

# The Plymouth Mail.

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WHOLE NO 596

## INVENTORY!

Yes we are getting our stock in shape to take our annual inventory and in order to do so, we shall make a special effort to have our stock as low as possible and to do this we shall sell some goods at, and even below COST price.

### OUR CLOAK AND JACKET SALE.

this year has been much better than we expected and as we have but a few of these garments left we will close them out below cost.

### PERFUMERY.

For the next ten days we will sell any of our perfumes, Face powders, Face Bleaches, Hair Tonics, Tooth Powders, etc. at cost.

All colored shirts, soft or stiff bosoms, at cost. Don't miss this.

## Our Grocery Dept.

is always well stocked with fresh goods.

If we don't have in stock what you want—we will get it for you.

Free delivery to any part of the city.

Leave your orders for Buttermilk, fresh every morning Whipped Cream and Cream. Also Condensed Milk in Bulk. Fresh line of Lowney's Bon Bons and Candies always on hand. In bulk or fancy package.

## J.R. Rauch & Son

### H. P. CHAMBERS, M. D.

SURGEON AND PHYSICIAN,

Office over Plymouth Savings Bank.

Plymouth, Mich.

Surgery and Surgical Diseases

.....a Specialty by Preference.....

Night Calls Answered from Office.

Buy "Old Lee" Coal  
And Keep Warm.

L. C. HOUGH & SON, Plymouth.  
F. & P. M. ELEVATOR.

### RETURN HIM.

THAT IS THE OPINION OF THE LABORING MEN.

Backed up by the Business Men—Starkweather will be President again.

Considerable speculation has been rife of late as to whether George A. Starkweather would accept a re nomination at the hands of the workingmen or not. We are in a position to say that he will.

The past year brought heavy labors up on the president of the village in conducting its business. Mr. Starkweather felt that it was too much for a man of his years to do, and is thoroughly satisfied to give it to some one else. A number have spoken to him, however, urging him to retain his post for another year, hoping that the law suits the village has on its hands will be settled during that time. Mr. Starkweather does not want to shirk his duty, and if the people so desire it he will stand at the head of the workingmen's ticket again. The business portion of the village are satisfied to "hold fast to that which is good" and in all probability no one will be nominated on a Citizen's ticket.

But an important part of the program is selecting trustees, a clerk, treasurer and assessor. Assessor Valentine will no doubt be continued. The office of treasurer must be filled by a new man as Treasurer Fisher has acted two years in succession and that is all the law allows. In selecting a new treasurer great care should be exercised. While there are lots of men capable and competent, there are not so many who could accommodate the people. A man for treasurer should be so situated that people having business with him would not have to go too far out of their way to find him. We have been very fortunate in this respect the last two years and we hope to be as favorably situated hereafter.

Trustees Reiman, Brems and Polley go out, but it is no more than just that they should be returned if they so desire. We understand that it is not the desire of at least two of them to go back. Important business is now in the hands of the council and too much care cannot be exercised in selecting men to transact it. The present council is well posted on all matters and could no doubt manage affairs easier than new men. But if new men are selected let us have good ones.

As a matter of fact there are some things in connection with the village that need a complete overhauling. The by-laws and regulations governing the water works need revising, and a system for handling the assessment and collecting water rates made easier and safer. This will fall on a new council.

The street railway will finish its work in the spring, and the present council is well posted on the requirements.

#### Stockholders' Meeting.

At a meeting of the stockholders of the Plymouth Fair Association held on Tuesday of this week the following directors were elected: Joel G. Bradner, L. H. Bennett, C. B. Truesdell, W. H. Hoyt, D. D. Allen, T. C. Sherwood, J. E. Wilcox, R. L. Root, E. W. Chaffee, Hopkin Williams.

The treasurer's report showed the net receipts to be about \$300 more than for several previous years.

The association decided on September 19, 20, 21, 22, as the dates for this year's fair. The meeting adjourned to meet on Saturday, Feb. 18th.

#### Furs Wanted.

I will pay the highest market price for all kinds of furs, horse hides, beef hides, sheepskins, etc. Bring them along.  
596 "Doc" PASSENGER,  
Bowery st.

Mardi Gras Festivities, New Orleans, Mobile and Birmingham.

One fare round trip via Ohio Central Lines. Excursion tickets on sale Feb. 6 to 13th inclusive, good returning to and including Feb. 28th, 1899. 596

#### A Card.

I, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50-cent bottle of Greene's Warranted Syrup of Tar if it fails to cure your cough or cold. I also guarantee a 25-cent bottle to prove satisfactory or money refunded.  
611 J. G. MEILLER

—Mrs. S. M. Johnson, dressmaker, at Oliver Miller house on Bowery st. 596

#### Farmers Notice.

For one month from this date, I offer the Detroit Daily Tribune and the Plymouth Mail for 3 months for \$1.85 in advance. One month 50c.  
G. M. ADAMS, Agt. Mail office.

### JIM AND JOHN

HAVE FORMED A PARTNERSHIP TO SELL LUMBER.

The Firm Name will be Eddy & Betty—Two well-known Contractors.

J. O. Eddy and John Betty have formed a partnership to sell lumber, lath, shingles, etc., and do contracting and building. Their yards, shop and office are located south of L. L. Lewis' saw and grist mills. They have now on hand a fair stock, but expect in a few days to be able to satisfy all demands.

Messrs. Eddy and Betty are well-known figures in Plymouth, and their wide experience in contracting and building, and their valuable knowledge of all grades of lumber is sufficient guarantee of their future success.

Their aim will be to sell lumber at a close margin for spot cash, and make contracts for building on the same basis. All orders will receive prompt attention and prices and plans given on any job at short notice. Free delivery in the village.

Royal and Phoenix Hose Co.s Have Their Annual Meetings.

The annual meeting of Royal Hose Co. was held in J. R. Rauch & Son's store Feb. 1st.

The following officers were elected: Robert Mimmack, Capt.; Chauncey Rauch, Lieut.; Clay Hoyt, Sec.; E. C. Hough, Treas.

Don Safford, Chauncey Pitcher, Plato Hough and M. F. Gray were elected active members of the company.

Nett Brown, who had been captain of Royal Hose Co. for four or five years, tendered his resignation as a member of the company and it was accepted.

A vote of the company showed George W. Hunter to be their choice for chief of the fire department for the ensuing year.

On motion, a vote of thanks was extended to Mr. Brown for his services and interest taken in the company while captain.

Following is the roster as revised by Captain Mimmack:

Robert Mimmack, Capt.  
C. H. Rauch, Lieut.  
E. C. Hough, Pipeman.  
H. J. Baker, Asst.  
I. K. Bennett, Lineman No. 1.  
Benney, " " 2.  
Chas. Cooper, " " 3.  
John Passage, " " 4.  
D. C. Hawley, " " 5.  
" " " " 6.  
" " " " 7.  
Fred Lyndon, " " 8.  
Don Safford, Ladderman.  
Plato Hough, Asst.  
M. F. Gray, Axeman.  
Frank Passage, Hydrantman.  
Clay Hoyt, Asst.

At the annual meeting of Phoenix Hose Co. the following officers were selected: T. F. Chilson, Capt.; Bert Robinson, Lieut. Ed Gayde, Sec'y; Chas. Brems, Treas.

The members of the company and their positions are as follows:

T. F. Chilson, Capt.  
Bert Robinson, Lieut.  
Bert Gunsolly, Ed Gayde, pipemen.  
Ike Gunsolly, Geo. Wilcox, 1st lieuten.  
Geo. Springer, Carl Heide, 2nd " " " " " "  
Wm. Maloine, Louie Fisher, 3rd " " " " " "  
Chas. Brems, Wm. Gayde, hydrant men.  
J. A. Streng, ladderman.  
Henry Fisher, honorary member.  
Henry Sage, " " " " " "  
Ed Willet, " " " " " "

The following alarms were responded to during the year:

June 13—Alarm at 11:30 p. m. Mrs. Bradner's woodshed.  
June 22—Alarm at 12:30 a. m. Fuller house.  
Aug. 4—Alarm at 2:30 p. m. D., G. R. & W. elevator.  
Sept. 8—Alarm at 8 p. m. Box car on F. & P. M. railroad near fair ground.  
Oct. 26—Alarm at 6 p. m. Bassett's store. Water not turned on.  
Dec. 24—Alarm at 10 a. m. Sherman's barn. Water not turned on.

#### No Right to Ugliness.

The woman who is lovely in face, form and temper will always have friends, but one who would be attractive must keep her health. If she is weak, sickly and all run down, she will be nervous and irritable. If she has constipation or kidney trouble, her impure blood will cause pimples, blotches, skin eruptions and a wretched complexion. Electric Bitters is the best medicine in the world to regulate stomach, liver and kidneys and to purify the blood. It gives strong nerves, bright eyes, smooth, velvety skin, rich complexion. It will make a good looking, charming woman of a run down invalid. Only 50 cents at J. L. Gale's drug store.

## GEO. W. HUNTER & CO.

### Grocery Dept.

Jersey Cream Baking Powder for One Week to Advertise, 15c for a Pound Package.

The new Breakfast Dish, Pillsbury's Vitos the Ideal Food, 15c a package or 2 for 25c.

### Drug Department.

We want you to know that "SOLDRUFF" Pinckney's Dandruff Dissolver Cures.

Don't go around with dandruff on your coat when a 10c. package of Soldruff will keep your head clear for six months.

## G.W. Hunter & Co

### COMIC VALENTINES

### PLAIN VALENTINES

### FANCY VALENTINES

ALL KINDS, ALL PRICES.

We are headquarters for Oranges, Lemons, Bananas, Oysters, Celery and Lettuce.

In Drugs we take the lead with the Largest Stock in town. We are constantly buying all the new remedies in the Drug line.

John L. Gale's Rheumatic Tablets are having wonderful success in the cure of Rheumatism and Neuralgia.

These Tablets have genuine merit, and actually cost three times the price of any other tablet on the market to make. If you have a pain in the back caused by derangement of the kidneys be sure and try these tablets. Railroad men, who are troubled by Rheumatism and pain in the back caused by riding on the cars, will find them of great benefit. If you are wakeful at night and suffer from nervousness and darting pains through the body, try Gale's Rheumatic Tablets. For sale by all Druggists. People having the grip will find them a great benefit through their alterative effect in driving away the pain and bringing the system back to a healthy condition.

## J. L. GALE.



# NEWS FOR MICHIGANDERS.

## A Whole Regiment of News Items From Michigan Towns

### CAPTURED FOR BRIEF READING.

**The Present County Jail System is Condemned—A \$100,000 Fire at Detroit in Which One Man was Killed—Miners get an Advance in Wages.**

#### County Jail System Condemned.

The state board of corrections and charities will recommend legislation designed to radically change the system of managing county jails in Michigan. The board condemns the practice of using county jails as city lock-ups. It makes them filthy and unhealthy. Frequently persons arrested on some trivial charge carry tools or weapons into the jail to aid in the escape of pairs. The board says it is expensive and useless to put drunks and disorderlies into the jails, yet they constitute more than half of those confined. It is recommended that the law permitting this be repealed, at least so far as it applies to counties having more than 20,000 population. They recommend that penalties be imposed instead of locking up common tramps.

#### 23,680 Deaths in Michigan in '98.

The number of deaths in Michigan during the calendar year 1898, according to the reports of township and city clerks received by the secretary of state, was 23,680, the average death rate being 12.5 to each 1,000 population. The number of deaths from consumption was 2,456; typhoid fever, 541; diphtheria and croup, 421; scarlet fever, 39; measles, 112; whooping cough, 272; pneumonia, 2,465; diarrhoeal diseases of children, 1,753; cerebro-spinal meningitis, 405. The number of infants under one year of age, who died in '98 was 2,192, and the number from one to five years was 2,061, making a total of 7,253, or more than 25 per cent of the total number of deaths.

#### Blz Fire at Detroit.

The big piano and organ plant of Clough & Warren, of Detroit, was partially destroyed by fire, entailing a loss of between \$80,000 and \$100,000. While trying to escape from the burning building, Ferguson, an employee, fell from the fifth floor to the stone sidewalk, sustaining injuries from which he died a few hours later upon the operating table at Harper hospital. The unfortunate was 35 years of age and leaves a wife and one little daughter 2 1/2 years old. Ferguson had been in the employ of Clough & Warren for 12 years and was well liked.

#### Last His Own Life Saving His Family.

Fire destroyed the home of Thomas Lowden, seven miles north of Searsville, Oscoda county. Mr. Lowden rescued his wife and four children from the burning building, and returned to rescue his 5-year-old boy, who slept upstairs. He became overcome and both perished in the flames. Mrs. Lowden left three of her children in the barn, took the baby in her arms and went to the nearest neighbor, half a mile away, barefooted and clad only in her night robes, badly freezing both feet.

#### Are You Interested in the Fish Law?

The special committee of the house appointed to investigate the whole subject of commercial fishing in Michigan with a view to determining whether the closed season ought to be abolished, is sending out notices inviting all persons who are interested in the matter to correspond with the committee and arrange for a hearing at any time up to Feb. 20. Special notices have been sent to all parties that the committee knows are interested.

#### Will Receive Higher Wages.

In consequence of the recent advance in the price of iron ore for the coming season's delivery the mine managers of Ishpeming decided to give all employees an increase of 10 per cent in wages commencing March 1. Had the companies withheld this advance it is likely that a demand would soon have been made by the mine workers. The average pay of miners has been \$1.80 per day and no laborer received less than \$1.35.

#### Another Boiler Explosion.

A boiler explosion occurred at the home of Charles Varney, four miles north of Manistee, which resulted in instantly killing Merle, his 5-year-old daughter, breaking his wife's arm and blowing the house to atoms. The west side of the building was blown completely out, together with the inmates, and the mother was buried under the ruins. It requires considerable time to extricate her from the debris. Loss, \$3,000.

#### Button in His Body Since '61.

Ed. Owen, of West Bay City, has recovered a button which he carried in his body since the war of '61. The button in question was on the front of his shirt and during an engagement a rebel bullet drove it into his body. At times he has suffered intense pain from it, but today he is exhibiting it to his friends.

#### The First National Bank of Saginaw.

announces that it will pay its creditors 100 cents on the dollar.

#### Grand Rapids Business Men.

have subscribed \$100,000 for a beet sugar plant. A dividend of 25 per cent is promised.

#### The Wyandotte Copper Co., of Houghton.

with a capital of \$2,500,000, has filed articles of association with the secretary of state.

#### Jeff Mason, of Paw Paw, who was convicted of killing Stephen Sprague.

was given a life sentence in the state prison at Jackson.

### Will Ask Assistance.

The state health board will ask for legislation to prevent the spread of consumption, which they figure out caused at least one-tenth of the deaths in the state during 1898. The board thinks there should be a state sanitarium for consumptives, to cost about \$60,000. It is claimed that the money loss caused by the disease is at least \$3,000,000 a year. The board also believes in the adoption of some system for selecting cases most endangering public health, by requiring inspections and actions by local health officers. A portion of the expense, the board says, should be borne by counties and a part by the patients where financially able. The use of uncooked milk from tuberculous cows is believed to be a prolific source of consumption.

### The Largest Coal Vein in the State.

The largest coal vein in Michigan has been struck about three miles north of West Bay City and is now being mined by the Wenona Coal Co. The vein is over six feet in thickness and is located on Mayor Lind's farm. Mr. Lind has received a royalty of \$900 and is now laying out a miners' village on his property. The Wenona Coal Co. will build coke ovens near the mine and coke their surplus coal. The capacity of the mine when in full operation will be 1,000 tons daily.

### A Young Poultry Dealer.

A Huron county boy decided recently to go into the poultry business, so he bought six turkeys, which turned out to be all gobblers. He traded two gobblers for some geese that proved to be ganders. He was made a present of seven ducks and they were all drakes. Getting desperate he stole some little chickens. When they all grew up to be roosters he went out of business.

### Students as Missionaries.

Fifty-one students and graduates of the University of Michigan have gone out as missionaries. Nineteen of these were sent to China, seven to India, five to Turkey, four to Japan, five to Africa, two each to Mexico, Italy and Arabia, one to Bulgaria, one to Alaska, and one to Corea. One has gone as a missionary to the Indians, and one has not yet been assigned to any field. The number is about equally divided between men and women.

### At Pancakes Containing Poison.

Joseph Entroppe and his daughter made a hearty meal off of pancakes and soon afterward they were taken violently ill. The father continued to grow worse and died and the daughter is seriously ill, but hope is expressed of her ultimate recovery. It is the general belief that there was poison in the buckwheat flour, but how it got there is a mystery.

### To Repeal an Act of 1897.

Auditor-General Dix will recommend the repeal of the act of 1897 which authorized the attorney-general to draw such sums as he sees fit, with which to pay costs of suits to which the state is a party. There is no limit to the sum which the attorney-general may draw at his pleasure, he being the sole judge in the premises.

### Found Guilty of Murder.

The jury in the case of the people vs. Elmer Youngs, of Hillsdale, returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the second degree after being out seven hours. The case occupied the court for two weeks and caused much interest. It will probably be carried to the supreme court.

### Those Franchise Fees.

During January the franchise fees paid the state have aggregated \$43,333, or more than enough to pay the salaries of everybody connected with the state department for the entire year. The total fees received by Secretary Stearns and paid into the state treasury in January were \$13,362.

### Suicide at Flint.

Maynard W. Elwood, aged 28, who resides in Flint, shot himself. The bullet passed over the heart and lodged under the shoulder-blade. Death was instantaneous. He was despondent because he had had no work for five months. He leaves a widow and three children.

### Wayne to Have Two Cannons.

Through the efforts of Cory Post, G. A. R., of Wayne, the U. S. war department has presented that village with two 8-inch bore cannons which had been removed to make room for those of a more modern type. They will be mounted in the village park.

### Killed by the Cars.

Henry, the 9-year-old son of Edmund Bouchard, of West Bay City, while returning from school tried to catch on a moving train. He lost his hold and fell under the car, losing his right arm and right leg. There is slight hope for his recovery.

### Quincy is likely to get still another factory.

this one for the making of building and paving brick, tile, sewer pipe, etc.

### The Cyclone Woven Fire Fence Co., of Holly.

is filling an order for 100 tons of wire and 100 fence machines to go to Australia.

### The Sand Beach high school was destroyed by fire.

Loss, \$12,000. The fire company was helpless as the hydrants were frozen up.

### Saginaw coal miners are rejoicing over finally securing a 25 per cent reduction in rates from the railroads.

though not so much as asked.

### It is to be hoped that Frankfort people properly appreciate their exceedingly good fortune.

The grip has not struck that place this winter.

### Insurance Commissioner Campbell says the reduction in insurance rates has caused only one company to withdraw from the field in this state.

### STATE GOSSIP.

G. W. Kent, of Albion, has purchased the Vassar Times.

St. Joseph has voted \$10,000 for a new school building.

The State Dairyman's convention will meet in Detroit next year.

The beet sugar factory at Bay City so far has received \$28,000 from the state as bounty.

Montcalm was the first county to come to the auditor-general with its taxes for 1898.

The annual convention of the State Bar association will be held at Jackson on June 20 and 21.

The balance in the state treasury January 31 was \$1,255,656.80, or \$30,515.22 more than last year.

The Village of St. Johns will spend \$3,800 on an effort to double the capacity of the water works.

A \$500,000 beet sugar plant may be built at St. Louis. New York capitalists are becoming interested.

A fine new union depot will be built at Grand Rapids if all the roads running into that city will use it.

About a quarter of the wheat growing on clay lands in Tuscola county has been killed by severe weather.

Jas. Westfall, of Farmington, alleges that he was assaulted by officers of the law, and has caused their arrest.

Wm. S. Brown, of Chicago, left \$10,000 to Albion college two years ago. His estate is now ready to pay over \$6,000.

About \$75,000 has been subscribed for the erection of a cement manufacturing plant at Mosherville, Hillsdale county.

By the drowning of Albert King at Port Huron a damage suit may result. It is claimed no sign was placed on the dangerous hole left by ice cutters.

Samuel Biitho, of Jackson, who pleaded guilty to larceny of \$12 worth of whisky, was sentenced to four years and six months in the state prison.

Saginaw will ask the legislature for permission to adopt the stone road system and issue \$250,000 in bonds to extend stone roads in Saginaw county.

Within four weeks, four mothers living in a radius of four miles of the hamlet of Montgomery, Hillsdale county, have each given birth to twin babies.

St. Joseph will experience a building boom shortly, as a result of the Compound Door Factory company locating there. It is estimated 25 houses will be built.

A Jackson youngster swallowed a brass chain six inches long, which he pulled off from the collar of an overcoat, and at last accounts the child was getting along nicely.

By the quick working of the air brake on an F. & P. M. freight at Crosswell, Fireman Wm. J. Minnie was thrown from the tender and two trucks passed over his body killing him instantly.

Port Huron is awakening from its Rip Van Winkle sleep, and its industries will probably be increased in the near future. A chance has been offered to secure six new manufacturing institutions.

John T. Murphy, the veteran fruit grower of St. Joseph, gives it as his opinion that the recent cold snap has not injured peach buds in the least, notwithstanding unquiet rumors to the opposite effect.

Geo. Lyons, a farmer of Exeter township, Wayne county, lost his barn and contents by fire. Twenty hogs, three horses and four cows were cremated. Loss, \$1,500; insurance, \$750. Cause of fire unknown.

Recently one of the most popular young ladies of Brighton laid her false teeth upon the shelf upon retiring. The next morning they were missing and the young lady is confident it was the deed of a pesky rat.

From the number of rooms already engaged at the leading hotels in Jackson for candidates, indications are that there will be a lively contest for the nomination for supreme justice by Republicans February 25th.

Romulus was visited by fire recently that threatened to wipe out the business portion of the town. A strong bucket brigade confined the flames to the Reichwage block, which was totally destroyed. Loss, \$2,000.

The state fair board have signed a contract to hold the next fair at Grand Rapids the last week in September. Eugene H. Field, of Bay City, was made general superintendent, and H. R. Dewey, of Grand Blanc, succeeds Fremont Skeels as superintendent of booths and privileges.

The supreme court has granted an order directing the Wayne circuit court to show cause why a mandamus should not issue to compel it to quash the capias recently issued against O. A. Wright, of Detroit, in the damage case recently commenced against him by Kittle Shingelmeyer of the same place.

By a head-on collision of two passenger trains on the C. & G. T. Ry. at Im-lay City, three persons were killed outright and seven injured. Both engineers had orders to pass at that place, and it is thought that one of them mistook a freight on the siding for the passenger and thus plunged into the one standing on the main track.

It is interesting to note in connection with the report that is being circulated that the Homeopathic State Society desires the removal of the Homeopathic department of the University of Michigan to Detroit, that at a recent meeting of that society a vote of confidence in the faculty and its administration of affairs at Ann Arbor was passed without a dissenting vote.

The M. E. church at Yale has been gutted by fire. The fire started while the Sunday school was in session, but the coolness of the pastor and teachers prevented a panic. Loss, \$500.

# FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE

## By Telegraph Giving a Brief Resume of the Week's Events.

### RELIABLE AND INTERESTING.

**The Long Expected Rupture Between Filipinos and Americans has Come to a Crisis—American Loss Light Compared to That of the Filipinos.**

#### Battle Fought at Manila.

The long expected rupture between the Americans and the Filipinos has come at last. The immediate cause of the attack was caused by three daring Filipinos darting past the Nebraska regiments pickets at Santa Mesa for the third time when one was shot and one wounded. The Filipinos quickly responded by opening fire from three points, Calococ, Gagalangin and Santa Mesa, simultaneously. This was supplemented by the fire of two siege guns at Balik-Balik. To this the Americans responded with a terrific fire, but owing to the darkness they were unable to determine its effect. The Utah light artillery finally succeeded in silencing native battery. The Third artillery, on the extreme left, also did good work while the U. S. cruiser Charleston and gunboat Concord, stationed at Malabona, opened a vigorous fire. The engagement lasted one hour. With daylight the Americans advanced and the California and Washington regiments made a splendid charge and drove the Filipinos from the villages of Peco and Santa Mesa, while the Nebraska regiment captured several prisoners and one howitzer and a very strong position at the reservoir, which is connected with the water works. The American losses are estimated at 44 men killed and 50 wounded, while the Filipinos will reach up into the thousands.

Upon receipt of the news of the battle at Washington a cabinet meeting was immediately called, at which it was decided to crush Aguinaldo's power in the Philippines, and Gen. Otis has been cabled to follow up his victory and occupy the islands of the Archipelago to as great an extent as his forces will permit.

The forces under the command of Gen. Otis, present for duty, number 19,510 men. About 6,000 more are on their way, but will not reach Manila for three weeks or a month. The insurgent force, according to the belief of the best authorities at Washington, number about 30,000 men. Although they exceed the Americans in number they are not comparable in personnel, discipline or quality of arms.

#### War Notes.

About the last of Aguinaldo's series of communications to the state department at Washington he claimed jurisdiction to all of the Philippine groups, instead of only Tagals as heretofore claimed. The Philippine sod may accidentally claim him before the war is ended.

Word from Rear-Admiral Dewey has been received which says he has captured another schooner loaded with arms and ammunition intended for Aguinaldo. It is said that the German consul at Hong Kong was concerned in the sale of the arms to the Filipinos.

Undoubtedly Dewey will place his vessels around the island of Luzon and make a special effort to cut off the insurgents' supplies and ammunition, which they must have in order to carry on the war.

It is reported that the Ygorates, armed with bows and arrows, made a very determined stand in the face of a hot artillery fire and left many dead on the field.

Careful estimates place the Filipino loss, for the first two engagements, at 2,000 dead, 3,500 wounded and 5,000 taken prisoners.

Gen. Otis has Dewey's fleet of 21 ships of various types at his back, why should he be afraid to fight?

Several unsuccessful attempts at assassinating American officers in Manila have been made.

#### \$9,500,000 Short.

The report of the government receipts and expenditures for January shows the receipts to have been about \$11,775,000 and the expenditures about \$1,207,000, leaving a deficit for the month of about \$9,500,000. The customs receipts were nearly \$18,000,000. The internal revenue receipts for the month was approximately \$21,000,000, a slight decrease from December, but an increase over January, 1899, of over \$8,500,000. The expenditures on account of the war and navy departments during the month was \$23,350,000, an increase over December of about \$1,300,000.

#### Indians on the Warpath.

A special from Vancouver, B. C., says: Indians are on the warpath in Alaska. One battle has taken place and more fighting is imminent. Four Indians were killed and several wounded in a recent fight. Four American deputy marshals were wounded. The Indians are drunk a greater portion of the time, and there may be a general uprising.

#### A Big Tobacco Combine.

A certificate of consolidation of the Union Tobacco Co. of America and the North American Commercial Co. has been filed with the secretary of state of New York, the title of the first named corporation being retained. The capital stock is \$19,350,000, divided into \$12,000,000 of common and \$7,350,000 of preferred stock. The principal business offices of the company will be located in New York.

#### The First National Bank of Russell, Kas., has failed.

Dec. 31 the bank owed depositors \$59,350.

### DEAD HEROES OF THE WAR

Will be Brought Home and Reinterred by Relatives or Friends.

The Roumanian, which was selected by the war department to visit San Juan, Ponce, Santiago and Guantanamo and bring back the bodies of the soldiers buried there, has departed. The trip is expected to take six weeks. A majority of the 75 passengers aboard the boat were relatives, friends or representatives of the dead soldiers. The expedition was in charge of D. H. Rhodes, who was accompanied by 30 relatives of the dead. Many who went were accompanied by officers or men who are able to identify the graves. The expenses of the expedition are borne by the war department. The cost of reinterring the bodies will be met by the relatives. Some of those who went were sent by state relief societies and some were selected by the regiments.

#### Australian Federation Bill Assured.

The unanimous agreement finally reached by the Australian colonial premiers, who have been in conference at Melbourne, Victoria, regarding certain unsettled questions connected with the Australian federation bill referred to them by the colonial legislatures, seems to insure the success of the federation project. The federal capital will be like Washington, federal territory, the existing capitals being excluded. It will be established in New South Wales, but at least 100 miles from Sydney, the colonial capital. Pending the erection of a capitol building the Australian parliament will meet in Melbourne. The parliament is to consist of a senate and a house of representatives, and an absolute majority of the members of both houses shall decide all differences that may arise between the two. In other respects the original bill is unaltered.

#### 33 Men Caught in a Snowdrift.

Information has been received that a snowdrift, nine miles east of Glenwood Springs, Col., came down on top of a work train, wrecking the engine and cars and killing three of the wrecking crew and injuring five others. The work train had been sent to clear the snow-blocked tracks east of Glenwood and was plowing through a drift when the slide came. The slide was about 200 feet in width, but thousands of tons of ice and snow blocked the railway and made it impossible for trains to pass until a road could be shoveled through the obstruction. More than 100 men engaged in the work of rescuing their fellow beings who were imprisoned in the snow. The slide was the worst experienced in years.

#### More Spanish War Bounty Claims.

The secretary of the navy has submitted to the court of claims another batch of claims for bounty money by United States sailors on account of Spanish warships destroyed. There are about two score cases of ships so destroyed in this last lot. It is said at the department that in the opinion of the legal authorities this reference is necessary to meet the statutes relative to the payment of bounty money. Therefore this action does not by any means signify any hostility on the part of the navy department toward the claims.

#### Preferred Jail to Freezing.

Seven convicts awaiting transfer to the penitentiary sawed their way through four steel-barred doors and gained their liberty at Wichita, Kas. Among them was Ed Stewart, sentenced to 50 years for murder. One of the seven, Chas. Howard, a grand larceny convict, returned the following day because of the cold weather. No trace of the others has been obtained.

#### 2,000 Chinese Killed by Rebels.

The Shanghai correspondent of the London Daily Mail says: Ten thousand rebels have besieged Shu Chau, the third most important city in the province of Anhoui. If Shu Chau falls all the northern and central portions of Anhoui will be at the mercy of the rebels. An important general, while trying to recapture Ku' Yang was defeated, losing 2,000 men.

#### From New York to Manila in 54 Days.

The Buffalo made a record-breaking run from New York to Manila in 54 days. She had aboard about 700 sailors to relieve men in Dewey's fleet whose time has expired. Hereafter she will be used as a regular transport for men and naval stores, making regular trips between Manila and San Francisco every three months.

#### A Ghastly Crime in Arizona.

The bodies of two men have been found murdered near Hackberry, a small town east of Kingman, Ariz. The bodies had been exposed for three days. The throats were cut and the heads beaten to a jelly with stones. Three Mexicans are suspected of the crime, as all had been drinking for several days.

#### Gomez Will Accept \$3,000,000.

General Gomez has agreed to accept \$3,000,000 for his troops and will co-operate in disbanding the army, thus becoming an active ally of the U. S. government. This change is the result of the conference which Robt. P. Porter, the special commissioner of President McKinley, has had with the general.

#### Little Hope of Dreyfus' Release.

The Liberte, which is a Dreyfus paper and usually well informed, says: The decision of the court of cassation in the Dreyfus affair will be that the evidence proves the existence of a traitor, but that neither Comte Esterhazy nor Lieut.-Col. Henry could answer to the culpability of the secret dossier.

#### Agoncillo, representative of the Filipino junta at Washington, left for Canada as soon as the news of the war arrived.

He evidently feared arrest.

### DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

The bill to recognize and increase the standing army of about 100,000 men, but giving the president authority to reduce the size of infantry companies and cavalry troops to 60 men each, thus fixing a minimum of about 50,000 enlisted men, passed the house by a vote of 163 to 125. Among the important amendments adopted before the vote was one to exclude the appointment of civilians to positions in the engineer corps, one to abolish canteens and the sale of liquor in camps and one to strike out the provision for additional pay for commands serving in the West Indies, the Philippines and Alaska. The amendment of Mr. Cummings, of New York, to prohibit the use of troops in several states to suppress riots, etc., except upon the application of the states, was defeated by a large majority.

A bill has been passed by the senate granting extra pay to the officers and men of the temporary force of the navy—two months' extra pay to those who served beyond the limits of the United States and one month's pay to those who served within the United States. The provisions of the bill are to apply to all such temporary forces, whether discharged yet or not.

The army appropriation bill which will be taken up shortly will be framed on the basis of 100,000 men, and Mr. Hull estimates that it will carry about \$90,000,000. The war department submitted to congress at the opening of the session an estimate based on an army of 150,000 men at a cost of \$144,000,000, but since then the forces have been largely reduced.

The house has entered upon the consideration of the river and harbor bill and is making rapid progress. Fifty of the 88 pages of the bill was completed in a single day. The bill appropriates directly about \$12,500,000 and authorizes contracts to the extent of \$18,000,000 additional.

The river and harbor bill, carrying slightly more than \$30,000,000, passed the house by a vote of 160 to 7. This is the largest majority any river and harbor bill has ever obtained in the house. The bill attracted little opposition and every effort to amend it in important particulars failed.

The senate has ratified the peace treaty, negotiated at Paris between the commissioners of the United States and Spain some time ago, by a close vote of 57 to 27, or one vote more than the necessary two-thirds majority to secure a senatorial concurrence in a treaty document.

The attorney-general holds that this government is no way liable for damages by the cutting of the British Eastern Extension, Australasia & China Telegraph company's cable at Manila during the war with Spain. The indemnity asked was \$36,000.

The house has passed the bill to pay the heirs of John Smith \$1,000 in satisfaction of a judgment against Gen. John R. Brooke for trespass and false imprisonment while he was lieutenant-colonel of the 3d infantry in 1869.

The American Newspapers Publishers' association have appealed to congress for a revocation of the present duty on paper and pulp.

The senate is busy with the expansion and peace treaty questions just now.

The military academy bill, carrying about \$600,000, has passed the house.

#### "Maine Day."

Feb. 15, at Havana, will be known as "Maine Day," when a small flag and a laurel wreath of flowers will be placed upon each of the 147 graves of the victims of the battleship Maine. In addition to this, numerous wreaths of flowers will be placed upon the wreck.

#### Trouble at Colon.

A dispatch from Colon, Colombia, says: Terrified by threats of strikers to fire the town, the merchants have asked for stronger military protection. The railway officials are confident they could extinguish a fire if set, and the authorities have prepared to properly respond to an alarm.

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Lower grades...	6.00	3.00	3.50
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## GRANDMA'S VALENTINE.

(By Georgia Custis.)  
"The postman! the postman!" cried Dorothy, dancing excitedly about the nursery. "He is coming here; I hear his whistle! Oh, nurse! please may I go down and see if he has brought any valentines?"  
"Not with your cold, dearie," said nurse, shaking her head, and so Dorothy had to be content with peering over the stairs, while Donald clattered down and came back again with his hands full of envelopes, large and small.  
"One, free, six for me!" he panted, "and one, free, seven for Dorothy!" And how happy the children were as they tore open the envelopes and explained the pretty cards and verses which they contained. And then Sister Nell came in to show them her valentine, a great bunch of beautiful roses and when Dorothy asked her if she could guess who had sent them (for guessing is half the fun on St. Valentine's day), she grew quite red, and said, "Why, no; of course she couldn't; how could she?"  
And just then dear grandma came in to see what the children were making such a racket about. And, of course, they showed her their valentines and Nell pinned one of her most beautiful roses on grandma's black dress; and then, quite unexpectedly, Dorothy looked up into the sweet, placid old face, and asked gravely: "Grandma, did you ever get a valentine?"  
Grandma did not reply for a moment and then she stooped and kissed Dorothy on the forehead, and something very bright and glistening fell among the brown curls. "Yes, dear," said grandma, softly, "lots of them; but I had one which I think I must tell you about some time."  
"Oh! tell us now!" cried all the children at once; and Nell, who had been

Col. Benjamin Worrell, it says so under his picture in the library.  
"Yes," said grandma, smiling. "he was your grandfather; but he did not seem much like a grandfather then. He was very tall and straight, with flashing black eyes and dark curling hair, and he had a fine way of throwing back his head when he talked. People used to call him 'Handsome Ben,' which annoyed him very much; but when I told him what grandma had said he was quite pleased. 'But what a hypocrite I must be, Kate,' he said, laughing, 'to make the dear old gentleman think that I come here just to play whist, when my real reason for coming is to see you.' 'Your grandfather was always bold as a young man,'" said grandma, apologetically.  
"Well, your grandfather used to come evening after evening, and he played long games of whist with the old people; but he used somehow to get in a little talk about our own affairs, although we seldom had a chance to see each other alone. And then the 14th of February came around, and I had scores of valentines, and great sport it was, for each young man had to deliver his own, and it was no easy task to do this without being seen, which would have spoiled the fun. Well, just toward dusk, I happened to be looking from an upper window, and I saw a tall figure creeping along by the garden wall. He had his hat drawn down well over his face, but I caught just a glimpse of a dark moustache, and I assure you, my dears, it was all I could do to behave with becoming dignity, when Sophie, our old colored servant, came upstairs with a square envelope addressed to me."  
"Oh! I know!" cried Dorothy, clapping her hands. "It was grandpa's valentine!"  
"Yes," said grandma, "and here it is," and she drew from the box an old-fashioned envelope addressed in faded ink and in an elaborately dis-



HE HANDED ME A SMALL PACKAGE, SAYING, "GOD PITY YOU."

placing her valentine in a vase of water, joined in the general coaxing.  
"Nell," said grandma, "if you really want to hear, I will tell you about it; but wait a moment, I can show you my valentine."  
She left the room, and she was gone so long that the children had time to wonder greatly what grandma's valentine could be, and they were all gathered around her chair, with eager, expectant faces, when she returned. She carried in her hand a small, old-fashioned work box, whose covering, once bright and gay, was worn and faded now. She smiled into the upturned faces as she resumed her place among the children; but there were tears in her eyes as she said:  
"Now, children, I will show you my valentine; but, first, I must tell you part of the story. And I must also explain that when I was young people made their own valentines, and, although they may not have been as pretty as the modern ones, perhaps, yet I think they were a great deal nicer, because, you see, nobody would take the trouble to make a valentine unless it were to send to somebody that one was very fond of, indeed. But Donald is growing impatient for the story! When I was a young girl I lived in a dear old country town, which some of you have seen. My father and mother both died when I was a very little child, and so I lived with my grand parents, and very kind and good they were to me, and I loved them very dearly. Nevertheless they were very old, and, somehow, they seemed to have quite forgotten how it felt to be young and full of life, and grandma did not understand why I was not always content to sit quietly in the house, reading or sewing all day, when all my young friends were out skating or sleighing, if it were winter, or picnicking or rowing on the river if it were summer. The old people had one amusement, however, of which they never wearied, especially in the long winter evenings; they dearly loved a rubber of whist. I could play, too, and any of my young friends who would consent to make up a game by taking a hand was always a welcome guest. 'I think your friend, Benjamin Worrell, is a very fine young man,' grandma would say, and then he was sure to add, 'He plays an excellent game; a little reckless, perhaps, at times, but he had a good head.' Once I repeated this to Ben—

gulsed hand, to 'Miss Katharine Underdook.'  
She handed the envelope to Nell, who, almost reverently drew forth the valentine. It was a playing-card, the Queen of Hearts, and over the back had been neatly pasted a sheet of white paper, on which were written the following lines:  
'My Kate is surely Queen of Hearts, And I will swear she's queen of mine. Let's play a game where Love is trumps; Sweet Kate will be my valentine?' The children all declared the poetry to be very beautiful.  
"But, grandma," cried Donald and Dorothy together, "what is that queer round hole right through the middle of the card?"  
"Sure enough, there was a hole, which had pierced card and envelope just as the children had said.  
"Wait a moment," said grandma, "we are coming to that. 'It was very soon after St. Valentine's day that your grandfather spoke to my grand-



VERY MUCH SURPRISED.  
father about making me his wife, and grandma was very much surprised, although our love-making had been going on for some months right under his eyes. And he hesitated a good deal, but finally, as there was no real objection, he gave his consent."  
Grandma paused here for a few moments, thinking, I suppose, of those dear, happy days, now so long past; and the children had to remind her that they were waiting for the rest of the story.

"It was just after that," continued grandma, "that Ben had to go away on business for a few weeks, and he begged me to have a picture made of myself to give him on his return. I dearly loved to tease him in those days, and shortly after he had started on his journey I wrapped the valentine he had sent me very carefully in several thicknesses of paper, so that he would think it contained the stiff case of a daguerreotype, and sent it to him by mail. Meanwhile I had a fine picture made for him with which to surprise him on his return, but he would not give me back my valentine. 'Do you think,' he said, laughing, 'that I am going to return the first present you ever gave me? No, indeed! though I did make it myself.' And he declared that he should always carry it next his heart."  
"Well, the following spring we were married, and then we began our hut-building. Ben planned the house himself, and I went with him to Boston to select the furniture. It was while we were there that we heard the news that made our hearts stand still.  
"Port Sumner had been fired upon! We read the announcement in the paper, with white face, and Ben kept saying all day, 'Oh, Kate! this is too terrible! I never thought it would come to this!' We went home with sad hearts, in spite of our carload of household treasures, for those were days when private joys and sorrows seemed as nothing in view of the danger which threatened the whole country. The governor of our state had ordered the state troops, and the militia as well, to be in readiness; and Ben mustered quite a company of his friends (the finest and bravest young men in town), and they drilled night and day to be in readiness for the call. And I encouraged him in this work. God knows, with what a sinking heart; but Ben never suspected that I was half a coward. Your dear mother was a tiny baby then, and I used often to sing her to sleep with patriotic airs to keep up my own courage. And then at last it came—the call for troops—we were expecting it; but, oh! how weak I was when I heard Ben's voice shouting upstairs, 'Kate, Kate, the president has sent for us.'  
"I was putting baby to sleep (your mother, you know, dears) and I knelt by her cradle for just one moment, praying for strength. And it came, for when Ben entered the room I was able to smile quite bravely, and to help him pack his knapsack, for they were to start that very night."  
Grandma paused here for a moment, but no one spoke, and she went on in a low voice:  
"How well I remember that night! It was raining, and very cold and damp; but every mother and sister and wife and sweetheart in town were at the station to see them off. Most of the women were crying bitterly, but I could not shed a tear, and when Ben took me in his arms to say good-bye his lips moved, but he could not utter a word, and I could hear the beating of his heart. As the train pushed out there were shouts and cheers, of course, to keep up the courage of the men, and somebody shouted, 'Three cheers for Captain Worrell!' and the crowd took it up with a will. And then I looked up and saw my husband for the last time on this earth. He had climbed on top of the rear car and was raising his cap to the crowd (they were all life-long friends), and when he saw me raise my head (with anguish written all over my face, I suppose), his own face was convulsed for a moment, and then he tried to smile, and pointed upwards, meaning, I suppose, that we were in God's hands. And then the train was swallowed up in the mist."  
Again she paused, and again no one spoke.  
"I heard from him many times after that," she continued. "Sometimes not for months, and then a whole batch of letters would come at once—always bright and cheerful, those letters, and full of little incidents and anecdotes which he thought might amuse and interest me, seldom a word of his own privations, and even sufferings. I do not know how we women endured the long strain of that waiting for news. If it had not been that your mother was such a very young infant, I believe I would have followed my husband as some wives did, preferring anything to the terrible suspense of waiting quietly at home.  
"And then the dreadful slaughter began. But you, children, must wait until you are older to hear about that."  
"One day I was walking restlessly up and down the piazza of my little home, my baby in my arms, trying to put her to sleep as best I could without a lullaby (for I could no longer sing), when a soldier came up the path leading to the house. I knew him well, although he was greatly changed, for he was a neighbor and had been in Ben's company. I knew at once that he was the bearer of bad news, and as he approached nearer I could not speak, but just held out my hand. He laid a small package in it, saying, 'God pity you!' and that was the last I knew for many hours. When I came to myself I still held the package in my hand, and when I had the courage to open it, the first thing I saw was—my valentine, torn as you have seen, by the bullet which had pierced one of the bravest hearts that ever shed its life-blood for our country."  
There was silence when grandma had finished speaking; Sister Nell was crying and Donald whispered,  
"I say, Dorothy, let's put away our valentines until tomorrow."

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And the sky above was blue;  
But years have filtered by, lass,  
Since you and I roamed there—  
Now we seldom see the sky, lass,  
Through the smoke that fills the air.

**What Did He Really Want?**  
He entered the shop hurriedly, with the air of a man whose mind was filled by a weighty commission. Those whom he passed at the door heard him conning under his breath a formula which he seemed to fear, might slip away and be lost. He approached the counter like one who wishes it were well over.  
"I wish to get," he said boldly, "some ribbon for a ribbed red one."  
The shop girl's blank stare seemed to arouse him to a sense of something lacking.  
"That is," he said, "I would like some baby for a ribbed red one."  
The assistant was smiling broadly now, and four others, a shop-walker and seven customers gathered and grinned in unison.  
He began again. "That is—of course, you know, I mean, some ribbed red baby for one—that is, some red ribs for one baby—some one's red baby's ribs—some red ribs for one baby—some—thunder and guns, where's the way out?"  
He departed with speed.  
"I wonder," said the shop girl, thoughtfully, an hour or so afterward, "if he could have meant some 're' baby ribbon?"—Tit-Bits.

**That Was All.**  
"Well, well, well! And so that's Rube Hayricks! 'Happy old Rube' we used to call 'im. Gol hang it, how he has changed! I wouldn't 'a' knowned 'im! When did he git to be one of them populists, anyway?"  
"He ain't no populist! 'Fist the same old straight republican he always was. But he made a vow seven years ago that he'd never shave or git his hair cut again till Sile Williams got elected township trustee."

**Positively Insulting.**  
"I know the pumpkin pie was rather thin as to filling," said the landlady, almost crying, "but I don't think he had any right to say what he did."  
"What did he say?" asked the second table boarder.  
"He asked me if I didn't think that the pie crust would be improved if it had another coat of paint."

**You Fool Thing.**  
"Do you have any faith in this idea that maladies can be transmitted by kissing?" asked one of Detroit's young society men of another.  
"Well, sir, I was mighty skeptical till the other night. I kissed my best girl for the first time in my life, and I've had palpitation of the heart ever since."—Detroit Journal.

**No Room for Doubt.**  
"Upon what ground do you testify that this colored man is not a peaceable citizen?"  
"Because, sir," answered Col. Stillwell, "he comes from the same community that I do. And I have personal knowledge that he was always looking for trouble. He used to try to vote at every election."

**Compliment.**  
"The manner in which you restrained yourself was masterly," exclaimed the Spanish diplomat.  
"You mean from resenting the slights put upon my country?" said the peace commissioner.  
"No. From getting into an undignified hurry to grab that twenty million."

**Blat! To God!**  
HAMS AND SOUP  
Woodbe Jefferson—Aha! at last we found an actors' eating house.  
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Woodbe Jefferson—Peruse you sign.



**Tricks of the Trade.**  
"Don't be fooled by this talk about 'there's nothin' in a name,'" counseled the eminent physician, as he tacked a high-sounding title on a simple ailment. "There's money in a name, my boy! There's money in a name!"  
**His Criticism.**  
Young Bourbon—But what, fathah?  
Col. Bourbon—How ah you goin' to get a strong drawin' with watah colahs?  
Col. Bourbon—Of co'se, son, I don't know much about paintin', but—

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**TOOK HIS ADVICE.**  
A Veterinary Surgeon of Battle Creek Tells About It.  
How many times in life a few words of good advice, coming from a friend one can depend upon, will save us hours, perhaps months, of misery. The following which comes from Battle Creek will interest our readers. Dr. Oliver Guiteaux, Veterinary Surgeon of that city, a well-known man there, as well as in Kalamazoo and Marshall, speaks of his experience with the little conqueror and the result of a few timely words of advice. He says:  
"I was standing in Amberg & Murphy's drug store in Battle Creek one day when a friend of mine came in and asked for a box of kidney pills. After he had made his purchase I said quickly to him, 'You have made a mistake in buying those.' His reply was, 'How is that?' I said 'Doan's Kidney Pills are worth all the others put together.' As he wanted my reasons for thinking so I told him that my kidneys had bothered me for years, that I suffered from backache until I could scarcely stand it, that I had nearly every symptom to be found where the kidneys are affected, that I had used remedy after remedy including box after box of the one he just purchased, and that until I used Doan's Kidney Pills I might have taken as many spoonfuls of water, in fact, I think some of them hurt me. A couple of weeks after this I met him on the street, when he said, 'Doc, Doan's Kidney Pills are just as you represented. After using the box about which we had a conversation in Amberg & Murphy's drug store I was as well as ever. I then procured Doan's and sent it to my treatment until they cured me.' Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name Doan's and take no substitutes.

Next to babies a woman judges her friends by their underwear.



**Old Made Young**  
**Weak Made Strong**  
**Sick Made Well**  
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**ROYAL**  
**Life Tablets.**  
 A WONDERFUL REMEDY—  
**LIFE ITSELF!**  
 Perpetual Health by their Daily Use  
 NO ONE NEED BE SICK  
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ployment of our own citizens, the use of our own abundant materials—for military and for economic reasons—the need is pressing of such Government action as shall induce American citizens to invest in and navigate merchant ships in the foreign trade.

**His Life Was Saved.**  
 Mr. J. E. Lilly, a prominent citizen of Hannibal, Mo., lately had a wonderful deliverance from a frightful death. In telling of it he says: "I was taken with Typhoid Fever, that ran into Pneumonia. My lungs became hardened. I was so weak I couldn't even sit up in bed. Nothing helped me. I expected to soon die of Consumption, when I heard of Dr. King's New Discovery. One bottle gave great relief. I continued to use it, and now am well and strong. I can't say too much in its praise." This marvelous medicine is the surest and quickest cure in the world for all Throat and Lung Trouble. Regular sizes 50 cents and \$1. Trial bottles free at John L. Gale's drug store; every bottle guaranteed.

"Don't Tell Them Where You Found Me."  
 The above is the name of a new song issued on the following incident: The Rev. Thos. Delaney, when Chaplain of a large State Penitentiary, while passing through the Hospital Ward was called to the bedside of a dying convict. The last words of this unfortunate youth were: "Father, I see you do not know me, but you know me well and my family, I will die tonight. I prepared his soul's exit into eternity and whilst his hands were clasped in mine his last request was made: "In my dying moment promise me what I will ask." I here gave him my word; he then revealed his parentage who thought him dead. "Now give me your word that you will send my body home, but don't tell them where you found me." I sent the body home to another state, but they never knew where I found him. THE GROENE MUSIC PUBLISHING CO., 32 E Fifth street, Cincinnati, Ohio, will send the above song to any address for 20 cents in silver or stamps, regular price 50 cents.

**Volcanic Eruptions.**  
 Are grand, but Skin Eruptions rob life of joy. Bucklen's Arnica Salve cures them; also Old, Running and Fever Sores, Ulcers, Boils, Felons, Corns, Warts, Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Scalds, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Best Pile Cure on earth. Drives out Pains and Aches. Only 25 cents a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by John L. Gale, druggist.

**Home-seekers' Excursions, Feb. 21st, via Ohio Central Lines.**

The sale of Home-seekers' Excursion tickets is authorized via The Ohio Central Lines, at a rate of one fare (plus \$2.00) for the round trip, on Feb. 21st.

For tickets, rates and full information call on agents of Ohio Central Lines, or address  
 W. A. PETERS, M. P. A. Detroit, Mich. 597

**Only Puddies.**  
 George Adam Smith often makes a telling remark. He somewhere speaks of evil as being a great "puddie" in the universe. The writers of "realistic stories" are only playing in the puddle. The pessimist is a wallower in the puddle. The calamity howler is only bedaubing himself and others with mud from the puddle. The universe is built on righteousness, its framework is justice and its spirit is love. God is on the throne and all's well with the world. The world is not destined to evil but to good.

**What Bloom is For.**  
 The white powdery coating seen on some fruits and the leaves of many plants is known to botanists as bloom. It is of a waxy nature, and, according to experiments recently made at Oberlin College, its chief purpose is to prevent water from passing too readily out of the leaves. When the bloom was removed the transpiration of water was greatly increased, the loss in some cases being in a given time two and a half times as much as before the removal.

**Naturally Interested.**  
 "You feel a deep interest in the stability of your country, don't you?" said the patriotic young man.  
 "Of course I do," answered Senator Sorghum. "If there wasn't any country, there couldn't be any government jobs, could there?"—Washington Star.

**Bismark's Iron Nerve.**  
 Was the result of his splendid health, indomitable will and tremendous energy are not found where Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and Bowels are out of order. If you want these qualities and the success they bring, use Dr. King's New Life Pills. They develop every power of brain and body. Only 25c at J. L. Gale's drug store.

**From Michigan to Ohio**  
 Toledo (the Centennial City) is the "Gateway" to Ohio and the South from Michigan. From the "Gateway" (Toledo) the Ohio Central Lines is the direct route to Columbus, Southern Ohio and the Virginias. Direct connection is made at Toledo with all trains from Michigan. The equipment and service of the Ohio Central Lines is First Class. This is the Michigan Traveler's favorite route. Look at the map in another column.

**State Farmers' Institute.**  
 A two days' meeting of the State Farmer's Institute will be held in Ives hall, Dearborn, on Tuesday and Wednesday, February 14 and 15. Besides the half dozen speakers furnished by the state board of agriculture, and several local speakers from the different townships in the county, the following Plymouth people will take an active part: Lynn Bronson, T. S. Clark, G. C. Peterhans, James H. Hanford.  
 These meetings have heretofore proven profitable and instructive. They furnish opportunities for the interchange of ideas between the farmers of the county and assist them materially in their farm work. Everybody invited.

**BEYOND A DOUBT.**  
 This Should Encourage Any Person to Try It.

Result of recent experience with Drake's Dyspepsia Cure and Nerve Restorer which establishes beyond question the superiority of this treatment over all other remedies for the permanent cure of all stomach and nerve troubles.  
**"To Whom it May Concern:"**  
 MESSRS. DRAKE & RHODES: I thought I would write a few lines to let you know that your medicine is helping me very much. I think if I were young I would improve much faster. You can quote me as saying, "Drake's Dyspepsia Cure and Nerve Restorer is certainly a good medicine."  
 Very respectfully yours,  
 MRS. T. R. ROBERTS.  
 Leslie, Mich.

"MESSRS. DRAKE & RHODES, Kendallville, Ind. Dear Sirs: I have been using your Dyspepsia Cure and Nerve Restorer every day according to directions for two weeks, and while I am not cured, I am ready to confess that all remedies that I have used, the effects of your tablets have been superior to all other remedies, and shall continue the use of the same in the future.  
 Very truly,  
 JOHN HAAS, City Treasurer.

**"To Whom it May Concern:"** I have been troubled with dyspepsia and nerve trouble for the past four years, and have used many remedies without lasting benefit. Six weeks ago I was induced to try Drake's Dyspepsia Cure and Nerve Restorer, which has benefited me more for the length of time I have used it than any remedy before tried. Respectfully,  
 MRS. T. S. LAPMAN.  
 Late teacher in public schools of Quincy, Mich.

A valuable book on stomach and nerve troubles, their symptoms and cure, free. Inquire at John L. Gale's.

Central park, New York, covers 862 acres, of which 182 are in lakes and reservoirs and 400 in forests. Over 500,000 trees and shrubs have been planted in the park.

Scientists now consider the existence of a new element, argon, as proved beyond a doubt. It is an inert gas, forming somewhat less than 1 per cent of the air, and has as yet no useful task assigned to it.

**Regardless of Age.**  
 The kidneys are responsible for more sickness, suffering, and deaths than any other organs of the body.

A majority of the ills afflicting people today is traceable to kidney trouble. It pervades all classes of society, in all climates, regardless of age, sex or condition.

The symptoms of kidney trouble are unmistakable, such as rheumatism, neuralgia, sleeplessness, pain or dull ache in the back, a desire to urinate often day or night, profuse or scanty supply.

Uric acid, or brick dust deposit in urine are signs of clogged kidneys, causing poisoned and germ-filled blood. Sometimes the heart acts badly, and tube casts (wasting of the kidneys) are found in the urine, which if neglected will result in Bright's Disease, the most dangerous form of kidney trouble.

All these symptoms and conditions are promptly removed under the influence of Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root. It has a world wide reputation for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases.

No one need be long without it as it is so easy to get at any drug store at fifty cents or one dollar. You can have a sample bottle of this wonderful discovery, Swamp-Root, and a book telling all about it, both sent to you absolutely free by mail. Send your address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. and kindly mention that you read this liberal offer in the Plymouth MAIL.

**Home-seekers' Cheap Excursions to the West and Northwest**

On February 21, March 7 and 21, the North-Western Line (Chicago and North-Western Ry) will sell Home-seekers' excursion tickets at exceptionally low rates to a large number of points in Northern Wisconsin, Michigan, Northwestern Iowa, Western Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota, including the famous Black Hills district. Better own a farm! Start now! Apply to nearest ticket agent or address  
 W. H. Guerin, 17 Campus-Martius, Detroit, Mich.

Or W. B. Kniskern, 23 Fifth avenue, Chicago, Ill.

**—FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Shepherd pups.** 2wpd  
 CHRISTIAN GATES.

**—FOR SALE—House and lot, also three lots.** Cheap.  
 STEVE JEWELL.

**—Baker makes all kinds of photos at the lowest prices.** if

**—FOR SALE—Good two-seated surrey, no use for it. Will sell cheap. Apply at MAIL office.**

**Buffet Parlor Cars.**  
 The Ohio Central Lines, always catering to First Class Travel, have placed upon train No. 4, leaving Toledo (Union depot) at 5:00 p. m. and train No. 3, leaving Columbus at 10:00 a. m. elegant Wagner Buffet Parlor Cars with A La Carte Service. Try it.  
 Four trains a day each way between Toledo and Columbus. Parlor cars on all trains. Equipment and service strictly First Class. For folders and full information, regarding the Ohio Central Lines' service, address  
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 MUGLTON HOUR,  
 G. P. A. Toledo, O.

**Doctors Never Disagree**

On one point—that celery is nature's own remedy for all nerve diseases. The purest and best celery preparation in the world is Cleveland's Celery Compound. It cures all nerve troubles, indigestion, constipation, liver and kidney diseases, and all skin diseases and eruptions. It purifies the blood and tones up the whole system. Geo. W. Hunter & Co. will give you a free trial package. Large packages, 25 cents.

**STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne, ss.**  
 At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Detroit, on the first day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, present, WILLIAM L. CARPENTER, Acting Judge of Probate.  
 In the matter of the estate of JENNIE P. HEYWOOD, deceased.  
 On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of William T. Heywood, administrator of said estate praying that he may be licensed to sell the real estate of said deceased for the purpose of paying the debts of said deceased and the charges of administering said estate.  
 It is ordered, that the seventh day of March next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office be appointed for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said court at said time and place, to show cause why a license should not be granted to said administrator to sell real estate as prayed for in said petition.  
 And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said time of hearing, in the PLYMOUTH MAIL, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Wayne.  
 WILLIAM L. CARPENTER, Circuit Judge for said county, acting Judge of Probate.  
 JOHN F. PETERS, Deputy Register.

**STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne, ss.**  
 At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Detroit, on the twenty-first day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, present, Edgar O. Duffee, Judge of Probate.  
 In the matter of the estate of DAVID CABLE, deceased.  
 An instrument in writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, having been delivered into this court for probate.  
 It is ordered, that the twenty-eighth day of March next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office be appointed for proving said instrument. And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said time of hearing, in the PLYMOUTH MAIL, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Wayne.  
 EDGAR O. DUFFEE, Judge of Probate.  
 HENRY S. HULBERT, Register.

**STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne, ss.**  
 At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Detroit, on the first day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, present, William L. Carpenter, Acting Judge of Probate.  
 In the matter of the estate of Ursula M. Clement, deceased.  
 Joel G. Bradner, executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, having rendered to this court the final administration account.  
 On reading and filing the petition of said executor praying that the residue of said estate may be assigned to Minnie E. Clement.  
 It is ordered, that the twenty-eighth day of February next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office be appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.  
 And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said time of hearing, in the PLYMOUTH MAIL, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Wayne.  
 WILLIAM L. CARPENTER, Circuit Judge for said county, Acting Judge of Probate.  
 HENRY S. HULBERT, Register.

**Articles of Co-partnership.**  
**THIS IS TO CERTIFY,** that the undersigned I hereby continue and renew the limited partnership of McClure, Kelsey & Co., now existing, under the provisions of an act of the Legislature of the State of Michigan, approved May 18, 1866, and of acts amendatory thereof, being Chapter 75 of Howell's Annotated Statutes.  
 1. The name of the partnership which the partnership business is to be conducted in McClure, Kelsey & Co.  
 2. The general nature of the business to be transacted by said partnership is buying and selling lumber.  
 3. The names of the general and special partners in said partnership are as follows: General Partners—Albert V. McClure, John Kelsey, residents of Detroit, Michigan; Special Partner, Warren G. Vinton, resident of Detroit, Michigan.  
 4. The amount of capital stock which said special partner has contributed to the common stock is fifteen thousand dollars.  
 5. The said partnership is to commence on the second day of January, A. D. 1899 and to terminate on the second day of January 1901.  
 In WITNESS WHEREOF, the said parties have hereunto set their hands and seals this 21st day of January A. D. 1899.  
 ALBERT V. MCCLURE, (L. S.)  
 JOHN KELSEY, (L. S.)  
 WARREN G. VINTON, (L. S.)

**STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne, ss.**  
 At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Detroit, on the twentieth day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, present, EDGAR O. DUFFEE, Judge of Probate.  
 In the matter of the estate of PETER F. ALLISON, (ALIZON), deceased.  
 On reading and filing the petition of Emilie E. Allison, praying that administration of said estate may be granted to her, or some other suitable person.  
 It is ordered, that the twenty-first day of February next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for a trial said petition.  
 And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said time of hearing, in the PLYMOUTH MAIL, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Wayne.  
 EDGAR O. DUFFEE, Judge of Probate.  
 HENRY S. HULBERT, Register.

**STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne, ss.**  
 At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Detroit, on the twentieth day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, present, EDGAR O. DUFFEE, Judge of Probate.  
 In the matter of the estate of Edwin F. Whipple, deceased.  
 Mable Ann Whipple executor of the last will and testament of said deceased having rendered to this court her final administration account and  
 On reading and filing the petition of said executor praying that the residue of said estate may be assigned in accordance with the provisions of said last will.  
 It is ordered, that the twenty-first day of February next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.  
 And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said time of hearing, in the Plymouth Mail, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Wayne.  
 EDGAR O. DUFFEE, Judge of Probate.  
 HENRY S. HULBERT, Register.

# Preparing to Make a Change

In my business. I will close out my entire stock of  
**Blankets, Robes, Trunks, Whips, and Valises at Cost.**

**F. E. LAMPHERE, PLYMOUTH, MICH.**

# A Laundry That's Careful

is the laundry for you to patronize. We do our work in a manner somewhat out of the ordinary. Modern machinery, the best soap and starch and the non-use of chemicals prolongs the life of every piece of linen we launder for you. Want your linen done up that way? Try

**The Plymouth Star Cash Laundry.**  
 REA BROS., Proprietor.

# Up-to-date Bakers

The people are finding out that we please them. Our increased patronage proves it. You can buy from us cheaper than you can bake. Our bread, Layer Cakes, Pastry, Fried Cakes and Home Made Candy when once tried always used. We keep our restaurant up-to-date also. Drop in and get a lunch. Regular meal or oysters in any style at any hour.

**AINSLIE & TAYLOR,**  
 Successors to Nevison. The New Bakery.  
 Plymouth, Mich.

# TRY OUR House Keepers Delight! A Step-ladder.

One Free with every lb of Globe Baking Powder.  
 Shredded Wheat Biscuit, 13c.  
 5 pound sack Fallis Pan-cake Flour 20c.  
 1 pound Coffee and fancy canister 25c  
 Jardinieres 10c, 25c, 30c, 75c, \$1.00 and \$1.25  
 Flower Crocks, 5c, 7c, 10c, 12c, 15c.  
 Try our Teas and Coffees, we have the best.

**Bogert & Co.**  
 TRY OUR

# C. G. Braper, Jeweler.

Removed to my new location, Connor building  
 I never was in better shape to display satisfactory goods. A large salesroom well lighted gives me an opportunity to show my stock of

**WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELRY, SILVERWARE, MUSICAL GOODS, OPTICAL GOODS, (eyes tested free) CAMERAS AND CAMERA SUPPLIES, AND SEWING MACHINE SUPPLIES,** of which I have the Largest and Best selected assortment in the city.

**C. G. DRAPER, JEWELER.**  
 Connor Bldg.



Weather man says:

# Continued Cold For Many Days.

Why not be comfortable these cold snaps when you can make One Dollar Take the Place of Two.

Just Two Reasons why we are going to make greater offers for the next 30 Days than were ever offered in Wayne county. For the spring and summer of 1899 we will offer to the public the greatest and most complete line of cheap, medium and high grade goods ever offered to this community. To do this

**1st-** We Need Room. Our store room is limited and is needed to show the enormous stock we are buying every day.



**2nd-** We Need Money. It has always been our policy to pay cash for our goods. CASH TALKS. A strictly cash basis is the only way to buy goods cheap both for RETAILER and CONSUMER.



To make room and get money we will

## For the Next Thirty Days

make the most extraordinary offers on winter goods ever known. Don't miss this opportunity to SAVE MONEY

REMEMBER the early bird gets the worm.

Give us a look before you make a purchase from a spool of thread to a silk dress, or a collar button to a suit of clothes. A few carpet samples cheap.

**Money Saver RIGGS The Outfitter**

### NEWS OF THE WEEK.

#### LOCAL HAPPENINGS AND PERSONAL MENTION.

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

Irene Baker returned home Wednesday. Next Tuesday is Saint Valentine's day. There were 28 council meetings during 1898.

Wednesday night was the coldest of the season.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Howe on Tuesday.

The weather has hovered around the zero mark a greater part of the week.

Jessie Hubbard, who works in Saginaw, came home Wednesday sick with the grip. Frank Huston will soon begin the erection of a house just north of M. S. Miller's brick residence.

Last week we stated that Harry Wilkinson had accepted a position under Tuscola county's sheriff. It should have read Howard Wilkinson.

After conferring the initiatory degree on two candidates Tuesday evening, the members of Tonquish Lodge, No. 82, I. O. O. F., adjourned to Ainslie & Taylor's restaurant and were served with a very tasty lunch, which all thoroughly enjoyed.

#### FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST.

Service 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school 11:45 A. M. Wednesday evening meeting, 7:30. Christian Science Hall All are most cordially invited. Subject for next Sunday will be: Morning, "Mind." Evening, "The God-derived Authority of Christ Jesus."

We are safe in saying that cars on the electric road will be running before our next issue.

L. C. Hough & Son received a car load of Wayne county salt on Wednesday. It was manufactured in Ecorse.

Mary Hurlbert, wife of Albert Hurlbert, died at her domicile in Marshall, Mich., Feb. 2nd. Mr. and Mrs. Hurlbert formerly lived in Plymouth.

The high schools of Plymouth and Northville have arranged a series of debates, the first of which will take place here on the evening of Feb. 24th.

Indications point to a greater amount of building here this year than last. Plans are being considered for nearly a dozen buildings at the present time.

Persons who send items to the MAIL office should not forget to sign their names. We do not publish the signature but we desire to know where they come from.

A special meeting of the common council will be held this Friday evening for the purpose of considering the Detroit Pipe & Foundry Co.'s claim against the village.

The Barton photograph parlors have been closed up. They found it useless to buck against an established gallery, with a good reputation for fine work, like E. P. Baker has.

The purchaser of Fred Bath's residence property on Union street was Frank Hodge instead of Edwin Hodge, as stated last week. Frank Hodge sold his farm to Wm. Eccles, of Salem.

Chicken pie dinner will be served at the Presbyterian church on Saturday, Feb. 18th for the Teacher's Institute. All are cordially invited. 25c a plate.

It is reported that S. W. Everett has purchased a lot of Geo. A. Starkweather just north of M. S. Miller's residence, corner of Oak and Main streets, and will build him a house in the spring.

Frank Bell has purchased A. M. Potter's stock of books and stationery and will continue the business at the old stand. Mr. Bell and family will occupy the living rooms in the same building.

Valentines. Valentines. Hundreds to select from. Our beautiful display of valentines, a pleasant surprise to all. Prices 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 10, 15, 25, 40, 50, 75 and 85 cents each. A few dozen at \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$2.00 each at Hillmer & Co.

There will be a missionary meeting at the Baptist church, Friday, Feb. 17, commencing at 10 a. m. At 2 p. m. there will be an address by Mrs. Campbell, returned missionary from India. Mrs. Campbell will have photographs, idols and many other articles which she brought from India to show, and by which her address will be illustrated.

There were two or three serious mistakes in A. J. Lapham's ad last week. Lion and XXXX coffee, which he sells at 11 cents was marked 35 cents. Good rice which sells at 6 lbs for 25 cents was marked 3 lbs for 25 cents. The price on London layer raisins was marked double what it should have been. Read his revised prices this week.

#### A 35th Poet's Plea.

Way off among the Mountains  
Held down as if in nets,  
Dwells the 35th Michigan soldiers,  
Better known as Pingree's pets.  
We left our homes and sweethearts  
In remembrance of the Maine;  
But life to us is useless  
Down in this Rocky chain.  
And now the war is over,  
And the cannon boom is dead,  
We are thinking of our homes and friends,  
And of our mother's good baked bread.  
Some are sick with fever,  
But more are sick at heart,  
And some if ever they get home,  
From it will never part.  
But I'm thinking of my sweetheart,  
As I kissed her at the lake,  
And of her last fond promise,  
"For you I'm going to wait."  
We've often thought of letters,  
Which we never expect to see,  
And we're longing for our freedom,  
For at home we want to be.  
But if Uncle Sam don't want us  
To protect the nation's pride,  
Why don't he give us a furlough  
Back to our old fireside.  
They say it's bold to be a soldier,  
But I know of things that's bolder,  
And I'd rather be a "Willie boy"  
Than a useless d—d tin soldier.  
—CORPORAL MOONEY.

Ford Lyndon states that he has sold six White wheels so far this season.

Bananas 15 cents, lemons 15 cents, and large Navel oranges 25 cents per dozen at Hillmer & Co.

Wm. Gayde came out this week with quite a "foxy" looking delivery wagon. Chas. Brems was the architect.

Dan Peterhans, a member of the hospital corps, U. S. army, stationed at Fort Wayne, spent a few days with relatives this week.

A meeting of the Wayne County Teachers' Association will be held at the high school, Plymouth, on Saturday, February 18th. A very interesting programme has been arranged, and teachers from all corners of the county will participate.

G. C. Peterhans and J. C. Peterhans celebrated their 50th birthdays at the former's home Thursday. A large number of friends were present from Plymouth and other places and a royal good time had. Here's many more birthdays to the twins.

Last Friday, while engaged in putting on a ceiling at the power house, Wm. Eisenburg, of 60 Sprague street, Detroit, fell and struck his ankle against the sharp corner of a plank inflicting a serious wound. Dr. Chambers was called and upon examination found that the ankle joint had been opened allowing the joint water to escape. The flesh was also severely bruised. On Monday the patient's foot and ankle were placed in a cast and he was able to go home.

—FOR SALE—Sorghum syrup, 40 cts per gallon. 597 L. DEAN.

A defective chimney was the cause of a disastrous fire a little west of the village early Monday morning. D. W. Packard's house and horse barn were totally destroyed. The members of the family escaped but did not have time to save anything except the piano. His ice cream house will be fixed up for temporary quarters. Mr. Packard carried no insurance.

Wouldn't it be a good idea for the proper authorities to see whether the water in our hydrants is frozen or not? We would find ourselves in a sorry plight indeed if we should have a fire some cold night, lay our hose, and find the water frozen in the hydrants. About eight years ago the writer saw the largest business block in Au Sable, Mich., burn. The fire department was called out, several lines of hose laid and the water refused to come. All the citizens could do was to stand back and see their property go up in smoke.

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The man who can apply a sermon to himself is a mighty good Christian.

It is not the hunter with the most expensive gun who gets the most game.

A man generally thinks he does well enough if he leans toward his wife's church.

Solomon was so busy prescribing advice that he probably hadn't time to take much of it.

It is alleged that Cuban bandits have taken to the hills. This leaves General Brooke nothing but a plain duty.

A writer says: "The smile is the same in all languages." A bartender says it varies in size from one to four fingers.

Great Britain, Germany and the United States now seem to be united on the "open-door" policy in China. When it comes to deciding, though, which shall go in first there may be a difference of opinion.

The flag flying over the White House in Washington indicates to all who see it that the president is at home. Whenever he is out of that city the flag is carefully folded away. The same custom prevails at the capitol. Whenever either house of congress is in session the flag flies over the wing of the building which that house occupies. If there is an evening session a bright light in the dome tells the story. This is, in Washington, what might be termed the "language of the flag."

The "new diplomacy" has been much in men's mouths of late as a synonym for honest, straightforward dealing between nations. It means, says Mr. Chauncey Depew, that the liar has disappeared. The British ambassador to France declared, in his recent disturbing speech, that it had been taught the nations by the last three United States ministers to Great Britain. Of one of these, the late Thomas Bayard, the Contemporary Review declares: "He firmly believed that in telling the English people what his own country meant and what were its genius, its duties and its hopes, he was doing the greatest good to mankind." Happily the circumlocution office of the nations, as exemplified in Spain and China, is going out of fashion.

To remember the names of persons is commonly regarded as the first necessary qualification of politicians. Oftentimes, however, they go too far in trying to master this art, and so fall into amusing blunders. Senator Vest relates this story at the expense of one of his senatorial associates. In some way, he says, the senator, who was usually good at remembering names, had forgotten that of a county chairman, and so bluntly asked it. "Why," said the young chairman, in offended dignity, "I'm Jones! I thought you knew me." "Of course I do," replied the senator, quickly, "but which one of Mr. Jones' sons are you? I knew your father well for years." "And he had only one son," was the unsympathetic reply.

Railroad men report that the movement of manufactures from the East to the West is quite pronounced. Many industries can be carried on more cheaply than in the East and manufacturers are alert to all such advantages. One industry which has emigrated from the East to the West is the manufacture of pearl buttons. The largest button factories in the United States are at Newark, N. J., but several have recently been established in Iowa. The Eastern factories formerly used shells imported from India and Australia, but lately these have given way to the clam shells found in the Mississippi river, in the Rock river, Illinois and in the Cedar river, Ia. From these shells, which were never before utilized, a big industry has arisen. The shells are gathered in large quantities by waders, who receive from 1 to 3 cents a pound for them. Some of the specimens are four inches across, and for all practical purposes they are as good as the imported article, save in depth of coloring. The price paid for the domestic shell is remarkably low as compared with the cost of the imported shell, which sells in New York for 40 or 50 cents a pound. Fifteen pounds of buttons can be obtained from 100 pounds of shells, and this fact has led some of the Eastern manufacturers to establish button-blank factories in the West. The machinery in these punches out the disk which makes up the button, and the manufacturer escapes the payment of freight charges on 85 per cent of dead material.

Havana dispatches announce that appointments of Cubans to important offices in Havana will soon be made. By placing Cubans in prominent positions, it is thought some of the responsibility for minor positions will be shifted to them. The insurgents have been complaining that appointments already made in the custom house and other places have gone to Cubans who stayed at home during the fighting. When the leading insurgents are in the chief positions complaints will have to be directed against them rather than the American authorities.

# TALMAGE'S SERMON.

## "ABUSE OF TRUST FUNDS," SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

"Whose Trust Shall He a Spider's Web?"—Job, Chapter VIII, Verse 14—Bankers and Lawyers Are Given Some Good Advice.

The two most skillful architects in the world are the bee and the spider. The one puts up a sugar manufactory and the other builds a slaughter house for flies. On a bright summer morning when the sun comes out and shines upon the spider's web, bedecked with dew, the gossamer structure seems bright enough for a suspension bridge for aerial beings to cross on. But, alas for the poor fly, which in the latter part of that very day, ventures on it, and is caught and dungeoned and destroyed! The fly was informed that it was a free bridge, and would cost nothing, but at the other end of the bridge the toll paid was its own life. The next day there comes down a strong wind, and away goes the web, and the marauding spider and the victimized fly. So delicate are the silken threads of the spider's web that many thousands of them are put together before they become visible to the human eye, and it takes four million of them to make a thread as large as the human hair. Most cruel as well as most ingenious is the spider. A prisoner in the Bastille, France, had one so trained that at the sound of the violin it every day came for its meal of flies. The author of my text, who was a leading scientist of his day, had no doubt watched the voracious process of this one insect with another, and saw spider and fly swept down with the same broom, or scattered by the same wind. Alas, that the world has so many designing spiders and victimized flies! There has not been a time when the utter and black irresponsibility of many men having the financial interests of others in charge, has been more evident than in these last few years. The bankruptcy of banks and disappearance of administrators with the funds of large estates, and the disordered accounts of United States officials, have sometimes made a pestilence of crime that solemnizes every thoughtful man and woman, and leads every philanthropist and Christian to ask, What shall be done to stay the plague? There is ever and anon a monsoon of swindlers abroad, a typhoon, a sirocco. I sometimes ask myself if it would not be better for men making wills to bequeath their property directly to the executors and officers of the court, and appoint the widows and orphans a committee to see that the former got all that did not belong to them. The simple fact is that there are a large number of men sailing yachts and driving fast horses, and members of expensive clubhouses, and controlling country seats, who are not worth a dollar if they return to others their just rights. Under some sudden reverse they fall, and, with afflicted air, seem to retire from the world, and seem almost ready for monastic life, when in two or three years they blossom out again, having compromised with their creditors, that is, paid them nothing but regret; and the only difference between the second chapter of prosperity and the first, is that their pictures are Murillos instead of Kensests, and their horses go a mile in twenty seconds less than their predecessors, and instead of one country seat, they have three. I have watched and have noticed that nine out of ten of those who fall, in what is called high life, have more means after than before the failure, and in many of the cases, failure is only a stratagem to escape the payment of honest debts, and put the world off the track while they practice a large swindle. There is something woefully wrong in the fact that these things are possible.

First of all, I charge the blame on careless, indifferent bank directors and boards having in charge great financial institutions. It ought not to be possible for a president or cashier or prominent officer of a banking institution to swindle it year after year without detection. I will undertake to say that if these frauds are carried on for two or three years without detection, either the directors are partners in the infamy and pocket part of the theft, or they are guilty of a culpable neglect of duty, for which God will hold them as responsible, as he holds the acknowledged defrauders. What right have prominent business men to allow their names to be published as directors in a financial institution, so that unsophisticated people are thereby induced to deposit their money in, or buy the script thereof, when they, the published directors, are doing nothing for the safety of the institution? It is a case of deception and most reprehensible. Many people with a surplus of money, not needed for immediate use, although it may be a little further on indispensable, are without friends competent to advise them, and they are guided solely by the character of the men whose names are associated with the institution. When the crash came, and with the overthrow of the banks went the small earnings and limited fortunes of widows and orphans, and the helplessly aged, the directors stood with idiotic stare, and to the inquiry that the frenzied depositors and stockholders who had lost their all, and to the arraignment of an indignant public, had nothing to say except "We thought it was all right. We did not know there was anything wrong going on." It was their duty to know. They stood in a position which deluded the people with the idea that they were carefully observant. Calling themselves directors, they did not direct. They had opportunity of audit-

ing accounts and inspecting the books. No time to do so? Then they had no business to accept the position. It seems to be the pride of some moneyed men to be directors in a great many institutions, and all they know is whether or not they get their dividends regularly, and their names are used as decoy ducks to bring others near enough to be made game of. What first of all is needed is that five hundred bank directors and insurance company directors resign or attend to their business as directors. The business world will be full of fraud just as long as fraud is so easy. When you arrest the president and secretary of a bank for an embezzlement carried on for many years, be sure to have plenty of sheriffs out the same day to arrest all the directors. They are guilty either of neglect or complicity.

"Oh," some will say, "better preach the Gospel and let business matters alone." I reply, if your Gospel does not inspire common honesty in the dealings of men, the sooner you close up your Gospel and pitch it into the depths of the Atlantic ocean the better. An orthodox swindler is worse than a heterodox swindler. The recitation of all the catechisms and creeds ever written, and partaking of all the communion chalices that ever glittered in the churches of Christendom, will never save your soul unless your business character corresponds with your religious profession. Some of the worst scoundrels in America have been members of churches and they got fat on sermons about heaven when they most needed to have the pulpits preach that which would either bring them to repentance, or thunder them out of the holy communions where their presence was a sacrilege and an infamy.

We must especially deplore the misfortunes of banks in various parts of this country in that they damage the banking institution, which is the great convenience of the centuries, and indispensable to commerce, and the advance of nations. With one hand it blesses the lender, and with the other it blesses the borrower. On their shoulders are the interests of private individuals and great corporations. In them are the great arteries through which run the currents of the nation's life. They have been the resources of the thousands of financiers in days of business exigency. They stand for accommodation, for facility, for individual, State, and national relief. At their head, and in their management, there is as much interest and moral worth as in any class of men—perhaps more. How nefarious, then, the behavior of those who bring disrepute upon this venerable, benignant, and God-honored institution!

We also deplore abuse of trust funds, because the abusers fly in the face of divine goodness which seems determined to bless this land. We are having a series of unexampled national harvests. The wheat gamblers get hold of the wheat, and the corn gamblers get hold of the corn. The full tide of God's mercy toward this land is put back by those great dykes of dishonest resistance. When God provides enough food and clothing to feed and apparel this whole nation like princes, the scabbie of dishonest men to get more than their share, and get it at all hazards, keeps everything shaking with uncertainty, and everybody asking "What next?" Every week makes new revelations. How many more bank presidents and bank cashiers have been speculating with other people's money, and how many more bank directors are in imbecile silence, letting the perjury go on, the great and patient God only knows! My opinion is that we have got near the bottom. The wind has been picked from the great bubble of American speculation. The men who thought that the judgment day was at least five thousand years off, found it in 1898 or 1897 or 1896; and this nation has been taught that men must keep their hands out of other people's pockets. Great businesses built on borrowed capital have been obliterated, and men who had nothing have lost all they had. I believe we are started on a higher career of prosperity than this land has ever seen, if, and if, and if.

A missionary in one of the Islands of the Pacific preached on dishonesty, and the next morning he looked out of his window, and he saw his yard full of goods of all kinds. He wondered, and asked the cause of all this. "Well," said the natives, "our gods that we have been worshipping permit us to steal, but according to what you said yesterday, the God of heaven and earth will not allow this, so we bring back all these goods, and we ask you to help us in taking them to the places where they belong." If next Sabbath all the ministers in America should preach sermons on the abuse of trust funds, and on the evils of pilfering, and the sermons were all blessed of God, and regulations were made that all these things should be taken to the city halls, it would not be long before every city hall in America would be crowded from cellar to cupola.

Let me say in the most emphatic manner to all young men, dishonesty will never pay. An abbot wanted to buy a piece of ground and the owner would not sell it, but the owner finally consented to let it to him until he could raise one crop, and the abbot sowed acorns, a crop of two hundred years! And I tell you, young man, that the dishonesties which you plant in your heart and life will seem to be very insignificant, but they will grow up until they will overshadow you with horrible darkness, overshadow all time and all eternity. It will not be a crop for two hundred years, but a crop for everlasting ages.

I have also a word of comfort for all who suffer from the malfeasance of others, and every honest man, woman, and child does suffer from what goes

on in financial scampdom. Society is so bound together that all the misfortunes which good people suffer in business matters come from the misdeeds of others. Bear up under distress, strong in God. He will see you through, though your misfortunes should be centupled. Scientists tell us that a column of air forty-five miles in height rests on every man's head and shoulders. But that is nothing compared with the pressure that business life has put upon many of you. God made up his mind long ago how many or how few dollars it would be best for you to have. Trust to his appointment. The door will soon open to let you out and let you up. What shock of delight for men who for thirty years have been in business anxiety when they shall suddenly awake in everlasting holiday! On the maps of the Arctic regions there are two places whose names are remarkable, given, I suppose, by some Polar expedition: "Cape Farewell" and "Thank God Harbor." At this last the Polaris wintered, in 1871, and the Tigress in 1873. Some ships have passed the cape, yet never reached the harbor. But from what I know of many of you, I have concluded that, though your voyage of life may be very rough, run into by icebergs on this side and icebergs on that, you will in due time reach Cape Farewell, and there bid good-by to all annoyances, and soon after "drop anchor in the calm and imperturbable waters of "Thank God Harbor." There the wicked cease from troubling, and the weary are at rest.

## PARADISE FOR BEARS.

Nation's Wards in Yellowstone Park Cannot Be Harmed.

Everybody has heard of the bears of Yellowstone park and how it is one of the sights for travelers to see bruin feed on the refuse of the hotels, says the New York Herald. But it is only the camper in this sixty square miles of guarded area—the camper despised by landlords and the railroad corporation that creates landlords—who learns "there's such divinity doth hedge the nation's wards that treason can but keep to what it would." The nation's wards share the honors of the park with the famous mud geyser, but the mud geyser is not peripatetic, and when one has sufficiently enjoyed its upheaval he can easily turn his attention to other marvels of the region, while bruin is such a wanderer and makes himself so very much at home in everybody's camp, and seems to enjoy the good things of the larder so much better than the refuse of the hotels, that the camper is often made to realize that he himself is decidedly not at home, where he would make short work of burglars, whether on two or four legs. But woe to the man who would protect himself from nocturnal visitors in this zoological Eden. All humans are warned when they enter that they must not "fool" with the animals on pain of arrest, and their fire-arms are either taken from them or securely sealed by government officials. If the soldiers may be believed, some Princeton boys ventured last summer to exercise the freedom of the university in these sacred precincts and actually killed a Yellowstone bear. Whether they all fired at once, or whether one of their number killed the bear and his fifteen comrades refused, after the manner of college boys, to point out the culprit, the soldiers did not say. However it was, the anti-number were locked up for sixty days without benefit of clergy. The law permits one to unseal his weapons and even to kill a bear if one's life is actually endangered. The real difficulty seems to be in proving the intentions of the enemy. It hardly seems feasible for a person to unseal his gun, load and defend himself successfully after he is once in the close embrace of bruin.

## IN THE FLOWERY KINGDOM.

How Could He Know Where the Emperor Was?

Her majesty, Tsi An, empress of China, sat in her palace in the purple forbidden city, with her brow resting on her thumb and her index finger pushed up through her bang, says the Washington Star. Rousing herself presently from her profound absorption, she beckoned to a peanut-colored person plastered up against the yellow silk tapestry. "Swat him," she said, "where is the emperor?" "Dash your ignominious slave into a million atoms, oh, amethyst flower of the Celestial kingdom," he responded, lying flat on his stomach before her, "but your slave woteth not." "Wot?" she screamed. "No, most purple of our yellowest lilies of the Kankee Tse Kiang, I do not wot where the emperor is." "And this to me?" she cried. "Most beauteous descendant of the gods, your vile slave speaks but the truth, though he lies here on his very stomach. He woteth not where the emperor is." "Slave, dog, canine, wretch, scum of the Yellow river, did I not tell you what to do?" "Truly, most divine of all the gentler purple peonies of Pekin, and your slave did it to the queen's taste, so to speak." "Aha, then he is dead?" "As a mackerel, oh, yellow anemone of the crystal sea." "Why liest thou, knowing that he is dead?" "How the dickens, most marvelous of mandarin matrons, do I know where he is? I'm no fortune teller." "Oho, aha," smiled her majesty, again relapsing to thought; "bring on another."

## Was Diplomatic.

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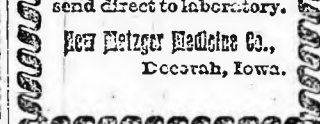
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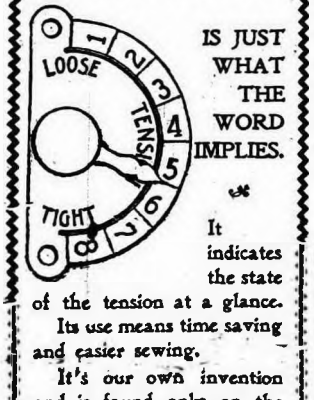
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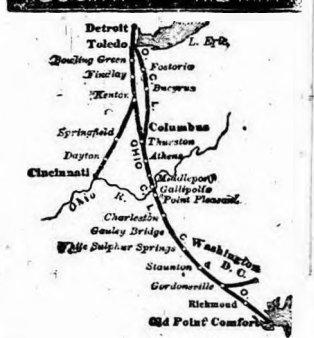
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## CORRESPONDENCE.

**Salem.**  
Dr. E. P. Waid has been spending a few days in Belding.  
Mrs. George Nollar is on the sick list.  
Frank Ryder purchased a farm team in Detroit Saturday.

Chas. Staurob made a business trip to Detroit, Tuesday.  
John McLaren, grain and hay buyer here, has purchased the J. E. Just & Co. elevator at South Lyon. A. C. VanSickle will manage same.

The Young Men's Club give a dance in Staurob's hall tonight (Friday) Lumbard's orchestra.

F. M. Lumbard's orchestra furnished music for a party at Geo. Roberts' Wednesday night.

Mrs. Mary Brown, of Carleton, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Jno. Rathbone, for a few days.  
Miss Vena Bullock returned to Plymouth Tuesday after a few days visit with her parents here.

J. B. Bradley is at Pontiac serving as a juror.  
Mrs. Anna Terrill, of San Francisco Cal., who has been visiting her brother, Frank Terrill, of this place for several weeks, left Wednesday morning for Washington, D. C. to visit her brother, Gerard Terrill, attorney in the Treasury Department.

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**Elm.**  
The funeral of Mrs. Charlotte Chapman was held at the old homestead Monday afternoon at 1 o'clock, Rev. F. C. Arnold, of Ypsilanti, conducting the services. Six of the sons of the old residents and neighbors acted as pall bearers.

Mrs. Charlotte Cole Chapman aged 89 years, 11 months, 22 days, was born at New Lebanon, Columbia Co., N. Y., Feb. 12, 1809. She was united in marriage to Alonzo L. Chapman, Sept. 22, 1830. Three years previous to her marriage she spent in teaching school. In the year 1835 she and her husband sold their home at Steventown, Rensselaer Co. New York, and with their two children started for as it was then called the far West to Kalamazoo, Michigan, where they purchased a home. They spent three years at Kalamazoo, not being contented and wishing to get a little nearer their old home in York state, they sold out again and came here to Livonia and made it themselves a home out of the wilderness, and where they have lived for 60 years.

Since the departure of her husband fifteen years ago the 19th of last Sept., Mrs. Chapman has spent most of her time with her children where she was as a ray of sunshine in their homes. Always happy in their happiness and ever ready with a kind sympathetic loving word in adversity, her mind was richly stored with endearing thoughts. In her earlier years she was a member of the Baptist church. From the 10th of Sept. to the first of Dec. Mrs. Chapman spent with her children in Detroit. Perhaps some of our readers will remember her portrait and the interview held with her by the News-Tribune at her son's, Albert J. Chapman, 345 1/2 street, Detroit, in October last. Mrs. Chapman has against the wishes of her children spent the past few weeks at the old homestead.

It was the pleasant anticipation of Mrs. Chapman to have her children spend next Sunday, Feb. 13th, with her at the old home it being the occasion of her 90th birthday, but instead she has been reunited with her companion and children that have passed on before her. When speaking of her departure from this life she always expressed the wish that it would be from her old loved home.

Mrs. Chapman was ill but four days and passed away at ten o'clock Friday evening, Feb. 3rd. She retained her clearness of mind and memory up to the last hour telling her children that were with her that she was ready and willing to go and happy to meet loved ones that had passed on before her. Mrs. Chapman had eight children, four sons and four daughters, of whom two sons, Albert J. Chapman, lawyer of Detroit and Oscar D. Chapman, of River Rouge and three daughters, Mrs. Ale Gilmore, of Northville, Mrs. Lucy Mosher, of Plymouth, and Mrs. John Bennett, of Stark, are left to mourn her departure.

The family wishes to thank all those who kindly extended to us their aid in our sad bereavement and especially those who so kindly furnished the music.  
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## WHAT BECAME OF THE GOAT?

Billygoat from Pacific Avenue Garage a Diversion in Clark Street.

The billygoat broke away from his home in a shabby quarter on Pacific avenue and made a dash for La Salle avenue. Two or three boys started in pursuit and before they had gone the length of a single block twenty boys had joined them and in a few seconds more as many men had been drawn along and formed the incipient crowd.

Billygoat was well in the lead, head and tail up, and clearing the sidewalk of everybody before him. Seemingly every building he passed was emptied of its people to witness the sport. At Monroe street the goat turned to the right when a portion of the crowd rushed by him and attempted to "right about face" him, and they did stop him. Soon a ring was formed, in which the men stood twenty deep, and outside this ring moved and surged an excited multitude. Never were more people at a street fight or at a fire. In the vacant space inside the ring stood the goat, his horned head lowered and his feet well planted to resist attack. Then began the thrusting forward by those behind them into the open space of men and boys in order to tease and madden the goat. Against every such intruder he ran a-bout, and in almost no time the space was vacant again. This feature of the sport continued for a good many minutes and until the goat himself made a dash, that was equal in bravery to Cervara's in Santiago harbor, for liberty, and succeeded in scattering the crowd in a panic. Now once more billygoat was on the sidewalk, and, assuming the pose and airs of a victor, he still made his way northward. The crowd rallied again and still pursued. The street for a couple of blocks was as full of people as it ever is when the circus is coming into the town. On went the goat to about the middle of the block, when, apparently feeling too sensibly the pressing of the crowd behind, he sprang from the sidewalk into the street and ran diagonally across, to the end of the opposite block. There he butted his way through an opposing part of the crowd and attempted his escape into the alley. The multitude surged after him, but just as they seemed about to overtake him the friendly open door at the rear of a sumptuous saloon received him out of their sight. A quarter of an hour later the owner of the captured goat was seen on Clark street, leading his now willing captive back to Pacific avenue. What became of the crowd—where did it disappear to? Nobody could tell. But it did disappear instantly, just as such crowds do, as will those that suddenly gather to see a dog kill a rat that is let out of a trap, as those that gather to witness a breakdown or a fight between newsboys.

**UNCLE SIDNEY, THE OPTIMIST.**  
In Business for Himself.  
A friend of mine recently set up an establishment for himself. He had been for fifteen years a man under authority. He told me a few of his troubles while we were standing at the counter. He said, "I put an 'ad' in the paper last night and by six o'clock this morning I had over a dozen applicants. I can't tell you how hard it was to weed them out and send all away but one. I have done it lots of times before now, but I knew somebody stood back of me. I can't tell you how heavy the load of responsibility has become. I get ten times as tired as when under Mr. K.—" Everyone learns this lesson sooner or later. When one learns to make God his Lord he has learned the great lesson of life. He has somebody back of him.

**Two Girls.**  
I know two girls who have both been tossed about and exposed to the temptations of the world. They have of necessity been thrown in the way of the roughest kind of men. One says that she has been daily insulted and has lost faith in all men. The other says that in her experience of four or five years, often being out alone on the streets after midnight, she has yet to receive her first insult. Whoever loses faith in mankind generally has himself to blame.

**Epworth League Notes.**  
The monthly business meeting of the Epworth League was held February 6th, at the residence of C. G. Curtiss. An interesting programme was listened to and light refreshments served.

There were about 30 at the business meeting Monday night. Two new members were enrolled.

The five who were appointed on the social committee have decided to hold a "Remember the Maine" social on Feb. 15, it being the anniversary of the destruction of the Maine. A unique bill of fare has been prepared and a literary program will be given. It will be held at Rev. J. B. Oliver's residence.

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## Council Proceedings.

Feb. 6, 1899.  
At a regular meeting of the common council of the village of Plymouth, Mich., held on the above date, present, President Starkweather, Trustees Lapham, Polley, Brems, Reiman, Bennett, Vrooman.

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.  
Under the head of claims and accounts the following bills were presented:

Walter Kinsey, marshal.....	\$27 00
J. E. Kapp, lamp-lighting.....	7 50
A. J. Lapham, supplies.....	6 52
E. L. Riggs, oil tank.....	1 75
Chas. Brems, cover for horse cart.....	4 95
H. C. Robinson, livery and tray.....	3 25
Baker & Gray, printing.....	3 60
A. A. Taft, chimney.....	20
J. L. Gale, supplies.....	3 30
Mich. R. & I. Wks, hydrant.....	25 00
Wm. Mott, lamp-lighting.....	14 00
H. J. Baker, exp. Detroit, stamps.....	2 10
John Shaw, int. on note.....	90 00
O. H. Polly, sharpening tools.....	1 95
Conner Hdw Co. oil, supplies.....	23 98

The chairman of the street committee reported that the extension of the culvert on Ann Arbor street was not satisfactory and recommended that the work be not accepted.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Lapham that the report of the street committee be received and placed on file. Carried.

A communication from William E. Scotten protesting against an alleged discrimination in the cleaning of snow from the sidewalks around the Scotten property, corner of Oak and Main streets, was presented and read.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Lapham that the communication be received and referred to the street committee. Carried.

A plumber's bond with the Conner Hardware Co. as principal, and E. K. Bennett and A. H. Dibble as sureties was presented.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Bennett that the plumber's bond of the Conner Hardware Co. be received and action deferred until the plumber's bond of W. J. Bradner is acted on. Carried.

A proposition from F. M. Briggs to pay thirty dollars for Lots No. 15, 16, 17, 18 in addition to block A. in Riverside cemetery be sold to F. M. Briggs for thirty dollars.

The eyes and nays being called Trustees Lapham, Brems, Reiman, Bennett, Vrooman voted aye, total 5. Trustee Polley voted nay, total one. A majority of the trustees voting aye the motion was declared carried.

Motion by Trustee Brems supported by Trustee Lapham that the bills as read by the clerk be referred to the committee on claims and accounts. Carried.

The committee reported favorably on all bills except that of Walter Kessler for \$21.00 which was returned to \$20.84.

Motion by Trustee Bennett supported by Trustee Vrooman that the bills be allowed and amounts drawn on the proper funds to pay the same. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Bennett that eight hundred dollars be transferred from the water fund to the general fund. Carried.

Motion by Trustee Polley supported by Trustee Vrooman that the minutes of the meeting held December 12th, be placed on file. Carried.

Council adjourned on February 26, 1899.  
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Detroit						
Toledo	8:00	10:00	12:00	2:00	4:00	6:00
Cincinnati						
Columbus						
Washington						
Richmond						
Stanton						
Wilmington						
Philadelphia						
New York						

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" " No. 6	2:25 p.m.	" " No. 2	8:15 a.m.
" " No. 8	5:45 p.m.	" " No. 3	2:00 p.m.
" " No. 10	6:40 a.m.	" " No. 4	7:00 p.m.

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Station	Go. East	Co. West	Time
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Ar. Detroit	7:30	2:00	6:50
Lv. Detroit	8:30	3:00	7:50
Ar. Grand Rapids	9:00	3:30	8:20
Lv. Grand Rapids	10:00	4:30	9:20
Ar. Detroit	11:00	5:30	10:20
Lv. Detroit	12:00	6:30	11:20
Ar. Grand Rapids	1:00	7:30	12:20

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