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DIFFERENCE IN OPINION

AS TO WHERE THE STREET CAR LINE SHOULD BE LAID ON MAIN STREET

Causes Many an Argument—A Petition Sent to the Council.

The franchise which was recently granted to the Detroit, Plymouth & Northville Railway states that the track on Main street, between Sutton street and Mill street, shall be laid in the center of the street, and ever since the franchise was granted, there has been more or less talk relative to the location of the center of the street.

If the street in question should be laid out at the present time according to the original survey, there is no doubt that a number of property owners would find themselves from two to ten feet in the street. It is claimed by some that residents on both sides of the street are out of line, but that those on the west side possess more of the street than those on the east side. If such is the case, should the track be laid in the center of the street according to the original survey, it would run within a few feet of the sidewalk on the west side of the street. This is objected to by some of the west side property owners who argue that after a party has been in undisputed possession of a street or highway for a certain number of years he acquires title to same. They also claim that the present street is the street inasmuch as it has been used and maintained as a thoroughfare for the past 50 years.

Property owners on the east side of the street seem to be just as honest in their convictions as the west side people. They believe that it is impossible for a person to acquire title to a highway, that the track should be laid in the center of the originally surveyed street, and a petition to that effect, signed by a large number of citizens, was presented to the council last Tuesday night. What action the council will take in the matter remains to be seen.

Until recently THE MAIL has been of the opinion that Main street was the most desirable route between the two ends of the village, but owing to the improbability of the residents along the street arriving at a satisfactory aggreement between themselves and for other reasons, we believe Main street to be the most undesirable route that could be selected.

In the first place the street is so narrow that during the wet season two teams will not be able to pass, because, with eight or ten inches of mud one cannot drive up onto the track.

Another thing to be taken into consideration is the fact that if the road runs on Main street it will be directly or nearly over the water main and in case of tapping the main or repairing a leak the rails and ties will have to be taken up and no end of trouble will arise.

Again the cars will run along the side of the school park where, during school months, 200 or 300 small children are often at play and the chances for accidents would be very great.

Then again, wooden trolley poles on our principally traveled street would soon prove an eyesore to those who desire to retain for Plymouth its established reputation for a beautiful village.

By all means let's have another route. A number have been proposed. One route which has been suggested is to come up Sutton street to Main, then return and go to north village by the way of Mill street. Another, is to come up Sutton to Main, then return to Pelham's corner on Ann Arbor street, then up Depot street and across the Perrin property nex to the F. & P. M. railroad to Main street, thence up Main to Mill, thence to the northerly limits of the village. Either of the above routes would be preferable to Main street.

It is evident that everyone in the village cannot be pleased in this matter. No matter what route is decided upon some will object to it. Then all that is left for the village council to do is to go ahead and determine the route, without fear or favor and according to their best judgment. We believe in the greatest good to the greatest number and if this idea is followed out the trustees will have done their duty.

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Council Proceedings.

August 22, 1898.

At a special meeting of the common council of the village of Plymouth, Mich., held on the above date, called for the purpose of voting money to pay the Sheehan & Dunn judgment and such other business as might be deemed necessary, present, President Starkweather, Trustees Lapham, Polley, Brems, Bennett, Vrooman.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Brems that an order be drawn on the treasurer for $2,275 in favor of Geo. A. Starkweather for the purpose of settling and canceling the Sheehan & Dunn judgment. The ayes and nays being called, Trustees Lapham, Polley, Brems, Bennett, Vrooman voted aye, total 5. Nays none. A majority of the trustees voting aye, the motion was declared carried.

A report of the health officer relative to the condition of Tonquish creek was then given.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Lapham that the report of the health officer be accepted. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported Trustee Lapham that the health officer be instructed to notify parties whose lands border on Tonquish creek or through whose lands it runs within the village limits, to remove all obstructions to the free flow of water through said creek and to see that it is kept in such condition Carried.

A petition signed by Peter Gayde, J. G. Meiler and others requesting the council to change the route of the Detroit, Plymouth & Northville railway from Mill street to Oak street (so called) was presented.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Bennett that the petition be accepted and referred to the committee on streets. Carried.

A petition signed by W. F. Markham, W. N. Wherry and others requesting that the electric road be laid in the center of Main street according to the original survey was presented.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Lapham that the petition be accepted and referred to the committee on streets. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Lapham supported by Trustee Vrooman that the street committee be empowered to procure the services of surveyor Willmuth for the purpose of locating the center of Main street from Sutton street to Mill street. Carried.

Council then adjourned.

H. J. BAKER,
Clerk.

Weekly Crop Bulletin.

The following bulletin is furnished by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Climate and Crop Bulletin of the Weather Bureau, Michigan Section, for the week ending Aug. 20th, 1898.

The light showers which have occurred in nearly all counties of the lower peninsula during the past week, have proved of much benefit to corn, late potatoes and pastures. There is still a need for more rain in some counties for these crops and also for fall plowing. Correspondents quite generally report an improvement in the condition of corn, late potatoes and pastures. Corn is rather short, but is earing fairly well and has now begun to mature. Buckwheat is in blossom and in a promising condition. Beans have made poor progress; they were too badly injured by the drought during July to recuperate; bean pulling has begun in the more southerly counties; the crop is yielding lightly. Fall plowing is well advanced in all counties of the lower peninsula and preparations for wheat seeding are being rapidly pushed; more moisture would be very beneficial to this work. Oat harvest has been in progress in the upper peninsula and most of the crop is now well secured. Peaches are in good condition and yielding plentifully. Grapes, pears and plums are also in a promising condition, but apples continue to drop badly and indicate a light crop.

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1 25	"	"	"	94
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PLYMOUTH, - - MICHIGAN

Snuffing a candle increases the effect and diminishes the cause.

A talkative person seldom fails to make one pneumatically tired.

Men are like chickens—they always want to get on the highest roost.

How little man knows of his fellow-man—unless he lives in a village.

Scorching is injurious physically—also financially if the policeman catches you.

Theories do very well as food for the mind, but corn beef and cabbage is better for the body.

A wife often thinks it funny that her husband ever fell in love with her and the husband often thinks it ridiculous.

There are three million Germans in this country who think that while the fatherland is sweet it had better attend to its own business.

The only fighting that Spain prides herself on just now is that which selects a bull for the enemy and gives him not a chance for his life.

Henry M. Stanley looks for a reorganization of the Chinese army by Russian military experts; but the truth remains that it is blood that fights.

The Cubans are at present too much given to the removal of heads to be safe governors of Spaniards, or of anybody else. That is a solemn fact which we ought to have thought of before.

Political prophets of evil are not unfairly satirized by the Washington Star when it represents one congressman as saying to another, "Don't you know that some of those islands in the Pacific Ocean are the work of coral insects?" "But what has that to do with our taking possession of them?" "My friend, you are wholly deficient in the foresight that makes a statesman! Suppose some ship with a cargo of insect powder were to founder in the neighborhood!"

Labouchere says that when one is ill a good-looking nurse is preferable to one that isn't good looking. That is the solemn truth; and it is equally true when one isn't ill. Let us hope that the authorities of the hospitals will bear this important fact in mind and cease their discrimination against girls who, wanting work as nurses, are refused it because of the misfortune of being pretty, or good-looking. There is not a patient anywhere who wouldn't vote for their soothing and helpful presence, and it is wrong to make them suffer for that of which they have a right to be proud.

No wonder the modern "funny man" is sometimes driven almost to distraction in his vain quest for an original joke, and that the ancient descent of all "good stories" has become proverbial. Brugsch Pasha, the eminent Egyptologist, has discovered an ancient papyrus containing a lot of comic colored pictures, very much in the style of those today. They represent various animals dressed up as human beings, which is now a popular form of humor. Thus a cat dressed as a fashionable lady is taking a hand-mirror from a rat dressed as a slave, and a cat barber is shaving a rat attired as a fashionble dandy. Truly, if these things were current in ancient Egypt, we may literally say, with Mr. Kipling, "In the days of old Rameses that story had paresis!"

The difference between enlightened and unenlightened rulership is appreciated by some of the people in India, despite the widespread discontent that prevails there whenever the British government interferes with any half-civilized customs. A leading native paper, the Pioneer of Lucknow, frankly says: "We are yet far from true progress. Englishmen rule over us because they are possessed of those high moral virtues of which we have not a vestige. Nor are we likely to acquire them for centuries yet. . . . It is very essential, before we demand political rights and privileges from the Englishmen, that we should endeavor to acquire those virtues which alone have made Englishmen great among the nations of the world." Such a spirit as that prevailing among the people would make a tributary state easy to govern. But upon the governing state would rest the tremendous responsibility of living up to that estimate of it. There is a thought for this country, which has just annexed an inferior state and proposes to govern it. High moral virtue in doing so, to use the Indian's phrase, is all that can give us either justification or success.

For half an hour's playing on the pianoforte the other day in London Paderewski received five hundred guineas. For half an hour's playing on a piano-organ in the street after he had been told to move on, another man in London, that same afternoon, was not paid at all, but was fined seven shillings. There is a problem for those socialists who believe, with Karl Marx, that all labor is of equal value, and that value is proportionate to the time consumed. Perhaps it will be to them renewed proof of the need of universal revolution.

AGUINALDO'S AMBITION

It Knows No Bounds and Like as Not He Will Insist On Ruling the Philippine Islands.

The most perplexing question of the war with Spain is yet to be met. This is the disposition of the Philippine islands and incidentally the disposition of Aguinaldo and his bands of insurgents. That the leader of the insurgents has been playing fast and loose with Dewey since his return to Manila on the Olympia has been fully demonstrated upon several occasions, and it is a fact that for the past three weeks he has been the chief cause of concern to both Admiral Dewey and Gen. Merritt. They have prepared themselves for any trickery on the part of Aguinaldo and have been keeping a close watch upon him, in consequence of which he had been so far kept in check. But how long will he remain passive? His declaration appointing himself dictator was not received by Admiral Dewey with the enthusiasm that the insurgent leader hoped for. In fact, he was rather put out by the way the admiral took it. Since his declaration he has been getting his forces together and now has several thousand men armed with Mauser and Remington rifles, together with several hundred thousand rounds of ammunition.

His forces are now at the very doors of Manila and daily and nightly the roar of field artillery and magazine rifles may be heard from the suburbs of the city. So resolute has been the steady advance that the water supply is now in the hands of the rebels, who at any moment have the power to leave the garrison and the civilian population without water. Aguinaldo is no fool. He knew he must get his arms from the Americans. After securing them he dropped his mask and became openly insolent. While he has kept up a friendly front he has issued secret orders to his men not to permit the Americans to secure necessary horses or other equipments.

Aguinaldo, who looks like a Japanese, has been the cause of more trouble to Spain than probably any other of her subjects. At one time there was an offer of $25,000 for him dead or alive. Although but 26 years of age, his life has been one of daring and desperate deeds.

He was the leader in the last rebellion, but terms were finally made with the Spaniards by which Aguinaldo and his chief followers were paid an indemnity of $800,000 on their leaving the islands forever. All the insurgents imprisoned got their freedom, and reforms were granted for which the natives had asked.

Aguinaldo, with his companions, executed his part of the agreement by leaving the Philippines, but the Spaniards paid only part of the indemnity and never carried out the promised reforms. Their chief object seemed to be to get rid of Aguinaldo. When, therefore, Admiral Dewey destroyed the Spanish squadron and blockaded Manila, Gen. Aguinaldo reported first to the American Consul General, Pratt, at Singapore, and later to Consul General Wildman, at Hong Kong.

An agreement was soon reached by which he was permitted to go to the Philippines. Upon his arrival he first submitted his plans and wishes to Admiral Dewey and then proceeded to organize his forces for active operations. With the ammunition found in the arsenal, arms secured from other places and a few small field pieces, he put several thousand men upon the tracks of the Spaniards.

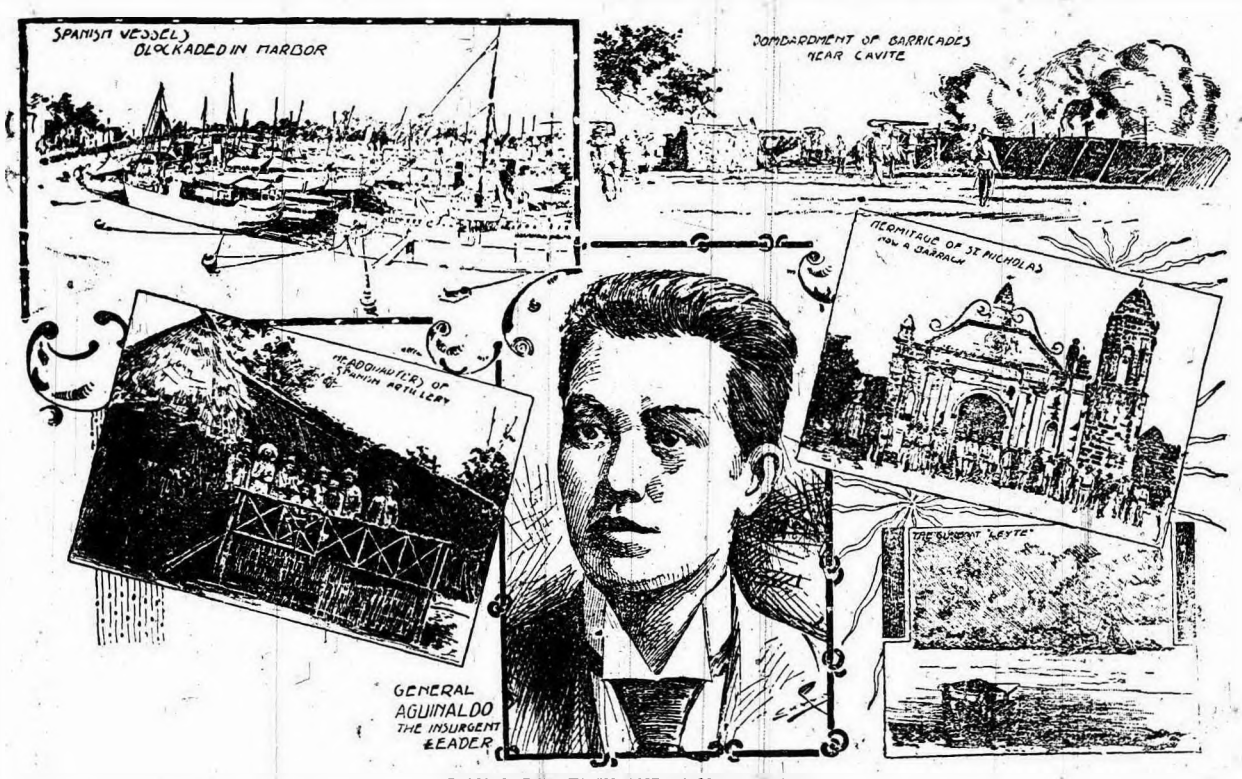
His scheme is to form a republic, with himself as president, and in this he tried to secure Admiral Dewey's support. But, although the Americans have received the insurgent leader kindly, gave him two modern field pieces, 300 rifles and plenty of ammunition, Dewey has proved himself too subtle a diplomat to commit either himself or the government to any wild scheme. Fancy a republic of some 8,000,000 people, of whom one-half are savages, and the rest, not more than about 50,000 excepted, with such civilization as Spain chose to impart. Of these 4,000,000 not more than 2 per cent can read. The Spaniards and Filipinos—that is, natives of the Philippines of Spanish parents—number, perhaps, 100,000. To establish a republican form of government under these conditions would mean to plunge them at once into barbarism.

And yet this is what Aguinaldo is fighting for and which may cause a clash of arms between him and the United States forces. If they do come together, however, the insurgent leader will quickly learn that the methods of the United States troops are different from the Spaniards and may soon find himself with his arms tied before a firing squad.

He has established himself in a fine house at Cavite, where, surrounded by his officers, he conducts the campaign against the Spaniards.

He has a modern desk, backed by a huge bevel-edged mirror, a couple of large iron strong boxes for the dictatorial treasury, an abundance of easy chairs, an old grand piano several feet taller than the modern make, and a large hat rack of fanciful design. The only signs of war are the ends of sword chains that peeped through holes in the gingham coats of the officers in attendance, and a metallic standard holder that leaned against the hat rack. The court of the dictator is not impressive. A chamberlain was identified as a boatman, and there were other touches of opera bouffe. Aguinaldo's present concern is the defeat of Augusti and he will not discuss the future of the islands. Aguinaldo seems to possess real ability but none of his followers shine in the estimate of the Americans here. They are of a rather low order as a rule, and generally ignorant and illiterate and Aguinaldo himself has not completely proved his strength and character.

That Gen. Merritt fully realizes the situation in Manila is best told in his own dispatches to the home government, in the last of which he suggested that his forces be increased to 50,000. With this force he will be in a position to meet any emergency. In the meantime the 12,000 troops under him are camped under the protection of Admiral Dewey's fleet. Until confident of his force Gen. Merritt will probably make no move. But if attacked or forced to attack Aguinaldo's forces there will be inauguarated a campaign the end of which no one can foresee.



SOME PICTURES IN AND ABOUT MANILA.

Tram Line With Gas Motor Cars.

The town council of Neath, England, is shortly to grant a lease of the Neath corporation tramways to the British Gas Traction Company, Limited, of London. The lease will be for a term of seven years from July 1 next, at the option of the lessees for a further period of seven or fourteen years. This company will pay a rent of $6,500 per annum, and will equip the tram lines with gas motor cars of improved design and construction, providing a continual through service of cars, starting from each terminus at intervals of fifteen minutes.

A PHILIPPINE CYCLONE.

Daring Exploration of the Crater of Tael by Dr. Kane.

Prof. Charles W. Shields writes of "The Arctic Monument Named for Tennyson by Dr. Kane," and incidentally gives a sketch of the latter in the August Century. Prof. Shields says: It was at Luzon, the largest of the Philippine islands, that this adventurous spirit, though under a scientific impulse, passed the limits of prudence in his far-famed exploration of the crater of Tael, a volcano on the Pacific coast of the island, in a region inhabited only by savages. Crossing over to the capital city of the island during one of the long delays of Chinese diplomacy, he procured an escort of natives from the archbishop of Manila, and, in company, with his friend, Baron Loe, a relative of Metternich's, penetrated the country to the asphaltic lake in which the island volcano is situated. The gentlemen at first descended together until they reached a precipice overhanging the cavernous gulf of the crater, when the baron saw further progress to be impossible. But the doctor, in spite of the remonstrances of the whole party, insisted upon being lowered over the ledge by means of a rope made of bamboos, and held in the hands of the natives, under the baron's directions, until he reached the bottom, two hundred feet below. Loosing himself from the cord, he forced his way downward through the sulphurous vapors, dipped his specimen bottle into its waters, returned to the rope, several times stumbling, almost stifled, with the one of his boots charred almost to a coal, he succeeded in again fastening himself, and was hauled up by his assistants, and received into their hands, exhausted and almost insensible. Remedies brought from the neighboring hermitage were applied, and he was so far restored that they could proceed on their journey. But rumors spread before them among the pigmy savages on the island of the profane invasion that had been made into the mysteries of the Tael, and an angry mob gathered about them, which was only dispersed by one or two pistol shots and the timely arrival of the padres. The trophies of the expedition were some valuable mineral specimens, a bottle of sulphur water, a series of graphic views from recollection, in his sketch-book, and a written description of the volcano by one of the friars, which after many wanderings was put in his hands as he sat at the home dinner-table twelve years afterwards.

Weather Station Over 19,000 Feet Up.

The highest meteorological station in the world is located on the summit of a peak known as El Misti, near Arequipa, Peru. Harvard university is the maintainer of the station. It is 19,200 feet above the sea level and is one of eight operated by the university at Arequipa, the lowest being at a point fifty-five feet above the sea level, while two others are situated at 13,400 and 15,700 feet elevation respectively. The station on El Misti is 3,500 feet higher than the observatory on Mont Blanc and is visited regularly once a month for the purpose of winding up the instruments and changing the record sheets.

A Mistaken Impression.

"That," said Maud, as the distinguished stranger entered the room, "is the Victoria Cross." "Is it?" inquired Mamie, in a tone of great interest. "How many century runs must you make to get one?"—Washington Star.

Shades That Harmonize.

Bill—"Don't you think Mrs. Crimsonbeak has good taste?" Jill—"Excellent. Why, even the ribbons on her Eastern bonnet harmonizes with the shade of her husband's nose."

The Modern Damsel.

"For love of you I could become anything. I could become a poet. I—" The Loved—"Become a millionaire."—Modern Society.

A NEGRO'S PRIVATE SCORE.

Attended to His Share of Spaniards before Being Wounded.

Wandering about the post in a suit of pink pajamas is a Titanic negro, six feet tall and of like proportions, says a Fort Monroe correspondent of the Chicago Record. His name is Americus Jackson, and he is a private in the Tenth regular cavalry. This "Buffalo," as the colored soldiers of the army are familiarly called, "sought the bubble reputation at the cannon's mouth" at El Caney, and single-handed succeeded in overcoming a squad of the enemy and capturing a six-pound rapid-fire gun, shot three Spaniards and knocked four senseless with the butt of his carbine and the rest ran away in terror. Johnson was twice wounded, one ball passing through his left shoulder and another through his left leg, but neither remained in his body and no bones were broken. He speaks of his wounds contemptuously as "pin holes." They are healing rapidly and he will soon be able to return to his home in Texas and receive the honors due the brave. He has already received a great deal, and I grieve to relate that glory and admiration are confusing Johnson's memory. He is becoming somewhat inaccurate and inconsistent in his statements. He sits all day long under the shade of a tree in his pink pajamas, like the sultan of Senegambia, and relates the story of his achievements over and over again to throngs of colored people and straggling whites, who stand with both their ears and mouths open, paralyzed with awe. Like the editors of the yellow journals, Mr. Johnson has discovered that the public taste demands something hot and bloody, and he does his best to gratify that craving. By the time he gets to Texas Johnson will have captured an entire battery, perhaps captured Morro itself.

Making Him Acquainted.

Mr. Edward A. Cook has lived in Henderson for several months past. He has made many friends, but some seemed to think that he had not received the proper degree of introduction to the merry side of life. So several of them, led by some of his next-door neighbors—Messrs. Roser, Adle, Levi, Clay and others—indicted him a missive as from a lady friend, asking that he compliment her with a basket of fruit. In the generosity of his heart Cook sent the fruit, which was appropriated by the cruel jokers. A tender missive from the same jokers induced Cook to accept Roser as his escort to the fair grounds last night. Arriving there they entered the grounds, but it was too dark for Cook, who began to demur. About this time pistol shots were fired all around and near by. Roser fell as if dead, while Cook made haste to get away. After going several squares and in his haste leaving Roser on the field of battle, Cook caught a street car and came back to the city. The jokers soon joined him and efforts were made to impress him that Roser had been seriously wounded, but Cook had "caught on" ere this and though somewhat discomfited, took the whole matter good-naturedly. — Henderson (Ky.) Journal.

His Definition.

"What is a flirt?" asked the small boy. "A flirt," replied the old bachelor, "is a pretty woman." "But what kind of a pretty woman?" persisted the small boy. "Any kind of a pretty woman," answered the old bachelor. "Well, how pretty must she be?" the youngster insisted. "Oh, pretty enough to have a chance to flirt," returned the old bachelor irritably. And still the boy was not satisfied, but as he grows older he will understand it better.—Chicago Evening Post.

The Proper Place.

Query Editor—"This writer wants to know where the person with the wedding ring should be." Managing Editor (a confirmed bachelor)—"Just say in the penitentiary."—Jeweler's Weekly.

OUR BUDGET OF FUN.

SOME GOOD JOKES, ORIGINAL AND SELECTED.

The Wail of the Mermaid—Not a Leg to Stand on — The Inexperienced Marine's First Trip—How to Become Famous—Flotsam and Jetsam.

Pleasures on the Farm.

Oh, 'tis royal fun to frolic
On the fragrant, new-mown hay,
To roll and romp and tumble,
And to while the time away;
What a joy to lie and slumber,
Innocent of worldly care,
On the clover in the haymow,
When some others put it there

What a joy, when one is thirsty,
Ere as yet 'tis time to sup,
To consume the sweet ambrosia
That the cows have yielded up—
To drink out of the milkpail,
While you poise it in the air—
When some other has extracted
The rich fluid that is there.

What a joy it is, in summer,
To be free upon the farm;
Ah, the very air seems freighted
With a mystic sort of charm;
Round and over all a dreamy,
Peaceful spirit seems to lurk—
That is, if you do the dreaming,
While some others do the work.

Not a Leg to Stand On.

Oh, dear, I do feel so forlorn!
With fish's tail why was I born?
I'd dearly like to ride a bike—
This I candidly must own.
To scorch along the deep-sea bed,
With tam-o'-shanter on my head,
In bloomers clad—but, 'tis too bad,
I can't even stand alone.

A Modern Fable.

Once upon a time a Tramp was Sorely in need of Something to Eat, and approaching a Farmhouse he spake unto the Farmer, saying: "If you will give me the Wherewithal to satisfy the Cravings of the inner Man, I will kill all the Rats about the Place." "Agreed," said the Tiller of the Soil, and he ordered his Good Wife to give the Tramp a Square Meal. After the Tramp had devoured everything in sight he went to the wood-pile and selected a stout Club, then seating Himself on the Porch, he said to the Farmer: "Now bring on your Rats."

Moral—Always have the details specified in the contract.

It Displeased Him.

The Walking Delegate—I haven't any use for those fellows in the navy. They're a lot of dubs.

The Grand Secretary—How's that? It seems to me they've put up a pretty good fight.

The Walking Delegate—They can fight all right, but they worked overtime on Sundays at Manila and Santiago, without charging extra or ever putting in a kick. What they want is an organizer among them.

An Exception.

"No, sir," said the man who takes things philosophically; "it is impossible to begin at the top, no matter what the business happens to be. The whole course of human experience teaches that this is so."

"Oh, I don't know," replied the scoffer; "our baseball team was as near the top as any of them at the beginning of the season."

End of His Labors.

"Hampsley worked hard for three years trying to get a public office."

"Indeed? What's he doing now?"

"Not a thing."

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WILL NOT CHANGE SCALE.

Important Decision of United Mine Workers of America.

The committee of reference of the national executive board of the United Mine Workers of America has refused to reduce the scale. The decision has undoubtedly averted a general demoralization of the coal trade.

ALL THE ISLANDS CEDED.

Entire Philippine Archipelago Now in Our Possession.

The terms of the capitulation of Manila, as agreed upon between Gen. Jaudenes and Gen. Merritt, include the cession of the Philippine archipelago to the United States.

Five Children Drowned.

A cloudburst in Saw Mill Run, near Pittsburg, caused a tidal wave in that stream which endangered the lives of a dozen persons. Five children are missing and are supposed to have been drowned.

Roosevelt Would Accept.

Col. Theodore Roosevelt will accept the New York gubernatorial nomination, but the nomination will have to come to him from the republican party as a whole and not from any faction.

Fast Torpedo Boat Destroyer.

Twenty-eight knots an hour without a break, without a jar to her machinery and without a mishap is the record of the torpedo boat destroyer Farraguet on her fourth trial.

Interference Not Probable.

An important communique published in the Vienna Abendpost says: "The Philippines' future is a matter for the United States and Spain to decide without outside interference."

President to Visit Omaha.

President McKinley has given a positive assurance that he will be the guest of the Omaha exposition during the peace jubilee, which will be a feature early in October.

Money for Christian Work.

Dr. Simpson of the Christian alliance took $55,000 in cash and pledges Sunday from the pockets of the people who came to hear him in the grove at Old Orchard, Maine.

Insurgents Ordered to Leave.

Owing to the threatening attitude of the insurgents Gen. Merritt has ordered all armed rebels to withdraw at least ten miles from the vicinity of Manila.

Miners Appeal for Funds.

An appeal has been issued by authority of the executive board of the United Mine Workers of America for funds to aid the striking Pennsylvania coal miners.

Mighty Fleet to Be Gathered.

Fifty-seven warships are under orders to rendezvous at Fort Monroe, and the orders still to be issued will raise the total to the neighborhood of seventy.

Spanish Commission Appointed.

The Spanish Porto Rico commission, it is announced, has been appointed. It is composed of Admiral Vallarino, Gen. Ortega and Senor Sanchez Delaguila.

Will Muster Out at Once.

After a careful survey of the situation the president has decided to immediately muster out of service all volunteers except 110,000.

To Settle Border Differences.

The first session of the United States and Great Britain joint high commission was held in the parliament building in Quebec, Aug. 23.

Big Concerns Unite.

The consolidation of the Minnesota Iron company and the Illinois Steel company is perfected. The capital stock of the new concern is $29,500,000.

Camp Is a Pesthole

Report is made that the military camp in Lookout Mountain is becoming a veritable pesthole owing to the bad water and lack of drainage.

Gen. Scofield Nominated.

Wisconsin republicans renominated Gen. Scofield for governor over his opponent, La Follette, on the first ballot by a vote of 620 to 436.

Sickness in Jacksonville Camp.

The sickness in camp at Jacksonville, Fla., is becoming alarmingly distressing, there being about 300 cases in the division hospital daily.

Will Not Co-operate With Insurgents

The Philippine insurgents must recognize the authority of the United States and there will be no joint occupation of Manila.

President to Review the Army.

The president has consented to review the army of Santiago at Montauk Point.

President Will Review the Troops.

President McKinley will review the troops which participated in the Santiago campaign as soon as they are in condition.

Senator Davis Accepts.

Senator Davis of Minnesota has accepted the appointment as a member of the Spanish-American peace commission.

French Cruiser Sunk.

The French cruiser Laperouse was sunk off the coast of Madagascar. The crew was saved.

THE TRADE REVIEW.

Peace Has Brought a Large Expansion of Business.

R. G. Dun & Co., in their weekly Review of Trade, say:

"A war which brought no shrinkage of business while it lasted has brought with its ending quite a remarkable expansion. Orders and purchases have increased in nearly all branches, few as yet being of such nature that they can be attributed to the material enlargement of trade with the lately Spanish islands, which must come a little later.

"Failures for the week have been 154 in the United States against 223 last year, and 17 in Canada, against 30 last year."

FOUR CHILDREN BURNED.

Appalling Fatality on a Farm Near Stanley, Iowa.

Four children lost their lives by fire on the farm of Peter Foy, three and one-half miles southeast of Stanley, Iowa. They were sleeping in a barn, which burned.

SAGASTA'S POSITION.

Will Not Recognize Surrender of the Philippines.

Premier Sagasta states that Spain does not recognize the surrender of the Philippines, as the islands were relinquished by the Spanish commander after the signing of the protocol.

Massacred by Spaniards.

Eighty natives who took refuge from Spanish soldiers in the belfry of the cathedral at Ciales, Porto Rico, were overpowered and macheted.

Two Hundred Were Killed.

The Spanish loss during the bombardment of Manila and the assault by the American troops was 200 killed and 400 wounded.

Resignations Are Refused.

The Spanish government has decided to reject the resignations of the governor generals of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines.

Sargent Will Retire.

Frank P. Sargent, grand master of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, has notified the organization of his intention to retire.

To Issue a Proclamation.

Gen. Merritt has prepared a proclamation to the residents of Manila defining the form of government that will prevail.

Will Not Move Headquarters.

The proposition to remove the domestic committee's headquarters from St. Louis, Mo., to Jefferson City was defeated.

Charles W. DePauw Bankrupt.

Charles W. DePaw of New Albany, Ind., has filed a petition in bankruptcy. He places his liabilities at $850,000 and assets at $45,000.

Deaths Due to Fever.

Homesickness and fevers are shown to have had a worse effect than bullets among the troops invading Cuba and Porto Rico.

Star Pointer's Fast Mile.

At Joliet, Ill., Star Pointer paced a mile in 1:59½, lowering the Ingalls track record of 2:02¾, made by Joe Patchen.

Sent to Springfield, Ill.

Adjt.-Gen. Corbin has ordered the First Illinois Cavalry to proceed at once from Chickamauga to Springfield, Ill.

Dynamite Cruiser a Failure.

It has been decided to place the dynamite cruiser Vesuvius out of commission. The vessel is considered a failure.

Prize Money for Dewey.

The treasury officials estimate that Admiral Dewey will receive as prize money out of the Spanish war about $100,000.

Increase in Pension List.

The pension roll on July 30 last contained 993,714 names, a net increase of 17,700 over the previous year.

Good Wheat Crop in Canada.

Canada's wheat crop this year will be by long odds the greatest in the history of the dominion.

Story of Massacre Confirmed.

The massacre of more than one hundred natives of Porto Rico by Spanish troops is confirmed.

To Build a Cup Defender.

The Herreshoffs have received a contract to build America's cup defender. The price is stated to be $150,000.

Spanish Commission Appointed.

The Spanish commission to arrange for the evacuation of Cuba has been appointed in Madrid.

Troops to Leave Camp Thomas.

It is the intention of the war department to move all the troops from Camp Thomas except 15,000 or 20,000.

Joseph H. Choate Honored.

Joseph H. Choate, New York, was chosen president of the American Bar association.

Merritt Is Governor of Manila.

Gen. Merritt as military governor has taken formal possession of Manila.

Russia After a Coaling Station.

It is rumored in Berlin that Russia is negotiating with Spain for a coaling station in the Philippines.

Oshkosh Strike Settled.

The Oshkosh woodworkers' strike is practically settled.

Food Sent to Havana.

A ship loaded with 30,000,000 rations has left Tampa for Havana.

Pope Leo's End Is Near.

The death of the pope is momentarily expected.

MRS. PINKHAM CONQUERS BACKACHE.

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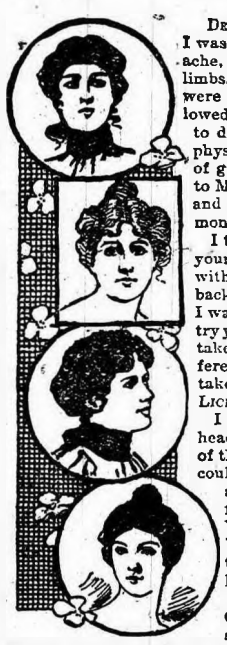

DEAR MRS. PINKHAM:—When I wrote to you last June, I was not able to do anything. I suffered with backache, headache, bearing-down pains, pains in my lower limbs, and ached all through my body. Menstruations were very painful. I was almost a skeleton. I followed your advice and now am well and fleshy, and able to do all my own housework. I took medicine from a physician for over a year, and it did not do me a particle of good. I would advise all suffering women to write to Mrs. Pinkham. She will answer all letters promptly, and tell them how to cure those aches and pains so common to women.—MRS. C. L. WINN, Marquez, Texas.

I think it is my duty to write and let you know what your medicine has done for me. For two years I suffered with female weakness, bearing-down pains, headache, backache, and too frequent occurrence of the menses. I was always complaining. My husband urged me to try your Vegetable Compound, and I finally did. I have taken three bottles and it has made me feel like a different woman. I advise every woman that suffers to take your medicine and be cured.—MRS. GARRETT LICHTY, 613 S. Prince St., Lancaster, Pa.

I had suffered for over two years with backache, headache, dizziness, nervousness, falling and ulceration of the womb, leucorrhœa, and about every ill a woman could have. I had tried doctors, but with no success, and it seemed as though death was the only relief for me. After using five bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and four packages of Sanative Wash, I am well. Have had no more pain, womb trouble, backache or headache.—MRS. CLAUDIA HALPIN, Cream Ridge, N. J.

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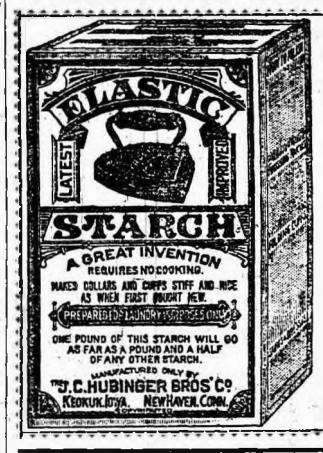

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FAR AND NEAR!

IMPORTANT EVENTS FROM OUR EXCHANGES CONDENSED AND REDIGESTED HERE.

An editor's path is usually well filled, sometimes with flowers, and sometimes with thorns. Some find fault if they are not mentioned in the personal columns and others sputter when their where-a bouts are mentioned. Question what shall we do? We often find our position like the old couple who, ignorant of city life, stopped at the hotel to spend the night and as they were about to retire, observed a card hanging on the gas jet which read: "Don't blow out the gas" and just below it the words "Two dollars extra will be charged if the gas is allowed to burn all night." Upon seeing it the old man exclaimed, "Mother what shall we do?"

Fifteen school districts in the county during the month of July voted on the question of "Free text books" and "Uniform text books" for their schools and everyone of them voted down both propositions.

A farmer of this state conceived a labor-saving device last spring which has proved instructive if not profitable. Desiring to raise a 20 acre crop of pole beans, and being also desirious that nature should do her full share, he planted a sunflower seed in each hill. Owing doubtless, to the prevailing drought the sunflowers have outstripped the beans, pulling the latter up by the roots, and the field now presents an illustration of the fact that new ideas are not always correct ones.

The South Lyon Township board has granted a thirty year franchise to Mapes & Taylor, of Lansing, for an electric road through that township. It is now talked that the line will run from Lansing via Mason, Dansville, Stockbridge, Pinckney, Hamburg, Silver Lake and South Lyon to Detroit.—Milford Times.

No woman who marries an old soldier now, or hereafter, will be entitled to a pension when he dies. The old soldier with a comfortable pension has furnished inducements for many a designing woman to wed especially so since under the law in force his death did not stop the pension: but this is changed under the new law which went into effect the first of July, and the veteran who now gets married will have the satisfaction of knowing that he furnishes all the attractions.—Leslie Republican.

An exchange says that alcohol will remove grass stains from summer clothes. The exchange is right. It will also remove the summer clothes, and also the spring, autumn and winter clothes, not only from the one who drinks it but also from his wife and family. It will also remove the household furniture from the house, the eatables from the family pantry, the smiles from the face of the wife, and the happiness from the home. As a remover of things alcohol has few equals.

Did you ever notice him—the "young fellah" who stands on the corner and makes foul remarks concerning different ladies who pass by. In one corner of his filthy mouth is a cigarette, his hat is cocked to one side and his general appearance is that of a loafer. I have no use for this specimen of degenerated humanity whatever. Many innocent young girls have been made wretched by his false stories, told merely for the sake of being known as a "hot member" among his associates. Perhaps some married man loiters near. He loves gossip, and rushing home tells his gossiping wife what he knows about Tom, Dick or Harry and Miss So and-So. The wife adds a little when she tells her neighbor, the neighbor tells another and so it goes until the rounds are made and finally, the poor girl is ignored by society. What for? For the reason that a fool man with no sense of honor or decency is allowed to wiggle his foul tongue unchallenged by society. O, so ciety, society, thou deceiver of morality and virtue.—Linden Leader.

When war was declared, all the bells and steam whistles in St. Louis dingdonged and screeched for an hour. A telegram has just announced "peace," and the same bells and whistles are silent as the grave. Good God!—Word and Works.

It don't pay to throw mud; it was not made for that purpose. It is a good thing for hogs to wallow in, and the hole shows where he has been when he comes out of his wallow hole; and so it is with individuals who try to destroy some other person by throwing mud upon him. When he gets through he finds he has more mud on himself than he puts upon his enemy. Mud spatters too much. The better way in life is to love your enemies, bless them that curse you and pray for them that despitefully use you. The Father above will tend to other matters.—National Odd Fellow.

A new ruling has been handed down for the Maccabee fraternity. Any member who allows the 30 day period to pass without paying the assessment due, is suspended without any notice whatever, and cannot be reinstated except he gets a certificate from the medical examiner and the same be approved by the camp.—Saline Observer.

The Michigan Central has discontinued paying its employes by check and the pay car will make the rounds this month. This is done to escape payment of the two cent revenue stamp on each check.

In a little church at Norristown, Pa., one hot Sunday recently there were very few worshipers when the pastor opened the services. Perspiration oozed from the faces of the just and unjust alike. The preacher was the picture of discomfort when he mounted the pulpit to preach the sermon. He gazed at the congregation for a moment and began in the most unorthodox manner: "Brethren, it's hot and so I say, 'Comfort before pride.'" With that he shed his heavy black coat, hung it over the side of the pulpit, and preached the sermon in his shirt sleeves.

On the Fourth of July a young man of Stockton, Kansas, took his best girl to a picnic. There she accepted so many attentions from other young men that the first young man became enraged and went home, leaving the girl to get back to her own home as best she might. She hired a hack for which her father paid 75 cents, and then the old man sent the bill to the sulky young suitor. He refused to pay, and the old man sued him in a justice court, claiming that, having taken the girl to the picnic, it became his duty to see her safely home at his own expense. Both sides have hired lawyers, and the case will be fought to a finish.

And now comes Lieutenant Hobson from New York to Annapolis, to visit Admiral Cervera. They meet, embrace and by the space of an hour land each other's chivalry, and press each other to personal visits to their private homes, Spanish and American! What did we tell you, not four months ago, about how it would be—crossing the seas to attend "reunions" and praise each other's bravery—after battles, pestilences, heart-breakings, taxations and a thousand such things had done their desolating work? One passenger sent us an angry letter for hinting the possibility of such things. The meeting, clasping hands, embracing and expression of esteem and admiration are all right. The point we made then and now make is that war with all its desolating and damning results would not be possible, if men were only brave enough to shake hands, make mutual concessions and settle their personal and national disputes according to the code of the Prince of Peace.—Word and Works.

The New State Telephone Co., are going to put in an exchange at Milford.

A negro blacksmith at Kirksville, Mo., recently announced a change in his business as follows: "Notis—De copartnership heretofore resisting between me and Mose Skinner is hereby resolved. Dem what owes de firm will settle wid me, and dem what de firm owes will settle wid Mose."

Sampson and Schley are both recommended for rear admirals, and may be this will help those people out who have been struggling to learn just which one licked Cervera and his fleet. The common men who did the fighting will probably be recommended as good fighters, but they and the chaps who shoveled coal into the furnaces down in the depths of the ships with the heat more intense than most of us can imagine will be forgotten in the shuffle for honors, but will be conscious of having done their part of the work as faithfully and as intelligently as the commanders of the fleet.—Fenton Independent.

Insurgent Aguinaldo is respectfully advised not to monkey with Admiral Dewey and General Merritt. He should remember that there is a difference between Yankee and Spanish methods of illustrating the art of war. And a nation which earns fifteen billion dollars a year, and has a way of sending fleets to the bottom of the sea and fighting on land like a legion of incarnate fiends, is highly civilized devils is not a safe thing to insist to be stirred up by a few thousand insular semi-barbarians, even if they are away on the other side of the planet.—Flint Globe.

Detroit and Port Huron Week Day Excursion, Sept. 7th.

The D., G. R. & W. R. R. and the Star-Cole line will run another of those popular excursions to St. Clair flats, St. Clair and Port Huron on above date. Special train will leave Plymouth at 7:48 a. m. and arrive at 12th St., Detroit at 8:45, connecting with the steamer for Port Huron. Return trip will be made in time to connect with train leaving Detroit at 9 p. m. Rate from Plymouth will be $1.00.

73 GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

MARVELOUS RESULTS.

What a well known citizen of Lansing, Mich., says of Drake's dyspepsia cure and nerve restorer.

"I have had dyspepsia for eighteen years. My troubles were indigestion, sour stomach, acid fermentation, palpitation of the heart, sleeplessness and terrible sick headache, which at times would entirely unfit me for business. I have had special treatment by seven physicians, and it seems as though I have tried nearly every known or supposed remedy, with some little relief, but would soon relapse to the old condition. I commenced using Drake's Dyspepsia Cure and Nerve Restorer a few weeks ago, have used about two and one half boxes which have done me more real good than all the treatment and so called remedies I have ever taken. I would advise any person afflicted with stomach troubles, dyspepsia or nerve troubles, to try this treatment.

Respectfully,
EDWARD N. WOOD,
North Lansing, Mich.

March 22, 1898."

Drake's Dyspepsia Cure and Nerve Restorer is not propped up by fictitious testimonials, but is demonstrating its curative power every day, in stubborn cases of acute, chronic and nervous dyspepsia. A trial will substantiate all that is claimed for it. For sale by Geo. W. Hunter, leading druggist of Plymouth. A book on stomach and nerve troubles, their symptoms and cures, given free for the asking at the above store.

G. A. R. Excursion via C. & W. M. and D. G. R. & W. Rys.

On account of the G. A. R. Annual Encampment at Cincinnati, these lines will sell tickets Sept. 3rd to 6th inclusive at very low rates. Return limit Sept. 15th. An extension of limit to October 31st will be made upon deposit of tickets with agent at Cincinnati. Ask agents for full particulars.

72 GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

3 BEST THINGS 3
EVERY DAY BOXES
AND NIGHT. 25 CENTS.

25 CENTS WILL BUY
Why pay 50 cents for others
Knill's RED Pills
For Wan People.
"Pale and Sallow People."
The Great Tonic for the Nerves and Blood. (WOMAN'S FRIEND.)
Restore Strength, Health and Beauty. (MEN'S DELIGHT.)
Knill's WHITE Liver
PILLS Anti-Bilious Cathartic.
Cure Constipation.
The Great Liver Invigorator.
25 DOSES 25 CENTS.
Knill's BLUE Kidney
PILLS Cure all Kidney and Urinary Troubles, Etc., and all diseases arising from any disorders of the Kidneys and Bladder.
One box of these pills contains more medicine than a dollar bottle of any liquid preparation and are better than any 50 cent pills.
Cheapest and best. Warranted. Take no others. All druggists.
Write for Pamphlet (sent free) on Pills. 5 Boxes $1.00.
Knill's Red, White & Blue Pill Co.,
PORT HURON - - MICH.

For Sale by G. W. Hunter & Co.

There's to be a Picnic at Grand Rapids August 28th.

Get ready to go and tell your friends and neighbors about the Schwabenfest or German Picnic on above date. The annual Schwabenfest is an occasion of merrymaking by the Germans and they cordially invite everybody to join them. All manner of old country games and sports are included in the day's program, and a fine brass band will furnish music. A plentiful supply of good things to eat and drink will be furnished for the hungry and thirsty. Schoenfeld's Grove at Reed's Lake will be the scene of festivities and is easily reached by street cars from the station.

A special excursion train via the D. G. R. & W. Ry. will leave Plymouth at 7:45 a. m. and arrive at Grand Rapids at 12:00 a. m. Leave returning at 7:00 p. m. Round trip rate $1.75.

72 GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

32nd Annual Encampment G. A. R. Cincinnati, O.

The Official Route as adopted by the Department of Michigan, G. A. R. and Ohio and Indiana posts is the L. S. & M. S.—Ohio Central Lines. This Four through line from Detroit, including intermediate stations to Cincinnati. On Sept. 3, 4 and 5 any of the agents of these lines will sell round trip tickets at rate of one cent per mile each way. Tickets will be good to return until Sept. 13, with privilege of extension until Oct. 2 by deposit of ticket with joint agent between Sept. 5 and 9 and payment of 25 cents. For further particulars as to special train service, etc., see agents or address,

MOULTON HOUK, G. P. A.
73 Toledo, Ohio.

Notice.

My wife having left my bed and board, I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by her.

CHAS. F. GENTZ.

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 this particular time, are eagerly sought for by those who read of the movements of our warships.

Michigan Woman

Gets What is Better than a Fortune from the Klondike

She Tells in Her Own Way How It Happened.

"For about two years I was troubled with scrofula. Great sores broke out every little while. I followed prescriptions without obtaining any relief. At last I procured a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla and it did me good, and finally cured me. I have never had any scrofula trouble since and never felt as well in my life as I do now. I have always been afflicted with sick headaches, but since I began to take Hood's Sarsaparilla and Hood's Pills I am cured of these and I can speak only in praise of the medicine that has done so much for me." MRS. ADDIE ALLEN, Carson City, Michigan.

Hood's Sarsaparilla
Is the best—in fact the One True Blood Purifier. $1; six for $5. C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass.

Hood's Pills cure liver ills, easy to take, easy to operate. 25 cents.

CYCLE REPAIRING
and Extras for Cycles.

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.

BICYCLES TO RENT.

W. N. WHERRY,
PLYMOUTH, MICH.

HARRY C. ROBINSON,
Livery and Sale Stable.

BUS AND TRUCK LINE.

Horse Clipping a Specialty.

C. L. WILCOX,
General Insurance.
Detroit Fire and Marine.
Hartford.
Phoenix, of Hartford.
Springfield Fire and Marine.
Pennsylvania.
Niagara.
Commercial Union.
Sun, of London.
Phoenix Assurance of London.
Office at Residence, Plymouth, Mich

DETROIT, Grand Rapids & Western
JUNE 19, 1898.

	GOING EAST	a. m.	p. m	p. m
Lv	Grand Rapids	7:00	1:35	5:25
	Ionia	7:30	2:01	6:00
	Lansing	8:54	3:20	7:22
	Salem	10:35		9:00
	PLYMOUTH	10:50	5:03	9:15
Ar	Detroit	11:40	5:45	10:05
	GOING WEST.	a. m	p. m.	p. m
Lv	Detroit	8:00	2:10	6:20
	PLYMOUTH	8:48	2:49	7:05
	Salem	9:00		7:07
	Lansing	10:50	[illegible]	8:28
	Ionia	12:06	[illegible]	10:10
Ar	Grand Rapids	12:55	5:20	10:57
		p. m.	p. m.	p. m.

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

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

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

GOING SOUTH.		GOING NORTH.	
Train No 4,	10:05 a. m.	Train 1,	8:10, a. m.
" No. 8,	2:25 p. m.	" 3,	8:55 a. m.
" No. 4,	8:45 p. m.	" 5,	2:00, p. m.
" No. 14,	6:38 a. m	" 9,	7:05, p. m.

Trains Nos. 3 and 9 run through to Alpena.

Train No. 3 connects at Ludington with steamer for Manitowoc and

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

Trains leave for Toledo at 6:38 a. m., 10:55 a. m., and 2:23 p. m.

For further information see Time Cards. company.

ED. PELTON, Local Agent.

Your Portrait Enlarged FREE!

When you attend the Plymouth Fair, bring your small pictures with you that you want Enlarged. To all who place their orders with me for large work during the days of the Fair, Sept. 13, 14, 15, 16, I will give a 25 per cent reduction, and to the one who guesses the nearest the number of beans in a sealed bottle which will be displayed in the same booth with my Portraiture Work, I will make a ten dollar grade of work FREE OF CHARGE. My work is strictly hand made, therefore perfectly durable. A likeness guaranteed. Pictures that are repairable which do not suit you, I will repair at a small cost on the grounds. Bring them with you and the small pictures they were made from.

WM. G. PETERHANS,
Artist Portraitist.

A good live agent wanted.

Studio, up-stairs in Coleman Block, next to Plymouth Mail.

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

Cameras and Supplies.

Watch, Clock and Jewelry Repairing a Specialty.

C. G. DRAPER, Sutton Street
JEWELER, Plymouth.

Bogert & Co.

Everything Fresh and Cheap for Cash.

FRUITS and VEGETABLES in SEASON.

Jardinierres from 10c to $1.00
Also a Variety of Flower crocks.
Stewing Kettles 2 qts 10, 4 qts 12, 6 qts 15c

We call for your orders and deliver goods.

Bogert & Co.

There may be other laundries that are larger but none that

Excell in Workmanship

The - Plymouth - Star - Cash - Laundry.

The increasing patronage we are receiving proves our popularity.

REA BROS., Proprietor.

Notice—On and after August 1st, I will sell for cash. Positively no credit.

DO YOU WANT
GOOD MEAT
IF YOU DO CALL AT
.....HARRIS' MARKET.....

and he will please you. He keeps the best of meats at the Lowest Prices. Don't forget the place.

H. HARRIS.

Orders taken and delivered. PLYMOUTH.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS AND PERSONAL MENTION.

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

Plato Hough is driving dray for Harry Robinson.

Anna Micol visited friends in Brighton last week.

Miss Ella Truesdell is spending the week at home.

Chauncey Rauch and wife spent Sunday at Whitmore lake.

Gertrude Hart wheeled to Woonville, Tuesday, to visit friends.

The Daisy shop was shut down Monday for boiler inspection.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bentley visited relatives in Toledo, Sunday.

Miss Eva Keller, of Detroit, is visiting her aunt, Mrs Frank Wilson.

Twenty-eight tickets were sold here Tuesday for the Petoskey excursion.

Miss King and Miss St John, of Ann Arbor, visited Ada Safford this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Pelton and daughter spent Sunday with friends in Toledo.

Julius Wills has been shaking hands with Plymouth friends the past week.

Mr. E. J. Aertz, of Detroit, was the guest of Lucy Springer over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Streng, of Detroit, are spending the week with relatives here.

James Huff, of Northville, is working for the Conner Hardware Co., this week.

Will Stewart, of Danville, Ill., arrived in Plymouth, Tuesday, for a month's stay.

Ed Cook has sold the contents of his peach orchard to R. H. Purdy, of Northville.

A. H. Shattuck and B. Bigler, of Pontiac, visited friends and relatives here last week.

Quite a number from here witnessed the fireworks display in Detroit, Tuesday night.

Miss Bertha Stever, of Detroit, left Tuesday for Charlevoix, the guest of Mrs. W. E. Bedwin.

Biograph pictures of the Spanish-American war, tomorrow night at the opera house. 10 and 20 cents.

—FOR SALE OR RENT—House and lot on Mill street, Plymouth. Inquire of Mrs. John Bradner tf

Marvin Berdau has sold his merry-go-round to an Owosso party to which place it was shipped this week.

Chas. Armstrong and wife were members of the party that left for Petoskey and Bear Lake, Tuesday.

Miss Ida Mitchell returned to her home in Ypsilanti, Monday, after a week's visit with Charles Shattuck and wife.

If you have been sick you will find Hood's Sarsaparilla the best medicine you can take to give you appetite and strength.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Roe have been entertaining their cousin, Mrs. Seley Burchard, of Bay City, a few days this week.

The Spanish-American war will be transferred to Plymouth tomorrow night, August 27. Opera house. Don't fail to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Roe left Saturday for Saginaw and Bay City for a stay of two or three weeks with their son and daughter.

Nelson E. Freer, who enlisted with the Thirty-first Michigan as a musician, has been discharged on account of continued illness.—Chelsea Standard.

Mr. Freer practiced law in Plymouth two or three years ago.

President Starkweather and Trustee Lapham went to Detroit, Tuesday, with $2,275 in their pockets with which to pay the Sheehan & Dunn judgment. They did not pay it however, as Sheehan refused to sign a receipt. They will now come for their money or do without it.

Services will be held at the village hall next Sunday, the 28 inst at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Preaching by the Rev. J. W. Slaughter, of Galesburg, Illinois. Mr. Slaughter comes highly recommended by the President of Lombard University of which he is a graduate, and it is hoped that all who are interested will make an effort to attend and invite their friends.

Now is the time for the farmers in this vicinity to begin preparations for exhibits at the coming fair, September 13-16. The management is making every effort to have the 14th annual exhibition of the Plymouth fair association the greatest success in its history. The special attractions will be numerous and interesting. Don't fail to attend every day.

On behalf of the friends of the Park Gospel Meetings, we would thank the W. C. T. U. for their organ and chairs, Mr. A. Lyon for the seats and Mr. Frisbee for the plank, and all who so kindly helped to make these out-door meetings so interesting. And last, but by no means least, we would thank that one, whose invitation secured to us the welcome and wonderful presence and testimony of the Mackey gospel workers, who have so efficiently conducted said meetings in our beautiful park and churches too. We hope these meetings will continue. Why not? Under the care of Plymouth Union gospel workers. We hope these noble evangelists will be able to stay many days with us, though their work in Chicago needs their presence so much.

MANY FRIENDS.

MIDSUMMER CLEARING SALE

We will save you money for the next 30 days, beginning SATURDAY, AUG 6, we will put on sale the Strongest Bargains we have ever shown

75 Men's light colored Cassimere Suits strictly all wool very stylish pattern made to sell at 10, 12, $15 now, $5 00
75 Mens' Suits all good patterns, part wool, at - 3 98
48 Boys' long pants Suits, at - - - 3 50
96 Boys' short pant Suits, at - - - - 1 48
10 doz. fine laundered Shirts, 75c, $1 and 1.25, now 39
1000 yards summer Dress Goods, from 10c to 18c, now 5 yd
48 pairs Mens' Tan Shoes good styles from $2.50 to $4, 1 48
5 doz. Shirt Waist, were 50c, now - - 25
5 doz. Shirt Waists, were 75c, now - - 39c

The entire stock now at Clearing Sale Prices.

12 ladies' silk Capes, were $4 and $5, now 2 48
All ladies', gents' and children's Shoes at Bargain Prices.
All best Prints at 4c — All straw Hats Half Price.
Yd wide Percale at 6c — All light soft Hats Half Price
Fine Bleach Cotton 5½, 6 — All bicycle Clothing Half Price
Fine unbleached Cotton, 4, 5c — Mens' Working Pants 62c
Good check Gingham 4c — Men Working Shirts 25c
Good Shirtings at 8c — All wool Ingrain Carpets 50c
Cotton Chains Carpets, 38c.

We must have Cash and we want the room for our Mammoth New Fall Stock which will begin to arrive in about 30 days. Everything just as recommended and at unmistakeable Bargains.

Sale Prices are a Klondyke.

PLYMOUTH CASH OUTFITTER

E. L. RIGGS.

Mrs. F. F. Bennett continues very low.

H. S. Perry, of South Lyon, was in town Tuesday.

Bessie Cochrane is visiting Detroit friends this week.

Mrs Trinkaus and daughter are spending the week at Elm.

Wm. G. Peterhans, the artist, is in Detroit today buying goods.

E. W. Cheffee is spending his vacation at Lake Placid, N. Y.

Carrie Brown is working for J. R Rauch & Son this week.

Laura Ruppert returned Thursday from a five week's visit in Toledo.

Mrs. Hunter Savidge, of Spring Lake, is visiting Mrs. Ellen Shattuck.

Mrs. Fred Dunn and daughter, Maud, are visiting friends in Bad Axe.

C. L. Wilcox, of the county clerk's office, is home on a vacation this week.

Remember the ice cream social in Safford hall tomorrow evening, Aug 27.

Wm. Tyley, who has been confined to his bed for three weeks, is no better.

Mr. and Mrs. Harland Clark, of Blissfield, visited here the first of the week.

Mrs. Geo. F. Jones, of Denver, Col., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Ellen Shattuck.

Samuel Spicer and Clifford McClumpha have gone on the Petoskey excursion.

Miss Fannie Spicer entertained Miss Lena Rickett, of Brighton, on Sunday last.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Jolliffe returned Tuesday from a weeks stay in Brant, Mich.

Mrs. H. M. Tafft has returned to Ann Arbor after spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. H. Peck.

Miss Joslyn, who has been ill of fever at the home of her sister, Mrs. Bethune Stark, has nearly recovered.

Dan Smith has been drawn as a juror from Plymouth township for the September term of the circuit court.

George Hunter and family are spending a few days at Cooley lake with Ed Shafer and wife, of Northville.

Mrs. F. B. McCauley and daughter, of Ashland, Wis., are spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Whitbeck.

James Cooper, of Plymouth, and Daisy Thomas, of Northville, were married at Northville on Thursday of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Eckles, who live west of the village, are rejoicing over the advent of a baby boy. Born Monday.

Mrs. Fraser Smith, of Canton, has been very ill of inflamatory rheumatism, but is recovering under the care of Dr. Adams.

The gasoline war has abated somewhat. Mr. Lapham's ad. this week places the price of gasoline and kerosene at 6c a gal.

Hillmer & Co., have increased their store room by taking out the partition. They have also increased their stock and are working up a good trade.

A crisis occurred in the case of Richard Smye, who is very low with typho-malarial fever, on Wednesday, and the chances for his recovery are favorable.

Mrs. Gray, mother of M. F. Gray, and his three nephews, Willie, Laurie and Harry Robinson, of Park Hill, Ont., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Gray.

Ormal King and son, Ray, of Northville, have moved to Plymouth and will live on Sutton street. His mother, Mrs. Empey, of Romeo, will keep house for him.

—PAPERS WANTED—We would like to get a few copies of THE MAIL dated May 27th. Will pay 5 cents each for same.

THE MAIL, Plymouth.

Percy Hubbard and wife, of Saginaw, returned home Tuesday after a two week's visit with his parents here. Mr. Hubbard is book-keeper for the Saginaw Milling Co.

Miss Mabel Groner, of Novi, a former resident of Plymouth, was married on Tuesday evening to Arthur Limpert, a ship builder. Josiah Cochrane and family and Mrs. L. Lyon and children attended from Plymouth.

For a season a mammoth wood chuck has had his burrow on the farm of G. E. Brownell. Several of our hunters have tried to bag him and failed. Master Frank Spicer heard of him, shouldered his gun and went down, drew a bead on him and rolled him over. He tipped the beam at a little over twelve pounds and looked the king of all chucks.

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. There will be no services until Sunday, Sept. 4.

Phoenix mill is now running full blast.

W. H. Bassett and family returned Friday from a visit with friends and relatives in Carbondale and Fairview Park, Pa

The patriotic social, which was to have been held in the park on Saturday evening, failed to materalize. After peace was declared there didn't seem to be enough interest to keep the project alive so it was given up.

Mrs. Olive Miller has a curiosity in the shape of a sunflower growing in the crotch of a tree about seven feet from the ground, out in full bloom. Speaking of sunflowers, M. F. Gray has one in his yard with over 100 buds on it, and now has about 70 full bloom flowers.

On Saturday night last another disgraceful fight occurred right in the heart of the village. One fellow was pounded and kicked until he cried for mercy, then he was pounded and kicked some more. One of the worst features of the disturbance is the fact that one of our village officers was present during the whole row and never made an effort to exert his authority. Verily, our fair village is losing its reputation.

L. C. Hough & Son have improved their already well equipped elevator by substituting a new and rapid grain cleaner in place of their old one. This new machine is called the Invincible Dustless Warehouse separator and is far ahead of any other grain cleaner on the market. The Invincible will clean 350 bushels of wheat in an hour. All the farmer has to do is to empty his grain from his wagon into a spout leading into a large bin, walk into the office and get his check, load his screenings and drive home. This firm is also in a position to clean seed wheat for farmers at a very moderate cost. Another new feature of the elevator is a 6 h. p. Springfield gas engine. This is located in the basement on a solid stone foundation and runs to perfection.

A cineograph entertainment will be given at village hall on tomorrow evening, August 27. Following will be some of the views: Cavalry charge of U. S. regulars, life rescue scene at Atlantic City, N. J., Cuban infantry on forced march to attack Siboney, Cuba, battle of Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, snow balling, Empire state express, battle of San Juan, Spanish attack on Capt. McCallas marines landing on south coast of Cuba, capture of a Spanish fort and outlying block houses by U. S. regulars, scene on Santiago battlefield after conflict between U. S. and Spanish troops. Among other attractions will be Karl Tell, the Swiss giant and strongest man in the world. Admission 10 and 20 cents.

Ralph G. Terry.

On Sunday morning last, August 21st, Ralph G. Terry, an old resident of Plymouth and a sufferer for many years, passed from this life. The funeral was held in the M. E. church and was conducted by Rev. Oliver. Eddy Post, G. A. R., of which the deceased was an honored member, attended in a body. The remains were placed in Riverside cemetery.

Mr. Terry was born in Canada, August 16, 1831, and moved to Plymouth when a small boy. He was married in 1860 to Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson, of Newburg, N. Y. His family consisted of five children, three of whom are living—one daughter in Lansing, one in Plymouth and a son in Detroit.

The deceased served three years in the war of the rebellion, being a member of the 24th Michigan.

Mrs. Terry and family have the sympathy of many friends in their bereavement.

We desire to thank the friends and neighbors who have kindly assisted us during the hours of our sad bereavement especially the choir and members of Eddy Post, G. A. R., to whom we feel very grateful.

MRS. R. G. TERRY AND FAMILY.

—GIRL WANTED—To help do house work. Address, A. D. Lyndon, Plymouth.

The highest pressure smokeless powder used by the Spanish is equal to 21 tons to the square inch. Moreover, the rifling of the Mauser gun barrel is such that the bullet has more twist when it leaves the tube. Hence, the big lacerated, saucer-like wounds.

When the bullet leaves the rifle it pierces the air or any fixed object less impregnable than armor plate with a horizontal spiral motion. At the same time it proceeds in minute undulations.

Holland Cheese.

J. W. Decker, in an address to Wisconsin Cheesemakers, said: There are three kinds of cheese that are made in Holland—the "Edam," the "Gouda" and the "Friesian." The Edam cheese is made in that portion of Holland called North Holland, which lies west of the Zuider Zee and north of the North Sea canal. The Gouda cheese is made principally in the district south of Amsterdam, south of the North Sea canal. The Friesian cheese is made to the west of Zuider Zee, in Friesland. The Friesian cheese is skimmed cheese, without any bandages; about the stuff that we sell for fish bait in this country. The Gouda cheese is a little larger than the Edam cheese and is somewhat flattened. They are very nearly the same thing, being very much alike. For breakfast I usually had some cocoa, some rolls and Gouda or Edam cheese. I saw Edam cheese made both in dairies and in factories. They have a few factories, but it was made largely on the farm dairies, similar to the way the cheese is made in England and Scotland. The milk, which has been previously heated in a kettle, is poured into a large tub and is set at a temperature of from 80 to 85 degrees. The rennet is put in—they use rennet extract—and the milk is curdled in from twenty to thirty minutes. This curd is then broken up into large chunks with a sword, not with a curd knife similar to what we use, and then is stirred with a stirrer in the tub. As soon as the whey begins to separate from the curd, some of it is drawn off into a large kettle and hung over the fire and heated and then poured back into the tub until the temperature is at about 90 degrees. It is kept at that temperature until it becomes firm and sticky between the teeth. They usually use the whey starter. I understand that they have had some trouble with gas in making their Edam cheese, just as we are sometimes troubled in making the Cheddar cheese, and they use what they call the "langen vey" (long whey). This is a lactic acid starter which they put in, although they do not use so much as we do with our cheese.

Odd Delicacy in Russia.

To most people a tallow candle appears more in the way of a necessity than a luxury, but the Russian blue-jackets who are enjoying shore leave just now from the Russia and the Admiral Nakimoff appear to find in assimilating candles of the Chinese make as much gusto as an English child would have in eating a sugar stick. The other day a party of stalwart Muscovite blue-jackets were to be seen going along the Queen's road, and the avidity with which they polished off joss candles was a sight for the gods. Some of the men, who were evidently petty officers, elected to dine off candles as thick as one's arm—regular No. 1 joss pidgin arrangements—and streams of grease trickled from the corners of each man's mouth. British and American jacks like their beer and rum, but they draw the line at Chinese-made tallow candles.—Hong Kong Telegraph.

Treatment of Debtors in Hawaii.

In Hawaii they have one very unique custom in regard to debt. Any stranger can get credit almost from the time he sets foot on the islands, but so long as he owes a dollar he is not permitted to leave the country. A man who gets hopelessly involved in debt down there had as well make up his mind to become a citizen for the rest of his life—he can only escape by liquidating.

COMMISSIONERS' NOTICE. In the matter of the estate of URSULA M. CLEMENTS deceased.

We, the undersigned, having been appointed by the Probate Court, for the County of Wayne, State of Michigan, Commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against said deceased, do hereby give notice that we will meet at the office of Geo. A. Starkweather, in the village of Plymouth in said county on Saturday, the eighth day of October, A. D. 1898, and on Saturday, the twenty-eighth day of January, 1899, at one o'clock p. m. of each of said days, for the purpose of examining and allowing said claims, and that six months from the twenty-ninth day of July, A. D. 1898, were allowed by said court for creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.

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MICHIGAN NEWS SUMMARY.

Doings of the Week Recorded in a Brief Style.

CONCISE AND INTERESTING.

Michigan Naval Reserves Complete Their Service on the Yosemite and Receive a Royal Welcome on Coming Home —Detroit's Latest Murder Mystery.

Murdered for His Money.

On August 10 Valmore C. Nichols, aged 45, a farmer of Pittsfield township, Washtenaw county, between Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, visited Detroit to pay interest on a mortgage on his farm. For this purpose he had borrowed and drawn from bank something over $400. He did not return home and after two days his family became alarmed at his absence and reported him to the Detroit police as missing. Detectives were unable to find any trance of Mr. Nichols, but learned that he was in the habit of visiting a clairvoyant medium, Robert Lang, every time he visited Detroit.

Members of the Detroit Boat club, on Belle Isle, Detroit, while rowing some distance from their club house, discovered the body of a man in the water. It was dragged ashore and two heavy stones were found attached to the legs with copper wire. There were bruises on the head, apparently made with a blunt instrument. The authorities were notified and the body was at once identified as Valmore C. Nichols, the missing farmer. The money was gone, but his watch and other valuables had not been taken.

The detectives learned that Robert Lang, the clairvoyant, had seen Nichols on the day he disappeared and they at once began to search for Lang, whom they traced to the spiritualist camp meeting at Island Lake. It was about 1 a. m. when the officers reached there, but they routed out Secretary Brown, who is in charge of the hotel, and who at first refused to allow the officers to go to Lang's room. Persuaders were brought forth which caused him to change his mind, and Lang was soon on his way back to Detroit between two detectives. As they left the hotel Brown called out to Lang to keep his mouth shut until he had secured counsel.

A Glorious Welcome Home.

With the knowledge that they had served their country well the 260 men of the Michigan Naval Reserves, who served on board the cruiser Yosemite through the war against Spain, left their gallant ship for Detroit. Their arrival home was the occasion of one of the most enthusiastic demonstrations that has occurred in the Michigan metropolis in years. From the time the gallant boys alighted from their special train until their arrival on their good ship Yantic, after traversing a mile and a half of streets, they were treated to a continuous ovation from the tens of thousands of admirers who filled the streets until there was scarcely room for the boys to march along. And then when they reached the Yantic's landing pace and met wives, mothers, sweethearts and bosom friends, what a glorious reunion there was. With cannon booming, whistles screeching, crowds cheering and flags waving the brave sailor boys felt amply repaid for all of their sacrifices and hardships.

Still this was not the end. A whole week of receptions and various functions had been arranged by the Reserves who had not been called to the front and by others organizations and they were fully surfeited with good thing.

More Michigan Boys Die at Santiago.

The death roll among Michigan's soldier heroes continues to grow. On the transport Olivette, from Santiago bound for Montauk Point, L. I., Capt. John A. Bobb, assistant surgeon 34th Michigan, died of malarial fever and dysentery, and Musician Homer Covey, Eaton Rapids, Co. F, 34th Michigan, succumbed to malarial dysentery. The following recent deaths have been reported from Santiago: Allie D. Vanslyke, Flint, Co. A, 33d Michigan, yellow fever; Frank E. Sharp, Bay City, Co. C, 33d Michigan, typhoid; August L. Johnson, Iron Mountain, Co. E, 33d Michigan, typhoid; Sergt. John Brown, Big Rapids, Co. A, 34th Michigan, appendicitis; Musician John Lymons, Iron Mountain, Co. E, 34th Michigan, typhoid; Sergt. Henry E. Conners, Owosso, 33d Michigan, typhoid following yellow fever. Gilbert Bacon, Co. E, 32d Michigan, died at the hospital at Ft. McPherson, Atlanta, Ga., of fever. Roy Baners, Co. I, 34th, malarial fever; James F. Sills, Co. C, 33d, dysentery.

Stephen Selden, a well-to-do Mundy township, Genesee county, farmer, tried to commit suicide by terribly slashing his throat.

At a special election held at Lake Odessa to vote on bonding the village for waterworks, the proposition carried by a vote of 204 to 29.

A cablegram was received at Port Huron from Capt. Joseph Walsh, Co. F, 23d Michigan, announcing the death of Charles Phillips, of Co. F.

Secretary Alger has appointed Dr. Dryden H. Lamb, of Owosso, a contract surgeon and assigned him to Fort Meyer, Va., opposite Washington.

Jackson had a big toot last week, the annual reunion of the Tri-State Band association being held there. It was decided to visit Detroit next year.

Detroit will appropriately welcome home her soldiers and sailor boys, who bravely faced the deadly Mauser rifles and big navy guns of the Spanish in the recent war. Preliminary steps to this end were taken at a largely-attended and enthusiastic citizens' meeting which was held in the mayor's office.

Destructive Blaze at Marlette.

Marlette experienced another heavy fire which started in the large lumber sheds of W. B. McGill, which was full of the finer grades of lumber. Before there was time to remove their contents, the houses of Alfred Scott, Albion McIntosh, and the blacksmith shop and house of Geo. Stephenson were all ablaze. Scott and McIntosh barely escaping. The fire was confined to the block and buildings on the opposite side of the streets were saved. George Stephenson was badly burned about the face and hands while trying to remove some of his property. The losses will foot up of $25,000; insurance, $13,800.

MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

The postoffice at Grand Marais, will be raised from the fourth class to the presidential class on Oct. 1.

C. H. Webber, of the Michigan Naval Reserves, was given a big ovation on his arrival at his home at Ionia.

William Martin's daughter, was run over and killed by a water tank attached to a thresher at Brockway.

Romeo had one brave boy—Edward P. Smith—in the Michigan Naval Reserves, and the whole town turned out to welcome him home.

Col. A. T. Bliss, of Saginaw, whose hand was badly lacerated on July 4 by a cannon fire cracker exploding in his hand, will have to have two fingers amputated as they will not heal.

A sneak thief secured $1,500 worth of diamonds from the dressing room of Mrs. W. F. Stine, of Kansas City, at the natatorium at Charlevoix. Mrs. Stine was in the swimming pool at the time.

The 10-year-old son of William Furstenburg, near Monroe, climbed upon the seat of a large land roller. He fell off and the roller passed over him, breaking his neck and crushing his body.

Gov. Pingree and a party of prominent Detroit and Michigan men reviewed the Michigan Naval Reserves on board the Yosemite at the League Island navy yard, Philadelphia, before they started for home.

Marion Gray, one of four brothers, all members of the 31st Michigan regiment band, died at the hospital at Chickamauga of dysentery. Two of the brothers left for their home in Tecumseh with the remains.

The Saginaw division of the Michigan Naval Reserves was given a royal reception upon their arrival at Saginaw which was fully as enthusiatic as that of the Detroit people. A whole week of receptions, etc., was planned for the boys.

Lightning destroyed the barns, hay and grain stacks, sheds, etc., owned by John Ovens, northeast of Tecumseh. Several horses and cattle perished, and in attempting to save the family horse Mr. Ovens was kicked and probably fatally injured.

The Lenawee county farm barns, outbuildings, etc., in Madison township, were destroyed by lightning. About 125 tons of hay and a large quantity of wheat burned. This is the third time the barns on that farm have been destroyed by lightning.

Deputy Customs Collector Henry Avery had a desperate struggle in attempting to arrest Thomas Maher, an alleged smuggler at the St. Clair Flats. Maher attempted to shoot the officer, but Avery threw him from his boat and clapped the handcuffs on him.

A gang of tramps held up a Michigan Central freight near Charlotte and after they had been put off four times uncoupled the train in two places and fled to a swamp. Sheriff Hall and a posse of men chased the hoboes down and arrested them, after winging the leader—a big colored fellow—with a bullet in his leg.

By the overturning of a sailboat on Otsego lake "Teeter" Creska, aged 18, and Allie Stott, aged 15, were drowned. There were eight people in the boat and the other six were rescued with difficulty. All were attending the Gaylord Baptist Sunday school picnic and the pastor, Rev. Fenner, was one of those rescued.

Orders have been received at Fort Brady, Sault Ste. Marie, directing the immediate evacuation of the post by the three companies of Pennsylvania volunteer infantry. The battalion will proceed to Middleton, Pa., and there join their regiment. The detachment of the same regiment at Fort Wayne, Detroit, has also left.

As the last of the 33d Michigan boys were being taken to the auxiliary cruiser Harvard for their trip north the lighter Laura with 630 Michigan boys on board, struck a rock in Santiago harbor and sank in 10 feet of water. No lives were lost but an exciting scramble occurred and many of the men fell into the water.

A gloomy letter has been received by Bay City parties from the Moore brothers, who left last fall for the Klondike. They arrived in Dawson July 12. On the 24th they wrote that the country has been lied about by every Canadian official interested. A more disappointed and despondent lot of men were never seen. Thousands are stranded without money, with very little provisions and no work. Out of the thousands of claims recorded in this vicinity, only about 80 are paying.

Gov. Pingree's trip to Washington and his hobnobbing with Secretary Alger, Adjt.-Gen. Corbin and other war department officials, to say nothing of his visit to President McKinley, is bearing fruit, not the least of which is the change in war department plan whereby the 35th Michigan regiment will remain in Uncle Sam's service and will be detailed to garrison duty. The governor also visited New York while on this trip and was the only governor to visit Admiral Sampson's fleet upon its arrival in New York harbor.

Mrs. Henry W. Bowering suicided at Jackson with morphine.

TOOK MANILA BY STORM.

City Surrendered After a Brilliant Attack by Americans.

SPANISH COMMANDER FLED.

Admiral Dewey Bombarded the City and the Troops Drove the Spanish from Their Trenchs—Germans Took Gen. Augusti to Hong Kong.

Further particulars of the surrender have been received via Hong Kong: The bombardment was continued for two hours, and then the American troops stormed the trenches, sweeping all before them. The First Colorado volunteers led the storming of the outer trenches and the Spaniards were soon driven into the second line of defense. Then the American troops swept on, driving all the Spaniards into the inner fortifications, where Gen. Jaudenes, the Spanish officer to whom Gen. Augusti gave the command of the city when he fled, seeing that further resistance was useless, surrendered.

The foreign fleets watched the bombardment with acute interest. The American warships engaged were the Olympia, Boston, Charleston, Baltimore, Monterey, Petrel, Raleigh and McCulloch. Admiral Dewey and Gen. Merritt had issued orders to spare all except armed defenses of the city, and consequently the town is understood to have been but little damaged. Some street fighting between the insurgents and the Spaniards occurred on the outskirts, but order prevailed within the walled section. Nothing could be more humane than the Americans' capture of the town. The Spanish officers were allowed their freedom on parole. The judiciary and the administrative offices are to remain temporarily in the hands of the Spaniards. The insurgents remain outside the town.

Surrendered the Philippine Islands.

The terms of surrender outlined by Gen. Merritt and agreed to by the Spanish general were as follows:

An agreement for the capitulation of of the Philippines.

A provision for disarming the men who remain organized under the command of their officers, no parole being exacted.

Necessary supplies to be furnished from captured treasury funds, any possible deficiency being made good by the Americans.

The safety of life and property of the Spanish soldiers and citizens to be guaranteed as far as possible.

The question of transporting the troops to Spain to be referred to the decision of the Washington government, and that of returning their arms to the soldiers to be left to the discretion of Gen. Merritt.

Washington: The administration is without definite information is as to the extent of our present authority in the Philippines. Under the peace protocol the United States was given the occupation of Manila with the bay and harbor, until a permanent disposition of the Philippine question was reached. But, according to press dispatches, which are so circumstantial as to be credited in most official quarters, Gen. Merritt and Admiral Dewey received the capitulation of the entire Philippine archipelago. There is a disposition to await fuller official information before laying down a policy as to the extent of our jurisdiction in the islands.

Instructions have been sent to Merritt as follows: "The President directs that there must be no joint occupation with the insurgents. The United States, in the possession of Manila city, Manila bay and harbor, must preserve the peace and protect persons and property within the territory occupied by their military and naval forces. The insurgents and all others must recognize the military occupation and authority of the United States and the cessation of hostilities proclaimed by the President. Use whatever means in your judgment are necessary to this end. All law-abiding people must be treated alike."

The war department officials hope there may be no trouble with the insurgent forces in the Philippines, although the dispatches which have been received and published in the press, together with the demand of Aguinaldo for joint occupation has indicated a temper on the part of the insurgent leaders which is not satisfactory. The possibility of an attack on the city by the insurgent forces has been considered, but it is not feared that they would be very formidable against the forces of Merritt and Dewey.

The cable line between Manila and Hong Kong is again being operated.

Norman Bovee, a Michigan Central engineer, suicided at Michigan City.

The American transports Peru and Puebla, the last to carry troops to the Philippines, for the present at least, have arrived at Manila.

Capt.-Gen. Blanco says he fears that the volunteers will incite the Spanish Cuban population to revolt against the peace conditions at Havana.

Madrid announces that the evacuation of Porto Rico will begin in September, but it is not expected that the embarkation of the Spanish troops in Cuba will be commenced before December.

Spanish soldiers have committed foul outrages on Porto Ricans within their lines. At Cailes 90 defenceless men and women were butchered and many young girls outraged. In revenge the Porto Ricans burned a large amount of Spanish property about Yauco and Juan Diaz.

Aguinaldo, the Philippine insurgent leader, has taken possession of the water works at Manila and has cut off the water supply. He threatens to destroy the plant unless the Americans permit the insurgents to have joint control of Manila and other conquered territory.

Naval Heroes' Grand Ovation.

Hundreds of thousands of people along the banks of the Hudson and thousands on all styles of river craft blended their shouts in a royal welcome to the returning North Atlantic squadron, under command of Rear Admiral Sampson as the big warships passed in review through the harbor and up North river as far as Gen. Grant's tomb and return. For almost three solid hours steam whistles of all sizes, steam sirens and small guns along the shores shrieked and boomed in the effort to display the heartiest enthusiasm for the home coming of the naval heroes with their battle-scarred ships.

When the New York, Iowa, Indiana, Brooklyn, Massachusetts, Oregon and Texas, arrived in New York bay Admiral Sampson had no idea of the reception awaiting him until a tug from the navy yard carried him the news, and all the ships of the squadron were immediately put under preparation for dress review. The fleet made a splendid pageant and the reception they received must have shown the gallant sailors that they were regarded as heroes. The following day the warships were visited by nearly 150,000 people.

Cuban and Porto Rican Commissioners.

The President has appointed the two following commissions to adjust the evacuation of Cuba and Porto Rico:

For Cuba: Maj.-Gen. James F. Wade, Rear-Admiral Wm. T. Sampson, Maj.-Gen. Matthew C. Butler.

For Porto Rico: Maj.-Gen. John R. Brooke, Rear-Admiral Winfield S. Schley, Brig.-Gen. Wm. W. Gordon.

Gen. William W. Gordon is a well-known citizen of Savannah. He is the senior colonel of the Georgia state militia, served in the ranks of the Confederate army, and belongs to one of the wealthiest families of the state.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

All submarine mines have been removed from United States ports.

Rear Admiral Schley is seriously ill of fever at his summer home, Westport, Conn.

The battleships Oregon and Iowa have gone into the Brooklyn drydock for repairs.

Capt. "Fighting Bob" Evans, of the battleship Iowa, is suffering from typhoid malaria at Roosevelt hospital, New York.

Gen. Miles has decided to leave Porto Rico and return to the United States. Gen. Brooke will take command of the troops in Porto Rico.

Treasury officials say there will be no need of another bond issue for war expenses as the present revenue laws will provide sufficient funds.

President McKinley has cabled the thanks of the nation to Admiral Dewey and Maj.-Gen. Merritt for their conduct of the Manila campaign.

The secretary of the treasury has decided that under existing conditions Spanish vessels may enter, load and clear at ports in the United States.

Rear Admiral Sampson called upon President McKinley at the White House, talked over the war and discussed the plans for the evacuation of Cuba.

President McKinley and President Faure, of France, exchanged courtesies at the opening of the new cable between Cape Cod, Mass., and Brest, France.

Russia is said to be offering free passage and farming outfits to thousands of moujiks who have completed three years' service in the Russian army, to induce them to form colonies in China.

The auxiliary cruiser St. Paul will be returned to the International Navigation Co. by the government as soon as she is put in the same condition as when the great liner was chartered for naval service.

The London Daily Graphic says an interchange of views on the Chinese question is occurring between the governments of Great Britain and Russia and that negotiations are proceeding in a conciliatory spirit.

The President has promoted Capt. Chas. D. Sigsbee, who was commander of the Maine, and during the war commanding the auxiliary cruiser St. Paul, by advancing him three numbers on the list of captains for extraordinary heroism.

La Neuva Era, a paper established at Ponce upon the arrival of U. S. troops there, has been suppressed by the military authorities because it urged Porto Ricans to destroy Spanish property and prevent Spanish shopkeepers from doing business.

The transport Arizona sailed from San Francisco with 1,300 troops under Gen. Merriam for Honolulu and the Scandia is to follow with 1,200 more. Gen. Merriam carries with him plans and authority to construct barracks and hospitals for the troops at Honolulu.

Premier Sagasta's claim, as set forth in Madrid dispatches, that Spain will expect indemnity for all government property, buildings, barracks, fortifications, etc., in Cuba, Porto Rico and elsewhere, has excited much comment at Washington as showing the difficult questions to be treated by the military and peace commissions.

The emperor of China has issued several striking decrees ordering the viceroys and Tartar generals to concert measures for the formation of a new navy under foreign instructions, and urging the provincial governors to abandon the time-honored Chinese ideas in favor of western methods and to encourage the development of the country on European lines.

The plant of the Chattanooga Powder Co., at Ooltewah station, 18 miles from Chattanooga, Tenn., was destroyed by an explosion which killed two white men and wounded seriously if not fatally six others.

MUST FIRE LI HUNG CHANG.

British Say He is Playing into the Hands of Russia.

HE SIGNED A SECRET TREATY.

Great Britain is Forestalled in Every Effort to Extend Her Commerce and Her Influence and Says the Chinese Viceroy Must be Dismissed.

British Ultimatum to China.

London: The foreign office, it is reported, intends to demand that the Chinese government dismiss Li Hung Chang from power on the ground that he is responsible for the recent anti-British attitude of the Tsung-Li-Yamen. The foreign office, it is asserted, has had under special consideration the question of seizing the Taku forts, on the Gulf of Pe-Chi-Li, at the mouth of the Pekin river, and the city of Tien Tsin, the port of Pekin, in the event of China refusing to comply with this demand, holding all until compliance is assured.

Secret Treaty Between Russia and China

The Shanghai correspondent of the Daily Mail, professes to divulge the terms of a secret treaty between China and Russia, and says: "It is nothing less than an offensive alliance. China undertakes to regard Russia as having a preponderating influence in all questions of commercial and internal politics, while Russia will support China against all 'open door' demands. Russia finances China, in internal developments, and China grants Russia preferential rates in certain areas, and railways built in the joint interests of the two countries will be under Russia's practical control. Russia will assist China in developing her military and naval forces; and China will co-operate with Russia as an ally."

Russians have obtained control of large tracts of land along the route of the proposed New Chwang railway.

Shanghai: The China Gazette claims that the Russian government holds Li Hung Chang's promise, made during his visit to St. Petersburg, that China would place the imperial customs under Russian control whatever the interests of the two countries demanded the change. Li Hung Chang is said to favor M. Pavloff, the Russian charge d'affairs, superseding Sir Robert Hart (British), as inspector-general of the Chinese customs.

100,000 Volunteers to be Mustered Out.

The mustering out of the volunteer army raised in defense of the Union against the armies of Spain has been begun at the war department and will be continued until the army has been placed on a basis consistent with our present relations to the nations of the earth. Orders were prepared for the mustering out, first, of about 35,000 volunteers, including nearly 25 regiments of infantry and about eight troops of cavalry and five or six batteries of artillery. Unless there is a decided change in the present plans of the war department, about 100,000 volunteers will be mustered out within the next 30 days. A formal announcement of the plans of the department on this subject is being deferred pending the receipt of certain desired information from Maj.-Gen. Merritt, commanding the military forces in the Philippines.

The proposed reduction of the army to the extent of 100,000 men will still leave a military force of about 160,000 men, regulars and volunteers, available for all military purposes. It is believed to be the purpose of the administration to maintain an army of at least 150,000 men until all the pending complications with Spain are finally disposed of.

It is denied at Washington that the United States is to pay off the Cuban insurgents. The Cuban junta has been advised to disband their forces and they will probably do so as soon as possible.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

	Cattle	Sheep	Lambs	Hogs
New York—				
Best grades	$5 00@5 85	$4 75	$6 75	$4 45
Lower grades	3 50@4 85	3 25	6 00	4 23
Chicago—				
Best grades	5 50@5 80	4 60	6 50	3 95
Lower grades	4 00@5 25	3 25	4 25	3 80
Detroit—				
Best grades	4 50@4 85	4 00	5 75	3 95
Lower grades	3 00@4 40	3 25	4 00	3 75
Buffalo—				
Best grades	4 00@4 40	5 00	7 00	4 25
Lower grades	3 00@3 85	3 25	5 50	4 00
Cleveland—				
Best grades	4 00@4 25	4 25	6 00	4 10
Lower grades	3 00@3 85	3 00	4 75	3 90
Cincinnati—				
Best grades	4 25@4 60	4 50	6 50	4 10
Lower grades	3 00@4 25	3 25	4 75	3 90
Pittsburg—				
Best grades	5 00@5 50	5 00	6 50	4 23
Lower grades	3 50@4 75	3 50	5 00	4 00

GRAIN, ETC.

	Wheat, No. 2 red	Corn, No. 2 mix	Oats, No. 2 white
New York	73@79	37@37½	33@33
Chicago	71@71	31@31	23@23½
*Detroit	71@71½	33@33	23@23½
Toledo	73@73	32@32¾	23@23
Cincinnati	71@71	31@31	23@23
Cleveland	71@71	33@33	23@23
Pittsburg	71@71	36@36	26@26½
Buffalo	73@73½	35@35	25@25

*Detroit—Hay, No. 1 timothy, $8.50 per ton. Potatoes, new Michigan, 55c per bu. Live Poultry, spring chickens, 11 per lb; fowl, 8c; turkeys, 10c; ducks, 7c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 11c per doz. Butter, best dairy, 15c per lb; creamery, 19c.

Madrid dispatches say Spain is absolutely quiet. Don Carlos has given his partisans strict orders not to commit acts of rebellion, while the divisions among the republicans render that party powerless to make trouble.

The instructions sent to Gen. Merritt have in view the expansion of our possessions beyond the terms mentioned in the peace protocol, as they distinctly state that this government is in possession of Manila and that its authority to preserve peace and order will be exerted "within the territory occupied by their military and naval forces."

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Don't forget that pecuniary charity is often a curse to humanity.

TOOK HIS ADVICE.

A Veterinary Surgeon of Battle Creek Tells About It.

How many times in life a few words of good advice, coming from a friend one can depend upon, will save us hours, perhaps months of misery. The following which comes from Battle Creek will interest our readers. Dr. Oliver Guiteaux, Veterinary Surgeon of that city, a well-known man there, as well as in Kalamazoo and Marshall, speaks of his experience with the little conqueror and the result of a few timely words of advice. He says:

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Shell Wilden.

A ROMANCE

CHAPTER IV.—(Continued.)

"You don't seem altogether happy in here," a cheery voice calls out at this moment, as Shell's somewhat mocking face appears at the open window.

"Happy!" cries Ruby derisively. "Would you feel happy caged up with a couple of young bears? The children have been behaving shamefully."

"Have they?" returns Shell in a tone which denotes doubt, as she steps in over the low window ledge, and gently begins to stroke Meg's hair, which has become disheveled through her various emotions.

The child nestles up against her side, clasping her skirts firmly, as if for protection, while Bob indulges in a vigorous welcoming nod, for he knows he is not allowed to speak.

"Yes, they have given me quite a headache," pursues Ruby, pressing her hand to her brow. "I shall be fit for nothing the rest of the day if I can't get rid of it. I wish you would hear the children read for me."

"Why should I?" answers Shell bluntly. "As you know, I disapprove of their coming here; and I told you from the first to expect no help from me!"

Shell speaks in French, that the children may not understand; but Meg guesses with the quick instinct of childhood that she is refusing to take charge of them.

"You hear me read, Sell?" she lisps with a look of almost piteous entreaty on her baby face. "Me will be dood."

Shell looks down for a moment with unrelenting eyes—then she catches Meg up in her strong young arms, gives her a resounding kiss, and turning to Ruby, says—

"All right—if you are tired I don't mind looking after them till they are fetched—only I don't profess to be a good hand at teaching."

"I wish you wouldn't be so rough with them," says Ruby, rising from her chair with a sigh of intense relief.

"Now us is happy!" cries Bob, sliding down from his chair and stretching his small arms with delight as Ruby disappears.

"But us must go on with our lessons," says Shell gravely.

"All right," acquiesces Bob, as he begins to hunt for their reading book. "You sit down in the big chair and have Meg on your lap, like you did last time; and I can stand beside you."

"My dear children, isn't it rather hot for that kind of arrangement?" expostulates Shell, as Meg springs into her arms, whilst Bob installs himself with his arm around her neck.

But the children only know that they love her, and want to be as near her as possible; any such minor consideration as the state of the thermometer is a matter of supreme indifference to their inexperienced and consequently selfish little minds.

That evening, as luck will have it, when the children come in to dessert, their father begins to question them as to their conduct.

"I hope you were both very good children this morning?" he says, helping each to a plentiful supply of strawberries.

"No, pa—us wasn't berry good," falters Meg, with downcast eyes and burning cheeks.

"Dear me—that is very sad, Meg!" says Robert Champley, with a laughing glance across the table at Ted. "How did you misbehave yourselves?"

"I didn't know tree times four," replies Meg, looking deeply abashed.

"That was extremely wicked of you," says her father smiling.

"And, now that Meg has made an open confession of her sins, we must hear your enormities, Mr. Bobby," laughs his uncle. "How did you offend Miss Wilden?"

Bob heaves a profound sigh.

"I did somefink dreadful," he says in a low shamed voice.

"Something dreadful?" repeats Ted, looking intensely amused. "Come—out with it."

"Papa, dear, don't be angry wid Bob—he didn't know," interposes Meg, suddenly, laying hold of her father's arm and hugging it vigorously.

"Dear me, this is getting alarming! What did you do, Bob?" asks Mr. Champley with real interest.

Bob takes a kind of gulp to swallow down his fear—and then he says in an awestruck voice—

"I pulled her hair out."

"Good gracious—whose hair?" asks his father, looking startled.

"Miss Wilden's," explains Bob, much alarmed at the sensation his announcement had created.

"You young villain!" exclaims his uncle. "What induced you to attack a lady like that?"

"I didn't attack her," says poor Bob, on the verge of sobs. "I just pulled out her pins for fun, when she was setting my copy, and then all her hair tumbled down on the carpet."

"Not all," hastened to explain Meg—"only a lot of it."

Ted Champley is seized with a violent fit of coughing, which sends him over to the window for relief, whilst his elder brother as suddenly develops a cold, which necessitates a vast amount of handkerchief play before he speaks again, then he says quietly to Bob—

"That was very ungentlemanly of you, and if I hear of your being rude again I shall punish you."

CHAPTER V.

This threat from his usually indulgent father has such a depressing effect on Bob's spirits that he makes up his mind to eschew temptation for the future.

"Miss Wilden won't love you if you don't behave like a gentleman," continues the father severely, as an appropriate ending to his reprimand.

"Us don't love Miss Wilden," here interrupts Meg with great dignity—"she is a nasty cross old ting."

"Nonsense, Meg!" says her father, placing his hand under her chin and smiling down into her eyes. "If you don't love Miss Wilden, I am afraid you must be a hardened little wretch, for"—with a dreary sigh—"alas, she is only too devoted to you!"

Meg shakes her head in an uncomprehending way, and repeats, with a determined little pout—

"Us don't like her—us loves Sell."

"Yes, us loves dear Shell," chimes in Bob eagerly. "She tells us lovely stories."

"My dear misguided children, your affection for Miss Shell is decidedly misplaced," here interrupts their uncle, returning from his post at the window. "She doesn't like boys and girls at all."

"Not like little boys and derls?" repeats Meg, quite taken aback by such an extraordinary statement.

"No, indeed—in fact she gave me to understand that she almost hated them," repeats Ted, much amused at the children's look of horror. "So I strongly advise you not to waste your young affections on such an unresponsive object."

The warning, being clothed in words beyond their understanding, makes no impression on the children's minds, but their strong preference for the younger sister strikes their father forcibly, and he catches himself murmuring more than once in a wondering tone—"Us loves Shell; us loves dear Shell!"

After that it often happens that Ruby, under some trifling pretext or other, shifts the burden of her self-imposed task on to Shell's young shoulders—she has a headache, or is busy, or has letters to write; and then Shell, taking pity on the poor children—who are sure to have a rough time of it if Ruby is disinclined for them—devotes her morning to their instruction and amusement.

She bribes them to be good at their lessons by the promise of a romp in the grounds when their task is completed; and so it happens that Robert Champley, chancing to drive over himself to fetch them one late June morning, comes upon an unexpected and to him a charming sight.

On a moss-grown mound at the front of a copper-beech sits Shell in a dark print gown, with her bright hair coiled around and around with daisy-chains, which the children's busy fingers have been weaving, whilst she tells them a wonderful tale from Fairyland.

So engrossed are all three that they do not become aware of the intruder's approach until he has descended from the trap and walked quietly to within a few paces of their resting place; then a shout of "Papa, papa!" from Meg rouses them all from their ideal world to a realistic one.

Shell starts from her lowly seat, crimsons to the very roots of her hair, and puts on as forbidding a look as she can well assume.

"Oh, pa, it is so jolly; you come and listen, too!" cries Bob, eager that his father should participate in their enjoyment. "The princess is shut up in a dark room, because her wicked godmother won't allow her ever to see the sunshine, and the prince is keeping guard outside her tower with a carriage and six, to carry her away to an island blazing with light if he gets the chance."

"Rather trying for her eyes, won't it be? I should be inclined to recommend her a pair of spectacles till she gets used to the glare," laughs Robert Champley as he shakes hands with Shell.

But Shell has become fossilized. She shakes hands limply, puts on a stolid conventional expression, and, drawing her small figure up to its fullest height, tries to look exceedingly dignified. Her efforts are somewhat marred by the daisies so profusely twisted around her head; but, as she is happily forgetful of their presence, they do not trouble her.

"Sell, dear, she didn't have blue spectacles, did she?" cries Meg, shocked at such a very unromantic suggestion.

"I don't know, I am sure," responds Shell in a tone of cold indifference.

"But oo does know," cries Meg, waxing impatient, and shaking Shell's skirts in her anxiety to have the doubt settled.

"I am afraid my children are wearying you, Miss Shell," says their father rather stiffly. "But I have just come over to carry them away."

"I find the easiest way to keep them quiet is to tell them stories," says Shell bluntly and ungraciously.

"I am very sorry that you should be put to so much trouble, particularly as you dislike children," remarks Mr. Champley, with a curious and rather satirical glance at her flower-decked head.

"Oh, it doesn't matter!" answers Shell condescendingly.

"Now then, young monkeys—if you are ready we may as well start," he says, pointing to the trap which is waiting in the avenue. "I am going to take you for a drive right around by the sea."

"Take Sell too, pa," pleads Meg, catching her father's hand and fairly jumping with delight.

"With pleasure, if she will only consent to go," is his ready answer, whilst he darts an amused glance at the girl's flushed vexed face.

"No, thanks—I hate driving," responds Shell curtly.

"You seem to have a great many detestations, Miss Shell," says the gentleman sarcastically.

"I have," is Shell's laconic answer.

"Well, then, since we can't persuade you to accompany us, we may as well start. Come children!"—and, making no effort to shake hands, he raises his hat politely.

A latent fear that she has been inhospitable assails Shell.

"Won't you go up to the house?" she asks almost eagerly.

"No, thank you—since I have been fortunate enough to meet with the children here. Good morning."

"Good morning," answers Shell stiffly, and quite ignoring the two little faces that are turned up to her for a good-bye kiss.

"Papa, is us naughty?" asks Meg as she trots over to the trap beside her father.

"I hope not. Why?" he demands absently.

"Cause Shell didn't kiss us," answers Meg in a wondering tone.

"Kiss you!" repeats her father, laughing. "She looked far more likely to bite."

But, all the same, as he makes the assertion a memory of Shell as he first came to her, with sparkling eyes and smiling lips, and the two children kneeling beside her, rises before his mental vision.

"Well, have you got rid of those little torments?" asks Ruby languidly, looking up from her book as Shell enters the room.

"Their father has just come for them," answers Shell shortly.

"Their father—oh, where is he?" cries Ruby, starting from her chair. "I want to consult him about Bob's writing; and I must speak about the nurse; I am afraid she is not very careful—Meg's hands were quite dirty this morning. Where is he—where did you leave him?"

"He is down by the sea; I didn't leave him—he left me," answers Shell drily.

"Why did no one tell me he was here?" asks Ruby angrily.

"He didn't come to the house; I was in the drive with the children, and he picked them up there."

"How very strange! But it is all your fault, taking them out the foolish way you do. I suppose you were romping like a tom-boy when he came."

"I was telling them stories."

"Anyway you were a ridiculous object," says Ruby, with such an obviously scornful sneer that Shell instinctively glances across the room at her reflection in the mirror, then for the first time becoming aware of her profuse decorations. With a sudden access of wrath she tears the daisies from her hair, whilst tears of mortification rise to her eyes.

"I wouldn't have had him see me so for a hundred pounds," she says angrily.

"What nonsense! I don't suppose that he even noticed them," observes Ruby with cutting scorn.

"Ah, perhaps not!" murmurs Shell with a sigh of relief; and yet, thinking it over, she remembers clearly that twice or three times during their short interview she noticed an amused smile flicker over his face.

(To be Continued.)

LENGTH OF MEXICAN WAR.

Continued for Two Years Before Peace Was Declared.

The Mexican war is the best example and instruction in the time it takes to fight small wars. That took two years, and the present war is moving at express speed by its side, as might be expected after fifty-two years. Hostilities began March 18, 1846. General Mejia at Matamoras called out the Mexican troops. A month later, April 26, 1846, General Taylor called for 5,000 militia. A fortnight later, May 13, congress officially recognized the war and called for volunteers. Mexico declared war May 23, 1846. Mexico had no fleet and no army on the frontier, except some desultory levies. Monterey was not taken until four months later, Sept. 28, and Buena Vista was not fought until eight months after the war began, Feb. 22, 1847. After nearly one year of hostilities, in which our forces had been drilled and disciplined in camp and by months of campaigning, Gen. Scott sailed for Mexico and captured Vera Cruz, ten months after hostilities began—March 29, 1847. It took four and one-half months, to Sept. 14, 1847, before the City of Mexico was taken, sixteen months after hostilities opened. Peace only came in two years, in June, 1848. Yet the Mexican war is quoted as a great case of quick work in fighting.—Philadelphia Press.

What's in a Name? Letters!

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PLEBES AT WEST POINT.

Embryo Warriors Are Made to Amuse the Yearlings at the Academy

If the new fourth classmen, or "plebs," as they are most frequently called, who entered the military academy at West Point a short time ago, think that on account of the war with Spain they will not be hazed, their hopes are bound to be rudely shattered. For weeks the yearlings have been preparing a warm reception for them. War or no war, the time-honored custom of double stepping and choo-chooing "plebs" will be faithfully observed. A cavalry recruit might just as well hope to escape a blanket tossing as the new "plebe" to miss the setting up exercises, which Grant, Sherman and Sheridan tried in vain to dodge. The "plebe" who has successfully passed the entrance examinations first reports to the adjutant, and, after registering, is sent to the assembly room, where cadet officers are on hand to give him a warm reception. "Knock!" is the advice given by the tired looking orderly who showed him the way, and the new recruit is left to his own thoughts. The response to his timid tap is like the roar of the reveille gun. "Come in!" echoes from basement to roof. The tone is like the lion's roar. It strikes terror deep down in the heart of the new soldier, who instinctively recoils, and for the first time wishes himself at home. The door opens with a dozen cadets who regard him with absolute indifference. Nobody questions the new arrival, and he is forced to introduce himself. It is then only his troubles begin. He finds that in addressing or answering upper classmen he must invariably use the word "sir." He also discovers that all questions, however senseless or ridiculous, must be answered. Here are a few samples: "Where are you from, Mr. Dumbjohn?" "Chicago." "Say sir, Chicago, sir." "How do you know you are from Chicago, Mr. Dumbjohn?" "I don't know, sir." "Well, you are a stupid product, Mr. Dumbjohn. Do you know anything?" "Yes, sir." "What do you know, sir?" It is usually at this point that Mr. Dumbjohn wilts and admits he knows nothing. Then a corporal takes the new arrival in charge and his lot thenceforward for at least a year is not a happy one. In camp the "plebe" guard is usually tackled by ghosts on dark, stormy nights and tossed into Fort Clinton's moat. The new fourth classmen are drilled continuously. Whether walking through the company streets, or "off duty" on the plains, the "plebe" must be always at attention. In his tent work will be found for him by the "yearlings." Cleaning guns, making lemonade and doing general police work leaves little time for homesickness. Sitting on a bayonet or chewing the side of a cot or double stepping by the hour are some of the things a "plebe" must do to amuse upper classmen. A new amusement was invented last summer by a "yearling" who has since been discharged. He named it the "Sammy" race. Two "plebes" are blindfolded, and each is furnished with a jug of molasses and a spoon. The command "Feed" is then given and one "plebe" tries to feed the other with the molasses. By the time half the stuff is exhausted nearly all the wasps and hornets in camp are settled on the "plebes'" uniforms, drinking in the surplus sugar deposited there. The recruits are then released, and no time is lost in trying to doff the sweetened blouses. He is a fortunate "plebe" who manages to escape from this exercise without at least a half dozen wasp stings. When a "plebe" is ordered to laugh he usually "fins out," palms of his hands to the front, and, with his back against a tree, smiles pleasantly for an hour. This is regarded as great amusement by the upper classmen. Fistic combats may now be looked for between the "plebes" and "yearlings."—New York Press.

Propagating the Rose.

The first matter for attention is the wood from which the cuttings are to be made. It must neither be too hard nor too soft. To be sure of getting it at about the right stage, make up the cuttings from the flower shoots or stalks at the terminus of which the flower is borne, just at the time the flower naturally wilts and the petals fall. It is not necessary at all in making the cuttings to have an eye, or joint it might be called, at the end of the cutting which enters the sand, as is often supposed. Make the cuttings about two and one-half inches in length, using a sharp knife, and in cutting let the stroke be slightly slanting. The ends of the cutting should be cut clean and smooth, and not mashed or bruised in any way. Let several leaves remain on each cutting, but trim off the tips of the outer leaves. Now procure a saucer or pan of some sort deep enough to hold about two inches of sand. After putting it in the sand to a depth of about two inches, water heavily until it is thoroughly soaked. With a knife make several cuts one and one-fourth inches deep across the sand, and in these incisions insert the cuttings, pinching the sand about the base of each cutting as it is put in. When the pan is filled with the cuttings about an inch apart, or perhaps a little more, set the pan in full sunlight, there to remain every day during the rooting process. The only operation necessary each day while rooting is to keep the sand thoroughly saturated with water. Neglect this one day and the chances are that the whole lot will be spoiled.—From Woman's Home Companion.

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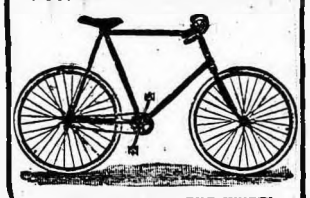

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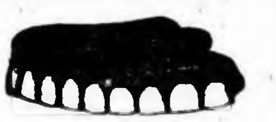

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Wheat, No. 1 white,	57
Oats, new	2[illegible]
Rye, No. 2,	35
Butter,	20
Eggs,	10
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Livonia Center.

Miss Edna Flint, of Detroit, is visiting at Joe McEachran's.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan McEachran and children visited at R. J. Millard's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Base spent Sunday with their son, Chas. Smith, and family.

Miss Jessie Williams, of Plymouth, called on friends here Saturday and Sunday.

The familiar face of Will Kenner, of Detroit, was seen in our little burg Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Daines, of Goodison, spent Saturday and Sunday with their son, C. L Ferguson.

Mrs. John Stringer returned home Wednesday after spending a few days with her mother at Salem.

Our town hall looks very much improved since it has been newly shingled and some good hitching posts put all around it. Now for the rest of the repairs. Don't stop now.

Otto Smith was taken very sick last Saturday night and before morning three doctors were called. Sunday he was taken to the hospital in Detroit, we have not learned which one yet.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Radford and daughter, Dora, of Detroit, visited at Frank Peck's last Sunday. Their son Willie, who has been spending the last week here returned home on his wheel Wednesday.

The people in this vicinity have a good excuse for not attending church by saying they do not wish to spoil their clothes. It is almost impossible to go there and sit in the seats without sticking fast. So much for getting a cheap job done. Maybe next time they will be willing to pay a good price for a good piece of work.

There was a sad death in our midst last Saturday. Little Mabel Fisher, aged 6, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Fisher, was burned to death. The children while alone built a bonfire back of the house and in some way little Mabel got too near it with an oil can, which exploded soon enveloping her in flames. Her clothes were all burned off. This happened about noon and the little one lingered until evening, not seeming to suffer very much after the first few hours, and she had her senses until the last. The funeral was held at the Union church, Monday. Rev. Oliver, of Plymouth, preached the funeral sermon.

We desire to extend our heart-felt thanks to the neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted us during the illness and death of our beloved daughter, Mabel, also to the ladies who furnished flowers.

GEORGE FISHER AND WIFE.

East Livonia.

Becker's cider mill is running full blast making up the early apples for the farmers, to be converted into vinegar.

The thermometer here last Tuesday at two o'clock registered 99 in the shade, most too warm to be exposed to the suns rays.

Mrs. Louis Woolfrom, of Detroit, is visiting her father-in-law, D. Woolfrom, this week. Her health is very poor at present.

Wm. Houten's barn was struck by lightning one day last week and burned to the ground, together with last year's crop of wheat and hay. The loss is estimated at $3,000, insured for $1,500.

The caucus held at the town hall by the republicans drew out a crowd, almost equal to a town meeting and some very hot work ensued, as there were so many candidates who wanted to be delegates to the county convention.

A severe accident occurred in the family of George Fisher on Saturday last. The children were out playing back of the house and one of them started a bonfire, which did not burn to suit, so went and got the kerosene can and commenced pouring on oil. The can exploded and enveloped little Mabel in flames, which caused her death the same night. The parents were away from home at the time. The remains were laid at rest in the Center cemetery on Monday last.

Canton.

Wm. Tyley is on the sick list.

The new house of the Hon. Solon Goodell is completed.

The large barn being built by Alfred Riggs is nearing completion.

John Fisher is remodeling his house and adding extensive improvements.

The Sunday School picnic held at Yost's grove was largely attended, but owing to the storm the program could not be fully carried out.

Newburg.

"Ma Sweet and Seven Daughters" which was a decided success at Newburg will be given at Perrinsville Hall, Saturday eve., Sept. 3rd. Ice cream will be served after the entertainment.

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"PURE SPEECH" BY REV. CHAS. T. GOSS.

Two men were standing in front of a "general notion store" in a frontier town in Texas. They were talking pleasantly and openly until one of them inadvertently dropped a remark which was capable of a double construction. A leer crept over the face of his companion.

"That reminds me of a story," he said; and looking stealthily around, he asked under his breath, "are there any ladies here?"

"You need not tell me any story which you would not tell if they were," said the tall young fellow whom he addressed straightening himself to his full height and turning on his heel.

I saw that with my own eyes and heard it with my own ears and so did my friend Dobson. "That makes me feel like a man who has been down in a coal mine and has just come up into good free air and sunlight," said he.

"I have lived long enough to know that smut will ruin a man's soul sooner than profanity. There is nothing said against it in the decalogue, to be sure; but if I were going to add one more precept to that venerable code, it would be, 'Thou shalt not tell an unclean story or smile at a vulgar joke.' I have not listened to one for twenty years, and so long as I have heels to turn upon like that young fellow, or hands to put over my ears, I never expect to hear another."

The fact of the matter is that no vice bears within its bosom the seeds of a more certain and deadly punishment than impure story-telling for the man who opens his ears to vulgar jokes is doomed to lose sight forever of the holiest, sweetest, and purest elements of life. Let us hold up our right hands and swear that we will never let any one tell us a story that we would not listen to in the presence of our mothers, wifes and sweethearts.—Commercial Tribune, Cincinnati, O.

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Farmers' Institute Report.

We are in receipt, from the Superintendent of Farmers' Institutes, of Institute bulletin No. 4, being a report of the Farmers' Institute work in this state during the past season. The volume is a book of about 275 pages, containing a very complete report of the Institute work of the state in all its various phases; a complete report of the State Round-up Farmers' institute, which was held at the Agriculture College last February; and also a large number of local addresses delivered at County Institutes. A very nice engraving of Hon. Chas. W. Garfield, of the Board of Agriculture, adorns the book.

The report indicates that last winter's work was very successful indeed. There were held 67 County Institutes, meetings of two-day or more, and 84 one-day Institutes. The total attendance of all sessions at all Institutes held in the State during the year was 118,692. The number of members of Institute societies was 7,080. The average attendance per session, of County Institutes, was 211; of one-day Institutes, 152. Of the total attendance at all Institutes, 31,559 were reached by one-day Institutes; the remainder, 87,133, by the County Institutes. The Women's Sections, of which there were 58, were attended by 8,705 women. The local expense of all Institute work done in the State last year, as reported to the Superintendent, was $1,464.66.

Every paid-up member of our County Institute Society is entitled to one of these bulletins, and they will be distributed through the Secretary of that society, Mr. R. Graden, Taylor Center.

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Detroit and Island Lake Sunday Excursion, Sept. 4.

D. G. R. & W. R. R. train will leave Plymouth at 10:20 and 10:50. Leave Detroit at 6:00 and 7:00 p. m. Round trip rate to Detroit .50.

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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.

The peace protocol has already brightened the trade sky, and reports from all parts of the country are more hopeful than they have been for some time past. Now, at the end of the war, comes a return of business in normal conditions. There will be less uncertainty as to the expenses of the government and its demands for men and money. If the final agreement between the United States and Spain regarding the Philippines is of such a nature that we are not likely to be drawn into competitions with other governments, our business men can plan for the future with reasonable assurance that their calculations will only be affected by the usual vicissitudes of trade and commerce. It will be a day of rejoicing "When Johnny comes marching home again" to take his former place in the army of production instead of destruction, and the wheels of industry hum without the accompaniment of rifle shot and the boom of cannon in the distant. That day is rapidly drawing near.—Pontiac Post.

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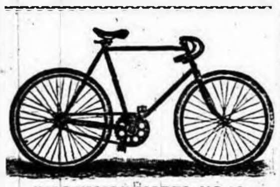

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