroe and Ann Arbor have already decided to do so, and that home companies have been organized in their towns. Three others will be formed and the regiment will be organized at once.

Edward White, aged 78 years, Vassar's first settler, is dead.

BEFORE THE BATTLE.

American Forces Speedily Pushed the Spanish into Santiago.

Within a week after the landing of American troops near Santiago one battle had been fought and the entire Spanish forces had been driven within the intrenchments surrounding the city of Santiago, and the Americans had moved in force to within two or three miles of the doomed city. The troops were moved without serious delay, and pushed forward rapidly, but the movement of the pack trains, wagons, ambulances and artillery taxed the skill and endurance of the officers and men to the utmost. From Baiquiri, where the artillery was landed, to the point of concentration, the road runs through a tangle of tropical undergrowth, up and down steep hillsides and over treacherous swamp-bordered streams, for a distance of over 12 miles. Through this continuous thicket engineers set at work leveling the track and filling pits, while a large force of regulars and volunteers with axes, aided by Cubans with machetes, began hacking down trees and clearing out the brush to enable the heavy artillery to be brought up to the front.

Meanwhile the American front advanced to within a mile of the Spanish intrenchments. The main force of infantry encamped on the Santiago side of the Guama river and the cavalry under Gen. Wheeler held the rear, between the Guama river and the Sevilla hills. The Cubans easily took possession of the Spanish blockhouses between their intrenchments and the American forces. Gen. Lawton, Gen. Chaffee and Gen. Wheeler thoroughly reconnoitered the Spanish position and, with the aid of information furnished by the Cubans, secured very good maps of the roads and defenses of the city. Much information was also obtained from Spanish pacificos, who gave themselves up in the hope of getting food. They report great starvation and distress in Santiago. They say the Spanish troops are on short rations and that all the supplies are being held for their use.

SAILED FOR MANILA.

Spanish Fleet Under Camara to go to the Philippines, via the Suez Canal.

Port Said: Admiral Camara's squadron is in the harbor awaiting orders. It consists of the battleship Pelayo, Admiral Camara's flagship, crew 565 men; armored cruiser Emperor Carlos V, 561 men; auxiliary cruiser Patriota, equipped with 13-inch guns and troops and marines; Barriere, crew 250 and 200 troops; auxiliary cruiser Buenos Ayres, 10 guns, carrying stores, crew 189, troops 703; torpedo boat destroyer Audaz, 73 men; armed merchantman Isla de Panay, crew 103, troops 703; auxiliary cruiser Rapido, 12 guns, crew 233, troops 200; steamship Colon, unarmed, cargo stores, crew 120; torpedo boat destroyer Proserpina, 72 men; torpedo boat destroyer Osada, 73 men; transport Coradonga, cargo stores, crew 120; collier Francisco, cargo ammunition, crew 65.

Except the Carlos V., the Patriota, the Audaz and Proserpina, the whole fleet presents a forlorn appearance. All the other vessels show very foul bottoms and are in an extremely untidy, neglected condition. The soldiers, miserably clad and evidently ill-fed and discontented, are confined on shipboard. The Egyptian government has refused Camara's Spanish fleet permission to coal at Port Said or in Egyptian waters.

London: If Spain's reserve fleet goes through the Suez canal its commander will have to pay about \$122,000 down in gold, as canal tolls before the vessels enter the waterway.

The Situation at Manila.

A Manila dispatch via Hong Kong says the presence of five German warships in the harbor continues to be the disturbing feature. German officers are much ashore and are on friendly terms with the Spanish officials. The German fleet surpasses the American squadron both in tonnage and armament. The German and American warships are not displaying much cordiality. An American official at Cavite writes as follows: "If great bloodshed and destruction come to Manila, Spain may justly blame the Germans. Manila would have surrendered before the arrival of the German squadron without bloodshed, but now, owing to the moral support of its presence, the city refuses to surrender."

Madrid: Dispatches received from Manila say the Spaniards are determined to fight to the death, and that there is every reason to believe that when the American troops arrive desperate fighting will occur. It is supposed at Manila that the German warships will prevent the bombardment of that place, and it is alleged that Prince Henry, of Prussia, is on his way there on board a warship. The government has wired Capt.-Gen. Augusti at Manila to resist to the end, as the voyage of Admiral Camara will be expedited.

Manila: The report that Germany will not permit a bombardment is exciting deep irritation in the American fleet. Admiral Dewey intends to demand a capitulation the instant reinforcements arrive.

A special dispatch from Fiume, the seaport town of Austria-Hungary, says an Austrian vessel is on her way to the Philippine islands with 500 torpedoes intended for the Spanish fleet."

During a sham battle between two divisions of the 33d Michigan regiment at Tampa, Private Guy Culver, Co. D (Battle Creek), was painfully wounded. Several of the opposing side attempted to take him prisoner, and when he resisted, one of them placed his gun close to his neck and fired. The charge entered his neck and cheek filling both with powder.

HOT FIGHTING—HEAVY LOSS

The American Forces Engage the Spanish at Santiago and CAPTURE THEIR OUTPOSTS.

American, by Their Enthusiasm and Aggressiveness Drive the Don's From Their Strong Intrenchments—Sampson's Fleet Bombarded the Forts.

Washington: A general assault on the city of Santiago de Cuba, by the land and naval forces of the United States, began at 7 o'clock on the morning of July 1. Gen. Lawton advanced and took possession of Cabana, a suburb of Santiago. Morro castle and the other forts at the entrance of the harbor were bombarded by Sampson's fleet. The Vesuvius used her dynamite guns with good effect. The Spanish fleet in the harbor fired on the American troops, who were close to the city.

Washington: The war department has received the following from Gen. Shafter, dated at Siboney:

I had a very heavy engagement which lasted from 8 a. m. until sundown. We have carried the Spanish outposts and are now in possession of them. There is now about three-quarters of a mile of open between my lines and the city. By morning troops will be intrenched and considerable augmentation of forces will be there. Gen. Lawton's division and Gen. Bates' brigade, which have been engaged all day in carrying El Caney, which was accomplished at 4 p. m., will be in line and in front of Santiago during the night. I regret to say that our casualties will be above 400. Of these not many killed.

Another brief dispatch says: The fighting continued until dark. Our forces carried the enemy's outer works and have occupied them. The battle will be resumed at daybreak. The American loss is heavy. Some estimates place it at 500 killed and wounded.

Shafter Used a Balloon.

For the first time in the history of the United States a war balloon was sent up during the first attack on Santiago, making observation of incalculable benefit to Gen. Shafter's forces in the field occupied by the enemy, and over the doomed city of Santiago. It was manned by two members of the signal corps. Of all the reconnoissances made inside the Spanish lines by spies from our army, no information so valuable as that obtained by the observers in the balloon. With them the men carried powerful telescopes, which enabled them to see the country for a radius of nearly 40 miles. The Spanish camps could be plainly seen and the number of forces at each place estimated. The men in the balloon were soon sighted by the Spaniards, for messengers ran about and shots, evidently from machine guns, were aimed at them. The swaying motion of the huge gas bag and the effect of gravity, however, prevented any of the projectiles from hitting it, and the Spaniards soon gave up, evidently not wishing to waste ammunition. Sketches and maps were drawn showing the enemy's location, and these will be of the greatest benefit. The balloon remained up until dark, when it was slowly hauled down to earth.

Sigsbee Knocked Out the Terror.

Washington: Capt. Sigsbee reports that while off San Juan, Porto Rico, he was attacked by a Spanish unprotected cruiser and the Spanish torpedo boat destroyer Terror. The Terror made a dash which was awaited by the St. Paul. The St. Paul hit the Terror three times, killing one officer and two men and wounding several others. The Terror dropped back under cover of the fortifications with difficulty, and was towed into the harbor in a sinking condition, where she is now being repaired. Later, a cruiser and a gunboat started out, but remained under protection of the forts.

In defeating the Terror, Capt. Sigsbee has not only deprived Sampson's fleet of apprehension of an attack in the rear some dark night, but he has demonstrated that an auxiliary cruiser is able to take care of herself against a torpedo gunboat. The torpedo gunboat was an untried quality in naval warfare up to this time. She is swifter than a torpedo boat and is seaworthy.

NOTES ON THE WAR SITUATION

President McKinley will soon issue another call for volunteers, probably for 150,000 men. Such is the report in official quarters in Washington.

The engineer corps with Gen. Shafter, under Cuban guides cut the mains of Santiago's waterworks and now the Spaniards must depend on cisterns.

Spanish officials threaten to bestow independence upon Porto Rico subject to certain commercial advantages being reserved for Spain. The object is to forestall American intervention.

Uncle Sam has the finest hospital ship afloat now on the way to Santiago. The Relief is fitted in the most approved hospital style and has all the latest surgical appliances, including two complete X-ray outfits. She also has distilling, refrigerating and water carbonating plants.

Gen. Shafter learned from the Cubans that Gen. Pando was moving eastward from Manzanillo with 8,700 picked men to reinforce the Spanish at Santiago. A force of 200 Cubans under Gen. Rios was harassing the Spaniards at every possible point, but he sent two messengers to the American camp saying he could not hold Pando in check much longer. Gen. Shafter requested Gen. Garcia to send a strong force to the aid of Rios. Garcia at once selected 2,000 of his best fighters under Gen. Rabi, and they at once embarked on transports for Serado, from whence they will march to Las Palmas.

The Blockade Extended.

Washington: The President has issued a proclamation extending the blockade of Cuba to the southern coast from Cape Frances to Cape Cruz inclusive, and also blockading San Juan, Porto Rico. Neutral vessels, lying in any of the ports to which the blockade is by the present proclamation extended, will be allowed 30 days to issue therefrom with cargo.

The blockade of San Juan proclaimed is a reality, having been initiated by Capt. Sigsbee last week, when he turned back a British steamer laden with supplies.

The President thus gave notice of blockading about 500 miles of Cuban coast line in addition to the sections already blockaded. The blockade has been confined heretofore to a little more than 100 miles on the north and the single port of Cienfuegos on the south coast. The new blockaded coast line lies entirely within the great bight on the south Cuban coast, in which the water is generally very shallow and the ports are few into which a vessel of any draft could enter. The object of blockading that coast is to cut off supplies which have been reaching Havana through points on that coast. The vessels for the additional blockade service will be supplied almost entirely from the patrol fleet which has been guarding the north Atlantic coast.

More Reinforcements for Shafter.

A Washington special says all the cavalry available has been ordered to reinforce Shafter at once. The transports Mohawk and Mississippi, with capacity for 1,800 men and horses, have been ordered to sail for Tampa at once. Cavalry is absolutely necessary in an attack on Santiago. Orders have also been issued for the departure of another large army expedition from Tampa, composed of about 9,000 men of the Second division of the Fourth army corps, under command of Brig.-Gen. Snyder, and six batteries of artillery, three light and three heavy. (Gen. Snyder's division consists of the 11th and 19th U. S. regulars, First Ohio, First Illinois, First District of Columbia, Second New York, Third Pennsylvania, Fifth Maryland and 157th Indiana volunteers. This will bring Gen. Shafter's force up to 30,000 men.)

THE WAR SITUATION.

The Spaniards have planted dynamite mines in every road into Santiago.

The British Glosiop and East Lothian have sailed from Philadelphia with 6,000 tons of coal for Admiral Dewey.

A military telegraph station has been established at Sevilla, thus bringing Gen. Shafter into direct communication with the war department.

While oiling the machinery in the Delta Lumber Co.'s mill at Detroit, Anthony Lawrence was caught by the belting of a large fly-wheel and was torn to pieces instantly between the fly-wheel and a stanchion post.

The road over which ordinance and supplies must be brought to Santiago is over steep hills densely lined by underbrush. But very little danger is apprehended of a flank attack, and it is evident Gen. Linares is acting strictly on the defensive.

While on blockade duty off the south coast of Cuba the auxiliary cruiser Yankee captured five sloops carrying supplies from the Isle of Pines to Habana, evidently for shipment to Havana. The crews were put ashore and the sloops were burned.

A Cuban spy who was recently in Santiago says a reign of terror exists among all classes there owing to the nightly attacks of the Vesuvius with the terrible explosion of her dynamite shells. He says that over 100 Spanish, including a high officer were killed in the battle with the rough riders.

The war department is completing arrangements for furnishing beef and other supplies for the army and starving Cubans. Supply ships will make trips to Cuban points about every 10 days. The sum of \$5,000,000 has been placed at the disposal of the commissary department for this purpose.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.			
New York	Cattle	Sheep	Lambs Hogs
Best grades...	\$2.00-2.25	\$4.75	\$7.00 \$1.40
Lower grades...	1.75-2.00	3.00	5.00 1.15
Chicago...	5.00-5.25	4.75	6.75 4.15
Lower grades...	3.00-4.75	3.25	5.00 3.60
Detroit...	4.00-4.25	4.75	6.00 3.75
Lower grades...	3.00-4.00	3.25	5.00 3.60
Buffalo...	4.00-4.25	4.75	5.50 3.90
Lower grades...	3.00-4.00	3.25	4.75 3.70
Cleveland...	3.25-4.10	4.57	5.75 3.75
Lower grades...	3.00-4.38	3.01	5.00 3.60
Cincinnati...	4.00-4.25	4.25	5.00 3.75
Lower grades...	3.00-4.00	3.00	6.25 3.60
Pittsburg...	4.00-4.25	4.75	5.50 4.10
Lower grades...	3.00-4.75	3.50	5.00 3.90

GRAIN, ETC.

New York	Wheat		Corn		Oats	
	No. 2 red	No. 2 mix	No. 2 white	No. 2 yellow	No. 2 white	No. 2 yellow
82 1/8	77 3/4	37 3/4	28 1/2	28 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
78 1/8	73 1/2	33 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
80 1/8	75 1/2	33 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
82 1/8	77 1/2	33 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
84 1/8	79 1/2	33 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
86 1/8	81 1/2	33 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
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Detroit—Hay, No. 1 timothy, \$2.50 per ton. Potatoes, new southern, \$1.10 per bu.; old Michigan, 90c. Live Poultry, turkeys, 9c per lb.; chickens, 12c; fowl, 7c; ducks, 7c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 15c per doz. Butter, dairy, 15c per lb.; creamery, 16c.

Third Expedition Sailed for Manila.

Another fleet of transports has sailed out through the Golden Gate to the broad Pacific, making the third fleet of vessels loaded with soldiers and supplies that has sailed from San Francisco for the Philippines. The ships carried about 4,000 men under command of Gen. Arthur MacArthur, who has made the steamer Indiana his flagship. The City of Para, the Ohio and the Morgan City were the other vessels.

The first regiment New York volunteers have gone to San Francisco on the way to the Philippines.

AMERICAN LOSS IS HEAVY.

Engagement at Santiago Was Costly.

SPANISH TROOPS FOUGHT WELL

The Casualties on Their Side Are Known to Have Been Enormous—List of Our Killed and Wounded as Far as Received.

Off Baiquiri, via Playa del Este, Cuba, July 3, via Mole St. Nicholas, Hayti, July 4.—It is certain that the casualties to the American forces in Friday's battle runs high into the hundreds. It will be some time before the list of killed and wounded is known, but the following are some of the casualties:

KILLED—Ennos, private, Company A, 71st New York; Helm, private, Battery A, 2d Artillery; Capt. Morrison, 15th Infantry; Patterson, John H., lieutenant, Company, 22d Infantry; Schofield, F. W., private, Company A, 71st New York; Skinner, private, Company A, 71st New York; Underwood private, Battery A, 2d Artillery; Wycoff, Charles A., colonel 22d Infantry.

REPORTED KILLED—Borrowe, Mallet Alsop, in charge of dynamite gun; Hamilton, John M., colonel 9th Cavalry; O'Neill, captain, rough riders.

WOUNDED—Armstrong, W. A., corporal, Troop I, rough riders; Ash, Alvin C., private, Troop G, rough riders; Barr, Samuel, private, 1st Artillery; Bell, Dilwyn, private, rough riders; East, sergeant; Champlin, Frederick, private, rough riders; Conklin, Lieut. John, Jr., 1st Artillery; Corsford, sergeant, Battery A, 2d Artillery; Cosby, Arthur, private, rough riders; Delaveaux, second lieutenant, rough riders; Devore, S. G., sergeant, rough riders; Farr, second lieutenant, Otho, W. B., 1st Artillery; Freeman, W., private, Troop F rough riders; Glzey, John, Yonkers, private, 13th Infantry; Graham, George, New York, private, 13th Infantry; Gross, lieutenant, Louis F., 6th United States Infantry; Henry, George, first sergeant, Battery A, 2d Artillery; Horton V. D., corporal, Troop I, 3d Cavalry; Keefe, H. W., corporal, Battery A, 1st Artillery; Kerr, J. B., captain, 6th Cavalry; Long, Benjamin A., private, Troop K, rough riders; Ludy, Daniel, private, rough riders; McLean, corporal; McApparon, corporal, Troop G, rough riders; Mitchell, Mason, private, Troop K, rough riders; Myspernam, John, private, rough riders; Bicketts, Basil, private, rough riders; Short, lieutenant, 10th United States Infantry; Taylor, captain, 16th United States Infantry; Veigt, sergeant, Battery A, 2d Artillery; Waller, John, private, rough riders; Wright, William, private, rough riders.

While the Americans lost in the battle about 800 men, the casualties inflicted upon the Spaniards were enormous. The loss of the Americans is compiled from the official list.

Over 150 dead Spaniards were found in one intrenchment alone after the battle was over.

POWERS AND PHILIPPINES.

Alleged Agreement to Oppose United States and Britain.

Berlin, July 4.—On the best authority it is said that Germany, France and Russia have reached an understanding relative to the Philippine Islands. It is said these three powers do not intend to actively interfere until hostilities cease, after which they will combine to prevent the United States or Great Britain gaining possession of the whole of the Philippine Islands. When the war is over an international congress will be proposed, similar to the Berlin congress of 1878, to settle all questions connected with the war. All the great powers will be invited to join, including the United States and Spain. It appears certain that Germany will demand a slice of the Philippine Islands or other compensation in the far East.

Margall's Gloomy Forecast.

Madrid, July 5.—In an interview ex-President Pi y Margall, who was formerly president of the Spanish republic, expressed himself pessimistically as to the war. He said: "We shall exhaust ourselves and ruin the country. The country, infuriated, will revolt. The war must be stopped. The harm it is doing is terrible. We are hurrying toward bankruptcy and ruin with inconceivable carelessness and incomprehension. The government ought to recognize the independence of Cuba and ask for peace from the United States."

Eastern Squadron in Preparation.

Washington, July 5.—There has been no break in the preparation of Watson's squadron. Its departure will follow quickly the fall of Santiago. Watson is

The Standard Dictionary.
New York Observer: "It is, indeed, a prodigious work. . . The knowledge and experience of the most able minds of the age in all the departments of art and science, of literature and learning, have practically been focused, and the result is a dictionary so thorough in details, so comprehensive in its reach, so accessible and intelligible to the student of even average attainments, and yet so satisfactory to the profoundest scholar that it must be conceded a place before undreamed of and till now unfiled."
See display advertisement of how to obtain the Standard Dictionary by making a small payment down, the remainder in installments.

Hypocrite—A man who prays for something he isn't willing to work for.
If you must bet always bet on the top dog and the bottom facts.
If angels fear to tread where fools rush in they should use their wings.

Important to Mothers.
The manufacturers of Castoria have been compelled to spend hundreds of thousands of dollars to familiarize the public with the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. This has been necessitated by reason of pirates counterfeiting the Castoria trade mark. This counterfeiting is a crime not only against the proprietors of Castoria but against the growing generation. All persons should be careful to see that Castoria bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher, if they would guard the health of their children. Parents and mothers, in particular, catch by carefully examining the Castoria advertisements which have been appearing in this paper, and to remember that the wrapper of every bottle of genuine Castoria bears the fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher, under whose supervision it has been manufactured continuously for over thirty years.

God be thanked for books; they are the voices of the distant and the dead, and make us heirs of the spiritual life of past ages.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away
To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c. or \$1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address: Sterling Remedial Co., Chicago or New York.

Before making a girl wants a man to write her love letters, but after marriage nothing but checks will satisfy her.
We Pay Expenses
and liberal commissions; refund the cash for all goods not giving the consumer satisfaction. Long terms of credit. First-class schemes. Salesmen wanted. No bond required. Sales made from photographs. We guarantee \$50.00 per month on all orders. Address with stamp, Brenner Mfg. Co., Iowa City, Iowa.

A woman's idea of wrong is something a man does that would be a mistake if she did it herself.

COSMO BUTTERMILK TOILET SOAP makes the skin soft, white and healthy. Sold everywhere.

It's bad form to drink too much wine at an evening dinner and it's bad taste in the morning.

Years of suffering relieved in a night. Itching piles yield at once to the curative properties of Doan's Ointment. Never fails. At any drug store, 50 cents.

Some men exert themselves more in trying to borrow a dollar than in trying to earn one.

Cox's Cough Plaster is the oldest and best. It will break up a cold quicker than anything else. It is always reliable. Try it.

A successful physician is one who is able to relieve his patients of good fees.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25 cents bottle.

When a girl thinks a man doesn't care for her she begins to try to make him.

I know that my life was saved by Pils' Cure for Consumption. John A. Miller, Au Sable, Michigan, April 21, 1895.

Woman is a quilter, the sweetness of whose tone depends upon the player.

Save the lives of the little ones! Brown's Teething Cordial will do it.

Fortune is ever seen accompanying industry. Government is a fossil; it should be a plant. Look before you leap; see before you go.

A GUARDSMAN'S TROUBLE

The promptness with which the National Guard of the different states responded to President McKinley's call for troops at the beginning of the war with Spain made the whole country proud of its citizen soldiers. In Detroit there are few guardsmen more popular and efficient than **First Sergeant** **Chas. Max R. Davies**, first sergeant of Co. B. He has been a resident of Detroit for the past six years, and his home is at 418 Third Avenue. For four years he was connected with the well known wholesale drug house of Farrand, Williams & Clark, in the capacity of bookkeeper.

"I have charged up many thousand orders for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People," said Mr. Davies, "but never knew their worth until I used them for the cure of chronic dyspepsia. For two years I suffered and doctored for the aggravating trouble but could only be helped temporarily by the most stubborn of ailments, and there is scarcely a clerk or office man but what is more or less a victim. Some days I could eat anything, while at other times I would be starving. Those distressed pains would force me to quit work."
"I tried hot-water treatment thoroughly, but it did not affect my case. I have tried many advertised remedies but they would help only for a time. A friend of mine recommended Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, but I did not think much of them."
"I finally was induced to try the pills and commenced using them. After taking a few doses, I found much relief. I do not remember how many boxes of the pills I used, but I used them until the old trouble stopped. I know they will cure dyspepsia of the worst form, and I am pleased to recommend them."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all dealers, or will be sent postpaid on receipt of price, 50 cents a box or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

Some men owe their position in society to their wives and everything else they have to their creditors.

Some men overwork themselves trying to live without work.

Is Health Worth Ten Cents?
Man suffers many mysterious ailments from unknown causes, and nine-tenths of them have their origin in the digestive canal somewhere. It does any person good to clean out his canal occasionally in a rational way, provided it is not done in a violent manner. The proper cleansing and disinfecting preparation is Casca's Candy Cathartic, which is a very gentle, but at the same time thoroughly effective. A 10c box will purify the whole system and in most cases remove the cause of ill health. When "feeling bad" take Casca's. They will do you good, and can do you no harm.

A woman may be loyal to love, but never to lovers.—Spanish proverb.

The E. W. Walker Carriage Company, of Goshen, Ind.

Has just issued a very neat catalogue, which should be in the hands of every prospective purchaser of a carriage or wagon. They sell direct to the user and can save you money. Write them today.

Elderly gentlemen seem to have a penchant for young girls.

Wheat 40 Cents a Bushel.
How to grow wheat with big profit at 40 cents and samples of Salzer's Red Cross (50 bushels per acre) Winter Wheat, Rye, Oats, Clovers, etc., with Farm Seed Catalogue for 4 cents postage. JOHN A. SALZER SEED CO., La Crosse, Wis. w.n.u.

The microbes of love usually steers clear of an old bachelor's heart.

Dr. Carter's K. & B. Tea does what other medicines do not do. It regulates the four important organs of the body—the stomach, liver, kidneys and bowels. See package.

An ounce of practice is worth a pound of theory.

No-To-Bac for Fifty Cents. Guaranteed tobacco habit cure, makes weak men strong, blood pure. 50c. Bt. All druggists.

He who has a handsome wife is never without fear.

When Answering Advertisements Kindly Mention This Paper.

A STAGE WAIT.

It was a really fine affair. Chedderstow did the things well, as befitting the father of the bride, and the company wandered over his twenty-acre garden and gazed and gorged and sunned themselves after the fashion of their kind. Though I knew very well what it would be like, I ran down on his invitation, and was now, of course, regretting I had come, as I pensively picked out a clematis-shaded seat and fell to watching the poses of three young girls in enormous sleeves who were attitudinizing near a bank of white lilies, with something, too, of the flower's sweet staidness about them, despite the harlequinade of dress and speech and manner.

A prettily defined pentagonal shadow fell at my feet, and, looking around, I saw Mme. de Tocqueville coming to a halt before me. She is just as well known as Arbuscula—only in another way—the kindest, wickedest little lady who ever stabbed a reputation to death or planted a bunch of epigrams upon the grave.

"And Solomon in all his glory—" she said, nodding toward the three graces, while she sloped her parasol to bring the rose-colored lining to bear upon a cheek which had once dared even the sunshine of Provence. "It is to be hoped not," I replied, "else the queen of the south must have been easily impressed."

"Oh, they were a commonplace lot," answered Madame, lightly. "Solomon was a fraud—Renan settled that long ago. The Queen of Sheba was a very paltry person, too. You recollect how she showed her legs—unintentionally—over the mirror? What would she have done if she had seen the cinematograph?"

"Heaven knows," said I, stifling a yawn. "They have one here. We are to be on exhibition, I dare say."

"Yes," laughed Madame, "with the added glory of a photograph for the organ, you know." And she glanced in the direction of a marquee toward which the company was beginning to gravitate. "They took pictures of our noble selves entering the church, within the sacred edifice—as the reverential reporters say—and bawling in the gardens."

"It may be amusing," I said, tentatively.

"It is sure to be," she responded, "for the humor will be strictly uncon-



THEY PASSED SLOWLY.

scious. I am just beside the road screen, near Mme. de Belleville." "Another representative of La Belle France?" I asked, languidly.

"No, a countrywoman of yours," she answered, "but she was married to a Frenchman. They lived near our estate at Dijon. He died last month," she sighed. The suspiration was not a eulogium on the deceased.

"Rather early to attend a marriage?" I hazarded, being old-fashioned on some matters; "but the suggestion of mourning, now that you mention her recent bereavement, was admirably carried out in the toilet."
Madame smiled and shifted her sunshade.

"By the way, our host was very faithful to his partner," I observed; "he did not marry a second time, though Mrs. Chedderstow died when the girl was born, I understand?" "Yes, her first child," replied Madame.

"The first! Surely you forget Fred, the engineer, who was killed on the Niger?" "I do not forget him," said Madame quietly; she was looking at one of the girls, whose profile was turned toward us at the moment; it was her eldest daughter, Miss Lucille. I made some complimentary allusions to the young lady.

"She is well enough," remarked Madame, carelessly. "Do you know the other, on the right?" I shook my head regretfully. "Indeed! Then I shall introduce you if you are very good. That is Miss Langton, Professor Langton's daughter," she replied, "we liked her exceedingly, for she has been staying at Dijon till quite recently with an invalid aunt. You surely have met the professor?"

"I know him slightly," I answered, remembering how he had warned me with a most erudite account of "All Fools' Day" the last time I saw him; "but my ways are not scholastic."
"No," said Madame, with unnecessary warmth of assent. "He is wrapped up in his work, whatever it is, something about the great auk. It is well to have an object in life."
"I wonder whether he will wake to the fact that he has a beautiful daughter who will want to be settled in life?" said I.

"The fact will, probably be brought under his notice," replied Madame, looking straight at me.

rection a moment, until Lucille, laughing, said something, and, as if by an impulse, they wheeled with the grace of startled deer and went toward the marquee.

"I wish I could do that!" said Madame, referring to the gesture of one who had passed her slim arm across her back and had caught the other at the bend of the elbow.

"You can afford to say so," I observed.

"A Frenchman would have done better," she remarked.

"But I am English, you know," I replied. "Veracity is the badge of all our tribe. We rarely taste the high joy of being truthful and complimentary at the same time."
"But you thrive well on the privation," she laughed, rising. "Now take me to the show," and she slipped her arm within mine. "You really ought to think of getting married," she continued. "Marriage supplies a raison d'etre. Did you ever map out a career?"

"Frequently," I replied, "but always failed at reducing the plan of my imagination to the scale of my brains."
"A common fault," observed Madame; "but a wife would show you how. A good wife is"—she paused as if listening.

"A crown to her husband," said I, wishing to keep the ball rolling.

Madame raised her finger and drew me into the shadow of the clematis. Approaching footsteps sounded on the gravel. A moment later Chedderstow and Mme. de Belleville appeared. His arm was round her, his iron gray head bent toward her own, still black as midnight. They passed slowly, utterly oblivious of our presence; nor did my companion move until they had disappeared beyond a noble specimen of Glastonbury thorn masking another path.

The first chapter in a middle-aged romance," said I. "O, woman!" "The last, if you please," replied Madame; "a solvite was written nearly twenty-seven years ago by that great shuffler of destinies, circumstance, and now it will run on smoothly to the end."

"Then, you mean to say—"
Madame lifted her graceful shoulders. "Did you ever read 'La Provencale'?" she asked.

"I skimmed through it once," said I, impatiently.

"Then, peruse it again," continued Madame, "but substitute for the heroine an English girl. When she was 18 her family sold her in the usual way to a Major de Belleville. He spent her money as well as his own and took himself off on active service to Africa. News of his death in Egypt reached her a year later. She returned to England and married our host, who had known her in childhood. They were happy one year and a son was born. Well, of course, the superfluous Belleville was not dead. He reappeared presently, unchanged and unchangeable—she went back to him; it was her duty. Monsieur married again, his family urging him; you can guess the rest. They tried the thorny track of honor, and—well, you see it sometimes leads to happiness, even here."

"Rather melodramatic," I observed. "What else is life?" asked Madame. "And rather late in the day, too."
"Bah!" cried the vivacious little lady, pressing my arm, "what of that? Are we sure of a moment? God knows what an ugly world we make of this, but oh! what a sorry world it would be if love were only for the young!"

"Nevertheless, it might be more comfortable could the heart grow gray with the head," said I, remembering the two gray hairs I had found on my left temple that morning.

Madame laughed gaily, twirling her parasol. "Shame on you," she cried. "Do you forget your own English proverb, 'Kissing is out of season when the gorse is out of bloom?'"

And as we were just then turning the corner of the lily-bordered walk leading to the marquee, I could not answer effectively.—William Buckley in Black and White.

PICKING POCKETS WITH TOES.

Wonderful Dexterity Displayed by the Gauchos of the Argentine.
From the Boston Transcript: The Gauchos, or dwellers in the extensive plains of Buenos Ayres, are marvelously dexterous with both hands and feet. Many of them have acquired through long practice such skill in using their toes as if they were fingers that they can fling the lasso and even pick pockets with them. Some time ago a Frenchman who was fishing in one of the rivers of Buenos Ayres was warned against the light-fingered natives. He forthwith kept a vigilant watch on his companions, but nevertheless one day when his attention was closely riveted on his float a wily Gaucho drew near and, delicately inserting his foot, extracted the Frenchman's pocket, and other valuables from his pocket.

Watch Movements.
A watch ticks about 157,680,000 times in a year and the wheels travel 3,558 1/2 miles per annum.

FLEET WIPED OUT.

Spanish Squadron Blown Up at Santiago.

ATTEMPTED TO ESCAPE.

Americans Commence Attack with a Fierce Fire.

CERVERA RUNS BACK TO SHELTER.

Closely Followed by Admiral Sampson, and Seeing No Possibility of Escape, the Spaniard Blew Up All His Ships but One, Which Escaped to the Open Sea, and Is Being Pursued—Fall of Santiago Is Now Inevitable—News Received at Washington.

Off Santiago de Cuba, via Tampa, July 5.—Yesterday morning Admiral Cervera attempted to escape from the harbor and run by the American fleet. The attempt was unexpected by Admiral Sampson, but his ships were prepared in an instant for the fight.

With the flagship, the New York, in the lead, the fleet advanced to meet the enemy. So fierce and well directed was the fire from the American ships that after less than twenty minutes' fighting Cervera signaled to return. Admiral Sampson followed closely, and Cervera, seeing capture certain, blew up his entire fleet, with the exception of one boat, which escaped to the open sea and is being pursued by two of Admiral Sampson's squadrons.

The occupation of the harbor by the American fleet renders the situation of the Spanish troops who hold the city, absolutely untenable, and an immediate surrender is inevitable.

Washington, July 5.—The news of the destruction of Admiral Cervera's fleet was received in this city with indescribable satisfaction. The apparent reverse suffered by Gen. Shafter, which became public early in the day, had caused a feeling almost of dismay, and the change in the situation was joyfully welcomed by the president and cabinet. The reinforcements asked for by Gen. Shafter may not be hurried to the front as early as had been anticipated.

Bicycle Records Lowered.

Boston, Mass., July 4.—All world's records from one to fifteen miles inclusive took a sudden drop at Charles River Park Saturday afternoon, when Eddie McDuffee, of Boston, defeated Jimmy Michael, the tiny cyclist, who has long held the title of champion of the world. It is possible that the race might have had a different ending but for an accident which befell Michael and practically threw him out of the race. At the end of the first mile the watches recorded 1:45 2-5, against 1:48 3-5, the former world's record, made by Elkes in his race with Martin, one week ago. The two miles were ridden in 3:24 3-5, a gain of :04 3-5 on the previous two-mile record. When the bell announced the last mile of the race McDuffee pulled out a spurt and headed across the tape in 28:30 3-5.

Fatal Fire in Pennsylvania.

Uniontown, Pa., July 4.—The most destructive fire this place has ever experienced occurred Sunday, originating in G. E. Balsley's restaurant in the basement of the Wilson building, on Main street. A strong wind prevailed, and for a time the entire business section of the town was in great danger. Two men were seen on the roof of the Wilson building just before it fell and they are supposed to have perished. The loss aggregates \$115,000, with \$65,500 insurance.

Same Scale as Last Year.

Muncie, Ind., July 4.—The convention of the green glass pressers of the United States and Canada adjourned to meet next year in Marion, Ind. The same scale in vogue the last ten years was adopted. The officers elected are: President, Frank Lafferty, Muncie; Recording Secretary, James McClain, Muncie; Corresponding Secretary, Thomas Atkins, Philadelphia; Financial Secretary, Patrick Kelly, Muncie.

For a Vice Admiral.

Washington, July 4.—Senator Mason of Illinois has introduced a bill to authorize the President to appoint with the advice and consent of the senate one vice-admiral "to be selected for distinguished conduct in battle, or for extraordinary heroism in the present war from the list of active rear admirals, and who shall be the ranking officer in the navy."

Coinage for the Year.

Washington, July 4.—The report of the director of the mint shows that during the fiscal year closed July 1 the coinage at the mints of the United States amounted to \$72,609,933, as follows: Gold, \$64,634,865; silver, \$16,485,584; minor coins, \$1,489,484. The standard silver dollars coined aggregated \$10,902,780.

Wire Cutters for Shafter.

New York, July 4.—A big shipment of engineer supplies for General Shafter left here on a special train of four cars for Tampa, Fla. It includes a large amount of hardware and rope and 2,000 wire cutters.

Much Coal Burned.

Racine, Wis., July 5.—The coal sheds of William Pugh, covering two blocks, burned. The loss is estimated at between \$75,000 and \$100,000, covered by insurance.

TOPICS OF TODAY.

PERILS OF WAR CORRESPONDENTS.

In the list of the wounded in the first battle of our army in Cuba the name of Edward Marshall, correspondent of the New York Journal and Advertiser, is followed with the ominous word "serious." In the details of the fight it appears that he was with Colonel Wood's rough riders when with intrepid impetuosity they rushed into the Spanish ambushade. Two bullets ended his share in the advance, one entering the abdomen, the other hitting the spine. Although his lower limbs were paralyzed and death seemed near, he asked for a cigarette to smoke while he dictated the story of the battle to the point of his fall for his paper.

CURRENCY BILL TO GO OVER.

The decision of the sincere friends of currency reform in the national house to postpone consideration of the comprehensive bill lately reported by Congressman McCleary is by no means to be regarded as a bad omen. Quite the contrary. The action seems to have been deliberately taken under a well-grounded belief that the conditions in the next congress will be so auspicious as to secure an unobstructed passage for the measure. If Mr. Hanna, the chairman of the Indianapolis executive committee, is satisfied that the wisest course has been taken in regard to the bill there is clearly nothing to cause the reform sentiment any regret or disappointment.

TO COIN MORE GOLD.

Secretary Gage sent the other day to the house of representatives an elaborate statement in regard to the gold bullion now in the treasury and the need of its conversion for prompt use. The statement was accompanied by a recommendation for the appropriation of \$250,000 to be applied to the payment of wages of workmen and other contingent expenses at the mints in connection with the coinage of gold and subsidiary silver during the next fiscal year. To enable the mints to convert a large part of the gold bullion now on hand and to coin the current domestic deposits that are to be made the secretary deems the appropriation necessary.

CAMARA AND HIS GUESSING CONTEST.

Apparently Admiral Camara is jealous or envious of the "honors" won by that famous naval strategist, Cervera, and is trying to emulate him by pursuing a plan of operations even more calculated to bewilder spectators than was Cervera's. For weeks, we have been kept guessing and wondering as to the meaning of the movements of the so-called Cadiz squadron, though, if the Spaniards but knew it, we have been curious rather than apprehensive. It does not in the least matter to us which way Camara finally decides to go if he really intends going anywhere. We are ready for him at either end and would be glad to have an opportunity to dispose of the remnant of the Spanish navy under his command.

CARRY THE WAR INTO SPAIN.

It seems that nothing short of an offensive war against the peninsula itself will convince the rulers of Spain that it is engaged in a futile struggle with the United States. Spain is far removed from the seat of war, her army in Cuba costs her nothing beyond the credit it has to purchase supplies and the small quantity of munitions of war that percolates through the blockade. It gets neither food nor pay from Spain. For all practical purposes Blanco is defending the Spanish flag in Cuba and subsisting his army on the country for which he is fighting.

BIG CASH BALANCE FOR WAR.

While Spain is scraping the bottom of her exchequer to find \$250,000 with which to pay the canal dues on Admiral Camara's feet Uncle Sam is forcing the fighting with \$190,973,687.74 available cash balance in the treasury last Saturday night. True, this included the gold reserve, but it had not touched the first cent of the \$200,000,000 from the war loan. Neither have the current revenues begun to feel the impulse of the war tariff, except in a slight degree from the beer, tobacco and tea taxes.

BAPTIZED IN BLOOD.

No other body of troops in the United States army has been subjected to so many bits of jest and pleasantry as Roosevelt's rough riders; but nobody ever hinted that they would fail to give a good account of themselves when the time came. Yesterday they had an opportunity to prove that their desire for action was not assumed, and they proved it. Of the American loss in the skirmish in the Santiago thickets, half of it was borne by Roosevelt's riders.

Beloit, Wis.—The contribution of \$50,000 to Beloit college by D. K. Pearson of Chicago on condition that \$200,000 be raised for the institution, has been met, and the full sum secured.

Madison, Wis.—The annual picnic of the Aurora Grocers' association was held here.

Berlin—Five Mormon missionaries who recently arrived from Utah on a proselytizing mission, have been expelled from Hamburg.

Sand Beach, Mich.—The boiler in George Monroe's planing mill exploded, injuring the engineer, Capt. Harriman.

Burlington, Ia.—Miss Mary Dehaene, of Burlington, and Prof. Bertress, instructor of the Burlington Institute college, now of Boston, were married.

Boston, Mass.—Mrs. Mary Wiggins Fullerton, an original daughter of the Revolution, aged 103 years, is dead.

Hair Hints

Is your hair dry, harsh, and brittle? Is it fading or turning gray? Is it falling out? Does dandruff trouble you? For any or all of these conditions there is an infallible remedy in Dr. Ayer's Hair Vigor.

"For years, I was troubled with dandruff, large flakes scaling and falling off, causing great annoyance. Sometimes the itching of the scalp was almost insupportable. Prescriptions from eminent physicians, put me in my own drug store were tried, but failed to afford relief. At length I used Dr. Ayer's Hair Vigor, and in one week I found it helped me. At the end of only two weeks, my head was entirely free from dandruff, and as clean as a child's. I heartily recommend Dr. Ayer's Hair Vigor to all who are suffering from diseases of the scalp."—EDWIN NORSTROM, Drugs, etc., Sacred Heart, Minn.

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PLYMOUTH MAIL.

H. J. BAKER, Editors and M. F. GRAY, Proprietors.

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Entered at Plymouth P. O. as second class matter.

Card of Thanks sets. Resolutions of Condolence toasts. Paid notices set a word, in locals sets a word. Reading notices where charges are made sets a line.

Friday, July 8, 1898.

FAR AND NEAR!

IMPORTANT EVENT FROM DUREXOHANG CONDENSED AND RECORDED HERE.

If newspaper reports have any truth in them, Spanish gunners must be miserable marksmen, to be sure; but, then, they seem to have a way of rehabilitating their "utterly demolished fortifications" that offsets their "wild shooting." Up to the time we write this, innumerable forts have been "battered down" and their guns "silenced;" but so far, they seem to have been ready for action when "our boys" passed that way again. Can it be that a Spanish fort is like an old, revolutionary bomb-shell—dangerous even after it has been discarded and left out in the wet for generations?—Word and Works.

The new revenue bill which took effect July 1, will prove quite a study for a starter. Among other items all bank checks, drafts, certificates, etc., must have a 2-cent attachment, and all receipts or receipted bills of \$5.00 or over, a one cent. Each 15 cent telephone message, 1 cent. Cigar manufacturers pay \$6 per year. Theatres \$100.00 per year. Bankers \$2 on each \$1,000 capital. Deaths, new life insurance policies, fire insurance, mortgages, sleeping car tickets, etc., are also on the taxable list.

The regular annual meeting of the American Bible Society was held in New York City last week, and the report was made that during the past year 1,362,273 copies of the Bible were issued for circulation at home and abroad. During the eighty-two years of its existence, the society has distributed 64,681,613 copies of the Bible in various languages. Last year 1,260,000 volumes of the Scriptures were circulated in China by the Bible societies of the United States and Great Britain.—National Advertiser.

THE WILD WEST.

Buffalo Bill's Great Exhibition Soon to Appear—Cheap Excursion Rates.

When the patriotism of the people is aflame and the movements of the army and navy of paramount interest it is impossible to conceive of anything that could more powerfully appeal to the public at this time in the way of amusement attraction than Buffalo Bill's Wild West and Congress of Rough Riders of the world. It is no mere show intended to provide diversion for an afternoon and evening, and yet as an entertainment it is beyond all measure the most diverting. Its real value lies in the fact that it is, more than anything else an international military tournament. In it you see veterans of the Fifth U. S. Artillery handling a double light battery exactly as if it was in front of an enemy; Cavalry men from the armies of Russia, England, Germany, Mexico, Cuba, Egypt and other places show how soldiers of those nations handle themselves; their manouvers and tactics in fighting and their sports and pastimes in playing. Over 100 Indian warriors show the sort of fighting Buffalo Bill and his fellows had to do to win from them the vast expanses of the arid western plains which have been made to blossom with the happy homes of thousands of our country men. There is not space here to mention all the features of this exhibition but mention must be made of the insistent veterans fresh from the battlefields, prisons and hospitals of Cuba; the magnificent military spectacle, Custers Last Battle. It is the same superb show, man for man, horse for horse, that opened this season with a month at Madison Square Garden, New York city; the same show of which the great editor, Murat Halsted said: "It is Somebody's crime if all the children do not see it." It will be at Detroit July 14th and excursion rates will be made to the Wild West on that day on all lines of travel.

Council Proceedings

July 5, 1898.

At a regular meeting of the common council of the village of Plymouth, Mich., held on the above date, present, President Starkweather, Trustees Lapham, Brems, Reiman, Bennett, Vrooman.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Under the head of claims and accounts, the following bills were presented:

- W. T. Conner, bd. of rev. \$ 4.00
- Marcus Miller, bd. of rev. 4.00
- D. Jolliffe, bd. of rev. 4.00
- C. W. Valentine, bd. of rev. 4.00
- Geo. W. Hunter Co. 38
- Conner Hdw. Co. supplies 10.17
- S. S. & T. oil 31.95
- Courad Springer, labor 5.82
- Wm. Mott, lamp-lighting 13.00
- J. E. Knapp, lamp lighting 6.50
- L. C. Hassenger, labor 1.00
- Lee Nowland, salary and meal 25.25
- M. A. Patterson, drying hose 4.00
- W. O. Allen, law-suit 61.25
- L. H. Bennett, law-suit 43.29
- R. L. Root, law-suit 90.99
- B. D. Brown, pay roll 113.50
- G. A. Starkweather, gravel 13.50

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Brems that an order be drawn on the treasurer in favor of R. L. Root for the \$100 drawn by him March 2, 1898, for law-suit expenses, and canceled; that an order be drawn in favor of R. L. Root for the \$100 authorized by President Starkweather, April 13, 1898, for law-suit expenses, and canceled; that an order be drawn in favor of R. L. Root for balance due him, for law-suit expenses, of \$90.99; that an order be drawn in favor of L. H. Bennett for \$43.29 for law-suit expenses; that an order be drawn in favor of W. O. Allen for \$61.25 for law-suit expenses. Carried.

The committee on claims and accounts reported favorably on all bills.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Brems that the bills be allowed and orders drawn on the proper funds to pay the same, and that each claimant named in street commissioner's bill be given an order for the amount due him according to said bill. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Reiman that the petitions which were laid on the table June 6th, 1898, be taken from the table and referred to the street committee. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Lapham supported by Trustee Bennett that T. F. Chilson be granted permission to move building from the Hoyt grounds to his own grounds east of Mill street, providing that he doesn't obstruct the road more than five days continuously. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Lapham that the treasurer of the village be instructed to place \$500 of the cemetery fund in a Plymouth Savings Bank interest bearing certificate of deposit. Carried.

Council then adjourned.

H. J. BAKER, Clerk.

Meets Your Needs.

The future is uncertain, but if you keep your blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla you may be sure of good health.

When you feel tired, languid, nervous and are troubled with pimples and eruptions, you will find Hood's Sarsaparilla exactly meets your needs. It purifies and enriches the blood and imparts to it the qualities needed to tone the nerves and nourish the whole system. It cures all blood humors.

Hood's Pills cure sick headache, nausea, biliousness and all liver ills. Price 25c.

Heavy G. A. R. Business.

The Department of Michigan, G. A. R. has selected the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern—Ohio Central Lines and Big 4, as the official route to Cincinnati on the occasion of National Encampment G. A. R. in September. In addition to this, 58 G. A. R. County Posts have selected the same route.

Marcheaux's Remedies.

No. 4—Cures Scrofula, Pimples, Boils, General Debility, Weakness, Loss of Appetite.

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If you can't afford or for other reasons don't care to go to the far away and more expensive resorts, try a few days or weeks at Ottawa Beach. It's a delightful place easy to reach by rail, only 30 miles from Grand Rapids, on Lake Michigan and has all the advantages in the way of bathing beach, boating, fishing, etc., that any resort has. Write to the manager of the Ottawa Beach Hotel for rates and see how moderate they are.

GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

A Narrow Escape.

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D., "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs, cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four Doctors gave me up saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at J. L. Gale's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00, guaranteed or price refunded.

Once More, the Unmalted Letter.

Here is a new story about the man who forgot to mail his wife's letter, says the New Orleans Times-Democrat. The hero is a newspaper man and is connected with one of the New Orleans dailies: Something over two years ago, on a cold winter's day, his wife gave him a letter to mail, and he slipped it into his overcoat pocket. It was addressed to a friend in Los Angeles. Two weeks ago, during a chilly snap, he put on the overcoat, and in the lining felt the long-lost missive. Conscience stricken, and without noticing the date or remembering when the letter had been given him, he rushed off and posted it. It was when the reply came from the friend in Los Angeles that the secret was out. The friend thought that the writer must have gone crazy. "I was glad to get your letter," the friend replied, "but what on earth is the matter with you? You wrote of things that happened two years ago, and about nothing else." It took some time to get matters straightened out.

Sweetest Love Story in Literature.

"Wherever Mrs. Browning trod, whatever she touched, became endowed with the sacredness of her presence," writes Clifford Howard of Robert and Elizabeth Barrett Browning in Ladies' Home Journal. "When Mr. Browning returned with her on a visit to England, after an absence of several years, he repaired to the little church in which they were married, and there, at the entrance, he reverently knelt and kissed the paving-stones upon which she, the light of his being, had stepped. And in after years, when the light had gone from his life, he sought his sacred spot on the twelfth of each September, and in the dusk of the evening shadows passers-by might have seen a white-haired man kneeling for a moment as if in prayer before the doorway of the dark and silent church. 'Yet little would they have thought to recognize in this man the poet Browning; he whose mystical writings had led the world to regard him as a man of austere nature.'"

Worth Knowing About Fruits.

If a man persists in using or trying to use that for which he has neither power for digestion nor assimilation, he must, without doubt, pay the penalty. To many persons strawberries are such a violent poison that a single dish will produce a rash in less than two hours. The cooking of the fruit seems to destroy this active, irritating principle, but again, here comes our fashion of adding sugar. Canned or preserved fruit, as well as jams and kindred articles, are to be condemned on account of the mass of sugar used. With the fruits it is more prone to fermentation, and even if the sugar is inverted we have a far greater amount than can be cared for by the liver, and here is the origin of the "torpid liver" we hear so much about. The liver is not torpid at all, it is simply overworked. The given capacity is exhausted.—Mrs. S. T. Rorer in Ladies' Home Journal.

The Original Declaration of Independence.

The original Declaration of Independence is in so dilapidated a condition that nowadays it is rarely if ever exposed to public view. The Ladies' Home Journal was recently granted special permission by the secretary of state to make a single exposure of the document to the camera, and will reproduce the photograph, which is a remarkably clear one, in the July issue of that magazine. Exposure to light and the process of making a duplicate copy of the declaration have faded the ink in the historic document, but it is still legible. Some of the signatures are nearly faded out. John Hancock, however, seems to have used an imperishable ink, for his name stands black and bold on the parchment, which is now kept in a steel safe, out of the sunlight and out of the public's view.

Burdette Pictures the Schoolboy Bully.

And the bullies in the school. I guess there will always be bullies in all schools. There were some mean ones in the kindergarten. The boy bully was always a coward, of course; a bit of a sneak as well, cringing to the big boys and brutal to the little ones. In the presence of the teacher he was half crazed with terror, crying out, "What have I to do with thee?" But the weak pupil, whom he could handle, he mauled without mercy. It was his nature to be brutal. Rather than not have anything to worry he would torture a hog, even though he had to live with the animal to get at him. Robert J. Burdette in Ladies' Home Journal.

The Fruits That Are Unfit to Eat.

An article of special timely value in the Ladies' Home Journal, by Mrs. S. T. Rorer, tells what fruits are healthy and which of them are unfit for food. It very surprisingly shows that some of the fruits in most general use are the most unwholesome, and consequently unfit for food. Indeed, the article upsets many prevailing and accepted ideas regarding fruit, and is of great value in pointing out which to eat and which to leave alone.



Cor. Bates and Larned Sts. Most convenient and central location. Cars for every part of the city pass the door at short intervals. Elevator service, steam heat, electric lights, tile floors, etc. Rates, \$1.50 to \$3.00 per day. H. N. JAMES & SON, Proprietors.

The Flint & Pere Marquette Railroad Company, has placed in the hands of its agents, for sale, a supply of fine War Atlases, containing maps of the territory in which our gallant navy is now engaged in war with the Spanish nation. These maps were made by one of the foremost map-producing houses in the country, are thoroughly reliable and at the particular time, are eagerly sought for by those who read of the movements of our warships.

Feared Insanity

Severe Pains in the Head Owing to Catarrhal Trouble

Invalid of Seven Years Cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

"I had a severe catarrhal trouble, and was under medical treatment in several places with little benefit, and at great expense. I became reduced in flesh, so I weighed only 96 pounds. I had such severe pains in my head that I feared I should become insane. I tried external remedies without obtaining relief. Finally I was inspired to give Hood's Sarsaparilla a trial, and I am very grateful to the proprietors of this wonderful medicine. I have taken seven bottles and it has cured me, after I had been an invalid for seven years. I have gained 26 pounds in flesh, and my friends are surprised at the improvement in my condition." Mrs. R. C. WHITE, Howard, Michigan.

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Pneumatic Tires, Inner Tubes, Outside Casings, Valve Stems, Valves, Steel Balls, Nipples, Air Pumps, Spokes, Tire Cement in bulk or liquid, Tire Tape, Rubber Solution to repair Tires and Tubes, Plungers, Caps, Springs, Patching Rubber, Linen Thread, Cork Handles, Wrenches, Lubricant for Chains, and Chains in Stock.

New and second-hand Bicycles for sale.

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DETROIT, Grand Rapids & Western

GOING EAST		JULY 12, 1898.	
Lev	Ar	a. m.	p. m.
Grand Rapids	7:30	1:30	8:25
Ann Arbor	7:50	2:01	8:00
Lansing	8:24	2:30	7:25
Salmon	10:35	5:00	6:45
PLYMOUTH	10:30	5:08	9:15
Detroit	11:40	5:45	10:45
GOING WEST		a. m.	
Lev	Ar	a. m.	p. m.
Detroit	8:00	1:10	8:10
PLYMOUTH	8:48	1:49	8:55
Salmon	9:07	2:08	7:07
Lansing	10:50	3:54	8:46
Ann Arbor	12:04	4:50	10:10
Grand Rapids	12:56	5:20	10:25
		p. m.	p. m.

ED. PELTON, Agent, Plymouth. GEO. DEHAVEN, G.P.A. Grand Rapids

F. & P. M. R. R. TIME TABLE.

In effect May 22, 1898. Trains leave Plymouth as follows:

GOING SOUTH.		GOING NORTH.	
Train No.	Time	Train No.	Time
No. 4	10:35 a. m.	No. 1	8:10 a. m.
No. 6	2:25 p. m.	No. 3	8:55 a. m.
No. 8	6:25 p. m.	No. 5	2:00 p. m.
No. 10	8:25 a. m.	No. 7	7:55 p. m.

Trains Nos. 3 and 9 run through to Alpena. Train No. 3 connects at Ludington with steamer for Manitowac and Alpena. Train No. 5, connects at Ludington with steamer for Milwaukee, (during season of navigation), making connections for all points West and Northwest. Sleeping Parlor Cars between Alpena, Bay City Saginaw and Detroit. Train No. 8 runs daily from Bay City to Detroit. On Western Division it runs daily, except Sunday and 2:25 p. m. For further information see Time Cards company.

Ed. Pelton, Local Agent.

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At Less than Carload Prices for a Short Time Only.

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RIGHT TO THE FRONT.

We have just received a full line of Military Novelties, Cuff Buttons, Stick Pins, Charms, Belts, etc

Also a new line of

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Don't Fail to Call at

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Everything Fresh and Cheap for Cash.

FRUITS and VEGETABLES in SEASON.

Jardinieres from 10c to \$1.00

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There may be other laundries that are larger but none that

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The increasing patronage we are receiving proves our popularity.

REA BROS., Proprietor.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS AND PERSONAL MENTION.

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

1-4 off at Bennett & Co.'s

E. L. Riggs is spending the week in Oxford.

Plymouth was as quiet as a graveyard on Monday.

\$102 was taken in at the ball game at Northville on July 4th.

Miss Winters, of Woodmere, is visiting at Joghah Cochrane's this week.

A large percentage of the water patrons have paid their water tax.

C. E. Baker and family returned Monday from a 10 day's visit in Detroit.

Harry Bradner and wife, of Lansing, were in town the first of the week.

Lou Garrick, of Denton, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Cochrane, Sunday.

A. O. Lyon has built a porch across the front of his residence on Main street.

—FOR SALE—House and two lots, on easy terms. Enquire of J. R. RAUCH.

According to the last game law, there is a penalty attached to the shooting of crows.

James Avery, of Wayne, was struck by an electric car last week and seriously injured.

The assessed valuation of Wayne village is \$302,281, about one-half the valuation of Plymouth.

Ed Shields, of Howell, called on friends here the 4th and also participated in the ball game at Northville.

Hiram Roe and "Biddy" Weeks have the contract for finishing "Daisy" gun stocks at L. H. Bennett's.

Harry Wills, who has been suffering with rheumatism the past six weeks, is able to get around with the aid of canes.

Mrs. Ira Platt, who has been visiting relatives and friends at Howell for the past few days, returned home Tuesday.

Mrs. W. H. Bassett and children left Thursday for Waymart, Pa., where her parents reside. She will remain six weeks.

Mrs. M. C. Covert, of Leslie, and Mrs. Captain W. G. Stewart and daughter, Helene K., were guests of R. L. Root and sister last week.

Chauncey Baker reports that some one took advantage of his absence and relieved him of a single harness which was hanging in Pelton's barn.

The relatives and friends of Mr. and Mrs. L. C. and E. C. Hough were entertained by them Monday evening with a large and varied assortment of fireworks.

Miss Gertrude Wallace left Wednesday morning for London, Can., where she will spend the summer with relatives. Prior to her departure she gave a tea party to a number of her girl friends.

RIGGS

MIDSUMMER CLEARING SALE NOW ON

BIG CLOTHING SALE

And Everything Regardless of Cost.

We Must Have Money at Once.

Sale Prices are a Klondyke.

E. L. RIGGS.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.

Service 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school 11:45 A. M. Testimonial meeting, Wednesday, 7:30 P. M. Safford Hall. All are most cordially invited. Subject for next Sunday morning, "Life." Sunday eve, "Elijah's Proof that God is the Source of Supply."

James Walker and wife, of Chicago, who have been visiting relatives and friends here for the past few days, left Tuesday for Parma to visit relatives before returning to their home in Chicago.

The Central hotel barn, Slougher's livery stable; Henry Moore's barn, and part of the Central hotel, at Milford, was burned on Tuesday of last week. The efficient fire department of that village prevented further damage.

Miss M. A. Root was in Leslie last week to attend the marriage of Katharine L. Covert to R. A. Ludwick. Miss Covert was a member of the graduating class of 1898 and the exercises were held the same evening just previous to her marriage.

"Doc" Passage touched off the fireworks at Island Lake on the Fourth, and they were a fine assortment. The stand was built on the island in the lake and six men were detailed to help "Doc" do the work. During the afternoon a naval attack on the island was secretly planned.

A detachment of the 35th were to row across, demand its surrender and, if refused, were to capture the island. Capt. Passage and his small company were enough for them, however. They were well supplied with ammunition and when the boats were within 200 yards of the island, such a volley of Roman candles, rockets, nigger chasers, etc., were fired into them that they were forced to retire and abandon the attack. Members of the 35th and others who were present, enjoyed the occasion to the fullest extent.

Over \$16 was cleared by the German Lutheran Society at their social last Saturday evening.

Lightning struck A. B. Saunder's house last Sunday during the storm, completely demolishing one side.

The Garrick Theater Co. are not meeting with the success they deserve. Their plays are first-class and prices are low.

—The W. C. T. U. will give an ice cream social in Safford's hall next Saturday eve, July 9th. Everybody come.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Ryder left Tuesday morning for Washington, D. C. They will attend the National Teacher's Institute.

Chas. Crawford, of Four Towns, Mich., writes that grasshoppers are doing great damage in that vicinity to all kinds of crops.

Ward Bailey, the 14 year old son of Myron Bailey, of Salem, was drowned in Whitmore lake on the Fourth of July while out rowing.

One hundred and fifty crates of cabbages have left Starkweather's farm this week. Even at this rate, they do not fill half their orders.

Those who did not attend the discourse by R. R. Bayne at the M. E. church Sunday morning missed a very interesting and instructive lesson.

The B. Y. P. U. will hold a lawn social at the home of Mrs. Carrie Markham, July 13. Ice cream will be served. All are cordially invited to come.

GENEVIEVE BEALS, Sec'y.

Miss Emma John, of Wayne, is assisting Postmaster Hall during the "campaign rush." Miss John has spent eight years at post-office work and has become quite an expert.

The MAIL editor would like a bushel of cherries, a bushel of currants, a bushel of black raspberries, a bushel of red raspberries and a bushel of blackberries. We prefer to buy these of our delinquent subscribers. It would be an easy way for us to buy and an easy way for them to catch up on their paper.

The 35th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Crawford, of Waterford, Oakland Co., (formerly of this place) was celebrated by a genuine surprise party of friends from Plymouth and other places. As in all surprise parties, the supplies came with the guests and when in the large dining room they were placed on the table, the surprise was perfected by the presentation of valuable presents. A right good time was enjoyed by all.—Con.

Mrs. Willard Roe rides a new wheel. "Burr Oaks" at the opera house to-night. 10 cent matinee Saturday afternoon.

Don't miss going to the show.

Northville band and orchestra to-night.

Miss Nettie Hart, of Detroit, was home for the Fourth.

Will Outhwaite spent Monday with Detroit friends.

Wm. Maloine now occupies Louie Reber's tenant house.

Earl Howell carries a game hand, the result of the Fourth.

"Doc" Smith, of Adrian, was in town Wednesday and Thursday.

"Wild Rose" will probably be repeated Saturday evening at the opera house.

Read Bennett & Co.'s prices on first page.

Wm. Burrows and family, of Saginaw, visited here the first of the week.

Guy Lyon, who is working in Saginaw, was home this week for a short visit.

Geo. Springer is entertaining his uncle, Mr. Springer, of Detroit, this week.

Miss Helen Winship, of Oberlin, Ohio, is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. N. Dewey.

John Newman, of Detroit, was the guest of Miss Lena Gentz, on Sunday last.

Frank Morgan and wife, of Saginaw, visited relatives here the first of the week.

Marcus Miller is entertaining his son, O. L. Miller and wife, of Charlotte, this week.

G. J. Hamilton and family and Coello Hamilton and family are dining at Walled lake.

Arthur and Maggie McGraw, of Detroit, were in town Monday visiting friends.

Dave Godell has been transferred to a coal run to Detroit, to which place he will move.

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Northville did not have as large a crowd on the 4th this year as three years ago.

From all appearances our electric road is about as far off as it was six weeks ago. The steel which was shipped here a short time ago in the name of the International Construction Co. has been shipped to Detroit.

Eddy Relief Corp. No. 150, will meet in Odd Fellows hall next Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 to make arrangements for doing some good work for our soldier boys in camp. All ladies who feel interested will be welcome.

After spending about three months at Island Lake, J. W. Jones has returned and will assume charge of his tonsorial parlors where he will be pleased to wait on his many customers with the same promptness as heretofore. His son, Claude, who has had charge, during Mr. Jones absence, will assist in the shop. 1w

While going to Northville to attend the celebration on July 4th, Robert Chappel lost a pocketbook containing over thirteen dollars. The pocketbook was afterward found and returned to owner by William Hillmer, who works at the Plymouth Mills. This act of honesty marks Mr. Hillmer as a man whom the people of Plymouth can bank on.

In addition to the names already mentioned of those merchants and persons who contributed for the comfort bags we mention the following: Mr. Dohmatreisch, C. G. Draper, Mr. Nevison, J. R. Rauch, George Hunter, J. L. Gale, Harry Bennett, the I. and A. Ryder W. R. C., of Newburg, Chas. Miller, of north village Calvin Neumer. In addition to the articles donated last week, bottles of vaseline and court plaster were contributed by J. G. Meller. The thanks of the W. C. T. U. are due all who contributed so generously.

Republican Caucus.

The republican township caucus was held in village hall Thursday afternoon, and drew out a good attendance. T. C. Sherwood was made chairman and Ed. Crosby, secretary.

The following delegates were nominated: Delegates to Wyandotte, congressional convention: T. C. Sherwood, W. F. Markham, H. A. Roe. To Detroit, county convention: W. H. Hoyt, Harry Bennett, Albert Gayde.

Senatorial: E. W. Chaffee, J. O. Eddy, D. D. Allen. Representative: J. L. Gale, P. B. Whitbeck, Chas. Decker.

Notice to Taxpayers.

Village taxes are now due and can be paid at the Plymouth Savings Bank. Percentage will be added after Aug. 15, 1898.

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9 lbs Rolled Oats for	25c
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Trouble seldom visits a man who isn't looking for it.

An expert penman sometimes forges ahead until he gets caught.

Hanging is too good for many of the paintings sent to exhibitions.

The incubator will never succeed in driving the old hen out of business.

Lots of men have been temporarily paralyzed who never had a paralytic stroke.

Some kinds of love may grow cold, but the kind a man has for himself never does.

Wedlock holds a man pretty close when his wife doesn't allow him to carry a latchkey.

Some men are so versatile that they don't stick to one thing long enough to make a success of it.

It is often a great disadvantage for a young man to begin a career with superior advantages.

The love that makes the world go round often prevents the income from going more than half way.

One of the greatest dampers to a man's ambition is the knowledge that the mantle of greatness is usually worn as a shroud.

The man of New Jersey who died after rapidly drinking three pints of applejack must have had his stomach given him in some other state, and the other state must have made the beverage too.

"Should one judge from the so-called comic page, all men are liars and dishonest, all women frivolous and unfaithful, all children imps, all mothers-in-law monsters, all homes unhappy, all husbands and wives quarrelsome, all dealers cheats, all ministers whitened sepulchres, all charitable organizations frauds, all mankind thoroughly corrupt." Thus the editor of the *Elmira Gazette* laments what he calls the mischief of the comic. The extract has its modicum of truth; but let the dear man think! Shall we eliminate satire? Shall we abolish the exaggeration of poetry? Shall we omit that part of history which is not susceptible of absolute proof? Shall we overlook hypocrisy and pretension? Shall pomposity and vain-gloriousness go unpunished of their ridiculous wind? Give the world credit for some little intelligence.

The destruction of birds in America has become a serious matter, and scientists say that unless the killing of these citizens of the air can be stopped a good many varieties which are of great value to man will soon become extinct. Such a result would work irreparable injury to agricultural interests, for no artificial aid has yet been discovered which can in any degree take the place of these natural allies of the farmer in his war upon insect enemies. Senator Hoar of Massachusetts and Representative John F. Lacey of Iowa are deeply interested in this matter, and have introduced in both houses of congress bills for the protection of the birds. Mr. Hoar's bill has passed the senate and will soon come to a vote in the house. To insure its passage by that body every agriculturist and bird lover is urged to write without delay to the representative of his district in congress, asking him to cast his vote for the measure.

Girls are apt to resent the opinion held by many of their friends, and even some of their admirers, that they do not know how to think; and that they generally refuse to concentrate their attention long enough to reason upon any subject. In resenting it, the ordinary young woman will exclaim with assurance that the criticism isn't true; that many a girl has thought herself into a headache, which no one will deny; but even this, one tormenting young skeptic saucily declares, is quite frequently done after the manner of the girl in the story of "How One Girl Studied." She places her box of chocolates on the table, and while eating them and polishing her fingernails, says aloud and indistinctly, of course, "The three angles of a triangle are equal to two right angles—Oh dear, I hope it won't rain tomorrow and spoil that picnic! The three angles of a triangle are equal to two right angles—I saw George Morris and Sue walk off together, and they just may for all I care! The two angles of a triangle are equal to three right angles—There, those chocolates are not so large as those that were on top! The three right angles—well, this old thing is too stupid! There is nothing in it but nonsense, so there!"

An English paper says the American is an "incurably cheerful" man. He is also incorrigibly active, persistently inventive, hopelessly patriotic, and irretrievably committed to the doctrine that his country has a mission to be loyally and courageously fulfilled.

A society lady of Atlanta writes an open letter declaring that kissing is a growing evil in her town, and that it breeds disease. Let us calmly consider whether disease is a greater evil than would be the absence of this popular amusement.

MORE MEN NEEDED

Gen. Shafter Applies for Reinforcements.

HE CAN NOT TAKE SANTIAGO.

Enemy's Strength Was Greatly Underestimated.

MORE TROOPS TO BE SENT AT ONCE.

Apparent Reverse of Our Troops Caused Consternation at Washington—War Councils Held at the White House—President Has Confidence in Gen. Shafter's Ability—Telegram of Congratulations Sent to Him and the Troops for the Brave Efforts Made.

Washington, July 5.—Like a thunderbolt out of a clear sky came a dispatch to the secretary of war at noon Sunday from Gen. Shafter on the battlefield saying it would be impossible to carry the city of Santiago by storm with his present force of men. This came at the moment when war department officials were expecting word that Santiago had fallen and that our flag was waving over other details, showing splendid bravery on the part of our men, but all this was lost sight of in the fact of the momentous report that the city itself, after three days of desperate battle, could not be taken. The dispatch was carried by Adjutant General Corbin to the white house, where a council of war was held by the president, Secretary Alger, Gen. Miles, Gen. Corbin, Assistant Secretary of War Melkjohn and Assistant Secretary of the Navy Allen. The officials were an outward calm, but the report had caused the deepest agitation. All attention was directed to sending reinforcements to Shafter immediately, in order that the battle might be renewed and Santiago taken. At the war council it was positively determined there should be no halt in the movement on Santiago, except such time as was necessary to get more men to Shafter. They will be sent from Tampa in large numbers and 15,000 men will then be moved from Chickamauga to Tampa to go forward on transports. Dispatches were sent to the fleet off Santiago to have twelve transports return at once to Tampa to take on more troops for Shafter. Hurry orders were sent to Tampa, and one expedition of six ships with about 6,000 men left there Sunday.

Gen. Shafter's report caused an agitation throughout the national capital almost indescribable. Great crowds surrounded the bulletin boards and churchgoers were greeted with cries of "Extra" papers. The public shared the apprehension of officials, and it was feared Gen. Shafter's position had become dangerous and possibly critical. The official dispatch given out did not contain all Gen. Shafter reported, as part of the report of his future plans was suppressed in order not to reach the enemy. This told of the place he would occupy in order to protect his force from an attack by the enemy. It will be near the coast and under the guns of the American ships. There will certainly be no more fighting for the present until large reinforcements reach Shafter. In the meantime there is a possibility that the Spanish troops may make an attack on our forces, but this is not expected, as the Spaniards are quite as much worn out as our men. There are reports showing that the Spanish loss is over 1,000 and that their leading general, Linares, is severely wounded. Santiago is a mass of ruins, caused by the fire of our troops and bursting shells from Sampson's fleet. The city is like a great morgue, filled with the dying and wounded, and starvation is added to the horrors of their situation. They are far worse off than Shafter's troops, although they cling to their intrenchments in desperation.

The war councils at the white house were devoted to the planning for sending reinforcements. Every available ship has been ordered to Tampa, and a wholesale movement of troops will begin there. Although feeling keenly the failure to take Santiago, officials at the war department say that our troops have done splendid service against terrible odds. They have suffered from the terrible heat and have cut through almost impassable underbrush. They have captured many outposts of Santiago, driving the Spaniards into the city. But the forts and intrenchments, combined with guns of the Spanish fleet, have given the enemy heavy advantages.

Gen. Miles may be sent to the field at once to take supreme command, owing to the emergency. He wishes to go, but the war department hesitates to grant permission for fear it will be taken as a criticism of Shafter. There is no desire by the president or the secretary of war to criticize Shafter in any way. They say he has done the best possible under adverse circumstances.

Many of his best generals have been prostrated with the heat and are suffering with fever. Major General Wheeler and Gen. Young are among those fever stricken. This seriously cripples our strength. Wheeler and Young will be brought home and other generals sent in their places. There are rumors also that the heat and climate have told seriously on General Shafter himself, and that he has been unable to lead the army during the fight. Officials say the heat and climate have done more than Spanish bullets to hurt our troops.

Military authorities are divided in opinion as to what circumstances brought about Gen. Shafter's condition. Some say it would have been better policy to have divided the Spanish forces and fight them near the coast, where Admiral Sampson's ships could have helped shell the enemy. But Shafter determined to drive them away from the coast and pen them up in Santiago. He thought he could then surround the town and capture it. He evidently had greatly underestimated the strength of the city's defenses, as his storming has been done at very heavy cost of life, and now he is obliged to retire and wait for more men. The president showed his continued support of Shafter by sending a dispatch congratulating him and the troops on their bravery on first day's fighting. This dispatch was sent by the Secretary of War and says:

"The president directs me to say that you have earned the gratitude, and thanks of the nation for the brilliant and effective work of your noble army on Friday, July 1."

It is probable the president will at once issue another proclamation calling for more troops, as the struggle at Santiago, which is known to be far weaker than Havana, has disclosed the heavy task ahead. There is to be no halt in the aggressive campaign, and the apparent temporary reverse of Gen. Shafter will bring forth efforts by officials here for an army large enough to crush the Spaniards at every point.

Late in the afternoon the President again held a council of war, attended by most of his cabinet. The plans for sending reinforcements were again gone over and a most vigorous policy determined upon.

German Critics.
Berlin, July 5.—The press of the country is now commenting upon the Spanish-American war in a more intemperate manner, and with less venue toward the Americans, although the military editors continue to regard the situation as very unfavorable for the Americans as well as for the Spaniards. With regard to Cuba, it is thought that the American forces there, apart from yellow jack and the influences of the climate, are entirely inadequate. All the American operations since the United States forces have been landed, it is asserted, have been ill-advised and showed lack of foresight. The fact that the army of occupation is so insufficiently equipped with everything needful shows, the papers declare, poor generalship.

Will Hold Kaiser in Check.
Paris, July 5.—The alleged good faith of Germany in the matter of the seizure of the Philippines, which, it is said, the Washington government does not doubt, is not so viewed on the continent. In fact, the belief is that Germany has ulterior designs. The attitude of the other powers, however, it is believed, will hold the war lord in check. An Italian statesman is credited with saying that he did not believe any European power would raise a hand to prevent the bombardment of Manila by American ships. By such a step the power interested would be regarded as an ally of Spain and her action would mean war. Not a power in Europe, he says, would dare to take the step.

Dewey Is Disappointed.
London, July 5.—The Daily Telegraph publishes a dispatch from Manila, under date of June 28, via Hong Kong, which says that the non-arrival of the transports from San Francisco has grievously disappointed Admiral Dewey. The Americans express the utmost confidence in their ability to dispose of Admiral Camara's squadron or any other ships that the Spaniards may send, but they admit that they wish that Admiral Dewey had at least one battleship.

News of Battle at Tampa.
Tampa, Fla., July 5.—The news of the severe loss sustained by Gen. Shafter's army at Santiago reached Tampa Sunday. The excitement is intense, and the men are wild with the desire to go to Cuba and avenge the death of their comrades. This feeling is as strong among the volunteers as among the regulars, and there is not a soldier here who is not far more anxious to be in the midst of the conflict now than he was before the bad news was received.

Spanish Ministers Criticized.
Madrid, July 5.—At a banquet in Madrid Senor Romero y Robledo made a violent anti-government speech, accusing the ministers of inactivity and being without an original idea, and leaving everything to the admirals and generals. He concluded with pointing out that the existing institutions would be endangered, adding: "But, nevertheless, we must do our duty as Spaniards and defend our country."

Will Be Kept Out of the Way.
Madrid, July 5.—There is belief here that the squadron of Camara will not go to the Philippines. Neither will it return to Spain. The evident intention is to keep it out of the way of the American fleet in order that it may not go the way of the Manila squadron or meet the fate of the ships of Cervera.

Spanish Claim Victory.
Madrid, July 5.—No official dispatch has been received regarding the battle of Santiago de Cuba; but private telegrams affirm that the Americans suffered a distinct check, and that a great number of them were captured.

Coaling Outside Port Said.
London, July 5.—Lloyd's agent at Port Said, telegraphing Sunday, says the Spanish fleet is anchored outside Egyptian waters, and is engaged in coaling.

British Bacon Market.
Department of Agriculture Report: To supply the present demand for the British market requires the importation of more than 500,000,000 pounds of bacon a year. This bacon is procured almost entirely from three countries, the United States, Denmark and Canada. Although the United States is still the chief source of supply, the quantity purchased from this country is decidedly smaller than it was five or six years ago. On the other hand, the British have greatly increased their importations of Danish and Canadian bacon. An inquiry into the reason for this change in the course of trade discloses the fact that our bacon is not so well adapted to the requirements of the British market as is that imported from Denmark and Canada. The article produced in the United States is chiefly corn-fed bacon, and although regarded with high favor in our own markets, it carries altogether too much fat to suit the taste of the English consumer. Denmark and Canada furnish a much leaner grade of bacon. Their producers have studied the peculiar wants of the British market, and with such success that they are already making important inroads upon our trade. The Danish and Canadian brands of bacon are regarded in Great Britain as being so far superior to ours that the price paid for them is several cents a pound higher. As we send annually to the British market more than 300,000,000 pounds of this product, the loss of only a few cents in the price per pound makes an enormous difference in the profits of the trade. It will therefore be to the interest of our producers, in providing bacon for the British trade, to give more attention to the peculiar wants of the people to be supplied, for in this way only can a profitable development of our export business be accomplished.

Worthless Food Stimulants.
About three years ago the Vermont Experiment Station made a feeding trial with Nutritone. This material was at that time, and has been since, quite extensively advertised in certain sections, the claim being made that aside from its tonic properties it is a stimulant to the production of flesh and milk. The circular of the makers states that if two tablespoonfuls are mixed with each grain feed "the user will be agreeably surprised at the increased quantity and improved quality of milk." In the Vermont experiments these directions were followed, but according to the results given there was no apparent benefit from feeding Nutritone, either in yield of milk or fat. Recently the Maine Experiment Station has made a similar trial of the merits of Nutritone, using five Jersey cows fresh in milk. The total yield of milk when Nutritone was fed was 2,264 pounds, and when no Nutritone was fed the yield was 2,281 pounds. There was no difference between the amount of butter fat produced when Nutritone was fed and when it was omitted from the ration, 100 pounds being produced in both instances. The statement is made that the money spent for the Nutritone in this case was a dead loss. No tests have been made of the tonic or medicinal properties of Nutritone. Sir John B. Lawes, of the experiment station at Rothamsted, England, many years ago showed conditional cattle foods to be of no advantage to healthy stock. It is believed to be ill advised to administer medicine to healthy animals. If a tonic is needed a preparation of known compositions can be provided at far less cost than in the form of conditional foods.

Feeding Brood Sows.
The important point to be observed in the management of brood sows is the supply of suitable feed and exercise, says a writer in *Breeders' Gazette*. They should be so handled that they will be obliged to take daily exercise; and it is especially important that during the latter part of the period the grain ration consist largely of bran, oats, shorts, oil-meal, or something of that character that is laxative and nutritious and not heating. In this connection there is no more valuable adjunct to the brood sow's ration than roots, both prior to and after farrowing. We invariably practice root-feeding to all of our brood sows on the college farm, and are abundantly satisfied with the results. The opinion is also prevalent to some extent that brood sows cannot be fed on the droppings of fattening cattle without injury, but there is no practical foundation for this belief provided some roots and nitrogenous grain-feed be furnished in addition. In many cases, however, I have seen good results where they have had practically no other feed and the cattle being fed almost exclusively on corn. It is best, however, to properly supplement this ration. When sows are handled as outlined above, a fair degree of flesh is beneficial rather than injurious.

English Horses in America.—To give an idea of the magnitude of the trade which has developed within the last twenty years or so, I may state that there are about 9,000 stallions and mares recorded in the American Clydesdale Stud Book, in the American Shire Horse Stud Book, and probably 3,000 more is divided between the Hackney and Cleveland Bay Stud Books, with perhaps a number approaching 2,000 that, owing to the recent depression, have not been recorded, but are eligible for record. This gives a total of something like 20,000 pure-bred British horses in this country (apart from thoroughbreds and ponies), three-fourths of which are draft horses.—Alexander Galbraith.

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"Very well, my dear; do just as you like; you know best, of course. I will say that you do not feel very well. Go to your room, by all means. I hope you will soon be better. Now try to cheer up; it will be all right. I will see to this difficulty with your husband for you."
She looked up at him proudly.
"You must not interfere, papa. I shall never return to him now!"
He looked pityingly at the white face.

"You appear very ill, Hildred. Is there nothing that I can do for you?"
"Nothing," she replied, coldly. In her heart she felt bitterly angry with her father. She had trusted him; he had misled her. She did not offer to kiss him or to touch his hand, but went quietly out of the room and upstairs, leaving him with some very unpleasant thoughts.
It had not been an agreeable interruption to his breakfast, but he tried to think little of it. It was only a quarrel, after all, and his daughter had done nothing wrong. He should make it all right in a few seconds when he saw the earl. He wrote to him before he went to the city, telling him that his wife had reached home safely, but was looking very ill.

The rest of that day Hildred remained in her room, and on the morning following she did not come downstairs. It was afternoon when Arley Ransome, with a face as pale as death, asked for admittance to her apartment. She bade him enter, and he did so, with an open letter in his hand. It was her husband's writing, she perceived.
"You have deceived me," said her father, sternly; "you told me that you had hidden nothing from me. Your husband tells me that he has hidden you here because you shot Lady Hamilton on the evening of the thirty-first—shot her with intent to murder, and that you confessed your guilt."
Without a word or a murmur she looked at him, and then fell like one dead at his feet.

CHAPTER XLIII.
THE young countess, as she stood behind the alder trees of Ravensmere, had heard the sound of the shot; she was too dazed with her own grief and misery to note the direction from which it had proceeded. She had fancied that something was whirling through the trees. That something was the ball that had been fired at Lady Hamilton, which pierced her shoulder and would have pierced her heart had it gone in the direction in which it had been aimed. For the moment Lord Caraven had been too bewildered to know what had happened; what he was saying in reality to his guest was that he liked his wife's maiden name better than any he had ever heard. Lady Hamilton, who never liked to hear any one praised but herself, asked at once what it was. He had answered, "Hildred Ransome;" and those were the words Lady Caraven had heard. They had been no sooner uttered than Lady Hamilton fell on his shoulder with a faint, low cry—a cry that seemed almost simultaneous with the firing of the shot.

The earl knew she had been shot, but by whom or why he could not guess. He laid her down for one minute while he looked around; then it was that he saw the white face of his wife. He jumped to the conclusion that she had done it; she, and no other, was there on the spot. She had even to herself avowed her jealousy. She had followed them, and in the madness of her folly had shot Lady Hamilton. No other idea occurred to him. He said to himself at once that it was so, and he implicitly believed it. He had rushed to her and told her that she was "a guilty woman." She had owned it. But they were speaking of different kinds of guilt. He meant the guilt of murder; she meant the guilt of being a spy upon him. No doubt of her guilt relieved his mind. Even in that first bewildered moment he had said to himself that she should never enter his house again, but that he would shield her because she bore his name. He had told her to remain where she was while he carried the senseless lady to the house.

There was terrible consternation. He had the presence of mind to throw the agitated inquirers off the scent. He said that the poachers were out—must be out, for a chance shot fired in the woods had wounded Lady Hamilton. Some of the gentlemen staying at the house went with the keepers to scour the woods. Dire were the threats of vengeance as to the rogue who had done the mischief. Meanwhile a groom was dispatched to Court Raven to summon a doctor—the wounded lady had been taken to her room and laid on the bed. At first the earl was frightened lest the wound should prove mortal; but one of the ladies staying at the castle, who knew something of surgery, declared that the wound was not dangerous, and that the ball could soon be extracted. After hearing that the earl returned to his unhappy young wife. His first great fear that she had been guilty of murder had been removed; there remained the fear lest the wound

should prove dangerous in the end. It was better, he thought, than she should go away at once.

He made two announcements to his household, which no one even thought of connecting. The first and most startling was, of course, that Lady Hamilton had been shot accidentally—a chance shot—though why a ball cartridge had been used was a puzzle—supposed to have been fired by poachers in the wood; the second was that Lady Caraven had been suddenly summoned to her father's home in London. No one dreamed of connecting the two announcements, and in the disordered state of the household it never occurred to any of the guests to question the servants as to when the countess had gone. She had been sent for after dinner, and the apologies that the earl made were deemed quite sufficient. Some of the guests indeed said that it was as well Lady Caraven was out of the way, as she would probably have been greatly distressed. To this day the earl is uncertain what in his panic he said or did. The only idea quite clear to him was that he must shield the woman who bore his name.

It was not very long before the doctor arrived, and then all alarm was at an end. He found the ball at once; it had not gone very deep into the shoulder. It was extracted and the wound bound up.

Then lovely Lady Hamilton raised her golden head and asked, languidly:
"Shall I be very ill, doctor?"
"No, I hope not. You will suffer a little pain—nothing much, I trust."
"Shall I be ill for a long time?" she asked.
"Ah, me, how little I dreamed that I was coming to Ravensmere to be shot!"
"It is very unfortunate," said the doctor; "but I do not think you will be ill very long, Lady Hamilton. You must take heart."
"To think that of all the people in the world they should select me! I suppose it was quite an accident, though. They were poachers, I am told. Now, doctor, I want to ask you a very serious question."

The doctor seemed to imply by his manner that he was all attention.
"I shall be very happy to answer it, if it lies in my power," he said.
"Tell me, shall I lose—that is—will my temporary seclusion interfere at all with what I may call my good looks?"
He told himself that the amusement he felt must be carefully concealed.
"I think," he replied, confidentially, "that I may reassure your ladyship. I do not see how it can possibly affect you in that fashion, and the needed rest will be most beneficial to you."

They were content to remain in her room, not suffering very much pain.
The keepers had made strenuous efforts to find the poachers, but they had evidently made their escape, frightened doubtless at what they had done. No trace of them could be found.
It was with a sense of relief that Lord Caraven went to his room that night. He wanted to be alone to think over the events of the day. He found himself dwelling less on the terrible fact that his wife had shot Lady Hamilton than on the wonderful fact that she loved him.
"I have gone mad—I love you—let me die!"

The words haunted him like the refrain of a song. He could not sleep. All night the pale, passionate, beautiful face was before him. The words rang in his ears as they had rung when he saw Hildred in the starlight, pleading, praying, accusing him, all in one vehement storm of words.



"SHALL I BE VERY ILL?"
So he would see her until he died. He felt as though she had been a stranger to him until then. The passionate love which had flamed into hot jealousy had been hidden under a cold, calm exterior. How she loved him. He had never seen any woman's face light up so splendidly. For the first time in his life he had owned to himself that by the side of her magnificent beauty blonde levelness faded into nothing. He wondered that he had lived so long in the house with her, so long under one roof, yet he had not noticed that which every one else remarked.
He was struck most of all by the fact that she loved him. It did not matter about anything else. He did not care about anything else. He had read her truth and love in her face. She loved him as no one else ever would or could;

and it flashed across him that the wife he had neglected and despised was, notwithstanding what she had done, one of the noblest women in the world. If it had not been different: if he had but thought more of her before this happened! How she must have loved him to let herself drift into such a crime! Was there any one who had ever loved him half so well?

"I wish it had never happened," he said to himself. "She is a noble woman in spite of all, and I—well, I could have loved her, but now she must never return."

Yet it showed how strongly his feelings were swayed when he thought far less of wounded Lady Hamilton than of the fact that his wife loved him.

He could not sleep or rest. Never had his pillow seemed so hard, his thoughts so troublesome. The excitement had been too much for him. Wherever he went, whatever he did, his thoughts were with Hildred. Had she reached Arley Ransome's house? Had he acted wisely in letting her go alone? Would any clew to her guilt ever be found? These questions followed him, haunted him, pursued him. If he went to talk to any of his visitors, the conversation was sure to turn upon the poachers and Lady Hamilton. Wearied of it all he sought refuge with Sir Raoul in his room; and the old soldier noted with concern how worn and haggard the handsome earl looked.

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LET me stay with you, Raoul," said the earl on entering his room; "my guests tease me to death. One hears of nothing but Lady Hamilton and the poachers. I have had to tell the story over and over again, until I am fairly tired of it. Let me find rest here."

Sir Raoul looked at the earl's haggard face.

"Poor boy," he said; "it is rather hard for you, certainly. I promise you that I will mention neither Lady Hamilton nor the poachers."

"Poachers!" retorted the earl, contemptuously. "Surely you—" He paused; he had been on the brink of betraying the secret that he had sworn never to reveal.

Sir Raoul laughed.

"It seems to me," he said, "that you are just as bad as any one else. You cannot keep away from the topic."

"We will discuss the weather, the last new book, politics, the papers—anything," proposed the earl; and then he added: "That reminds me—some version of this story is sure, I suppose, to get abroad. The papers will make a sensational affair of it."

"I thought we were to avoid the topic," said Sir Raoul quietly. "Now you have touched upon it again."

"And to make matters worse," remarked the earl, with a gesture of weary despair, "here comes the doctor."

Dr. Randall entered the room unannounced and in great haste.

The earl sprang to his feet at the sound of his agitated voice, his face growing pale and anxious.

"Surely," he said, "Lady Hamilton is not worse?"

"No, she seems better. It is not about Lady Hamilton that I want you, Lord Caraven. I was sent for the moment I left here in behalf of the man who used to act as your steward—John Blantyre."

"John Blantyre," said the earl, vaguely. "Is he ill?" The subject did not interest him very much—indeed, he thought it trivial amidst the excitement of his own affairs.

"No, not ill in the common acceptance of the term," answered the doctor. "He is dying, I fear."

(To be Continued.)

Tardy Reckoning.
"Ste-raw-berries, nice ripe ste-raw-berries," shouted the street vender as his horse jogged slowly through Bagley avenue. "How much are they?" asked the pretty young housewife who had hailed the peddler by waving a towel. "Ten cent a quart, mam. All Michigan strawberries, and the dew's on 'em yet, mam." "But I want a bushel. I'm going to have a sort of strawberry festival just among my relations, and I wouldn't run out of them for the world. How much for a bushel?" "Three and a half, mam." "Too much. You'll have to do better than that or I'll try some one else."
"I'll throw off a quarter," he said, and she nodded so that her voice might not betray her exultation. The he carried in thirty-two of the little measures that have the waistband about two inches from the bottom, received his money, and did not linger. Three minutes later the little woman rushed in the street, her eyebrows knitted, and her dimpled hands clinched, one over a lead pencil and the other over a crumpled piece of paper. But the peddler had vanished.—Detroit Free Press.

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"Indeed, I thought I would lose my mind. No one knows what I endured. I continued this way until the last of February, when I saw in a paper a testimonial of a lady whose case was similar to mine, and who had been cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. I determined to try it, and felt better after the first dose. I continued taking it, and to-day am a well woman, and can say from my heart, 'Thank God for such a medicine.'"

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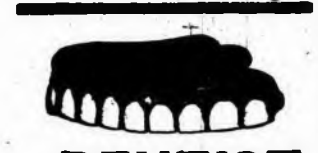
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 The following is the market report for Plymouth as corrected every Friday:

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Wheat, No. 1 white, old	82
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Butter	15
Eggs	10
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CORRESPONDENCE.

East Livonia.
 J. J. Vroman made a flying trip to Willow, Saturday last on business.

A lot of the young folks from here went to Northville the Fourth to celebrate.

The farmers here have commenced wheat harvest and report wheat of a good quality.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Nailor and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bentley went to Orchard Lake fishing last Saturday.

We learn that Louie Wolfrom, of Detroit, formerly of East Livonia, has a brand new baby girl, weight four pounds.

We had a thunder and wind storm here on Sunday last, but no damage reported at this writing, except some wheat blown down.

C. L. Ferguson, at the Center, is going into the hog business. He was out buying pigs the other day. Wish you success Charlie.

Abner Austin, of this place, has purchased a new mower and wire tooth rake and can get along now without borrowing or lending.

Riley and Harry Wolfrom have each purchased a new wheel and Perry Austin has one also, and you bet they take a header once in a while.

The Green Mountain salve, manufactured by J. F. Criegler, is meeting with large sales this season, 1,000 sticks having been sold in five months.

Grace Wolfrom, of this place, who has been spending some time at her brother's in Detroit, returned home Saturday last and says she weighs 30 pounds less than she did when she went away. She thinks the country is the place for her.

If you are looking for bargains in shoes, go to Bennett & Co.

The Center scribe seems to find a flaw with the East Livonia correspondent. Must say news has been very scarce of late, but did not know the cause until looking through the Plymouth MAIL, we find said scribe at the center had gobbled it all up.

Your scribe was informed Sunday last that there was a new comer at Elm in the person of a young lady at August Khorling's. Weight nine pounds. Mother and child doing well, but August is having the blues because it was not a soldier boy instead of a nurse.

W. C. T. U.

By the death of Mrs. Ann Eliza Gregory, on Fenton, June 29, Plymouth W. C. T. U. has sustained another loss. Mrs. Gregory was one of the charter members and was ever an earnest worker in the cause of temperance. After her removal from Plymouth, several years ago, she still continued her membership in this union, attending the meetings whenever visiting in town, and always evincing the greatest interest in the work. Mrs. Gregory was an earnest, conscientious christian and, wherever she might be, always remembered the noontide hour of prayer, offering her silent plea for the triumph of the temperance cause. Our union mourn her loss as do the many dear friends she leaves here.

SUPT. OF PRESS.

Died of Old Age.

Mr. C. B. Bugbee, a resident of Canton township, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Burton Tillotson, on Friday, July 1st and was buried in Riverside cemetery. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. Oliver.

Mr. Bugbee was born in Putney, Vermont, in 1806, and had lived in Canton for the past eleven years.

We desire to thank the neighbors and friends for their kindness and flowers; also the choir for music, during our sad bereavement.

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Geo. DeHAVEN, G. P. A.

SOME POINTERS

In Regard to Voting on Free Text Book Question.

The following opinions relative to the method of voting on the "Free Text Book" question at school meetings by Attorney General Maynard, will be of interest to those of our readers who desire to keep posted on school matters:

In voting at a school district meeting on the question of free text-books, a majority of the qualified voters of the district present, and voting on the subject, is sufficient. By the words "qualified voters" is meant those who are qualified to vote on the question of raising money in the district.

The purpose of the act of 1889 was to provide free text-books in the schools throughout the State, and the purpose of the act of 1897 was to create a board of commissioners to secure a uniform system of text-books, and fix a maximum price therefor.

From § 8 of the act of 1897, it appears that the books selected by the commission provided for therein, are to be uniformly used in all of the common and primary schools of the state, except in those districts which shall, during the years 1897 and 1898, vote not to come thereunder, and except also, those which, at the time of its enactment were, or during the years 1897 and 1898, shall vote to come under the act of 1889.

It is discretionary with the school board of the district in which the questions are to be submitted, to determine which of the two propositions (1) To come under the free text-book act, and (2) not to come under the provisions of the act of 1897, should be first submitted.

This question, it seems to me, should be determined before the notices are posted, and the notice of the meeting should plainly state the question to be first submitted, and that if the vote upon that question be lost, the meeting will then proceed to vote on the other question. If both propositions fall, then the district must use the books selected by the State Text-Book Commission, under the law of 1897. A district voting not to come under the law of 1897 prior to January 1, 1899, can vote on the free text book proposition, under the law of 1889, at any time when it may so desire.

The words "meeting" or "election," as used in the two acts under consideration, should be considered and treated as one and the same thing.

The school law of the state prescribes no method whereby the several districts of the state shall vote at their school meetings or elections. In some of the special acts providing for the incorporation of cities, a method of voting is prescribed. In these cases, the provisions of the special act should govern. In other cases, the school board should determine the manner of voting, if any special manner of voting is considered desirable and advisable by such board.

"Blackbeard."

Mr. Frank R. Stockton, in his serial, "The Buccaneers of Our Coast," in the May St. Nicholas, says: About this time one of the most famous of sea-robbers was harassing the Atlantic coast of North America, and from New England to the West Indies he was known as the great pirate "Blackbeard." This man, whose real name was Teach, was a terrible fellow in appearance as well as in acts. He wore a long, heavy black beard, while it was his fancy to separate into tails, each one tied with a colored ribbon, and often tucked behind his ears. Some of the writers of that day declared that the sight of this beard would create more terror in any part of the American seaboard than would the sudden appearance of a fiery comet. Across his brawny breast he carried a sort of sling, in which hung not less than three pairs of pistols in leather holsters, and these, in addition to his cutlass and a knife or two in his belt, made him a most formidable-looking fellow. In the early part of the eighteenth century "Blackbeard" made his headquarters in one of the inlets on the North Carolina coast, and there he ruled as absolute king, for the settlers in the vicinity seemed to be as anxious to oblige him as the captains of the merchantmen were anxious to keep out of his way.

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Yours respectfully,
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 Litchfield, Mich., Jan. 24, 1898.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne, ss.

At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Detroit, on the 5th day of July, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Present, EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate, in the matter of the estate of WILLIAM C. HERR, deceased.
 Sarah E. Herr, administratrix of said estate, having rendered to this court her final administration account, and
 On reading and filing the petition of said administratrix praying that the residue of said estate may be assigned to the persons entitled thereto.
 It is ordered, that the second day of August next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.

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

EDGAR O. DURFEE, Judge of Probate, HOMER A. FLINT, Register. 565-67.

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Present, Edgar O. Durfee, Judge of Probate, in the matter of the estate of Electa Ann Hodden, deceased.
 An instrument in writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, having been delivered into this court for probate.

It is ordered, that the sixteenth day of August next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for proving said instrument.

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

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