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## PLYMOUTH AT THE U. OF M.

OUR VILLAGE WELL REPRESENTED AT THE UNIVERSITY.

A Brief Sketch of the Work of Our Students.

Plymouth has given a numerous representation of students at the State University, considering the fact that the High School is not on the accredited list, and that as a consequence all who enter that institution are required to pass an entrance examination before they can become candidates for a degree. The number of those who at present are studying at Ann Arbor is seven; a number larger than that of many Michigan towns of a greater population.

The work that these seven are pursuing will prove interesting to many readers of the Mail.

Ben J. Brainer received a B. L. degree last June, and is now pursuing second year law studies. He is a member of the Zeta Psi fraternity. Paul W. Voorhies, a former resident of Plymouth, but who now calls Ann Arbor his home, is also taking a six year law course. He received his Bachelor of Letters degree last year, and is now in the junior law class. During his college course he has frequently been active in University politics, and is at present a member of the Students' Lecture Association Board. Last year he was president of the Ann Arbor Epworth League, the largest in the world, and is now Guild secretary.

Four of the Plymouth students are juniors, three in the Literary department, all being candidates for the Ph. B. degree and one in the Homeopathic Medical College. Edward S. Corwin, after obtaining his literary degree, expects to enter the law department. Last year he was a member of the board, which published the Sophomores Annual known as the Oracle, and was also treasurer and secretary of the Mock-Senate, a kind of debating club that is having a great vogue just now. This year he was elected a member of the Students' Lecture Association. George N. Bentley is in the same class as Mr. Corwin, but is directing his studies so as to specialize in French and Chemistry. He is class treasurer this year. It is his intention, after graduating from the Literary Department, to pursue a medical course for three years. Miss Ada M. Safford is the only representative at Ann Arbor of the Plymouth young ladies. She is studying for the same degree as the two gentlemen just named. She is a member of the Delta Gamma society and last year was one of the fraternity and society representatives on the Oracle board.

Scott F. Hodge is studying in the Homeopathic department and expects to graduate next year. He is one of the most prominent students in his department having been elected president of his class during his first year, and this fall being chosen business manager of the class annual and of the class foot ball team. He is also recording secretary of the Students' Lecture Association, being thus the third member of this association board chosen from the Plymouth students. The Mu Sigma Alpha Fraternity claims him as one of its best members. Mr. Hodge thinks that he will not practice medicine immediately after graduating but will for a time pursue special studies in the east.

Norman E. Miller is at the University this year for the first time. He entered as a special student and is studying Civil Engineering. Samuel A. Ableson, although a junior law student last year did not continue his course this year.

**Cutting Teeth When 63 Years Old.**  
Physicians of Knoxville, Tenn., have been consulted regarding a discovery made by a tourist in the mountains of Claiborne county, Tenn. The case on that of Mrs. Julia Spence, 63 years old, who has four new front teeth, all of which have recently become fully developed. Previously she had been without teeth for six years. It is considered remarkable that new incisors should appear at this late period in life. Mrs. Spence is in perfect health. —Baltimore Sun.

**Speed of the Frigate Bird.**  
Many sailors believe that the frigate bird can start at daybreak with the trade winds from the coast of Africa and roost the same night on the American shore. Whether this is a fact or not has yet to be determined, but it is certain that the bird is the swiftest of winged creatures, and is able to fly under favorable conditions two hundred miles an hour.

When some men acquire office they make the mistake of assuming that ingratitude is independence.

The short life often casts a long shadow.

## PLYMOUTH WON.

THE DECISION IN THE NORTHVILLE-PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL DEBATE

Was Not Favorable to Expansion.—Hall was Comfortably Filled.

A drizzling rain did not prevent a large number from attending the debate at the village hall last Friday night. The hall was comfortably filled, a number being present from nearby towns.

The question for debate was, "Resolved, that the Administration Policy of Expansion will be Detrimental to the Nation's future welfare." Plymouth high school had the affirmative and was represented by Donald Safford, Louva Millard and Lefa Brown. Northville high school sent Lida Coldron, Nora Rasch and Clyde Adams to talk in favor of expansion. Many convincing arguments were advanced by both sides. Northville speakers contended that expansion was not a new thing for the United States; that we had many times acquired territory by purchase and otherwise and that it had not proven detrimental to the United States; that our new possessions were rich in minerals and agricultural products and it would be commercially advantageous to retain them. England was cited as an example, with the statement that her colonies were many times larger than she, but they were being well taken care of and England was powerful and prosperous.

Plymouth's representatives argued that the inhabitants of the Philippines could not be represented in Congress, on account of the remoteness of the islands, and we would have another case of taxation without representation, which is unjust. It was also argued that, to properly garrison our new dependencies and protect the property and lives of the inhabitants, would necessitate the expenditure of millions of dollars and the sacrifice of thousands of lives, and that the advantages to be derived would not justify the cost.

Neither side had much advantage as far as argument was concerned, but in delivery and deportment on the stage, Plymouth was far in the lead. C. W. Curtis, lawyer of Detroit, Miss Downing, teacher at the state normal school at Ypsilanti and Mr. Videtto, student at Ypsilanti, were the judges. At the close of the debate, they retired and were not long in rendering a decision in favor of the affirmative.

A recitation by Zaida Briggs and two selections by a ladies quartette varied the entertainment and made an interesting programme.

The receipts were about \$25, which will go into the senior class treasury.

### THE CITIZENS' TICKET.

Composed of Bright and Prominent Young Men.

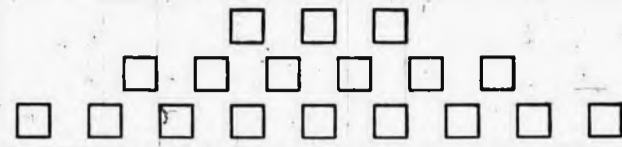
The citizens held an adjourned caucus Monday night and named a ticket of some of Plymouth's prominent young men as follows:

President—George W. Hunter.  
Clerk—Chauncey H. Rauch.  
Treasurer—M. Fred Gray.  
Trustees—William B. Roe,  
—Edward C. Hough,  
—Albert Gayde.

Assessor—Charles A. Fisher.  
Mr. Hunter did not wish to appear as a candidate and so had his name withdrawn. Consequently that part of the ticket will be left vacant. Mr. Hunter is now chief of the fire department and in that capacity we believe he can better serve the village of Plymouth than as its president, which he has had before for two years. He has made the fire department a study, and as a result we now have a corps of fire fighters to be proud of.

The balance of the ticket speaks for itself. Were it not for the fact that the workmen have a strong ticket and are a united body for its election, the vote might be a close one.

**A Vegetable Lizard.**  
Mr. A. H. Verrill describes in Popular Science News a curious inhabitant of tropical forests called the lizard-tree, but which, as he remarks, might well be named the centipede plant. This singular growth consists of a stem jointed like a bamboo, with green leaves growing directly from the bark, and slender white roots springing from the joints, with which it maintains its hold upon the bark of the tree whereon it grows. When it has attained a length of three or four feet, the lower sections of the lizard plant drop off, and fastening upon any convenient object, begin their independent growth. When thus growing upon the ground, if the plant encounters a tree it immediately begins to ascend the trunk.



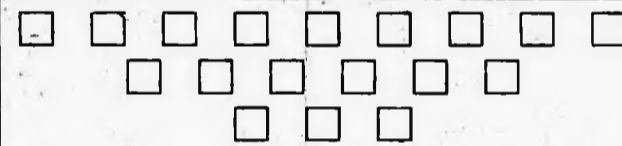
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# THE PLYMOUTH MAIL.

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PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN

The man who fights and runs away may live to run another day.

Treat your dog kindly and he will not desert you when your money is gone.

McKinley says our relations to the Philippines is a trust. That is bad for our relations.

By the way he starts out we infer that President Loubet intends to cure France of its crisis habit.

It would have pleased Thomas Jefferson mightily to know that Mr. Croker would approve of him.

The suspicion is rapidly gaining ground that the Hon. Mr. Agulmado is carrying the joke a little too far.

Dewey may not be homesick for his native land, but his native land is yearning for a glimpse of Dewey.

A peculiarity of the Spanish people is that none of the boy babies born this year are being named Dewey.

Speaker Reed was once in the navy. That was one time when he didn't obstruct anything more serious than a gangway.

"Are tights doomed?" asked a theatrical journal. Sometimes they are; it depends on the humor of the judge the next morning.

France's new president has the sympathy of every Thespian who ever assumed the role of Hamlet against the wishes of the populace.

There is another humane thing in the French form of government. They don't incarcerate a man in the vice presidency ever there.

If Whitelaw Reid's suggestion of making the Pacific ocean an American lake is considered at all, it will have to be taken with a good deal of salt.

A mother may realize that her baby says and does things similar to other babies, but she also realizes that her baby says and does them so much better.

Mr. Cleveland sees no cure for the policy of expansion once it has been adopted. He has tried all the remedies himself, banting included, but none of 'em work.

Shall the country boy continue to deplore his lack of chance? A reporter has recently ascertained that 70 per cent of the cleverest men of the Chicago exchange were brought up on farms. While mere circumstance of birth may sometimes make or mar success in life, it is doubtless true that the all-round education of the farm is one of the best foundations for specialization in any future career.

Great Britain has been the leading commercial nation of the world. The United States has become her rival in the matter of accumulating dollars and cents. With rare good sense the British people see the handwriting upon the wall and have set about the task of becoming our mentors. Since she cannot control or monopolize the trade of the world she proposes to pull the strings so as to handle the one who does.

Trusts will receive the chief attention of the New Jersey legislature. The bill to prohibit and punish monopolies is probably the most reasonable measure ever aimed at trusts, which it clearly defines. The punishments prescribed are fines of from \$50 to \$5,000 and imprisonment of from six months to a year, or both. Each day's connection, however remote, with the proscribed monopolies is to be considered a separate offense and separately punished. The passage of a reasonable anti-monopoly bill would be more surprising in New Jersey than anywhere else, for that state has for a number of years been the breeding ground of trusts.

Why is the conflict through which we have just passed known as the Spanish-American war instead of the American-Spanish? Is there anything more than euphony in the order of these names? A current writer asserts that there is a meaning, and that in the names of nearly all wars, the defeated nation comes first, as the Franco-Prussian, the Austro-Italian, and more recently the China-Japanese and the Graeco-Turkish wars. Oftentimes wars are named from the point of view of the people who do the writing of their history, as the Trojan war, the Punic war, the Indian war (British) and our own Mexican war. Fortunate will be the man who writes the name of the world's last war.

A force of fifteen hundred men marching in war array represents power, discipline, stirs the imagination and gratifies the taste for display. Music and banners add their magic to rouse the emotions. But was not that a more striking exhibition of discipline, when fifteen hundred school children marched out of a burning building in New York when the "rapid dismissal" signal rang? In silent obedience, smoke showing that a deadly enemy was upon them, the miniature army moved on its appointed way. A victory of peace won by childhood.

# TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"THE BUNDLE OF LIFE," SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

From First Book of Samuel, Chap. 25: 29, as follows: "The Soul of My Lord Shall be Bound in the Bundle of Life with the Lord thy God."

Beautiful Abigail, in her rhythmic plea for the rescue of her inebriate husband, who died within ten days, addresses David, the warrior, in the words of the text. She suggests that his life, physically and intellectually, and spiritually, is a valuable package or bundle, divinely bound up, and to be divinely protected.

That phrase, "bundle of life," I heard many times in my father's family prayers. Family prayers, you know, have frequent repetitions, because day by day they acknowledge about the same blessings, and deplore about the same frailties, and sympathize with about the same misfortunes, and I do not know why those who lead household devotions should seek variety of composition. That familiar prayer becomes the household liturgy. I would not give one of my old father's prayers for fifty eulogatory supplications. Again and again, in the morning and evening prayer, I heard the request that we might all be bound up in the bundle of life, but I did not know until a few days ago that the phrase was a Bible phrase.

Now, the more I think of it, the better I like it. The bundle of life! It is such a simple and unpretending, yet expressive comparison. There is nothing like grandiloquence in the Scriptures. While there are many sublime passages in Holy Writ, there are more passages homely and drawing illustrations from common observation and every-day life. In Christ's great sermons you hear a hen clucking her chickens together, and see the photographs of hypocrites with a sad countenance and hear of the grass of the field, and the black crows, which our heavenly Father feeds, and the salt that is worthless, and the precious stones flung under the feet of wine, and the shifting sand that lets down the house with a great crash, and hear the comparison of the text, the most unpoetical thing we can think of—a bundle. Ordinarily it is something tossed about, something thrown under the table, something that suggests garrets, or something on the shoulder of a poor wayfarer. But there are bundles of great value, bundles put up with great caution, bundles the loss of which means consternation and despair, and there have been bundles representing the worth of a kingdom.

Bundle of hopes, and ambitions also, is almost every man and woman, especially at the starting. What gains he will harvest, or what reputation he will achieve, or what bliss he will reach, or what love he will win. What makes college commencement day so entrancing to all of us as we see the students receive their diplomas and take up the garlands thrown at their feet? They will be Faradays in science; they will be Tennysons in poetry; they will be Willard Parkers in surgery; they will be Alexander Hamiltons in national finance; they will be Horace Greeleys in editorial chair; they will be Websters in the senate! Or she will be a Mary Lyon in educational realms; or a Frances Willard on reformatory platform; or a Helen Gould in military hospitals. Or she will make home life radiant with helpfulness and self-sacrifice, and magnificent womanhood! Oh, what a bundle of hopes and ambitions! It is a bundle of garlands and sceptres from which I would not take one sprig of mignonette nor extinguish one spark of brilliance. They who start in life without bright hopes and inspiring ambitions might as well not start at all, for every step will be a failure. Rather would I add to the bundle, and if I open it now it will not be because I wish to take anything from it, but that I may put into it more coronets and hosannas.

Bundle of faculties in every man and every woman! Power to think—to think of the past and through all the future; to think upward and higher than the highest pinnacle of heaven, or to think downward until there is no lower abyss to fathom. Power to think right, power to think wrong, power to think forever; for, once having begun to think, there shall be no terminus for that exercise, and eternity itself shall have no power to bid it halt. Faculties to love—filial love, conjugal love, paternal love, maternal love, love of country, love of God, faculty of judgment, with scales so delicate and yet so mighty that they can weigh arguments, weigh emotions, weigh worlds, weigh heaven and hell. Faculty of will, that can climb mountains, or tunnel them, wade seas or bridge them, accepting eternal enthrone or choosing everlasting exile. Oh, what it is to be a man, Oh, what it is to be a woman! Sublime and infinite bundle of faculties! The thought of it staggers me, swamps me, stuns me, bewilders me, overwhelms me. Oh, what a bundle of life Abigail of my text saw in David, and which we ought to see in every human, yet immortal, being!

Know, also, that this bundle of life was put up with great care. Any merchant and almost any faithful householder will tell you how much depends on the way a bundle is bound. The cord or rope must be strong enough to hold; the knot must be well tied. You know not what rough hands may toss that bundle. If not properly put together, though it may leave your hands in good order and symmetrical, before it reaches its proper destination it may be loosened in fragments for the winds to scatter or the rail train to lose.

Now, I have to tell you that this bundle of life is well put together—the body, the mind, the soul. Who but the Omnipotent God could bind such a bundle? Anatomists, physiologists, physicists, logicians, metaphysicians, declare that we are fearfully and wonderfully made. That we are a bundle well put together I prove by the amount of journeying we can endure without damage, by the amount of rough handling we can survive, by the fact that the vast majority of us go through life without the loss of an eye, or the crippling of a limb, or the destruction of a single energy of the body or faculty of mind. I subpoena for this trial that man in yonder view seventy or eighty years of age, and ask him to testify that after all the storms and accidents and vicissitudes of a long life he still keeps his five senses; and though all the lighthouses as old as he is have been reconstructed or new lanterns put in, he has in under his forehead the same two lanterns with which God started him; and though the locomotives of sixty years ago were long ago sold for old iron, he has the original powers of locomotion in the limbs with which God started him; and though all the electric wires that carried messages twenty-five years ago have been torn down, his nerves bring messages from all parts of his body as well as when God strung them seventy-five years ago. Was there ever such a complete bundle put together as the human being? What a factory! What an engine! What a mill-race! What a light-house! What a locomotive! What an electric battery! What a furnace! What a masterpiece of the Lord God Almighty! Or, to employ the anti-climax and use the figure of the text, what a bundle!

Know, also, that this bundle of life will be gladly received when it comes to the door of the Mansion for which it was bound and plainly directed. With what alacrity and gladness we await some package that has been foretold by letter; some holiday presentation; something that will enrich and ornament our home; some testimony of admiration and affection! With what glow of expectation we untie the knot and take off the cord that holds it together in safety, and with what glad exclamation we unroll the covering, and see the gift or purchase in all its beauty of color and proportion. Well, what a day it will be when your precious bundle of life shall be opened in the "House of Many Mansions," amid saints and angels and divine inspection! The bundle may be spotted with the marks of much exposure; it may bear inscription after inscription to tell through what ordeal it has passed; perhaps splashed with wave and scorched of flame, but all it has with in undamaged of the journey. And with what shouts of joy the bundle of life will be greeted by all the voices of the heavenly home circle!

In our anxiety at last to reach heaven we are apt to lose sight of the glad welcome that awaits us if we get in at all. We all have friends up there. They will somehow hear that we are coming. Such close and swift and constant communication is there between those up-lands and these lowlands that we will not surprise them by sudden arrival. If loved ones on earth expect our coming visit and are at the depot with carriage to meet us, surely we will be met at the shining gate by old friends now sainted and kindred now glorified. If there were no angel of God to meet us and show us the palaces and guide us to our everlasting residence, these kindred would show us the way and point out the splendors and guide us to our celestial home, bowered, and fountained, and arched, and illumined by a sun that never sets. Will it not be glorious, the going in and the settling down after all the moving about and upsets of earthly experience. We will soon know all our neighbors, kinship, queenly, prophetic, apostolic, seraphic, archangelic. The precious bundle of life opened amid palaces and grand marches, and acclamations. They will all be so glad we have got safely through. They saw us down here in the struggle. They saw us when we lost our way. They knew when we got off the right course. None of the thirty-two ships that were overdue at New York harbor in the storm of week before last were greeted so heartily by friends, on the dock, or the steam tugs that went out to meet them in the heavenly world, if by the pardoning and protecting grace of God we came to celestial warfare. We shall have to tell them of the many wrecks that we have passed on the way across wild seas, and amid Caribbean cyclones. It will be like our arrival some years ago from New Zealand at Sydney, Australia; people surprised that we got in at all, because we were two days late, and some of the ships expected had gone to the bottom and we had passed derelicts and abandoned crafts all up and down that awful channel. Our arrival in heaven all the more rapturously welcomed, because of the doubt as to whether we would ever get there at all.

Once there it will be found that the safety of that precious bundle of life was assured because it was bound up with the life of God in Jesus Christ. Heaven could not afford to have that bundle lost, because it had been said in regard to its transportation and safe arrival, "Kept by the power of God through faith unto complete salvation." The veracity of the heavens is involved in its arrival. If God should fail to keep His promise to just one ransomed soul the pillars of Jehovah's throne would fall, and the foundations of the eternal city would crumble, and infinite perivities would dash down all the chancies and close all the banqueting halls, and the river of life would change its course, sweeping everything with desolation, and frost would blast all the gardens, and immeasurable sickness slay the immortals, and the new Jerusalem become an abandoned city, with no chariot wheels on the streets and no worshipers in the temple—a dead Pompeii of the skies, a buried Hercules of the heavens. Let any one should doubt, the God who cannot lie smites His omnipotent hand on the side of His throne, and takes affidavit, declaring, "As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of him that dieth." Oh! I cannot tell you how I feel about it, the thought is so glorious. Bound up with God, Bound up with infinite mercy. Bound up with infinite joy. Bound up with infinite might. That thought is more beautiful and glorious than was the heroic Abigail, who at the foot of the crags uttered it—"Bound in the bundle of life with the Lord thy God!"

Now, my hearer and reader, appreciate the value of that bundle. See that it is bound up with nothing mean, but with the unsullied and the immaculate. Not with a pebble of the shifting beach, but with the kohinoor of the palace; not with some fading regalia of earthly pomp, but with the robe washed and made white in the blood of the Lamb. Pray as you never prayed before, that by divine chirography written all over your nature, you may be properly addressed for a glorious destination. Turn not over a new leaf of the old book, but by the grace of God open an entirely new volume of experience, and put into practice the advice contained in the peculiar but beautiful rhythm of some author whose name I know not:

If you've any task to do,  
Let me whisper, friend, to you,  
Do it.  
If you've anything to say,  
True and needed, yea or nay,  
Say it.  
If you've anything to love,  
As a blessing from above,  
Love it.  
If you've anything to give,  
That another's joy may live,  
Give it.  
If some hollow creed you doubt,  
Tho' the whole world hoot and shout,  
Doubt it.  
If you've any debt to pay,  
Rest you neither night nor day,  
Pay it.  
If you've any joy to hold,  
Near your heart, lest it grow old,  
Hold it.  
If you've any grief to meet,  
At a loving Father's feet,  
Meet it.  
If you know what torch to light,  
Guiding others in the night,  
Light it.

**Macaulay's Appalling Memory.**  
The late Henry Reeve, for many years leader writer of the London Times, was dining one night at a house where the other guests included Macaulay and Sydney Smith. Macaulay was at that time laying society waste with his waterspout of talk. At length, dinner being over, Sydney Smith, Reeve and a few others went away by themselves and immediately got on the overpowering subject of Macaulay. "He confounds colloquy and colloquy," said Reeve. "He is a hook in breeches," Smith declared. "The very worst feature in Macaulay's character is his appalling memory," said Reeve. "Aye, indeed," said Sydney Smith; "why, he could repeat the whole 'History of the Virtuous Blue-Crested Boy' in three volumes, post 8vo, without a slip." After a pause, as if of consideration, the witty divine added: "He should take two tablespoonfuls of the waters of Lethe every morning to correct his retentive powers."

**Limit Barbers' Prices.**  
Though their party went to smash in the last election, there are still some populists in the Kansas senate. They are urging a bill which fixes the maximum prices that barbers shall be allowed to charge for shaves and hair cuts. The bill is believed to reveal a purpose among the populists to effect a change in the personal characteristics by which they have long been recognized. It is hinted that the populists intend to amputate their whiskers and now their hair at intervals of not less than a week, whereas they have heretofore been total strangers in barber shops. When they begin to take tonsorial treatment business in the Kansas shops will be tremendous and will likely result in blockades, in which regular patrons will lose much valuable time. The natural thing to do under such circumstances would be to raise prices, and, foreseeing this, the populist senators are vigorously urging their bill to legally regulate them.

**Burglary in the Future.**  
"Curse my luck!" hissed the burglar, and fled into the night. Bear in mind, if you please, that all crime was now disease merely, and all disease the work of germs. The burglar perceived in the cellar window where he tried to enter one of the latest electric automatic spraying devices, and endeavored to avoid it. But fortune was against him. A click in the dark, and almost before he knew it he was drenched with germicide and cured of his malady.—Detroit Journal.

**California Artichokes.**  
Quite a business has sprung up of late in California artichokes. It is said that the California variety has a better flavor than that coming from France, besides being fresher. This is very natural, as it takes but a week to get the vegetable here from California, while it takes at least two weeks to get the French supply to the market.

# DAIRY AND POULTRY.

INTERESTING CHAPTERS FOR OUR RURAL READERS.

How Successful Farmers Operate This Department of the Farm—A Few Hints as to the Care of Live Stock and Poultry.

**Feeding of Calves.**  
J. M. Trueman, in an address to Pennsylvania farmers, said:

If skim milk cannot be obtained, it is possible to raise excellent calves on bay tea. Take a large pot and fill it with early cut clover or timothy hay, cover it with water and boil for half an hour. The tea thus made is very nutritious and is much relished by the calves. I have made a common practice of warming a little skim milk by pouring into it hot hay tea, and found it a very satisfactory drink for calves. The clear tea may be improved by adding to it some of the linseed jelly and also a small amount of scalded middlings. Two gallons of hay tea with scalded linseed and middlings and bran and ground oats, and clover hay for dry feed would be a good day's ration for a calf two months old.

Calves dropped in the spring should not be turned out to pasture the first summer, as more uniform growth will be obtained by feeding them in the barn away from the heat and flies. It is generally more convenient to have calves that are to be raised dropped in the fall, as they can be given more attention during the winter, and are in good condition to make use of pasture the next summer. Even at six months old, however, they should not be left unprotected in the heat, but should have a darkened barn or shed to which they can go to get away from the flies. Don't leave them out late in the fall, but take them to the barn before the cold begins to pinch them.

The second winter the yearlings should be supplied with food that will form bone and muscle. They will be able to eat considerable roughage, as straw and corn fodder, but will also need some concentrated food. It is not desirable to harden their muscles too much, as it is apt to hinder growth. Give them roots or silage once a day to keep the muscles soft and growing. If you have neither of these foods, plan to have one of them next year, and in the meantime feed wheat bran and linseed in small quantities, or any nitrogenous food, as dried brewers' grains or gluten feed. If the heifers show signs of getting fat, reduce the linseed meal. Give them one feed a day of good clover hay.

The heifers should be bred to drop their first calves at about two years old. While pregnant feed rather more liberally with a view to developing a good udder. When within a few months of calving increase the grain feed in order that the udder may be developed, and that the drain of the growing calf may not be too heavy on the system of the young cow. Two weeks before calving, reduce the feed and give soft food, and do not return to full feed for at least two weeks after calving. Many men have been successful in raising calves, who have not followed the plan outlined in this paper, and therefore I do not claim that other methods of detail may not be just as good. The principles, however, remain always the same. Wise breeding and judicious feeding, with a never-ending care for the health and comfort of the animals, will bring success, and their neglect will just as surely bring defeat and disappointment.

**Preventing Disease.**

In an address to the Poultry Class of the Rhode Island Agricultural College, Dr. Woods said:

Supposing we have observed care in breeding and rearing our fowls—how shall we prevent disease?

Unsanitary surroundings, dampness, crowding, impure water, improper food, neglect and want of exercise, are all factors in breeding disease. It does not matter whether it is a germ disease or not. Subjected to such conditions, even the strongest sound constitution breaks down, and with it vanishes immunity. Poultry houses should be built on land that is dry and well drained. Personally I am in favor of the open front scratching shed house, since it permits open air exercise all the year round, with necessary shelter from wind and storm. Next to the scratching shed house comes the large well lighted pen, with plenty of room for exercise. I do not favor ventilators, believing that the best of them are prone to create drafts—and sleeping fowls subjected to drafts will soon become victims of colds. Build the houses tight and warm. There is little danger of getting them too snug. Have the windows made to open, and give the houses a thorough airing daily by opening the doors and windows while the fowls are exercising. This will secure all the ventilation needed. If, after adopting this plan, the house seems to need ventilating, you can make sure that you have overestimated its capacity, and that what you want in the house is not ventilators, but fewer fowls.

Sunlight is important to health; your house must be so placed that through the day sunlight may penetrate to all parts of it. Sunshine and pure air are the greatest blood purifiers. A very dusty house is not desirable. Fowls can stand more dust than we can, but constant breathing of a dust laden atmosphere invites catarrhal troubles. Dust has its place in the poultry house, and that place is in the dust bath, which should be located in some sunny corner of the house or shed. The dust bath is a necessity, since it is the natural method of cleansing skin and feathers, and keeping down vermin. Crowding on the roosts must be avoided if freedom from colds is to be

had, for crowding is almost certain to result in sweating, and subsequent chill. It is best avoided by allowing no more fowls to a pen than it will afford comfortable roosting room. If they have warm, roomy quarters, and are well cared for, they will not crowd enough to do them harm.

Dampness should never be tolerated; fowls cannot thrive in damp quarters. Dampness that may result from house sweating can be overcome by airing the house well each day. The length of time for the airing is to be determined by the condition of the weather.

**Detection of Lice.**

Lice may exist on fowls and chicks without being discovered, and that is a difficulty in the way of those who are endeavoring to convince the inexperienced of such fact, says Mirror and Farmer. In a brood of chickens two or three may perhaps be weaker than the others, and these will be almost sure to have ten times the number of vermin on them than the strong and healthy ones, and the only way to account for it is that the weak chickens do not seem to have the strength and energy to dust themselves; hence it is a matter of impossibility for them to thrive when they have vermin upon them, which not only suck the blood but derive a great deal of nutriment out of the shooting quills, which is, of course, very weakening to the chickens. More chickens are killed through the ravages of vermin than from all the diseases put together. The birds are so weakened by these pests that they are very susceptible to many ailments, and where chickens have been practically killed by lice, in almost every case the gall-duet of the liver is very full, and in some instances overflows and occasionally bursts. When chickens have many vermin upon them their feathers usually look a little rough, eyes pale and round and sunken, and there is a line underneath the eye which gives the bird a peculiar appearance, as if the beak was too long for the head (crow head), and then the wings too long for the body. Even when the youngsters appear strong and healthy it is well to catch one or two occasionally and examine them very closely, and if there are the least signs they should be well dusted with insect powder so as to destroy what few there are. Those which have a large number of vermin upon them should be well dusted with insect powder twice, the second from five to seven days after the first dressing, also, at the same time, applying a few drops of sweet oil on the heads. When dusting the chicken place a large sheet of paper on a table and lay the bird on its back, then part the feathers and shake the powder well in, so that the whole of the skin is covered with it; turn the bird over and rub the preparation well into the ends of the flights among the quills. After they have been well dusted the powder should be knocked off the surface of the feathers with the hand on the paper so that none is wasted.

**Apparatus for Ripening Cream.**  
A correspondent of the National Stockman sends the following contribution to that journal in regard to the ripening of cream:  
There is one point that should be emphasized, that is the importance of ripening and just how to ripen the cream. To keep the cream in the living room, or in the kitchen, around the fire, as many butter makers do, is one of the surest ways of spoiling the butter, and where but few cows are milked keeping a room warmed up to the proper temperature especially for ripening the cream is attended with too much expense. A few years ago we stumbled into a way that is practical, economical, and gives the best results. We bought what is known as a bread raiser, and after using it for that purpose for awhile we found that it was just the thing to warm up the cream. Any one handy with tools can make one, and the cost is but a trifle. Ours is a wooden box 31 inches high, 27 inches wide, and 18 inches deep, with a sheet iron bottom or division 15 inches from the floor. In the under part there should be a small door for putting in the lamp, required to give the heat. The sheet iron division should fit close so as to keep up gas from the lamp entering the upper apartment. A few small holes under the sheet iron will let out the gas from the lamp. In the upper apartment a slatted movable bottom should be placed two or three inches above the sheet iron on which to set the cream bucket or bread tray. A lid covers the box and keeps out dust, etc. With a thermometer inside the lamp can be regulated to give any temperature desired. A box of this kind can be made larger or smaller to suit individual wants.

**Poisoning Rabbits.**—The Port Lavaca tells of two brothers engaged in raising cabbage extensively in Calhoun county, who had suffered considerable loss from the ravages of rabbits. The following plan of destroying the pest was resorted to by the brothers and proved successful: They soaked sweet potatoes in strychnine twenty-four hours. The potatoes are then cut up and pieces fastened on pointed sticks driven into the ground. This is tempting food for the rabbits and a few bites are always fatal. The destroyer dies on the spot and at best seldom gets over an acre away before dropping. More than a hundred rabbits have already been killed at the Kelly cabbage field and if the custom is generally followed the country will soon be entirely free from the pests. A piece of sweet potato at the end of each row is all that is necessary.

A light meal in the morning, with a full meal at night, is better than feeding the fowls three times a day, as they should be so fed as to induce them to scratch and exercise, instead of remaining in a condition of idleness during the winter.







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Friday, Mar. 10, 1899.

### Lazarus and the Rich Man.

"You see, it was his way," said the old darkey preacher, giving his version of the parable of Lazarus and the rich man. "Dere was a rich man named Degrees, an likewise a poor man named Latherus. Well, Latherus come 'long 'bout Christmas, en bein' all stove up with the rheumatiz en threaten wid the small-pox, he set down fer ter res' hisself 'longside the rich man's gate, en' Latherus bein' hungry, holler out, 'Chris'mus gift.' But the rich man tell him: 'Go way frum heah, man! I ain't got ez much ez a crum fer yer!' En' den the dogs cum en' chase him off. But see the pervention of providence. De rich man overeat hisself en' wake up stone dead, en' 'hotter'n de sun in August.' En' he look around en' say: 'Where is I?' En' de debbil answer: 'You ain in de fish department. You jined last night.' Den de rich man say: 'I wish you, please sah, tell Kurnel Latherus to turn de hose on me, kase dis heah s de hot stuff!' But de debbil make answer: 'Yo' frien' Latherus' up yonder spendin' Chris'mus wid Mister Abraham en' he done sent word dat he ain't got no time to fool wid you. You's my meat now an' I's gwine ter brile yer till yer plumb brown.'—Facts from Denver.

### Bismark's Iron Nerve.

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### Consumption, the Snake.

Consumption is the serpent of diseases, it creeps upon its victims and fastens its deadly fangs without warning. "Only a cold" is hurrying millions to the grave to-day. Don't neglect that cold of yours, Cleveland's Lung Healer will cure it without fail. If it doesn't you can have your money back. It is the most successful remedy in the world to-day. Geo. W. Hunter & Co. will give you a trial bottle free. Large bottles, 25 cents.

### Libel on a First-Class Hotel.

A Caribou man lately wandered into a remote hotel that doesn't keep a dictionary, and on coming down in the morning was asked by the landlord how he rested. "Oh," replied the gentleman, "I suffered nearly all night from insomnia." The landlord was mad in a minute, and roared, "I'll bet you \$2 there ain't one in my house."—Kansas City Journal.

### Doctors Never Disagree

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

### The New Reporter's First Effort.

A man killed a dog belonging to another man. The son of the man whose dog was killed proceeded to whip the man who killed the dog of the man he was the son of. The man who was the son of the man whose dog was killed was arrested on complaint of the man who was assailed by the son of the man whose dog the man who was assaulted had killed.—Chicago News.

### Story of a Slave.

To be bound hand and foot for years by the chains of disease is the worst form of slavery. Geo. D. Williams, of Manchester, Mich., tells how such a slave was made free. He says: "My wife has been so helpless for five years that she could not turn over in bed alone. After using two bottles of Electric Bitters, she is wonderfully improved and able to do her own work." This supreme remedy for female diseases quickly cures nervousness, sleeplessness, melancholy, headache, backache, fainting and dizzy spells. This miracle working medicine is a god-send to weak, sickly, run-down people. Every bottle guaranteed. Only 50 cents. Sold by John L. Gale, druggist.

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## Council Proceedings—March 6, 1899.

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

Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

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

J. H. Saultz, election supplies	\$ 1 52
W. P. Markham, pay roll etc.	30 00
Shafter Bros, wood	75
Bassett & Son, frame	1 25
H. J. Baker, salary	25 00
F. B. Adams, month office	24 00
C. A. Fisher, water wks repair	48 00
M. A. Vrooman, exp. Detroit	8 25
H. C. Bennett	8 25
Plymouth Mail, printing	37 50
Walter Kimler, lamp lighting	14 00
General Springer, opening vault	1 00
Blair Black, cleaning walk	61
La. Press	1 05
B. D. Brown	50
H. Weeks	75
Henry Baxter	63
John Eddie	1 00
H. Arthur	17 08
Chas. Brems, hose house supplies	10 30
A. J. Knapp, lamp lighting	4 80
J. L. Lapham, Exp. Detroit	4 80

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

The committee reported favorably on all bills except that of M. A. Vrooman for \$8.25 and that of H. C. Bennett for \$8.25 which were reduced to \$4.25 and \$4.25 respectively.

Motion by Trustee Reiman supported by Trustee Vrooman that the report of the committee be accepted, the bills allowed and orders drawn on the proper funds to pay the same. The ayes and nays being called Trustees Lapham, Polley, Brems, Reiman, Vrooman voted aye, total five. Nays none. Trustee Bennett declined to vote. A majority of the trustees voting aye the motion was declared carried.

A report of the health officer relative to the work of his office during the past year was given.

The fire committee reported that they had purchased hose hangers, ropes, pulleys, and stove for the hose house in north village.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Lapham that the report be accepted and placed on the record.

The resignation of W. P. Markham as a member of the Board of Water Commissioners was tendered.

Motion by Trustee Vrooman supported by Trustee Bennett that the communication be received and the resignation accepted. Carried.

The marshal's report for the months of January and February, 1899, was presented and read.

Motion by Trustee Bennett supported by Trustee Reiman that the marshal's report be accepted and placed on file. Carried.

President Starkweather gave notice that suit had been commenced in the circuit court against the village by Blackman & Post, of Detroit, claiming damages not to exceed one thousand dollars.

Council adjourned.

H. J. BAKER, Clerk.

## W. C. T. U.

Rev. J. W. Slaughter will deliver an address next Sabbath evening at the Presbyterian church in commemoration of Miss Frances Willard. At the conclusion of the meeting a collection will be taken for the work of the local W. C. T. U.

A Due Tea will be served in the W. C. T. U. room next Thursday afternoon. It is hoped that the members will all be present as a good time is expected. The regular meeting will occur at 2:30, after which refreshments will be served and a social time enjoyed.

## SUPT. OF PRESS.

### What Shall We Do.

A serious and dangerous disease prevails in this country, dangerous because so deceptive. It comes on so slowly yet surely that it is often firmly seated before we are aware of it.

The name of this disease which may be divided into three distinct stages is, First, Kidney trouble, indicated by pain in the back, rheumatism, lumbago, frequent desire to urinate, often with a burning sensation, the flow of urine being copious or scant with strong odor.

If allowed to advance, this reaches the second stage, or Bladder trouble, with heavy pain in the abdomen low down between the navel and the water passage, increasing desire to urinate, with scalding sensation in passing, small quantities being passed with difficulty, sometimes necessary to draw it with instruments. If uric acid or gravel has formed, it will prove dangerous if neglected.

The third stage is Bright's disease. There is comfort in knowing that Dr. Kilmer, the great kidney and bladder specialist, has discovered a remedy famous for its marvelous cures of the most distressing cases and known as Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root.

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## A BUSHWOMAN.

More Like an Animal Than a Human Being.

Close to the wagon we met a bush-woman, one of Indowyo's people, reduced by starvation to the most emaciated and pitiable condition, says Blackwood's. Her husband had been killed by lions some days before, though she herself had escaped with her life. On her back and shoulders were the marks where the same lion had ripped away great strips of flesh. Long clots of blood had dried on her body; the wounds had not even been washed. I gave her some meat, which she seized upon at once and ate ravenously. The bones were almost through her filthy skin; her little, beady eyes, set close together under a low, retreating forehead, her flattened nose and large, protruding lips, concealing what little chin she possessed, gave her a look most uncanny and repellent.

Altogether more like an animal than a human being, she seemed to me the lowest type of womankind that it has ever been my fate to look on. There are numbers of bushmen and their wives who live in this miserable condition, wandering through the veldt with no other means of subsistence than such trash as wild roots and berries. Some of the men have guns and ammunition, and they spend their whole time in shooting. When they kill a buck within reach of water—say ten miles—the whole family congregates on the spot, sits around the body and gorges itself until every scrap of flesh and skin has disappeared.

## THE TURKISH DRAMA.

Mohammedan Women Can Never Appear on the Stage.

It is altogether difficult to ascribe to the modern men of letters in Turkey a pronounced and well defined line of literary pursuit, as is customary in the west, says Literature. Most of them are poets, dramatists, philosophers, historians and philologists at the same time; some of them owe their reputation mainly to their dramatic compositions, as, e. g., Abdulkhak Hamid, whose tragedies Tarik (the Moorish conqueror of Spain) and Dukhteri Hindu (the Hindu girl) would read a deserve a translation in any of the European languages. In the first-mentioned play the author introduces a Mohammedan heroine in order to prove that the strict separation of both sexes is not prescribed by Islam, and that it is merely an eastern habit of misapprehended chastity. The dramatic literature of the Turks is by no means a quantity negligible of the modern Ottoman literature.

It is a great pity that the theater is still in its infancy, for the simple reason that only the actors are genuine Turks, while the actresses recruit themselves out of the Christian portion of the country, as Mohammedan women cannot appear in public, and still less on the stage. There is no want of a play-going public in the modern Turkish society, but the enjoyment is often marred by the queer and un-Turkish pronunciation of the Armenian actresses, whereas the language of Turkish women sounds most delightfully.

## QUEER USE OF BIBLES.

It Arises Because the Book is Generally Well Printed.

"Here is something I wish to inquire about," said an elderly gentleman, as he entered the establishment of a dealer in artists' materials and held out a tiny booklet. "I bought some gold leaf of you a few days ago, and on turning the sheets or paper between the leaves I discovered that they contained portions of the scriptures and seemed to have been cut from a part of the Bible." "So they were," answered the dealer; "but there is nothing so extraordinary about that fact when you understand it. It was English gold leaf you bought, and that, as a regular matter of business, is packed in little books made up of pages of the Bible cut to the requisite size and stitched together. No profanation is intended, but the practice of packing the material in this way is well established. The Bible is selected for the purpose because, as a general thing, the type is more evenly set and the printing finer and better executed than in other books. Printed paper has always been in general use for packing the sheets of gold. The slight indentations made by the type serve to keep them more firmly in place. They slip when packed between plain sheets. The Book of Common Prayer is also employed for the same purpose and for the same reason. Gold leaf books are made up from the sheets in which they leave the press and before they are folded."

## Governor for Marine Engines.

The engines used to drive the propelling engines of ocean steamers are much troubled with racing or running for a few seconds at very high speed when the propellers or screws are lifted out of the water by the pitching and rolling of the ship. A new electric governor designed to prevent this operates by mercury contacts. These are so arranged that the mercury, moving about as the vessel pitches, turns on a current of electricity at certain angles of disturbance. The electricity then operates steam valves and shuts off the steam. As the vessel rights itself the mercury flows back and the steam-valves open again.

## What Explain.

A man must not only have a fractured skull, but a clear and coherent explanation as to how he came to get it, before he is admitted to a New York hospital.—Puck.

# Are You One Of Them?

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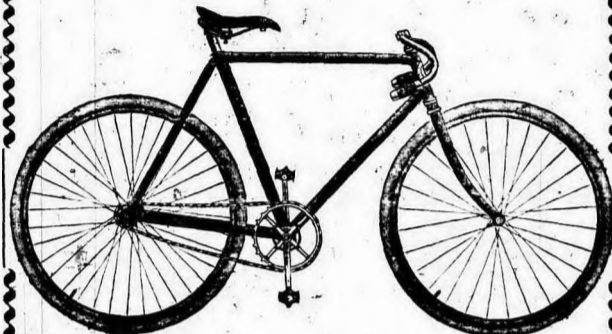
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Arm & Hammer Soda per pound	07
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Mince Meat per package	07
Fancy Syrup per gallon pail	30
1 Dozen Clothes Pins	01
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Plug Tobacco Q. & Q. per pound	20
Good Coffee 2 pounds for	25
Cocoonut per pound	15

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### NEWS OF THE WEEK.

#### LOCAL HAPPENINGS AND PERSONAL MENTION.

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

Ed Cortrite is quite sick.

Try the "Best Tonic" cigar. 611

Register to-morrow. Vote Monday.

Mrs. A. T. Ladd visited in Plymouth this week.

Some one says Dan Smith is getting in shape to start a hotel.

Anyone having dry wood for sale please call at the Matt. office.

Ned Crosby has taken Bert Robinson's place at Lapham's store.

If you like good Japan Tea just try the kind sold by Hillmer & Co.

Mabel Hamilton was presented with a fine piano one day last week.

General George Spalding has been appointed postmaster at Monroe.

Howell is figuring on a sewerage system. The cost is estimated at \$25,000.

S. W. Everett and family have moved into the McGraw house on Ann Arbor street.

The common council of Lexington has purchased seven acres of woodland to be used as a park, at \$60 per acre.

Rev. J. B. Oliver was called to West Bay City, Wednesday to see his brother-in-law, Capt. G. H. Lester, who is very ill.

Messrs. Britton and Clark, of Detroit, will hold a temperance meeting in the Baptist church Saturday evening, March 11th. Everybody invited.

—Lost or Stolen—A gold necktie aligator pin, with aligator shaped turquois set in center. Liberal reward for its return to G. M. Adams or to the MAIL office.

—Buy your bananas, oranges and confectionery of Hillmer & Co.

E. L. Riggs is having a stairway placed in his store, leading to the second floor.

Mr. Riggs intends putting in a large line of carpets, ladies dresses, jackets, waists, etc.

The business meeting of the Epworth League, which was to have been held on Monday last at the home of Fannie Spicer has been postponed until Monday evening, March 13th.

Rev. J. B. Oliver received a letter from his son, Reginald, this week, written on banana leaves. It is almost as legible as if written on paper and makes quite an interesting keepsake.

Avery Downer, who left here a few weeks ago, has located at Bushnell, Ill., where he will operate a steam laundry.

Mrs. Downer will leave for Bushnell the latter part of this month.

Mr. Herbener did not come over to Plymouth last Sunday because the road was so obstructed with snow that it was impossible to get through. He will be here on Sunday afternoon to fill his regular appointment and will speak on the topic, "Putting the Fire out."

A free kindergarten will be opened on Monday, March 20th, in the chapel of the Presbyterian church to all children between the ages of three and seven years. Sessions will be held each school day from 9 to 12 o'clock. A large class has already been formed.

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A stockman near Dodge City is reported to have found eighty head of cattle dead in his sheds one Sunday morning.

The cattle were supposed to be well housed and protected, under ordinary circumstances, but they were unable to withstand the bitterly cold weather of that morning.—La Junta (Col.) Tribune.

J. W. Taft returned Saturday from his Klondyke excursion. He left here about a year ago to seek his fortune in the gold fields of Alaska but ran up against a range of mountains somewhere this side of the Yukon that required more faith than he had to remove, so had to turn back. He says thousands were caught in the same boat.

J. Noyes is suffering from inflammation of the bowels.

On Monday of this week John McLaren's horse, while hitched in front of Rauch & Son's store, became frightened at a small snowslide. He broke loose and started down Sutton street at a terrific pace. When in front of Bell's store, he jumped into a cutter belonging to Charles Decker and broke it into a thousand pieces. Nothing was saved but the cushion and bells. At this juncture he managed to get away from the rig to which he was attached and went on down the street alone but was captured near Dr. Grainers. The harness and rig was broken but not beyond repair.

Rev. J. H. Herbener's lecture Tuesday night at the Star of Hope mission on the subject, "The Grim Joker of Sacred Writ" was a disappointment to many who had attended expecting the reverend gentleman to deliver something above his ordinary efforts. His "grim jokes" showed very clearly that Mr. Herbener is too eloquent and powerful as a disciple of "Sacred Writ" to deal with subjects that are unnatural to him. This was proven towards the latter part of the lecture in his impersonation of Sampson which was very fine and showed our good friend Herbener in his natural and chosen calling.

—Bananas nice ones 15c per dozen, oranges 18 to 25c per dozen at Hillmer & Co.

The blizzard which struck here Saturday night and lasted nearly all day Sunday was the worst that has occurred in this section in years. The walks and roads were drifted full so that it was almost impossible for people to get out. One of our milk men broke down two or three times and finally had to give up his job and put his team in the livery barn. Cars on the electric road did not run until late in the afternoon. A force of men were at work all the forenoon clearing the track. On Monday men were put to work cleaning the cross walks and on Wednesday the hydrants were dug out so as to be accessible in case of fire.

If a man smokes a cigar only enough to keep it lighted, and relishes taking it from his mouth to cast a look at the curl of smoke in the air, says an exchange, set him down as an easy-going man. Beware of the man who never releases the grip on his cigar and is indifferent whether it burns or not; he is cool, calculating and exacting. The man that smokes a bit, rests a bit and fumbles the cigar more or less is easily affected by circumstances. If the cigar goes out frequently, the smoker has a whole-souled disposition, is a "hall fellow well met," with a lively brain, a glib tongue and generally a fine fund of anecdotes. A nervous man who fumbles his cigar a great deal is sort of popin-jay among men. Holding the cigar constantly between the teeth, chewing it occasionally and not caring if it is lighted at all are the characteristics of men who have the tenacity of bull dogs. The fore stands his cigar on end, and an experienced smoker points it straight ahead.—Trade.

#### 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, "Matter." Evening, "Christ Jesus denies Sin and gives Sight to the Blind."

Oscar Huston moved into his house on Sutton street this week.

The L. O. T. M. are preparing to bring on the play, "Too Much Johnson" which has just been having a run in Detroit. The cast includes the best local talent and the play will undoubtedly be the event of the season. It is now under rehearsal and will occur early in April.

—Choice Yellow Bananas and California Naval oranges at Hillmer & Co.

Somebody has discovered that a Bermuda onion eaten raw will clear the head. A Bermuda onion eaten raw will do more than that. It will clear an entire room. An active Bermuda onion is a complete clearing house all by itself. Take one Bermuda onion—only one—and let the lips of beauty close upon it and love will turn to hate and honey to gall and bitterness. Clear the head? Why, a Bermuda onion in fairly good health will clear the head of navigation!—Ex.

An exchange, in an obituary of a man who had died in the community, said: "A large procession followed the remains to their last resting place." Of course the family rushed to the "print shop" to have the error in the word "resting" corrected. The editor explained that he could not do (until the seven years' back subscription which the deceased owed, had been paid.

It is high time that the tomato and cabbage plants should be started. If you do not care to make a hotbed a good many plants can be raised in the house and by a little attention will be ready to put in the ground early in the open spring. Don't keep them too warm, and on every suitable day let them be placed outside to harden up a little.—N. A. Horticulturist.

—Get your Bananas and Oranges for your Sunday dinner of Hillmer & Co.

#### Volcanic Eruptions.

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

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

W. H. Guerin, 17 Campus-Martius, Detroit, Mich.

Or W. B. Kniskern, 22 Fifth avenue, Chicago, Ill.

—Children and baby pictures a specialty at Baker's.

#### Circumstances Alter Cases.

"My friend," said the clerical-looking passenger to the traveling man in the next seat, "do you ever drink?"

"Is that an invitation or only a question?" asked the wily drummer.

"Merely a question pertaining to your future welfare," replied the c. l. p.

"Then," observed the other, "I never drink, sir, never."—Chicago Daily News.

#### AN ITALIAN FAULT.

The Lack of Discipline is a National Characteristic.

There is a dominant line in the national character of Italians, says the Westminster Review. It was this trait that Tasso had in view when he wrote: "Alla virtu Latina o nulla manca o sol la disciplina." ("The noble nature of the Latin race has every virtue save, perhaps, that it is not disciplined.") It was another side of the same truth that D'Azeglio expressed when he said: "In the heart of every Italian there is some touch of civil war." Settembrini's words, too, though referring more particularly to the Neapolitan, were applicable to his countrymen generally when he regretted that "Talent they all have, and some of them very great talent, but they have no perseverance, no sense of order or discipline." The poet, the politician, the patriot, each from his own point of view, indicated that flaw in the Italian character which may be traced through the centuries and which has grown with the growth of the nation. It is to that impatience of discipline, taking the term in its widest sense, that we must attribute the fact that the people of modern Italy, in spite of great natural endowments, have produced no great artistic work—no poem, no novel, no history, no painting, no building, no music, unless that of Verdi can be an exception, that can be placed in the first rank. Genius the Italian has; he is, indeed, a standing refutation to the paradox that genius is an infinite capacity for taking trouble, but his genius is barren. What M. Chevalier said of French workmen, comparing them with English, is true of the Italian of every class, and especially of the upper class. He cannot steadily, doggedly settle down in spite of failure to overcome material difficulties. His full faculties do not wake up save in contest with other men. Undisciplined himself, the Italian is prone to make light of breach of legal and of moral obligations in others, and in public life especially has developed a laxity of which the traces are all too deeply marked in the parliamentary history of the passing generation.

#### Demons When They Fight.

You would hardly believe that moles, clumsy, almost blind little beasts that they are, become perfect demons when they quarrel. No one knows what they quarrel about, but if they once start fighting one has to die. This will keep on in the presence of any number of spectators, hanging on to one another like bulldogs, and burying their enormously strong jaws and teeth in one another's flesh. Hedgehogs, another type of the quiet, inoffensive animal, not only fight, but always to the death, and when one is killed, the other generally devours him. Hares on the other hand are proverbially the most timid of creatures. Yet they can fight. A fight between two hares is a ludicrous sight, as they skip and jump over one another. But a blow from the hind legs of a hare is no joke to his opponent. Among birds, robins are the most pugnacious. More than one case could be quoted of two robins so frantically set on killing one another as to have allowed themselves to be picked up in the hands of a looker-on, and there have lain, with beak and claws deep buried in one another's plumage.

#### Something Wrong.

"This orchard picture is a peach," exclaimed the enthusiastic studio visitor. "But I intended it for an apple orchard," said the artist, plaintively.—Detroit Free Press

#### 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-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 Eparas J. Partridge and George Nelson, Jr., of some other suitable person.

It is ordered, that the Friday 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 first day of March, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine.

Present, WILLIAM L. 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.

WILLIAM L. LILLIBRIDGE, Circuit Judge for said County, acting Judge of Probate.

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#### 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. Christophers 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.

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- 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 5c 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 3c or 9 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
- Best Crackers, 8c or 4 1/2 pounds for.....25c
- Young American Flour, per sack.....85c
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# NEWS FOR MICHIGANDERS.

## A Whole Regiment of News Items From Michigan Towns

### CAPTURED FOR BRIEF READING.

#### An Eaton County Farmer Gets a Judgment Against an Officer—Claudius B. Grant Renominated by the Republicans—Other Items.

#### Killed by an Engine.

The big snowstorm was responsible for the death of one man and the serious maiming of another at Port Huron. A gang of men were engaged in shoveling snow from the tracks in the tunnel yard when a yard engine bore down upon three of them—Charles Sherman, Gus Polatzky and Charles Gurr. Sherman was killed instantly, Polatzky's leg was broken and he received internal injuries which are likely to prove fatal. The other man sustained injuries to his spine and legs. Sherman was terribly mangled, two wheels of the tender passing over his body.

#### Grant Renominated.

Claudius B. Grant was renominated for another 10 years on the Michigan supreme court bench by the Republican state convention held at Jackson. It took four ballots, on each of which he gained steadily, and when the roll call had been finished on the fourth his nomination was a cinch, and the counties began to change their votes to him. Col. Eli R. Sutton, of Detroit, and Col. H. S. Bean, of Ann Arbor, were nominated as regents of the university by acclamation.

#### Her Heavy Hair Caused Her Death.

Mabelle E. Wallace, aged 24, a well-known young lady, residing in Bedford township, Calhoun county, died from a singular cause. She had a most luxuriant and heavy growth of hair, which was 4 1/2 feet long. The weight of hair was so great that it had an effect upon her head and brain, which finally threw her into brain fever, resulting in her death. The hair was so fine and so much admired by all beholders that she refused to have it cut.

#### An Electric Road 50 Miles Long.

A. A. Talmage & Co., of New York, granters of a franchise for an electric road at Flint are hustling for franchises. They announce that they will build a road from Flushing to Flint, thence south to Grand Blanc where branches will go east to Atlas and Pontiac, and a west road to Long Lake and Fenton. The total distance is 80 miles, and the estimated cost \$1,000,000. This company beat out the Avery-Davis concern.

#### A Mandamus Denied.

The supreme court has denied a mandamus to compel Circuit Judge Homer to quash the capias on which O. A. Wright, of anti-saloon league fame, was arrested in the false imprisonment suit brought by Kittle Shinglemeyer, of Detroit. The court holds that the affidavit on which the writ was issued is sufficient, and that the capias is not contrary to the terms of the statute.

#### Gets a \$1,225 Verdict.

Perry O. Snyder, a prominent farmer of Brookfield township, Eaton county, was awarded damages against Marshall Stump, of Eaton Rapids, to the amount of \$1,225. Stump arrested Snyder on a charge of drunkenness, Snyder claimed he was not intoxicated enough to warrant an arrest and brought suit against Stump for false imprisonment and malicious prosecution.

#### Teachers' Certificates.

The state board of education has granted 102 teachers' certificates to the following persons: Isaac W. Lucia, Grand Rapids; Anna E. Bice, Monroe; Harriet C. Bedford, Marquette; E. P. Clark, St. Joseph; H. H. Clement, Boyce City; H. H. Fuller, Big Rapids; E. L. Reese, Big Rapids; J. W. Slaughter, Diamond Lake; Bertha Clark, Neegaunee.

#### Shinglemeyer-Wright Case.

In the \$20,000 breach of promise suit brought by Kittle Shinglemeyer against Dr. Geo. A. Wright, of Detroit, the motion to compel the plaintiff to give security for costs was overruled. The motion for a new trial in the paternity suit has not yet been heard. The case will be tried in Columbus, O.

#### A Dark Mystery.

Milton Smith, a young farmer, who resides south of the agricultural college, Lansing, started to attend an auction at Okemos, with \$80 in his pocket, and has not been seen since. Why Smith left home and what has become of him is a dark mystery. He did not show up at the auction.

#### For Good Roads.

A Good Roads association has been organized at Holly for the purpose of improving the country roads around that town. An entertainment was given recently which netted over \$50, and with what the association already had on hand will be used to fix up the sandy roads in the vicinity.

#### Died From Over Exertion.

Clayton F. Farmer, a well-known young man of Battle Creek, aged 19, while in company with a number of young men who were lifting weights and attempting to outdo each other in the feat, strained his spine and died in four days of spinal meningitis.

Some one entered the residence of Leonard Atchison, who lives about a mile from the village of Plymouth, and stole \$37 in cash, a gold watch and a suit of clothes, belonging to Bert Marr, a boarder. The family was away from home.

## STATE GOSSIP.

Ben Campbell, a notorious criminal of Pontiac, gets 10 years at Jackson. Sand Beach boasts of having three men who tip the scale at 900 pounds. Big Rapids is to have a new flour mill with a capacity of 100 barrels per day. Edgar Weeks has secured a free mail delivery for Mt. Clemens, to take effect July 1.

The Michigan Standard Coal Co. of Sebawaing shipped their first two carloads of coal.

A postoffice has been established at Clearwater, Kalkaska county, Herman L. Brown, postmaster.

A postoffice has been established at Mallory, Hillsdale county, with Benjamin W. Ware as postmaster.

E. H. Dyer, of Cleveland, will build the new sugar beet factory at Holland. His bid of \$300,000 was the lowest.

It is said that many thousands of dollars will be spent in building up the business portion of Olivet this spring.

A new bank has been opened up in Minden City under the name of Ira Arnot. At present it is only an experiment.

A civil service examination will be held at Big Rapids, April 8, to fill positions of postoffice clerk and carrier in that city.

Wm. Schuler, a cattle dealer of White Pigeon, was found dead in bed at a Chicago hotel. The gas was turned on.

Willis W. Stewart, of Port Huron, has been appointed as assistant inspector of hulls at that port at a salary of \$2,000 per annum.

South Haven will give \$500 in cash and the necessary franchises to secure the proposed electric railroad to run from there to Allegan.

There being but 22 cases on the docket the March term of court in Calhoun promises to be short. Eight of the 22 are non-jury cases.

Kalamazoo will have a new hotel opposite the Michigan Central station. It will cost \$60,000 and be a hummer. The money has been raised.

The attempt made by Supt. Lane, of Flint, to thaw out water pipes with electricity was successful. Fifty feet of ice was loosened in three minutes.

Frank Gaahan, who had been a guest at the Arlington hotel at Port Huron for six months, jumped into the river and was drowned. He was demented.

A west-bound freight train on the Grand Trunk railway was wrecked at Holly by the breaking of an axle on one of the cars, and three cars were ditched.

The mine workers at Ishpeming are contemplating a strike if their demand for an increase in wages of not less than 15 per cent. is not granted at an early date.

Alcona county is not a dry county, yet there has not been a criminal case tried in the county in nearly two years, nor a prisoner in the county jail in that time.

The people of Bad Axe have been thawing out their hydrants by attaching a traction engine to them with a rubber hose and forcing the steam into the hydrant.

A drug store at Hillsdale owned by H. D. Tisdale was damaged to the extent of \$6,000 by fire, insured for \$1,500. The building was damaged \$1,500, but was also insured.

John Hazen, of Novi, aged 60, a farmer, suicided by hanging himself. He had been ill and despondency caused the act. He leaves a widow and two children.

J. Ervin, a bachelor, aged 40, living alone at Scottsdele, a railway station nine miles southeast of St. Joseph, committed suicide with a razor. No cause for the deed is known.

The Emmet county and Northern telephone companies at Petoskey have been consolidated, and work will be commenced very soon upon the rebuilding of the entire system.

The motion for a new trial in the case of Fred Clark, convicted at St. Johns of rape, was denied by Judge Babcock, and Clark was sentenced to six years in the state prison at Jackson.

The Ana Arbor assaulter turned out to be Geo. Lewis, a colored hackdriver, aged 18. A derby hat retained by one of his recent victims furnished the clue that caused his arrest and conviction.

Wm. A. Baker, of Coloma, had the drum of his car punctured by coming in contact with a twig while exploring the woods. By closing his nostrils he said he can now whistle through his ear.

The stock barn of Daniel Harvey, near Jones, was destroyed by fire, with 70 horses, 30 head of cattle, 100 sheep, a number of hogs, farming implements and a large quantity of feed. No insurance.

Daniel Scotten, the great tobacco manufacturer and multimillionaire of Detroit, succumbed to heart failure after two months' illness. Deceased was over 80 years of age and leaves a wife and one married daughter.

A family quarrel caused Mrs. Dan McLaughlin, of Port Huron, to try and commit suicide by the lanthanum route. After several hours' effective work with a stomach pump at a doctor's office her husband escorted her home.

Reports to the state board of health show that influenza, bronchitis, tonsillitis, rheumatism and neuralgia, in the order named, caused the most sickness in Michigan, during the past week. Consumption was reported at 103 places, scarlet fever at 47, measles at 26, diphtheria at 22, typhoid fever at 23, whooping cough at 12 and alleged smallpox at 1.

Don Olds, aged 15, oldest son of Fred Olds, of Onondaga, while trying to catch a ride on a Michigan Central way freight to return home, fell under the cars, the wheels passing over him, killing him instantly.

A lantern exploded under the oil wagon of George Moore at Ann Arbor. Friends got the wagon out of the barn, when the oil exploded. Some narrow escapes were reported.

A complete counterfeiter's outfit was captured at the home of Edward Stinson, five miles northeast of Pinconning. The molds found were for a coin of the half-dollar and 10-cent piece sizes. Stinson is in jail.

A big barn on Dan Harvey's place in Porter township, Cass county, was burned, and with it 70 sheep and 30 head of choice blooded horses and cattle. The loss will reach several thousand dollars, with only \$800 insurance.

It is said that Ann Arbor parties are quietly at work securing franchises for a competing electric railway line to Detroit. The route is known as the "middle road" to Ypsilanti and thence to Detroit by way of Belleville and Romulus.

While in a crazed intoxicated condition, John Rator, of Menominee, struck Peter Stoffel repeated blows on the head with an ax. The injured man boarded at Lassor's, and they quarreled over family affairs. The injured man will die.

Monominee offers for the upper peninsula normal school the choice of three sites, one a public park valued at about \$10,000, and makes a strong showing regarding railroad and boat facilities and the advantage of location over Marquette.

After quite a number of people of Watervliet were vaccinated it turned out that the reported case of smallpox was something else, and the excitement is now dying down. People are inclined to criticize the doctors for increasing the excitement unnecessarily.

Mrs. Alice G. Lonsdale, a "woman doctor" of Detroit, is in jail to answer to a serious charge. The recent death of Miss Cora E. Hetherington, who was the victim of mismanagement, alleged to have been administered by the doctor, was the cause of her arrest.

Gov. Pingree has paroled the following convicts: Joseph Stock, sent from Wayne to Detroit; Thomas Madock, of Marquette; Charles J. Hiecock, of Kent, sent to Ionia; Aiden Guest, sent from Allegan to Jackson; P. T. Jackson, sent from Wexford to Marquette.

John Bell, who was on trial for killing Jas. Goodwin at Detroit, against whom there was very little direct evidence and who all connected with the case thought would be acquitted, came out blunt and acknowledged having done the deed. His attorney still believes him innocent and will continue the case, believing Bell's confession to be a strong indication that he is not sound mentally.

## STATE LEGISLATURE.

Rep. Chamberlain's temporary relief bill for the aid of ex-soldiers and marines of the Spanish-American war was finally patched up so as to meet the approval of both houses and was approved. The conference committee from both houses withdrew the different amendments which would have made the bill inoperative. Under its present provisions it will run until August 1. Other bills passed in the house as follows: Legalizing the taxes assessed in the township of Ithaca, Grand Traverse county, for 1898; providing for the assessment and levy of taxes upon the property of railroad, express, telegraph and telephone companies and the collection thereof; passed in the senate: A bill making a new judicial circuit (30th) out of Cass and Van Buren counties.

The house in committee of the whole agreed to Rep. Hart's joint resolution authorizing the state board of auditors to examine into and settle the claim of Wm. T. Densmore, of Hudson, who was badly injured by the premature discharge of a cannon while serving as a member of the Hudson light artillery. Since then he has supported himself and his wife by running a hand organ about the state, but he is now so old that he is unable to do it.

The bill amending the constitution so as to permit of an additional circuit judge in St. Clair county was passed by the house, given immediate effect, and has gone to the governor; also one legalizing certain bonds of Brooks township, Newaygo county, to the amount of \$6,000, and one authorizing Gladstone to rebond for \$15,000 for water works were passed by the senate and given immediate effect and gone to the governor.

Senator Maitland's bill requiring railroad companies to submit to the railroad commission maps of crossings they propose to make with other roads was agreed to by committee of the whole in the senate.

Rep. Gilliam's amendment to the general tax law providing that personal property may be seized by the state for the non-payment of taxes on real estate, no matter in what county the personal property is located, was agreed to. The law as it now stands allows the seizure of personal property only in the county where the real estate is located, or in an adjoining county.

Rep. Heiman's bill for the protection of bicycle paths was agreed to in the house, after being amended so as to provide that the highway commissioner as the case may be, shall have the say as to where such paths shall be located.

The Atkinson bill did not have such easy sailing in the senate as was expected. The bill was sent to the general taxation committee. A resolution calling on the committee to report out this and all other similar bills in a few days was defeated. The plan of the author is to hold a caucus and if the majority can agree as to amendments, the bill is to be amended and sent back to the house.

Emperor William has appointed Prince Henry, of Prussia, to succeed Vice-Admiral Von Diederichs in command of the German squadron in Chinese waters.

## FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

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

### RELIABLE AND INTERESTING.

#### Maj. Evans, Chief of Police of Havana, Wants to Retain Two Ex-Spanish Detectives on His Force—Treasury Receipts and Expenditures.

#### Two Spanish Detectives.

The fact that Maj. Evans, the military chief of the new police department of Havana, has recommended that the Martinez brothers, ex-Spanish detectives, be retained by the detective bureau is causing any amount of uneasiness among Cubans, who have an intense hatred for them. The Martinez brothers have a record of having sent more Cubans to execution than any dozen men, with the possible exception of Gen. Weyler. During their career in and about Havana they have arrested 1,000 of the most famous criminals, 950 having received sentences ranging from six months to 20 years. In addition they have captured 150 murderers, all of whom were condemned to death. Three alone of the 1,000 escaped official punishment.

#### February Receipts and Expenditures.

The comparative statement of the government receipts and expenditures shows that for February the receipts aggregated \$77,270,322, a gain as compared with February, 1898, of about \$9,500,000. The expenditures for the month were \$43,918,929, leaving a deficit for the month of about \$33,000,000. The receipts for the eight months of the present fiscal year were \$225,113,137, against 271,557,969, for the same period last year. The February receipts from customs were \$16,921,572, a gain over the same month in 1898, of nearly \$2,000,000; internal revenue receipts, \$19,224,493, show a gain of nearly \$7,240,000.

#### New War Association.

A new association, to be known as the Spanish-American War Veterans' association, is about to be formed, and a call has been issued for a convention to be held in Washington September 4, 5 and 6. The proposed association will have for its objects the wiping out of sectionalism, the promotion of closer fraternal relations, the fostering of a more unselfish patriotism and the corporate effort to secure the enactment of legislation, in state and nation, in the interest of soldiers, the army and navy generally.

#### 3,000 Men Idle in Santiago.

There are nearly 3,000 men idle in the province, and 700 in Santiago, as a result of Gen. Brooke's recent order disallowing the February estimates. Although Gov. Gen. Brooke has wired \$30,000 required for the February pay rolls, there is still a deficit of nearly \$20,000, and the orders from Havana still hold good limiting the expenditure during the month of March for the entire province to \$10,000.

#### Gen. Gomez's Request.

Gen. Maximo Gomez has requested Gov. Gen. Brooke to reduce the American army of occupation in Cuba to 10,000 men, retaining 1,000 Cuban soldiers in the service of the military government. Gov. Brooke has the proposition under consideration.

#### A Speedy Recovery.

Rudyard Kipling, the poet, who has been lying at the point of death in New York City, is now considered out of danger by his physicians, and his speedy recovery is looked for.

#### TELEGRAPHIC BITS.

Many laborers are out of work at Santiago owing to the lack of funds necessary to keep them engaged.

Burglars blew open the safe in the East Syracuse, N. Y. postoffice and obtained nearly \$1,000 in postage stamps and money.

The entire street railroad system of Buffalo has been bought by New York and Philadelphia capital. The sale involves some \$25,000,000 of capital.

Queen Marie Henriette, of Belgium, is gravely ill. Her majesty is suffering from broncho-pneumonia. Fears are entertained that she may not recover.

Poverty drove Mrs. Laura Montaville, of Portland, Ore., insane, and after forcing three of her children to drink laudanum, she herself took a dose and later blew out her brains with a revolver. Two of the children will recover.

There is no longer a club hanging over the head of Senator Perren, of Detroit. Chairman Moore of the elections committee has made a final report on the Perron-Richert contest, to the effect that the committee found the claim of Wm. Richert unfounded and Perren entitled to the seat.

A syndicate has purchased 14 cigar and cigarette factories in and about Havana, and another syndicate has purchased the Havana Commercial Co., capitalized at \$20,000,000, purposes to acquire control of the larger tobacco plantations, cigar and cigarette factories and tobacco trade marks on the island of Cuba.

Admiral Montojo, who was in command of the Spanish squadron destroyed by Admiral Dewey in the battle of Manila Bay, and the commander of the Cavite arsenal, are incarcerated in the military prison pending trial for their conduct at Manila. Gen. Linarés, who was in command of the Spanish forces at Santiago at the time of the capitulation to Gen. Shafter, will also be prosecuted.

J. J. Healey, manager of the North American Trading & Transportation company, says that the output of gold this year from the Yukon will be about \$20,000,000.

## DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

The President has signed bills passed by congress as follows: Authorizing Admiral Selfridge and other officers of the United States navy to accept medals presented to them by the Russian government; creating the Mount Ranier national park in the state of Washington; the navy personnel bill; also bills authorizing the construction of public buildings at Norwich, Conn.; St. Cloud, Minn.; Salem, Ore.; Annis-ton, Ala.; Annapolis, Md.; Janesville, Wis.; Eau Claire, Wis.; Oskaloosa, Ia.; Creston, Ia.; Streator, Ill.; Columbus, Ga.; Rome, N. Y.; Leadville, Colo.; Newport, Vt.; New Iberia, La.; Carrollton, Ky.; Freeport, Ill.; Winston, N. C., and enlarging public building at Macon, Ga. For taking the twelfth census; the Buffalo exposition bill; to reimburse governors of states and territories for expenses incurred in the Spanish war; providing a new building for the department of justice in Washington; making appropriations for fortifications and other works of defense; for a bridge across the Missouri river at Yankton, S. D.; for the relief of the international cotton press company, New Orleans; to enable the city of Albuquerque, N. M., to create indebtedness; providing for the allowance of certain claims reported by the accounting officers of the treasury; for public buildings, additions, etc., as follows: Cleveland, O.; Baltimore, Md.; custom house; New Brighton, Pa.; Lockport, Pa.; Stockton, Cal.; Los Angeles, Cal.; and also those authorizing First Lieut. Jno. R. Williams, 3d artillery; Col. Victor Vifquain, 3d Nebraska volunteers; and Lieut. E. A. Bates, U. S. volunteers, to accept certain decorations and honors from foreign potentates.

The President has approved the following bills: For the investigation of leprosy in the United States; for the purchase of sites for public building at Hastings and Norfolk, Neb.; Battle City, Mont.; Joplin, Mo.; Seattle, Wash.; Oakland, Cal.; Beaumont, Tex.; Abilene, Tex.; Salt Lake City, Utah; Ferris Falls, Minn.; Blair, Neb.; Elgin, Ill.; Jackson, Miss.; Menominee, Mich.; increase cost at Omaha, Neb.; addition to building at Canton, O.; Dubuque, Ia.; Hot Springs, Ark.; Kansas City, Kan.; Monmouth, Ill.; Joliet, Ill.; Minneapolis, Minn.; additional property for use of postoffice at Clinton, Ia.; also an appropriation of \$20,000,000 to carry out provision of peace treaty with Spain.

In the senate three or more of minor bills were passed, the calendar being cleared entirely of private pension bills and of measures correcting military and naval records. Two measures of national importance were passed, the fortifications appropriation bill and the bill providing a code of criminal laws for the district of Alaska. A provision for the high licensing of liquor traffic in the latter measure was defeated by a decisive vote. The conference reports on the census and naval personnel bills were agreed to. The bill appropriating \$500,000 for the Buffalo exposition, which passed the house, was also passed, and all these measures now go to the President.

The senate is rapidly clearing its desks for final adjournment. The naval appropriation bill, which ordinarily consumes the time of the senate for several days, was passed after less than five hours' debate. One important amendment was made to the bill making a reduction of the amount agreed upon by the house to be paid for armor plate \$300 per ton, or \$117 less than the amount fixed by the house, and in the event armor plate manufacturers refused to sell at that figure, to proceed to the construction of an armor factory at a cost of \$1,500,000, and placing in the secretary's control \$2,000,000 with which to operate the government plant.

In the house the senate bill, carrying \$1,000,000 for a new building for the department of justice, was passed, and two public building bills attached by the senate to bills for public buildings in other cities were agreed to, one appropriating \$200,000 for a building at Los Angeles, Cal., and the other \$75,000 for a building at New Brighton, Pa. The senate bill appropriating \$118,000 to purchase 150,000 acres of land in accordance with the provisions of the treaty with the Lower Brule Indians, was passed.

The amendment which Senator Hars-brough offered to the army reorganization bill and which became a part of that measure, prohibiting officers or soldiers from selling intoxicating drinks in any post or exchange, was more far reaching than first appeared. It goes further and prohibits any other person from selling such liquors in any encampment or any place used for military purposes. This will exclude liquors from all military reservations.

The closing day of the 55th congress was characterized by excitement, confusion and disagreements in both the house and senate. However, the army appropriation bill was agreed to and passed, and this and the rivers and harbors bill have gone to the President, but the armor plate amendment hung up the naval appropriation measure.

The best estimates available place the aggregate of the appropriations of the 55th congress at \$675,855,489.

The naval nominations were confirmed by the senate without opposition. These are the promotions resulting from the naval personnel bill. It settles the Schley-Sampson controversy by making Schley a rear admiral, with Sampson two numbers in advance of Schley.

The house passed the bills giving Buffalo and Toledo appropriations to help along their proposed expositions. The bills carry \$500,000 each.

The nomination of Samuel J. Barrows to be librarian of congress has been reported unfavorably by the senate committee on library.

## WAR NOTES.

The following dispatch was sent by Gen. Otis in response to an inquiry regarding the number of American prisoners held by the Filipinos: "Insurgents have not taken nor do they hold a single prisoner of war. They have three soldiers in Malolos, picked up in January, who, without permission, went among them near Cavite and Caloocan. I am looking after them and providing money. Have captured over 1,500 insurgent soldiers since Feb. 4 and hold the majority as prisoners of war. Troops here in splendid condition. Detrimental reports which reach the U. S. are manufactured mostly in Hong Kong."

Gen. Otis gives it as his opinion that the war will be brought to an end within three months. He says as soon as Gen. Lawton's division arrives, the American line, now stretched out for 22 miles around Manila, will be shortened and strengthened. This he claims will permit a powerful column to dash out and smash the insurgents massed beyond Caloocan and then advance on Malolos, the Filipino capital.

A high german authority says the motives which induced Germany to intrust the protection of Germans in the Philippine islands to the U. S. are simple. The German warships in the far east are needed in Chinese waters, owing to the recent anti-German outrages. Regarding Samoa the same authority said Germany was awaiting the initiative of the other powers.

Gen. Miller has been ordered to quarter his troops in Iloilo in the custom house or other public buildings and authorized them to make the necessary changes at a cost not to exceed \$10,000, the same to be met from the public revenues collected at that port.

Gen. Ludlow has ordered the disinfection and disinfection of the Spanish forts at San Diego, near Regla, in order to make room for the camps of the 8th and 10th regiments, which will soon be transferred there from the Havana parks.

The Filipinos are showing up earth-works at Malaban preparatory to putting up another fight. Americans bombarded the town of Guadalupe, killing 50 rebels.

The total number of American casualties up to March 1 was 84 killed and 347 wounded.

#### Was not a Howling Success.

The general conference of the National Union Reform party, held at Cincinnati, was not a howling success. Its organization preparatory to nominating an independent presidential ticket next year, will be completed in executive committee at Buffalo, June 20. The effort to amalgamate the Populists, Silver Republicans, Socialist Labor, National Liberty parties and other scattering elements was knocked out for the present.

#### Dewey an Admiral.

President McKinley has signed the bill creating the rank of admiral in the navy. The commission of George Dewey to that office was made out at the navy department and had been sent to the White House previous to the signing of the bill by the President which would create the office, that it might be in readiness for its indorsement.

#### Canada's Minerals.

Canada's production of minerals for 1898 was \$200,000,000 greater than in 1897. The more important product increases were as follows: Gold, \$7,673,000; coal, \$924,000; copper, \$68,999; nickel, \$122,000. The increase in copper in Ontario was over 50 per cent, and the total value of metals produced was \$21,622,601.

#### Uruguay's New President.

Senor Cuestas has been elected president of Uruguay. Cuestas was president of the Uruguay senate at the time of the assassination of President Jorda in August, 1897, and assumed the presidency ad interim. He was afterwards appointed provisional governor of Uruguay.

## THE MARKETS.

### LIVE STOCK.

Market	Best grades	Lower grades	Best grades	Lower grades
New York—Cattle	4.75	4.50	3.50	3.25
Best grades	4.75	4.50	3.50	3.25
Lower grades	4.50	4.25	3.25	3.00
Chicago—				
Best grades	4.75	4.50	3.50	3.25
Lower grades	4.50	4.25	3.25	3.00
Detroit—				
Best grades	4.75	4.50	3.50	3.25
Lower grades	4.50	4.25	3.25	3.00
Buffalo—				
Best grades	4.75	4.50	3.50	3.25
Lower grades	4.50	4.25	3.25	3.00
Cleveland—				
Best grades	4.75	4.50	3.50	3.25
Lower grades	4.50	4.25	3.25	3.00
Cincinnati—				
Best grades	4.75	4.50	3.50	3.25
Lower grades	4.50	4.25	3.25	3.00
Pittsburg—				
Best grades	4.75	4.50	3.50	3.25
Lower grades	4.50	4.25	3.25	3.00

### GRAIN, ETC.

Market	What	How	How
New York	4.75	4.50	3.50
Chicago	4.75	4.50	3.50
Detroit	4.75	4.50	3.50
Toledo	4.75</		



# PHANTOM SHIP

—OR—  
The Flying Dutchman.

—BY CAPTAIN MARYAT.

## CHAPTER XI.

Philip had not long been on board ere he found that they were not likely to have a very comfortable passage; for the Batavia was chartered to convey a large detachment of troops to Ceylon and Java, and for the purpose of recruiting and strengthening the company's forces at those places. She was to quit the fleet off Madagascar, and run direct for the island of Java, the number of soldiers on board being presumed sufficient to insure the ship against any attack or accidents from pirates or enemies' cruisers. The Batavia, moreover, mounted thirty guns, and had a crew of seventy-five men. Besides military stores, which formed the principal part of her cargo, she had on board a large quantity of specie for the Indian market. The detachment of soldiers was embarking when Philip went on board, and in a few minutes were so crowded that it was hardly possible to move. Philip, who had not yet spoken to the captain, found out the first mate, and immediately entered upon his duty, with which, from his close application to it during his former voyage and passage home, he was very better acquainted than might have been imagined.

In a short time all traces of hurry and confusion began to disappear, the baggage of the troops was stored away, and the soldiers, having been told off in parties, and stationed with their messing utensils between the guns of the main deck, room was thus afforded for working the ship. Philip showed great activity as well as method in the arrangements proposed, and the captain, during a pause in his own arduous duties, said to him:

"I thought you were taking it very easy, Mr. Vanderdecken, in not joining the ship before, but now you are on board, you are making up for lost time. You have done more during the forenoon than I could have expected. I am glad that you are come, though very sorry you were not here when we were storing the hold, which, I am afraid, is not arranged quite as well as it might be. Myneer Struys, the first mate, has had more to do than he could well give attention to."

"I am sorry that I should not have been here, sir," replied Philip; "but I came as soon as the company sent me word."  
"Yes, and as they know that you are a married man, and do not forget that you are a great shareholder, they would not trouble you too soon. I presume you will have the command of a vessel next voyage. In fact, you are certain of it, with the capital you have invested in their funds. I had a conversation with one of the senior accountants on the subject this very morning."

Philip was not very sorry that his money had been put out to such good interest, as to be the captain of a ship was what he earnestly desired. He replied that "he certainly did hope to command a ship after the next voyage, when he trusted that he should feel himself quite competent to the charge."

It was not until a week after Philip arrived on board that the Batavia and the remainder of the fleet were ready for sea.

It would be difficult to analyze the feelings of Philip Vanderdecken on his second embarkation. His mind was so continually directed to the object of his voyage that, although he attended to his religious duties, yet the business of life passed before him as a dream. A few days after he had sailed he bitterly repented that he had not stated the whole of his circumstances to Father Sessen, and taken his advice upon the propriety of following up his search; but it was now too late; already was the good ship Batavia more than a thousand miles from the port of Amsterdam, and his duty, whatever it might be, must be fulfilled.

As the fleet approached the Cape, his anxiety increased to such a degree that it was remarked by all who were on board. The captain and officers commanding the troops embarked, who all felt interested in him, vainly attempted to learn the cause of his anxiety. Philip would plead ill-health; and his haggard countenance and sunken eyes silently proved that he was under acute suffering. The major part of the night he passed on deck, straining his eyes in every quarter, and watching each change in the horizon, in anticipation of the appearance of the Phantom Ship; and it was not till the day dawned that he sought a perturbed repose in his cabin. After a favorable passage the fleet anchored to refresh at Table Bay, and Philip felt some small relief, that up to the present time the supernatural visitation had not again occurred.

As soon as the fleet had watered they again made sail, and again Philip's agitation became perceptible. With a favoring breeze, however, they rounded the Cape, passed by Madagascar, and arrived in the Indian Seas, when the Batavia parted company with the rest of the fleet, which steered to Cambrion and Ceylon. "And now," thought Philip, "will the Phantom Ship make her appearance? It has only waited till we should be left without a con-

sort to assist us in distress." But the Batavia sailed in a smooth sea, and under a cloudless sky, and nothing was seen. In a few weeks she arrived off Java, and previous to entering the splendid roads, the Batavia bore to for the night. This was the last night they would be under sail, and Philip stirred not from the deck, but walked to and fro, anxiously waiting for the morning. The morning broke—the sun rose in splendor, and the Batavia steered into the roads. Before noon she was at anchor, and Philip, with his mind relieved, hastened down to his cabin and took that repose which he so much required.

He awoke refreshed, for a great weight had been taken off his mind. "It does not follow, then," thought he, "that because I am on board the vessel that therefore the crew are doomed to perish; it does not follow that the Phantom Ship is to appear because I seek her. If so, I have no further weight on my conscience. I seek her. It is true, and wish to meet with her; I stand, however, but the same chance as others; and it is no way certain that, because I seek, I am sure to find. That she brings disaster upon all she meets may be true, but not that I bring with me the disaster of meeting her. Heaven, I thank Thee! Now can I prosecute my search without remorse."

Philip, restored to composure by these reflections, went on deck. The debarkation of the troops was already taking place, for they were as anxious to be relieved from their long confinement as the seamen were to regain a little space and comfort. He surveyed the scene. The town of Batavia lay about one mile from them, low on the beach; from behind it rose a lofty chain of mountains, brilliant with verdure, and here and there peopled with country seats belonging to the residents, delightfully embosomed in forests of trees. The panorama was beautiful; the vegetation was luxuriant, and, from its vivid green, refreshing to the eye. Near to the town lay large and small vessels, a forest of masts; the water in the bay was of a bright blue, and rippled to a soft breeze; here and there small islets, like tufts of fresh verdure, broke the uniformity of the water line; even the town itself was pleasing to the eye, the white color of the houses being opposed to the dark foliage of the trees, which grew in the gardens and lined the streets.

"Can it be possible," observed Philip to the captain of the Batavia, who stood by him, "that this beautiful spot can be so unhealthy? I should form a very different opinion from its appearance."  
"Even," replied the captain, "as the venomous snakes of the country start up from among its flowers, so does death stalk about in this beautiful and luxuriant landscape. Do you feel better, Myneer Vanderdecken?"  
"Much better," replied Philip.  
"Still, in your enfeebled state, I should recommend you to go on shore."

"I shall avail myself of your permission with thanks. How long shall we stay here?"  
"Not long, as we are ordered to run back. Our cargo is all ready for us, and will be on board soon after we have discharged."

## CHAPTER XII.

Philip took the advice of his captain; he had no difficulty in finding himself received by a hospitable merchant, who had a house at some distance from the town and in a healthy situation. There he remained two months, and then re-embarked a few days previous to the ship being ready for sea. The return voyage was fortunate, and in four months from the date of their quitting Batavia, they found themselves abreast of St. Helena; for vessels, at that period, generally made what is called the eastern passage, running down the coast of Africa, instead of keeping toward the American shores. Again they had passed the Cape without meeting with the Phantom Ship; and Philip was not only in excellent health, but in good spirits. As they lay becalmed, with the islands to sight, they observed a boat pulling toward them, and in the course of three hours she arrived on board. The crew were much exhausted from having been two days in the boat, during which time they had never ceased pulling to gain this land. They stated themselves to be the crew of a small Dutch Indiaman, which had foundered at sea two days before; she had started one of her planks, and filled so rapidly that the men had hardly time to save themselves. They consisted of the captain, mates and twenty men belonging to the ship, and an old Portuguese Catholic priest, who had been sent home by the Dutch governor for having opposed the Dutch interests in the island of Japan. He had lived with the natives, and been secreted by them for some time, as the Japanese government was equally desirous of capturing him, with the intention of taking away his life. Eventually he found himself obliged to throw himself into the arms of the Dutch, as being the less cruel of his enemies.

The Dutch government decided that he should be sent away from the country; and he had, in consequence, been put on board of the Indiaman for a passage home. By the report of the captain and crew, one person only had been lost; but he was a person of consequence, having for many years held the situation of president in the Dutch factory at Japan. He was returning to Holland with the riches which he had amassed. By the evidence of the captain and crew, he had insisted, after he was put into the boat, upon going back to the ship to secure a casket of immense value, containing diamonds and other precious stones, which he had forgotten; they added, that while they were waiting for him the ship suddenly plunged her bowsprit under, and went down head foremost, and it was with difficulty they had themselves escaped. They had waited for some time to ascertain if he would rise again to the surface, but he appeared no more.

"I knew that something would happen," observed the captain of the sunken vessel, after he had been sitting a short time in the cabin with Philip and the captain of the Batavia; "we saw the Fiend or Devil's Ship, as they call her, but three days before."

"What! the 'Flying Dutchman,' as they named her?" asked Philip.  
"Yes; that, I believe, is the name they give her," replied the captain. "I have often heard of her; but it never was my fate to fall in with her before, and I hope it never will be again; for I am a ruined man, and must begin the world afresh."

"I have heard of that vessel," observed the captain of the Batavia. "Pray, how did she appear to you?"  
"Why, the fact is, I did not see anything but the loom of her hull," replied the other. "It was very strange, the night was fine, and the heavens clear; we were under top-gallant sails, for I do not carry on during the night, or else we might have put the royals on her; she would have carried them with the breeze. I had turned in, when, about 2 o'clock in the morning, the mate called me to come on deck. I demanded what was the matter, and he replied he could hardly tell, but that the men were much frightened, and that there was a Ghost Ship, as the sailors termed it, in sight. I went on deck; all the horizon was clear; but on our quarter was a sort of fog, round as a ball, and not more than two cables' length from us. We were going about four knots and a half free, and yet we could not escape from this mist. 'Look there,' said the mate. 'Why, what the devil can it be?' said I, rubbing my eyes. 'No banks up to windward, and yet a fog in the middle of a clear sky, with a fresh breeze, and with water all around it; for you see the fog did not cover more than half a dozen cables' length, as we could perceive by the horizon on each side of it. 'Hark, sir!' said the mate—they are speaking again.' 'Speaking!' said I, and I listened; and from out this ball of fog I heard voices. At last, one cried out, 'Keep a sharp lookout forward, d'ye hear?' 'Ay, ay, sir!' replied another voice. 'Ship on the starboard bow, sir.' 'Very well; strike the bell there forward.' And then we heard the bell toll. 'It must be a vessel,' said I to the mate. 'Not of this world, sir,' replied he. 'Hark!' 'A gun ready forward.' 'Ay, ay, sir!' was now heard out of the fog, which appeared to near us; 'all ready, sir.' 'Fire.' The report of the gun sounded in our ears like thunder, and then—"

"Well, and then?" said the captain of the Batavia, breathlessly.  
"And then," replied the other captain, solemnly, "the fog and all disappeared as if by magic; the whole horizon was clear, and there was nothing to be seen."  
"Is it possible?"  
(To be continued.)

### TAKING ASTOR DOWN A PEG.

Sauntered Gently and Unintentionally by a Duke's Gardener.

William Waldorf Astor, the expatriated American millionaire, who now resides in London, is the subject of a lengthy biographical sketch in Tit-Bits, a publication issued in the British capital. Incidental to the sketch it is related how the duchess of Cleveland gently set him down on one occasion. When his grand estate offices on the Thames embankment were finished he gave a magnificent banquet to a number of swells. Showing one of the staircases in the building to the duchess, Mr. Astor is alleged to have asked:

"Isn't that handsome, your grace?"  
"Yes, it certainly is," replied the duchess.  
"Isn't it more so than any other staircase you ever saw?" Mr. Astor is reported to have persisted.  
At this the duchess' back very naturally got up.  
"Yes," she said, gently, "I admire it very much. It is much finer than our old staircase at Battle abbey, which has been spoiled these 200 or 300 years by the spurs of those stupid old knights."

Battle abbey is probably the grandest old place in England, and compared with Cliveden. Mr. Astor's country house, is like a battle ship to a torpedo boat.

Another story with a similar point is related in the same sketch. Mr. Astor, it is averred, was lost in admiration of the duke of Westminster's lawn at Cliveden when he first saw it, and it is said, asked the gardener:

"How do you grow turf like that?"  
"Well, sir," says the gardener, rubbing his chin and looking very innocent, "you just sow yer seed and then 'as it rained every day for a hundred years or so, sir."

## NAVAL MAGAZINE WRECKED.

Appalling Accident Reported from Toulon, France.

### DEATH LIST REACHES SIXTY.

Disaster at La Goubbran, in the Department of Var—Over One Hundred Persons Said to Have Been Injured—Country Swept Bare for Two Miles.

Toulon, March 7.—Great loss of life and property was occasioned by an explosion in naval magazine No. 1 at La Goubbran, between La Seyne and Toulon, at 2:30 o'clock Sunday morning.

By noon thirty-two bodies had been recovered from the debris of the wrecked buildings in the village, and by 3 o'clock this number had been swelled to sixty.

Some of the victims are supposed to have been blown to atoms, while others are believed to have been carried into the sea and drowned. The injured number 110 and many of these are seriously hurt.

The magazine contained 50,000 kilos (about 100,000 pounds) of black powder. The disaster occurred soon after the change of guard, which consisted of a corporal and six men. Four of these were killed outright and the others were terribly injured. Some estimates place the number of killed at seventy.

The entire city is in mourning. Flags bound with crepe have been placed at half-mast. M. Lockrey, minister of marine, as soon as he was informed of the accident, telegraphed to the maritime prefect here to set aside a considerable sum of money for the relief of the sufferers.

The explosion is supposed to have been caused by chemical decomposition in a box of smokeless powder.

No. 2 magazine, close by, escaped with slight damage. The direction of the explosion was northerly and its force was terrific. The report was heard as far away as Nice, about seventy-five miles distant across country. The magazine was reduced to a shapeless mass, neighboring houses were razed to the ground, trees were torn up by their roots and their branches blown off and the fields were covered with stones and fine dust. Signs of the explosion are visible for miles about. In St. Jean de Var, five miles distant, windows were shattered and doors knocked in.

It is said that several carriages which were passing the magazine at the time of the explosion were, with their occupants, thrown into the sea. Before the explosion occurred the sky was clear, but shortly after rain began to fall.

President Loubet and Prime Minister Dupuy have each sent a contribution of 500 francs for the relief of the sufferers. M. Lockrey has forwarded 10,000 francs.

### Appropriations of Congress.

Washington, March 7.—The official statement of Representative Joseph G. Cannon of Illinois, chairman of the house appropriations committee, summing up the appropriations of the Fifty-fifth congress, shows an aggregate appropriation by the entire congress of \$1,566,890,016, and for the session just closed a total of \$673,658,400, with authority for contracts subject to future appropriations amounting to \$70,000,000.

### Cities in Iowa Alarmed.

Dubuque, March 7.—Dubuque taxpayers have started agitation for a special session of the legislature to revise the special assessment laws. It is held that unless remedial legislation is promptly secured public improvements will be practically stopped, and that, moreover, many cities will have to pay bonds issued under the present defective law, although receiving no financial benefit therefrom.

### Glad to Receive the Flag.

Austin, Texas, March 7.—The house of the Texas legislature has adopted a resolution thanking the Indiana legislature for returning to the Texas Territory Rangers the company flag captured by an Indiana regiment from the rangers during the civil war. The resolution also invites the governor of Indiana and his staff and legislature to come to Texas and be honored guests.

### Says a Combine is Certain.

Wheeling, March 7.—President C. W. Frauzheim of the Wheeling Pottery company says the pottery combine is not "busted" yet. The options on the various plants do not expire until April 1, and it is predicted that the combine will be an accomplished fact before that date.

### Iron Workers Get Advance.

Bellaire, Ohio, March 7.—Three thousand employees of the Riverside iron works at Benwood, W. Va., across the Ohio river from here, have been granted an advance in wages of 10 per cent, to take effect on March 12.

### Negotiating with Spain.

Madrid, March 7.—There is apparent confirmation of the reports that negotiations are taking place between Madrid and Berlin for the sale to Germany of the Caroline, Pelew and Ladron islands.

### Camara Declines the Place.

Madrid, March 7.—Admiral Camara, having declined the post of minister of marine, Senor Silvea tendered it to Admiral Gomez Imaz, who has accepted.

### Mrs. Eliza Stevenson Dead.

Bloomington, Ill., March 7.—Mrs. Eliza Stevenson, mother of former Vice-President Adlai E. Stevenson, died at 2:15 o'clock this morning.

## JOSEPHINE KIPLING DEAD.

Eldiest Child of the Famous Author Succumbs to Pneumonia.

New York, March 7.—Josephine Kipling, eldest child of Mr. and Mrs. Rudyard Kipling, died at 6:20 o'clock this morning of pneumonia, at the home of Miss DeForest in East Thirty-fifth street. The child was 5 years old and death came rather unexpectedly, as she was reported to be out of danger last night.

Mr. Kipling's other little daughter, Elsie, who is 3 years old, passed a favorable night and hopes are entertained of her recovery.

Rudyard Kipling continues to improve, having slept naturally the greater part of last night. He has taken no solid food, and it may be a week before he is able to do so. He is subsisting on beef extract, milk and other fluid nutrients.

### Sickness on Transport Sheridan.

New York, March 7.—A dispatch to the World from Gibraltar says: "The United States transport Sheridan, which arrived here Friday and was put into strict quarantine on account of contagion aboard, left last night for Port Said without quarantine being raised. She may have to go into quarantine again at the Suez canal. It is admitted that two of the men were down with the measles, and it was reported that there was one case of smallpox aboard." The official list showed 28 soldiers sick, but it was said that only three of the cases were serious. The transport carries the Twelfth United States regulars and a battalion of the Seventeenth."

### Comet Is Growing Fainter.

San Francisco, Cal., March 7.—Prof. Louis Swift wires from Lowe observatory on Echo mountain in Southern California that the comet which he discovered on March 3 is growing fainter. Its position at 7:30 last night was right ascension 3 hours 42 minutes 10 seconds; declination south 45 degrees 35 minutes. It is moving in a northeasterly direction. The comet has a broad, short tail, pointing toward the sun, and a starlike nucleus. Its orbit has not as yet been obtained.

### Dreary Outlook in Klonidke.

San Francisco, Cal., March 7.—A letter from Dawson City says: "The business outlook for Dawson during the year is most unpromising. Hundreds of people are migrating to more congenial climes, and the retail traders complain that they have no more outfits offered for sale than purchasers sought. Even the saloons and gambling houses are reported to be making no profits. No new gold discoveries of importance are reported."

### Ecuador's Offer to Rebels.

New York, March 7.—The Herald's correspondent in Quito, Ecuador, telegraphs that President Alfaro of Ecuador has issued a proclamation granting amnesty to rebels who shall lay down their arms within thirty days. Those not complying with this proclamation will be regarded as outlaws and enemies of the government and will be treated as such. The amnesty is not to include the leaders, chiefs and officers of the rebellion.

### Our Minister Is Criticized.

Montevideo, Uruguay, March 7.—The press condemns severely the felicitation which the American minister, William R. Finck, sent to President Cuestas, considering it as an intrusion into the interior politics of the country. In his note Minister Finck says, among other things: "You defeated the secret opposition of false friends and the combinations of foes without employing unrighteousness."

### Criticizes Cecil Rhodes.

New York, March 7.—A dispatch to the Herald from Buenos Ayres says: "Cecil Rhodes' predictions about the absorption of South America by the United States, which have been printed here, have been very severely criticized. The newspapers agree in saying that Mr. Rhodes has only proved that he has not the slightest idea of the conditions in the South American republics."

### Soldiers Make a Demonstration.

Madrid, March 7.—A number of repatriated soldiers made a demonstration at Valencia yesterday evening. They marched through the streets headed by a banner inscribed: "Long Live the Army," and "We Are Hungry." The processionists were dispersed by the police, but there was no serious disorder.

### Expect Trouble in Madrid.

Madrid, March 7.—The new cabinet has been well received by the conservatives and business world, but the democrats and republicans denounce it as representing the most ultra-montane section of the conservatives. The Weylerites are violently opposed to the cabinet and stormy times are predicted.

### To Issue an Amnesty Decree.

Havana, March 7.—It is said that Senor Jose Lanuza, secretary of justice in the governor-general's advisory cabinet, is preparing an amnesty decree for Gen. Brooke's approval, releasing all against whom prosecutions are pending for alleged political offenses.

### Pope's Condition Is Good.

Rome, March 7.—Another satisfactory bulletin regarding the health of the pope was issued this morning. No other bulletin will be issued until Tuesday evening.

### Strike Threatened at New York.

New York, March 7.—A strike of 15,000 or 20,000 mechanics, including paper-hangers, is threatened.

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Wheat, No. 1 white,	69
Oats, new	39
Rye, No. 2,	16
Butter,	14
Eggs,	55
Potatoes,	55
Beans, according to sample,	65 00

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**A Letter From Mexico.**  
Monterey, Mexico March 2nd, 1899.  
Plymouth Mail,  
Plymouth, Mich.  
Thinking that perhaps a series of letters from the tropics might be of passing interest to you I have decided to write you a line from week to week in which I will endeavor to make clear to you my impressions, together with many facts, gathered on this truly delightful tour of Old Mexico and Cuba. Should you deem this series of letters of sufficient interest to print in your valued Mail you have my consent, but mind you, I do not advise, in this budding springtime, the crowding out of any of those dear old time honored Sarsaparilla or tired feeling aids, or the raising of your rates of subscription, under any circumstances. In order to get a good start I will date my trip from Texas, counting as my preparatory point the beautiful and most interesting little city of San Antonio where, during the last four warm sunshiny days of Feb'y, I passed most of my time in the perusal and study of R. R. maps, time tables and Spanish money values and incidentally to the perusal of a Spanish primer containing the names of what is supposed to be the most common adjuncts and their American pronunciation, of the everyday life and happiness of the average Mexican. I have as yet, carried but a brief span among these natives, but even in this brief space I have tarried long over their Spanish pronunciation and have already learned that the best interests of my firm and much more so of my digestion, would have been better furthered had I spent more of my spare time on my Spanish primer and less on the maps and time tables, yet I can already call for boiled eggs in a manner quite fluently native, but even this pleasure seems but fleeting when I realize that the words fried, shirred and scrambled have been entirely omitted from my Spanish vocabulary and the dreary vision of hard boiled eggs for the next four weeks to come gives me a chicken-hearted sensation wholly unknown and unrealized by you aesthetic gourmands of oyster patties and ice cream sodas.

In case you or any of my readers would care to follow this trip in detail, I herewith give a list of the cities I shall visit and the order in which I shall visit them: you think L. C. Hough will peruse this letter then you had better blot out visit and make it read work. First comes Monterey, then Torreon, Durango, Zacatecas, Aguas-Calientes, Guadalupe, Leon, Salin, Guaniquita, Irapuato, Queretaro, Morelia, Pachuca, City of Mexico, Puebla, Oaxaca, Vera Cruz, Tampico, Havana. Should any of your friends desire to solve the pronunciation of the above cities I would advise a dear Spanish friend and a box of Bromo Bronchial Troches, for even without either of the above and with only a four day wrestle with the above words I have a case of twisted, disgusted tonsillitis that is puzzling the most noted scientists of this country. Well, we left San Antonio (I say we for I would have you know that the Dairy Mfg. Co. is not the only firm in the States that has its eye upon the beauties and fifty cent dollars of this Mexican elorado, no siree, there are others) at ten o'clock a. m. over the Mexican & International R. R. for Monterey, via Eagle Pass. This trip I shall remember for some little time. The sun poured down to the tune of 83° in the shade and the wined desert we crossed in this two hundred and sixty miles to Eagle Pass, had received none of Heaven's tears for eight months and I can assure you the entire journey was replete with the glorious and manifold beauties of nature, consisting for the most part of hot sand, prickly cactus, alkali dust, hot drinking water in the coolers and a train of cars and engine that I believe had seen service long before the battle of Bunker Hill. Added to these was an entire absence of dining stations or of even a dining car, and a gang of motley local passengers and cow punchers that filled the atmosphere with poor tobacco smoke and cuss words in several different languages. Oh, it was just too lovely for anything. Arriving at the border and crossing the Rio Grande river at about seven o'clock p. m. I encountered my first real taste of Mexican courtesy and good fellowship this came in the form of a person, a Mexican custom house officer, "and I went with him."

I do not deem it necessary for me to dwell upon this personage, his name or his antecedents, but I'm free to confess that he did not see me in just the same light, consequently he has my name, my past history and nearly everything else I had with me that he could carry or thought would fit him, yet he seemed unhappy at parting when he found I still had a summer night shirt and the suit of clothes I was wearing. I could see that he felt uncomfortable in the thought that he had not quite done his duty in leaving so much still in my possession, yet he did so after carefully removing the handle of my satchel with a knife, to insure against my selling it over here for a few of his darn dollars, and I was then allowed to go over to the hotel and pay two Mexican dollars for a couple of boiled eggs and a cup of coffee, after first giving bond that I would not take off this suit of clothes while on Mexican soil. This places me in a quandary as to just what to do with that night shirt.

At nine p. m. our train pulled out for Monterey, which city is known down here as the Chicago of Mexico, it lies some two hundred miles southeast of Eagle Pass, at the base or properly speaking, among the foot hills of the Sierra

Madre mountains, and has a population of some sixty thousand, although I am informed that this figure of the last census included dogs and children. I will let you know when I have seen it.  
Yours for the United States.  
E. H. BENNETT.

**Another Interesting Letter.**  
Sagua la Grande, 1st de March, de 1899.  
Dear Mother:—I will spend part of the evening in writing home. You will see by the heading where I am writing from. I am in Sagua on a 24 hour pass and must be back to camp to-morrow afternoon. There are five men daily from each company allowed passes. The majority of us are putting up at this hotel as it is very reasonable in price and the meals are good compared with the general run of hotels. We pay but \$1.00 American money for four meals and a bed. The beds are all single and there are five in our room. They are little iron ones with a high frame-work draped with white curtains. They are real cozy. The building is a two story brick with the usual stucco coating prettily stained. In the interior is a court surrounded by broad porches. The front of the building also has a broad double porch.

We do not exactly fancy many of the Cuban dishes but they have very good bread with butter imported in pound cans from Denmark. The coffee comes last and is served without milk and is so strong that it makes your throat smart to drink it. The hotel faces a small Plaza, which has many beds of flowers. The rest of the space is occupied by stone walks and seats. During the day the heat in the P. M. is intense but this evening it is cool and most of the seats are occupied. While I write there is a merry-go-round running a short distance from the hotel and the band or orchestra of four instruments and a gourd scraped by a fifth man, dispenses the queerest music I ever heard. One piece is about all a fellow can stand to listen to.

The old Spanish cathedral stands just at the edge of the plaza. I was over and astounded to a part of their service this evening. The interior of the building is very pretty. It was dimly lighted with candles and six small boys facing a statue of the Saviour in a canopy gave short rapid answers to a long service which a priest standing in an elevated box near the center of the church said off so fast that I don't believe it could be possibly followed by the people. The floor of the church is of tile, and there are many massive ornamental columns, supporting the roof. The seats are mere movable benches painted red. This cathedral may be a century or more old for all I know.

This little city is a pretty place after the fashion of Cuban or Spanish cities but it is impossible for me to describe how very quaint the towns are, as well as the customs of the people.

The oddest sight I have yet seen is the grave yard. It contains about an eighth of an acre and is surrounded by a high wall which is kept whitewashed so that it is pure white. Three sides of the interior are surrounded by receptacles for the dead. There are several tiers of these. In one corner of the cemetery is a bone heap seven or eight feet high. These are the bones that have been dug up because the rent was not paid for their six feet of earth. It is a sad mixture of human bones, with "grinning" skulls peeping out all over the top and sides. Two graves had just been dug and from one but three and a half feet deep two skeletons were thrown out with the dirt as though they were so many chunks of clay. The smell of the place was not particularly in viting so we did not remain long. Often the remains are left in the ground but for six months and then dug out and thrown on the bone heap. The coffins generally are only rented to take the dead to the cemetery and there they are dumped into the shallow hole. This evening a child was carried past probably to occupy the grave that has held many another.

I wish it were possible for me to describe the many odd things that I see so that you might see them as we do, but this is impossible. As soon as I can I will send you some views. I bought a Cuban machete to-day, one that was used during the war, also a few other relics.

I guess we are going to have pork for breakfast for they just killed a hog in the court.

The town is surrounded by miles of embankments and protected by numerous stone and wooden blockhouses.

**Remarkable Rescue.**  
Mrs. Michael Curtin, Plainfield, Ill., makes the statement that she caught cold, which settled on her lungs; she was treated for a month by her family physician, but grew worse. He told her she was a hopeless victim of consumption and that no medicine could cure her. Her druggist suggested Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption; she bought a bottle and to her delight found herself benefited from first dose. She continued its use and after taking six bottles, found herself sound and well, now does her own housework and is as well as the ever was. Free trial bottles of this Great Discovery, at J. L. Gals, Drug Store, large bottles 30 cents and \$1.00.

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**Stark.**  
John Bennett is suffering with a bad neck.  
G. N. Dean sold a fine horse to John Oldenburg.  
Mrs. W. H. Coats has been quite ill for the last few weeks.  
W. H. Coats went to Detroit on a business trip last Saturday.  
Mr. and Mrs. Sels Stoneburner have returned from their visit at Salem.  
Burt Paddock began working in the Dairy shops Tuesday of this week.  
Chas. Oldenburg's little baby, who has been ill, is getting better at this writing.  
Chas. Ryder is taking advantage of the snow and is hauling logs to L. L. Lewis' saw mill.  
Will Ratenbury is drawing logs to Perrinville to have them converted into lumber for his new barn.  
Chas. Millard is buying potatoes at this place and is paying the highest prices.  
The snow storm that struck this place last Sunday has made the roads almost impassible. They are drifted from one to six feet deep.  
Mr. Seeding has his lumber ready to begin the building of his new barn as soon as the weather will permit. Wm. Barrows will commence the work.

**Salem.**  
John McLaren was in Chelsea Monday on business.  
F. C. Wheeler made a business trip to Plymouth, Tuesday.  
Mrs. George Nelson and daughter, of South Lyon, visited Bert Nelson over Sunday.  
George Nelson, of DeLay, eldest son of Darwin Nelson, died of typhoid fever at Grace Hospital Monday night.  
Miss Lydia Woodworth and Miss Grace Ryder returned Saturday from Grand Rapids where they have been spending the winter.  
The Ladies "Dime" of the Congregational church held their monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Henry Dennis this Friday afternoon.  
Martin Boyle and Albert Seidleberg returned from Grayling, Tuesday morning, where they have been working for the Buell Lumber Co.

Katherine Louise, infant daughter of Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Coffin, died Tuesday morning. Funeral from the home Thursday afternoon, Rev. C. T. Allen, of Ypsilanti, officiating.  
The Salem K. O. T. M. gave a social in their hall Friday evening. After the literary programme, those who wished to "trip the light fantastic" proceeded to Stanb's hall, where excellent music was discoursed by Lombard's orchestra.

**Newburg.**  
"The Danger Signal" will be given at Newburg hall under the auspices of the Newburg Hall Association on Friday and Saturday evenings, March 17 and 18, 1899. This is an interesting drama and the Association promises all who attend, an evening of pleasure. Cars on the electric road will leave Plymouth at 8:00 o'clock p. m. and leave as soon as the show is over. Admission 15 cents. Children 10 cents.  
A camp-fire will be given by the W. R. C. and G. A. R. of Newburg, at Newburg hall on Tuesday evening, March 14th. Patrick Dept. Commandry, G. A. R., of Detroit, will be present.

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Time Table in effect Jan. 25th, 1898.  
SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS	No. 1	No. 3
Detroit	8:00 a. m.	4:00 p. m.
Ypsilanti	10:15	5:50
Ann Arbor	11:45	7:20
Ann Arbor	11:08	6:43
Washtenaw	12:09 pm	7:44
Saladino	12:30	8:11
Malinta	12:51	8:35
Hamlet	1:05	8:40
Leipic	1:26	9:00
Ottawa	1:40	9:16
Columbus Grove	1:58	9:34
Lima	2:32	10:00
Lake View	3:22	
Hellefontaine	4:15	
Columbus	4:52	

NORTH BOUND.

STATIONS	No. 2	No. 4
Columbus	7:50 a. m.	4:00 p. m.
Hellefontaine	9:46	
Lake View	10:18	
Lima	11:09	6:00 am
Columbus Grove	11:44	6:37
Ottawa	12:02 pm	7:06
Leipic	1:04	7:54
Hamlet	12:37	7:25
Malinta	12:51	7:39
Saladino	1:08	7:54
Washtenaw	1:28	8:19
Ann Arbor	2:25	9:16
Ypsilanti	3:45	9:45
Detroit	4:15	10:15

No. 1 and 4 run daily, other trains daily except Sunday.  
**F. E. DEWEY,** Gen'l Mgr., Grand Rapids, Mich.  
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TIME TABLE.  
In effect Oct. 16, 1898.  
Trains leave Plymouth as follows:  
GRAND RAPIDS DIVISION

GOING SOUTH	GOING NORTH
Train No. 4, 10:35 a. m.	Train 1, 3:10 a. m.
" No. 6, 2:35 p. m.	" 3, 9:12 a. m.
" No. 8, 5:45 p. m.	" 5, 3:00 p. m.
" No. 10, 6:40 p. m.	" 7, 7:06 p. m.

Trains Nos. 3 and 5 run through to Alpena.  
Train No. 3 connects at Ludington with steamer for Manitowac and Milwaukee (weather permitting) making connections for all points west and northwest.  
Sleeping Parlor Cars between Alpena, Bay City Saginaw and Detroit.  
Train No. 8 runs daily, from Bay City to Detroit. On Western Division it runs daily, except Sunday. Trains leave for Toledo at 6:38 a. m., 10:35 a. m., and 2:35 p. m.  
For further information see Time Cards posted.  
**ED. PELTON,** Local Agent.

**DETROIT, GRAND RAPIDS & ALPENA RY.**  
REPT. 25, 1898.

GRAND RAPIDS	S. M.	P. M.
Lv Grand Rapids	7:30	1:30
Alpena	7:50	2:01
Lansing	8:54	3:20
Saginaw	10:35	5:00
PLYMOUTH	10:50	5:03
Ar Detroit	11:40	5:55

HOING WEST.

S. M.	P. M.
Lv Detroit	6:00
PLYMOUTH	6:56
Saginaw	9:01
Lansing	10:26
Alpena	12:08
Ar Grand Rapids	12:54

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