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AND	Our 1898 models were the leaders last year. Those remaining we shall sell, as long as they last, as follows:	
VEDETTE	Columbia Chainless, Models 59-71	\$65
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Conner Hardware Co.

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And Keep Warm.

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WANT A SITE.

THE EDWIN ARMITAGE MANUFACTURING CO., OF DETROIT.

Have Not Yet Decided Where They Will Locate.

A few weeks ago it was stated in the Mail, that the Edwin Armitage Manufacturing Co., of Detroit, who had been looking for a location for their plant, had decided on Royal Oak as a suitable building spot. It has since been learned that the report was without foundation and that the Company are still undecided as to where they will locate.

One of our business men who is interested in the welfare of the village and anxious to secure new industries for Plymouth recently wrote to the firm inquiring about their business, and endeavoring to ascertain what was necessary on the part of our people to induce them to locate here. The following answer was received:

February 25th, 1899.

Dear Sir:—Your favor of the 23rd inst. is at hand and noted with care. In reply I would say that I will be unable to make a trip out there, at least for a while, and so will try to give you particulars by this letter. The secretary of the company is Geo. B. Clark, and I have spoken to him in regards to your village, and its advantages.

The name of the company is the Edwin Armitage Manufacturing Company with its main office here at Detroit. Its objects are to manufacture window-shade cloth, floor and table oil cloths, book-binders cloths, enameled cloths, and other prepared fabrics by machinery and process which they own and invented by Mr. Edwin Armitage.

Mr. Armitage is a thoroughly practical man in all these branches, having been engaged in their manufacture for upwards of twenty-five years. He invented and introduced a large amount of machinery used by some of the largest firms in the country where he has been engaged at various times. The cost of manufacture has been reduced very nearly one half by this process, and at the same time turns out a superior line of goods to those on the market now. The profits are very large.

The company contemplates the erection of a large plant in the near future, and have been looking for a suitable site. They have plans now prepared for some of their buildings, and will commence building operations as soon as the site can be secured. Royal Oak has made the offer of a site on the D., G. H. & M. R. R. with side track gratis; exemption from corporate and township taxes for a period of five years, and a graduated scale thereafter; also they have said that they will subscribe for full-paid and non-assessable stock of the company to the amount of \$7,000 at its full par value of \$10 per share. The conditions of the said offer are that the Company erect suitable buildings on the site offered and equip the same with the necessary machinery and equipment for the manufacture of window shade cloth, etc. and actually commence operations of the same, guaranteeing to employ not less than ten operatives; the property to stand in the name of the company as soon as the building is completed suitable to commence operations. The company will, no doubt, employ upwards of a hundred operatives when the plant gets into full operation, and all of its departments are in full blast.

The company will have to decide one way or another very soon, so as to be prepared for the fall trade. The company only asks that the people take a fair interest in the welfare of the company if it locates in any of the places offered. The company is open to a fair proposition on your part. What can the town and citizens do? Let me hear from you at an early date.

A factory that would operate 100 hands would be a valuable addition to the village of Plymouth, and as long as there is a prospect of securing it why not make the effort.

Since writing the above two members of the Armitage Manufacturing Co. visited Plymouth and met with a number of our business men. They showed samples of the goods they intend to turn out, and plans of the buildings which they propose to erect. They told what they had, what they wanted, and outlined their plan of procedure.

A committee of three was appointed, consisting of T. C. Sherwood, W. O. Allen and E. W. Chaffee, to visit their Detroit office and investigate the matter thoroughly. If the committee finds everything to be as represented and considers the plan a just and equitable one, the company will probably have no trouble in selling stock in Plymouth. If

they can dispose of \$8,000 or \$10,000 worth of stock here, they would probably locate here.

ONLY ONE TICKET.

THE WORKINGMEN'S CAUCUS NOMINATED IT MONDAY NIGHT.

The Citizen's Caucus Adjourned Without Putting up a Ticket.

As there is but one ticket in the field there will not be much interest connected with the coming village election and the vote will be light.

At the Workingmen's caucus held Monday night about 150 were present and a ticket was nominated in less than thirty minutes. The caucus was called to order by the chairman of the Workingmen's committee, L. C. Hough. M. F. Gray was made chairman and D. H. Fitch, secretary of the caucus. C. W. Valentine and Carl Heide were appointed tellers, but their labors were light, as the secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for all the candidates but one. The ticket is as follows:

President: George A. Starkweather.

Clerk: Herbert J. Baker.

Treasurer: Edgar K. Bennett.

Trustees: William T. Conner, Fred Reiman, Varnum E. Hill.

Assessor: Charles W. Valentine.

As a Workingmen's committee for the ensuing year the chair appointed L. C. Hough, V. E. Hill and Fred Dunn.

The Citizen's caucus was held Wednesday night with about 50 present. In the absence of the chairman of the Citizen's committee, E. C. Hough called the meeting to order. G. W. Hunter and J. O. Eddy were elected chairman and secretary respectively, of the caucus. E. C. Hough and C. H. Rauch were appointed tellers. After several unsuccessful attempts to nominate a man who was willing to head the ticket, the caucus was adjourned subject to the call of the committee.

E. K. Bennett, E. C. Hough and G. W. Hunter are the members of the Citizen's committee for the coming year.

Registration Notice.

To the electors of the village of Plymouth, County of Wayne, State of Michigan: Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Board of Registration of the village above named, will be held at Bennett & Co's store in said village, Saturday, March 11, 1899, for the purpose of registering the names of all such persons who shall be possessed of the necessary qualifications of electors, and who may apply for that purpose; and that said Board of Registration will be in session on the day and at the place aforesaid from 9 o'clock in the forenoon until 8 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose aforesaid.

Dated this 3rd day of March, A. D. 1899. By order of the village Board of Registration

H. J. BAKER, Clerk of said Village.

Notice of Village Election.

Notice is hereby given, that the annual village election of the village of Plymouth, County of Wayne, State of Michigan, will be held at village hall, in said village, on Monday, March 13, 1899, at which time the following officers are to be elected, viz: One president, one clerk, one treasurer, three trustees, 2 years; one assessor. The polls of said election will be opened at 7 o'clock a. m. and will remain open until 5 o'clock of said day of election.

Dated this 3rd day of March, A. D. 1899. By order of the village board of election inspectors.

H. J. BAKER, Clerk of said Village.

The Woman's Literary Club.

The Woman's Literary Club met at the residence of Mrs. E. H. Ryder, Friday afternoon, Feb. 24.

The meeting was called to order by the president with twelve active and two associate members present.

Roll call was responded to with quotations from Shakespeare and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The resignation of Mrs. Hilmer from membership in the Club was accepted. The name of Miss Blanche Starkweather was presented for membership.

The report of the critic was given.

The programme was then taken up and Mrs. Shaw read in the History Review, Book VI, page 295. The reading of Shakespeare's "King Lear" was commenced, read by Mrs. Chaffee, who gave a short history of the play.

Before adjournment, Mrs. Ryder's invitation to hold the next meeting at her home for Miss Hartough was accepted.

ETHEL ALLEN, Sec.

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.

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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.

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THE LATEST THING OUT IS

DR. COOPER'S
DYSPEPSIA TABLETS.

These Tablets are made from a formula used by Dr. Cooper, Plymouth's successful physician, in his practice with wonderful results. These Tablets are beautiful specimens of the chemists art, and not only look well but taste well. Dr. Cooper's Dyspepsia Tablets are a sure cure for

Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Heart Burn, Sour Stomach, Distress after Eating, Gas in the Stomach and Bowels, Dizziness, Nausea, Sick Headache, Sallow Complexion, Nervous Debility and all diseases arising from Indigestion

There are two kinds of Tablets in each box with full directions how to take them. Every family should have a box in the house as a preventative from sudden sickness. Call and get sample.

Space will not permit us to give prices on Groceries this week but the cheap prices still prevail.

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 darning 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 alternative effect in driving away the pain and bringing the system back to a healthy condition.

J. L. GALE.

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PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

Letters of credit might be properly termed capital letters.

The poorest marksman may accidentally hit the target.

You can't prevent the sun from setting by stopping your clock.

The best is the cheapest, but the cheapest isn't always the best.

The radiator trust promises to be the greatest freeze-out of them all.

It is surprising what an amount of nothing some people can accomplish.

It's difficult for men to check their expenses, unless they have a bank balance.

Remember when you break the silence that the least said is the soonest mentioned.

When the sword and the pen join forces, as in General King's case, success is inevitable.

A fortune awaits the inventor of a nickel which dropped in the slot will make a cable car appear.

The Spanish cortes will hardly be so reluctant as was the United States senate in ratifying that \$20,000,000.

In not predicting the total failure of the fruit crop somebody has been overlooking a prolonged series of opportunities.

The king of Italy is the only vegetarian among European monarchs and the only king now living who was ever wounded in battle.

That New York judge who says he believes in suicide furnishes another example of the powerful influence of the law of environment.

The stockholders of the Keeley motor seem anxious to vindicate the late Mr. Keeley, but then they are not making additional investments in stock.

The Chicago couple who were denied the pleasure of a honeymoon trip because thieves stole their wedding clothes have a grievance that the courts cannot too thoroughly avenge.

There is said to be little sympathy for Eagan in Washington. As we understand it, Eagan has something so substantial that he can manage to wiggle along even if he is deprived of some sentiment.

The sultan of Oman granted a coal-station to the French and then changed his mind and revoked the grant. His later meditations on the subject have been assisted by three British war ships.

The monotonous regularity with which insanity is put forth as a defense in murder trials reminds one of the fact that the alleged crazy persons never kill a chicken or other animal. They are just sane enough to select a human being.

The United States Fish commission has sent the Albatross to Porto Rico with a company of scientists aboard who are going to find out something about conditions there. They will investigate the fresh water resources of the island with a view to planting eggs or young fish in the inland waters to serve as a food supply. Some of the party will investigate the statistical side of the fish business there; travelers returning state that the inhabitants of the island almost live on codfish received from Canada, and this trade will now naturally be turned to the United States. Some interesting information may be expected from the Albatross on the flora and fauna of the island and its agricultural productions and resources.

Consul-General Gowdy, in his annual report, states that during the past year there has been a marked increase in the adoption of automobiles, not only as pleasure vehicles owned by private individuals, but in the way of cabs serving the public for hire and for business purposes in the way of delivery wagons, especially those for long distances. It is announced that at the beginning of the next year there are to be 100 motor cabs driven by electrical power running in the streets of Manila, and if the experiment is successful the cabs will be increased to 1,000. With this project in view a large plot of ground has been acquired, where the building of works necessary for the housing of cabs and machinery for electrical supply is being rapidly completed. We have already referred to the training ground for cabmen. The automobiles which use petroleum products are objected to by the public by reason of their odor, noise and vibration.

A continuation of the strike of the molders at the works of the American Steel Company at Granite City, Ill., will probably stop the progress of the Trans-Siberian railway building in Russia. The czar must now bow to the walking delegate.

A little fellow down at Pana, Ill., was poisoned from chewing newspapers. If people will take those "embalmed" anti-expansion newspapers great care should be taken to keep them out of the reach of the little ones.

REBELS ASK TO SURRENDER.

Eight Thousand Filipinos Willing to Cease Hostilities.

AGUINALDO IS TIRED OF WAR.

Commissioners Say They Believe He Would Accept Pacific Overtures—Another Manifesto Issued Urging a General Massacre of the Americans.

Manila, Feb. 28.—Two commissioners who returned from Malolos under a flag of truce today report that 8,000 rebels are anxious to surrender.

They also express the belief that Aguinaldo is inclined to accept pacific overtures.

Maj.-Gen. Otis did not receive the commissioners.

Rebels Display No Force.

Manila, Feb. 28.—Except for an occasional volley and some individual firing by the rebels from the jungle near Calococan, along the river and in the vicinity of San Pedro Macati all was quiet along the entire line last night. The enemy's sharpshooters at Calococan continue to annoy the soldiers in the day time, but the Americans no longer pay much attention to them, reserving their fire until the rebels appear in the open in sufficient force to justify a volley or an occasional shell.

During the night time the men are so accustomed to the enemy's salutes that a majority of them remain undisturbed, secured by the outposts and sentries.

In Manila absolute quiet prevails, the streets are deserted and the only sounds to be heard after 7 o'clock in the evening are the tramp of the patrols and sentries and the occasional clatter of the boots of an officer's horse.

The insurance companies, after a conference, have decided to accept war risks at an additional premium of 5 1/2 per cent per month.

Another Filipino Manifesto.

Hong-Kong, Feb. 28.—The Filipino government has issued another virulent anti-American decree, in which the following passages occur:

"The American guns respect neither honor nor property, but barbarously massacre women and children. Manila has witnessed the most horrible outrages, confiscating the properties and savings of the people at the point of the bayonet, and shooting the defenseless, accompanied by odious acts of abomination, repugnant barbarism and racial hatred worse than the doings in Carolina. Unless you conjure a holy war for independence you are only worthy to be slaves and pariahs. Proclaim before the civilized world that you will fight to the death against American treachery and brute force. Even the women should if necessary, 'American professions and promises are pure hypocrisy. They covet the spoils of this patrimony of our race, wishing to implant here a more irritating and barbarous dominion than in the past.'"

Washington, Feb. 28.—There are outward and visible signs that the two branches of the Presbyterian church, north and south, which have been separated since the civil war, are at last in earnest in their endeavor to come together again. It is highly probable that conferences now in progress between representatives of the two organizations will result in definite and decisive steps towards a reunion being taken at the May general assemblies of the two bodies. The joint committee of the two churches is now at work on a plan of reconciliation which, it is confidently hoped, will be acceptable to both. Union will place the church among the most powerful in the country, both numerically and financially. North and south the denomination numbers 1,688,214 communicants, with church property valued at \$95,575,200, exclusive of the Cumberland Presbyterian church and other wings of the denomination.

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Sought Glory Instead of Gold.

Pittsfield, Mass., Feb. 28.—Edward Hampton of Company H, Second Oregon regiment, who was killed near Manila on February 22, is thought to be the son of F. Hampton of this city. Young Hampton left home for the Klondike about two years ago, and the first his father knew of his enlistment was when he read the account of his death.

Will Discuss Franchises.

Peoria, Ill., Feb. 28.—At the meeting of mayors to be held here Wednesday, Allen Ripley Foote of Washington will read a paper on "How Should the Franchise Question Be Settled?" The matter of municipal franchises will receive considerable attention, as it is considered one of the most important for discussion.

Newspaper in Trouble.

Louisville, Ky., Feb. 28.—Various stockholders, headed by J. W. Hedden, have filed suit for the appointment of a receiver for the Louisville Dispatch. Petitioners aver that the paper has been running at a loss of \$1,300 monthly for a long time, and its present liabilities are \$40,000.

Indiana Boys for Manila.

Laporte, Ind., Feb. 28.—Corporal Henry Jackson of this city writes from Havana that the One Hundred and Sixty-first Indiana will be sent to Manila and that orders for the change of base of the regiment will be issued within a few days.

QUAY TRIAL POSTPONED.

District Attorney Gives No Reason for Asking for Delay.

Philadelphia, Feb. 28.—On motion of District Attorney Rothermel, the Quay conspiracy trial has been postponed until April 10.

The district attorney did not state his reason for the motion for the postponement. Counsel for defendants objects to a postponement and stated to the court that they had summoned witnesses, and gone to considerable trouble to prepare their case and desired immediate trial.

Judge Beitler, however, granted the motion of the district attorney for postponement, and fixed April 10 as the date for the trial.

Senator Quay, on leaving the courtroom, expressed his disappointment at the unexpected deferring of the trial. He declined to discuss the matter further, simply adding that he was extremely anxious to have the case disposed of, and he had hoped that it would have been taken up today and quickly brought to a conclusion.

District Attorney Rothermel, when seen after the trial, refused to state the reason for his request for postponement.

Democrats Hold the Power.

Washington, Feb. 28.—It is in the power of the democrats in congress to compel an extra session of congress. Congressman Hull, chairman of the house committee on military affairs, says: "Although there is a majority of the senate in favor of the new army bill and the measure will pass that body, it cannot be considered in the house of representatives except under suspended votes. On all occasions when a measure is considered under suspension of rules it requires a majority of two-thirds to pass a bill. The republicans have a good majority in the house of representatives, but they have not a two-thirds vote. Consequently if the democrats as a party should vote against the passage of the new army reorganization bill they could defeat it."

Growth in Hawaiian Revenue.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 28.—The custom house figures at Honolulu for the year 1898 have just been compiled. They show a large increase both of exports and imports. The total value of the exports was \$17,346,744, as against \$16,021,775 for 1897. The value of the imports, including specie, was \$11,650,890, as against \$7,682,628 in 1897, an increase of \$3,968,262. Half of this increase was an increase in imports from the United States. The increase in imports from Great Britain and Germany come next in amount, those from Great Britain being \$121,945, and from Germany \$159,111. The customs duties collected were \$896,975, as against \$708,493 in 1897.

Smallpox in Illinois Towns.

Springfield, Ill., Feb. 28.—From reports received by Dr. J. A. Egan, secretary of the Illinois state board of health, smallpox seems to be gaining ground in Illinois. Secretary Egan today reports one new case at Dana, in La Salle county, three new cases at Monmouth, Warren county, and five new cases from Cairo. After thorough examinations by members of the state board these are pronounced genuine smallpox. Strict quarantine has been established around the premises where the pest is manifest and a rigid vaccination enforced upon all citizens. Dr. Egan anticipates no general outbreak at any point.

Failures in Germany.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Interesting statistics concerning the number of failures in Germany during the years 1895, 1896, and 1897 have just been published by the state department. The figures show a decrease in the number of bankruptcies during a period of increase in population; in 1895 there were 5,782 failures; in 1896 there were 5,429, and in 1897, 5,602. The figures show that no particular class has suffered severely, but the agricultural enterprises do present a rather marked increase in failures, 523 being reported in 1897, as against 472 in 1895.

List of Confederate Dead.

Washington, Feb. 28.—Col. Ainsworth, of the quartermaster's department, has transmitted to the secretary of war, for transmission to the senate, a partial report upon the number of confederate cemeteries and their interments, and is prosecuting the work of completing the statistics that were asked by senate resolution with a view to carrying out the president's recommendation that government care be given confederate dead.

Mikado's Crack Cruiser.

San Francisco, Cal., Feb. 28.—The Japanese cruiser Chitose was placed in the dry docks today so that the naval constructors of the Japanese navy may inspect her plates below the water line and her propellers before finally accepting the vessel from her builders. When she comes off the dock she will fly the Japanese flag and will become the crack ship of the mikado's navy.

Arrest of French Royalists.

Paris, Feb. 28.—The arrest of five monarchists and the seizure of many documents being circulated in the interests of the Duke of Orleans indicate that the government has determined on active measures for repression of the royalist agitation.

Iceboats in a Collision.

Hamilton, Ont., Feb. 28.—Two iceboats going at a high rate of speed came together on Hamilton bay. William Holtham was killed and several others were severely injured.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"HOME" THE SUBJECT OF LAST SUNDAY'S TALK.

From the First Book of Timothy, Chapter V, Verse 8. As Follows: "Let Them Learn First to Show Piety at Home"—Spheres in Which to Serve God

During the summer months the tendency is to the fields, to visitation, to foreign travel and the watering places, and the ocean steamers are thronged; but in the winter it is rather to gather in domestic circles, and during these months we spend many of the hours within doors, and the apostle comes to us and says that we ought to exercise Christian behavior amid all such circumstances. Let them learn first to show piety at home.

There are a great many people longing for some grand sphere in which to serve God. They admire Luther at the Diet of Worms, and only wish that they had some such great opportunity in which to display their Christian prowess. They admire Paul making Felix tremble, and they only wish that they had some such grand occasion in which to preach righteousness, temperance and judgment to come. All they want is an opportunity to exhibit their Christian heroism. Now, the apostle practically says; "I will show you a place where you can exhibit all that is grand and beautiful and glorious in Christian character, and that is the domestic circle. Let them begin first to show piety at home." If one is not faithful in an insignificant sphere he will not be faithful in a resounding sphere.

If Peter will not help the cripple at the gate of the Temple, he will never be able to preach three thousand into the kingdom at the Pentecost. If Paul will not take pains to instruct in the way of salvation the jailer of the Philippian dungeon, he will never make Felix tremble. He who is not faithful in a skirmish would not be faithful in an Armageddon. The fact is, we are all placed in just the position in which we can most grandly serve God, and we ought not to be chiefly thoughtful about some sphere of usefulness which we may enter after a while, gain, but the all-absorbing question with you and with me ought to be, "Lord, what wilt thou have me now and here to do?"

There is one word in St. Paul's adjuration around which the most of our thoughts will revolve. That word is "home." Ask ten different men the meaning of that word, and they will give you ten different definitions. To one it means love at the hearth, plenty at the table, industry at the workstand, intelligence at the books, devotion at the altar. In that household, discord never sounds its war-whoop and deception never tricks with its false face. To him it means a greeting at the door and a smile at the chair, peace hovering like wings, joy clapping its hands with laughter. Life is a tranquil lake. Pillowed on the ripples sleep the shadows. Ask another man what home is, and he will tell you it is want looking out of a cheerless fire grate, kneading hunger in an empty bread tray. The damp air shivers with curses. No Bible on the shelf. Children robbers and murderers in embryo; obscene songs their lullaby. Every face a picture of ruin. Want in the background and sin staring from the front. No Sabbath-wave rolling over that door sill—vestibule of the pit, shadow of infernal walls, fagots for an unending funeral pile. Awful word! It is spelled with curses; it keeps with ruin; it chokes with woe; it sweats with the death agony of despair. The word "home" in one sense means everything bright; the word "home" in the other case means everything terrific.

I shall speak now of home as a test of character, home as a refuge, home as a political safeguard, home as a school, and home as a type of heaven. And in the first place, home is a powerful test of character. The disposition in public may be in gay costume, while in private it is disabuse. As play actors may appear in one way on the stage and may appear in another way behind the scenes, so private character may be very different from public character. Private character is often public character turned wrong side out. A man may receive you into his parlor as though he were a distillation of smiles, and yet his heart may be a swamp of nettles. There are business men who all day long are mild and courteous and genial and good-natured in commercial life, damning back their irritability and their petulance and their discontent; but at nightfall the dam breaks, and scolding pours forth in floods and freshets. Reputation is only the shadow of character, and a very small house sometimes will cast a very long shadow. The lips may seem to drop myrrh and cassia, and the disposition be as bright and warm as a sheath of sunbeams, and yet they may only be a magnificent show window for a wretched stock of goods. There is many a man who is affable in public life and amid commercial spheres, who in a cowardly way takes his anger and his petulance home and drops them in the domestic circle. The reason men do not display their bad temper in public is because they do not want to be knocked down. There are men who hide their petulance and their irritability just for the same reason that they do not let their notes go to protest—it does not pay; or for the same reason that they do not want a man in their stock company to sell his stock below par, lest it depreciate the value.

As at sunset sometimes the wind rises, so after a sunny day there may be a tempestuous night. There are people who in public act the philanthropist, who at home act the Nero with respect to their slippers, and their gown, Audubon, the great ornithologist, with gun and pencil, went through the forests of America to bring down and to sketch the beautiful birds, and after many years of toil and exposure completed his manuscript and put it in a trunk in Philadelphia, and went off for a few days of recreation and rest, and came back and found that the rats had utterly destroyed the manuscript; but without any discomposure and without any fret or bad temper he again picked up his gun and pencil and visited again all the great forests of America and reproduced his immortal work. And yet there are people with the tenthousandth part of that loss who are utterly irreconcilable; who, at the loss of a pencil or an article of raiment, will blow as long and loud and sharp as a northeast storm. Now, that man who is affable in public and who is irritable in private is making a fraudulent and overissive of stock, and he is as bad as a bank that might have four or five hundred thousand dollars of bills in circulation with no specie in the vault. Let us learn to show piety at home. If we have it not there, we have it not anywhere. If we have not genuine grace in the family circle, all our outward and public plausibility merely springs from the fear of the world, or from the slimy, putrid pool of our own selfishness. I tell you the home is a mighty test of character. What you are at home you are everywhere, whether you demonstrate it or not.

Oh, make your home the brightest place on earth if you would charm your children to the high path of virtue and rectitude and religion. Do not always turn the blinds the wrong way. Let the light, which puts gold on the gentian, and spots the pansy, pour into your dwellings. Do not expect the little feet to keep step to a dead march. Do not cover up your walls with such pictures as West's "Death on a Pale Horse" or Tintoretto's "Massacre of the Innocents." Rather cover them, if you have pictures, with "The Hawking Party" and "The Mill by the Mountain Stream" and "The Fox Hunt" and the "Children Amid Flowers" and the "Harvest Scene" and "The Saturday Night Marketing." Get you no hint of cheerfulness—from grasshopper's leap and lamb's frisk and quail's whistle, and gurgling streamlet which, from the rock, at the mountain top clear down to the meadow ferns under the shadow of the steep, comes looking to see where it can find the steepest place to leap off at, and talking just to hear itself talk? If all the skies hurried with tempest and everlasting storm wandered over the sea, and every mountain stream were raving mad, frothing at the mouth with mud foam, and there were nothing but simoons blowing among the hills, and there were neither lark's carol nor humming-bird's trill, nor waterfall's dash, but only bear's bark and panther's scream and wolf's howl, then you might well gather into your homes only the shadows. But when God has strewn the earth and the heavens with beauty and with gladness, let us take into our home circles all innocent hilarity, all brightness and good cheer. A dark home makes bad boys and bad girls in preparation for bad men and bad women.

Again, home is a type of heaven. At our best estate we are only pilgrims and strangers here. "Heaven is our home." Death will never knock at the door of that mansion, and in all that country there is not a single grave. How glad parents are in the holidays to gather their children home again. But I have noticed that there is almost always a son or a daughter absent—absent from home, perhaps absent from the country, perhaps absent from the world. Oh, how glad our Heavenly Father will be when he gets all his children home with him in heaven. And how delightful it will be for brothers and sisters to meet after long separation! Once they parted at the door of the tomb; now they meet at the door of immortality. Once they saw only "through a glass, darkly;" now it is face to face, corruption, incorruption, mortality, immortality. Where are now all their sins and sorrows and troubles? Overwhelmed in the Red Sea of death, while they pass through dry-shod. Gates of pearl, capstones of amethyst, thrones of dominion do not stir my soul so much as the thought of home. Once there, let earthly sorrows howl like storms, and roll like seas. Home! Let thrones rot and empires wither. Home! Let the world die in earthquake struggle and be buried amid processions of planets and "hinge of spheres. Home! Let everlasting ages roll in irresistible sweep. Home! No sorrow, no crying, no tears, no death—but home, sweet home, beautiful home, everlasting home, home with each other, home with angels, home with God!

One night, lying on my lounge, when very tired, my children all around me, in full romp and hilarity and laughter—on the lounge, half awake and half asleep—I dreamed this dream: I was in a far country. It was not Persia, although more than Oriental luxuriance crowned the cities. It was not the tropics, although more than tropical fruitfulness filled the gardens. It was not Italy, although more than Italian softness filled the air. And I wandered around looking for thorns and nettles, but I found that none of them grew there; and I saw the sun rise, and I watched to

see it set, but it sank not. And I saw the people in holiday attire, and I said: "When will they put off this and put on workmen's garb, and again delve in the mine and sweeter at the forge?" But they never put off the holiday attire.

And I wandered in the suburbs of the city to find the place where the dead sleep, and I looked all along the line of the beautiful hills, the place where the dead might most peacefully sleep, and I saw towers and castles, but not a mausoleum or a monument or a white slab could I see. And I went into the chapel of the great town and I said: "Where do the poor worship, and where are the hard benches on which they sit?" And the answer was made to me: "We have no poor in this country." And then I wandered out to find the hovels of the destitute, and I found mansions of amber and ivory and gold, but not a tear could I see, not a sigh could I hear. And I was bewildered, and I sat down under the branches of a great tree and I said: "Where am I, and whence comes all this scene?" And then out from among the leaves and up the flowery paths and across the broad streams there came a beautiful group thronging all about me, and as I saw them come I thought I knew their step, and as they shouted I thought I knew their voices; but then they were so gloriously arrayed in apparel such as I had never before witnessed that I bowed as stranger to stranger. But when again they clapped their hands and shouted "Welcome! welcome!" the mystery all vanished, and I found that time had gone and eternity had come, and we were all together again in our new home in heaven; and I looked around and I said: "Are we all here?" and the voices of many generations responded, "All here!" And while tears of gladness were running down our cheeks, and the branches of the Lebanon cedars were clapping their hands, and the towers of the great city were shining their welcome, we all together began to leap and shout and sing, "Home! Home! Home!"

SALVATION ARMY FARMS.

Commander Booth-Tucker Tells of the Good Work Done.

New York, Feb. 14.—Commander Booth-Tucker of the Salvation Army reports that the past year on the colony farms of the army has been a prosperous one, and that the results thus far of the project of making poor people self-supporting by transplanting them to the country have been all that was hoped for. The beneficiaries of the plan take kindly to it, and the work is to be extended. To date the army has colony farms in Ohio, Colorado and California, covering 1,428 acres, and valued now at \$111,000. They are tenanted by 200 colonists, and it is hoped to increase this number to 500 during this year. The largest and most ambitious of the colonies is located at Fort Amity, Colo. There settlers from the slum districts of eastern cities have 640 acres of rich land, which they are endeavoring to turn into ten-acre farms. Chicago and New York furnished the emigrants, majority of whom had had experience in some sort of farming, while a number were carpenters and mechanics. The ground was divided into ten-acre lots, of which each alternate lot was cultivated, but left uncultivated, with a view to the extension of each holding should ten acres be insufficient, or a relative of a colonist desire to settle on the next farm. The plan adopted to make the colony self-supporting differs from that of most settlements in that it involves less of the cooperative plan. Each colonist is master of his own domain of ten acres, for which he pays a weekly rental of from \$1 to \$2 for ten years, when he will own the land and house. Truck farming will be the main support of the colony. The land, however, is surrounded by thousands of acres of open prairie, which, for a time at least, will furnish free pasturage for stock.

RIGHTS OF PEW-HOLDERS.

Are Sittings to Be Considered as Personal or Real Estate?

Some interesting points regarding the rights of pewholders have been brought up in Boston in connection with the question as to whether a deed for a church pew must bear an internal revenue stamp. In some states pews in churches are declared by statute to be real estate, and in other states personal estate. In Boston pews have always been considered to be personal estate, and pews in churches of public worship throughout Massachusetts are made personal property by statute. "There is a close analogy between a pew-right and the right of burial in a public burying ground or cemetery," says Acting Commissioner Wilson of the internal revenue bureau, "and the interest which a pew-holder has in his pew is held by English courts to be of an incorporeal nature only. It is in the nature of an easement, and the holder of the pew or seat is not deemed the owner of so much of the site of the church as is comprised within the area of such pew or seat. It has been held that a pewholder's right is only a right to occupy his pew during public worship." This view of the question regards pews as personal property, and, therefore, documents for their conveyance are not required to pay the war tax.

Private Graveyards in China.

There are no large cemeteries in China. Every family has its own graveyard, as spacious as possible, and thus a large part of the best land is given up to the dead, the worship of whom is the first principal in Chinese religion.

BLUNDERING.

Mrs. Cramer, a wealthy young widow, lived in a style of simple elegance in a desirable quarter of the city. Her personal attendant, Susie Moore, was young, pretty, and coquettish, with half a score of lovers at her heels, so that it is not to be wondered at that she was at times absentminded and giddy.

Mrs. Cramer had gone out calling, and Susie was doing two things at once. She was reading for the twentieth time a declaration of love she had received that morning and dusting a marble-top table that stood in the center of the room. An ominous crash which followed an unlucky whisk of the duster caused her to drop both the broom and the letter and exclaim: "My goodness." On the carpet lay the fragments of a costly porcelain cup a valued gift of the dear departed! Instant dismissal was the least she could expect in case of detection, and how could detection be avoided? No one else had access to the apartment, and there wasn't a cat on the premises.

But Susie was a girl of resources. A bright idea struck her and she ran to the back yard, snatched up a stone twice as large as a hen's egg, and dashed it through one of the panes of a rear window. Then returning to the parlor she picked up the stone and laid it among the pieces of the broken cup.

"But will that look right?" she ejaculated. "People don't throw stones through windows for nothing, and this being a back window, why—I have it!"

Her love letter lay at her feet. It had neither address nor signature, though well she knew whence it came. Catching up the missive and the missile she hastily wrapped the one around the other, securing the parcel with a thread and placed it amid the ruins.

Having finished her work, Susie closed the apartment and took good care not to be there when her mistress returned.

If Mrs. Cramer was vexed when she saw her broken cup and window, she was indignant when she came to investigate the cause. "Who can have dared to take such a liberty?" she exclaimed, crumpling the paper in her hand, but she had scarcely asked the question when a dark suspicion took possession of her.

The damaged window not only overlooked her own back yard but the garden of an adjoining proprietor, a gentleman passionately devoted to horticulture, and Mrs. Cramer had occasionally busied herself for a few minutes in looking out upon his labors. The two had often exchanged glances, but never the slightest token of recogni-



"MY GOODNESS."

tion. She had thought him a proper man, and he had sometimes lingered a little longer at his work than he probably would have done had the bright eyes of the widow been absent.

To suspect was to resolve, and, instantly tying up the stone in the letter, she had found them, she walked to the window and with all her might hurled back the hated message beyond the enemy's confines and at once retreated.

The innocent and unsuspecting neighbor, who chanced to be stooping out of sight, digging weeds in the midst of the shrubbery, startled by the sound of what might be some meteoric body whizzing past in dangerous proximity to his head, raised himself just in time to catch a glimpse of the widow's receding figure.

But judge of his surprise as his eyes fell on the strange object which had barely missed knocking him down. With a trembling hand he undid the parcel and, as he read its contents, his heart fluttered worse than Susie's had done in the morning.

The fact is, he had long been in love with the widow and had secretly sighed for an opportunity to tell her so, but to receive an unequivocal declaration from her—that was a little more than he had ever dared to hope. Some fastidious people might think such a proceeding indelicate, but the widow had evidently taken pity on his backwardness; besides, wasn't it leap year? True, her grammar might have been better, and her spelling was, to say the least, indifferent. But then he wasn't partial to literary ladies. Domesticity was what he wanted, and the widow was the picture of that. The note said something about not forgetting 6 o'clock. No, he wouldn't forget it. And he didn't.

At 6 o'clock sharp Elijah Rogers presented himself at Mrs. Cramer's door and was admitted by Susie.

"Tell your mistress," he said, "that a gentleman desires to see her."

"Please walk in," invited Susie. The fair widow was prompt in making her appearance.

"Mrs. Cramer, I am Mr. Rogers—Elijah Rogers—your neighbor," said the caller, arising and introducing himself, with some nervousness and a heightened color.

The widow bowed stiffly, for in Mr. Rogers, though better dressed and of course better looking than she had ever seen him in his garden, she recognized immediately the ruthless trespasser who had broken her window, smashed her china, and been guilty of other acts against her peace and dignity.

"I scarcely know, madam," Mr. Rogers began, after a painful pause, "how to preface what I am about to say, but the note—"

"That, indeed, requires explanation!" exclaimed the widow.

"And yet I had flattered myself that it was sufficiently explicit," returned Mr. Rogers, somewhat disconcerted.

"Sufficiently explicit, no doubt," conceded Mrs. Cramer. "But the motive—"

"Do not say it was to deceive," interposed the caller.

"And the method chosen," cried the widow: "perfectly unheard of—"

"Whatever others may think," said Mr. Rogers, "between us two it can never be misinterpreted."

And Mr. Rogers told his love—told it so much better than the stray note could have done that the widow would have wondered how much his tongue was mightier than his pen had so been in any mood for such comparisons.

She and Mr. Rogers have now been married for many years, but whether they have even discovered how the broken cup first broke the ice between them is more than I can tell.—New York Evening World.

THE NEXT CENSUS.

Congress will probably pass a bill at this session to provide for taking the next census. The primary purpose of the government in thus counting the people, which the constitution requires to be done once in ten years, is to ascertain how many representatives in congress shall be apportioned to each state. Until a first census could be taken the constitution itself specified the number of representatives allowed to each of the thirteen states. Virginia was assigned ten members, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania were allowed eight each, New York and Maryland six each, and the other states were granted representation in the same arbitrary manner. The total membership of the first house of representatives was sixty-five.

The apportionment based on the first census, that of 1790, allowed one representative for every 33,000 people, as near as the divisions could be made. On that basis the membership of the house became 105. By the next census, ten years later, using the same "unit of population," the number of representatives was increased to 141.

Since that time it has been necessary with every new census to allow a larger population to each district, and also, with the exception of one decade, to enlarge the membership of the house. A part of the increase has been caused by the admission of new states. There are now 357 men in the house, and each congressional district is made to contain as near 173,901 souls by the census of 1890 as is possible.

The forthcoming census in 1900 will, as usual, make a new apportionment necessary. The population of the United States, which was 62,622,250 in 1890, will be, it is estimated, from 74,000,000 to 76,000,000, not including our new possessions.

It is not desirable to have the house of representatives made much larger if its efficiency as a legislative body is to be maintained. Hence, that increase of population will probably make necessary an enlargement of the congressional district—perhaps an increase to 20,000—which would be six times the population of the original unit of apportionment.

Energy to Spare.
"I feel just as though I had been drawn through a knothole," declared a Woodward avenue man of business, and it was only 10 in the forenoon.

"Out late to some party or theater?" laughed his partner. "Can't stand those things as you could, when a youngster. You do two men's work here, and that demands regular hours for the rest of the twenty-four hours," reports the Detroit Free Press.

"I'm as regular as a clock. I wasn't out late at all, and haven't missed going to bed before 11 since holiday week. But the old gentleman is visiting me. You don't know my father, do you? He's one of the honest yeomanry of the land. Was reared a farmer, and is disposed to look down upon almost every other calling as too dependent for a spirited American citizen. He's 72, and lively as a cricket. There is many a young man of 30 that might well envy him."

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Having leased the vacant store in the old Conner block, we will move thereto about March 15th. We want to close out every dollars worth of shoes in stock before moving and in order to do so will offer the Greatest Slaughter in Shoes ever known in Plymouth. You will never have such an opportunity again to buy

Just What YOU Want At Your Own Price.

A line of Men's and Women's \$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00 Shoes at \$1.98.

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All Goods at Less Than 1-4 Off, For Spot Cash Only.

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In my business. I will close out my entire stock of

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The - Plymouth - Star - Cash - Laundry.

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Jards of Thanks acts.
resolutions of Condolence acts.
and notices act a word; in locals acts a word.
reading notices where charges are made acts a line.

Friday, Mar. 3, 1899.

W. O. T. U.

Our president has been quite ill for two weeks but hopes to be with us next Thursday and it is hoped there will be a good attendance to make arrangements for the Dues Tea to be given March 16th. A memorial service for Miss Willard will be held in the Presbyterian church, Sunday evening, March 12. The meeting will be addressed by Rev. J. W. Slaughter.

SUPT. OF PRESS.

Full Price for the Empty Bot-

tle.
If Cleveland's Lung Healer doesn't cure your cough, return the empty bottle and get all your money back. But it will cure you. It never fails. It has cured thousands of cases which other remedies failed to relieve in the slightest. Don't wait until that persistent cold or distressing cough develops into fatal consumption. Geo. W. Hunter & Co. will give you a trial bottle of this wonderful remedy free. Large bottle 25 cents.

The National American Woman's Suffrage Association has accepted the invitation of the Susan B. Anthony club to hold their thirty-first annual convention in Grand Rapids, April 27th to May 4th 1899. Delegates will be there from forty-two auxiliary states, representative women and brilliant speakers. This will be a great event, an honor to Michigan. The club women are joining with the Suffragists to make this convention a great success and equal the Denver Biennial. The St. Cecilia building is engaged for a week and there will be three sessions daily open to the public. The friends of the cause and others are invited to come and help to make this the grandest event in woman's world that has ever occurred in Michigan. It will be a red letter in your experience.

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.

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J. G. MEILLER

Women Should Know It.

Many women suffer untold agony and misery because the nature of their disease is not correctly understood. They have been led to believe that womb trouble or female weakness of some sort is responsible for the many ills that beset woman-kind.

Neuralgia, nervousness, headache, puffiness or dark circles under the eyes, rheumatism, a dragging pain or dull ache in the back, weakness or bearing-down sensation, profuse or scanty supply of urine with strong odor, frequent desire to pass it with scalding or burning sensation, sediment in it after standing in bottle or common glass for twenty-four hours, are signs of kidney and bladder trouble.

The above symptoms are often attributed by the patient herself or by her physician to female weakness or womb trouble. Hence, so many fail to obtain relief, because they are treating, not the disease itself, but a reflection of the primary cause, which is kidney trouble.

In fact, women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble and both need the same remedy. Dr. Kiltner's Swamp-Root is the great discovery of the eminent kidney and bladder specialist, and is easy to get at any drug store for fifty cents or one dollar.

To prove its wonderful merits you may have a sample bottle and book telling all about it, both sent absolutely free by mail. Kindly mention the Plymouth MAIL and send your address to Dr. Kiltner & Co., Binghamton, N. Y.

The postoffice department at Washington has ruled that the writer has a right to regain possession of a letter providing he can prove to the satisfaction of the postmaster at the office from which it was sent that he was the one who wrote it. Even if a letter has arrived at its destination, and before it has been delivered to the person to whom it has been addressed, it may be recalled through a telegram through the mailing office. The reason assigned is that the United States is only the agent of the writer, while the letter is in transit. The decision is important to business men and to private individuals.—Ex.

Your Nerves Will Kill You.

If you neglect them: The moment your nervous system becomes impaired, your vital organs fail to perform their functions properly, and dangerous diseases follow. Cleveland's Celery Compound Tea is an immediate and permanent cure for Nervous Prostration, Nervous Exhaustion, Constipation, Indigestion, Headache, and all diseases of the blood, stomach, liver and kidneys. Geo. W. Hunter & Co. will give you a trial package free. Large packages, 25 cents.

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18 pounds Granulated Sugar	\$1 00
10 Bars Queen Anne Soap	25
2 Cans Salmon	25
3 Cans Fancy Corn	25
3 Cans Fancy Peas	25
Arm & Hammer Soda per pound	01
Bulk Starch per pound	04
Mince Meat per package	07
Fancy Syrup per gallon pail	30
1 Dozen Clothes Pins	01
Good Tea per pound	35
Plug Tobacco Q. & Q. per pound	20
Good Coffee 2 pounds for	25
Cocoanut per pound	15

Try our Teas and Coffees.
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CAMERAS AND CAMERA SUPPLIES,
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selected assortment in the city.

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Winter Goods

Are a great burden to a merchant. 30 days will find us receiving Spring and Summer goods. It is not our purpose to tell you we are selling everything for less than cost but it is our purpose to tell you we are actually selling **All Winter Goods** at a lower price than it actually costs to put them in our store. **It Will Pay** to buy your Winter Goods now for next season's wear. Come and examine for yourself.

This sale includes all

Heavy Weight Dress Goods, Bed Blankets and Comfortables, Outing Flannels, Ladies', Gents' and Children's Winter Underwear and Night Robes, Ladies', Gents' and Children's Woolen Stockings, Gents' and Children's Overcoats and Winter Suits, Men's and Boys' Pants, Ladies' and Misses' Capes and Jackets, Ladies' and Gents' Winter Shoes.

We invite you to examine the **Greatest Bargains** ever offered in Michigan. Come early and get first choice at

E. L. RIGGS.

Riggs' Big "Double Floor" Store.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS AND PERSONAL MENTION.

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

Plymouth now has two telephone exchanges.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burras, a daughter, Feb. 27th.

Maud and Lena Vrooman spent Saturday and Sunday in Detroit.

George Gebhart has sold his place near Phoenix mill to Fred Whitmore.

Dan Smith is topping off his place across from the Union depot with another story.

A cluster of incandescent lights have been placed over the walk in front of the power house.

Houses are so scarce in Plymouth that some of our people have to store their goods and board.

Several from here attended the Christian Science lecture by Mrs. A. M. Knott, in Detroit last Sunday.

The D. P. & N. Ry. carried 1000 passengers during the first five days of their regular 1 1/2 hour service.

L. L. Lewis reports business good at his place. Both his feed mill and saw mill are running six days in the week.

Those wishing duplicate orders from negatives made by Mr. Barton leave orders with M. H. Ladd or residence.

Charles Wilskey has sold the Charles Durfee farm to Chas. Wagenschute. Mr. Wilskey has purchased the Peck house on Mill street and will move into town.

The Conner store on Main street, three doors from Sutton, is being fixed over to suit Bennett & Co., who will move from their present quarters in the Gayde block about March 15.

Douglas Kellogg, who travels for the Michigan Sick and Accident Association, of Kalamazoo, was in town this week. His headquarters are in the Hammond building, Detroit.

On account of Rev. Bicknell being called away, C. G. Curtiss, Jr., will occupy the Baptist pulpit Sunday morning and evening. Union service for young people and all in the evening.

As Mr. Hodge, who recently purchased Fred Bath's house on Union street, desires to move into the village, Coello Hamilton has been obliged to store his household goods and will board until he can find another house.

The D. P. & N. Ry. are now making 12 round trips a day, leaving Plymouth at 7 a. m. and every one and one-half hours thereafter. One of their cars is being used as a waiting room until better accommodations can be provided.

Chas. Armstrong, of Newburg, will soon move into the village and will occupy the Harrington house on Ann Arbor street. Mr. Hubbard and family, who live in the house at present, will move to the Fuller house on Ann Arbor street.

Sunday evening service at the Star of Hope mission will be resumed on next Sunday, March 5. Services will also be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday evenings. The mission hall will be open every night from 7 to 9:30 o'clock.

The next regular business meeting of the Epworth League will be held Monday evening, March 6th, at the home of Fannie L. Spicer, 3rd vice-president. An interesting programme has been prepared and all interested in the work of the League are cordially invited to be present.

Bananas, nice ones 15c per dozen, oranges 18 to 25c per dozen at Hillmer's.

Election March 13th.

Registration March 11th. The first thunder storm of the season occurred last Sunday.

It takes more or less of a crank to be real good at anything.

Better attend the debate to-night. Admission 15 cents. Village hall.

The last regular meeting of the old council will be held next Monday night.

You can't tell about a boy's salary by the engagement ring he buys for his girl.

George Springer is making a new cigar for "Jake" Streng called the "Commercial House."

The cash receipts from the donation held in the M. E. church Tuesday night were \$60.

Miss Gertrude Hart left Thursday for Youngstown, Ohio, to visit her sister, Mrs. C. S. Agnew, whose husband is very sick.

John Ward, who has been confined to the house for five or six weeks with pneumonia, was able to be out Wednesday for the first.

Zaida Pinckney was wonderfully surprised last Friday night when about thirty of her friends, with arms full of estates, called at her home to spend the evening. A fine time is reported.

Our village is experiencing a steady healthy growth. During the past few months over a dozen residences have been built and during the coming summer there will be as many more built, besides a factory or two.

Past experience proves that it is best to elect the president of the farmers' institute from the town where the next institute is to be held, in consequence of which James Y. Clark, of Belleville, was elected president for the ensuing year instead of T. S. Clark, of Plymouth, as was reported last week.

The Michigan Bell Telephone Co. are placing phones in the following places this week: Millar & Adams saloon, D. M. Adams residence, Geo. W. Hunter & Co.'s store, office of the Markham Air Rifle Co., and the D. P. & N. power house. Their rate for rental is \$12 per year.

Nathan T. Bradner, of Detroit, a former resident of Plymouth, died at his home on Smith ave., Detroit, last week Wednesday. The remains were brought to Plymouth and buried in the Kinyon cemetery, west of the village. Mr. Bradner was a charter member of Tonquish lodge, No. 32, I. O. O. F.

A tramp broke into the residence of Mr. Atchinson, near Phoenix Mill, on Thursday, during the absence of the family, and stole \$37 in cash, a gold watch, a gold ring and suit of clothes belonging to Bert Marr, who boards there. As soon as the theft was discovered, the country round about was searched but no trace of the thief could be found.

A letter received the other day from Cuba, to G. M. Adams, this office, bore the new U. S. official stamp of the post-office department recently established on the Island by Gen. Wood. It is a common U. S. 2c stamp, marked across the face is, "Cuba postage, 2 1/2 cent de peso," and to the left on the envelope is stamped, "Gen. Wood, U. S. official post-office department," and name of place from which letter was sent.

At the silver-democratic caucus held Thursday night, Orlo C. Brown, Chas. Miller and Geo. A. Starkweather were elected delegates to the Wayne county convention to be held in Detroit next Monday, which is to elect delegates to the State convention, and L. C. Hough, Robert Minnick and H. J. Baker were elected delegates to the Wayne county convention to be held in Detroit, March 18, for the nomination of circuit judges and school commissioners.

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, "Substance." Evening, "Christ-Truth the Light of the World."

Mrs. Duncombe visited her brother in Trenton over Sunday.

Don't forget the debate at the village hall to-night (Friday) between the high schools of Northville and Plymouth. The question for debate is, "Resolved, that the administration policy of expansion will be detrimental to the Nation's future welfare." In addition to the debate there will be good music and recitations. Admission 15 cents. Exercises begin at 8 o'clock sharp.

March 7th Next—Homeseekers' Excursion via Ohio Central Lines.

The sale of Homeseekers' Excursion tickets is authorized by the Ohio Central Lines, at a rate of one fare (plus \$2.00) for the round trip, on March 7th.

For tickets, rates and full information call on agents of Ohio Central lines, or address

W. A. PETERS, M. P. A., Detroit.

That Throbbing Headache

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous headaches. They make pure blood and strong nerves and build up your health. Easy to take. Try them. Only 25 cents a box. Money back if not cured. Sold by John L. Gale, druggist.

One of our shoe merchants recently came into our office to renew his subscription. Before leaving he gave us strict injunctions to credit him up so it would show on his paper when he was paid, so, as he explained that people often brought shoes for him to repair, done up in their local paper, and he always looked to see if they had paid up their subscription, and if he found that they had not, he refused to give them credit for the work he did for them. This is a new way to find out the reliability of any one, and is one more credit mark to put down to the use of the local paper. Have you paid your subscription?—Marine City Magnet.

For Sale.

House and lot on Sutton street, new bicycle, second-hand wagon, buckboard, coal stove.

C. A. FRISHER.

Come in. Christian Science hall is open to the public as a reading room. EVERYBODY WELCOME. Hours 9 to 5 p. m. 599

A Frightful Blunder

Will often cause a horrible Burn, Scald, Cut or Bruise. Bucklin's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, will kill the pain and promptly heal it. Cures Old Sores, Fever Sores, Ulcers, Bolls, Felons, Corns, all Skin Eruptions. Best Pile cure on earth. Only 25c a box. Cure guaranteed. Sold by John L. Gale, druggist.

In one of our western mining towns says an exchange, a church society has rented the basement of its church for a beer hall. A tramp printer who had seen a large portion of the globe and met with numberless misfortunes, emerged from a box car and posted the following inscription: "A spirit above and a spirit below; a spirit of love and a spirit of woe; the spirit above is a spirit divine, and the spirit below is a spirit of wine."

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-eighth day of February in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

Present, GEORGE S. HOSMER, acting Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of GEORGE NELSON, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition of Mary Partridge, praying that administration of said estate may be granted to Ephraim H. Partridge and George Nelson, Jr., or some other suitable person.

It is ordered, that the fifth day of April next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for 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.

GEORGE S. HOSMER, Circuit Judge for said County, acting Judge of Probate.

HENRY S. HULBERT, Register. 599-601 (A true copy.)

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for said County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office in the City of Detroit, on the twenty-seventh day of February in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

Present, WILLARD M. LILLIBRIDGE, Acting Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of GEORGE SCOTT, deceased.

Zar D. Scott and John H. Scott, executors of the last will and testament of said deceased having rendered to this court their final administration account.

On reading and filing the petition of said executors praying that the residue of said estate may be assigned in accordance with the provisions of said last will.

It is ordered, that the fifth day of April 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.

WILLARD M. LILLIBRIDGE, Circuit Judge for said County, acting Judge of Probate.

HENRY S. HULBERT, Register. 599-601 (A true copy.)

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for said County of Wayne, held at the Probate Office in the City of Detroit, on the first day of March 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 Alfred Moore, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition of Mary E. McClumpha praying that partition and distribution of the real estate of said deceased may be made among the persons entitled thereto.

It is ordered, that the fifth day of April next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be appointed for 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. 599-601 (A true copy.)

Articles of Co-partnership.

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, that the undersigned 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, 1846, and of acts amendatory thereof, being Chapter 76 of Howell's Annals & Statutes.

The name of firm under which the partnership business is to be conducted is McClure, Kelsey & Co.

The general nature of the business to be transacted by said partnership is buying and selling lumber.

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.

The amount of capital stock which said special partner has contributed to the common stock is fifteen thousand dollars.

The said partnership is to commence on the second day of January, A. D. 1901, 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. 1901.

ALBERT V. MCCLURE. (L. S.)
JOHN KELSEY. (L. S.)
WARREN G. VINTON. (L. S.)

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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 of 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. LAFMAN.

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.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident of which Mr. John Oliver, of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they saved my life and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cts per bottle at J. L. Gale's drug store.

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Our first word is bargains, and all from a line of

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We have been complimented many times during the past month upon the excellence and values of our stock. Facts and figures convince all comers that we offer the opportunity of the season in

Prints, Percales, Gingham, White Goods, Cottons, Sheetings, Sheets, Bed Spreads, Table Linens, Towels, Crash, Bath Cloths, Dust Cloths, Embroidery, Fine Torchon Laces, Ladies' Misses' and Children's Hosiery, Boys' School Hose, Men's Hose, Half Hose, Socks, Fine Shirts, Fancy Shirts, Work Shirts, Collars, Cuffs, Neckwear, All Wool Pants, Cotton Pants, Overalls, Notions of all kinds,

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We are Still in the Lead with Great Bargains for the New Year In all Lines of Goods at Cut Prices. A few Ladies' Dress Skirts, rich patterns, will be sold very cheap (\$1.25 to \$3.00) to close out

18 pounds of Granulated Sugar	\$1.00
Red Cross Water White Oil same old price	8c gl
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9 Bars Queen Ann Soap, cash, for	25c
10 Bars Lenox Soap, cash, for	25c
2 cans best Salmon	25c
Good Red Salmon per can	10c
All canned goods 3 cans for	25c
Good Rice 5c pound or 6 pounds for	25c
Best Rice 7c pound or 4 pounds for	25c
Lion and XXXX Coffee	11c
Arm & Hammer Saleratus 7c pound or 4 pounds for	25c
Saleratus, Gilt Edge, 5c pound or 6 pounds for	25c
Carbon Soda 4c pound or 7 pounds for	25c
Silver Gloss Starch per pound	7c
Corn Starch 6c pound or 6 pounds for	25c
Bulk Starch 4c pound or 7 pounds for	25c
New Raisins, 3 Crown, 7c pound or 4 pounds for	25c
New London Layer Raisins fancy per pound	10c
New Prunes 6c pound or 5 pounds for	25c
New Figs 15c pound or 2 pound for	25c
Mince Meat per package	07c
Rolled Oats 10 pounds for	25c
Good Syrup per gal	20c
Molasses, per gal	20c
4 pound Sal Soda for	5c
1 dozen Clothes Pins for	1c
Pure Ground Pepper, per pound	20c
Nutmegs, 60c pound or	5c oz
Our Best 60c Tea per pound now	50c
Best Crackers, 6c or 4 1/2 pounds for	25c
Parlor Matches 12 boxes 9c or 88 for	25c
Good Tea, per lb.	35c
Good Fine Cut Tobacco, per pound	30c
Quality & Quantity plug Tobacco lb.	20c

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NEWS FOR MICHIGANDERS.

A Whole Regiment of News Items From Michigan Towns

CAPTURED FOR BRIEF READING.

A Tramp Slugged a Marshall Official so That He Might Obtain Admission to the Jail—The Vassar Woolen Mills Will Resume Operation.

Fold Off Mortgages With Fruit.
Now that the lumbering interest in Newaygo county is exhausting the farmers are turning their attention to fruit growing with much success. Last year's crop enabled many to pay off their mortgages and a number would have lost their farms had it not been for their fruit. Experiments with sugar beets have shown that the soil of the county is favorable for that branch of agriculture also, and the residents of the county are hoping for the improvement of the Muskegon river in order to give them an outlet by water for their products.

Rather Costly Information.
A tramp who applied for admission to the jail at Marshall was refused because he had done nothing entitling him to board at the expense of the county. He asked of the commission if assault and battery would make him eligible, and being told that it would be raised, his fist and swatted the officer who gave him the information a hard one right on the proboscis. He is a guest of the county now, but the official who figured in the case is on his guard when any hobo applies to him for information of a similar nature.

Will Resume Operation.
The Converse Manufacturing Co's plant at Newaygo, which has been idle since 1895, has passed into the hands of David L. Stevens, of Grand Rapids, who will put it into operation again. A chair factory and Portland cement factory are other industries assured the village for the coming season, giving employment to several hundred men.

Caught in the Act.
For several weeks Alma people have been suffering from the depredations of chicken thieves, but watchfulness was of no avail in discovering the guilty party until recently when a boy was caught with several chickens belonging to another in his possession. He confessed that an organized band of boys had been making a practice of stealing chickens and selling them.

Are Talking Municipal Ownership.
At the March election the people of the village of Crosswell will decide whether they want to purchase the lighting plant in the village, which is at present run by a private company. Should the decision be in the affirmative, arbitrators will be appointed to agree on the proper price for the plant, and a special election will then be held to ratify their action.

Will be a Benefit to Farmers.
The Vassar woolen mills have changed hands, and the new owners will put them into operation again after putting in new machinery and considerably enlarging the capacity of the plant. This will mean much to the farmers of the county in furnishing them a good market for their wool.

STATE GOSSIP.

Minden City has a new bank.
Dogs have been raising havoc among sheep around Willow.

D. L. Davis has been granted a franchise for an electric road at Fenton.

Cass City now has a business men's association, organized to boom the village.

The death rate at Lapeer this winter is greater than it has been for many years.

The Y. M. C. A. has a total membership of 8,000 in the 31 associations in the state.

Big Rapids will have free mail delivery service, with three carriers, beginning on May 1.

Alma college now has an endowment of \$225,000 and President A. F. Druske is much pleased.

Ann Arbor is experimenting with electricity as a means of thawing out frozen water pipes.

The Kimball house, of Algonac, has been leased for one year by William Lanekin, of Memphis.

The annual encampment of the Michigan G. A. R. will be held at Petoskey, June 21 and 22.

A postoffice has been established at Gilt Edge, Wayne county, with Frank E. Bradley postmaster.

Rt. Rev. John B. Vertin, bishop of the Catholic diocese of Sault Ste. Marie and Marquette, is dead.

The St. Andrew's Catholic school at Grand Rapids has been destroyed by fire. Loss, \$6,000; insured.

The postoffice at Osceola Center, Livingston county, has been discontinued, and mail will be sent to Howell.

Many lumber camps all over northern Michigan are breaking up, as a result of the recent warm weather.

Charles Huntley, who was charged with assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder upon Asa Pound, of Victor township, last December, pleaded guilty at St. Johns, and was sentenced to five years' imprisonment in the state house of correction at Ionia.

By the death of a wealthy old aunt in the Netherlands, three Grand Haven people, Mrs. Solomon Verhoeks, Mrs. Kooiman and John Donker have become heirs to an estate valued at \$100,000 in that country. The Grand Haven heirs will make a trip across the ocean to get the will settled satisfactorily.

Marshal, will vote on a proposition to bond that city for \$25,000 for a sewerage system at the coming election.

Miss Viola Bliss, formerly of Ann Arbor, committed suicide at Chicago recently because she had become deaf.

George Newberry, of Imlay City, received the contents of a gun which he was handling at Omer. He will probably die.

Mt. Clemens is trying to secure free mail delivery, the receipts of the office being sufficient to entitle the city to such service.

John Campbell, an employe of the Wagner Lake Ice Co., blew Besse lake, fell 30 feet from an icehouse, and was fatally injured.

The Michigan Gas association, which met at Lansing this year, choose Detroit as the place for holding their meeting in 1900.

Deposits of lead of a superior quality have been discovered on a farm in Grant township, Huron Co., while drilling a well.

Jacob S. M. Roger, aged 73, of Alma, who was recently married to a Mrs. Harriet R. Wilson, of Lansing, is said to be a bigamist.

There is talk of another cement factory being located at Bronson. The one there is now turning out 500 barrels of cement a day.

During the extreme cold weather of a few weeks ago a hen belonging to a citizen of Pinckney stole her nest and has now 13 fine chickens.

The first carload of furniture for the new possessions of the United States has been started on its journey to Manila from Grand Rapids.

During 1898 Dowagiac suffered but four fires, with a total loss of \$709, less \$400 insurance. One fatality resulted, a child being burned to death.

White John Corey, of Chelsea, was stealing a ride from Jackson to his home he accidentally slipped and fell under the wheels of the car and was killed.

At a post mortem examination over the remains of Aug. Linger, Jr., aged 15, of St. Joseph, it was discovered that his death was due to cigarette smoking.

A tramp who had been refused shelter by Gus Karkaw, a farmer living near Okemos, set fire to the straw in the farmer's barn and three horses were suffocated.

It is but a short time since the two daily papers at Menominee suspended for lack of patronage, but already arrangements are being made for starting another.

The Quincy mine in the copper country has followed the lead of Calumet & Hecla and announced a 10 per cent raise in the wages of all its employes from March 1.

Corunna young ladies have organized an old maids' club, and one of the rules is that any member seen in the company of a young man at any time is liable to a fine.

The high school building at Sand Beach, which was destroyed by fire several weeks ago, will be replaced by a fine new building with all the modern improvements.

A Gratiot county farmer sold his farm at an advance of \$200 over the outside figure at which he had held it before the sugar factory at Alma became a sure thing.

John McCallum, a Bad Axe livery man, was found dead in a buggy four miles west of that village the other day. Heart disease or foul play is supposed to be the cause.

Battle Creek is to have a new \$10,000 public library building, which was bequeathed to the school district by the late Chas. Willard. The building will be erected this summer.

It is said that pearl mussels in paying quantities have been found in creeks in Calhoun county. The story goes that some valuable specimens of pearls have been found.

Instead of the usual robin stories this year the papers are telling of snakes that are rushing the season. A four-foot blue racer was killed at Pinckney the other day.

Beet sugar will now take a back seat for a short time in the interest of Michigan farmers while they gather a sugar crop of another kind, for the maple sugar season is on.

A small settlement of miners' cottages have been moved over the ice on Saginaw bay from Sebewaling to the stone quarries at Bay Port. About 25 have been moved already.

On July 1 the postoffice at Houghton will be raised from a third class to a second class office, the business of the office, exclusive of money orders, now exceeding \$10,000 per year.

While workmen were engaged in driving a well at the home of Christ Hemington in Grayling, they struck a flowing well at the depth of 29 feet, which has a showing of oil.

Julius F. Jeanneret, manager of Wright, Kay & Co.'s jewelry repair department, of Detroit, ended his life by stabbing himself through the heart. He was disappointed in love.

Pontiac people evidently believe in savings banks and do not keep their spare cash laying around loose. In six houses visited by burglars in the past two weeks only \$6.50 was secured.

It took a Columbus, O., jury only 20 minutes to decide that Dr. George O. Wright, of Detroit, is the father of Kittle Shinglemever's baby. Judge Evans, before whom the case was tried, has not yet fixed the amount that Dr. Wright shall pay for the support of the child.

Food Commissioner Grosvenor, in his monthly statement, says he has been only partially successful in trying to establish the fact that the sale of oleomargarine colored to imitate butter is a violation of the general food law. Varying constructions have been given the law by the courts.

The village council of Schoolcraft has decided to submit the question of bonding the village for \$7,344 for an electric lighting plant to a vote of the people at the regular election in March.

Clayton Smith, of Berrien township, thinks stock raising the best paying business he can engage in. One of his cows last week gave birth to four calves, all of which are healthy and doing well.

Charter Maidment, of Standish, the 16-year-old boy who was arrested, charged with placing obstructions on the M. C. railroad at Deep River, has confessed. He says he doesn't know why he did it.

The people of Sand Beach think the present name of their village is misleading and liable to prejudice outsiders against the place, and will accordingly ask the legislature to change it to Harbor Beach.

The question of bonding the village for electric lights will be voted on at the March election at Schoolcraft, for the third time within a few months. Both times previously the proposition has been defeated.

The inquest over the remains of Mrs. Hartel, of Port Huron, developed the fact that death was caused by acute alcoholism. Her husband had furnished her with two gallons of whisky during the week she died.

The farmers of Jackson county, on opening their potato pits, are finding that not so many of the tubers have been ruined by frost as had been expected, although the loss as it is will run up into many thousands of bushels.

Probably the last large sale of green pine timber in Oakland county has been consummated. Jonathan Clark has sold the tract of pine between Brooks and Clark lakes, Addison township, to Peter Rowley, of Leonard, for \$5,000.

The family of Austin Bastick, of Millington, consisting of seven people, were all poisoned by eating turkey. Doctors worked over them for a long time and finally brought them out all right. Mrs. Bastick narrowly escaped death.

Farmers who think their fruit trees have been killed by the late cold snap will do well not to cut them down yet awhile, else they may see before the season is over their less precipitate neighbors picking fruit from trees now considered dead.

A scheme is on foot to build an electric railway along the St. Clair river, connecting Marine City and St. Clair with Port Huron. This would form a through route from Detroit and Port Huron. The Port Huron Electric Railway Co. is interested in the deal.

Lee Shank, aged 30, a prominent man in society circles at Albion, made an unsuccessful attempt at suicide in the Albion house. Shank took four bottles of laudanum, but physicians say there is a chance for his recovery. He was despondent, caused by drink.

Inquiries among the farmers in every portion of Lapeer county indicate that small fruits up that way will be a minus quantity this season. Not only have the peach, pear and plum buds been destroyed, but a large portion of the trees themselves have been killed.

The makers of school desks, opera chairs, lecture and concert hall furniture, church pews and church furniture, at Grand Rapids, have agreed to pool their interests in a concern to be known as the American School Furniture Co. The capital stock is \$10,000,000.

The Michigan Republican club banquet, held in Detroit, was a success in every particular. Following are the officers elected: President, W. A. Hurst, Detroit; vice-president, H. H. Smith, Ionia; secretary, Burt D. Gady, Jort Huron; treasurer, Frank Wait, Sturgis.

The steel range people from Chicago who have been canvassing Huron county are said to have sold more than 500 ranges there at prices about 30 per cent higher than home merchants would ask, and to have taken something like \$25,000 in cash out of the county.

A respectable elderly woman of Coldwater died the other day, and although she leaves a husband and six children, none of whom are in poor circumstances, the county was called upon to bury her, as none of her children would lend a hand to prevent her burial as a pauper.

Sunday afternoon, February 26, a memorial meeting was held at the University of Michigan in honor of the late Judge Thomas M. Cooley and Professor E. L. Walter. Mr. C. A. Kent spoke regarding Judge Cooley and Professor Richard Hudson gave an address on Professor Walter.

Farmers and horse owners will do well to examine cornstalks before feeding them to their equines, and see if there is any corn smut on the fodder. Dr. J. L. Campbell, of Birmingham, lost two horses from eating stalks which contained a quantity of smut. The team was valued at \$400.

An Grigs has been a very sleepy village ever since the pine ceased to come down the river. Now it will have an awakening, for a first-class stave and heading mill, employing 60 men, is to be erected there. The village has donated \$1,000 to the mill owners, and will exempt them from taxes for five years.

W. C. Simmons, ex-postmaster of Hesperia, who was sentenced by the U. S. court at Grand Rapids to four years in the Detroit house of correction and to pay a fine of \$2,384, the amount of his shortage, was arrested at Seattle a few months ago and brought back for trial. About four years ago he disappeared from Hesperia, going to Honolulu. Since his return he admitted his guilt, and also that he had committed bigamy during his travels.

Lansing has lost one of its industries, the Lansing Paper Box Co.'s factory, which has been consolidated with another like concern and moved to Ionia.

FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE

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

RELIABLE AND INTERESTING.

Havana is Able to Bear a \$25,000,000 Debt—The American Commission Have Made Their Last Concession to Canadian—War Notes.

Havana Finances.
The work on Havana's finances, in which Mr. Haskins, the expert accountant, has been engaged, is drawing to a close. He will report to Gen. Ludlow, governor of the department of Havana, that the city is able to bear a \$25,000,000 debt. The present 6 per cent obligations, amounting to \$12,500,000, will be refunded and the remainder of the new bond issue will be used for improvements. If the existing debt alone was refunded, Mr. Haskins says it could be done at 4 per cent, and the total issue of \$25,000,000 would be favorably received in New York at 5 per cent.

Americans Not to Blame.
Without any purpose to start a flood of recrimination the American members of the high Canadian commission feel that they have not been to blame for the failure to reach an agreement, but that they are justified in the statement that they have made concession after concession. It is just probable that better results may attend a further conference of the joint body next summer. The officials at Washington say the Americans side have made their last concession, and that the Canadians cannot expect any better terms hereafter than they have recently refused.

Not a Single Execution in the Late War.
In reaching the decision to recommend a long term of imprisonment in the case of a private in an Alabama regiment, who had killed a man in an affray, Judge Advocate Liber has completed a remarkable record, disposing of the last of the capital cases that had come before his department for review without in any single case imposing the death penalty. Thus, the war has passed without the execution of a single soldier on account of military crimes. This is believed to be without parallel in history. There were crimes committed, but they lacked malice or premeditation and there were no desertions because of cowardice or treachery.

A Bold Chicago Murder.
Robt. J. Walsh, of Chicago, a dealer in real estate and partner of E. W. Partridge in a large dry goods business in Detroit, was shot and killed in the hallway in front of his office by Daniel Driscoll, a former janitor of Walsh's hall. Since Driscoll was discharged it is said he brooded over the loss of his position, and on the day of the shooting he went to Walsh's office and demanded his place back. On being refused he pulled a revolver and fired five shots, all of which took effect. Driscoll is in jail.

WAR NOTES.
The shooting of two Englishmen and of Mr. Argentine, manager of the Andrew cotton mill at Tondo, was unavoidable. During the excitement occasioned by the fires in the vicinity, the trio leaned from an upper window. Their white suits attracted the attention of the American soldiers, who believed them to be natives, firing from the windows, shot all three. One was killed, one fatally wounded and the other slightly wounded.

The latest piece of treachery to be undertaken by the Filipinos was to burn Manila in the night, and they succeeded in burning acres of buildings. During the burning of the buildings the natives did all in their power to block the work of the firemen, by cutting the hose and keeping up a continual fire upon the Americans. The casualties were few but the property loss was enormous. Four Americans were wounded.

The officials at Washington have now decided that the Filipinos must be crushed without delay. Gen. Lawton, an old Indian fighter, with troops, are expected to reach the Philippines in a few weeks, when a forward campaign will begin and a heavy blow struck that will keep the insurgents quiet during the rainy season or cause them to surrender.

Aguinaldo has issued a manifesto accepting the situation caused by the "unexpected provocation of the Americans," wherein he assumes that he is prepared to sacrifice anything to maintain the national honor of his country, and alleges that "even the corrupt Spanish dominion is preferable to the odious American dominion."

Brig. Gen. King's troops came off victorious in an engagement with the Filipinos near Guadalupe, driving them from the ravines and shelling Guadalupe church with the loss of three killed and two wounded, while the insurgents had 50 killed.

Gen. Miller still holds Jaro and Molo, and the natives of Negros Island voluntarily hoisted the stars and stripes, offered allegiance and asked for protection.

Gen. Miller has sent troops to Santa Barbara, which is now occupied by the Americans. This is an important town, 16 miles from Iloilo, with a large population.

Advices from Berlin tell of the finding of Andre's balloon 234 miles from Krasnoarsk and 67 miles from the gold washings in Sanvich. Near the balloon three dead bodies were found.

The report of Secretary Alger's intended resignation is declared untrue. He has never contemplated retiring and above all will never go out of office under fire.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

A substitute for the body of the Atkinson bill and all other bills involving an equalization of taxation has been submitted to a joint committee.

The bill provides for a rate of 2 per cent of all incomes of between \$1,500 and \$100,000; 3 per cent between \$100,000 and \$500,000; 4 per cent between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000; 5 per cent on all in excess of \$1,000,000.

The house had a scrap over a resolution offered by Rep. Hoffmeister that the state affairs committee take a junket to the Bay City sugar beet factory to observe the practical workings of the industry, in view of the legislation on the subject that will be asked.

Several members opposed it and several roll calls were taken on amendments. It was finally amended to include the committee on private corporations and then passed.

The beet sugar bounty lobby sprung a new trick in the game of legislation when they got a concurrent resolution adopted in the senate, expressing their sense that no change should be made in the present bounty of one cent a pound.

The total number of senate bills introduced at this session was 546, as against 561 last session.

Legislative Gossip.
The governor has sent the following appointments to the senate: D. A. MacLachlan, Detroit, member of the state board of health, for six years; George H. Wetherbee, of Detroit, member of the board of managers for the Michigan Soldiers' home, for six years; Chas. F. Coffin, of Grand Rapids, member of the board of managers of the Soldiers' home, for six years; Collins T. Johnston, M. D., of Grand Rapids, member of the state board of health, for six years; Amariah F. Freeman, of Manchester, member of the Michigan state prison board, for six years; Dr. H. Howard Lawson and Dr. John L. Brown, Detroit, health board to succeed Dr. C. S. Morley and Dr. Longyear.

The Pingree men in the house worked a little "scoop" on the anti when Rep. Gilliam introduced a copy of the Cheever-Atkinson bill, and had it referred to the committee on revision of the statutes of which John J. Carlton is chairman and on which the Pingree men claim they have a majority.

In the rush of bills the title was not noticed or recognized or there might have been a fuss over the reference. In the same way Rep. Aldrich introduced the same bill and had it laid on the table from which it can be taken and put on its passage at any time when there are votes enough.

Senator Monaghan's bill amending the divorce laws limits the causes for which divorces shall be granted to adultery, physical incompetency, imprisonment for crime for three years, utter and willful desertion for two years, habitual drunkenness and extreme cruelty such as endangers life and health. Separate maintenance and limited divorces are cut out entirely. The guilty party is prohibited from marrying again, except a remarriage. Bishop Nind's has written a letter to Senator Monaghan approving the bill.

The attorney-general has sustained the opinion of the judge-advocate general of the war department in the celebrated case of the Cortez Bros., of Manila, and has notified Gen. Otis to turn over to the representatives of the Cortez family all of their property now held by the military authorities in the archipelago.

It is said that Gov. Pingree will veto the bill which seeks to make the village of Warren the center of a school district, and thereby tax a lot of property outside of the village to support the school. The bill was recently rushed through both houses by Rep. Wells of that district.

Rep. Rusk's recent peace jubilee was a success in every particular.

The latest from the battlefield is to the effect that 8,000 rebels are anxious to surrender. They also express the belief that Aguinaldo is inclined to accept pacific overtures.

While 300 Chinamen, en route to Mexico, were awaiting examination by U. S. health officers at Montreal they made things lively for the police of that city. The windows in the depot were broken and the officers turned upon. The Chinamen, it is said, had been told they were on their way to a land of cannibals.

The American residents in the Chee Foo, China, have sent an appeal to the San Francisco chamber of commerce requesting that a ship load of corn be sent for the relief 2,000,000 Chinese in Shang Tung province, the unprecedented floods of the Yellow river having destroyed crops, and the immense population along the great river being on the verge of starvation.

The inhabitants of Breckenridge, Kokomo, Dillon, Col., and other points in that vicinity, as well as hundreds of miners living in cabins in the surrounding mountains, are in a condition that is rapidly becoming desperate on account of heavy snow storms. Stock is already starving in the towns and the food supplies for the people are running very low. It is believed isolated miners have already starved to death.

Gen. Gomez was received at Havana with military honors by the American military commanders on his recent visit there. He, in company with them watched 2,500 of his soldiers defile in the Plaza of Arms past the palace from the balcony on which Gen. Brooke and other American generals stood less than two months ago, when the last company of departing Spanish troops saluted the American troops, and Capt. Gen. Castellanos formally yielded the Spanish sovereignty. The celebration left a pleasing impression.

A combination of the sewer pipe industries in the United States is asserted.

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Every cough makes your throat more raw and irritable. Every cough congests the lining membrane of your lungs. Cease tearing your throat and lungs in this way. Put the parts at rest and give them a chance to heal. You will need some help to do this, and you will find it in

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The recent decree of the Court providing for the foreclosure and sale of the main line of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad is directly in line with the reorganization proceedings.

Lane's Family Medicine.
Moves the bowels each day. In order to be healthy this is necessary. Acts gently on the liver and kidneys. Cures sick headache. Price 25 and 50c.

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No matter how long you have had the cough, if it hasn't already developed into consumption Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup will cure it.

There would be fewer axes-ground if the grinders had to turn the crank.

Tongues of the Cat Family.
The tongues of the cat family are covered with recurring spines. In the common domestic cat these are small, but sufficiently well developed to give the tongue a feeling of roughness. But in the lion and tiger the spines are strong enough to enable the animal to tear away the skin of a man's hand merely by licking it.

A CONGRESSMAN
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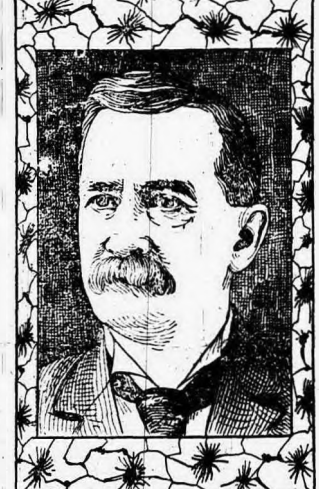
Ex-Congressman A. T. Goodwyn, from Alabama, writes the following letter:

The Pe-ru-na Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio: Gentlemen—I have now used two bottles of Pe-ru-na, and am a well man today. I could feel the good effects of your medicine before I had used it a week, after suffering with catarrh for over a year. Respectfully,

A. T. Goodwyn.

Catarrh in its various forms is rapidly becoming a national curse. An undoubted remedy has been discovered by Dr. Hartman. This remedy has been thoroughly tested during the past forty years. Prominent men have come to know of its virtues and are making public utterances on the subject. To save the country we must save the people. To save the people we must protect them from disease. The disease that is at once the most prevalent and stubborn of cure is catarrh. Public men of all parties recognize in Pe-ru-na a national catarrh remedy of unequalled merit. Send to Dr. Hartman, Columbus, Ohio, for a free book on catarrh.

Every time a man swallows a doctor's advice he has to cough up \$3.



PHANTOM SHIP

—OR—
The Flying Dutchman.

—BY CAPTAIN MARRYAT.

CHAPTER IX.—(Continued.)

Where was Mynheer von Stroom during all this work of destruction? In his bed-place, covered up with the clothes, trembling in every limb, and vowing if ever again he put his foot on shore not all the companies in the world should induce him to trust to salt water again. It certainly was the best plan for the poor man.

The vessel, after running to the southward till past Table Bay, had, by the alteration made in her course, entered into False Bay, where, to a certain degree, she was sheltered from the violence of the winds and waves. But although the water was smoother, the waves were still more than sufficient to beat to pieces any vessel that might be driven on shore at the bottom of the bay, to which point the Ter Schilling was now running. The bay, so far offered a fair chance of escape, as, instead of the rocky coast outside, against which had the vessel run, a few seconds would have insured her destruction, there was a shelving beach of loose sand. But of this Philip could, of course, have no knowledge, for the land at the entrance of the bay had been passed unperceived in the darkness of the night. About twenty minutes more had elapsed when Philip observed that the whole sea around them was one continued foam. He had hardly time for conjecture before the ship struck heavily on the sands, and the remaining masts fell by the board.

The crash of the falling masts, the heavy beating of the ship on the sands, which caused many of her timbers to part, with a whole sea which swept clean over the fated vessel, checked the songs and drunken revelry of the crew. Another minute, and the vessel was swung round on her broadside to the sea, and lay on her beam ends. Philip, who was to windward, clung to the bulwark, while the intoxicated seamen floundered in the water to leeward and attempted to gain the other side of the ship. Much to Philip's horror, he perceived the body of Mynheer Kloots sink down in the water (which now was several feet deep on the lee side of the deck), without any apparent effort on the part of the captain to save himself. He was then gone, and there was no hopes for him. Philip thought of Hillebrand, and hastened down below; he found him still in his bed-place, lying against the side. He lifted him out, and with difficulty climbed with him on deck, and laid him in the long boat on the booms, as the best chance of saving his life. To this boat, the only one which could be made available, the crew had also repaired; but they repulsed Philip, who would have got into her; and, as the sea made clean breakers over them, they cast loose the lashings which confined her. With the assistance of another heavy sea, which lifted her from the chocks, she was borne clear of the booms and dashed over the gunwale into the water to leeward, which was comparatively smooth—not, however, without being filled nearly up to the thwarts. But this was little cared for by the intoxicated seamen, who, as soon as they were afloat, again raised their shouts and songs of revelry as they were borne away by the wind and sea toward the beach. Philip, who held on by the stump of the mainmast, watched them with an anxious eye, now perceiving them borne aloft on the foaming surf, now disappearing in the trough. More and more distant were the sounds of their mad voices, till at last he could hear them no more—he beheld the boat balanced on an enormous rolling sea, and then he saw it not again.

CHAPTER X.

Philip knew that now his only chance was to remain with the vessel, and attempt to save himself upon some fragment of the wreck. That the ship would long hold together he felt was impossible; already she had parted her upper decks, and each shock of the waves divided her more and more. At last, as he clung to the mast, he heard a noise above, and he then recollected that Mynheer von Stroom was still in his cabin. Philip crawled aft, and found that the poor ladder had been thrown against the cabin door, so as to prevent its being opened. He removed it, and entered the cabin, where he found Mynheer von Stroom clinging to windward with the grasp of death—but it was not death, but the paralysis of fear. He spoke to him, but could obtain no reply; he attempted to move him, but it was impossible to make him let go the part of the bulkhead that he grasped. A loud noise and the rush of a mass of water told Philip that the vessel had parted amidships, and he unwillingly abandoned the poor supercargo to his fate and went out of the cabin door. At the after hatchway he observed something struggling—it was Johannes the bear, who was swimming, but still fastened by a cord which prevented his escape. Philip took out his knife and released the poor animal, and hardly had he done this act of kindness when a heavy sea turned over the after part of the vessel, which separated in many places, and Philip found himself struggling in the waves. He seized upon a part of the deck which supported him, and was borne away by

the surf toward the beach. In a few minutes he was near to the land, and shortly afterward the piece of planking to which he was clinging struck on the sand, and then, being turned over by the force of the running wave, Philip lost his hold, and was left to his own exertions. He struggled long, but although so near to the shore, could not gain a footing; the returning wave dragged him back, and thus he was hurled to and fro until his strength was gone. He was sinking under the wave to rise no more when he felt something touch his hand. He seized it with the grasp of death. It was the shaggy hide of the bear Johannes, who was making for the shore, and who soon dragged him clear of the surf, so that he could gain a footing. Philip crawled up the beach above the reach of the waves, and, exhausted with fatigue, sank down in a swoon.

When Philip was recalled from his state of lethargy, his first feeling was intense pain in his still closed eyes, arising from having been many hours exposed to the rays of an ardent sun. He opened them, but was obliged to close them immediately, for the light entered into them like the point of a knife. He turned over on his side, and, covering them with his hand, remained some time in that position, until, by degrees, he found that his eyesight was restored. He then rose, and after a few seconds could distinguish the scene around him. The sea was still rough, and tossed about in the surf fragments of the vessel; the whole sand was strewn with her cargo and content. Near him was the body of Hillebrand, and the other bodies which were scattered on the beach told him that those who had taken to the boat had all perished.

It was, by the height of the sun, about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, as near as he could estimate; but Philip suffered such an oppression of mind, he felt so wearied and in such pain, that he took but a slight survey. His brain was whirling, and all he demanded was repose. He walked away from the scene of destruction, and, having found a sandhill, behind which he was defended from the burning rays of the sun, he again lay down, and sank into a deep sleep, from which he did not wake until the ensuing morning.

Philip was roused a second time by the sensation of something pricking him on the chest. He started up, and beheld a figure standing over him. His eyes were still feeble and his vision indistinct; he rubbed them for a time, for he first thought it was the bear Johannes, and, again, that it was the supercargo, von Stroom, who had appeared before him. He looked again, and found that he was mistaken, although he had warrant for supposing it to be either or both. A Hottentot, with an assegai in his hand, stood by his side; over his shoulder he had thrown the fresh-severed skin of the poor bear, and on his head, with the curls descending to his waist, was one of the wigs of the supercargo, von Stroom. Such was the gravity of the black's appearance in this strange costume (for in every other respect he was naked) that at any other time Philip would have been induced to laugh heartily; but his feelings were now too acute. He rose upon his feet and stood by the side of the Hottentot, who still continued immovable, but certainly without the slightest appearance of hostile intentions.

A sensation of overpowering thirst now seized upon Philip, and he made signs that he wished to drink. The Hottentot motioned him to follow, and led over the sandhills to the beach, where Philip discovered upward of fifty men, who were busy selecting various articles from the scattered stores of the vessel. It was evident by the respect paid to Philip's conductor that he was the chief of the kraal. A few words, uttered with the greatest solemnity, were sufficient to produce—though not exactly what Philip required—a small quantity of dirty water from a calabass, which, however, was to him delicious. His conductor then waved to him to take a seat on the sand.

After a time the Hottentots began to collect all the wood which appeared to have iron in it, made it up into several piles, and set them on fire. The chief then made a sign to Philip, to ask him if he was hungry. Philip replied in the affirmative, when his new acquaintance put his hand into a bag made of goatskin and pulled out a handful of very large beetles, and presented them to him. Philip refused them with marks of disgust, upon which the chief very sedately cracked and ate them; and, having finished the whole handful, rose and made a sign to Philip to follow him. As Philip rose he perceived floating in the surf his own chest. He hastened to it and made signs that it was his, took the key out of his pocket and opened it, and then made up a bundle of articles most useful, not forgetting a bag of gold-ers. His conductor made no objection, but, calling to one of the men near, pointed out the lock and hinges to him, and then set off, followed by Philip,

across the sandhills. In about an hour they arrived at the kraal, consisting of low huts covered with skins, and were met by the women and children, who appeared to be in high admiration at their chief's new attire. They showed every kindness to Philip, bringing him milk, which he drank eagerly. Philip surveyed these daughters of Eve, and, as he turned from their offensive, greasy attire, their strange forms and hideous features, he sighed and thought of his charming Amine.

The sun was now setting, and Philip still felt fatigued. He made signs that he wished to repose. They led him into a hut, and, though surrounded as he was with filth, and his nose assailed by every variety of bad smell, attacked moreover by insects, he laid his head on his bundle, and, uttering a short prayer of thanksgiving, was soon in a sound sleep.

The next morning he was awakened by the chief of the kraal, accompanied by another man who spoke a little Dutch. He stated his wish to be taken to the settlement where the ships came, and anchored, and was fully understood. But the man said that there were no ships in the bay at the time. Philip, nevertheless, requested he might be taken there, as he felt that his best chance of getting on board of any vessel would be by remaining at the settlement, and, at all events, he would be in the company of Europeans until a vessel arrived. The distance, he discovered, was but one day's march, or less. After some little conversation with the chief, the man who spoke Dutch desired Philip to follow him, and that he would take him there. Philip drank plentifully from a bowl of milk brought him by one of the women, and, again refusing a handful of beetles offered by the chief, he took up his bundle and followed his new acquaintance.

Toward evening they arrived at the hills, from which Philip had a view of Table Bay and the few houses erected by the Dutch. To his delight, he perceived that there was a vessel under sail in the offing. On his arrival at the beach, to which he hastened, he found that she had sent a boat on shore for fresh provisions. He accosted the people, told them who he was, told them also of the fatal wreck of the Ter Schilling, and of his wish to embark.

The officer in charge of the boat willingly consented to take him on board, and informed Philip that they were homeward bound. Philip's heart leaped at the intelligence. Had she been outward bound, he would have joined her; but now he had a prospect of again seeing his dear Amine before he embarked to follow out his peculiar destiny. He felt that there was still some happiness in store for him; that his life was to be checkered with alternate privation and repose, and that his future prospect was not to be one continued chain of suffering and death.

He was kindly received by the captain of the vessel, who freely gave him a passage home; and in three months, without any events worth narrating, Philip Vanderdecken found himself once more at anchor before the town of Amsterdam.

Amine was both surprised and glad to welcome her husband home so much sooner than she expected. Philip remained at home for several months, during which his father-in-law, Mynheer Poots, died, leaving Amine a great fortune in gold and jewels, which he had accumulated.

Leaving his wife comfortably established with two servants to wait on her, Philip again departed on his mission, this time as second mate on the Hatavia, a fine vessel of 400 tons burden.

(To be continued.)

THE SULTAN'S MANNERS.

His Quiet Dignity, Pleasing Smile and Unusually Sympathetic Voice.

As to the sultan's working habits, I have known him to be at work at five in the morning and keep a whole staff of secretaries going at that hour who had slept overnight on couches in the rooms in the palace they habitually work in, says Harper's Magazine. Munir Pasha, the imperial grand master of ceremonies, and one of the most kindly, distinguished men it is possible to meet, once said to me: "There is one characteristic of his majesty which conveys a constant lesson to us all: it is his extraordinary self-control—his impressive calm. It is almost sublime. No contrariety, no trial, seems able to ruffle his perfect self-possession. It is truly marvelous." The prepossessing impression which the sultan is universally admitted to produce on those who are privileged to come into contact with him is doubtless in part due to that charm of manner, that quiet dignity, so free from angular self-assertion, which is more or less characteristic of all well-bred Turks. But in his case it is supplemented by a pleasing smile and an unusually sympathetic voice, the notes of which always seem to convey a pleasant impression, even to the stranger who is unable to understand what his majesty has said until it is translated by the interpreter. The sultan usually gives audiences on Friday after the ceremony of the Selamluk, when he wears a Turkish general's uniform, with the star of the Intiaz order in brilliant hang from his neck. As he sits in front of you, with his hands resting on the hilt of his sword before him, and you watch him speak to Munir Pasha in his quiet, dignified way, you cannot resist the impression of his picturesque dignity.

Don't neglect to keep your shoes polished: You can always shine at one, end if you can't at the other.

DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

The naval appropriation bill finally passed the house, after four days of acrimonious debate, most of which was spent upon the question of rehabilitating the naval academy at Annapolis, in accordance with the scheme inaugurated by the appropriation of half a million in the last naval bill and the proposition to increase the maximum price to be paid for armor plate to \$545 per ton, existing law limiting it to \$400. Upon both propositions the naval committee suffered signal defeats. The amendment to build a great armor plant was ruled out upon a point of order, after a rancorous debate, in which the price to be paid for armor was cut down from \$545, the price which the committee insisted was being paid for the new Krupp armor, to \$445, and a proviso was also added precluding the government from paying more than was paid by any other foreign government for similar armor. A motion to recommit the bill was lost, and when the question on the amendment was put it was carried with a rousing cheer.

The house has passed the army and fortification bills. The former carried about \$79,000,000 and the latter approximately \$4,700,000. The final conference report upon the Indian appropriation bill was also adopted. The only amendment of importance attached to the army bill was one giving two months extra pay to enlisted men in the regular army who served beyond the limits of the United States during the war with Spain, and one month's extra pay to those who served in the United States.

After a contest that will be memorable in the history of the senate, the compromise army reorganization bill was passed. Mr. Gorman, of Maryland, insisted that his amendment, providing that the army should not be increased permanently or beyond July 1, 1901, be incorporated in the measure. A warm debate followed, but the amendment in a slightly modified form was finally accepted.

The largest pine land deal made in years has been consummated at Chipewa Falls, Wis. F. Weyerhaeuser sold to Messrs. Street, Chatfield & Keop, of Chicago, and to Rittenhouse & Embree, also of Chicago, a tract of land in Ashland and Bayfield counties, on which it is estimated there is 200,000,000 feet of pine. The price paid was \$1,000,000.

Senator Burrows has introduced a new bill to provide for women nurses in army hospitals. His former bill for this purpose did not meet the approval of the war department, but this one bears the indorsement of that department and has its warm support.

The senate passed the river and harbor bill by a vote of 50 to 3. A sharp contest arose over the Nicaragua canal bill amendment, but on a point of order it went along with the rest.

The senate has confirmed the following appointments: To be engineers in the navy, Ernest P. Goodrich, of Michigan, Leonard M. Cox, of Kentucky, Alfred C. Lewerenz, of Michigan.

The President has sent to the senate the nomination of Wm. R. Day, of Ohio, to be U. S. circuit judge for the sixth judicial circuit.

The extradition treaty negotiated between Mexico and the United States has been signed by Foreign Minister Mariscal and Ambassador Lowell Clayton.

Advices received at London from Scandinavia says the czar's decree for the Russification of Finland has awakened a feeling of indignation and sympathy. The prominent officers of Finland have sought an audience of the czar on the subject, but their request has been refused.

No demand has been made by the German government for the removal by the United States government of Chief Justice Chambers of Samoa, nor is it true that either the United States or the British government has demanded the removal of Dr. Raffell or German Consul Rose.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.			
New York	Cattle	Sheep	Lambs
Best grades	519 3/4	81 1/4	8 1/2
Lower grades	512 1/2	79 1/2	8 1/2
CINCINNATI.			
Best grades	5 1/2	75 1/2	4 1/2
Lower grades	5 1/4	74 1/2	4 1/2
CLEVELAND.			
Best grades	4 1/2	75 1/2	4 1/2
Lower grades	4 1/4	74 1/2	4 1/2
PITTSBURGH.			
Best grades	5 1/2	75 1/2	4 1/2
Lower grades	5 1/4	74 1/2	4 1/2

GRAIN, ETC.			
Wheat	Corn	Oats	No. 2 white
New York	80 1/2	40 1/2	37 3/4
Chicago	71 1/4	39 1/2	33 3/4
Detroit	71 1/4	38 3/4	29 1/2
Toledo	72 3/4	39 3/4	29 3/4
Cincinnati	73 1/2	38 3/4	30 3/4
Cleveland	72 3/4	38 3/4	31 3/4
Pittsburgh	72 3/4	38 3/4	31 3/4
Buffalo	73 1/4	37 3/4	31 3/4
Detroit—Hay No. 1 Timothy	\$1 57	per ton.	
Potatoes, 8c per bu.	Live Poultry,	sprink	
chickens, 84c per lb.	fowls, 74c;	turkeys, 10c;	
ducks, 8c.	Eggs, strictly fresh,	28c per doz.	
Butter, best dairy,	18c per lb.	creamery, 22c.	

The M. E. society at Millington will erect a new \$3,000 church this spring.

The funeral ship Roumania, which is engaged to bring home the remains of the dead soldiers, has completed its work at Porto Rico and is now at Santiago.

Rear-Admiral W. S. Schley having been granted permission to answer the charges recently made against him in the communication recently sent to the senate, has handed to the committee on naval affairs his statement, in which he disclaims any purpose of controversy with the navy department.

BEEES FROM THE PHILIPPINES.

Will Be Brought to America to Make Honey for Us.

There is one race inhabiting the Philippines which will be a welcome addition to American citizenship, and will be afforded every facility and inducement to immigrate to the United States and engage in the skilled labor in which it has no peer. This is the giant East India honey bee, and investigation of its work and immense capacity for making honey and wax has interested the department of agriculture in a consideration of an early effort to introduce it into the United States. Secretary Wilson said in connection with the proposed importation of these bees to the United States that a special appropriation would be asked in his coming report to congress for the investigation of the bees of the world, and a swarm of the big Philippine honey-makers would be brought to America as soon as the question of their value and the possibility of their acclimation have been fully determined. There will also be an appropriation requested for the study of the agriculture and kindred products of the newly acquired territory of the United States, and even under this head the great honey bee of the east would be introduced by the department to this country.

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Society Women

and, in fact, nearly all women who undergo a nervous strain, are compelled to regretfully watch the growing pallor of their cheeks, the coming wrinkles and thinness that become more distressing every day.

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Mrs. Jacob Weaver, of Bushnell, Ill., is fifty-six years old. She says: "I suffered for five or six years with the trouble that comes to women at this time of life. I was much weakened, was unable, much of the time, to do my own work, and suffered beyond my power to describe. I was downhearted and melancholy. Nothing seemed to do me any good. Then I made up my mind to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I bought the first box in March, 1897, and was benefited from the start. A box and a half cured me completely, and I am now rugged and strong."—Bushnell, Ill., Record.

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Queer Beliefs About Seven.

So numerous are the queer beliefs concerning the number seven that a narrative of them all would fill a volume, but we may mention a few of them. From the very earliest ages the seven great planets were known and ruled this world and the dwellers in it, and their number entered into every conceivable matter that concerned man. There are seven days in the week, "seven holes in the head" for the master stars are seven, seven ages both for man and the world in which he lives. There were seven material heavens, and in the under world described by Dante the great pagan dead who were not good enough for heaven or bad enough for hell reposed in a seven-walled and seven-gated city. There are seven colors in the spectrum and seven notes in the diatonic octave, and the "leading" note of the scale is the seventh. Be it noted that the seventh son is not always gifted with beneficent powers. In Portugal he is believed to be subject to the powers of darkness and to be compelled every Saturday evening to assume the likeness of an ass.

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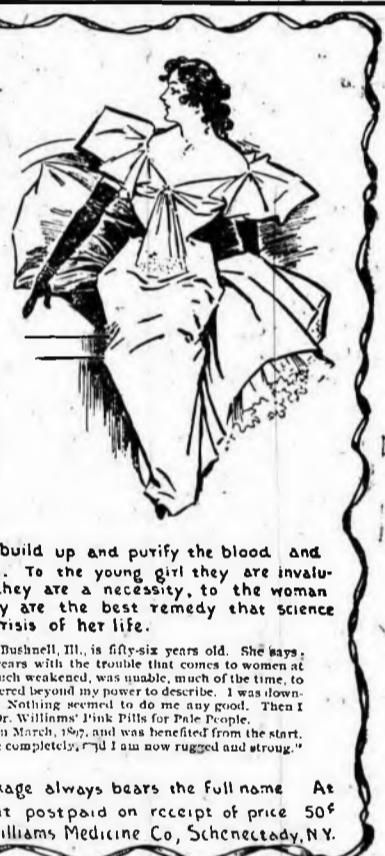
Scrofula—"Three years ago our son, now eleven, had a serious case of scrofula and erysipelas with dreadful sores, discharging and itching constantly. He could not walk. Several physicians did not help for sixteen months. Three months' treatment with Hood's Sarsaparilla made him perfectly well. We are glad to tell others of it." Mrs. DAVID LAIRD, Ottawa, Kansas.

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Wheat, No. 2 red,	68
Wheat, No. 1 white,	68
Oats, new	56
Rye, No. 2,	56
Butter,	14
Eggs,	35
Potatoes,	14
Beans, according to sample,	65 90

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CORRESPONDENCE.

Salem.
The Salem Farmer's club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John McLaren, Wednesday.

The Junior classes of the Congregational Sunday-school gave a social at the home of P. H. Murray last Friday evening. There was a good attendance.

A number of Salem people attended a New England supper at Emery Leland's last week.

Rev. W. H. Mansford tendered his resignation as pastor of the Second Congregational church, of Salem, last Sunday.

Mrs. Jane Noble, widow of the late Lawrence Noble, who has been quite ill with the grip, is much improved at this writing.

The friends of Bert Crane will be glad to know that he has nearly recovered from the small pox and hopes are now entertained that none of the other members of the family will have it.

A large attendance is expected at the school exhibition to-night (Friday). Already 50 reserved seats have been sold; a good program has been prepared and all interested in the welfare of our school should attend if possible.

The infant child of Rev. E. A. Coffin is quite sick.

Mrs. Will Thayer and daughter, who have been spending the winter in Alpena, returned home Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Coldren entertained a number of their friends at dinner Friday.

D. W. Wheeler visited his brother, Geo. S. Wheeler, of Lansing, last Wednesday and Thursday.

Stark.
The annual meeting of the Newburg Ladies Aid society will be held at Newburg hall Friday, March 10th, at ten o'clock. The members of the society are especially requested to be present, as the officers for the coming year are to be elected. All interested in the church are cordially invited to attend and assist in a good work. Dinner will be served at 12 o'clock. The proceeds to be given to the minister.

LOUISA A. BENNETT, Sec.
A box social will be given under the auspices of the German church, Wednesday evening, March 8th at the residence of Mr. Yawkos, one mile east of Livonia Center.

Edwin Hoisington is spending a few weeks at home.

John Oldenburg has for some months suffered from a difficulty of the throat. A few days ago Dr. Chambers, of Plymouth, performed an operation, removing a part of the palate. Frank is all right now, but he lost over 25 pounds avoirdupois in less than two weeks.

Harry Bennett is doing fine work sawing lumber for John Myers. Harry is a hustler with his engine and makes a financial success of his work. This is his third winter sawing lumber for Mr. Myers.

Livonia Center.
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Dains, who have been spending a couple of weeks in Detroit and Redford returned home Wednesday.

A. P. Ferguson, of Detroit, visited his sister, Mrs. C. L. Ferguson, Wednesday.

Miss Minnie Miller, of Detroit, is spending a few days with Miss Anna Base, who is home for a short time.

John Stringer visited his uncle, Gid. Benton, of Northville, Tuesday.

Will Millard, of Detroit, called on his brothers, R. Z. and Emery, Saturday and Sunday.

The roads in this vicinity are not of the best.

Mrs. Paul Helen, who was taken very sick last Sunday is improving finely under the care of Dr. Cooper, of Plymouth.

The friends of Charley Kay will be pleased to learn that he is improving. He has been a patient sufferer for nearly a year.

Mr. and Mrs. Emery Millard spent last Sunday with the former's brother, R. Z.

Mrs. R. S. Peck, who has been sick for some time with a carbuncle on her nose is better at present and able to be around again.

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VILLAGE CLERK'S REPORT.

Annual Report of the Village Clerk of the Village of Plymouth, Wayne Co., Mich. for the year ending Feb. 18, '99.

GENERAL FUND.		
1898	To cash on hand	\$1,884 19
Feb. 1	To received hall rent	25 00
Mar. 1	By paid J. H. Shultz, election supplies	1 25
	H. C. Houghton, election supplies	1 50
	M. Conner & Son, supplies	5 76
	Plymouth Mail, printing	33 50
	H. J. Baker, clerk's drying hose	25 00
	A. Patterson, drying hose	1 00
	H. C. Robinson, dry	4 00
	J. N. Dewey, salary health officer	25 00
	Lucinda Fuller, lot	3 99
9	To received hall rent (Universalist)	47 50
11	Paider's license	2 00
14	Hall rent (L. O. T. M.)	5 00
Apr. 4	By paid C. E. Brader, standing stamps	675 00
	Plymouth Mail, printing	7 10
	Lee Nowland, salary marshal	25 00
	H. J. Baker, bd reg & elec insp.	4 00
	W. O. Allen, bd reg & elec insp.	4 00
	H. J. Baker, bd reg & elec insp.	4 00
	R. L. Root, election inspector	2 00
	C. H. Hall, gate keeper	2 00
	O. H. Polley, gate keeper	2 00
6	To rec hall rent, (rep caucus)	3 00
9	To rec hall rent, (rep caucus)	10 00
May 3	By paid W. E. Brader, standing stamps	6 25
	Henry Baxter, labor	5 00
	Fred Matthews, labor	5 00
	Wm. Hooper & Co., supplies	1 00
	M. J. Frank, labor	4 75
7	To rec hall rent (L. O. T. M.)	5 00
10	Collector's license, 1899	2 00
	Uncollected taxes, 1899	4 50
June 1	Leaser tax, 1899	744 50
7	By paid Plymouth Mail, printing	35 70
	H. J. Baker, salary and stamps	1 00
	E. Cable, supplies	2 00
	A. Patterson, drying hose	2 00
	Wm. Mical, labor	2 55
24	To rec hall rent (Garrick Thea Co.)	6 75
July 6	By paid W. E. Brader, standing stamps	4 00
	M. Miller, bd of review	4 00
	D. Lillie, bd of review	4 00
	C. W. Valentine, assessor	53 00
	Geo. W. Hunter & Co., supplies	8 50
	Conner Hdw Co., supplies	10 17
	L. C. Hassenger, labor	2 00
	Lee Nowland, salary, etc.	25 25
	M. A. Patterson, drying hose	2 00
	W. O. Allen, law suit expenses	10 25
	L. H. Bennett, law suit expenses	45 29
	R. L. Root, law suit expenses	100 99
	R. L. Root, law suit expenses	240 00
15	To rec hall rent (Garrick Thea Co.)	18 00
	Uncollected taxes, 1899	5 21
By pd Penninsula Bk, int on notes		92 50
29	To rec hall rent (Rep caucus)	2 00
Aug. 2	By pd A. A. Taffi, supplies	41 25
	J. L. Gale, supplies	3 81
	Joel R. Kellogg, rental on taxes	4 50
	Jennie Penney, rebate on taxes	7 00
	Plymouth Mail, printing	5 50
	A. J. Lapham, supplies	6 00
	M. S. Miller, rebate on taxes	4 00
	Geo. A. Starkweather, S & D award	2475 00
23	To rec D. P. & N. Ry franchise expenses	54 15
	hall rent (percentage)	5 75
Sept. 12	By paid W. E. Brader, standing stamps	4 00
	Shafer Bros, supplies	1 85
	O. H. Polley, labor	1 05
	Plymouth Mail, printing	1 75
	H. J. Baker, salary and expenses	25 00
	G. A. Starkweather, for C. A. Kent	10 00
	H. C. Bennett, committee exp	2 00
Oct. 1	To rec hall rent (Hoffman)	7 15
3	To rec taxes A. Starkweather order	2,275 00
4	By pd L. E. Cable, supplies	1 00
	M. R. Weeks, labor	3 00
	Dewey Holroyd, labor	4 00
	Harry Wilkinson, police	4 50
	Carl Heide, labor	2 00
	Ed Gayde, labor	2 00
	James H. Baker, bd of review	1 00
	Harry Farwell, labor	03 47
	Chas. Bremer, salary	45 00
	Chas. Bremer, labor and repairs	13 00
	Walter Kinsler, labor	3 50
	F. F. Placney, police	4 50
	Wm. Alexander, police	3 00
	Ed Gayde, police	3 00
	People's Bank, int on bonds	975 00
15	To rec delinquent tax, 1897	14 00
	int delinquent tax, 1897	79 40
By pd H. M. Merriman, sal. health officer		14 00
28	By pd H. M. Merriman, sal. health officer	4 17
Nov. 7	To rec 1898 tax	3,555 00
	int 1898 tax	23 43
By paid J. L. Gale, printing		3 05
	Richmond & Backus, supplies	4 50
	Huston & Co., supplies	4 47
	Geo. W. Hunter & Co., supplies	1 76
	H. J. Baker, salary and expenses	25 00
	C. A. Fisher, collecting taxes	5 00
	Ed Corrtze, wood	3 00
8	To rec hall rent (Rep caucus)	3 00
12	By paid J. L. Gale, printing	3 00
14	To rec hall rent (Dem caucus)	10 00
1	Uncollected taxes '95, '97, '98	5 04
4	Int on bonds	1 11
11	To rec hall rent (Maud Henderson)	13 70
17	Hall rent (Ten Nights Co.)	9 00
Feb. 7	By paid W. E. Brader, standing stamps	4 00
	Chas. Bremer, salary	20 33
	Chas. Bremer, labor	4 05
	H. C. Robinson, draw	3 25
	Baker & Gray, printing	3 00
	A. A. Taffi, chimes	3 30
	J. L. Gale, supplies	3 30
	H. J. Baker, exp Det and stamps	2 10
Feb. 18	By cash on hand	749 31
		3,824 42
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STREET FUND.		
1898	To cash on hand	359 60
Feb. 10	By paid Schofield, Shurmer & Teagle, oil	21 15
Mar. 8	J. E. Knapp, lamp lighting, etc.	12 75
	Wm. Mott, labor	18 35
	J. E. Knapp, labor	8 50
Apr. 4	Wm. Mott,	15 50
	Wm. Mott,	13 00
May 3	Schofield, Shurmer & Teagle oil	23 24
	B. D. Brown, labor	9 15
	J. E. Knapp, lamp lighting	7 25
	Wm. Mott, lamp lighting	13 50
June 7	B. D. Brown, pay roll	13 50
	J. E. Knapp, lamp lighting	6 50
	Schofield, Shurmer & Teagle, oil	31 95
	Wm. Mott, lamp lighting	13 00
	B. D. Brown, pay roll	13 50
	G. A. Starkweather, gravel	13 50
	J. E. Knapp, lamp lighting	6 50
Aug. 4	Frank Passage, labor	21 50
	Wm. Leslie, labor	16 50
	Henry Baxter, labor	22 50
	Fred Matthews, labor	9 37
	Wm. Baxter, labor	6 57
	Frank Passage, Jr., labor	6 57
	August Blunck, labor	10 50
	M. R. Weeks, labor	11 25
	Czar Penney, labor	2 11
	James Leslie, labor	4 27
	G. A. Starkweather, gravel	42 80
	Wm. Corkins, labor	6 00
	Isaac Jewell, labor	6 00
	Chester Arthur, labor	5 50
	James Lewis, labor	6 57
	B. D. Brown, labor	26 23
	H. Farwell, labor	25 97
	Wm. Mott, lamp lighting	13 00
	J. E. Knapp, lamp lighting, etc.	7 50
Sept. 14	H. J. Williams, surveying	13 00
	C. A. Frishes, lumber	03 00
	Wm. Mott, lamp lighting	13 00
	J. E. Knapp, lamp lighting	13 00
	B. D. Brown, labor	6 50
	A. O. Lyon, labor	1 25
Oct. 4	Wm. Mott, lamp lighting	14 00
	J. E. Knapp, lamp lighting, etc.	10 25
	J. C. Pettus, sal. walk	5 00
15	To rec delinquent tax, 1897	3 40
	1898 tax	39 60
	Special tax (Fuller)	44 47
By paid B. D. Brown, labor		5 37
	Wm. Mott, lamp lighting, etc.	10 05
	Conner Hdw Co., supplies	30 75
	Henry King, labor	1 25
	Henry Baxter, labor	03 00
	Dexter Peck, labor	03 00
	J. E. Knapp, lamp lighting	8 25
	F. F. Placney, labor	1 50
	Czar Penney, labor	7 50
17	To rec sal. of street	1 50
Dec. 5	By paid Wm. Mott, lamp lighting	14 75

CEMETERY FUND.			
1899	Jan. 3	By paid J. E. Knapp, lamp lighting, etc.	10 75
		Wm. Mott, lamp lighting	14 00
		Harry Cooper, labor	50 50
		Henry Lyon, labor	75 00
	9	To rec for broken lamp globe	3 40
	14	delinquent taxes, '95, '97, '98	6 50
Feb. 7	By paid J. E. Knapp, lamp lighting	1 75	
		A. J. Lapham, supplies	10 00
		E. L. Riggs, oil tank	14 00
		Wm. Mott, lamp lighting	23 00
		Conner Hardware Co., supplies	17 50
Feb. 18	By cash on hand	\$1,120 50	\$1,120 50

WATER FUND.			
1898	Feb. 10	To cash on hand	508 17
	Mar. 7	To rec for water	5 00
	By paid W. J. Bradner, labor	25 00	9 00
	20	To rec for water	25 00
	29	of V. E. Hill, tap	5 00
Apr. 4	By paid Mich Brass & Iron Wks, hydrant	5 00	25 00
	for water	8 00	
	11	of F. P. M., water	100 00
	14	of L. Holloway, tap	5 00
	15	for water	4 25
	22	of M. Gleason, tap	5 00
	25	of A. Starkweather, tap	5 00
	27	for water	5 00
		of Dan Baker, tap	5 00
		of J. S. Kellogg, tap	5 00
May 2	By paid Chas Waterman, washing meter	5 00	5 00
	F. A. P. M. Ry. Co., freight	1 02	71 58
	The Gould Co., supplies	5 25	
17	To rec for water	5 00	
	of Mrs Starkweather, tap	5 00	
	for water	5 00	
	of H. C. Robinson, tap	5 00	
	of Mrs W. A. Bassett, tap	5 00	
	of J. M. Ward, tap	5 00	
	of W. J. Bradner, tap	5 00	
By paid Mich Arthur, labor		5 00	100 50
8	To rec of L. E. Baker, tap	5 00	
	for water	5 00	
	of Ella Shattuck, tap	5 00	
	for water	5 00	
	of Mrs Johnson, tap	5 00	
	for water	5 00	
	for hay	2 00	
July 5	for water	170 00	
	of J. L. H. Bro., tap	75 00	
	for water	75 00	
	of M. A. Vrooman, tap	5 00	
	for water	88 00	
	of Mrs Kniser, tap	5 00	
Aug. 4	for water	5 00	
	of F. P. M.	100 00	
Sept. 19	for water	5 00	
	of Henry Sage, tap	5 00	
Oct. 1	for water	15 34	
	of F. P. M., water	100 00	
Nov. 4	for water	3 00	
	of Markham Mfg Co., plumber's fee	3 00	
	for water	5 00	
Dec. 1	of D. P. & N. Ry, creek and water	51 27	
5	By paid F. & P. M. Ry, freight	37 82	1 54
	Det. L. F. & S. L. Wks, supplies	37 45	37 45
	D. G. H. & W. Ry, freight	30 13	4 70
	Lake Shore Foundry, water pipe	37 02	
	Mich Pen Car Co, supplies	30 13	
	To rebate on order	37 02	
	To received for water	23 50	
	for water	43 50	

RECAPITULATION.	
GENERAL FUND.	
Balance on hand Feb. 18, 1898	\$ 894 19
Received during the year	7,660 23
Total	8,554 42
Amount of orders drawn on treasurer	8,824 11
Balance in fund	\$ 730 31
STREET FUND.	
Balance on hand Feb. 18, 1898	\$ 359 60
Received during the year	760 98
Total	1,120 58
Amount of orders drawn on treasurer	941 24
Balance in fund	\$ 179 34
CEMETERY FUND.	
Balance on hand Feb. 18, 1898	\$ 453 12
Received during the year	141 00
Total	\$ 594 12
Amount of orders drawn on treasurer	