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**From Camp Wykoff.**  
The following interesting letter was received by Dr. Pelham one day this week:  
CAMP WYKOFF  
Montauk Point, L. I., N. Y.  
Aug. 27, 1898.

Dear Cousin:-  
I arrived at this place on the Harvard yesterday afternoon all safe and hardly sound but on the high road to good health. We left Santiago harbor last Sunday morning at 10:40 and after a very pleasant voyage, calm sea without trouble arrived as stated. It seems so good to once more be able to breathe the air of home, walk on American soil, and realize the fact that once more I am in a civilized land and can enjoy the benefits of my mother country. Strange, but still too true, we have had enough to eat since our arrival, of course not like home but better than for two months past. How long it will last is a problem. This is an ideal camping ground and we are pretty well treated, the reports in the papers to the contrary, notwithstanding. Yesterday morning, before disembarking, Gen. Alger came out to the Harvard on the quarantine tug, Alfred W. Booth, and while lying alongside gave the boys a nice little talk, stating that he was proud of the 33d, (well he might be) and that the President instructed him to say that we would be in camp here but a few days, would then be given a 60 days furlough and then discharged. So you see I will be in the good old state of Michigan in a short time unless something unforeseen occurs. I was in Santiago de Cuba several times and a very quaint and curious city it is. Most of the buildings are from 100 to 250 years old, some in a bad state of decay, others well preserved. The principal buildings are the palace, the big cathedral built in 1747, the old cathedral 100 years older, the Spanish barracks, the Placon theatre, Cuban market, Cuban Club, Anglo-American Club, Club Nautica, on the harbor shore, the big covered docks nearby, and the railroad station. With one exception the streets are from 10 to 22 feet wide and paved with cobblestones and tile. This exception is the street called Calle de la Marie de Christian, running into the city parallel with the harbor, and about 100 feet wide. Besides this is the grand Plazade Promenade, wide, asphalt paved, a three foot sea wall on either side, a grand entrance at each end, filled with tropical plants and trees, fountains, pavilions, seats and flower beds, about half a mile long and indeed it must have been a very pretty place in times of peace.

A regiment of immunes now occupy it as a camp ground. I can't begin to describe the city in a letter and hope ere long to tell it to you myself.

We are in what is known as the detention camp, the main camp being further on, a kind of quarantine but not very strict as I have been down to the railroad station and hustle and bustle of the shore three times since arrival. There is a big lunch counter and store there where the guildless campaigners procure coffee at ten cents per cup, small pies a dime each, sandwiches and milk ditto, and numerous other dainties in proportion. But no cake or pie that is decent or pickles like home ones, or anything like that can be procured. I have Santiago and Cuban relics for you all if I have the good luck to bring them and myself safe home.

I have recovered from the fever but am still weak. The first time I was in Santiago my weight was 112 pounds, a drop from 137 and I am not a marker to some. On the boat roll call brought out 33 men from the original 81 in our company, three were dead, five on extra detail, one still in Cuba and one deserter, the rest in the hospital or in the U. S. as a result of sickness. Pretty slim lot of men in both senses of the word.

Well, I must stop, supper time approaches and I have a very healthy appetite.

Write soon and address me in care Co. B. 33rd Mich. Vol's., Montauk Station, Long Island, N. Y., and I may be able to get it before we leave.

Hoping to hear from you soon, I am as ever,

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### About Free Text Books.

Inasmuch as the free text-book question comes up at the annual school meetings of the various districts Sept. 5, any information leading to the better understanding of the subject is in order. A communication in a Hastings paper, written by J. E. Mealey, the new superintendent of schools at that place, contains the following as to the comparative cost of text books under the two systems:

Among the places in the state that have adopted free text books are Detroit, the Saginaw, Muskegon, Houghton, Chelsea, Menominee, Flint, Cheboygan, Traverse City, Alma and Niles. The first seven named, counting the Saginaws two, have had the system in operation for from four years in the case of Menominee, to thirteen years in the case of Saginaw. Various aspects of the cost in these places under the free system are shown in the following table:

| NAME OF PLACE. | Number of years of Free Text Books. | Average cost per year for period. | Greatest average cost per year. | Least average cost per year. | Cost for last year per pupil. |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Chelsea        | 10                                  | \$1.25                            | \$1.50                          | 80c                          | 1.00                          |
| Houghton       | 11                                  | \$1.25                            | \$1.50                          | 80c                          | 1.00                          |
| Muskegon       | 11                                  | \$1.25                            | \$1.50                          | 80c                          | 1.00                          |
| Detroit        | 11                                  | \$1.25                            | \$1.50                          | 80c                          | 1.00                          |
| Saginaw, E. S. | 13                                  | \$1.25                            | \$1.50                          | 80c                          | 1.00                          |
| Saginaw, W. S. | 13                                  | \$1.25                            | \$1.50                          | 80c                          | 1.00                          |
| Menominee      | 13                                  | \$1.25                            | \$1.50                          | 80c                          | 1.00                          |

In the same article the writer figures the average yearly cost of text-books covering the first eight grades, which are the only ones to be effected by the proposed law, to be \$1.33 per pupil under the present system in the Hastings schools. The cost ranges from 15 cents to \$3.00 per year per pupil and would be approximately the same in all village and city schools.

### Annie J. Bennett.

After a twelve month's illness of lung trouble, Annie J. Bennett, wife of Fred F. Bennett, passed from this life Monday afternoon, August 29th, at the age of 42 years. The funeral services were held at her late home on Sutton street Wednesday afternoon and were conducted by the Rev. J. W. Slaughter, of Galesburg, Ill. The remains were laid by the side of her mother's in Riverside cemetery.

Annie J. Poole was born in Eaton, Madison Co., N. Y., November 12, 1855. When ten years of age she came with her parents to Pontiac, Michigan, and shortly after removed to Plymouth where she has since lived.

On February 27, 1873, she was married to J. W. Tuft by whom she had three children, Gertrude, Camilla and Bessie.

April 21, 1897, the deceased became the wife of Fred F. Bennett, who, with three daughters, a father and a sister, Mrs. Maria Berdan, of Detroit, survive her.

Mrs. Bennett had lived in Plymouth for 27 years and was well known. She was an accomplished musician and her efforts in this direction have certainly been appreciated by the people of Plymouth. For years she took an active part in nearly everything of a musical nature in the village. She was a member of various choirs and always stood ready to assist at funerals and other occasions, many times to her own discomfort and injury.

She was taken ill about a year ago, since which time everything has been done to relieve her condition and restore her to health that could have been done, but all to no avail.

The bereaved household have the sympathy of many friends in their sorrow.

The family of the late Mrs. F. F. Bennett desire to express their sincere thanks to those who have been so kindly attentive during her late illness and who, after her death, assisted and contributed flowers, especially the Universalist society.

### To Free Press Readers.

Please notice that the Free Press is payable not later than once each month. Call at the mail office.

M. F. GRAY, Agent.

### Lost.

Sunday afternoon, Aug. 23th, on the west road to Northville or in Northville, a lady's black shoulder cape perforated with pink lining on bottom. Finder please return to J. E. Barke at Lamphere's harness shop and receive suitable reward.

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PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

To cease to make excuses, is to pray.

Men may not be able to flirt fans, but they can fan flirts.

The flower of forgiveness blooms in the garden of love.

Flat thieves are usually sharp enough to get away.

Patriotism is frequently used as a cloak by scheming politicians.

One Cuban in the commissary department is worth two in battle.

The warlike general and the summer girl believe in numerous engagements.

Some people are naturally nervous, while others are troubled with prickly heat.

An actress is often indebted to the florist for the flowers she gets over the footlights.

There is nothing a man admires more than a girlish girl or a womanly woman.

The man who fails to lay up something for a rainy day always has to depend on his friends for an umbrella.

Chauncey Depew says, "According to a Chinaman in Manila, a Spaniard, he talks, talks, a Mexican, he does, Dewey."

Human action is a seed of circumstances scattered in the dark land of the future, and hopefully left to the powers that rule human destiny.

Liquid air presents surprising possibilities as a medicine. A Russian physician, in experimenting with it, placed a dog in a room with the temperature lowered, as stated in Engineering, to one hundred degrees below zero. After ten hours the dog was taken out alive, and with an enormous appetite. The physician tried the test himself. After ten hours' confinement in an atmosphere of still, dry cold, his vitality was intensely stimulated. So much combustion had been required to keep warm that an intense appetite was created. It was like a visit to a bracing northern climate.

The expenditures for the fiscal year amounted to \$443,375,387, which represents an increase of over \$77,500,000 as compared with the fiscal year preceding. The principal portion of this marked increase is, of course, under the items credited to the war and navy departments. For the first-mentioned department an increase of over \$43,000,000 is shown, while the expenditures for the navy showed an augmentation of nearly \$24,300,000. These two items alone account for over \$67,000,000 of the total increase. At the same time there was an increase of over \$6,100,000 in civil and miscellaneous expenditures and of nearly \$6,400,000 under the head of pensions.

The gold whistle and the gold breast-plate of the dictator of the Philippines suggest trouble. That kind of man is without thought save as to his personal glorification, and his vanity will have to be eliminated before he has room in his head for a decent set of brains. So far the dukes of our army and navy have done excellently. It being understood that a duke is a man who is not ashamed to dress properly and wear blacking on his boots; but the man of the little whistle will be apt to tuck himself into some folly for the lack of a guardian. However, it is comforting to reflect that his pomposity didn't lead him to proclaim himself with a fog-horn.

The following protest, by Rev. J. H. Crooker of Buffalo, against the charge that the attitude of our country among the nations is that of "isolation" will be accepted by many of our readers. The too sweeping declaration is very well controverted. "It seems to me," said the preacher, "that a distinguished American statesman is wrong when he charges us with isolation. As a people we have been very much abroad in the world, and in the noblest and most effectual way. Who have traveled so widely or wisely as Americans? We have sent great numbers of students to foreign universities. Thousands of devoted missionaries have gone from our shores to distant lands. We are enriching our life from every source; we are pouring out our life and shedding our influence upon every race and tribe. What greater good can we do to the world than by these peaceful services? We should arrest our own development and diminish our influence by stepping down from this pedestal and meddling in the affairs of distant nations and assuming charge of savage hordes."

The vast eruption of morality in Buffalo, N. Y., is meeting with the contempt it deserves. Sensible people cannot understand why the professional good men of Buffalo, after having winked at a number of second and third rate slugging matches in the local athletic club, should suddenly develop such a fury of pious indignation over the projected Corbett-McCoy match, which will be in all respects a scientific affair of the very highest class. There is neither sense nor reason in this proceeding, neither honesty nor conscience.

**LORD MAYOR DAVIES, OF LONDON.**



WHO IS ABOUT TO VISIT THE UNITED STATES.

All New York is astir over the visit of Horatio David Davies, lord mayor of London, who in company with his daughter, Miss Davies, will make a tour of the United States. The fact that this is the first time that any one occupying the civil office has come here during his incumbency makes this call one of note as well as of friendliness. Mr. Davies was born in London in 1842, and is therefore 56 years of age. He is the son of H. D. Davies of the ward of Bishopgate, and received his education at Dulwich college. At an early age Mr. Davies began life as an engraver's apprentice, but being of a very active disposition, after seven years' service he decided that the field was not broad enough for him, and

therefore engaged in commercial pursuits. His success in this direction can better be appreciated by those who are familiar with London and have dined at Pim's or Crosby Hall. As a politician London's executive is a conservative, and one of his many titles is ruling councillor of the Medway Habitation of the Primrose League. His children also belong to this organization, and his wife is dame president of the Gordon Habitation, Gotham. Mr. Davies has held his present position since November last, and is a retired man of great wealth. His salary as lord mayor is \$50,000 a year, the same as that of our president, but it takes nearly three times that amount to perpetuate the dignity of the office.

**THE TRADE REVIEW.**

Volume of Business Larger Than in Any Previous Year.

The volume of business reflected in exchanges at the principal clearing houses is 20.4 per cent larger than last year and 26.8 per cent larger than in 1892, heretofore the year of the largest business and the highest prosperity ever known. Part of this increase was due to speculation at New York, but there remains a healthy increase over the best of previous years, and though in some branches business is not satisfactory in character, nearly all it is in volume larger than ever before.

**OHIO DEMOCRATS NOMINATE.**

State Convention Declares Its Preference for Bryan in 1900.

The Ohio democratic state convention, nominated the following ticket: Secretary of state, Upton K. Guthery of Marion; judge of the supreme court, David S. Fisher of Delaware county. The most decisive feature of the convention was its preference for Bryan in 1900 on the same platform as in 1896.

**SUES FOR DAMAGES.**

Knight of Pythias Charges Indianapolis Sentinel with Libel.

R. L. C. White, the supreme keeper of Knights of Pythias records and seal, has brought suit in the United States district court against the Indianapolis Sentinel Company for \$25,000 damages for libel. The demand for damages is based upon an article in which publication of the charges of financial mismanagement was made.

**Street Fight at Cavite.**

In a street fight at Cavite, in the Philippine islands, Trooper Hudson was killed and Corporal Anderson mortally wounded. Troopers Laydon, Nachbar, Connolly and Doyle of the Fourth cavalry were wounded. Four natives were killed and several wounded.

**Poisoned by Ice Cream.**

Ice cream, believed to have been prepared with an extract containing poison, has caused the death of three persons at Middletown, N. Y., and six others will probably die.

**Dewey Wants More Warships.**

Admiral Dewey has cabled a request to Washington that a battleship and the cruiser Brooklyn be sent to Manila to strengthen his fleet.

**Injured in Railway Collision.**

Twelve persons were more or less seriously injured in a collision on the Flint & Pere Marquette Railway, near Port Huron, Mich.

**To Send Home Troops.**

Orders have been issued directing Gen. Miles to send home from Porto Rico all troops not actually needed for service there.

**Eighteen Boston Firemen Injured.**

Eighteen firemen were injured, several seriously, at a fire in the building at 82 Arch street, Boston.

**President Takes a Rest.**

The president and Mrs. McKinley left Washington Aug. 29 for Somerset, Pa., where they will spend some days with Abner McKinley, the president's brother.

**Killed in a Thunderstorm.**

During a heavy thunderstorm at Foggia, Italy, twenty peasants sought shelter in an old house in the suburbs of the city. The building collapsed and eighteen were killed.

**To Support Britain's Demands.**

The entire available British fleet in Chinese waters has arrived at Wel-Hai-Wel to support the demands of Sir Claude McDonald, British minister to China.

**Injured in Fireworks Explosion.**

Six persons, one of whom may die, were injured in the explosion of nearly a ton of fireworks in the manufacturing plant of George W. Porter at Minneapolis.

**Elect a Chicago Man.**

The Illinois high court, Catholic Order of Foresters, elected Thomas McEnerney of Chicago chief ranger. The next convention will be held at Bloomington.

**Would Retain the Philippines.**

A petition signed by many merchants and manufacturers of New York has been sent to President McKinley asking that the Philippines be retained.

**To Give Up Cruisers.**

The navy department has ordered the cruisers St. Louis and St. Paul to be returned to the American line, from which they were chartered.

**Business Portion Wiped Out.**

The business portion of Oaialaska, three miles north of La Crosse, Wis., was visited by a destructive fire. The loss will reach \$18,000.

**Honor May Be Ambassador.**

If Senator George F. Hoar will consent to accept an appointment as ambassador at the court of St. James the appointment will probably be made.

**To Pay Troops at Manila.**

About \$1,000,000, mostly in gold and silver coin, was carried to Manila on the Scandia for the payment of the United States troops in the Philippines.

**Furlough of Sixty Days.**

An order has been issued by the war department extending the furloughs of volunteers from thirty days to sixty days.

**Thunderstorm at Syracuse, N. Y.**

A terrible windstorm visited Syracuse, N. Y., and vicinity. Fifty dwellings were wrecked or damaged, the loss being placed at \$100,000.

**Wants a Protectorate Only.**

It is reported that Aginaldo will consent only to an American protectorate of the Philippines, with practical independence for the inhabitants.

**Date for Big Fight.**

It has been definitely decided that the Corbett-McCoy battle will take place at Cheektowaga, N. Y., on Oct. 1.

**BEAUTIFUL MISS LEE.**

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HERE was no girl within the domains of the United States more enthusiastically in support of the late war than was Ellen Lee, the eldest daughter of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, late United States consul at Havana. This young girl has had an experience which almost any American girl would envy. She has spent a winter in Cuba, and knows all about the island. From her father's position as consul-general she obtained a certain acquaintance with both Spaniards and Cubans, and she is decidedly in favor of the latter.

Miss Lee is a pretty girl, with dark eyes and red gold hair, which are so generally admired. Her hair is like her father's when he was young, for her mother's hair is black. She is simple and unaffected in her manner and extremely fond of athletics. Besides her distinguished Southern ancestry, Miss Lee traces her relationship through her mother's grandfather to some of the most prominent families



ELLEN LEE. In Massachusetts, among whom may be mentioned the Holmeses, the Hoopers and others.

**WATER IN WELLS BECOMES HOT**

Residents of Arizona Alarmed Over Phenomenon in Their Territory.

The wells in parts of Arizona have recently become producers of hot water and apprehension is felt by many of the residents of the region affected that they are about to become participants in a grand volcanic drama. In some of the wells the temperature of the water rose twenty degrees in a single night. In a few the phenomenon disappeared soon after its appearance. In a majority of cases, however, the wells fairly steam from their newly acquired heat. The first known of this curious state of affairs was a report that the wells at Maricopa, on the Southern Pacific railroad, thirty miles south of Phoenix, had suddenly become hot. It was four days thereafter that the phenomenon first was noticed a dozen miles west of that city. A test at one well showed a temperature of nearly 190 degrees. No difference is noted in wells in the immediate vicinity of Phoenix. The line of subterranean heat wave follows the general direction of the Sierra Estrella mountains, a volcanic chain lying immediately south of the Gila river. Thence it appears to continue on in the direction of the Harqua Hala mountains, near which are a number of large and modern volcanic cones and hills of drifted volcanic ash. Further to the east the lava flows are so geologically modern as to have overwhelmed in a number of places the cliff dwellings of the ancients.

**Dollars Flow from His Pick.**

It was not gold, but silver, that workmen in a new building adjoining the First National Bank, on Bennett avenue, Cripple Creek, were after Tuesday afternoon. A pick in the hands of a stalwart fellow threw out a silver dollar, another blow and a dozen were flying in the air. Then there was a scramble. One workman gathered up \$32, another \$30, another \$8, and the rest of the boys took what they could find, in all \$38. At the time of the fire in Cripple Creek the First National Bank lost a sack containing 160 silver dollars, and the big find by the workman was the identical sack. Long ago the bank charged up the money to its profit and loss account.—Denver News.

**Railway Enterprise in Japan.**

The progress of railway enterprise in Japan in 1897 is phenomenal. Since 1872, when the pioneer railway was constructed between Yokahama and Tokyo, a distance of eighteen miles, the system has grown at an average rate of 100 miles a year. During 1897 530 miles were constructed, making the total mileage at present nearly 3,000 miles. The railways owned by the state include by far the greater part of this increase in mileage. The railways in Japan are owned a part by the government and a part by the private corporations.

**Foreign Patents in Japan.**

The Japanese patent bureau has recently decided that no foreign patent which has had prior registration in another country can be registered in Japan. This would seem to show that the protection supposed to be enjoyed by American and other foreign inventors under existing treaties does not exist, and that patents can still be obtained in Japan.

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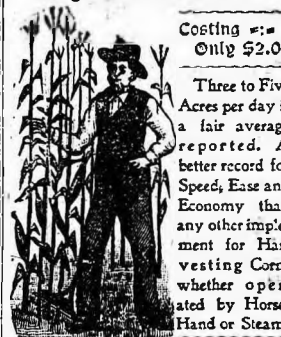
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Friday, Sept. 2, 1898.

## FAR AND NEAR!

IMPORTANT EVENTS FROM OUR EXCHANGING OCCURRENCES AND RECORDS HERE.

"I am going to stop drinking," said a bibulous friend to me the other day. "The other night I went out and drank five or six varieties of booze and then went to bed. After I got to sleep I saw a cake of crystal ice reaching from the Boulevard to the mail post. Inside the cake was the biggest snake I ever saw. He seemed to be frozen stiff, after a few moments the ice melted and he began to wiggle. Finally he opened his eyes, one of which was green and the other red. He winked the red one at me and then opened his mouth, which was large enough to swallow Hart's flour mill. Three legs gradually grew out of his sides, and he pulled up a telegraph pole with one limb and picked his teeth with it. Then I woke up and solemnly swore to let the flowing bowl alone."—Pittsburgh Post

Arthur Covert, of Superior, is a firm believer in the old proverb which runs: "It never rains but that it pours." On Monday his most valuable horse died. On Tuesday another of his horses became frightened at a circus bill in the road and ran away. His wife was thrown out and her leg was broken. On Wednesday his best cow broke her leg. Truly, troubles never come singly.—Evening Times.

An Ypsilanti man recently telephoned to the county clerk's office asking if he could get a marriage license after supper. He was told that office hours were from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m. He said he didn't want to lose a day's work and inquired if the "woman" could get it just as well. "You bet she can," said Deputy Blum, and on the next motor the bride-elect appeared with the necessary information and money and was sent on her way home armed with the proper document.—Washtenaw Times.

Mlle. Angele Thiebaud, a French opera singer, who was forced, through a partial failure of her voice, to take to vaudeville, has obtained a verdict against some Paris newspapers which said that a sustained high note which she sang in the course of her performances at the Moulin Rouge was produced by a whistle concealed in the bosom of her dress and operated by compressed air.

Under a recent revenue law ruling, agricultural associations are required to pay a special tax at the rate of \$10 for an exhibition including horse racing. Exhibitions of speed on a race track do not constitute a circus within the meaning of the law, else the county or district fair would be obliged to put up \$100.

Mrs. F. M. Warner thought there was a second Johnstown flood, about 10 o'clock Tuesday morning when about 300 gallons of water came pouring down through the house, soaking everything almost beyond recognition. Fred has been having a new system of water works put in his residence, the pressure being secured from a large iron tank placed in the cupola of the house and Monday afternoon the water was turned on for the first time. Everything seemed to work first-class, until Tuesday morning, when without warning the pressure was too much for the galvanized iron tank and the end gave way, sending a deluge through the rooms below. Carpets and furniture were soaked in a moment and much of the handsome wall decorations ruined. Fred isn't the boy to cry over spilt water, but went to work, smilingly, to get things in shape, and very soon the Warner yard looked as if it was "house cleaning time." The damage outside of the work in getting things righted around, will not be heavy.—Farmington Enterprise.

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 3:45, 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.

Geo. DeHaven, G. P. A.

## Epigrams of the War.

Here are some of the epigrammatic sayings of the present war that will go down in history:

"Excuse me, sir; I have to report that the ship has been blown up and is sinking."—Bill Anthony on the Maine.

"Suspend Judgment."—Captain Sigbee's first message to Washington.

"We will make the Spanish court the language of ladies."—Fighting Bob Evans, when war was declared.

"Remember the Maine."—Commodore Schley's signal to the flying squadron.

"Don't hamper me with instructions; I am not afraid of the entire Spanish fleet with my ship."—Captain Clark of the Oregon, to board of strategy.

"You can fire when you are ready, Gridley."—Commodore Dewey at Manila.

"To hell with breakfast; let's finish 'em now."—A Yankee gunner to Commodore Dewey.

"The battle of Manila killed me, but I would do it again."—Captain Gridley, of the Olympia, on his deathbed.

"Don't get between my guns and the enemy."—Commodore Dewey to Prince Henry of Germany.

"I've got them now, and they will never get home."—Commodore Schley, on guard at Santiago harbor.

"Don't mind me boys; go on fighting."—Captain A. K. Capron, of the Rough Riders.

"Don't swear, boys; shoot."—Colonel Wood to the Rough Riders.

"Take that for the Maine."—Captain Sigsbee, as he fired a shot through the Spanish torpedo boat Terror.

"Afrad I'll strain my guns at long range; I'll close in."—Lieutenant Wainwright of the Gloucester, in the fight with Corvera's fleet.

—Nashville American

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## Sunday Excursions, Sept. 11, to Grand Rapids and Other Places.

Island Lake, Grand Ledger Lake Odesa and Grand Rapids is the program for Sept. 11. Getting away at end of Sunday excursion for Grand Rapids and W. R. R. train will leave Plymouth at 8:45 a. m. Leave Grand Rapids at 6:00 p. m. Rate to all above stations same as last year. 74 GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

## Detroit and Island Lake Sunday Excursion, Sept. 4.

D. G. R. & W. R. R. train will leave Plymouth at 10:20 and 10:51. Leave Detroit at 6:00 and 7:00 p. m. Round trip rate to Detroit 50. 73 GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

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COMMISSIONER'S 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. CHAS. BREMN, KSAIAH GLEASON, Commissioners. Dated August 19th, 1898.

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# NEWS OF THE WEEK.

## LOCAL HAPPENINGS AND PERSONAL MENTION.

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

If you do not take the MAIL begin with Vol. XII.

Plymouth fair commences one week from next Tuesday.

—FOR SALE—A fine baby cab cheap. Apply at MAIL office.

School meeting at the school house next Monday night, Sept. 5th.

The regular meeting of the council occurs next Monday evening.

George Smith has been sick the past week but is now able to be out again.

Mark Hearn begins his term of school next Monday, Sept. 5, at the Cady school.

Joshiah Cochran left Monday for Toronto where he expects to visit his brother.

Mrs. Emory Snyder, of Howell, is visiting at the home of her brother, Ed Pelton.

Rev. Herbener will preach at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon in the Presbyterian church.

Mrs. Joseph Summers and daughter, Miss Flora, visited in Ludington the past week.

L. H. Bennett has been very sick this week with bowel complaint but is improving.

Those who haven't paid their village taxes, please take notice that the limit is Sept. 15th.

James Downey and wife, of Erie, Mich., spent Sunday here with James McKeever and family.

Miss May Lewis returned home Monday from a two weeks' visit with friends at Royal Oak.

E. C. Lauffer, wife and son left Thursday for a two weeks' visit with relatives in Grand Rapids.

C. C. Allen and wife returned Friday from a week's visit with relatives in Springfield, Ohio.

The boys of the Plymouth high school have played a fine looking glass in the hall of the school.

The fair books are finished and can be procured of the secretary or at almost any store in the village.

Mrs. J. M. Weber, who is a guest of her brother, James McKeever, spent last week in Wayne and Ann Arbor.

On Wednesday and Thursday the weather in these parts was almost unbearable. Hot, dry and dusty.

Miss Ethel Brachvoel and Miss Edna Terry, of Detroit, are visiting the latter's grandmother, Mrs. R. G. Terry this week.

Mrs. J. M. Weber who has been visiting here and other points the past month returned to her home in Litchfield, Ill., Tuesday.

Martha E. Williams has returned to White Pigeon where she has been engaged as teacher in one of the city schools.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lathers and daughter, Ruth, and Mrs. David Sloss, of Dearborn, visited H. C. Bennett and mother on Saturday last.

Mark W. Hearn has received a second grade certificate which entitles him to the right to teach any where in the county for the next three years.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will meet Tuesday afternoon in the church parlors.

By Order of Sec'y.

The MAIL office has just completed the Woman's Literary Club's year book. It is printed on heavy enameled book paper and contains a complete program of the ensuing year's work.

With this issue THE MAIL enters upon the 12th year of its existence. The present management is well pleased with the patronage accorded it during the past year and will endeavor to merit a continuance of the same. We shall endeavor to keep up with the times and work for the best interests of the village and its inhabitants.

O. R. Pierce, of Hudson, is the Democratic nominee for Congress in this district. The fight is now on, and will doubtless be a warm one, especially in Leawee as both candidates are of that county.

Miss Flora Kynoch, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lon Kynoch, was married to Mr. Adelbert Sherman on Thursday, August 18, at Sonoma, Cal. Mr. and Mrs. Kynoch, parents of the bride, were former residents of Plymouth and are well known here.

The subjects of service at the Baptist church Sunday, by Rev. I. J. Bicknell, will be: 10:30, "The little profit of the physical in contradistinction to the supreme profit of the Spiritual;" 7:30, "The two classes of mankind and their bank of deposit."

Olive Branch lodge, No. 38, I. O. O. F., of Detroit, will hold their golden jubilee next week beginning Sunday evening, Sept. 4, and ending Thursday evening, Sept. 8. It will be the 50th anniversary of Olive Branch lodge and the members intend to make it the greatest event in its history. There will be concerts, balls, exemplification of degrees, jubilee meetings, etc., and all old fellows are invited to be present.

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Have you got your exhibit ready for the fair?

Harry Peck visited friends near Beech Sunday.

The Petoskey party returned from their 10 day's outing Thursday night.

Geo. Hunter and family returned Tuesday from a two week's trip at Cooley lake.

Dr. Cooper's office is situated in the Goldman block over J. L. Gale's drug store.

We are pleased to report that Richard Smye continues to gain and will undoubtedly recover.

Elmer Willet, Clark Willet and R. E. Wood, of Devil's lake are visiting relatives in town.

A large number took advantage of the Rally Day excursion, and went to Detroit Thursday.

I. W. Cline, of Bramar, Ontario, was the guest of his sister, Mrs. J. L. Hester, the first of this week.

Dr. Collier and wife returned Thursday from Devil's lake. The Doctor claims it to be the finest place in the country.

Dr. Cooper, who located here a few months ago, has removed his family here and will occupy rooms in the Gayde block.

There will be a special meeting of Tomquish lodge, No. 32, I. O. O. F., on Monday evening, Sept. 5th. Work in the 2nd and 3rd degree.

W. O. Allen and wife and their niece, Miss Sarah Penniman, returned Monday from a four week's trip in Minnesota and Dakota. They stopped a week at Mackinac Island on their return trip.

The Sioux City Business College, Sioux City, Iowa, has a card in this paper offering a complete course of instruction in Book-keeping and Commercial Arithmetic by mail free of charge. Did you read it? To avail yourself of this offer is the same as accepting a present of \$50.

A meeting of the directors of the Plymouth fair association will be held in the business men's club rooms Saturday evening, Sept. 3. A full attendance is desired. T. C. Sherwood, Pres.

The show given here Saturday evening by the Philadelphia Cineograph Co., was a fake with a capital f. The pictures were small, dim and out of focus. The machine made a racket similar to a fanning mill in motion. During the evening the light grew dim and the audience had to wait for the operators to make more gas. The pictures representing the battles of San Juan and Guantanamo Bay were more like pictures of school boys scrapping over a game of marbles. We hope our exchanges will copy this item. Entertainments of this kind are getting too numerous and should be discouraged if possible.

Work will commence this week on a new electric road intended to form a short line to Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti. The contract for the first section from Detroit to Dearborn has been let to the International Construction Co. The new road will have an inlet to Detroit by the way of Fort street from Oakwood and will run from Oakwood to Dearborn through a 100-foot wide boulevard. There will be a double roadway with the street railway in the center. The forest trees will be preserved as far as possible and an attempt will be made to make the road the popular driveway to Dearborn. The contractors say the railway between Detroit and Dearborn will be in operation within four weeks. Beyond Dearborn the promoters have the choice of two routes to Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, one four miles and the other five miles shorter than by way of Michigan avenue. It has not as yet been determined where the power house will be located. The rails for the new railway have been purchased and are already at hand. The Springwells and Ecorse township boards will be asked to join in the expense of erecting a new iron bridge over the River Rouge at Fort street.—Detroit Sunday Tribune.

If you wish to secure enrollment as a free student in the Mail Department of the Sioux City Business College, Sioux City, Iowa, send in your application at once. Their offer of free course by mail will be open for a limited time only. The S. C. B. C. is one of the largest and best business colleges in the United States and to take a course with them means success. Read the ad. and profit by it.

## 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.

John Cook plead guilty to the charge of assault and battery preferred by Chas. Lenton in Justice Chilson's court last Friday, and was fined \$5.

Our school began its fall term of work on Monday last under an efficient corps of instructors. We should feel justly proud of our educational facilities and speak a good word for the school whenever opportunity offers.

Rev. Mr. Stevenson, state Baptist Sunday school missionary, will, commencing Tuesday, Sept. 6th, conduct a series of bible readings in the Baptist church, afternoon and evening. Mr. Stevenson is an enthusiastic worker and is favorably known throughout the state.

As a result of Evangelist Mackey's work here, a mission has been started in the Sharkweather block in north village under the leadership of Miss Blanch Sharkweather, which bids fair to become a power for good in the village. Meetings are held every night and the attendance is good. A more extended notice relative to the work and plans for the future will be given later.

The Fair Association is making every effort this year to wipe out the small balance of debt on its hands. To that end all the directors and officers are donating their entire services. Who will donate a day or more as gate keeper, etc.? When it is remembered that the stockholders have considerable money invested in this association, and do not receive a penny's interest in return, surely others have the same pride in Plymouth and her fall to donate a little time, and place the fair out of debt. Offer your service to President Sherwood.

Notice

Old Mr. Passage's salve is now on sale at Geo. W. Hunter's or can be had of Mrs. A. Passage, Plymouth.

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Notes From the School Room.

School opened Monday with a large attendance in all grades. The high school enrollment is fifty-six of whom thirty-one are foreign pupils.

The enrollment in the primary department is 134; in the grammar department, 122.

Miss Olive Powell, Anna and Zada McClumpha were callers at school Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Edith Burch-Roe is teaching during the absence of Miss Taft.

Miss Adams, a teacher in the South Lyon schools, was a visitor on Wednesday.

Fourteen are enrolled in the subject of chemistry and fourteen in physics.

Eight have commenced the study of geometry.

Nine students have entered the senior class this year.

The following is the enrollment at beginning of the year: German, 5; Grammar, 19; Arithmetic, 20; Physiology, 18; Algebra 1st and 2nd years, 28; General History, 14.

An Invitation.

All parties desirous of having an electric railway from Detroit to Plymouth are invited to attend a mass meeting at the P. of I. hall, Perrinsville, Wednesday evening, Sept. 7, to promote the interests of such an enterprise. It is expected that the road will be built by either the Warren Avenue Electric Railway or the Fort Street Railway Co.

If the road is built by the Warren Avenue line, the route will go west on the Warren ave. road to Coonville and if it is built by the Fort street line the route will go through Oakwood to Dearborn then north to Coonville. From Coonville the road will go west on the Ann Arbor road through Wallaceville, Perrinsville to Pikes Peak. It saves crossing the Nankin mill pond by going north 1 1/2 miles to the Plymouth road then west through the vicinity of Stark, Newburg, lower town to upper town of Plymouth.

It is expected that the road will be extended from Plymouth to Ann Arbor.

ALEX LYLE  
 LEE J. MELDRUM,  
 WM. COOPER,  
 Committee.

Miss Flora Millard, of Chicago, is visiting her mother and sisters here.

The grading for the electric road is about finished between her and Wayne and ties are being laid. There will have to be some tall hustling if cars are running by September 15.

Justus Burden, father of Johnathan Burden, of this place, died at the home of his daughter in Salem on Monday, Aug. 29. He was buried in Riverside cemetery on Wednesday.

The MAIL editor had occasion to visit the Phoenix Mills one day this week and he was surprised to note the many improvements that had been made during the past few weeks. It is practically a new mill, in fact it is more substantial than when it was first built. There has been a new stone foundation placed under it, new sills, new joists, new flume and new machinery, necessitating an outlay of over \$1000. The work has extended over a period of several weeks, but it is now running in first-class shape and to the entire satisfaction of its proprietors.

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| Arm and Hammer Saleratus            | 07c         |
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# MICHIGAN NEWS SUMMARY.

Doings of the Week Recorded in a Brief Style.

CONCISE AND INTERESTING.

Big Convention of Michigan Business Men Held at Detroit and a Permanent Organization Made—Michigan Boys from Santiago Will Soon Be Home.

Business Men of Michigan Meet.

The scheme of Detroit merchants and manufacturers to have the business men of the state meet in Detroit for a few days' outing and to consider matters of interest to their pockets proved a big success. The formal meeting of the Business Men's convention was preceded by a boat ride on the beautiful Detroit river from Grosse Pointe to Wyandotte, which showed two big boat-loads of visitors the busy river front of the metropolises of their state. This was followed in the evening by a splendid display of fireworks from the top of the tallest building in the city.

The next day the first formal meeting was held in the new Light Guard armory and the business men of the state were welcomed to the city by O. R. Baldwin, president of the Detroit Chamber of Commerce, who introduced ex-Gov. John T. Rich as chairman of the meeting. Mayor Maybury added to the welcome in behalf of the municipality and Gov. Pingree combined business and politics somewhat in a brief talk which caught the delegates in great shape. After Justin B. Whiting, of St. Clair, "who aspires to be governor of Michigan," had had his say a resolution was adopted to make the business men's convention of Michigan a permanent organization. Trolley rides and a ball game filled in the second day and a grand peace jubilee was held in the evening with speeches, singing and music by a large orchestra.

The last day of the big convention was marked by the completion of the permanent organization of the "Michigan Business Men's association," the objects as announced being: The advancement of the commercial, manufacturing, mercantile and industrial interests of the state of Michigan; the securing of extended markets for the products of the state; the prevention of discrimination against the state or any locality therein by unjust transportation rates; the securing of the enactment of just laws and the repeal of unjust laws affecting the industrial interests of the state, and the correction of abuses in municipal government.

Annual meetings were provided for, the place to be determined by the board of governors. Officers and standing committees to be elected annually; no dues or fees, revenue to be derived from voluntary contributions. The officers of this convention were declared the officers for the ensuing year, giving Detroit the entire roster: President, O. R. Baldwin; vice-president, W. A. C. Miller; treasurer, J. C. Hutchins; secretary, J. C. Ferry.

Resolutions were adopted declaring for closer trade relations with Canada, for the annexation of the Philippines, and for the speedy completion of the Nicaragua canal. Speeches were made by Congressman Corliss and others.

The star attraction of the whole week was the visit of the 35th Michigan volunteers from Island Lake. The 1,300 men, dressed in their neat new khaki uniforms, gave a splendid exhibition drill on Belle Isle and added greatly to the success of the big industrial and military parade in the city.

33d and 34th Michigan Coming Home. Gov. Pingree has received the following dispatch from Secretary of War Alger:

Thirty-third and 34th Michigan will be sent home as soon as they are out of detention camp (at Montauk Point, L. I.) and can safely be moved. They will be given 60 days' furlough and at the expiration of that time assembled and mustered out. They can probably be assembled where they were enlisted to save extra transportation.

When the heroes of the 33d and 34th Michigan regiments debarked at Camp Wikoff, Montauk Point, L. I., after enduring the hardships of the campaign at Santiago and suffering on the trip north, they were given an ovation. Secretary Alger, Col. Geo. A. Loud, Geo. Keating and a number of other Michigan people formed a reception committee to welcome them. The boys were pale and weak. They were greeted personally by Gen. Alger, who told them they would be permitted to go home in a few days on a 60-days' furlough with pay, after which they would be mustered out or service.

After each man had made away with a big cup of milk and a sandwich they were marched to the detention camp where large tents with floors were all in readiness. This camp is an ideal place, a strong, invigorating breeze is constantly blowing, the ground is high and dry, water splendid and plentiful and the food issued very good. The boys at once began to show signs of improvement in physical condition. Committees from various parts of Michigan went to New York and bought fresh eggs, fruit, etc., and other supplies without stint for the boys.

Milan and Saranac will be raised from fourth-class to presidential post-offices Oct. 1.

Walter Magee, of Detroit, Co. K, 32d Michigan, died at Fernandina, Fla., of a complication of brain and malarial fever.

W. T. Chappell, president of the Saginaw Coal Co., has sold out his entire interests in the Saginaw, Pere Marquette, Berne and Sebawaing companies to other Saginaw stockholders for about \$250,000. These companies control 49,000 acres of land and have 4,000 acres under test.

## Land Commissioner's Report.

The report of State Land Commissioner French refers to length to tax titles and homestead laws. He says that the legislature should, and undoubtedly will, protect homesteaders whose homes were endangered by the supreme court's decision in the case of the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Co. vs. Eugene B. Wood, which materially affected the state's title to some of the tax homestead lands and caused widespread uneasiness among those who had in good faith entered upon the lands and were faithfully carrying out their part of the contract with the state. "Legislation should promptly be enacted making it possible for the state to guarantee every homesteader upon these lands that at the end of five years' residence a deed will be given and the home secured to those who so richly deserve it. There is no other honorable course for the state to pursue." During the past year there has been licensed to settlers 61,107 acres of tax homestead lands. Last year there reverted to the state 3,957 acres of these tax homestead lands.

In reference to the sugar beet industry in Michigan, which originated when the legislature enacted a bounty law, which operates through the land office, the report says that for the first time beet sugar will be manufactured in Michigan this year. A factory costing upward of \$300,000 has been constructed near Bay City and will take care of this year's crop of 3,500 acres of beets. Michigan has sufficient beet sugar land to accommodate a dozen factories and they will be built if needed. The Bay City factory will this year manufacture more than 8,000,000 pounds of sugar and will pay to the growers, the farmers, about \$150,000. The Michigan beets are far ahead of those of other states and every indication is that the beet sugar industry will soon be a big factor in Michigan.

In reference to forestry the commissioner says that Michigan should be foremost of all states in the union in encouraging forestry, yet we find that little, if any, attention is being given to the preservation or restoration of our forests, which have been a leading factor in producing the wealth of the state. There are many parcels of state lands not suitable for agriculture that could be converted into forests.

During the past year there was sold by the land department 23,371.21 acres; 3,624 acres of swamp land licensed; 61,107 acres of tax homestead land licensed, and there is still held for sale and homestead entry 695,147 acres. The land sold will bring into the state \$115,310; \$27,513.75 of which remains unpaid. The total receipts of the office were \$141,125.58.

## Prohibition State Convention.

The Michigan Prohibition convention at Lansing made the following nominations: Governor, Noah W. Cheever, of Ann Arbor; lieutenant-governor, N. Norton Clark, of Williamston; secretary of state, John Sweet, of Owosso; state treasurer, Robert King, of Lapeer; auditor-general, Henry Andrus, of Edwardsburg; land commissioner, Jacob Van Zollenberg, of Petoskey; attorney-general, Myron H. Walker, of Grand Rapids; superintendent of public instruction, David S. Warner, of Spring Arbor; member state board of education, Delvan B. Beed, of Hillsdale.

## Drowned While Saving His Son.

Dr. J. P. Fryer and his eldest son, Teriss, aged 14, met death near "Lowell" bridge, two miles west of Ypsilanti. The doctor, his two sons and daughter left home shortly after dinner for an outing. The eldest son, while bathing, was suddenly taken with cramps and the father ran to give aid. The doctor had only taken a few steps when he was seen by his two younger children to sink in the shallow water, the excitement evidently producing heart failure.

## MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

Over 3,000 people from Olivet and vicinity attended a peace jubilee at at Pine Lake.

The study of the Spanish language is a probable addition to the commercial course in the Detroit high school.

Fire wrecked the Gale block at Kalamazoo and threatened much of the business part of the city. Loss, \$200,000.

An early morning fire did \$5,000 worth of damage to business houses at Waldron. The town has no fire protection.

A collision which might have been a dreadful catastrophe occurred, through someone's gross carelessness, on the F. & P. M. railway, near the tunnel station at Port Huron. A trainload of excursionists on the Almont division was crashed into from the rear by a Saginaw express train. Most fortunately both trains were moving at a low rate of speed, but four cars of the crowded excursion train were overturned in the ditch and a dozen Almont and Memphis people sustained injuries from broken ribs to severe sprains and bruises. The accident caused an indescribable panic on the excursion train.

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Hon. Henry H. Holt, died at Muskegon, aged 67. He was a prominent lawyer, served three terms in the state legislature and was twice elected lieutenant-governor.

The transport Catalina, carrying portions of various commands from Santiago landed two companies of the 33d Michigan at Montauk Point. Nine deaths occurred on the voyage, of which two were 33d Michigan boys—Chas. Wheaton and B. A. Jones, both of Co. L.

Chas. O'Dell and wife worked the farm and kept house for Chas. Benedict, near Ungers, Lake county. While intoxicated O'Dell quarreled with his wife and Benedict interfered. O'Dell struck Benedict with a knife when the latter grabbed up a rifle and shot him dead.

The large flour mills of the Bloomingdale Milling Co., at Bloomingdale, was destroyed by fire, together with a stock of wheat and oats. Loss \$11,000, insurance \$7,000.

The Detroit & Lima Northern Railroad Co., has increased its capital stock from \$5,000,000 to \$8,000,000 and paid \$1,500 into the state treasury as an additional franchise fee.

W. J. McKone, for six years superintendent of the public schools at Mason, has been appointed superintendent of the Albion public schools, to succeed W. C. Hull, who goes to Flint.

Sylvester Wise, a sawyer, was killed in a sawmill, three miles from Tustin. He was struck from behind by a board that caught in the carriage block. He leaves a widow and baby 10 days old.

Alonzo Potter, of Eaton township, Eaton county, took Paris green with suicidal intent. Potter, who is 67 years of age, had been drinking heavily and quarreled with his wife, who is a young girl.

Dr. Mary Green, of Charlotte, president of the American Household Economic association, and an authority on foods, has been appointed a special food examiner for the war department and is inspecting the food supply of the southern camps.

John W. Maynard, who secured the location of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, died in that city at the age of 85 years, in the house in which he had lived continuously for 54 years. He leaves a widow and three children, one of whom is Atty.-Gen. Maynard.

During a heavy gale at 2 a. m., while off Frankfort, an unknown schooner collided with the schooner F. A. Fitch, of Benton Harbor, bound for the northern ports with a load of peaches. The Point Pelee life-saving crew rescued the Fitch's crew, but the vessel is a total wreck.

A destructive rainstorm, which continued eight hours, washed out streets, flooded store basements, wrecked the telephone, telegraph and electric light wires, and in all did over \$10,000 damage at Iron Mountain. The C. & N. W. railroad was tied up by washouts. Two men were reported killed by lightning on Quincee road.

When the transport Santiago arrived at Montauk Point with 500 men and 25 officers of the 31th Michigan regiment they reported that Private Robert McKellup, Co. L, Marquette, and Private Albert Gihooly, Co. B, Manistee, had died on the trip north from Santiago and were buried at sea. There were 130 on the sick list, 15 of whom were very ill.

The auxiliary cruiser Harvard, from Santiago, arrived at Camp Wikoff bringing Gen. Chaffee and staff and 670 men of the 33d Michigan. Diphtheria made its appearance on the voyage. Bryde Breede, of Co. A, 33d Michigan, died of the disease, and was buried at sea. Three other men have the disease. There were 32 other sick men on board.

In attempting to fill a gasoline stove while it was lighted, Mrs. Milo Gains, of Leslie, was frightfully and probably fatally burned in the blaze that resulted. Her clothes caught fire and in attempting to assist her, a daughter was terribly burned. W. E. Stillson, a neighbor, ran to Mrs. Gains' rescue, and his hands were literally cooked in his efforts to save her. The house was saved.

During a heavy gale of wind, fire broke out at D. B. Butler's large sawmill at Frankfort, spreading to the Frankfort Hardwood Mfg. Co.'s broom handle factory, near by, completely burning both to the ground. This is the third time Mr. Butler has lost his mill by fire in the same spot. The loss on the broom handle factory is \$10,000 and on the sawmill \$20,000, with very little insurance. Mr. Butler expects to rebuild.

Traverse City suffered severely from a cloudburst and a terrific electrical storm. The damage in the city is said to be \$10,000, while thousands of dollars damage was done to fruit trees and grain. In the city nine bridges were swept away, several families had to escape from the second story windows of their homes by boats, scores of cellars were flooded to overflowing, several dwellings and barns were struck by lightning, and huge washouts suspended operations on all railroads.

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# TACKINGS OF THE TELEGRAPH

News of the Day as Told Over the Slender Wires.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS

Instructions Issued for Mustering Out the Volunteers—Knights of Pythias Biennial Convention at Indianapolis Draws a Large Crowd.

The Pythians' Big Convention.

The biennial meeting of the supreme lodge Knights of Pythias at Indianapolis was one of the largest ever held in the west. The national encampment of the Uniformed Rank contained fully 12,000 uniformed men, but only about half of that number participated in the parade, owing to the extremely hot weather. About 50,000 strangers were attracted to Indianapolis by the affair. The supreme lodge continues in session two weeks.

The opening session of the supreme lodge was marked by a demand on the part of R. L. C. White, supreme keeper of records and seals, and Thomas L. Meares, supreme master of exchequer, for an investigation of the attacks upon the officers of the supreme lodge. The report of Supreme Chancellor Philip T. Colgrove, of Michigan, was very exhaustive and advocated numerous reforms. The total number of lodges reported, 6,683; members, 463,269; a net gain during the past two years of 179 lodges and 3,730 members; total amount of lodge assets, \$8,601,068; supreme lodge receipts for the biennial term, \$80,575; disbursements, \$107,367; balance on hand, \$9,106, uniformed rank receipts, \$9,833; disbursements, \$3,528; new uniform companies, 169; endowment rank members, 53,579; gain, 18,869; insurance carried, \$100,000,000; paid beneficiaries last two years, \$2,182,500.

The Rathbone Sisters, Pythian Sisterhood and Knights of Khorassan held conventions simultaneously with the supreme lodge. The Knights elected J. M. Stratton, of Philadelphia, sublime venerable prince.

## The Situation at Manila.

Perfect order has thus far been maintained in Manila under American control. The city is quiet and seems almost to have resumed its normal business and social activity. The rumors of troubles between the natives and the Americans are for the most part unfounded. The fact is that the insurgents have been unwilling to disarm until assured of the permanence of American protection. From the first they have had the greatest confidence in Admiral Dewey, whom they regard as a sort of father and the most important American at Manila. The junta is satisfied that all friction will soon disappear and that there will be no trouble from the insurgents if the Americans decide to retain the Philippines.

Gen. Merritt and Aguinaldo have agreed that the latter shall govern outside of Manila for the present. No insurgents will be allowed inside of the city with arms. Business is now booming. The obstructions in the river Pasig, which flows through the town, have been removed and the water works have resumed operations.

## Mustering Out the Volunteers.

Adjt.-Gen. Corbin has issued the order providing for the mustering out of volunteer troops. This will be done by regular army officers only. The regulations regarding the accounting for property and men are very strict. Each volunteer officer will be held responsible for the men under his command up to the moment of muster out. Men who are sick and absent will get their discharge certificates. The mustering out will occur at state rendezvous as a rule. Every man will be examined by a physician before he gets his discharge. The troops will be allowed to retain certain property, such as rifles and other equipment by paying a stipulated price for them.

## NEWSY BREVITIES.

Rear Admiral Winfield S. Schley was given a splendid ovation on his arrival at Washington.

About the middle of September the President expects to review the Seventh army corps, Maj.-Gen. Fitzhugh Lee's command, at Jacksonville.

Aguinaldo will send representatives to Paris to plead the cause of the Philippine islands before the Spanish-American peace commission.

The U. S. warships Olympia and Raleigh have gone to Hong Kong from Manila to go into drydock. The Baltimore is now Admiral Dewey's flagship.

An Alaskan steamer, Stickeen Chief, was destroyed off the coast by her boilers bursting. The crew and passengers, numbering 43 persons, were all lost, only a dog being saved.

The supreme lodge of Rathbone sisters elected as supreme chief, Mrs. Jeanette B. S. Neubert, Kansas City; supreme senior, Mrs. L. K. Sherman, Cleveland, O.; supreme mistress of records and correspondence, Mrs. M. D. Woods, Kansas City; supreme mistress of finance, Mrs. Alexine Murray, Levas, Ill.

President and Mrs. McKinley, with a small party, left Washington for a short tour for rest and change of scene. Camp Meade, Middletown, Pa., was visited and the President expressed himself as much pleased with the camp. At Somers, Pa., a day was spent with Abner McKinley, brother of the President. The journey all the way to Cleveland was a continuous ovation. At the latter city the party were the guests of Myron T. Herrick. After a visit to their old home at Canton, the President and Mrs. McKinley went to New York and the President visited Camp Wikoff at Montauk Point, L. I.

## THE NEWS CONDENSED.

Madrid: The queen regent has signed the royal decree convoking the cortes for Sept. 5.

It is reported that Gen. Garcia has resigned his command in the Cuban insurgent army.

About \$1,000,000 in gold and silver coin was taken to Manila on the Scandia to pay the troops.

Secretary Alger reports that he found the situation at Camp Wikoff, Montauk Point, reasonably satisfactory.

The Corbett-McCoy battle, postponed because of the tragic death of Corbett's parents, is slated for Oct. 1, at Buffalo.

Miss Helen M. Gould has given \$25,000 to purchase food and delicacies for the ill and wounded soldiers in Camp Wikoff.

The Spanish-American peace commissioners, upon their arrival in Paris, will be the guests of the French government.

At Newmarket, Ont., Minnie Sexton shot and killed her older sister, Susie, because she was going to marry. They were orphans.

Brig.-Gen. Haines has been ordered home from Porto Rico and Brig.-Gen. Grant now commands the Second brigade, comprising the Fourth Ohio and Third Illinois.

The Spaniards in the Ladrone islands have asked permission of Washington to go to Manila, "as the situation is extremely critical." The nature of the trouble is not known at Washington.

The secretary of war has sent a telegram to Gen. Shafter at Santiago approving his request to be allowed to bring home the cannon captured from the Spanish army at and near Santiago.

Madrid: Upon receipt of telegrams from Capt.-Gen. Blanco in which he informs the government that Cuban insurgents continue attacking the Spanish everywhere, the council instructed Gen. Blanco to resume an offensive attitude toward the insurgents only.

Spanish soldiers have committed foul outrages on Porto Ricans within their lines. At Ciales 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.

Spanish will be added to the list of studies taught in the Chicago schools if Dr. E. Benjamin Andrews, the new superintendent, has his way. He believes that with our acquisition of large Spanish territory that language becomes of as much importance as French and German.

Illness among the troops in Porto Rico is on the increase, and there are now nearly 1,000 cases of malaria and dysentery, with a few of typhoid fever. Surgeon-General Greenleaf has recommended that the sick be sent north as rapidly as possible. Rumors of yellow fever at San Juan are not confirmed.

Secretary Alger made a trip to Montauk Point to inspect Camp Wikoff and see how much truth there was in the rumors of lack of facilities for caring for the large number of troops assembled there. Col. Hecker and Maj. Hopkins, special war department agents also went to Camp Wikoff to arrange for the comfort of the troops.

Havana authorities have declined to allow the landing of a number of American correspondents. Gen. Blanco says their presence, prior to the arrival of the military commissioners, might prejudice the work of the commissioners, and it would be impossible for the authorities to guarantee the safety of the correspondents against fanatics.

The Cuban military commission will sail Sept. 5 either from New York or Fort Monroe, on the cruiser New York, if she can be made ready in time. Admiral Sampson says that the mines will be removed from Havana harbor before the commission enters. It is not known whether or not the United States will insist also that Morro castle be put under its control.

The Thingvalla line steamer Norge, arrived at New York and reported that she sank the French fishing schooner La Coquette, of Bayonne, France, on the Grand banks, Newfoundland. The captain and eight seamen were saved, but 16 of the crew went down with the unfortunate vessel. This accident occurred near the spot where the terrible Burgoyne disaster took place.

The convention which has been engaged in formulating a constitution for the "United States of Central America," embracing Salvador, Honduras and Nicaragua, has concluded its work. Commissioners were appointed to convene at Amapala, Honduras, on Nov. 14 to make preparations for the election on Dec. 1 of a president, senators, representatives and federal judges for terms of four years, and for the installation in office of those elected on March 1, 1899.

Brig.-Gen. Joaquin Castillo, who accompanied Gen. Shafter to Cuba as a representative of the Cuban army and the Cuban civil government, has just returned to New York. When asked as to the friction existing between Americans and Cubans at Santiago he said that the latter had been grossly exaggerated and that so far as Cubans are concerned they have the utmost faith in the American government and are confident that the pledges made in their behalf will be carried out.

Instructions have been prepared by President McKinley's cabinet to govern the action of the Cuban and Porto Rican military commissions. They will be charged with providing troops for the occupation of cities and towns as rapidly as the Spanish forces are withdrawn, the collection of the customs and other revenues and the maintenance of peace; they will receive the arms and other public property surrendered by the Spaniards and exercise all the functions of the government over the surrendered territory until such time as the President shall otherwise direct.

## THE CZAR DESIRES PEACE.

Issues a Note Proposing the Reduction of Powerful Armaments of Europe.

St. Petersburg: By order of Emperor Nicholas, Count Muraviev, the foreign minister, handed to the foreign diplomats at St. Petersburg a note declaring that the maintenance of peace and the reduction of the excessive armaments now crushing all nations are the ideals for which all governments ought to strive. The czar considers the present moment favorable for the inauguration of a movement looking to this end and invites the powers to take part in an international conference as a means of thus insuring real and lasting peace and terminating the progressive increase of armament.

London: The czar's proposition for an international conference for the purpose of securing real and lasting peace among the powers and the termination of the progressive increase in armaments, and conveyed in a note from Count Muraviev, the Russian foreign minister to the foreign diplomats at St. Petersburg, is likely to produce a sensation throughout Europe, and coming from such a quarter and with such evident sincerity of purpose, it is likely to have important effects. There is no doubt that with Russia taking the lead in such a step, Germany, France and the other nations will be ready to follow.

## Spain, France and Russia Combine.

Madrid newspapers state that a treaty of alliance has been signed between Spain, France and Russia with the object of counteracting the Anglo-German influence. The idea of a permanent rapprochement between France and Spain is certainly in the air and may in time assume considerable practical importance. It had its origin in France's role in the peace negotiations, and report of friction with England over Spain in the neighborhood of Gibraltar. Many patriotic Spaniards who apprehend further sacrifices during the forthcoming peace negotiations, regard the suggestion of a French alliance with much favor, especially as French help would be very useful also in the great work of financial and economic reorganization which Spain must undertake directly peace is concluded.

## American Peace Commissioners.

Secretary of State Day has announced the members of the American peace commission selected, as follows: Secretary Day, Senators Davis and Frye, Whitelaw Reid and Justice Edward A. White of the United States supreme court.

The following attaches of the peace commission will be appointed by the President: John Moore, of Massachusetts, now assistant secretary of state, to be secretary of the commission, and J. R. MacArthur, of New York, to be assistant secretary. Mr. MacArthur was formerly first secretary of the United States legation at Madrid, and is now on special duties at the state department.

## Jamaica Wants to be Annexed.

Kingston, Jamaica: Coincident with the West Indian sugar conference, to assemble at Barbadoes on Sept. 3 for the purpose of protesting against a sacrifice of the colonies, Jamaica is preparing a plebiscite to the British parliament, requesting permission to endeavor to arrange for annexation to the United States.

An express train ran into a buckboard party at Ware, Mass., killing five young people.

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 force of American troops in Porto Rico is being reduced. Four batteries of light artillery and the Fourth Pennsylvania infantry will embark from Ponce at once. There is considerable sickness among the troops owing to the heavy rains.

## THE MARKETS.

| LIVE STOCK.  |           |       |       |
|--------------|-----------|-------|-------|
| New York     | Cattle    | Sheep | Lambs |
| Best grades  | 5 25-27   | 8 25  | 8 00  |
| Lower grades | 3 50-4 25 | 3 00  | 4 00  |
| Chicago      |           |       |       |
| Best grades  | 5 30-5 75 | 4 80  | 6 25  |
| Lower grades | 3 50-4 25 | 3 00  | 4 25  |
| Detroit      |           |       |       |
| Best grades  | 4 00-4 40 | 4 25  | 5 50  |
| Lower grades | 3 00-3 40 | 3 00  | 4 00  |
| Buffalo      |           |       |       |
| Best grades  | 4 00      | 4 25  | 6 00  |
| Lower grades | 3 00-3 30 | 3 25  | 4 25  |
| Cleveland    |           |       |       |
| Best grades  | 3 85-4 20 | 4 00  | 5 25  |
| Lower grades | 3 00-3 35 | 3 00  | 4 00  |
| Cincinnati   |           |       |       |
| Best grades  | 4 00-4 45 | 4 50  | 5 75  |
| Lower grades | 3 00-3 40 | 3 25  | 4 25  |
| Pittsburg    |           |       |       |
| Best grades  | 4 75-5 25 | 4 75  | 6 00  |
| Lower grades | 3 25-3 50 | 3 25  | 4 25  |

| GRAIN, ETC. |       |       |       |
|-------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Wheat       | Corn  | Oats  |       |
| New York    | 74 75 | 52 25 | 31 00 |
| Chicago     | 62 00 | 31 00 | 21 00 |
| Detroit     | 65 00 | 32 00 | 24 25 |
| Toledo      | 68 00 | 31 00 | 22 25 |
| Cincinnati  | 67 00 | 31 00 | 24 25 |
| Cleveland   | 67 00 | 31 00 | 24 25 |
| Pittsburg   | 70 00 | 32 00 | 25 25 |
| Buffalo     | 69 00 | 31 00 | 25 25 |

Detroit—Hay, No. 1 Timothy, \$9.00 per ton. Potatoes, new Michigan, 5 c per bu. Live poultry, spring chicken, 1 c per lb. Lower, 8c; turkeys, loc. ducks, 7c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 11c per doz. Butter, best dairy, 17c per lb. Creamery, 20c.

A summary of the appropriations made by the second session of the 55th congress shows the grand total to be \$893,231,615, and of this amount \$361,859,927.26 is to meet expenses of the war with Spain. Other items are: Agriculture, \$3,509,202; diplomatic, \$1,752,208; India, \$7,673,854; pensions, \$141,233,830; postoffice, \$99,323,300. In addition, contracts were authorized for the construction of new battleships and naval vessels, five new drydocks and various other public works which will require future appropriations aggregating \$24,173,656.



# Shell Wilden.

A ROMANCE

## CHAPTER VI.

Shell is in the now almost disused stillroom of the wilderness, dusting delicate china tea-cups with a clean glass-cloth. She is singing at the top of her fresh young voice, as she usually does when working alone.

"Oh, here you are at last!" cries Ruby, entering the room with a victimized air. "I have been searching all over the house for you. Who ever would dream of finding you down here at the end of this long passage?"

"Anybody with an atom of sense," answers Shell bluntly. "If you insist upon asking about fifty people to a garden-party, with only two servants, some one must give them a helping hand."

"Absurd—afternoon-tea is no trouble; but if you choose to encourage their laziness of course they are willing enough to let you!"

Shell makes no reply, but placidly proceeds with her dusting.

"Vi and I want you up-stairs," continues Ruby in a different tone. "We have decided to wear those muslins we had for the flower-show, only they want altering a little, and some new laces tacking on."

"All right—only I can't come just now," assents Shell readily—"the flowers have to be gathered and arranged yet; and cook is steeped to her eyebrows in cakes—I promised to help her as soon as I had finished these."

"Oh, but the dresses must be done first! I'll gather the flowers if necessary," says Ruby in the voice of a martyr, "even though going out in the heat always does give me a frightful headache."

Shell reluctantly complies, and is occupied for nearly an hour, then having still many household matters on her mind, she rises to take her departure.

"Don't go yet; you know how I abhor this sort of work," said Ruby sharply—her only work so far has consisted in watching Shell's deft needle darting to and fro.

"But, Ruby, I must—the tennis-courts wait marking; and I must keep my promise to cook."

"Oh, we can manage now quite well!" remarks Violet cheerily. "By the way, Shell, who are you going to wear?"—looking up with sudden interest.

"I? Oh, I don't know—I haven't thought!" returns Shell carelessly. "My white serge will do as well as anything—at any rate it is ready."

"Don't wear stuff, it looks so hot; besides, that serge looks horrid since it was washed," objects Vi, who likes Shell sufficiently to wish that she should appear at her best.

"My dear Vi, don't waste advice on Shell—you know how self-opinionated she is. Besides—with a slight upraising of her eyebrows—"she is such a child, it really doesn't matter much what she wears."

"Just so," assents Shell, shutting the door behind her; but, all the same, she goes away feeling rather sore at heart, for there is no small amount of contempt in Ruby's tone. Though her eldest sister has assigned her age as a reason for her dress not mattering, she knows full well that the tone also insinuates a vast want of personal attractions too.

Yet, if she only knew it, she has a charm all her own—the charm of a genial spirit and a warm impulsive heart, which peeps out of her clear gray-green eyes, and lingers amidst the dimples of her crimson lips.

All that long summer afternoon there is no thought of self in the girl's conduct. She flits about, finding footstools and seats for old ladies, getting pins and fresh flowers for girls who have come imperfectly provided, and generally making herself useful.

"When will you be ready for tennis?" asks Robert Champley, who has been watching her narrowly, though unseen, for the past ten minutes.

"I am not going to play," answers Shell brightly, as she hurries across the lawn with a sunshade for an old lady who has left her own at home, and now finds herself accommodated by the ardent gaze of King Sol.

"But everybody says you play so well; and yet I have never seen you touch a racket," he urges, with a smile, on her return.

"Perhaps that is how I keep my reputation," laughs Shell gaily.

"No—but, really, I like to watch good play; you might be obliging," pleads her companion. Truth to tell, he is beginning to take a deep interest in Shell, probably owing to the fact that she seems to take no interest whatever in him.

"Well, I will be," responds Shell, with a curious little smile; and then, walking straight up to an exceedingly pretty girl dressed in pale pink, she says gravely, "Nora dear, Mr. Champley is most anxious to meet with some one who plays tennis really well, so I thought I couldn't do better than bring him to you. Mr. Champley—Miss Nora Fretwell;" and with a little nod she proceeds placidly on her way, leaving no disposed of her cavalier.

Five minutes later she is accosted by Ted.

"Isn't it a jolly afternoon?" he begins.

"Yes, only rather warm," agrees

Shell, pushing her sailor hat a little farther off her brow.

"Come into the shade and let me fan you," suggests Ted coaxingly.

"How very kind!" scoffs Shell. "But I think I won't accept—it sounds so much nicer than it really is. Fanning only makes one hotter; and the midges are swarming in the shade."

"It seems impossible ever to say or suggest the right thing to you," says Ted with boyish impatience.

"If I'd have been rude I am very sorry," Shell returns thoughtfully; "but all the same it is true, you know. Fanning only cools one for the moment, and one is ten times hotter afterwards." As she speaks she saunters on a few steps by his side, that she may not appear too pointedly unsocial.

"By-the-way, I had almost forgotten," remarks Ted, laughing—"Bob and Meg charged me with a commission. I am entrusted with a mysterious packet, which I faithfully promised to deliver into your own hands; and from his pocket he produces a small and remarkably clumsy paper parcel tied up with a bit of colored wool."

"I think there must be some mistake," says Shell, looking at the proffered offering superciliously; "they probably meant it for Ruby."

"On the contrary, I was particularly cautioned not to entrust it to your sister," laughs Ted. "I believe it is of an edible nature, and they feared the temptation might be too great."

Shell takes the packet reluctantly, and, standing still for a moment in the pathway, cautiously opens it, displaying to view some half-dozen chocolate creams of a decidedly crushed and not very tempting appearance.

For a moment a beautiful and gentle smile lights up her every feature; then she remembers with a start the part she is acting, and asks scornfully—

"What on earth induced them to send me these things?"

"They probably thought you would appreciate them—poor children!" answers Ted, rather hotly. "They got a box as a present this morning, and wouldn't give me any peace until I consented to bring you over some. I wish—indignantly—"that I had thrown them away on the road."

"It certainly would have been wiser," retorts Shell, as she ruthlessly tosses the small bundle away amidst a clump of shrubs. "Children have such odd fancies."

"I don't call that an odd fancy—I call it a generous impulse," corrects Ted, stolidly. "By the way—looking at her keenly—"shall I tell them the fate of their poor little present?"

"As you please," answers Shell carelessly; and then, knowing the pain that would be inflicted by such a revelation, she adds quickly—"No, I think perhaps you had better not. Some people imagine that children are sensitive, and I have no wish to wound their feelings, in case they possess any."

"In case they possess any?" repeats Ted, positively flushing with mingled anger and contempt. "You must be very dense if you have not yet discovered that those children are of a keenly nervous temperament."

"I know I am dense," admits Shell, with not the faintest show of annoyance or resentment. "As for children I don't profess to understand them—probably because I have no sympathy with them."

Ted walks on beside her in thoughtful silence. It seems to him a sad pity that Shell, who used to be such a genial, sunny little creature, should have changed into the hard callous being now talking to him. He would like to account for the phenomenon in some way, and is contemplating the possibility of asking her if she has been crossed in love, when their tete-a-tete is cut short by Mrs. Wilden.

"Shell dear," says that lady, in a troubled tone, "I wish you would run in and see to the making of the coffee—it is sure not to be properly cleared if you are not there. Mr. Champley will excuse you, I am sure—he knows that we cannot afford efficient servants."

"I am only too delighted to find that England still possesses young ladies who are not above making themselves useful," answers Ted, in a bantering, teasing tone. "There is nothing I admire so much as domesticity in a woman. Most of our girls are getting so blue that it will be a blue look out for their husbands."

"Yes, indeed," murmurs Mrs. Wilden, as Shell, with a little toss of her head, walks away. Dear Shell is most useful—not very ornamental, but very useful—thoroughly domesticated, and such a gentle, kind creature. I often wonder how I should get on without her."

In the meantime Ruby, at the other side of the lawn, is listening to a piece of intelligence which causes her cheeks to turn pale, whilst she flutters her fan with increased nervous energy.

"You think the dear children need change?" she is saying in a tone of bewilderment. "I thought they were looking remarkably well; and the pets are always in such excellent spirits."

"Meg is not well," answers the father

decisively. "She seems languid and heavy. The air here is very relaxing during the hot months; I think I shall take her to Scotland."

"Oh, not to Scotland—poor child—the journey would be so dreadfully fatiguing!" pleads Ruby, as she thinks with consternation of the impossibility of inducing her mother to permit her to go so far from home—for already her quick brain has formed a plan for following the children.

"Yes, it might be trying for so young a child," agrees Mr. Champley thoughtfully. "In that case I must be content with the moors or the North Devon coast."

"I should just keep her at home, and send her down by the sea every morning—sea-air is always bracing," observes Ruby, with a feeble hope that her advice may be taken.

"Mudmouth is the reverse of bracing," corrects her companion decidedly; "besides, it is not only the air—the children want a complete change."

"Of course you know best," admits Ruby, with a reluctant and despondent sigh; "but I always think that children are happier at home than anywhere else."

"That depends," remarks Robert Champley vaguely, and with a sharp sigh.

"Oh, yes, of course!" agrees Ruby eagerly; then after a moment she continues slowly, "However trustworthy servants may be, they can't understand everything."

"Do you mean that the children are in any way neglected?" he asks quickly.

"Oh dear, no!" laughs Ruby, with a playful head-shake. "I am sure their nurse is most attentive from all accounts—but you ought not, for instance, to allow her to choose their clothes. Of course she has no idea how to dress them—how should she, poor woman!"

"They seem very sensibly clothed to me," answers Robert Champley, but in rather a dubious tone—in fact a tone open to conviction. "As long as they are warm and comfortable, the cut isn't of much importance."

"But, my dear Mr. Champley, how can poor Meg be comfortable in a dress that allows of no free play of the limbs? Children ought never to be hampered by their clothing."

"Is Meg hampered?"

"Almost tortured, I should think, in her last dress. As for Bob, he ought to be dressed sailor fashion now."

"Dear me—what am I to do?" asks Robert Champley, half-mocking, half in earnest.

"I tell you what," says Ruby suddenly—"I will make clothes for each of them as a pattern. Now please don't protest—it will only be like the fun of dressing dolls to me."

Of course Mr. Champley does protest, but, as usual, he protests in vain; and when he takes his departure from the wilderness that evening he finds himself weighed down by one more obligation to Ruby Wilden. As for Ruby, she is in great spirits—the only thing which troubles her in the matter is her total incapacity either to cut out or to make the clothes in question, seeing that in reality she knows far less how children should be dressed than the nurse whose tastes she has been criticising.

(To be Continued.)

## A TORPEDO BOAT TRAGEDY.

A Sad Illustration of the Danger of This Service.

The Union squadron investing Charleston during the civil war was drawing closer and closer to the doomed place. One of the warships that lay closest inshore was the Housatonic, and that vessel was selected as the torpedo boat's victim. The Portland Transcript tells the tragic story: The evening of Feb. 17, 1865, closed in raw and foggy. At 8 o'clock Capt. Corlison gave the command and the boat dropped down the river. As the clocks were striking the half hour in the city the little craft pulled over the bar. Noiselessly she glided through the water, guided by the lights on the Housatonic, for which she headed. So heavy was the fog that she escaped the notice of the sentries. At a quarter to nine she lay directly in front of the Housatonic, at a distance of five hundred yards. She was running faster now, and a little farther on she began to submerge. Two hundred yards more and she disappeared. Five minutes later there was a dull roar, and the water around the Housatonic boiled like a cauldron. The noble ship gave a mighty upward heave and then began to settle. Ensign Hazleton and four sailors who were below perished, but fortunately for the rest of the crew the water was shallow and they saved themselves by climbing into the rigging. The vessel was a total loss, but the submarine torpedo boat was nowhere to be found. Two years after the war, when the wreckage was being removed from Charleston harbor, the Housatonic was raised. In her hull there was a ghastly wound, inflicted by the torpedo, and in that hole was the torpedo boat with every man on board still at his post, where he had died years before. The little boat had torn a big hole in the cruiser, through which the water had poured in such a volume that the torpedo boat was drawn into it. And there its crew died of suffocation, in the grasp of the enemy which they had destroyed.

## Two Ways of Fating It.

"I notice, Miranda," remarked Mr. Neggschoke, "that your first husband's clothes do not fit me." "No, Cyrus," coincided Mrs. Neggschoke, with a little sigh. "You don't them."—Chicago Tribune.

Why does a man usually have to shuffle off this mortal coil before he cuts much of a figure in history?

## DICK WAINWRIGHT.

BRAVE COMMANDER OF THE GLOUCESTER.

From the Time That the Maine Was Blown Up in Havana Harbor to the Present His Deeds Have Added to the Glory of His Country's Flag.



LIEUTENANT Commander Richard Wainwright again added fresh laurels to the ample wreath which he gained by his gallant handling of the auxiliary gunboat Gloucester on the morning of July 3, when the Spanish fleet tried to escape from the American fleet at Santiago. It fell to his lot to protect the landing of Gen. Miles' expedition at Port Guanica with the guns of the Gloucester, and he performed his duty in the same thorough and scientific manner which he employed when he attacked the Spanish torpedo boat destroyers, Pluton and Furor, and smothered them with a hail of steel from his six-pounders. Lieutenant Commander Wainwright is a son of old Commodore Wainwright, and was appointed to Annapolis from the District of Columbia. He has given such convincing proof that he comes of the right kind of stock that he is known among the officers of the navy as "Fighting Dick."



CAPT. RICHARD WAINWRIGHT. Wainwright. When the Maine was blown up in the harbor of Havana Wainwright stood on the quarterdeck beside Capt. Sigsbee and supervised the lowering of such boats as were not destroyed. From that day he has been spilling for a fight with the Spaniards. He remained with the wreck from the night of the explosion, Feb. 15, until he hauled down the tattered flag with his own hands April 5, and was the sole surviving officer of the Maine left in Havana. Strictly speaking, he was never in Havana, for he refused to set his foot on the island of Cuba while the work of investigating the explosion was in progress. At the conclusion of the investigation Wainwright was ordered to Washington for staff duty in the navy department. The transfer was anything but to his liking. He confided to his friends that he wanted "a good little vessel with some capable guns, and a crack at the enemy on something like even terms." When he was assigned to the command of the Gloucester he was supremely happy and from that day he has been making a record for himself, his crew and vessel.

## Teak Trees 2,000 Years Old.

The teak wood of Hindoostan is almost indestructible. The tree reaches a girth of from 10 to 15 feet and has a clear trunk of 70 to 80 feet to the first limb. The timber retains its fragrance to a great age. It is a wonderfully hard wood, durable and strong, and once seasoned does not split, crack, warp, shrink, or alter in shape. In certain portions of Burmah there is teak 2,000 years old. It weighs 40 pounds per cubic foot. Teak is used in India for construction, bridge-making, sleepers and furniture. It is exported to Europe chiefly for building railway carriages, shipbuilding or making decks and lower masts and for the backing of armor-plates on ironclads. It is peculiarly useful for the latter purpose, owing to the resinous matter which it contains and which acts as a preventive of rust, the wood neither affecting the iron nor being affected by it.

## Entangling Legislation on Patents.

A measure of vast importance to the manufacturing and commercial interests of the United States is the act of congress authorizing the president to appoint a commission to revise and amend the laws concerning patents, trade marks, and trade and commercial names. The laws, as they exist, are inadequate to the conditions of the day. They are too complex, contradictory, and susceptible of great fraud. The United States courts, in deciding causes on the laws concerning patents, have unintentionally done much to render "confusion worse confounded." It is to be hoped that the commission will stamp with its strongest disapproval the use of "Old Glory" and the Geneva Cross for purely business advantages. These symbols are almost sacred.

## Electricity Killing Off Flies.

Entomologists report that of late years the annual crop of flies is decreasing rapidly and steadily. The almost universal adoption of electric traction is credited with bringing about this desirable result. It has been stated that stables are the chief breeding places for flies, and as the street car horse has been emancipated, the number of stables is growing less, hence the failure of the fly to be born in multitudes as in the past.

## A REVOLUTIONARY RELIQ.

An Old Copy of Paine's "Common Sense" Owned in Chicago.

Among the curios of this country's revolutionary days is a worn paper-covered copy of Thomas Paine's "Common Sense." It is owned by Clark Ervin, an old-time Chicagoan, and is probably the only original copy now in existence. Mr. Ervin has made inquiries of historical societies and searched diligently during the world's fair for another book like the one in his possession, but without avail. The book bears the date of Feb. 14, 1776, and was sold by W. & T. Bradford, Philadelphia, for 1 shilling. It is printed in ancient style on rough, heavy paper, now yellow with age and with ragged edges. The leaves are held together by a bit of stout twine. A reward of several hundred pounds sterling was offered by King George for the head of either the author or the publisher. It was during the war of the rebellion that the book came into Mr. Ervin's possession. Mr. Ervin was the first man to enlist in the First Iowa cavalry and went through the war as a bugler in troop G. For some time his company was engaged in fighting Bill Quantrell's guerrillas, with headquarters at Sedalia, Mo. Quantrell had taken possession of a small and almost deserted town in the vicinity of Sedalia and after a short but sharp engagement with troop G was forced to retreat. Before doing so his men sacked the town, and every book or document of any value that they could not carry off was piled in a heap before a warehouse and fired just before the retreat. While running his sword through the debris Mr. Ervin poked among some papers and unharmed. It is supposed to be some family relic and on the cover is written the name "C. De Merrill, Aug. 2, 1776, Joseph H. Merrill, Altkman Welch" and below these Mr. Ervin has added his name. For some time Mr. Ervin talked of giving it to the Boston Historical Society for preservation, but has since decided that when it leaves his hands it will go to the Field museum.

## POLITICAL PARTIES' EMBLEMS.

Daisies, Primroses, Carnations, Violets and Others Adopted as Symbols.

It is interesting to note the various emblems adopted by parties in various countries. Probably the most popular emblem nowadays is the primrose of April 19. On the day of Parnell's death his followers wear a sprig of ivy. Jacobites sport oak leaves on Royal Oak day, May 29, and ever since the birthday of James III., in 1688, they have worn white roses on June 10. Red carnations are also a Jacobite emblem. In France Orleanists wear white daisies, and followers of the house of Bourbon ("les Blancs d'Espagne") wear white carnations. The violet was the Bonapartist emblem, and many duels were fought over the little blue flower. Admirers of General Boulanger used to wear a red carnation always in their buttonholes. Nowadays anti-Semites in Algeria have taken the cornflower as their badge, but in Austria this party always wears a white carnation. The cornflower was the favorite flower of the old Emperor of Germany, and loyal Germans used to wear bunches of it in his honor. White daisies are the flower of the queen of Italy (Marguerite of Savoy), and when she goes to visit a town the streets are always full of boys selling nosegays of that flower.

## "FALLING SHOWERS" BROTHER

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## New South Wales Railways.

The minister of public works of New South Wales, speaking in parliament on the subject of railway extension, stated that on an expenditure of \$40,000,000 the colony was earning an annual profit of 3% per cent.

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

|                             |       |
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| Wheat, No. 2 red,           | 61    |
| Wheat, No. 1 white,         | 58    |
| Oats, new                   | 22    |
| Rye, No. 2,                 | 37    |
| Butter,                     | 30    |
| Eggs,                       | 10    |
| Potatoes,                   |       |
| Beans, according to sample, | 50-75 |

**CORRESPONDENCE.**

**Canton.**

Miss Kate Zanders is on the sick list.

Mrs. John Nash was called to Grand Rapids to attend the funeral of her brother last week.

John Nash has a very sick horse, but under the skillful treatment of Dr. Grainger the animal is improving.

It is with sadness that we have to chronicle the death of Will Ableson, who died on Monday, August 29th, and was buried last Wednesday. The family have the sympathy of this community.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dethloff on Aug. 29, a seven pound girl. Charlie has grown about two inches in height and is the happiest man in the county; but Squire and Mrs. Quattel since they have become grandparents have grown aged rapidly.

**William H. Ableson.**  
Died, at Ypsilanti, Monday, Aug. 29th, of typhoid fever, William H. Ableson, aged 23 years.

William H. Ableson was a son of Mr. and Mrs. James Ableson, who reside in Canton township about three miles from Plymouth. He attended the Canton district school for some time, and graduated from the Plymouth high school, after which he attended the business college at Ypsilanti. He accepted a position with the Metropolitan Insurance Company, of New York, and was stationed at Ann Arbor. His adeptness to the work soon earned for himself a promotion and about four months ago he was transferred to Ypsilanti and made general manager.

Though there but four months he made a host of friends and secured a flattering increase of business for his company. In Plymouth and Canton, where he is best known, he was thought very highly of and all regret his early demise.

Besides his parents he leaves five sisters and four brothers to mourn the loss of the pride of the family circle.

The funeral was held Wednesday from his father's home to the Kinyou cemetery. Dr. Allen, of Ypsilanti, officiated.

**A KING AS AN AMERICAN SUITOR.**

Louis Philippe Rejected by a Merchant but Accepted by a Monarch.

"One day the Duke of Orleans prepared his attire with all the solicitude of a young man and lover," says William Perrine in an article in the September Ladies Home Journal on the times when Louis Philippe taught school in Philadelphia. "If his white knee-breeches were of cloth his stockings were certainly of silk. He picked out from his traveling chest the shirt most lavishly lace-beruffled at bosom and at wrist. He donned his silk waistcoat, artistically brocaded on a white ground. His coat of dark green silk had tails that reached his ankles; and in one of the pockets was an elegant snuff-box from Versailles, while the other held an equally elegant kerchief. With a bunch of seals pendant from either fob, a long, polished cane in his hand, and a beaver hat of most graceful curve upon his long, black hair, our Royal suitor put his best foot foremost and was off to propose for his lady-love's hand to her father. He halted under the twin buttonwood trees that shaded the front of the mansion of Mr. Willing, who might be his father-in-law. And he rapped with the knocker at the door, while his heart went pitapat at the thought of Miss Abigail, who might be his wife. The wide, generous hall admitted him to the parlor, the folding doors a little later admitted Mr. Thomas Willing, arbiter of his fate, and the proposal was made in form, Mr. Willing replied:

"Sir, should you ever be restored to your hereditary position you will be too great a match for my daughter; if not she is too great a match for you."

"More than a dozen years elapsed. Louis Philippe, still poor, still exiled from his country, was in Sicily. French armies had driven thither from his throne Ferdinand IV, King of Naples; and in that King's daughter, Marie Amelie, Louis Philippe found the living image of his early love. The King of Naples was no good at antitheses. His acquaintance with politics was better than his command of rhetoric. He graciously answered, "Yes."

**Beats the Klondike.**

Mr. A. C. Thomas, of Marysville, Tex., has found a more valuable discovery than has yet been made in the Klondike, for years he suffered untold agony from consumption accompanied by hemorrhages, and was absolutely cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, he declares that gold is of little value in comparison to this marvelous cure, would have it even if it cost a hundred dollars a bottle. Asthma, Bronchitis and all throat and lung affections are positively cured by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Trial bottles free at J. L. Gale's Drug Store. Regular size 50 cts. and \$1.00. Guaranteed to cure or price refunded.

**THE CAROLINE ISLANDS.**

The island possessions of Spain in the Pacific include the Philippines, the Ladrones or Marianne, and the Caroline groups.

The Caroline group lies east of the Philippines, and stretches from east to west a distance of about two thousand miles. The largest islands are Kusaie, Ponape, Rug and Yap.

Religious people in America have long felt an interest in these islands, because a large part of the Micronesian work of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions for nearly fifty years has been done there; and the missionary ship, the Morning Star, which was built largely by the contributions of American boys and girls, has sailed in and out among these islands, carrying the missionaries their supplies and their long-delayed mails.

The story of the Christianization of the people of these islands resembles that of Hawaii, and native Hawaiian Christians have from the first co-operated with American missionaries in it. When the work began in 1852, the Caroline Islanders were savages, and many of them cannibals; but in 1858, more than thirty of the islands were occupied by native Christian teachers, and there were nearly fifty churches, with about 4,500 members.

Spain had long made a general claim to ownership of these islands by right of discovery, but it was not until 1887, after the pope, acting as arbitrator, had assigned the Micronesian groups to different powers, that she sent a man-of-war to assert rights of sovereignty. Here as elsewhere in their colonial administration the Spaniards were oppressive and cruel. The natives twice rose in rebellion against them and have never been wholly submitted.

Commercially, these islands are not of great importance; but if the war were to free them from Spain, it would probably be a benefit to the people, who have distinctly deteriorated since the Spaniards established themselves there.

**Profits in Poultry.**

Besides the general neglect of poultry, another reason it is not made to pay better, is on account of the kind of stock kept, writes V. M. Couch in Farmers' Guide. Many farmers will say today that the common dung-hill fowl will beat them all, when the fact of the matter is they don't know what they are talking about. This may seem to be pretty plain talk, but is proven to be a fact nevertheless. There is not one farmer in a hundred who has given pure-bred poultry a thorough trial and given it up for the scrubs, and unless you have given both kinds a test you are not a competent judge. The same persons used to say that it did not pay to breed good cattle or horses, and that the old seedlings were the best fruit grown. Why was the change made in breeding horses, cattle, sheep and swine? Because it was found to be more profitable, and we see now on many farms a thoroughbred horse or bull of some one of the various breeds. Fancy figures are paid for these males; for it is well-known that on these depend, to a great extent, the kind of stock to be had in the future; but how few are willing to pay \$2 or \$3 for a rooster? You may laugh at the idea, and yet he is one-half of the flock and the kind of young birds you raise depend on the kind of male used. If you do not feel able to do better, get a good male bird and put him at the head of your yard of scrubs and note the improvement in your flock the year following. Or, better, pay \$2 a sitting for one or more sittings of pure stock from some good variety and raise enough to get a good start. At this season of the year they should be purchased at from 25 to 40 per cent off early spring prices, and yet give you birds that will lay early in the spring. For broilers you should have some breed that mature rapidly, and that will not have to be fed all summer to make them weigh a pound or two. It will pay to raise poultry for eggs alone, if for nothing else, in order that you may have fresh eggs when wanted. And if you do away with the mongrels and invest a few dollars in the poultry part of the farm, I can assure you that you will never regret it.

**Cowboy and Walter.**

The Irish nature is notoriously well prepared for any emergency of the wits. Not long ago one of the sensation-mongers who, in eastern cities, pose as untamable men of the wild west, went into a cheap restaurant, and depositing his sombrero on the table and shaking his long hair menacingly, called out: "Walter: Hyah, wal-te-e-rrrr!" A bald little Irishman in an apron tripped up. "Yis, sorr, phwar will ye have, sorr?" "Give me a bear-steak, extra rare, and give it to me right quick, too!" "A bear-steak, is it, sorr?" faltered the little Irishman. "Yes, a bear-a-rrrrrr-steak!" "Yis, sorr. An' phwat kind of a bear-steak wud ye have, sorr?" "What kind of a bear-steak?" "Yis, sorr. We have black bear, grizzly bear, cinnamon bear, brown bear, white or Polar bear, goggle-eyed bear, Irish bear, woolly-bear, Wall street bear." "Hold on!" said the imitation cowboy, in a rather low tone. "Ef bear is as plenty round these parts as that, I'll be switched ef I want any! Ye can bring me a plate o' pork an' beans."

**Good Excuse.**

"Pa," said the youngest of seven, "why don't you go to the war?" "I have all I can do to keep the reconcentrados in this house from starving," replied the parent, sadly.—Philadelphia North American.

**UNHARMED BY A SERPENT.**

The incident of St. Paul and the viper and the stories of Zinzendorf and Brainerd and their serpent visitors are read by every one with the thrill of interest always felt where a human life is at stake. We can imagine the effect upon those who were eye-witnesses of the facts, and saw these men escape without a wound.

Near the middle of the last century David Brainerd left his mission among the Indians at Stockbridge, Mass., and traveled southward to the "forks of the Delaware." He had heard of a savage tribe in the heart of the New Jersey forests, and yearned to bring them under Christian influences.

With his pocket Bible, his tent-cloth and a few simple utensils for preparing his food strapped in a bundle on his back, he pushed on through the wilderness till he found himself in the neighborhood of the Indian village. He was tired, and mounting his little shelter-tent on sticks, he camped under the trees to rest and to fortify himself for the new undertaking that lay before him. What peril was near him from savage hands he could not know, and like his Master in "a solitary place apart," he talked with heaven until he felt refreshed and strong.

When he finally reached the wigwams, he was an astonished man. His faith and hope had made him bold, but he little expected when he faced the enemies of his race that a "white village" would come out to meet him as if he had been a long-looked-for friend. Led by their chief, the Indians welcomed him as their guest, and seemed almost to reverence him as a prophet. He stayed among them and preached, winning the hearts and the faith of the untutored natives, until he gathered a church of between seventy and eighty Christian Indians.

Brainerd never knew, until they told him, the secret of his welcome. The savages had discovered the white stranger in the woods, and a party of them had waited to steal upon him and kill him as soon as he entered his tent. Peering between the folds of the canvas, they saw him on his knees, praying.

Ignorant wonder held them back, and their wonder turned to awe when they saw a rattlesnake crawl over the stranger's feet and pause beside him, with its head raised as if to strike; but with only a gaze at him a moment, flickered its red tongue, and glided out of the tent on the opposite side. The Indians hurried back and reported that the white man was under the protection of the Great Spirit.

However much the superstition of these "children of nature" influenced their thought, they told a Christian truth in pagan version. It is certain that

**Surgery for Animals.**

Veterinary surgeons are becoming so skilled that no longer is an ounce of lead the chief medicine administered to a suffering pet animal. At the Royal Veterinary college, Camden Town, England, some wonderful operations have been performed lately. The beast is fastened in a stock and chloroform is administered, and as much pain as is taken as if a royal duke was the patient. A mongrel mastiff pup, who was given a false leg, takes great pride in his wooden member. He soundly thrashes other dogs with it in the bouts in which he still engages—to the intense amazement of his opponents. A collie belonging to the duchess of Marlborough was run over by a cab and one of its legs had to be amputated. A false leg of aluminum was supplied. The joints at the knee are movable springs. One little dog, a valuable whippet, was so annoyed by its artificial legs that they were taken off, and it hops about like a kangaroo. When horses' tails are docked they have no protection from the flies if they are turned out to pasture. Therefore false tails are devised, which allow them to enjoy their communion with nature. A valuable terrier, "Toby," belonging to the duke of Bedford, was fitted for a set of false teeth, which gives him great assistance in rat catching.

**The Word "Wife."**

"What do you think the beautiful word 'wife' comes from? It is the great word in which the English and Latin languages conquer the French and Greek. I hope the French will some day get a word for it instead of their femme. But what do you think it comes from?" The great value of the Saxon word is that they mean something. "Wife" means weaver. You must be either housewives or house moths, remember that. In the deep sense you must either weave men's fortunes and embroider them, or feed upon them and bring them to decay. Wherever a true wife comes, home is always around her. The stars may be overhead, the glowworm in the night's cold grass may be the fire at her feet; but home is where she is, and for a noble woman it stretches far around her better than houses ceiled with cedar or painted with vermilion, shedding its quiet light for those who are homeless. This, I believe, is the woman's true place and power.—Ruskin.

**How He Impresses Them.**

First Spaniard—The creature, ah, so magnificent! Who it is? Second Spaniard—You do not know? That is General Shaveter, the commandant of the forces American. First Spaniard—Ah, ah! Ees he not well fed?—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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# PENINSULA MATTERS

RELATED IN A BRIEF, CONCISE MANNER.

**A Young Man Shoots His Youthful Mistress and Fires a Bullet into His Brain—Teachers and Judges Hold Their Annual Conventions at Lansing**

**School Teachers of Michigan.**  
The best convention of the Michigan Teachers' association ever held was the forty-seventh, which occupied three days at Lansing. There was a larger attendance by several hundred than ever before. President Delos Fall, of Albion college, compared the change of half a century. In 1845 there were 1,214 male and 1,830 female teachers in Michigan, the former receiving an average monthly salary of \$11.98 and the latter \$5.24. Of the 18,000 teachers reported in 1895 more than 12,000 were women who received an average salary of \$35.09 while the men averaged \$46.17. More and better educated women in our schools is now the rule. He also said that attention was being paid to the child's body as well as his mind. He strongly commended the law of 1893 making it compulsory to indicate methods of preventing the spread of communicable diseases.

Many subjects were discussed bearing upon the relations of teachers to pupils, to the general public and to their immediate employers—the school board. The star of the convention was Bishop John H. Vincent, of Chautauqua fame, who addressed a large audience at the First Baptist church. His subject was "Tom and His Teachers."

Officers elected: President, J. W. Simmons, of Owosso; vice-presidents, H. Z. Brock, of Hancock, and J. H. Kaye, of Cadillac; secretary, M. L. Palmer, of Jackson; treasurer, S. J. Gier, of Hillsdale; executive committee, George W. Loomis, of St. Joseph; A. Gaylord Slocum, of Kalamazoo, and Lucy A. Sloan, of Mt. Pleasant.

After the completion of the general business the association divided into sections and discussed matters of nearest interest to the different classes. The presidents elected by the various sections were as follows: College section, D. C. Thomas, of Adrian; High School, S. W. Peavy, of Flint; Mathematical, W. W. Beman, of Ann Arbor; Primary, Miss Martha Sherwood, of Saginaw; Musical, Mrs. Emma A. Thomas, of Detroit; Kindergarten, Miss Clara Mizgen, of Detroit; Physical Culture, Dr. E. M. Mosher, of Ann Arbor.

An address by Gov. Pingree, full of good advice and information was well received, and a reception in the state house in the evening was a brilliant event, with an elaborate luncheon spread in the executive office by Gov. Pingree as a surprise, and music by the Albion band and the Boys' Industrial school choir.

The State Association of County Commissioners of Schools held the annual meeting at Lansing in connection with the teachers' meeting. A multitude of matters of interest and importance were discussed. Officers elected: President, R. M. Winston, of St. Johns; vice-president, R. D. Bailey, of Gaylord; secretary, Miss Flora Beadle, of Hastings.

**Tragic Double Shooting at Detroit.**  
A young man and a young woman were shot in a drug store on Jefferson street, Detroit, and telephoned to a hospital for an ambulance. Two wounded persons to the hospital when it arrived the attendants were surprised to have the two present themselves.

They were examined and found that they were both fatally wounded. They were taken to the hospital and died within 18 hours. The young man was 25 years old and the young woman was 18 years old. They were both from the same neighborhood.

**Two Violent Deaths at Monroe.**  
Two fatal railroad accidents occurred at Monroe in one day. Eli Cooley, a well-known character, was struck by a Michigan Central train and was so badly mangled that death resulted shortly afterwards. His right arm and limb were severed close to the trunk and his head badly bruised. He was about 35 years old and leaves a widow and a large family of children in poor circumstances.

The other unfortunate was J. Smith, of Detroit. He was found dead on the tracks of James Roberts. The supposition is that he was riding on a freight car and either fell off while asleep or was struck and received a severe injury which disabled him and he fell from the track to get assistance. He was at home and the cause of his death was exposure.

**Ill Service Squabble.**  
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**Death of a Pioneer.**  
The pioneer shoe maker, John A. M. M. M., was found dead in bed. He was 81 years old and had been a member of the Methodist Episcopal church for 31 years, has declined to accept of the Rite Masons from various parts of Michigan, Wisconsin, Illinois and Canada held several sessions at Lansing. They conferred the higher degrees and participated in a big banquet.

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# Judges' Association Meeting.

The fifth annual meeting of the Association of Judges of Michigan was held in the supreme court room of the capitol at Lansing. The annual address of President George S. Hosmer, of Detroit, was a review of legislation enacted since the last meeting. The act allowing suits to be brought against any voluntary association of five or more by service on any officer was commented upon and commended. Judge Hosmer regretted that the divorce law did not allow the bringing in of an absent defendant by publication only after it became apparent that personal service of an order to appear could not be had. In speaking of class legislation President Hosmer mentioned the sugar beet bounty law and quoted Judge Cooley as against these bounties. The act to prefer ex-soldiers for public employment was considered at great length and it was said that while there are few men who will deny the claims of the soldier to public consideration, yet his claims should be enforced through public opinion, not through legislative action, and it is doubtful whether it is competent for the legislature to direct the local authority beyond requiring peculiar qualifications to insure fitness.

The program included papers on "A Legal Anomaly," Justice Hooker of the supreme court; "The Pardoning Power and Its Limitations," Charles L. Rarden, of Greenville; "Experiences Upon the Bench," Judge E. A. Burlingame, of Grand Rapids.

Considerable discussion was caused by a paper by Justice Edward Cahill, of the supreme court, on "The Bench, as Viewed from the Bar." Judge Cahill severely criticized the jury system as a relic of barbarism. He said the corruptibility of jurors was recognized, and jurors have to submit to an espionage which no self-respecting judge would stand for a day. Men with neither education nor experience for their work are selected by lot. The attorneys do their utmost to befog the jury, and the judge cannot marshal the actual facts for the instruction of the jurors, and Judge Cahill said either the old practice of judges giving their opinion as to the facts should be reinstated, or trial by jury should be abandoned. The discussion showed Judge Cahill to stand alone. Justice Montgomery and Judges Daboll, Peck and Hosmer, as well as several practitioners, all defended the jury system. Judge M. V. Montgomery reviewed the history of the bench of Michigan.

The judges elected the following officers: President, Erastus Peck, of Jackson; vice-president, A. C. Adsit, of Grand Rapids; secretary, R. H. Person, of Lansing.

**A Wicked Old Sinner.**  
Michigan and Indiana officers are after a man, aged about 65, who gave the names of George W. Clark, W. R. Sherman, George La Blanche and W. T. Frick. "Clark" is credited by Laporte, Ind., police with having married three women within 60 days, and of having deserted them as soon as he secured all of the money and valuables he could. The stranger's last conquest was Mrs. Lucy Killam, aged 50, of Kalamazoo. While there he was known as William Sherman. They were married after two month's acquaintance and he left within a month, owing several bills, but taking a big roll of money with him. He dined with her brother in Battle Creek and disappeared, taking a team of horses, a buggy and a lumber wagon. It is alleged, from a feed barn in Battle Creek, and has not been seen since. Sheriff Snow is looking for him. Other alleged wives are at Sturgis and Mishawaka, Ind.

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# Knights of the Grip.

In welcoming the Michigan Knights of the Grip, at the opening of their convention at Kalamazoo, Mayor Stearns roared the new interchangeable mileage book. Chairman E. P. Waldron, of the legislative committee, urged that the railroads be asked to carry 250 pounds of baggage instead of 150, on one ticket. Maj. R. W. Jacklin, of Detroit, advocated a 2,500-mile interchangeable book at a flat 2-cent rate, but it was voted down, a 1,000-mile book being regarded as of greater utility. Treasurer McNulty reported receipts, \$9,640.60; disbursements, \$8,079.71. Secretary J. C. Saunders said at present the membership was 1,740. A fine banquet was served at which Senator H. D. Colman was toastmaster.

Among the resolutions adopted was one urging the establishment of the department of commerce and industry by the national government, its head to be a regular cabinet officer. The following officers were elected: President, John A. Hoffman, of Kalamazoo; secretary, John C. Saunders, of Lansing; treasurer, Chas. McNulty, of Jackson, re-elected; and one vice-president for each of the twelve congressional districts of the state. The ladies of Kalamazoo gave a lunch to the knights and their ladies at the Kalamazoo club in honor of the election of John A. Hoffman as president. The visit of the knights and ladies ended with the annual ball at the Academy of Music.

# MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

Eber Caswell, an aged Alamo hermit, was robbed of \$37.

The F. & P. M. has promised to erect a new depot at Port Huron.

John Lang died at Standish after an extended spree and was buried by the county.

Romeo's new \$13,000 municipal electric light plant has started up and works well.

John Lyons, a C. & W. M. brakeman living in White Cloud, was killed by a rolling log at Pellston.

A canning factory to employ about 150 men will be built at Port Huron if a bonus of \$4,000 is raised.

New Michigan postmasters: Millington, Tuscola county, H. B. Henderson; Willow, Wayne county, Jesse Butler.

The fire in the big steel coal shed at Dollar Bay is under control, after the firemen have been at work for three weeks.

While Clayton Taylor, near Birmingham, was playing a mandolin, a string snapped, striking him in the eye, destroying the sight.

West Bay City's municipal electric lighting plant has begun operations and after seven months of darkness there is light again.

Wm. Golden, for five years ticket agent of the Ann Arbor railroad at Ann Arbor, has accepted the position of ticket agent of the C. I. & D. at Toledo.

A mass meeting was held at Kalamazoo to boom the beet sugar factory project. Dr. Dan Bleyker, who has visited all the sugar beet countries of Europe, declared the project was entirely feasible.

George Martin and Frankie Davenport skated out on thin ice at Mackinac City, broke through and were drowned. The bodies were recovered and vigorous efforts made to resuscitate them, but without effect.

The state inspectors of the Michigan Military academy at Orchard Lake reports that, in completeness of equipment and efficient training, it is second only to West Point. The conduct of the cadets is praised in highest terms.

The Marquette County Telephone Co. declared a dividend of 10 per cent Jan. 1. This has been accomplished in two years, and with cheap rates. The total investment is \$35,000. Stock was issued at \$100 par and is now sold at \$125.

The Michigan Sugar Co., at Bay City, has practically decided to accept the offer of an Essexville site for its beet sugar refinery. The site includes 20 acres, to be exempt from taxes. Real estate is on the boom in Bay county. Many farmers from other states, who have had experience in raising sugar beets, are looking for land.

What was supposed to be an airship passed over St. Charles at 8 p. m. about 500 feet from the earth, and was moving at a rapid rate of speed in a southeasterly direction. It was brightly illuminated with green and red and white lights, and was observed by a score of people.

The Graham-Forsyth uniform text book law enacted by the last legislature provided for the appointment of three county commissioners of schools to act with the state board of education in selecting the system of books. Gov. Pingree has appointed Commissioners J. L. Wagner, of Eaton county; Miss Flora Beadle, of Barry, and R. S. Campbell, of St. Clair.

Railroad Commissioner Wesselius' annual report will roast the railroads for refusing to comply with the law compelling the issue of family mileage books at \$20 apiece, while issuing interchangeable books for \$30, with \$10 rebate, good only when represented by the buyer. Unless the railroads give in Mr. Wesselius recommends that their charters be annulled.

Jos. Lewis, a wealthy farmer of East Leroy, Kalamazoo county, was convicted on the charge of illegal parentage and is now serving a sentence of six months in the county jail in lieu of paying \$1 a week for the support of the child. He says he was convicted on perjured testimony and refuses to pay the money because of the principle involved. He went to the jail voluntarily, taking with him bedding and other articles for his comfort.

Merritt D. Lyon, a young farmer near Mulliken, was arrested on the charge of betraying his 15-year-old sister-in-law, Almira Osmon.

# ITEMS OF INTEREST.

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS PICKED PROMISCUOUSLY.

**The Eastern Situation Grows Darker— Uncle Sam May Have to Take a Hand— Again Reported That Secretary Intends to Resign**

**French Make a Grab in China.**  
It is reported that the admiral of the French fleet has hoisted the French flag on Hai-Nan island. The Chinese offered no opposition.

Hai-Nan island is off the south coast of China, and separates the Gulf of Tonquin from the China sea. It has an estimated area of 12,000 square miles and a population of 1,000,000 Chinese, exclusive of wild tribes in the interior.

**Japan Preparing for War.**  
Dispatches from Shanghai state that Japan is working night and day preparing for war. It is believed the British and Japanese fleets are in close touch. A British fleet of eight ships and four torpedo boats has arrived at Chemulpo (the port of Seoul). It is reported that there are two Japanese cruisers in the Yang-Tse-Kiang river.

**We Should Take a Hand in China.**  
Senator Morgan, of Alabama, of the committee on foreign relations, says that it would be impossible for the United States to remain complacent should European nations undertake the dismemberment of China. If partition involves the abrogation of treaties, this country would be left to make terms again with each European nation separately in accordance with territory to which its sovereignty extends. Therefore, unless the powers now ambitious for territorial extension take into account the importance of American commercial relations with China, it will be necessary for the government to intervene in self-defense.

Foreign diplomats at Washington, it is reported, are much concerned over the movements of their respective governments in the far east.

**Is Secretary Sherman About to Resign.**  
The story that Secretary of State Sherman is about to resign, the reason now alleged being his enfeebled condition, making it impossible, after a long public career, to give further service to the country, and recognizing the necessity of giving way to a more active man to cope with the numerous important foreign affairs which now confront the United States. It is pointed out that if we annex Hawaii there are certain treaties now existing between that republic and Japan which will have to be declared void in the interests of our manufactures, and on the other hand if the European powers dismember the Chinese empire we shall have to demand that similar treaties which we have with China shall be continued in force. The ticklish part of the business for the McKinley administration is that if China is seized and Hawaii annexed we shall have to deny to Japan the very thing that we shall demand of those who take China. There is no denying that the President will need a secretary of state a good deal younger and more acute than Mr. Sherman to handle these two propositions and make each seem right, and maybe that is why it is being persistently stated that our ambassador to Great Britain, Mr. Hay is to take Sherman's place.

**Spanish Officers in Cuba About to Give Up**  
Havana: The campaign of Gen. Pando with the best of the Spanish army in Cuba has been brought to an abrupt halt in the east owing to the impossibility of continuing an aggressive campaign in default of the receipt of supplies and munitions repeatedly demanded from the government. The general and his staff have left the scene of operations on the Cauto river for Santiago City, where it is said, their intention is to take ship and return to Havana to impress upon Capt. Gen. Blanco the utter futility of making any impression on the rebel stronghold in the east until the Spanish forces are re-enforced and supplied with all essentials to carry on a campaign. He declares that he has no base of operations, the insurgents' control being so complete that it is impossible to convey supplies to Spanish columns operating in the interior of the province.

**Mrs. Ballington-Booth Cannot Recover.**  
Mrs. Maude Ballington-Booth, the world-famous Salvation Army and American Volunteer worker, cannot recover. She is suffering from an aortic aneurism, and while her life is in no immediate danger, the attending physicians state that she will never be able to resume active work. Commander Booth has clung to the hope that his wife would regain her former vigor and splendid energy. Even he admits that he knows his wife's life work is ended.

**Two Findlay, O., Men Killed by Gas.**  
The dead bodies of Henry Behner, aged 35, and Joseph Browneffer, aged 25, who had been missing several days at Findlay, O., were found at the home of the former. The men had been suffocated by gas which escaped from a coal stove.

**To Puntab Weyler for Talk Against U. S.**  
El Correo Espanol, La Nacional, El Epoca and other Madrid papers that published Gen. Weyler's threats and his protests against President McKinley's message will be prosecuted. The publication had been prohibited on international grounds. It is said that Gen. Weyler will also be prosecuted.

The large planing mill of the C. J. Hamilton Co., at Buffalo, employing 150 men, was destroyed by fire together with an immense stock of made up lumber. Loss \$180,000 with \$70,000 insurance.

# ENGLISH FIRED ON RUSSIANS

Trouble Between the China Grabbers— Other Eastern News.

London: A sensation has been caused by a rumor from Plymouth that the English admiral has fired on a Russian man-of-war in Chinese waters. Nothing is known as to the rumor at the foreign office or the admiralty.

The London papers publish also the statement that England is pressing China to declare Port Arthur a free port. It is supposed that the presence of British warships there is intended to insure freedom of access for trading vessels.

It is reported that China has given consent to Russian surveys for a railway to Port Arthur as a branch of Russian-Traus-Manchuria railway, not a mere extension of the Chi-Tien-Tsin railway.

The arrangements with Russia for the guarantee loan are active, and when completed the Russians on the plea of supervising the collection of the land tax, will have the right to enter every yam in the empire.

It is officially announced from Petersburg that M. Kuril A. has been entrusted with full powers to "promote the development of commercial relations between Russia and Korea, in competition with Japanese influences." The prompt conclusion of projected orthodox orthodoxy of M. Alexiff is the result. Russia who was placed in a position to remove the British representation from the Korean customs and the British representation from the Korean customs and the British representation from the Korean customs.

The German government has reported that the Chinese government has threatened to send Baron von Hatzfeldt to the Chinese government to demand a more liberal treatment of what has been reported as a German alarm in Peking.

**Floor of Capitol Building.**  
Ont., Durh. After a large city hall to be successful candidate for the local people had crowded the room and the able enthusiasm, was interrupted by one of the local people. While a speaker was a section of the platform for the above the gave way without 100 persons were of funnel shaped them for an immediate steam coil, weighed pked over into the least 30 to death all of the others. form on which standing was apparently to give away. many alderman overtook so many of them into the local building.

**Pension Attorney.**  
U. S. Commission. Clay Evans made a comprehensive denunciation of the pension system as a most demoralizing system in the pension attorney's view. The pension attorney is a pestiferous vermin, a hen roost. If the pension rolls there by the pension commissioner is to do away with the persons appointed cases directly under his vision. The result saving to the government and liability reduced to a minimum.

**Hispanic.**  
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**Big Loss.**  
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