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It's easier to earn money than it is to spend it.

Cupid puts in a good deal of his time at target practice.

The average woman acts first and thinks it over afterward.

Woman's ruling passion crops out in her desire to rule a husband.

By the very constitution of our nature moral evil is its own curse.

No man is ever so friendly that he can't find some one to jolly him along.

The girl who can neither sing nor play, and knows it, is always a favorite.

There's nothing new. Our grandmothers often took spins on chainless wheels.

The wise man counts the cost of his pleasure after the doctor has sent in his bill.

Life is a quarry, out of which we are to mold and chisel and complete a character.

It is really not true that the Bismarcks forbade the emperor's weeping at their funeral.

The secret of beauty is carried by many a Chicago girl—you never suspect that it is there.

Those who go down to the sea in ships should see that the ships do not go down with them.

Lots of men join a secret society because they think its emblem will show up well on their watch chains.

The average man imagines he would have been a perfect terror in the war if business had not kept him at home.

There are but two classes of people in this world difficult to convince against their will—men and women.

Truth illumines and gives joy and it is by the bond of joy, not of pleasure, that men's spirits are indissolubly held.

The kindest and happiest pair will find occasion to forbear, and something every day they live to pity and perhaps forgive.

Do not blow your own trumpets; nor, which is the same thing, ask other people to blow them. No trumpeter ever rose to be a general.

Time is often said to be money, but it is more—it is life; and yet many who would cling desperately to life think nothing of wasting time.

The Cuban Junta is perfectly willing to accept civil offices from the hand of the new governor of the island. Their patriotism is not unlike a certain brand of the same article in this country.

The prize ring is dead, as it ought to be. The race of genuine square fighters—the Sayers, the Heenans, the Sullivans, from "Yankee" to John L.—have passed away. The manly art is no longer practiced. The boxing matches of today are kinesiographic fights. The alleged pugilists are kinesiographic boxers. The fights are engineered for the benefit of the machine. The whole business partakes of the nature of bunko, not real fist sport, and the sporting public ought to turn its back on it.

Putting aside the right or wrong of it—the wisdom or folly—no candid observer can fail to note that the American people have set their teeth, and that, under the doctrine expressed in the trite phrase, "The flag where once floated shall never come down!" they are evincing a bulldog determination to hold every foot of territory conquered in honorable war and held through superior force. Whether it shall or shall not be better for ourselves, this we know: Our civilization will come as a blessing rather than as a blight to the peoples upon whom it shall be imposed.

It seems that when the government grants a sick soldier a furlough it makes no provision to see that he gets home. As a consequence, during the last few weeks, sick and hungry soldiers can be seen lying about the railway stations of many cities. A group of Iowa volunteers, sick and emaciated, passed through Chicago the other day and many of them went their way hungry. That such a thing should happen does not imply that the people are ungenerous, but it so happens because no one knew they were coming. Arrangements are now being made to care for any sick and hungry soldier that passes through the city.

Elevators have now been rendered safe in case of fall by means of air cushions. An elevator in the Empire building, New York, was allowed recently to fall twenty stories. The fall of 300 feet did not break eggs lying on a marble slab in the middle of the car nor spill water from a glass.

If Admiral Dewey will travel from San Francisco to Washington by rail he will confer a favor upon several million people who are exceedingly anxious to paint a wide crimson band across the continent.

FARM AND GARDEN.

MATTERS OF INTEREST TO AGRICULTURISTS.

Some Up-to-Date Hints About Cultivation of the Soil and Yields Thereof—Horticulture, Viticulture and Floriculture.

Frauds on the Farmers.

The Farmers' Review takes this occasion to suggest that farmers will do well to be constantly on the lookout for swindles in the form of "new and improved" appliances. In fact, every fraudulent appliance is always "new and improved." We do not believe that farmers are any more gullible than other people. The city people are constantly being worked by sharpers, who do not fail to find victims. Perhaps many of the fraudulent things that are peddled off on the people are by men that really have faith in what they are selling. In a recent number of an Iowa paper we noticed an inquiry by a farmer after a well pump that could be wound up and go for twenty-four hours. The paper was unable to give the information desired, but expressed its opinion that the idea seemed to be a good one. On the strength of that some farmer may invest hundreds of dollars in a worthless machine.

The writer of this article is somewhat familiar with the machine in question, having seen it in operation, when its promoters first made it public, some fifteen years ago. New machines of this kind may have been brought out, but they all have the same fatal defect. They all attempt to violate the law of gravitation, and get something for nothing. Any student of applied mechanics looking at the machine would condemn it at once. The principle of the machine is to have a windlass with great buckets of stone as weights hanging over one side. These, of course, pull down, as do the weights of an old-fashioned clock. The windlass, as it goes round in response to the pressure by the weights, pumps the water. The weights are wound up daily. The deception comes in the fact that the uninitiated in mechanics believes he is saving force by pumping water in this way; he believes that he can put forth a little exertion in winding up the weights, but that the windlass will in turn pump more water than would the like force directly applied to the water pumping. The fact is it is only a different way of applying the force. It takes a certain expenditure of force to lift any given weight of water a given distance, and no machine will ever be invented that can overcome that law. The bulky machine referred to must cost considerable, and when obtained will be of no more value than a common hand pump. If any of our readers want a good machine for pumping he can easily obtain it by putting in a wind mill or by buying some of the many cheap power engines for sale by reputable makers.

It will be noticed by our readers that such machines are not being put on the market by reputable manufacturers, which would be done were the principle of its construction correct. In more than fifteen years of existence no progress has been made, but perhaps here and there a machine has been disposed of to some credulous purchaser.

All of this kind of mechanical goods should be steered clear of by the farmer. Churns that will make two pounds of butter from one pound of butter-fat; pumps that will lift hundreds of pounds of water with the expenditure of a few pounds of force; peeps that will greatly increase the butter contents of the cream; peach trees that are budded on the maple, and the like, are all good things to let the agent keep.—Farmers Review.

Potato Blight.

As the late blight does not come every year, perhaps only once in four or five years, spraying every year is paying too high a rate of insurance. Fungicides are not remedies, but preventives, and must be used before it can be known whether an outbreak will occur. But recent experiments show that spraying is in itself profitable. Early blight is almost sure to appear unless prevented. This appears in brown dead spots on the leaves, which sometimes affect so much of the leaf surface that the nutrition of the plant is seriously checked. For this Bordeaux mixture, if used so effectively as to cover the entire leaf surface, is a perfect preventive. Many authorities believe the Bordeaux mixture injures potato foliage. An experiment to find out whether light or heavy doses of the Bordeaux were most effective was made on the farm of W. L. Halleck, Jamesport, N. Y. By turning short with the power strayer, by which four rows were treated at once, the middle row received an application at each trip, and so was given a double quantity of Bordeaux mixture. All the rows were sprayed five times, and at harvest there were fifteen and one-half bushels per acre in favor of the double sprayer. In a similar experiment with potatoes on clover sod, the yield was twenty-seven bushels per acre greater on the double sprayed rows.—Bulletin Geneva Experiment Station.

The Dandelion.

That the dandelion is to be one of our cultivated plants of the future is without question. One by one man is finding that the "weeds" around him can be adapted to his use. There is no doubt that some of our worst pests will be discovered to be of immense value. Even the terrible Canada thistle may be found to be a friend in disguise, waiting for us to tear off the mask that is concealing its virtues.

The dandelion has already passed into the hands of the cultivator, and the cultivated varieties are even now being contrasted with their congeners of the fields. At the Minnesota, New York and Vermont stations work has been done in this line and reports made. We do not know how many other stations are at work in this direction. The plant is grown for greens, which is the use that would naturally suggest itself, as the people have used it for that purpose for generations. Its root, too, will doubtless be found to be of value, medicinal or otherwise. In Minnesota the station reports that the large double-leaved variety is by far the best. This variety is one of the cultivated ones. The directions given by that station are, to sow the seed early in the spring and cultivate through the summer, mauling it lightly during the winter. In states farther south than Minnesota the mulching could probably be omitted, as the native dandelion will never freeze out. This only illustrates the growing tenderness of plants with cultivation. The plants can be used for greens in the spring of the second year. It is believed that it is best to sow the seeds each year, and not depend on the crops from the roots.

At the New York station some experiments were made to determine which varieties were the best, the wild or the cultivated. The wild ones were found to resolve themselves into four distinct varieties. As might be expected, none of the wild varieties were at all to be compared to the varieties that had been cultivated for some generations.

Mottled Altica.

The Mottled Altica is an exceedingly plump fowl with broad shoulders and breast, says Texas Stock and Farm Journal. The legs are of medium length. It has much of the compactness of body possessed by the Indian Game, together with the grace of form belonging to the Black Sumatra. They are well feathered fowls, the hens having a fan-like tail, and the tail of the cock carrying full, long sickles. The color is a black, sprinkled with white. The white shows in the pullets most strongly about the head and upon the shoulders, with more or less in the wings, but after molting the white becomes more marked and appears upon the breast and back and in the tail. The coloring is very attractive. Their full, meaty breasts make them an excellent table fowl, and the chickens are plump at any age. When mature the cocks weigh about eight pounds and the hens weigh proportionately. The Black Altics resemble them in form and weigh a pound or so heavier. Their size fits them well for the general demand of the market. The hens have only a rudimentary comb, with a few feathers growing out of it, while the comb of the cock, when young, is almost smooth with the head, and though it enlarges some when matured, it is always small. The Altics are excellent layers, the eggs being of good size and usually having a good, strong shell. The fowls mature early and the pullets begin to lay when about six months old and sometimes a few weeks earlier. They are prolific and extremely hardy. They hatch full broods and the loss of chickens in the broods is such a small per cent of the numbers hatched that it is scarcely worth while to take it into consideration. They thrive from the start and endure without suffering exposure and unfavorable conditions which few other classes of pure-bred fowls are able to survive. One who has had long experience in handling them says that it requires positive mismanagement to keep them from thriving.

Cutting Trees to Save Forests.

Doctor Fernow, chief of the forestry division of the department of agriculture, says that trees must be cut down and ought to be cut down, not only for commercial and industrial uses, but also for the good of other growing trees, and all that the scientific forester asks is that the cutting should be done judiciously. The ignorant lumberman who does not look to the future cuts down all his forests at once, while the forester cuts the trees so as to make it a permanent investment. The old fable of the man who killed the goose that laid the golden eggs has been wasted on many lumbermen in the past, but it is to be hoped that the establishment of the school of forestry in Cornell university, the first in the country, is destined to work a great revolution in the ideas of intelligent people.

Some Ben Davis History.

The first bearing Ben Davis trees known to the writer, west of the lakes, were in the orchard of Avery Aldrich, at Tiskilwa, Ill. Tyler McWhorter, of Aledo, Ill., secured scions in 1853 and began its propagation. A son of Mr. McWhorter soon after started a nursery at Brooklyn, Iowa, and began the first propagation of the variety west of the river. In 1861 we began its propagation in the Benton County Nurseries. The Duchess and Ben Davis were the leading varieties sent out for several years and at that time the Ben Davis was regarded equal to the Duchess in hardiness and this opinion was not dispelled until we had passed through the test winter of 1870-1.—Iowa State Register.

Flower Bill of New York.

New York City pays annually for flowers more than the entire rye or buckwheat crop of the whole country is worth; nearly as much as the total annual imports of tea; more than the value of all the lead mined, and nearly as much as the natural gas production is valued at. This, in most of its phases, is strictly a luxury, but it is a luxury the indulgence in which, by those who can afford it, does only good. Its effect every way is beneficial. It gives profitable employment to a large and very worthy class of gardeners, and the product cannot but have a good effect on those who spend money in this way.—Farmers Home

ARTISTIC WOMEN.

They Are Fond of Cheerful Surroundings—How to Improve Your Homes.

Probably at no time in the world's history has so much attention been paid to the interior-decoration of homes as at present. No home, no matter how humble, is without its handiwork that helps to beautify the apartments and make the surroundings more cheerful. The taste of the American people has kept pace with the age, and almost every day brings forth something new in the way of a picture, a draping, a piece of furniture or some form of mural decoration. One of the latest of these has been given to the world by the celebrated artist, Aluville, in a series of four handsome porcelain game plaques. Not for years has anything as handsome in this line been seen. The subjects represented by these plaques are American—The Duck, American Pheasant, American Quail and English Snipe. They are handsome paintings and are especially designed for hanging on dining-room walls, though their richness and beauty entitles them to a place in the parlor of any home. These original plaques have been purchased at a cost of \$50,000 by J. C. Hubinger Bros. Co., manufacturers of the celebrated Elastic Starch, and in order to enable their numerous customers to become possessors of these handsome works of art they have had them reproduced by a special process in all the rich colors and beauty of the original. They are finished on heavy cardboard, pressed and embossed in the shape of a plaque and trimmed with a heavy band of gold. They measure forty inches in circumference and contain no reading matter or advertisement whatever.

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A Fact of Life.

Religion as a fundamental fact of life, as elemental in humanity, is in evidence today as never before. This is a magnificent demonstration at the close of the nineteenth century. There is an immensely augmented vigor, variety and fruitfulness of spiritual life, most impressive where there is most enlightenment.—Hopkins.

AN AGED VETERAN.

A Detroit Veteran Talks of the War and a Legacy It Left Him.

When the annual reunion of the G. A. R. is held, Michigan is always well represented. Around the camp fires of the encampment our boys tell of the hardships they have gone through and the listener who knows nothing of war will wonder how they lived to tell the tale. Few men who followed old glory and escaped the shot and shell returned home without some legacy as a constant reminder of their war days. Our representative found veteran O. F. Newcomb, of Detroit, at his place of business, No. 237 Second street. Mr. Newcomb told him how the little conqueror had rendered him invaluable service. We give his account here and some words of advice tersely told. He said:

"A lake covering about two acres in extent, containing the dead bodies of 20 mules, is not tempting water to drink, but I was one of many who drank it, and all of us would have done so if we had known there was death in every swallow. This illustrates that one of the many hardships and privations suffered during the civil war, and it is no wonder that G. A. R. men pass from aches and pains. The most prevalent of these being due to kidney disorders. I am pleased to note a great many others who passed through as trying ordeals as I, have now learned how these troubles can be mitigated. When I say Doan's Kidney Pills will cure them I not only speak from experience but from observation. To all old soldiers or any one suffering from kidney complaint my advice is to try that remedy."

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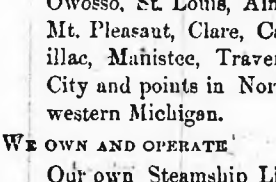
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A WOMAN'S HEROISM.

From the Register-Gazette, Rockford, Ill.

During the civil war nearly as much heroism was shown by the women of our nation as by the brave soldiers. Many a woman, weeping for her dead son, bound up the wounds of his suffering comrades, rejoicing in their recovery, and on a battlefield, even while sorrowing for those who were gone, at that time laid the foundation for the world-famed organization known as the Woman's Relief Corps, whose aid to the soldier of today, fighting against the world for a living, is no less notable than the heroism of the early '60's.

One of the most earnest members of the corps at Byron, Ill., is Mrs. James Houseweart, but illness once put a stop to her active work. A year or so ago, when she was nearing fifty years of age, the time when women must be most careful of their strength, Mrs. Houseweart was taken seriously ill. The family physician told her that she had reached a critical period of her life, and must be very careful. His prescriptions and treatment did not benefit her, and other treatments proved unavailing.

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TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"THE ART OF FRIENDSHIP"
SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

Text: Proverbs, Chapter 18, Verse 24, as follows: "A Man That Hath Friends Must Show Himself Friendly."—Time-ly Advice.

About the sacred and divine art of making and keeping friends I speak—a subject on which I never heard of anyone preaching—and yet God thought it of enough importance to put it in the middle of the Bible, these writings of Solomon, bounded on one side by the popular Psalms of David, and on the other by the writings of Isaiah, the greatest of the prophets. It seems all a matter of haphazard how many friends we have, or whether we have any friends at all, but there is nothing accidental about it. There is a law which governs the accretion and dispersion of friendships. They did not "just happen so" any more than the tides just happen to rise or fall, or the sun just happens to rise or set. It is a science, an art, a God-given regulation.

Tell me how friendly you are to others, and I will tell you how friendly others are to you. I do not say you will not have enemies; indeed, the best way to get ardent friends is to have ardent enemies, if you get their enmity in doing the right thing. Good men and women will always have enemies, because their goodness is a perpetual rebuke to evil; but this antagonism of foes will make more intense the love of your adherents. Your friends will gather closer around you because of the attacks of your assailants. The more your enemies abuse you the better your coadjutors will think of you.

The best friends we have ever had appeared at some juncture when we were especially bombarded. There have been times in my life when unjust assault multiplied my friends, as near as I could calculate, about fifty a minute. You are bound to some people by many cords that neither time nor eternity can break, and I will warrant that many of those cords were twisted by hands malevolent. Human nature was shipwrecked about fifty-nine centuries ago, the captain of that craft, one Adam, and his first mate running the famous cargo aground on a snag in the river Hiddekel; but there was at least one good trait of human nature that waded safely ashore from that shipwreck, and that is the disposition to take the part of those unfairly dealt with. When it is thoroughly demonstrated that some one is being persecuted, although at the start slanderous tongues were busy enough, defenders finally gather around as thick as honey bees on a trellis of bruised honeysuckle.

Before you begin to show yourself friendly you must be friendly. Get your heart right with God and man, and this grace will become easy. You may by your own resolution get your nature into a semblance of this virtue, but the grace of God can sublimely lift you into it. Sailing on the river Thames two vessels ran aground. The owners of one got one hundred horses, and pulled on the grounded ship, and pulled it to pieces. The owners of the other grounded vessel waited till the tides came in, and easily floated the ship out of all trouble. So we may pull and haul at our grounded human nature, and try to get into better condition, but there is nothing like the oceanic tides of God's uplifting grace. If, when under the flash of the Holy Ghost, we see our own foibles and defects and depravities, we will be very lenient, and very easy with others. We will look into their characters for things commendatory, and not damnatory. If you would rub your own eye a little more vigorously you would find a mote in it, the extraction of which would keep you so wobbly you would not have much time to shoulder your broadaxe and go forth to split up the beam in your neighbor's eye. In a Christian spirit keep on exploring the characters of those you meet, and I am sure you will find something in them fit for a foundation of friendliness.

You invite me to come to your country-seat and spend a few days. Thank you! I arrive about noon of a beautiful summer day. What do you do? As soon as I arrive you take me out under the shadow of the great elms. You take me down to the artificial lake, the spotted trout floating in and out among the white pillars of the Pond-lilies. You take me to the stalls and kennels where you keep your fine stock, and here are the Durham cattle and the Gordon setters; and the high-stepping steeds, by pawing and neighing, the only language they can speak, asking for harness or saddle, and a short turn down the road. Then we go back to the house, and you get me in the right light, and show me the Kenesets and the Bierstadts on the wall, and take me into the music-room and show me the bird-cages, the canaries in the bay window answering the robins in the tree-tops. Thank you! I never enjoyed myself more in the same length of time. Now, why do we not do so with the characters of others, and show the bloom and the music and the bright fountains? No. We say, "Come along, and let me show you that man's character. Here is a green-scummed frog-pond, and there's a filthy cellar, and I guess under that hedge there must be a black snake. Come and let us for an hour or two regale ourselves with the nuisances."

Oh, my friends, better cover up the faults and extol the virtues, and this habit once established of universal friendliness will become as easy as it is for a syringe to flood the air with sweetness, as easy as it will be further on, in the season for a quail to whistle

up from the grass. When we hear something bad about somebody whom we always supposed to be good, take out your lead pencil and say, "Let me see! Before I accept that baleful story against that man's character I will take off from it twenty-five per cent for the habit of exaggeration which belongs to the man who first told the story; then I will take off twenty-five per cent for the additions which the spirit of gossip in every community has put upon the original story; then I will take off twenty-five per cent from the fact that the man may have been put into circumstances of overpowering temptation. So I have taken off seventy-five per cent. But I have not heard his side of the story at all, and for that reason I take off the remaining twenty-five per cent. Excuse me, sir, I don't believe a word of it."

Now, supposing that you have, by a Divine regeneration, got right toward God and humanity, and you start out to practice my text. "A man that hath friends must show himself friendly." Fulfill this by all forms of appropriate attention. Have you noticed that the head is so poised that the easiest thing on earth is to give a nod of recognition? To swing the head from side to side, as when it is wagged in derision, is unnatural and unpleasant; to throw it back, invites vertigo; but to drop the chin in greeting is accompanied with so little exertion that all day long, and every day, you might practice it without the least semblance of fatigue. So, also, the structure of the hand indicates hand-shaking; the knuckles not made so that the fingers can turn out, but so made that the fingers can turn in, as in clasping hands, and the thumb divided from and set aloof from the fingers, so that while the fingers take your neighbor's hand on one side, the thumb takes it on the other, and pressed together, all the faculties of the hand give emphasis to the salutation. Five sermons in every healthy hand urge us to hand-shaking.

Besides this, every day when you start out, load yourself up with kind thoughts, kind words, kind expressions and kind greetings. When a man or woman does well, tell him so, tell her so. If you meet some one who is improved in health, and it is demonstrated in girth and color, say: "How well you look!" But if, on the other hand, under the wear and tear of life he appears pale and exhausted, do not introduce sanitary subjects, or say anything at all about physical condition. In the case of improved health, you have by your words given another impulse towards the robust and the joyous, while in the case of the falling health you have arrested the decline by your silence, by which he concludes: "If I were really so badly off he would have said something about it." We are all, especially those of a nervous temperament, susceptible to kind words and discouraging words. Form a conspiracy against us, and let ten men meet us at certain points on our way over to business, and let each one say, "How sick you look!" though we should start out well, after meeting the first and hearing his depressing salute, we would begin to examine our symptoms. After meeting the second gloomy accosting, we would conclude we did not feel quite as well as usual. After meeting the third our sensations would be dreadful, and after meeting the fourth, unless we suspected a conspiracy, we would go home and go to bed, and the other six pessimists would be a useless surplus of discouragement.

We want something like that spirit of sacrifice for others which was seen in the English channel, where in the storm a boat containing three men was upset and all three were in the water struggling for their lives. A boat came to their relief and a rope was thrown to one of them and he refused to take it, saying: "First sling it to Tom; he is just ready to go down. I can last some time longer." A man like that, be he sailor or landsman, be he in upper ranks of society or lower ranks, will always have plenty of friends. What is true manward is true Godward. We must be the friends of God if we want him to be our friend. We cannot treat Christ badly all our lives and expect him to treat us lovingly. I was reading of a sea fight in which Lord Nelson captured a French officer, and when the French officer offered Lord Nelson his hand, Nelson replied, "First give me your sword and then give me your hand." Surrender of our resistance to God must precede God's proffer of pardon to us. Repentance before forgiveness. You must give up your rebellious sword before you can get a grasp of the divine hand.

Oh, what a glorious state of things to have the friendship of God! Why, we could afford to have all the world against us and all other worlds against us if we had God for us. He could in a minute blot out this universe, and in another minute make a better universe. I have no idea that God tried hard when he made all things. The most brilliant thing known to us is light, and for the creation of that he only used a word of command. As out of a flint a frontiersman strikes a spark, so out of one word God struck the noonday sun. For the making of the present universe I do not read that God lifted so much as a finger. The Bible frequently speaks of God's hand and God's arm and God's shoulder and God's foot; then suppose he should put hand and arm and shoulder and foot to utmost tension, what could he not make? That God of such demonstrated and undemonstrated strength, you may have for your present and everlasting friend, not a stately and reticent friend, hard to get at, but as approachable as a country mansion on a summer day, when all the doors and windows are wide open. Christ said, "I am the door." And he is a wide door, a high door, a palace door, an always open door.

My four-year-old child got hurt and did not cry until hours after, when her mother came home, and then she burst into weeping, and some of the domestics, not understanding human nature, said to her, "Why did you not cry before?" She answered: "There was no one to cry to." Now, I have to tell you that while human sympathy may be absent, Divine sympathy is always accessible. Give God your love, and get his love; your service, and secure his pardon; your repentance, and have his pardon. God a friend? Why, that means all your wounds medicated, all your sorrows soothed, and if some sudden catastrophe should hurl you out of earth it would only hurl you into heaven.

If God is your friend, you cannot go out of the world too quickly or suddenly so far as your own happiness is concerned. There were two Christians who entered heaven; the one was standing at a window in perfect health, watching a shower, and the lightning instantly slew him; but the lightning did not flash down the sky as swiftly as his spirit flashed upward. The Christian man who died on the same day next door had been for a year or two failing in health, and for the last three months had suffered from a disease that had made the nights sleepless and the days an anguish. Do you not really think that the case of the one who went instantly was more desirable than the one who entered the shining gate through a long lane of insomnia and congestion? In the one case it was like your standing wearily at a door, knocking and waiting, and wondering if it will ever open, and knocking and waiting again, while in the other case it was a swinging open of the door at the first touch of your knuckle. Give your friendship to God, and have God's friendship for you, and even the worst accident will be a victory.

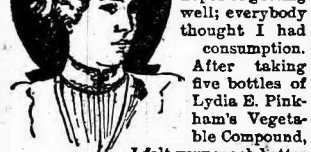
How refreshing a human friendship; and true friends, what priceless treasures! When sickness comes, and trouble comes, and death comes, we send for our friends first of all, and their appearance in our doorway in any crisis is reinforcement, and when they have entered, we say: "Now it is all right!" Oh, what would we do without personal friends, business friends, family friends? But we want something mightier than human friendship in the great exigencies. When Jonathan Edwards, in his final hour, had given the last good-bye to all his earthly friends, he turned on his pillow and closed his eyes, confidently saying: "Now where is Jesus of Nazareth, my true and never-failing friend?" Yes, I admire human friendship as seen in the case of David and Jonathan, of Paul and Onesiphorus, of Herder and Goethe, of Goldsmith and Reynolds, of Beaumont and Fletcher, of Cowley and Harvey, of Erasmus and Thomas More, of Lessing and Mendelssohn, of Lady Churchill and Princess Anne, of Orestes and Pylades, each requesting that himself might take the point of the dagger, so the other might be spared; of Epaminondas and Pelopidas, who locked their shields in battle, determined to die together; but the grandest, the mightiest, the tenderest friendship in all the universe is the friendship between Jesus Christ and a believing soul. Yet, after all I have said, I feel I have only done what James Marshall, the miner, did in 1848 in California, before its gold mines were known. He reached in and put upon the table of his employer, Captain Sutter, a thumbful of gold dust. "Where did you get that?" said his employer. The reply was: "I got it this morning from a mill race from which the water had been drawn off." But that gold dust, which could have been taken up between the finger and the thumb, was the prophecy and specimen that revealed California's wealth to all nations. And today I have only put before you a specimen of the value of divine friendship, only a thumbful of mines inexhaustible and infinite, though all time and all eternity go on with the exploration.

The Snipe as a Surgeon.
It has just been discovered that the snipe is able to repair injuries to his own person. Whenever the snipe is wounded about the body or his leg broken he does not necessarily crawl away to some quiet nook to die. Most other birds give themselves up as dead when such a misfortune befalls them, but the snipe does not seem to mind a little thing like that. He simply flies away to some quiet spot and tears feather after feather from his side or wing, or from any other part of his body than the wounded place. As soon as the snipe has obtained three or four loose feathers he quickly strips off the downy part and allows the hard quill to fall to the ground. The down he places over the injured part, and before an onlooking bird would have time to say "Jack Robinson" the snipe has stopped the flow of blood. The crisis being over, the snipe finishes his surgical operation more leisurely. This he does by finding some cast-off feathers lying about the grass, and after tearing out the quills he lays fold after fold of the new down over the wound. The blood acts as a sort of gum to the down, so that when the snipe has finished his work he is completely out of danger. When in a few weeks nature provides some new cuticle for the snipe's wound, the artificially applied feathers are dropped, little by little, until finally the snipe's breast looks every whit as well as it was before he was hurt. The person who discovered that snipes are their own surgeons is the famous ornithologist, Fatio, who announced his interesting discovery to the International Physical Society at their recent convention in Geneva. M. Fatio says snipes do not merely stop bleeding wounds on their bodies. He has had evidence showing that they are also capable of constructing a splint to nurse broken wings and broken legs.

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When anyone says an unkind thing about you or offers you an open insult, all the more cutting because of its refined malignity, don't you make a fuss and cuss back. We confess to rather like the old lay, "an eye for an eye," but in these days of a larger, nobler manhood and womanhood it is not good. Better copy the calm and equitable temperament of the Man of Galilee that will put to shame the covert or open attacks of the slanderer who goeth about like a box constrictor, seeking whom he may devour.—*Holly Independent.*

Grass Lake had a chance to get a condemned cannon from the government to be used as a soldiers' monument, but they could not get up enthusiasm enough up there to raise a few dollars to pay the freight. The way that the old fossils in that back number village grasp their pocketbooks is a caution, and until they have a few first class funerals there and some live, wide-awake people grow up, the place will continue to retrograde.—*Chelsea Standard.*

A sure-thing of gentle breeding is to be able to always listen interestedly to the long drawn out stories of the aged, who live mostly in the past and forget from day to day how often they have repeated some incident or anecdote of their early life. It is one of the few pleasures they retain in their last days, and when the dear old people are gone it will make you feel good to think of the well assumed interest you took in their oft repeated tales and the amusement you manifested at their ancient jokes.—*Holly Independent.*

There never was a time when news paper advertising was so popular as it is now, nor was there ever a period when it returned greater results to those who place their wares in a proper light before the public. The wide-awake merchant no more thinks of shutting his business out from the newspaper field than he thinks of living without eating. Newspaper advertising is necessary to success. Look about you and see who it is that takes the lead in business. It is always the house that keeps its name prominently before the public through the local papers. The people nowadays are always on the lookout for bargains, and it is the newspaper advertising columns they turn to before buying. The wide-awake advertisers are the people who do the business of the country.—*Pontiac Post.*

The report that every husband who now kisses his wife must put a revenue stamp on her cheek, is not a fact. The government requires stamps to be used where profit will insure, and makes no revenue laws. Stamps are only to be used when a man kisses other men's wives.

Persons who are in a position to know asserts that the Michigan Central road has lost nearly half of its local passenger traffic between Ann Arbor and Detroit since the opening of the D. Y. & A. A. electric line.—*Ann Arbor Courier.*

The Plymouth Mail has arrived at the "age of accountability." It was 12 last week. Best wishes.—*Northville Record.*

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 \$60.

CHRONOPHOTOGRAPHY.

What Has Been Accomplished in Photographing Objects in Motion.

One of the most interesting features of photography is called chronophotography. By means of a special camera, pictures of moving objects are taken at exceedingly short intervals, and later the same, made into transparencies, are thrown upon a screen in such quick succession that they display the motions of the original. As the eye is capable of receiving only a certain number of impressions during a given time, and the pictures appear and disappear rapidly, no one is seen distinctly, but being of the same subjects, they blend together and produce the appearance of motion. The pictures are photographed at the rate of fifteen hundred per minute, and the ease and sureness with which they are made and flashed is no less remarkable than the pictures themselves. In England, on the evening of the last Trafalgar day, there was shown at the Palace theater a series of pictures of Trafalgar Square. In the center of each picture appeared the Nelson Column, with the famous lions at its foot garlanded with laurels, while across the screen trooped the pictured images of the thousands of people who at midday had streamed through the square and taken part in the memorial ceremonies. One of the latest feats of chronophotography is that of Camille Flammarion, the great French astronomer, who, with a cinematographic (as the French call the apparatus), displays on an immense screen the moon and stars pursuing their nightly courses across the sky. Having succeeded in cinematographing—if any one may use so awkward a word—the movements of other heavenly bodies, he is now using the same apparatus in photographing the sun, and expects before very long to represent by it the motions of the whirling outbursts of gases, familiarly known as sun-spots, as correctly and plainly as is now shown the rush of water over the precipice of Niagara.

USES OF WOOD PULP.

Now a Substitute for Steel, Stone, Glass and Many Other Things.

From the *Lewiston Journal*: It almost looks as if the old saying, "Cotton is king," might be revised to apply to wood pulp. Wood pulp has been used as a substitute for iron, steel, wood, stone, glass, ivory and innumerable kinds of animal and vegetable fiber. As a material for car wheels the manufacturers have found it superior to any kind of metal, being about three times as durable as steel and much more elastic. It has been found available as a material for paving bricks, drain tiling and conduits for electric cables. For ivory, which is becoming scarcer every day, cellulose is the best substitute which has yet been found. When properly treated it is practically proof against heat and moisture; hence it has been found superior to timber as a material for telegraph poles and screws. Cannon, too, and bicycles are made out of wood pulp in Germany and Chicago, respectively, while a Frenchman has succeeded in producing a thread from the same substance, which he declares can be worked up into all kinds of fabrics. A Vienna inventor declares that his wood pulp leather is superior to animal leather in fineness and durability. Among the other articles made of wood pulp are boats, canoes, cuspidors, pails, flower pots, tables, chairs, bureaux, barrels, wagons, horseshoes and imitation porcelain ware. The manufacture of silk from wood pulp is now an important industry in England and France. And in wood pulp the resources of Maine seem to be almost limitless.

PUZZLED BY HER OFFSPRING.

Pigeon Sits on a Hen's Egg and the Result Amazes Her.

From the Philadelphia Record: D. Morris Haines of Burlington, N. J., has a pigeon which recently hatched a maternal instinct, but, not having any eggs of her own, was supplied with a hen's egg. Mr. Haines was curious to see what she would do with it. The old pigeon was tickled to death. She took the egg, carefully covered it, and immediately began the process of incubation. At the end of three weeks the inevitable happened, and a little chick hopped out of the shell. The old pigeon surveyed the result of the job in amazement. She had expected a little blue squab and, lo! a little yellow chick appeared. She seemed puzzled for a while, but finally went about her maternal duties. Everything was all right as long as the chick remained in the nest, but as soon as it got out on the ground there was trouble. Occasionally the mother, remembering that she was a pigeon, would get up and fly, thinking the youngster would follow her, but he remained on the ground as hard and fast as though he was anchored there. The only thing he could do was to stand still, watch his mother fly and yell for her in his own peculiar way. Then he tried to imitate her, but up to now his best effort has been to jump a flap of the wings and fly. The little mother is puzzled, but she is nearly discouraged.

A Fable.

Once upon a time there was a boy who smoked twenty pack of cigarettes each day. He would never be of any use in the world, proclaimed the neighbors, sadly. But he lived, greatly to the chagrin of his parents, who were worthy people. This fable teaches how tobacco, if excessively used, sears the conscience.—*Detroit Journal.*

American Apples Abroad.

American apples have already, in a large measure, conquered the markets of England and Germany.

This is Worth Reading.

To advertise our college we will give a thorough course of instruction in double and single entry Book-keeping and Commercial Arithmetic by mail free of charge to a limited number of persons. This course will be completed in forty lessons. No charge for diplomas. Text books furnished at less than one-half the price charged by other schools. Apply at once and name this paper when you write. Address: The Sioux City Business College, Sioux City, Iowa. 578.

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MARVELOUS RESULTS.

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

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

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

March 22, 1898.

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

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On Sept. 6 and 20 the Ohio Central Lines will sell excursion tickets to the South and West at rate of one fair for the round trip plus \$2.00. On same dates one way tickets will be on sale to points in the South at reduced rates. For full particulars call on nearest Ohio Central Lines Agent or address
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25 DOSES 25 CENTS.

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PILLS. Cure all Kidney and Urinary Troubles. Etc. Knill's Red, White & Blue Pill Co., 100 N. HILL, DETROIT, MICH.

For Sale by C. W. Hunter & Co.

COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE. In the matter of the estate of VESILIA 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 settle 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 on said day of 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. BREMS, ESQ. GEORGE A. STARKWEATHER, Commissioners. Dated August 19th, 1898. (79-70)

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

Judgment Rendered

Ex-Judge Comstock of Detroit Gives to the People His Opinion—Satisfied Only with Hood's.

The testimonials in favor of Hood's Sarsaparilla come from people in all ranks of life. Its great power to enrich and purify the blood is recognized by physicians, clergymen, teachers, lawyers and judges, who, owing to sedentary habits and severe nervous strain, often need its vitalizing and nerve-strengthening influence. Ex-Judge Comstock of Detroit says:

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Orders taken and delivered. PLYMOUTH

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"Marlo" Bicycle No. 1, one-piece crank, latest model, the equal of the best Bicycle made, four own specifications. \$60.

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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS AND PERSONAL MENTION.

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

Olive Powell is teaching at Schutt's Corners.

The Phoenix Milling Co. has a fine new delivery wagon.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Harlow spent Friday last in New Boston.

Miss Fannie Ableson began her school at Wayne last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hatt, of Detroit, spent Sunday with Mrs. Platt.

Anna McCumpha begun her school at Livonia Center last Monday.

Auntie Millard visited Irene Baker, of Wayne, the first of the week.

Some one stole Asa Lyon's overcoat from his buggy on Wednesday.

James Ableson is very ill at his home in the southern part of the town.

Gertrude Hart returned home Monday from a two weeks visit in Detroit.

Alice E. Smith and Lena M. Gottschalk spent Sunday visiting friends at Stark.

Grand Rapids Carnival of fun, Oct. 25 to 28 promises a roaring time this year.

Harry Williams' wheel was stolen from in front of the depot Wednesday night.

Mrs. George W. Hartson, of Port Huron, is the guest of her uncle, A. N. Brown, this week.

Maude Oliver, who has been visiting relatives and friends at Caro, returned home last week.

Chas. Curtis was called to Hastings, Thruson, on account of the serious illness of his mother.

Quite a large number of former residents of Plymouth were in town this week attending the fair.

Huston & Co. have the contract for putting a Peninsular furnace in the M. E. church. The cost will be \$145.

Wm. H. Blessed, of the firm of Blessed & Son, Detroit, was in town Tuesday and bought 1,000 bushels of peaches.

J. W. Jones has disposed of his barber shop to A. D. Prout, of Brighton, who will move here in about two weeks.

—FOR SALE—Good apple barrels, gravel and dirt. Apply to
C. E. BAKER.

The 35th regiment passed through here Wednesday night en route to Camp Mead, Pa. It will eventually go to Cuba.

The MAIL is in receipt of the customary "comp" to the Milford fair. Their nineteenth annual exhibition occurs Sept. 20—23.

James Westfall, of Caro, for many years a resident of Plymouth, is in town this week shaking hands with old acquaintances.

The Plymouth Mail modestly announces that it's twelve years old. Here's twelve resounding slaps and one to grow on.—Delray Times.

Pickpockets were plying their vocation at the fair grounds on Wednesday. It is reported that Mrs. L. Hillmer lost \$4 and Mrs. Geo. Peterhans \$7.

Delray will celebrate a "Peace Carnival" on Saturday, Sept. 17th. Big parade in the afternoon. Addresses will follow, to conclude with a banquet in the evening.

Horace Greely said the best way to get rid of Canada thistles was to "cultivate them as a garden plant, and some durned bug or other would be sure to come along and eat them.

Mentor Bradner is harvesting a fine crop of water melons this year. Last week he picked three "sweethearts" that weighed 80 lbs. and three sugar melons that weighed 65 lbs.

Limited time will not permit us to write up the fair this week. We can say this, that we have had good weather, good crowds, good races, good exhibits and everyone is well satisfied with results.

"Railroad Jack" struck Plymouth again Thursday in his perambulations about the country. Whatever may be said against "Railroad Jack" and his mode of living, two things are in his favor, he does not use liquor nor tobacco in any form.

MIDSUMMER CLEARING SALE

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

75 Men's light colored Cassimere Suits strictly all wool very stylish pattern made to sell at 10, 12, \$15 now, \$5 00

75 Mens' Suits all good patterns, part wool, at 3 98

48 Boys' long pants Suits, at 3 50

96 Boys' short pant Suits, at 1 48

10 doz. fine laundered Shirts, 75c, \$1 and 1.25, now 39

1000 yards summer Dress Goods, from 10c to 18c, now 5 yd

48 pairs Mens' Tan Shoes good styles from \$2.50 to \$4, 1 48

5 doz. Shirt Waists, were 50c, now 25

5 doz. Shirt Waists, were 75c, now 39c

The entire stock now at Clearing Sale Prices.

12 ladies' silk Capes, were \$4 and \$5, now 2 48

All ladies', gents' and children's Shoes at Bargain Prices.

All best Prints at 4c All straw Hats Half Price.

Yd wide Percale at 6c All light soft Hats Half Price

Fine Bleach Cotton 5 1/2, 6 All bicycle Clothing Half Price

Fine unbleached Cotton, 4, 5c Mens' Working Pants 62c

Good check Gingham 4c Men Working Shirts 25c

Good Shirts at 8c All wool Ingrain Carpets 50c

Cotton Chains Carpets, 38c.

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

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The victory rests with America's Greatest Medicine, Hood's Sarsaparilla, when it enters the battle against Impure blood.

Mentor Bradner is in the market this year with a choice lot of melons. Dohmstreich Bros., L. E. Cable and Wm. Gayde keep them on sale.

To Plymouth Mail—How about that D. P. & N. electric road running to Plymouth in time for your fair this month.—Wayne Review.

We didn't say which fair. We mean the 15th annual which is to be held next year.

The war-graph fellows who were billed to show here this week left on Thursday after two unsuccessful attempts to get a crowd out. The fake biography which was here a short time ago has killed everything in the line of picture shows for Plymouth.

The Northville Record says the uniform text book question was adopted at their annual school meeting and the Northville Star says the question was defeated. We are always anxious to know how our neighbors feel on important questions but these reports leave us entirely in the dark.

Chauncey Rauch and wife entertained Miss Mae Starkweather and Miss Gertrude German, of Northville, and Paul Voorhies, of Ann Arbor, during the fair.

Episcopal services will be held in the Presbyterian lecture room on Friday evening, Sept. 23rd, at 7:30 o'clock by Rev. Sayres, of Detroit. Everybody invited.

George Waldron, a nephew of Dr. Pelham who enlisted in the 83rd regiment, arrived in Plymouth Tuesday and will remain with his uncle until he improves in health.

Calvin Platt, of Ionia, is spending a two week's vacation in Plymouth and vicinity. Mr. Platt has been running an engine on the D. G. R. & W. road for nearly 20 years.

Miss Emma Durfee, a Plymouth girl and a graduate of the Plymouth high school, was married on the 7th inst. to Frederick Mills, of Concord. The wedding occurred at the home of her brother Frank, who lives two miles west of Northville.

In the bean guessing contest at the fair, G. W. Bennett guessed the nearest to the number of beans in the can and will be entitled to a \$15 portrait free. The number of beans in the can was 2,317 and Mr. Bennett's guess was 2,287. The contest was an advertisement for Wm. G. Peterhans, artist.

The notorious Edwards was arrested again Wednesday and locked up. Six traps were placed in the "cooler" about the same time, but the entire party broke out during the night and fled. The next time Edwards is seen in the village he should be arrested for jail breaking and placed where he will not bother the people of Plymouth again right away.

At a recent meeting of the Universalist society a call was extended to Rev. J. W. Slaughter, of Galesburg, Ill. Mr. Slaughter is a young man of ability and well educated. He has preached here on two or three occasions and has left a very favorable impression with his congregation. The MAIL extends a welcome to Mr. Slaughter in his new field of labor.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.

Service 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school 11:45 A. M. Testimonial meeting, Wednesday, 7:30 P. M. Safford Hall. All are most cordially invited. Subject for next Sunday will be: Morning, "Reality," evening, "The children of Israel Depart from the True God to Serve Idols."

Miss Aletha Hill is working in Fenton. The woods was full of politicians Thursday.

About 7,000 people visited the fair on Thursday.

Miss Nettie Hart, of Detroit, was home Thursday.

Over 100 couples attended the fair dance at Penniman hall Thursday.

Nearly everyone doing business on the fair ground report a good business.

R. C. Safford is putting a tar roof on his brick store occupied by E. L. Riggs.

Irwin, the crack pitcher, didn't show up to very good advantage on Thursday.

A rush of job work caused a few hours delay in this week's issue of the paper.

"Nate" West and wife, of Detroit, visited relatives and friends here this week.

Mrs. Libbie Askins, of Rochester, N. Y., visited Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Baker this week.

An hours rain Thursday afternoon spoiled the track and the races were postponed until Friday.

Fred Moore is away on a two week's vacation. Plato Hough is filling his position at the depot.

Burt Pelham and wife, of Iron Mountain, Mich., are spending the week with Mr. Pelham's parents.

At a meeting of the school board held last Saturday evening, E. W. Chaffee was elected moderator, C. A. Frisbee, director, and L. C. Hough, treasurer.

Mrs. Fred Dunn and daughter, Maude, returned Friday from an extended visit in Bid Axe. Miss Anna Joyce returned with them for a short visit.

Council Proceedings. Sept. 12, 1898.

At an adjourned meeting of the common council of the village of Plymouth, Mich., held on the above date, present President Starkweather, Trustees Lapham, Polley, Brems, Bennett, Vrooman.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

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

A. H. Willmuth, surveying	\$12 00
Mrs. Frank, leading tramp	75
Carl Heide, watching fire	2 00
Ed Gayde	2 00
M. R. Weeks labor	2 00
C. A. Frisbee, lumber	63 00
Shafer Bros., supplies	1 85
Dewey Holloway, labor	5 00
Schofield, Shurmer & T. bill	3 15
Luther Lyon, labor	8 00
O. H. Polley, repairs	1 05
Plymouth Mail, printing	1 75
Wm. Mott, lamp-lighting	13 00
H. J. Baker, salary	25 00
J. E. Knapp, lamp-lighting	6 50
G. A. Starkweather, pd C. A. Kent	10 00
E. D. Brown, labor	70
H. C. Bennett, com. expenses	2 00
A. O. Lyon, labor	1 50

Motion by Trustee Brems supported by Trustee Vrooman that the bills be referred to committee on claims and accounts. Carried.

The committee reported favorably on all bills except those of M. R. Weeks for \$2.00, Dewey Holloway \$2.00, Ed. Gayde \$2.00, Carl Heide \$2.00 and Luther Lyon \$8.00, which were referred back for correction, Echofield, Shurmer & Teagle \$3.15, which had been previously paid, and A. O. Lyon \$1.50, which was reduced to \$1.25.

Motion by Trustee Lapham supported by Trustee Vrooman that the time for payment of village taxes, before the additional 4 per cent, be extended till the first day of October next. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Bennett supported by Trustee Brems that the bills recommended by the committee on claims and accounts be allowed and orders drawn on the proper funds to pay the same. Carried.

A petition from President Starkweather asking permission to open ditch along the west side of Mill street from the center of Sed. 26 south to gully, was presented.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Lapham that the request of President Starkweather be granted. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Brems supported by Trustee Vrooman that Carl Heide be permitted to move an ice house, located on the Miller & Adams property, northerly through the village providing he does not occupy the streets more than five days continuously. Carried.

The street committee reported on the question of lamp lighters' salary and recommended that the salary of each be raised one dollar per month beginning Sept. 1st.

The street committee reported on the petition to change route of electric road from Mill street to Oak street and recommended that the route be not changed; On the petition to have the electric road laid in the center of Main street according to the original survey, the street committee reported that the street had been surveyed and referred the petition back to the council.

A petition signed by Nett Brown, Geo. Vandekar and others requesting the council to amend the franchise of the Detroit, Plymouth and Northville Railway so that the track and cars of said electric road will continue up Ann Arbor street along the south side of the park to the intersection with Main street, thence along Main street to Mill street as already proposed, was presented.

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

A communication from Wells, Angell, Eoynton and McMillan, enclosing a claim of the Detroit Lumber & Foundry Co. against the village of Plymouth for \$1,233.66, was presented.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Bennett that the claim be laid on the table. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Brems supported by Trustee Vrooman that the president be empowered to employ, as many special police for fair week as he may consider necessary. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Lapham that the street committee be empowered to have cement

walk built in front of and leading to the village hall. Carried.

Council then adjourned.

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—Huston & Co. are closing out oil and gasoline stores at a great reduction.

—FOR SALE OR RENT—House and lot on Mill street, Plymouth. Inquire of Mrs. John Bradner. 11

ETYMOLOGY OF WAR.

War—This word first appears in the Anglo-Saxon Chronicle of the year 1119. It is probably derived from the ancient German "werra," which means wrangle or quarrel. The Spaniards also accepted the German word "werra" and made "guerra" out of it. So did the French, who call it "guerra."

General—This is derived from the Latin "generalis," meaning "all sorts," comprising or pertaining to the whole. The general stands at the head of everything and everybody. The Germans called their army leaders, up to the seventeenth century, "Herzog"—one who leads the "Heer," "Heer" meaning army. The ideal is taken from the Latin, "dux," to which the English "Duke" and the French "Duc" correspond. The French first adopted the word general, which term has always prevailed in Italy.

Colonel—This word is derived from the Italian "colonnello," the chief commander of a "colonna," or column of troops.

Major—This is the comparative of the Latin word "magnus," meaning great, big. The German word "Major" or "overseer," land steward, has the same origin.

Captain—Derived from the Latin "caput," that means head, the head or chief of a company. The Spaniards use the word "capitan."

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The next issue of The College News, a pamphlet issued by the Sioux City Business College, Sioux City, Iowa, will contain a large number of testimonials from students and graduates of the S. C. B. C. Send for a free copy. 78

MEMORIAL TO A GREAT LIFE.

The best witness to the influence of Gladstone is the passage of the Irish local government bill by the British parliament without so much as a passage of arms in debate. This measure does not create a new parliament in Dublin, but it transfers power over all local affairs in town and county from the landowners to the tenants. It is not Gladstonian home rule, but it is a close approach to it.

This important measure has not excited opposition from any quarter of the house. Conservatives, Liberals, Radicals, Nationalists and north-of-Ireland Protestants have welcomed it and helped it along. No speeches have been made against it in the commons. The business of the house has not been blocked by obstructionists. Good nature has prevailed whenever this question has been discussed. There has been an era of good feeling, after many years of political warfare.

The explanation of this remarkable cessation from bitterness and excitement is found in the influence exercised by the great statesman, whose grave is in Westminster Abbey. He failed in his final work of establishing a home rule parliament, but he succeeded in reconciling England and Ireland. The Unionists, who had defeated home rule, were compelled to justify their course by producing the largest measure of local self-government, and by enabling the Irish tenants to rule the islands.

The Irish factions, which had quarreled over every other important reform measure for the island for a generation, laid aside their arms and accepted this scheme of local government as a treaty of peace. There was good feeling because opposition to this measure had been disarmed by a great statesman's sacrifices, generosity and labors.

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MICHIGAN NEWS SUMMARY.

Doings of the Week Recorded in a Brief Style.

CONCISE AND INTERESTING.

Michigan Troops to be Mustered Out at Home—Secretary Alger's Home Coming—The 35th Ordered to Camp Meade.

Death of Judge Cooley.

Judge Thomas M. Cooley died at his home in Ann Arbor. About three months ago he returned from a private sanitarium at Flint, and was so much improved in mental health that he was able to recognize acquaintances and friends, but he realized his weak physical condition and his failing mental abilities, and often expressed a wish that death would come. Several weeks ago he relapsed into a comatose condition. During all this interval he only roused once and asked, "Where is Charley?" referring to his eldest son. Judge Cooley's failing mental vigor dates back from the time he was connected with the interstate commerce commission. It is said that every day he was doing as much work as three strong men. The strain was too much and vigorous attacks came upon him. He was compelled by ill-health to resign from the commission. Finally the attacks culminated in senile paresis, and a little over a year ago he was taken to the sanitarium in Flint. With Judge Cooley's death the country has probably lost its ablest expounder of international law—a man whose opinions on that subject have taken on in the minds of students something of the nature of law itself. As judge, writer and teacher he was almost equally famous.

Disband at Home.

"The department has finally decided," said Adj. Gen. Corbin, to a correspondent, "that the Michigan regiments now on furlough will not be compelled to return either to Detroit or Island Lake to be mustered out. While we have not yet worked out the details of the plan for disbanding these regiments, we appreciate the hardship it will be to the men to travel such distances, as are involved in the trip to the upper peninsula and back at their own expense, and arrangements are being perfected to muster out the Michigan men by battalions, if possible, and by companies if it seems necessary to sub-divide the commands to that extent to save the men from unnecessary travel. As soon as final arrangements have been perfected for mustering out troops, colonels of the regiments will communicate the final rendezvous to the captains who have been instructed to take the post-office address of each man on furlough, and who will notify them where they are to be assembled for final mustering out."

Secretary Alger's Home Coming.

A patriotic and appreciative populace appeared in the downtown streets and at the new Detroit Light Guard armory at Detroit to welcome home Michigan's war secretary, Gen. Russell A. Alger. In response to Gov. Pinckney's proclamation citizens from many parts of the state, without regard to politics, religion, or social distinction, were present to participate in the reception to the Michigan man who directed the national war department when a large army was raised, equipped and sent to war in a few weeks.

Crop Bulletin.

The weekly weather crop bulletin says the farmers are ready to begin wheat seeding, but in most sections are compelled to wait for rain. Reports concerning fruits are encouraging. Corn has matured too rapidly for good results. Generally late potatoes will yield a fair crop.

Ottawa County Tragedy.

Jesse Badgerow of Georgetown, an Ottawa county farmer, stabbed his wife and then her sister, a girl of 17, and completed the tragedy by driving the fatal knife into his own breast. Badgerow and his wife had not lived happily. Badgerow was ill-tempered and jealous.

The Nineteenth to Porto Rico.

The 19th regular infantry, which was formerly stationed at Fort Wayne, and which it was hoped might ultimately be reassigned to that post as a full regiment, has been detailed as a part of the permanent garrison on the island of Porto Rico.

Murder and Suicide.

Insane from jealousy and maddened by liquor, after a three days' spree, Ezekiel Lascotte, of Wyandotte, shot and instantly killed his wife, and then turning the still smoking revolver upon himself, sent a bullet through his own brain.

The Thirty-fifth to Camp Meade.

The 35th regiment Michigan volunteer infantry at Camp Eaton received orders from the war department to leave for Camp Meade, near Middletown, Pa., as soon as practicable.

Martin Messner, private, Co. D, 34th Michigan, died at the Calumet & Hecla hospital, Calumet.

In the last two weeks 38 cars of peaches have been shipped from Sarnac station to the states of New York and Rhode Island.

Two out of three soldiers who went to Cuba from Dimondale, have arrived home. Westley Andrews and Melville Cole. Their story of how they buried their comrade, John Franklin (the first Michigan man killed), is touching. The Women's Relief corps gave them a reception.

STATE GOSSIP.

Free textbooks were defeated at Inlay City.

Free textbooks were overwhelmingly defeated at Monroe.

A large grain elevator is to be built at Allegan immediately.

A fruit evaporating plant has been added to Hudson's list of industries.

The grape crop in Monroe county promises to be above the average this fall.

Apples are being brought into Bear Lake. Buyers are paying 75 cents per barrel.

The Flint River Valley Agricultural society holds its annual fair at Burt, Sept. 20-22.

The Saginaw Leader has absorbed the Globe, and now appears as the Globe-Leader.

Sherman L. Culbertson, Co. K, 33d Michigan volunteers, died at his home near Centreville.

Tecumseh has a social organization which bears the peculiar name of "The Dignified Dozen."

The immense plant of the North American Chemical Co., at Bay City, is ready for operation.

The Republican convention for the eighth senatorial district will be held at Fenway on Sept. 19.

A heavy windstorm blew down La Pearl's circus tent at Grayling, seriously injuring three women.

Dr. W. H. Jarvin has been appointed to a position on the board of examining surgeons at Howell.

The school for the blind at Lansing opened with 82 pupils present; 30 more are expected to be enrolled.

Sept. 27, 28 and 29 are the dates for the nineteenth annual fair of the Capac Agricultural society.

Nathaniel Beall, known to everyone in Cass and Berrien counties as "Than" Beall, is dead at Niles, aged 54.

Irving Bliss, of Lansing, a musician in the 33d regiment band, is missing and cannot be located by his relatives.

A reunion will be held at G. A. R. hall, Lansing, on Sept. 20, of Cos. E and D of the old 14th Michigan infantry.

Grand Rapids banks are suffering from a small change famine. Much is used at this season in handling the fruit crop.

The Adventist Christian conference of Michigan will hold its annual session at Sylvester, Mecosta county, on Sept. 22, 23 and 24.

A big crusade is on against saloonkeepers at Marquette, backed by Ijshov G. Mott Williams, of the episcopal church.

Louis Eicher, 23 years old, of Co. F, 34th Michigan, Houghton, died of typhoid fever at the Presbyterian hospital, in New York.

A threshing machine engine blew up, five miles west of Standish, killing Charles Pacholke and completely destroying the engine.

The contract made with the Warren-Scharf Asphalt Paving Co. has been confirmed by the Owosso council; \$35,000 will be expended.

Col. Peterman, of the 34th Michigan volunteers, is still confined to his bed at Calumet, but as yet he is not considered dangerously ill.

An order was issued raising the following postoffices in Michigan from fourth to third class: Grand Marais, Milan, Sarnac and Sparta.

The Masonic fraternity has been invited to lay the cornerstone of the county court house now in course of construction at Cheboygan.

The people of Elsie claim that their village does more shipping of farm products, for its size, than any other town on the Ann Arbor Railway.

Corporal Angus W. Kerr has arrived at Calumet with 16 members of Co. D, 34th Michigan. All were well. Eight men were left behind in hospitals.

A Chicago capitalist has purchased a site at St. Joseph and will build a fine summer hotel there which will cost \$30,000 and will be completed next June.

Up in Tuscola county the past week or two they were thrashing by moonlight as well as daylight, in order to get the work done before rain came to delay it.

The lumber trade is picking up at Saginaw. Dealers report that during August trade was the best of any month at this time of year since the panic of '93.

Twenty-one prosecutions were made at Lansing for violation of the fish and game laws during August. The fines and costs assessed against the violators amounted to \$154.

A thrashing machine engine blew up at Johnsfield, fatally injuring Mr. Winsdale, a man about 60 years of age. Both his legs were blown off, and his recovery is doubtful.

The Flint common council refused to grant permission to the Woman's Relief corps to care for sick soldiers and appointed a commission of themselves to look after the boys.

Rev. W. E. Wright, of Big Rapids, chaplain of the 34th Michigan, reached home, somewhat knocked out. He has had malaria and yellow fever and survived both attacks.

There was a case of highway robbery in broad daylight near Anderson, Livingston Co., the other day, a young man being stopped by two strangers and robbed of what money he had in his pockets and then allowed to proceed.

Reports to the state board of health show that diarrhoea, rheumatism, neuralgia, bronchitis and dysentery, in the order named, caused the most sickness in Michigan, during the past week. Consumption was reported at 190 places; typhoid fever at 62; diphtheria at 17; scarlet fever at 17; whooping cough at 13 and measles at 13.

The Alden Wave says there is a great deal of counterfeit coin circulating in that section at present. The coin is very well made, and difficult to distinguish from the real thing.

The Detroit & Mackinac railroad has begun the running of regular trains from Onaway to Alpena. It is doubtful if the road will be extended this fall from Onaway to Cheboygan.

The soldiers of Co. M, 34th Michigan, are now receiving the \$7 per month extra pay which Hon. Perry Hannah, of their home city, Traverse City, promised them when they enlisted.

Lieut. Brown and Band Leader Frank Herick, of the 33d Michigan, are going to Santiago to bring to Port Huron in a metallic coffin the body of George Phillips, of the 33d Michigan.

Never were such quantities of fruit seen at St. Joseph as at present. The big steamship lines have been compelled to leave fruit on the docks because they hadn't room for it on board.

The people of Caseville are going to do themselves proud in entertaining the veterans of the First Michigan cavalry on the occasion of their annual reunion in the village September 21.

The funeral of Wm. Ross, Co. C, 33d Michigan, who died at Montauk took place at Port Huron. Before the burial the remains lay in state at the auditorium, and were viewed by thousands.

Daniel D. Sinclair, aged 93, died at Adrian. He was the father of Mrs. T. S. Applegate, of the Adrian Times. Mr. Sinclair was the oldest Oddfellow in Michigan and one of the oldest Masons.

The following Michigan postmasters were appointed: Cumber, Sanilac county, T. M. Bradshaw, vice M. F. Jordan, resigned; Ellsworth, Antrim county, E. R. Harris, vice G. F. Fricnk, resigned.

The Best Manufacturing Co., of Kokomo, Ind., manufacturers of skewers and kindred articles of wood, have decided to locate at Saginaw. They will be running by Oct. 10 and will employ 75 men.

Belleuve lodge of Oddfellows entertained 300 visiting brothers from Battle Creek, Charlotte and Marshall. Degrees were conferred on 19 candidates, followed by a banquet given by Rebekah lodge.

Ten years ago there was but one telephone company in Michigan; now there are 31. They are all kicking on what they term an excessive rate of taxation, and will ask the legislature to furnish them relief.

W. E. Boyden, a Washtenaw county farmer, has a strawstack that is certainly a "corker." It is 137 feet long, 37 feet wide and 30 feet high. The straw came from 4,000 bushels of grain which he raised this year.

Fifty members of Co. C, 33d Michigan, and the 33d band escorted the remains of Private Burt Becker, of Saginaw, to the grave. The remains of Edward Secord, of the same company, will be buried at Forest, Ont.

Carsonville now furnishes a market for all kinds of apples. An evaporating factory is nearly completed that will use from 150 to 200 bushels daily, while from that point many bushels are shipped by every train to other points.

Pontiac is having a boom. Several new factories are being built in the city, and there are not enough vacant houses in the city to accommodate the families of the workmen who will be needed in the new factories for this season's business.

Guy E. Poole, of Co. C, 33d Michigan, whose home is in Bay City, has been located in a hospital at Siboney, where he is critically ill. Carl Mueller, of the same company, after a seizure of yellow fever, was sent to Swinburne island, and has not been heard of since July 22.

In looking over old records at Lansing, Gen. William Humphrey found that the Second Michigan infantry went into the fight at Petersburg, Va., June 17, 1864, with about 400 men. They came out with 187 killed, wounded or missing, or nearly 50 per cent of the regiment.

New Michigan postmasters: Ada, Kent county, George Crow, vice E. H. Bradfield, resigned; Dorr, Allegan county, J. C. Neuman, vice Frank Bommer, removed; Fenwick, Montcalm county, H. D. Loree, vice C. J. Thompson, removed; Rodney, Mecosta county, Asa Carr, vice C. A. Richner, resigned.

The creamery at Wayland has closed down, and for a peculiar cause. The farmers who furnished milk for it fed their cows cucumbers, and the resultant taste in the milk rendered the cheese unmarketable. The farmers refused to change their animals' diet, and consequently the cheese factory went out of business.

The Michigan Young People's alliance of the evangelical church have elected officers as follows: President, Rev. J. G. Kinn, Flint; vice-president, Rev. Geo. Koehler, Ionia; recording secretary, Miss Lizzie Kohl, Flint; corresponding secretary, Rev. J. E. Niergorth, St. Joseph; treasurer, Miss Mary E. Brown, Howell. It was decided that in the future the convention shall be continued over one Sunday giving more attention to the evangelical department.

Some people in the lower part of Michigan have an idea that the northern portion of this peninsula is a waste of sand barrens and pine stumps. The fact that Leyiston, in Montmorency county, is shipping a carload of wheat a week, all raised in the immediate vicinity, doesn't quite bear out that idea, however. While in Sherman township, Iosco county, one farmer reports a yield of wheat of 89 bushels from one and a quarter bushels of seed sown on one acre of ground.

Chas. Elliott, of Adrian, had both legs cut off at the Air Line junction as the result of jumping from a train.

TICKINGS OF THE TELEGRAPH

News of the Day as Told Over the Slender Wires.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS

The Austrian Empress Stabbed by an Italian Anarchist at Geneva, Switzerland—Murderer Glorifies Over His Crime—The Cretan Outbreak.

Austria's Empress Slain.

The empress of Austria was assassinated at the Hotel Beaurivage, at Geneva, Switzerland, by an anarchist named Luigini, a man born in Paris of Italian parents. He was arrested. He stabbed her majesty with a sharp three cornered file.

It appears that her majesty was walking from her hotel to the landing place of the steamer at about 1 o'clock when an Italian anarchist suddenly approached and stabbed her to the heart. The empress fell, got up again and was carried to the steamer unconscious. The boat started, but seeing the empress had not recovered consciousness the captain returned and the empress was carried to the Hotel Beaurivage, where she expired. The empress had been stopping at the Hotel Beaurivage for several days. It was at first thought that the wound was not serious, but she died in a few minutes.

The assassin, while being interrogated by the magistrate, said he came to Geneva with the intention of killing the Duc d'Orleans, but the latter had already left. From the papers he learned of the presence of the Austrian empress. He dogged her footsteps until he found an opportunity to carry out his purpose. He admitted he knew the crime was useless, but said he committed it for the "sake of example."

Miles Says They Are True.

The U. S. transport Ubbdam, having on board Maj.-Gen. Nelson A. Miles and staff from Porto Rico, arrived at New York. Mrs. Miles, son and daughter, were also on board the transport, which sailed from Ponce Sept. 1. Gen. Miles admitted to the Associated Press reporter, who interviewed him while lying off Liberty island, the substantial accuracy of the statements attributed to him by the Kansas City Star's correspondent at Ponce, Porto Rico.

Lots of Copper.

P. B. Wear, a member of the North American Trading & Transportation Co., of Chicago, who returned from the Klondike, said that copper has been discovered on the American side of the gold territory and the veins that have been uncovered are so rich that experienced miners express the belief that copper will make Alaska as famous as gold has done before many years have gone by.

The Cretan Outbreak.

About 600 men, women and children were either burned alive or massacred in the outbreak at Candia, island of Crete. The Turkish troops are patrolling and blocking up the streets. The Mussulmans are ransacking the ruins of the burned quarters of the town where the devastation is complete. Blood is visible everywhere.

Queen Wilhelmina.

The enthronement of the young Queen Wilhelmina, of Holland, took place at Amsterdam amid scenes of royal grandeur at the Neukirk, an edifice that in spite of its name is 400 years old. After the ceremony the young queen appeared on foot among her people and was received with the greatest enthusiasm and joy.

Affairs in the Island of Crete.

The foreign admirals have sent an identical telegram to their respective governments requesting the immediate expulsion from Crete of the 15,000 Bashi-Bazouks in the island, the recall of Turkish troops and authorities and the appointment of a governor-general as desired by the Cretans.

Col. Sexton Will Serve.

Col. James A. Sexton, the new commander-in-chief of the G. A. R., has been asked by President McKinley to assist in the proposed investigation of the war department, and will accept the President's appointment.

Gen. Wheeler's Son Drowned.

Naval Cadet Thomas H. Wheeler, the son of Maj.-Gen. Joseph Wheeler, and Second Lieut. Newton D. Kirkpatrick, were drowned at Montauk Point, Camp Wikoff. The bodies were recovered.

Swept by a Typhoon.

The central provinces of Japan have been swept by a typhoon which has caused heavy floods, doing immense damage and destroying a hundred lives.

Three robbers attempted to extort money from J. S. Bidwell, New Hamburg, Pa., by applying a lighted lamp to his feet. He may die.

Admiral Cervera, accompanied by his son, Angel Cervera, and his aide, Lieut. Gomez, left for Portsmouth, N. H., to arrange for returning to Spain the Spanish prisoners there.

Finding W. H. Hartman, a prominent and wealthy citizen, and Mrs. Lubrick in a compromising position at Warrensburg, Mo., Adolph Lubrick shot and killed Hartman. The woman escaped injury. Lubrick is under arrest.

Secretary Alger has requested the President to order an investigation of the war department. Adj. Gen. Corbin joins the secretary in making this request. The President has the matter under consideration, but has not determined whether he will grant it or not.

The steamer Portland arrived at San Francisco from St. Michael with about \$1,500,000 worth of gold dust and nuggets, brought six boxes of the precious metal belonging to the Canadian Bank of Commerce and three boxes for the Alaska Commercial Co., each box weighing over 250 pounds.

They Will Resign.

It is asserted that if the French cabinet insists upon a revision of the Dreyfus case, Gen. Zurlinden, minister of war, and M. Lockroy, minister of marine, will resign.

Six cases of yellow fever have developed in Col. Sargent's Fifth immune regiment at Santiago. The victims have been sent to the yellow fever hospital and a strict quarantine has been established against the regiment. No case has been felt by Gen. Lawton or Gen. Wood.

VETERANS IN BLUE.

Annual Encampment of the G. A. R. at Cincinnati.

The business of the thirty-second annual encampment of the Grand Army and its auxiliaries began after three days of preliminary demonstrations at Cincinnati.

While heated contests were going on inside of the guarded doors of the encampment, all the demonstrations on the outside in the city were in accord with the peace jubilee. The parade of the civic and industrial organizations in the afternoon with all the illustrations of peace and prosperity and happiness that could be produced was the most magnificent pageant ever witnessed in Cincinnati. It is estimated that there were 40,000 in line and over 500,000 spectators along the line.

The encampment convened at 2:30 o'clock. The first business in order was a lengthy report from the committee on pensions. The report dealt extensively in an effort to refute the charge that the pension roll was a roll of dishonor. It cited the fact that expensive investigations had been undertaken by the department of different states, and after a close inquiry there had been not a single case of fraud discovered which could be traced to a member of the Grand Army of the Republic.

The committee gave figures showing that the death rate was rapidly increasing among pensioners. The number dying each year now exceeds 40,000. It is estimated that the increase in the number of deaths each year will be such that in 1920 the number of pensioners be reduced to a little over 250,000 and that in 1940 the list will be obliterated.

An interruption of regular business was the presentation to ex-Commander-in-Chief Clarkson, of Nebraska, of a magnificent silver set in an oak case. The ex-commander, with deep feeling, made a response expressing his thanks for the high honor shown him.

A motion was made immediately afterward to go into the election of commander-in-chief.

The name of Albert Shaw, of Watertown, N. Y., was presented by a delegate of that state. Gen. John C. Black, of Illinois, placed in nomination James A. Sexton, of Chicago. Commander Hugh, of Ohio, announced that Isaac F. Mack, of Ohio, has directed him to say that he declined to have his name presented as a candidate, because the senior vice-commander was to be chosen from the city where the encampment is held according to the usual custom. A delegate from Kansas explained that the name of Thomas J. Anderson, of Topeka, which had been mentioned as a candidate, would not be presented.

The roll of states was then called and the vote was announced showing the election of James A. Sexton, who received 434 votes, while Albert D. Shaw received 241. Comrade Shaw in a well-worded speech moved the unanimous election of Sexton, and the motion was carried. Sexton being called, returned his thanks in very brief form. Philadelphia was chosen for the next encampment.

Grand Army Parade.

The great annual parade of the Grand Army eclipsed all other events, with a bright blue sky and everything in its favor it surpassed all expectations. The procession moved in the following order:

Grand Marshal Gen. A. Hickenlooper and staff; Old Glory; color guard—Cavalry club; Commander-in-Chief Gen. J. P. S. Gohn and staff; first division, department of Illinois; second division, departments of Wisconsin and Pennsylvania; third division, departments of New York and Connecticut; fourth division, departments of Massachusetts, New Jersey, Maine, Nevada, California, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Hampshire, Potomac, Virginia, Maryland and Nebraska; fifth division, departments of Michigan and Iowa; sixth division, department of Indiana; seventh division, departments of Colorado, Wyoming, Kansas, Delaware, Minnesota, Missouri and Oregon; eighth division, departments of Kentucky, West Virginia, South Dakota, Alaska, Washington, Arkansas, New Mexico and Utah; ninth division, departments of Tennessee, Louisiana, Mississippi, Florida, Montana, Texas, Idaho, Arizona, Georgia, Alabama, North Dakota, Oklahoma and Indian Territory.

All along the line of march there were casks of ice water and lemonade for the marchers.

There were numerous meetings previous to the parade, but none that attracted more attention than the meeting of "the blue and the gray" at the Chamber of Commerce. This meeting had been arranged by resident federal veterans, with a view of bringing about the most cordial handshaking over the blood chasm, and it was eminently successful.

Ransom of Prisoners.

The Spanish cabinet has authorized the foreign minister, Duke Almodovar de Rio, to negotiate with the Philippine insurgents to ransom the 5,000 Spanish prisoners now in their hands, and it has been decided to transmit money to Manila for that purpose and for the relief of Spanish troops which are urgently in need of funds.

U. S. Won't Permit It.

The Spanish government has requested of this government the privilege of sending a few small gunboats to certain of the Philippine islands where the insurgents are particularly active, with a view to maintaining Spanish sovereignty there. It is understood that the request will not be granted.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

New York	Cattle	Sheep	Lambs	Hogs
Best grades	8.15-8.20	8.75	8.50	8.40
Lower grades	7.90-8.10	8.10	8.00	8.10

CHICAGO.

Best grades	5.15-5.75	4.30	5.01	4.05
Lower grades	4.6-4.81	3.75	3.85	3.65

DETROIT.

Best grades	4.00-4.51	5.50	4.50	3.25
Lower grades	3.00-3.40	5.00	4.50	2.75

BUFFALO.

Best grades	6.25-6.50	4.75	6.00	4.00
Lower grades	5.25-5.75	3.25	4.51	3.91

CLEVELAND.

Best grades	3.35-4.20	4.00	5.25	4.00
Lower grades	3.00-3.75	3.01	4.00	3.50

CINCINNATI.

Best grades	4.50-5.25	4.80	5.75	3.95
Lower grades	3.00-3.20	3.00	4.25	3.70

PITTSBURGH.

Best grades	5.00-5.41	4.75	5.75	4.20
Lower grades	3.50-3.90	3.25	4.25	4.00

GRAIN, ETC.

Wheat	Corn	Oats	
No. 1 Red No. 2 mix No. 2 white			
New York	71-71 1/2	30 1/2-37	27 1/2-37 1/2
Chicago	62-61	2 1/2-3 1/2	21 1/2-22 1/2
Detroit	61-61	2 1/2-3 1/2	21 1/2-22 1/2
Toledo	61-66	31-31 1/2	22-23
Cincinnati	61-66	31-31 1/2	22-23
Cleveland	61-66 1/2	31-31 1/2	22-23
Pittsburg	62-62	33-33 1/2	24 1/2-25 1/2
Buffalo	67-67	32-32 1/2	23-23 1/2

*Detroit—Hay, No. 1 timothy, 65.00 per ton Potatoes, new Michigan, 4 1/2 per bu. Live Poultry, spring chickens, 4 1/2 per lb; fowl, 3 1/2; turkeys, 5; ducks, 4 1/2. Eggs, strictly fresh, 11 1/2 per doz. Butter, best dairy, 18c per lb; creamery, 21c.

Edgar Suro, representing the family, has begun suit at San Francisco to set aside the late Adolf Suro's will, made in 1882, claiming deceased was mentally unsound when the will was made, and neither wrote nor signed the document purporting to be his will.

Admiral Dewey denies the report that Spanish prisoners taken by Philippine insurgents were subjected to cruel treatment. He says the report originated from the fact that the insurgents were unable to supply the sick with physicians and medical

Shell Wilden.

A ROMANCE

CHAPTER VIII.—(Continued.)

Shell flushes crimson; the one wish of her girlhood has been to possess a volume of Tennyson all her own. Yet now that she stands with the treasure in her hand, a strange perversity makes her feel more than half inclined to thrust it back upon the donor.

"It is very kind of you, Bob and Meg," she says, in a tone of angry impatience; "but I cannot think of accepting your present. Take it home and keep it until you are grown up—then you will be able to understand it."

"Don't you like it, then?" queries Bob, looking anxious and distressed. "Pa thought you would rather have a book; but I'll tell him to send you a watch instead."

This threatened alternative sounds so very alarming that Shell hastens to explain to the children her detestation of watches in general and her unbounded admiration of poets.

"What are you making such a chatter and fuss about, Shell?" interposes Ruby, crossing to her sister's side and taking up the volume in dispute. "Oh, only a copy of Tennyson!" with a contemptuous curl of her lip at the plain though handsome binding. "I wonder what induced Robert Champley to send you that? You have not been devoting yourself to his children."

"No, I should hope not," answers Shell, with emphasis. "Neither do I want any present—I shall return it."

"Return it? What conceited nonsense!" scoffs Ruby. "I suppose he thought some slight acknowledgment was due to you for playing with the children occasionally. If you want to make yourself absurd and conspicuous, of course you will return it."

On the next morning the Champley household take their departure for the moor. Ruby chances to be near the deserted lodge of the Wilderness when the wagonette—containing the two brothers, the children and the nurse—drives by.

She makes a dainty picture, standing in the shade of the chestnut tree in her pale-blue morning dress, and waving her handkerchief in token of adieu. The gentlemen raise their hats and smile, the children shout, and the nurse gives a defiant snort, and the next moment they are out of sight. "Two months of freedom!" thinks Robert Champley to himself. "On my return home I must make other arrangements."

CHAPTER IX.

"Mamma, there is a most enticing cottage to be let at Oakford," cries Ruby, glancing up excitedly from the paper in her hand. "Listen! Oakford. To be let, furnished, charming cottage residence—five rooms, large garden, every convenience, rent moderate, air bracing, close to moor."

"Yes, my dear," responds Mrs. Wilden in mild surprise. "Well, what about it? Do you know of any one waiting a cottage?"

"I thought it might suit us," replies Ruby, a little crestfallen. "It certainly might if we wanted to go there," asserts Mrs. Wilden with a good-tempered laugh; "but, as you know, Ruby, I have a great dislike to leaving home."

"But, mamma, I think you require change of air," persists Ruby with unwonted affection. "You have been suffering so frightfully from neuralgia all spring. I am sure your nerves want bracing. Why not take this cottage for a month or so? Change is good for everybody."

Mrs. Wilden shakes her head, but not after a very determined fashion. "What do you say, Vi?" she asks, turning to her niece.

"Well, I really don't think I care two straws either way," answers Miss Flower lazily. "If somebody will pick my things I am willing to go, but I couldn't undertake to pack them myself."

"Now that just shows how much you need change," cries Ruby eagerly. "Your whole system wants stirring up—before we had been a week on the moor you would be as brisk as a bee."

"Should I?" says Violet, with a dubious laugh. "I very much doubt it; but I am willing to try the experiment."

Truth to tell, if Violet Flower consulted her own feelings, she would rather remain in her present comfortable quarters; but Ruby having confided to her a scheme for visiting the moor if possible, she has promised not to oppose the plan.

There is a fair amount of resistance on Mrs. Wilden's part, but her energetic daughter overrules each and every obstacle as it is presented to her. Her eloquence is so great in advocating a change that one would wonder, to hear her talk, how they have managed to exist so many summers through at the Wilderness without acquiring all the maladies to which flesh is heir.

Shell is not present when the discussion takes place, but her indignation when the plan is unfolded to her is unbounded. "You don't mean to say, Ruby, that you are actually thinking of following the Champleys to the moor?" she says,

in a voice of such infinite scorn that Ruby flushes unasily.

"What nonsense you talk, Shell!" she returns angrily. "You seem to have the Champleys on the brain. We are going to the moor because mamma is in need of bracing air. Is there anything so very extraordinary in that?"

"There is something extraordinary in your having selected the same village," answers Shell decidedly. "If mamma wants bracing air why not take her to the North of Devon?"

"Because rooms there would be frightfully expensive; whereas the cottage on the moor is a mere trifle," responds Ruby loftily.

This argument is unanswerable, for no one knows better than Shell that their income is not equal to any great additional strain. Feeling that any resistance she can offer will be futile, Shell shrugs her shoulders and leaves the room. Nothing remains to her now but to strike out a separate line of action for herself. She is fully determined about one thing—wild horses shall not drag her to Oakford.

When everything is fully arranged and packing is at its height, Shell starts the household.

"It will be very awkward having only three bed-rooms," Vi remarks in a grumbling tone, for the more she contemplates six weeks spent away from civilization the less she likes the prospect. "Of course the servants must have one; and then we must all cram into the two others."

"Not at all, dear," Ruby hastens to explain. "Mamma and Shell can have the big room, and you and I a little one each; as for Mary, she can do quite well with a chair-bedstead in the kitchen."

"How delightful for Mary!" laughs Shell. "It is to be hoped she has a strong liking for cockroaches and crickets."

"Now, please, Shell, don't go setting Mary against the arrangement," says Ruby imploringly. "Mamma, do ask her not?"

"Don't be alarmed," answers Shell, with a curious little laugh. "I have not the slightest intention of interfering with any of the arrangements at the cottage. They don't concern me in the least, since I shan't be there."

"Not be there—what do you mean? Of course you will be there!" declares Ruby, looking very much astonished.

"Not unless mamma insists upon it; and I am sure she won't," laughs Shell. "As you know, I have been set against the idea from the commencement, so I mean to remain here—monarch of all I survey—and have a right down jolly time of it all to myself."

"What rubbish!" cries Ruby impatiently. "Susan is going to be put on board-wages; and she is to give the house a thorough cleaning during our absence."

"Well, I can be put on board-wages too; and I certainly won't prevent Susan from cleaning the house. I shan't be out all day long," responds Shell.

"Mamma, please make her go. It would seem so odd her not going," urges Ruby.

But Mrs. Wilden is too easy-going to oppose actively any of her children. Truth to tell, she rather envies Shell her coming solitude, and even expresses it as her opinion that it is a pity that dreadful cottage was ever taken. This rebellion on her indulgent mother's part is quickly talked down by Ruby, whose constant fear from the beginning has been that her scheme will ultimately fall through.

She knows that her mother would rather stay at home; she is fully aware that Violet is gloating in spirit over what she is pleased to term her "coming exile," so she thinks it wiser on the whole to leave Shell to her own devices, lest enlarging on the theme should stir up revolt in other and more important quarters.

Then there comes a triumphant morning when, backed up by a vast amount of unnecessary luggage, Ruby carries off her three victims—for Mary can truthfully be reckoned in that category—to enjoy the bracing air and scant accommodation of Oakmoor.

Shell, as she stands on the doorstep and waves them a smiling adieu, looks the impersonation of mischievous contentment.

"Be sure to change the library books the moment you get them, and don't delay a single post in sending them off," entreats Violet earnestly.

"And any groceries we can't get there you must send by Parcels Post," adds Ruby.

"How the Oakmoor postman will bless you!" laughs Shell as she nods assent; and then, springing on to the step of the cab, she imprudently bestows hasty kisses on her mother's troubled cheek.

Why does she heave a sigh, notwithstanding the brightness of the morning, as she turns to re-enter the house?

CHAPTER X.

A week has passed. Shell has grown tired of her self-imposed solitude; the big, bare, echoing rooms have become hateful to her. Even the grounds seem changed and unfamiliar. The certainty that there is no chance of interruption to her lonely musings, at

first so delightful, now seems to fill her usually cheerful spirit with a sense of depression. Until robbed of all companionship she never guessed what a sociable creature she was. Happy would she be if even the most inane and common-place caller would come to break the monotony of her endless days! But it is understood in the neighborhood that the family at the Wilderness are away; so from morn till night Shell wanders aimlessly about, with only the gray cat to bear her company.

It is evening. Shell is even more desolate than her wont. Susan has asked permission to go into Mudford to make a few purchases, and already she has been absent over three hours. It is now seven o'clock, and the empty house seems to Shell's excited imagination like a haunted place. She fancies she hears hurrying through the passages. A door slams, and her heart stands still with fear. Shell however is not one to give way to morbid feelings, and, rousing herself from her book, she starts on a tour of inspection through the house, shutting all windows and securely barring all doors on her way; then, with a renewed sense of security, she returns to the drawing-room and determines to while away the time with music.

Shell is one of those sensitive folk who never play so well as when alone—she cannot pour her whole heart into her music when she has listeners. Now, with the house to herself, she soon becomes lost to her surroundings, and the room echoes to such heart-stirring strains as it rarely falls to one's lot to hear.

Suddenly however her music comes to an end, and her heart throbs with terror, for through the empty hall echoes the sonorous thunder of the big iron knocker.

Shell's first impulse is to take no notice—to hide herself or to make her escape by some back window; then her natural good sense returns, and she laughs in a nervous manner at her fears and with fast-beating heart advances into the hall.

"Is that you, Susan?" she asks, but without unfastening the heavy chain. There comes no answer save a vigorous ring at the bell.

"Who is there?" demands Shell, this time in a firmer tone and one more likely to penetrate the thick oak panels.

"A messenger from Mrs. Wilden," answers a voice which is somehow familiar to Shell's ears.

With trembling hands she shoots back the heavy bolts, and, taking down the chain, opens the door. There she stands—pale, big-eyed, and scared-looking, before Robert Champley.

"Oh, what a fright you gave me!" is her first involuntary exclamation.

"A fright! How so? What have I done?" queries her visitor, looking much surprised.

"Oh, nothing!" answers Shell, whilst the ghost of a smile flickers round her still colorless lips. "It was my own foolishness; but I was not expecting any one excepting Susan, and your knock frightened me. I suppose I must be getting nervous—with a self-deprecating little laugh.

"Nervous? I should think so!" cries Robert wonderingly. He has taken her hand in greeting, and feels it cold and trembling in his warm grasp. "But surely you are not alone in the house?"

"Only for a short time; I am expecting Susan back every minute," explains Shell, who feels heartily ashamed of her late weakness.

Her visitor looks grave. "You ought not to be left alone in a house like this," he says very decidedly. "Why, you are trembling still!"

His words remind Shell that she still has possession of her hand—with a little impatient movement she withdraws it.

(To be Continued.)

INDIANS AS RUNNERS.

Instances of Their Remarkable Powers of Endurance.

General Cook is quoted by Edward S. Ellis as having seen an Apache lope for 1,500 feet up the side of a mountain without showing the first signs of fatigue, there being no perceptible sign of increase of respiration. Captain H. L. Scott, of the Seventh Cavalry, has related some astonishing feats performed by the Chiricahua Apaches forming Troop L of his regiment. He tells how nine of these Indians, after a hard day's work, by way of recreation pursued a coyote for two hours, captured the nimble brute and brought it into camp; how, on another occasion, the scouts gave chase to a deer, ran it down some nine miles from camp and fetched it in alive. Hence I see no good reason for doubting the word of an old-timer I met in the Rocky mountains, who told me that, in the days before the Atlantic and Pacific railroad was built, the Pima Indians of Arizona would recover settlers' stray horses, along the overland trail, by walking them down in the course of two or three days. After this one may begin to believe that "Lying Jim" Beckworth, whose remarkable adventures early in this century are preserved in book form, was a much-maligned man and that he spoke no more than the truth when he said he had known instances of Indian runners accomplishing upward of 110 miles in one day.—Lippincott's Magazine.

HE KNEW THE LEAD.

Wife (with a determined air)—"I want to see that letter." Husband—"What letter?" Wife—"The one you just opened. I know by the handwriting it is from a woman, and you turned pale when you read it. I will see it! Give it to me, sir!" Husband—"Here it is. It's your milliner's bill."

—Tit-Bits.

A BATTERY HORSE.

"I ain't no liar," said the veteran to a circle of comrades at a campfire, "and I'll tell you about a horse we had in our battery. We was ready v'oping at a place which wasn't nothin' but a sandbar, and horses was shipped out there from the North. Many was shipped but few was landed. The Black Prince, she started out with more'n three hundred, and just two beasts lived out the voyage and was landed on the island. Our captain, he froze to one of 'em. A wall-eyed, lop-sided brute he was—the horse, I mean—but the captain saw something about him that looked promising and he undertook to educate him."

"We was drilling hard every day, going thro' the manual of the piece in the sand, and we had a boy for a bugler who was trying to sound the calls—revolve, stable call, boots and saddles and all that. The boy made some progress, but this 'ere horse he learned faster than the boy, and in three days the horse knew that 'stable call' meant he was to be fed, and 'boots and saddles' meant he'd got to go to work in the sand, so what does he do but pull away from his halter and go off up the island whenever he hears the bugle go 'Boots and saddles.'"

"But the Cap, he got on to this trick, and so one day when he intended to mount and give us a drill he told the bugler to sound 'stable-call.' The horse woke up his appetite for a square meal, and you could see how mad he was when instead of a feed he was set to work flying about with the Cap on him."

"I was watching him, and I said to the boy, 'You look out, that horse'll get even with you!' The boy snickered; but in a minute, as the Cap was riding past him and pulled up for a second to swear at a number one man for not handling the sponge-stick right, the horse he let fly with both hind feet and caught the boy right in the jaw! That youngster didn't sound no more calls right or wrong for a month, I can tell you, but the next day I could see the horse was sorry, for now he didn't have no sign of a warning whether it was to be dinner or drill."

"Well, we got over to Louisiana and the battery was all horsed up, six to every gun and caisson, but that horse of the Cap's (for they stuck together) could double discount every other beast in the crowd. He give up his trick of dodging drills, for he'd learned to like 'em, and it was better than a circus to see him and the Cap flying up and down the line when the guns was in battery. They was a pair, I tell you! The Cap with his tongue and the horse with his heels, both ready to let fly at any man or beast that didn't come up to the scratch. Some days we boys would swear they was a pair of devils together and ought to be dismissed the service, but generally we was mighty proud of 'em, and always watching out of the corners of

our eyes to see what they'd be up to next.

"The first fight we was in a shell bust mighty near the Cap, and out of the saddle, he went just by the concussion. He warn't lit, and swore at me to go back to my gun when I ran to pick him up. He was trying to mount, but the horse wouldn't let him, and we could see the beast hold up one fore leg while he sidled and swung about on what was left. And then the Cap quit him and called the guidon-bearer to let him have his horse, which the bearer was darned glad to do and run back and get under a caisson."

"And after the scrimmage was over where do you suppose we found the Cap's horse? Why, at the field hospital, with the brigade surgeon dressing his wound! Walked right back there, so the surgeon said, like a boun'ty jumper, and held up his leg for treatment. But that ain't so remarkable when you think of it, for he'd seen the men go to sick-camp every day, and, of course, he could see the bandages and smell the ether. So there ain't nothing so remarkable about that."

"But what gin him his great reputation was what happened in another battle a little later on. He'd got all right by that time, and he and the Cap was plunging about as usual while he was in battery and the enemy's guns was making it hot for us. We was all doing our part noble, the men working the guns hard as they could and the Cap swearing as hard as he could, when we got a volley of musketry among the gun detachment where I was number three man, and the number four man went down, shot thro' the head. He had just stepped off to pull the lanyard when he fell, and the Cap was sitting on his horse right in rear of the gun, while the rest of us had all jumped clear of the piece as the sergeant called 'Fire!'"

"There was confusion for an instant,

but the horse seen the situation and knew the thing to be done. He sprang like lightning, grabbed the end of the lanyard with his teeth, swung round so as to be out of the recoil and pulled off that gun! It was the shot that saved the day! It killed the commanding officer of the enemy, his adjutant general and three aids—and yet some folks tell you a horse ain't human!"

"Do you suppose he is alive today?" asked one of the hearers.

"I ain't no liar," said the veteran, "and I won't undertake to say whether he is or not."—William Ward Carruth.

GIRLHOOD OF YESTERDAY.

Old-Fashioned Virtues We Might Well Wish Revived.

Arabella is safely shut away in an old daguerreotype, and there is nothing left to her memory but a few dead rose leaves and the fading dreams in the hearts of the old, says the Woman's Home Companion. But we should offer to her memory a tribute of praise for certain "sweet endearing young charms" which are almost lost arts at the threshold of the twentieth century. True, Arabella was a pale, faint star in the brilliant light of the new girl, and yet, looking into that old daguerreotype (in just the right line of vision), one sees some sweet, old-fashioned propensities which have been banished to the cobwebs and dust of age, but which even the proud new girl would do well to adopt. If it is old-fashioned to be modest, then it is a grand, good old fashion, and we need to dig it up out of the past and give it a genuine nineteenth-century "boom."

Old-fashioned gowns, old songs, old plays, are born again after years of burial, and delight new generations. Happy if some old-fashioned virtues long abandoned and forgotten might be resurrected and become the rage! After the cheap jests and shrugs and mannerisms of society a pure, frank, unspiced manner is like sunshine on the waters of a brook after the yellow glare of gaslight. Arabella was wont to sit in a state of sweet receptivity and absorb the eloquence of man, which, though perhaps lugubrious, was at least restful. Therefore, she had that pearl of all manners—repose. The new girl, on the contrary, is all the time making a palpable effort to sustain her reputation for brilliancy. Now, the conscious effort to be continuously witty and entertaining may be as trying to the nerves as those deadly pauses which occur between ideas (and which unquestionably occurred pretty frequently between the ideas of our lost Arabella). The girl who is determined at all hazards to fill up silence, and takes that task wholly upon herself is sure to become exhausted, and exhausting. Isn't the new girl, by demonstrating her power to do anything, in danger of having everything thrust upon her?

Views of an Expert.

Beeler—"You are the last man I should have expected to find opposing the pensioning of government employees no longer able to work." Heeler—"When a man gets so he isn't able to do what little work there is in a government job he ought to be taken out behind the barn and shot."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

PERSONAL POINTS.

Dr. John M. Willis of Elliot, Me., owns three rare bibles. Two of them are Breeches bibles, one printed in London in 1585, and the other in Geneva in 1560; the third is an Ellsiver bible, two volumes, elephant folio, French print, of 1669, one of the few copies extant.

Prof. E. J. James of the University of Chicago, who is mentioned in connection with the presidency of Leland Stanford, Jr., University of California, was at one time connected with the staff of the University of Pennsylvania and is now one of the best-liked professors in Chicago.

Among the ceremonies attending the recent centenary festival held in honor of the Italian pessimist poet, Leopardi, at his birthplace, Recanati, were four concerts under the direction of Mascagni, the unveiling of a bust of the poet by Monteverde, and the naming of a hall in the palace after him.

Austria has lost her most eminent botanist, Kerner. What Saussure and Grenzi did for Switzerland he did for Austria-Hungary. Before him the botany of the swamps and forests of the Danube had been only partly explored. His book on the "Plant Life of the Danube Countries" covers this field thoroughly.

Demetrius Koromilas, an Athenian who was well known in Paris sporting circles, died last month, aged 17. He was very wealthy, and in Greece was known as an intrepid journalist. He wrote 25 plays, 15 of which have appeared in print. His last play, "Maroula," aroused a great deal of feeling against the author. It is a picture of certain phases of Athenian life painted in glaring colors.

A majority of the generals in our army are well along in years, and the ages of some of them are given by the Buffalo Express, as follows: Gen. Young is 58, Shafter 63, Wheeler 62, Hawkins will reach the retiring age of 64 this year, Kent is 62, Lawton 55, and Sumner, Bates and Chaffee each 56. These are the general officers in Cuba with Shafter. The age of the generals in camp at home is also advanced. Coppinger is 63, Brooke 60, Corbin 56, Sheridan 58, Henry 59, Graham 64, Wilson 61, Butler 62, and one-legged Lee 63. Wade is 55, the youngest of the major-generals.

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WAGNER AND THE DRAMA.

The Highest Expression of "Thoughts Which Lie Too Deep for Words."

It is not essential to the true disciple of the Wagnerian drama that he should know the science, texture or structure of the music. No call is made upon him for this special knowledge and it will not enable him better to understand the tragedy or passion presented to him, though it may add to his admiration for the genius of the author. At first the experienced musician may even find himself at a disadvantage at Balreuth, as his attention may easily be too much occupied with the form, and the first impression of the whole may be somewhat weakened by the study of the detail. To some people, who look exclusively for pleasure and recreation in music, the mere mention of Wagner's name calls up simple recollections of clashing instruments and loud-sounding trumpets—useless noise, as they are pleased to call it. Nevertheless, from a purely musical point of view, the beauties and perfections of Wagner's compositions are thoroughly well appreciated by the concert-going public and it is unnecessary to dwell on these qualities that have been fully recognized for some time past. But it is not yet so fully recognized why the Balreuth theater shines like a beacon, leading the German art student to a truer apprehension of natural life and character and of the influence which art should have in molding the future destiny of the race. It is the new musical drama which Wagner has created which is to be the highest expression of "thoughts which lie too deep for human words" and which shall show the "light that never was on sea or land." Those whose chief delight lies in the ideal rendering of beautiful music alone may, perhaps, be dissatisfied by finding everything here subordinated to the dramatic conception. The true interpretation of the drama must be sought in the greatest possible perfection of the whole through the individual parts, and slight failings in the scenic effects and histrionic action or vocal and musical shortcomings are scarcely perceived by any one who is wholly absorbed in the revelations made to him by performances of such marvelous power.—Nineteenth Century.

ORIGIN OF THE CAKE WALK.

First One Took Place on the Randolph Plantation in Virginia. The cake walk was first inaugurated some sixty years ago on the great Randolph plantation near Richmond, Va. It was the custom at that time to make a great deal upon this plantation of the Christmas time for the negroes who worked upon the plantation. Just before the 4th there was a large house party given at this hospitable mansion, and it was decided to get up something original for the entertainment. So upon Christmas eve the guests all assembled upon the broad verandah and the gifts of the servants were piled before them. Then the servants formed in line and marched around, each receiving his gift as he passed before the veranda. Then Miss Randolph thought it would be a nice thing to have the negroes walk for a prize, and as nothing more tempting to the southern darkey could be found than something good to eat, it was decided to put up a great cake. The first walk was a great success, and the idea was immediately taken up by the other planters, and soon the cake walk came to be an established event at Christmas time, and the negroes looked forward to it for many weeks.

KEEP OPEN FOR THE CYCLISTS

Roadhouses Whose Doors Are Never Closed During Wheeling Season. Wheeling may be on the wane, as has been asserted by many a person in and out of the trade of late, yet there are numbers of wayside roadhouses where edibles and drinkables are sold that are never closed. These establishments are kept open that the early rider or century man may not be left without means of allaying thirst or hunger. In fact, the man who investigated while making an early run the other day was surprised to note the number of such places open to all comers. He wanted to know more, so while absorbing a refreshing glass he asked the attendant at a popular South Side resort if it paid. "I cannot say that it pays," was the reply, "but if we don't keep open others will and we are forced by competition to do so. Many persons start out on long rides in the early morning, thus dodging wagons, crowds and other unpleasant features of bicycle riding, and it is to this class we cater. Then, again, our places are for the most part open, and we had to employ a watchman to guard the tables, chairs and other articles which could not be stored away each night, so we keep a couple of waiters and plenty of edibles on hand and serve our customers all night. Another thing is that many century runs are undertaken at night, when there can be no unpleasant interruptions, and we are always called upon to serve the participants."

He Could Pass.

Recruiting Officer—"You don't look as if you could stand the hardships of a campaign." Applicant—"Sir, I have been a stranded actor, and I—" Officer—"Enough! Sergeant, give this man a uniform and a gun and send him to the front at once."—New York World.

A Born Financier.

Jack—"I made a remarkable successful speculation on Wall street the other day." Harry—"Why, I heard you lost every cent you had." Jack—"So I did, but I'm now engaged to the daughter of the man who broke me."—New York Journal.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S GOWNS.

Early English Garments Were Much Alike for Both Sexes.

In the long ago our Saxon ancestors, qually with their women-folk, wore gowns. The early Saxon called this garment a gunna, while the Welsh contemporary spoke of it as gwn. A little later there crept into our language the word cote, although a coat as we understand costume did not make its advent in the realms of fashion until the second half of the seventeenth century, says Lloyd's Weekly Newspaper. But just as we of today use indifferently the terms frock, dress, costume, gown, so the Anglo-Saxon and Norman Danes spoke of their cotes, surcotes and robes. When the Normans came over and polished our manners—and as an attendant sequence—our costumes, they found the Romanized British female wearing two tunics the upper one shorter than the lower. A bishop of Winchester describes a present he sends as "a short gunna sewed in our manner." Female costume in the tenth century was classical in its simplicity. The women wore long, loose, flowing skirts reaching to the feet and a draped cote or upper garment. Chaucer, who died in 1400, when Henry IV. was king, frequently uses the word cote. In the "Canterbury Tales" he depicts the sergeant-at-law as wearing "a medley cote," which no doubt means a coat of many colors; while the miller he describes as wearing "a whyte cote." It was in the fourteenth century that the word "gown" first came into use. An anonymous author in no mild words finds fault with the fashion of his days. He writes that "the commons were besotted in excess of apparel, in wide surcoats reaching to their loins, some in a garment reaching to their heels, close before and strouting out on the side, so that on the back they make men seem women, and these they call by a ridiculous name—gown." As early as the thirteenth century women's cotes were made with trains, and in the first quarter of the thirteenth century a bishop sadly moralizes on their vanity for wearing trained cotes, some of which "contained seven sils, and a half."

THE FIRST PHOTOGRAPHS.

Prof. Draper's Sister Sat Thirty Minutes for Her Portrait.

Elizabeth Flint Wade has an illustrated paper on "Photography: Its Marvels" in St. Nicholas. The author says: The first accounts of this great discovery are very entertaining reading. Prof. Morse, the inventor of the telegraph, was in Paris when the news was published, and at once went to see Daguerre's wonderful pictures. In describing them afterward, he said that moving objects made no impression on the plate; for a picture taken of a crowded boulevard showed it as if entirely deserted, with the exception of a man having his shoes polished. The man's feet, he said, were well defined, because they were kept stationary; but he was without head or body, for these were in motion. To America belongs the honor of making the first photographic portrait, the artist being Professor John Draper, a professor, and afterward the president, of the University of New York. His victim was his sister, Miss Catherine Draper. He powdered her face, that the likeness might be more quickly impressed on the sensitive plate, and for thirty minutes Miss Draper sat—or, at least, tried to sit—as immovable as a statue. The first class in photography was formed in Boston in the spring of 1840 by Daguerre's agent, Gourard of Paris. The Rev. Edward Everett Hale, then a student in Harvard, became an enthusiastic member of the class. In his diary, under date of April 1, 1840, is this entry: "On my way home I stopped at the shop and got my daguerreotype thermometer. There seems to be a great demand; there were three or four others there."

Plymouth Markets.

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

Wheat, No. 2 red,	60
Wheat, No. 1 white,	58
Oats, new	21
Rye, No. 2,	38
Butter,	20
Eggs,	11
Potatoes,	
Beans, according to sample,	50-75

CORRESPONDENCE.

Livonia Center.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Taylor, of Willow, called on friends at the Center Tuesday.

School commenced Monday with a good attendance but closed again Tuesday night for the fair.

Mr. J. Jells and Miss Cora Jells, of Elmira, N. Y., are visiting at the former's sister, Mrs. Jack Van Houten.

Mrs. Geo. Gibrath, of Northville, called on Mrs. W. O. Minkley and Mrs. Mary Kingsley Tuesday.

Ed. Warren, of Detroit, visited his mother, Mrs. W. O. Minkley, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wolgast, of Birmingham, visited the former's mother last Sunday.

Will Smith and Miss Ada Criger visited at Chas. Colby's, of Northville, last Sunday.

Newburg.

There will be a social at Newburg hall Friday, Sept. 23, under the auspices of the Epworth League, where shadows will be sold at auction to the highest bidder. Ladies are requested to bring lunch for two.

Discovered by a Woman.

Another great discovery has been made and that too, by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose, that she slept all night and with two bottles has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus writes W. C. Hamrick & Co., of Shelby, N. C. Trial bottles free at J. L. Gale's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and \$1.00, every bottle guaranteed.

South Salem.

The Misses Edith Quackenbush, Tona Packard, Louie Rich, Gertrude Leeland, and Mamie Bussy began school at the State Normal College last Monday.

Miss Bertha Robinson has been spending a few weeks at the home of her sister, Mrs. Coffin. She began work at the Normal Monday.

Miss Kate Quackenbush, of West Branch, who has been spending her summer vacation with relatives and friends here, has returned home to resume her duties as teacher in the kindergarten department of the high school at West Branch.

Yellow Jaundice Cured.

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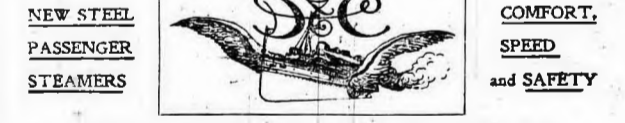
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