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## Pencil and Pastepot

The colored people of Ypsilanti are making elaborate preparations to observe emancipation day. Among the speakers will be Col. A. T. Bliss, republican nominee for governor, Hon. William C. Maybury of Detroit, and others.

The retired farmers are determined to keep the village of Pinckney behind the times. At the vote taken Monday to decide whether or not the village would have fire protection the question was lost, much to the disappointment of many of the citizens.

William Truesdel, of Canton, lost his valuable stallion, Young Cleveland, Sunday night. The horse was sick only a few hours before it died. Mr. Truesdel was offered \$400 for him last spring but refused it. This horse always took first premium at the Plymouth fair.—Wayne Review.

An exchange says: On the arrival of twins in a family recently a little miss exclaimed: "I'll just bet mamma discovered them on a bargain counter or she wouldn't have bought two," which only goes to show that bargain advertising begins to impress the feminine mind at a very early age.

Appendicitis is raging and the University hospital is crowded with patients. One operation for this terrible ailment is averaged a day, at the hospital and every patient up to the present time is rapidly improving. It is not known why that illness should be more prevalent this year than last, nevertheless such is the case.—Ann Arbor Argus.

Some time last spring four turkeys belonging to F. A. Miller disappeared from his farm south of this village and as they failed to appear as time passed on he naturally concluded he was four turkeys short. The other day he discovered their whereabouts and also the fact that they had during their absence been industriously engaged in increasing instead of diminishing his stock of poultry to the tune of between fifty and sixty fine young turkeys.—Northville Record.

Behold an advertiser went forth to sow. And when he sowed, some seed fell into handbills and dodgers, and the street-cleaner came and gathered them up. Some fell among concert and theatre programs, and the people being interested in the performance and not in bargains, they were left on the seats or crumbled and thrown on the floor. And some fell among fake schemes and gift enterprises and popular contempt sprang up and cruelly choked them. But some fell into legitimate newspapers, which found their way into the homes of the people who had time to read alfor them, and they brought forth fruit; some one hundred fold, some sixty fold and some thirty fold. Who hath ears to hear, let them hear.—Ex.

How about Plymouth village ordinances? The following from the Delray Times may be of value: The case of Trenton vs. A. Ososki, for violating the peddler ordinance, was heard by Justice Stokes Tuesday. Edward Henderson for the village and A. E. Woodruff for defendant. The justice gave his decision upon the fact that the village records do not show the clerk's affidavit that the ordinance was properly advertised and therefore invalid, and also that supreme court decisions show that the council exceeded its authority in adopting the ordinance. According to the judge's decision, and we are of the opinion that both attorneys agreed with him, none of the ordinances of the village are worth the paper they are written upon because the clerk did not make the necessary affidavits showing that they had been properly advertised. It looks as though the work of framing all the ordinances would have to be done over.

After all that has been said about special delivery stamps the ordinary individual knows very little about them, or if he does, he forgets the great convenience offered by these ten-cent stamps. There was a time when cities made their brags that they had dispatch companies in their midst. Here is some thing that requires no membership fee, and which is just as good, backed by the government. All that is necessary is a special delivery stamp on the letter, and it will be delivered by special messenger immediately upon its arrival in the postoffice. If a local drop letter, with one these special delivery stamps affixed is put into a box or the postoffice it is sent out at once. This for 12 cents, the 2-cent regular stamp and 10 cent special delivery stamp a messenger is sent out with the letter, and

upon the delivery of the letter a receipt is given. If people want to know to a certainty that their letters are received they should use a special delivery stamp.

William Closser, a laborer of Wyandotte, was struck by lightning Tuesday noon while eating his dinner under a tree and instantly killed.

Four persons were killed in Detroit Monday between the hours of 4 and 9 p. m. The trolley car was responsible for two deaths, steam cars one and one man fell from a 30-foot ladder. A young woman was also ground to pieces under a trolley car Saturday evening, her remains being picked up in sections.

Detroit Journal: The township of Canton is about to construct culverts under the Chicago road for drainage purposes, and the Detroit, Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, Railway Co. thinks they will prove a temporary drain upon its receipts from an average of 4,000 passengers per day. The company asks for an injunction and Judge Rohert has made an order for the township officials to show cause.

An interesting book of about 200 x 11 pages filled with beautiful half-tone illustrations and matter descriptive of the south and its resources has just been published by the Southern Railway. It is a book containing an amount of beauty and general information that would be cheap at 50 cents or a \$1. Copies may be had by enclosing 15 cents, the exact cost of postage, to J. C. Beam, J., Northwestern Passenger Agent, Chicago, Ill.

Aaron T. Bliss, the republican candidate for governor, has well earned all the success in life that has come to him through his lifetime of patient, persistent endeavor. Mr. Bliss was born on a farm in New York and spent the early days of his boyhood in the cornfields and among the hop vines of his rural home. He was a soldier until the close of the war, having spent several months in a southern prison, and came to Michigan in 1865. Mr. Bliss began labor in the state as an ordinary woodsman, working hard as any of his red-shirted comrades during the day, and sleeping as soundly as any by night in the rude sleeping shanty. He was married while yet a common laborer, his total fortune on his wedding day being his savings of \$250. Mrs. Bliss went with husband to the woods, assisted him by keeping a boarding house and has been a faithful companion in all the struggles and successes of his life. This is such a recital as is connected with the history of many American homes—the evolution from the cabin to the handsome residences, from boyhood poverty to a prosperous manhood. There need be no fear that a man who has gained a proud place in life through such toil and effort will prove false to any trust or will lightly hold any responsibilities that may come to him.—Cadillac News and Express.

**A Good Cough Medicine.**  
Many thousands have been restored to health and happiness by the use of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. If afflicted with any throat or lung trouble, give it a trial for it is certain to prove beneficial. Coughs that have resisted all other treatment for years, have yielded to this remedy and perfect health been restored. Cases that seemed hopeless, that the climate of famous health resorts failed to benefit, have been permanently cured by its use. For sale at Meller's drug store.

## Plymouth Markets.

The prices paid for farmers' products as given to THE MAIL by dealers and which will be corrected weekly are as follows:

GRAIN AND SEEDS.	
No. 2. Red Wheat	..... 72
No. 1. White "	..... 72
Oats, white, per bu	..... 1.70 to 1.80
Barley, per bu	..... 1.20
Rye	..... 50
DAIRY AND PRODUCE.	
Butter, cream	..... 15
Eggs, strictly fresh	..... 11
Lard, lb	..... 09 to 10
POULTRY AND MEATS.	
Spring chickens, live, per lb.	..... 08
Pork, dressed, per cwt	..... 50
Beef	..... 40
Veal	..... 07 to 08
MISCELLANEOUS.	
Flour, retail price per bbl	..... \$3.75
Bean, per cwt	..... 10
Short feed	..... 50
Chops	..... 40
Potatoes	..... 15

## I WILL PAY

all parties making purchases of me for over 75c.

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from Plymouth to Northville and return.

## N. H. CAVERLY.

The Harness Man of Northville  
Opposite Postoffice.

Repairing a Specialty.

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## Money is the Principal Object Furniture at Almost your Own Price.

Our aim is not only to sell as Low, but to undersell. We have the goods to sell and you can have them for less than what other dealers ask you. People are being slaughtered all over the country,

## But we Propose to Slaughter the Prices!

It will cost you nothing to call and find out if this is cheap talk, or if you cannot be benefitted by what we have said. All are cordially invited to investigate our large stock of goods and Bed Rock Prices.

The balance of Our Lawn Furniture and Hammocks at Cost.

## OUR FUNERAL DEPARTMENT

We shall always keep up to the standard, with the very best of service night or day. All we ask is a fair living compensation for our services. Night calls at my residence on Sutton street, one block west, last house on right hand side of street.

## BASSETT & SON,

Furniture Dealers and Undertakers,  
Masonic Block, Plymouth

# We are Going to Clean Up on 'em.

Every Hat, Every Cap, Every Shirt  
Waist, Every Skirt and Wrapper,  
worth from 50c to \$3 00,  
will be sold at from

## 10 Cents to \$1.00!

Thousands of yards of

## Seasonable Dress Fabrics

WILL BE SOLD AT

## GREATLY REDUCED PRICES

Percales, Piques, Madras, Dimity, Cambrics, Gingham, worth from 10c to 20c per yard.

Now 5 to 10 cents per yard

## HILLMER & CO.

Near Village Hall.

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## PORK SAUSAGE,

We have our own brand of the finest always on hand.

Start on Ham or Cold Meats—Try it. Goods delivered to any part of the village free. Give us a call.

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**WM. GAYDE**

**Heartburn.**  
When the quantity of food taken is too large or the quality is too rich heartburn is likely to follow, and especially so if the digestion has been weakened by constipation. Eat slowly and not too freely of easily digested food. Massage the food thoroughly. Let six hours elapse between meals and when you feel a fullness and weight in the region of the stomach after eating, indicating that you have eaten too much, take one of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets and the heartburn may be avoided. For sale at Meller's drug store.



THE HEART OF MARCIA.

Her name is Marcia. It is pretty, not so? She was blind. She lived here in this house, in Polk street. You know the little window high up near the top? It was there. The rent is cheap. Late at night her brother Luigi came home. He was a cook.

HERE AND THERE

Automobile omnibuses cost as high as \$12,000. The attempts to introduce the American brook trout in English waters have not heretofore proved successful. About fifty per cent. of the school boys of the District of Columbia use tobacco in some form.

SIDE VIEWS OF LIFE

About the only cheap thing that gives satisfaction is a compliment. He who has nothing to do in this world but amuse himself has a difficult job on hand. Every time a woman loses 98 cents she worries a dollar's worth.

ABOUT VICE PRESIDENTS

Before the expiration of John Adams' term, 1801, there was no ex-president living. Washington having died in December, 1799. During Jefferson's administration Adams was the ex-president. Both died on the same day, July 4, 1826.

THIS AND THAT.

A statistician of small things figures it out that the posterity of one English sparrow amounts in ten years to something like 276,000,000,000 birds. A pot Maltose cat belonging to a lady in England has been successfully provided with spectacles to counteract falling eyesight.

THE HEAT IN AFRICA.

THE HOTTEST CONTINENT. TEM ALL. The thermometer in the Sun Marks a Temperature of One Hundred and Forty One Degrees. Egypt may be baked in the Sands of Upper Egypt. Africa is the hottest continent of all. One needs to turn only a few pages of Africa travels to feel cool by comparison in thinking how very hot he might be.

USEFUL HINTS.

For a burn or scald use a paste made of olive or other vegetable oil. Try taking out grease spots from wall paper with a piece of blotting paper and a hot flat iron. Try setting a pan of hot water in the oven if it seems too hot after cake is put in; it will prevent scorching.

INTERESTING NOTES

Of the 285,056 buildings in Philadelphia, 258,685 are dwellings. The number of stamps now current in the world is 13,811. A singer in grand opera contradicts the statement frequently made that lemon juice is excellent to relieve a slight hoarseness. It may clear the voice at first, but only for a short time, and the strong acid is extremely injurious to the vocal chords.

WHAT A MAN THINKS

No matter how homely a man is you can always say he has a striking face. If the girls who chew gum in the street can only know how ugly it makes them look, they wouldn't do it. It is hard to find a man who thinks he is worse than he really is.

TOLD BRIEFLY

A novel and curious test for deafness or approaching deafness has just been described by a Paris specialist. If the handle of a vibrating tuning-fork be applied to the knee or other bony portion of the human frame, the sound cannot be heard by the person who possesses an unimpaired ear, but if the ear be attacked by disease, the note can be heard distinctly. An ocean steamer of the first class going at full speed cannot be brought to a standstill in less than three minutes. In the mean time she will traverse a distance of about half a mile.



# FROM ALL OVER MICHIGAN

## Happenings of a Week Stewed Down for Ready Reading.

### A WOLE REGIMENT OF ITEMS.

The Weekly Crop Bulletin says Kansas Interfered Considerably With Maying—Grand Jury Cases Will go Over to the September Term of Court.

#### Crushed Under a Street Car.

Miss Clara B. Craft, of Detroit, while returning home from shopping on the evening of the 21st, misjudged the speed of an electric car and was run down and instantly killed. Her chum, Miss Tillie Kaufmann, was with her at the time of the accident. Both rode wheels. Miss Kaufmann's explanation of the terrible accident was that Miss Craft was leading the way across the tracks, but becoming alarmed at the rapid approach of the car she (Miss Kaufmann) turned around. The next instant the car fender struck her companion and when the car was stopped it was found that she was a frightfully mangled corpse. Deceased was 35 years of age and had been a resident of Detroit for the past 2 1/2 years.

#### Grand Jury Cases go Over.

Nothing more will be heard of any of the grand jury cases until the September term of court, Judge Wiest having on the 18th adjourned court until Sept. 4. Between that time and the fourth Monday of the month, when the regular term will commence, the court will look after matters left over from the present term. It has not yet been decided which of the state cases will be tried first, but there is no doubt whatever that either the case against Charles Adams or that against Land Commissioner French will be tried at the next term.

#### G. A. R. Get Back Their Charter.

Eighteen months ago Fairchild Post, No. 388, of Grand Lake, disbanded and surrendered their charter to the department G. A. R. Two months ago veterans signed a request that the charter be restored and the Post reorganized. Their request was granted and on the evening of the 24th Major Daniel Willson, of Jackson, with several comrades from Edward Pomeroy Post mustered in the post under its old name. The ladies of the W. R. C. gave the veterans and their wives a banquet after the muster was completed.

#### Two More Victims.

The third street car fatality at Detroit in two days occurred on the evening of the 23d, when John Fecteau, aged 37, and Cyrus Jackson, colored, aged 13, were killed. The former was cut in two and died instantly, and the latter only survived a few hours. In both cases the accidents are attributed to carelessness on the part of the dead, in not using due caution while crossing the car tracks. Fecteau was riding a wheel and the boy was running across the street.

#### Disease in Michigan.

Reports to the state board of health show that rheumatism, diarrhoea, tonsillitis, neuralgia and bronchitis, in order named, caused most sickness in Michigan, during the past week. Cerebro-spinal meningitis was reported at Alpena, smallpox at 6, whooping cough at 16, diphtheria at 23, typhoid fever at 44, scarlet fever at 23, measles at 60 and consumption at 164.

#### Severe Electrical Storm at Battle Creek.

Battle Creek was visited by a severe thunder storm on the 20th, when two storms, one from the west and one from the east, came together. The streets were covered with water from curb to curb. Telegraph, telephone and trees were leveled to the ground and considerable other damage was done.

#### Tipplers who are caught on the streets of Tekonsha will hereafter be liable to a fine of \$20.

The dog warden of Tekonsha collected the entire dog tax without a hitch and kept everybody good-natured.

#### Two deaths from drowning were reported at Monroe on the 21st.

In both cases the victims were drowned while bathing.

#### Farmers around Middleville say the grasshoppers are cleaning up more pasture land than are all their live stock.

Marshall has refused to accept 1,080 feet of the new sewerage system just completed, and a law suit will probably be the result.

#### Bertha Cooper, of Fowler, pounded upon a can of sulphur and potash to get it open.

It exploded and her hand was badly lacerated.

#### One farmer near Hart has his entire crop of 240 acres planted to potatoes.

A constant one large field, as he has removed all the division fences.

## CHINA WAR NEWS.

The semi-official Miltairn Wochenblatt asserts, from alleged authentic figures, that the number of allied troops now in China is 43,000. Of these, however, 20,000 Russians are located in Liao Tung peninsula and Kwang Tung province and 1,600 Germans with 16 field guns, 12 heavy guns and 6 machine guns, at Kiao Chou. Now on the way from Germany, France and England there are about 15,000 men. Arrangements have been made for the departure of 57,000 with 144 guns, and altogether there will be, from present arrangements, in China by September 16,000 Germans, 12,000 English, 65,000 French, 50,000 Russians, 21,000 Japanese, 7,000 Americans, 3,000 Italians and 170 Austrians, together with 311 guns and 36 machine guns. Gen. Von Boguslawsky, a high military authority, said it was quite possible that this force of 115,000 men would prove insufficient to bring China down.

A Chinese merchant who has just arrived from Peking, gives horrible details of the massacre. He says he saw European women hauled into the streets by shrieking Boxers, who stripped them and backed them to pieces. Their dismembered limbs were tossed to the crowd and carried off with howls of triumph. Some were already dead, having been shot by foreign civilians. He says he saw Chinese soldiers carrying the bodies of white children aloft on their spears, while their companions shot at the bodies. He gives other details too horrible to be particularized. It seems that the Boxers leaders had organized a plan including the offering of rewards and rich loot for the annihilation of Europeans throughout China and that Prince Tuan's generals have been emphasizing the opportunity the soldiers have of seizing the bodies of white women.

President McKinley has received what purports to be a direct appeal from the Chinese imperial government to use his good offices to extricate that government from the difficult and dangerous position in which it has been placed as a result of the Boxer uprising and the ensuing hostile attitude of the great powers. Although the exact text of the appeal made by the emperor of China to France, as outlined in the cable dispatches of the 21st, has not been made known at Washington, it is believed that the address to the President is similar in terms to that communication. In our case the communication was made through Minister Wu to the state department. Thus far a final answer has not been returned.

If the news of a Chinese invasion of Siberia proves true it will, of course, immensely complicate the situation from the international point of view. As stated in the Associated Press St. Petersburg dispatch of July 13, the Chinese had already peremptorily ordered all Russians to quit Manchuria, but no one imagined they would be audacious enough to break out of their own country and attack Russian territory. Such an attack, if it has been made, of course, constitutes in itself a declaration of war, rendering formal notification needless.

Secretary of War Root on the 20th made the statement that the U. S. had not ordered any more troops to China, and added: The chief effort of our government just now must be directed to aiding the friendly Chinese officials. It is evident from the dispatch that the imperial government has been acting in good faith, and on July 18 was still using its best efforts to protect the legations. We must do everything we can to second their efforts.

To add to the gloom occasioned by the extremely serious import of news showing the daily developing strength of the anti-foreign movement in the south of China comes a report from Shanghai on the 20th that 60 missionaries and 100 native converts have been massacred by "Boxers" at Tai Yuan. Tai Yuan is a fortified and populous city in the province of Shan See on the Yuan Ho, an affluent of the Hoang Ho, 250 miles southwest of Peking.

Capt. Zalinaki, in charge of the quartermaster's stores at Chickamauga park, Tenn., has received urgent orders from the war department to prepare for shipment, presumably to China, a large quantity of quartermaster's stores and ambulances, which have been stored at Chickamauga since the war with Spain. Two train loads will leave under rush orders for the Pacific coast.

An official telegram from Shanghai, dated July 18, states that, according to the governor of Shan-Tung, the foreign ministers and their families at Peking are safe and sound, but that the danger is still very great. The viceroy, according to this dispatch, informed the consular corps that he had telegraphed to Peking urging the protection of the foreign legations.

Li Hung Chang and his suite arrived at Hong Kong on the 17th and landed the following morning. Li Hung Chang stated that he had received definite news that the ministers and foreigners at Peking, with the exception of Baron von Kettler, the German minister, were safe July 8.

An imperial ukase issued on the 22d orders that a state of siege be proclaimed in the military districts of Siberia, Turkestan and Semiretchinsk, and that all reservists in those districts be called to the colors.

The government depot at Jeffersonville, Ind., has received orders from Washington to begin making 150,000 flannel blouses and 300,000 pairs of drawers. This is in anticipation of military operations in China and to clothe the soldiers in the Philippines for the changing seasons.

M. Krutiki, engineer of the Eastern Chinese railway, telegraphing from Alagachi, in the Trans-Baikal territory, under date of Friday, July 20, reports the occupation of Chailar by Chinese troops. The Russians, according to this dispatch, continued to concentrate at Chailar.

# RAID THE BRITISH LINES.

## Boers Capture a Supply Train and 100 Highlanders.

### THEY CUT OFF PRETORIA.

Railway and Telegraph Communication Is Interrupted—De Wet and Steyn Give Broadwood's Forces a Sharp Engagement at Palmfontein on July 10.

London, July 25.—Gen. Dewet has again succeeded in cutting Lord Roberts' communications, both by railway and telegraph, and has captured 100 of the highlanders. The story of the federal commander's bold raid comes in the form of a telegram from Gen. Forrester-Walker dated at Cape Town, Sunday, July 2, forwarding a dispatch from Gen. Knox, as follows:

"Kroonstad, July 22.—The following from Broadwood, sent by dispatch rider to Honingspruit, wired thence to Kroonstad: 'Have followed commando since July 16. Hard sharp fighting at Palmfontein July 13. Prevented from pursuing laager by darkness. Eight hundred boers found. Our casualties five killed and seventy-six wounded. Reach Vaalkraak today. Enemy doubled its way back through Paarde Kraal in the darkness. Shall march tomorrow to Rooval station. Send supplies for 3,000 men and horses, also any news of the enemy's movements. I believe the commando consists of 2,000 men and four guns and is accompanied by President Steyn and both the Dewets.'"

General Knox continued: "The wire and main line of the railway north of Honingspruit have been cut and also the telegraph to Pretoria via Potchefstroom. According to my information Dewet has crossed the railway and is going north." Gen. Kelly-Kenny telegraphs from Bloemfontein, under date of Sunday, July 22: "The railway has been cut north of Honingspruit and a supply train and 100 highlanders captured by the enemy. A report was received this morning that a large force of the enemy is moving on Honingspruit. All communication with Pretoria is cut off. The 2d and 3d cavalry brigades are following the enemy."

Pretoria, July 24.—General Polecarew made a reconnaissance east of Donkerhoek. The Boers shelled Col. Henry's mounted infantry, but did no damage. The British guns replied. General Hamilton, on the left, made a similar movement. The enemy was cleared out beyond Bronkhorst Spruit. A young Boer law student, who was at Grey's Inn, London, until Jan. 20, came to the British outpost, bringing a letter for the foreign consuls. He declared that the Boers were determined to continue the war to the utmost limits.

The total number of Transvaal burghers now in the field is believed to be 18,000 net. General Dewet, after burning a train, camped four miles from the railway. A number of persons sympathizing with the Johannesburg conspirators sang a Volkslied when the prisoners passed through the streets to the station. They were summarily arrested and bundled into a train and sent south. Boers are reported to be concentrating in the Rustenburg district and on the bush veldt north of here. Natives report that a large amount of money is still buried in Wolmar's garden. They are busily digging for it in hope of a reward.

#### Sheepmen "Smoke Up" a Town.

Grand Encampment, Wyo., July 25.—The new mining town of Copperton, twenty miles west of this place, was "smoked up" by a band of sheep men. It was a plain warning to miners and prospectors to quit the western slope of the continental divide, and there is no doubt at Copperton about the determination of the sheep men to hold uninterrupted possession of their ranges. Every saloon in the town was fairly riddled with bullets, and the miners were roughly dealt with, although no one was seriously injured.

#### Farmers to Fight Ice Trust.

Kenosha, Wis., July 25.—A movement has been started among the farmers of this county looking to the immediate organization of an ice company to compete with the ice trust in this locality. While the Knickerbocker ice company has large interests in this county, by far the greater portion of the shore line of the ice-producing lakes belongs to the farmers who are back of the present movement.

#### Yellow Fever in Barracks.

Havana, July 25.—Yellow fever has broken out in the barracks of the Seventh United States Cavalry and the First United States Infantry in Pinar del Rio. There have been nine deaths during the present month and eleven cases are now under treatment in the hospitals. General Lee ordered the camp moved three miles into the country and quarantine will be strictly enforced.

#### Woman Dies of Fright.

Philadelphia, Pa., July 25.—Frightened into hysterics by the sight of the body of her neighbor and friend, Mrs. Goldberg, Mrs. Sarah Tilles, 25 years old, of No. 456 North Second street, died. Dr. Marks said her death was caused by fright, the result of seeing the body of her friend.

#### Fifteen Children Poisoned.

Milwaukee, Wis., July 25.—Fifteen children between the ages of 12 and 2 years were poisoned by the eating of a quantity of castor-oil beans, which they found in a cellar, where the beans had been put as rat poison. All of the children were taken violently sick, but none will die.

# SOME QUEBB BABIES



HE old mother frog sat on a stone in the middle of the brook, just as John and Harry came down to sail their new boats. "Go chuck! Go chuck! Go chuck!" she cried, and with a leap and a splash down she jumped into the water.

"Oh!" said John. "How I wish I could see her again, and her baby frog!" "Baby frogs?" said Harry, with a laugh. "I guess you will never see any baby frogs that look like their mother." John was a city boy, but Harry had lived in the country all his life and he thought himself much wiser than John.

"Look there!" said Harry, pointing in the stream to some little, wriggling black things which looked like tiny kites with tails. "Those are the frog's babies. They don't look much like their mother, do they?" "I do not believe it," said John. "I know something, if I am from the city. Well, do not get angry, and I will prove it to you," said Harry. "And as it is queer and wonderful, I will show you how these babies grow from the very beginning."

So Harry took off his shoes and stockings and waded into the brook, telling John to run back to the house and get a bowl or preserve jar. Then Harry looked carefully among the short, thick grass which was growing along the side of the brook. He found several leaves which were covered with a thick, clear jelly, and in the centre of each piece was a tiny black speck. This was the frog spawn or frog's egg, as all animal life comes from an egg of some kind.

The boys gathered the frog spawn carefully and put it in the bowl, which they filled up half way with water, but some stones in the bottom, and then carried the bowl home. Each day they watched to see what would happen. In a week they found that the spawn had broken off into little pieces, and that each black speck had grown larger and had a little tail. At this time the jelly served as food for the tiny tadpole. The tadpoles grew very fast the next few days and had little



bunches of feathery gills on each side of their heads. How they swam and wriggled about in the water, as if swimming and wriggling were the only things to do in the world! It was funny to watch them dart through the water as quick as a flash.

The feathery outside gills were used to breathe with, just as fish breathe with their gills, for these babies were of the nature of fish now. But soon these little gills fell off and a broad mouth and two eyes appeared in the head.

One day as John was watching his pets he suddenly called out: "Oh! Harry, I am afraid that some of the 'tads' are sick, for I see little lumps on their sides." Harry did not reply; he only smiled in a peculiar way, as if he knew something that he would not tell.

A few days later John called out in great excitement, "Legs! Legs!" Yes, surely, just where the little lumps had been there were now jointed hind legs. In another week the short fore legs had appeared, but, curiously enough, the tail, instead of growing longer, had seemed to shrink smaller, and the little creatures did not look as much like tadpoles as before, and they began to look a little like frogs.

"Didn't I tell you so?" said Harry. "Now do you not see for yourself?" "Truly, you were right," replied John, "for they are growing like the old mother frog now. It is wonderful!" But, although he could see many wonderful changes going on from the outside, there were many changes going on inside that he could not see.

At first the baby tadpole breathed by means of the little feathery gills, just like a fish, but when these gills fell off it breathed by opening its mouth and swallowing some water, taking in the air from it, and letting the water run out of the two tiny slits on each side of its mouth. You can easily watch this, and see the young tadpole breathe this way when it is beginning to change. Then another wonderful thing happened, although you could not see it. The 'tad' was losing its fish-like nature, and so a heart and a pair of lungs developed inside of its body, so that it could breathe air as other animals. Now it was fast growing like a frog.

John noticed that as these changes were going on the little creatures did not stay down in the water nearly so much as before. They came very often to the surface of the water and seemed to gulp in the air. Then Harry put one large stone and several small sticks in the bowl, and the young froggies seemed to like them, for they sat on them continually, and winked and blinked in the sunlight.

At first the boys had fed them on a little cornmeal and fish food. Now they did not seem satisfied with this fare and wanted something more substantial. One day, as the boys were catching them, a fly came buzzing along and was very near one of the little frogs. In an instant the frog darted out its tongue, caught the fly, ate it for breakfast, and blinked around, looking for more.

The next day the boys discovered that four of the frogs had disappeared. They had jumped out of the bowl. "Gone to play leapfrog," said Harry.

"Well," said John, "it is all very wonderful. I never saw such queer changes in young babies. I do think it must be splendid to live in the country, and to be able to watch all of these things. Harry, you certainly do know a great deal about animals. But, even if I do live in the city, next year I shall go to the park and try to find some frog spawn and let all of the boys of our club watch the tadpoles change to real frogs. How long will it take?" "It takes from four to six weeks to have fully grown frogs," replied Harry. "And don't forget to notice how curiously the frog's tongue is fixed. It is not fastened, as yours, to the back of the mouth, but it is attached to the front, and when Mr. Frog wants to catch a fly he keeps still and just unrolls his tongue, which he can reach out very far. It is covered with a sticky fluid, which catches and holds the fly so fast that it cannot escape. Then Mr. Frog turns his tongue over again and eats his breakfast. And I will tell you one thing, John. You must not think that all of the wonderful things are in the country. There are a great many curious things in the city, if you will only open your eyes and look carefully for them."

The next season John found lots of frog spawn in a little pond near his home, and more in the park, and so all of the city boys had the pleasure of watching all the wonderful changes. Suppose some of you children try it, and let us know if you succeed in raising a family of frogs.—New York Herald.

Stories for the Children. Bright children in school are in great danger sometimes of passing over the border line of mathematics into one forbidden domain of common sense, says an exchange. A teacher once said to her class in mental arithmetic: "Now, boys, I have a few questions in fractions to ask. Suppose I have a piece of beefsteak and cut it in two pieces. What would those pieces be called?" "Halves!" shouted the class. "Right. And if I cut each half into two pieces?" "Quarters."

"That is correct. And if the quarters were each cut in half?" "Eighths!" "Yes. And if those were chopped in two?" "The answers had been growing fewer and fewer, but one boy meditated a moment, and answered: "Sixteenths!" "Very good. And when the sixteenths were cut in half, what would they be?"

There was silence in the class, but presently a little boy at the foot put up his hand. "Do you know, Johnny? Well, you may tell me."

"Hash!" answered Johnny, confidently—and truly.

Wild Animals I Have Known. THE LION. I've met this beast in drawing rooms, I've met him with silks and plumes. He looks quite bored, and silly, too. When he's held up to social view, I think I like him better when, alone, I brave him in his den.

THE BEAR. I never seek the surly Bear, But if I meet him in his lair I say: "Good day, sir; sir, good day." And then make haste to get away. It is no pleasure, I declare, To meet the cross, ill-natured Bear.

THE FIG. This animal I've seen on view In dining rooms and street cars, too; He wants the most, he wants the best, He makes himself a perfect pest. And (though I think it to their shame) Many give him a grosser name.

THE GOOSE. I know it would be of no use To say I'd never met a Goose. There are so many all around, With idle look and clacking sound; And sometimes it has come to pass I've seen one in my looking glass.

THE DUCK. This merry one, with laughing eyes, Not too sedate nor overwise, Is best of comrades, frank and free, A clever hand at making tea; A fearless nature, full of pluck, I like her well—she is a Duck.

THE CAT. The Cat's a nasty little beast; She's seen at many a fete and feast. She's spiteful, sly and double-faced, Exceeding prim, exceeding chaste, And while a soft, sleek smile she wears, Her neighbor's reputation tears.

THE PUPPY. Of all the animals I've met The Puppy is the worst as yet. Clumsy and crude, he hasn't brains Enough to come in when it rains. But with insufferable conceit He thinks that he is just too sweet!

THE KID. Kid are the funniest things I know; Nothing they do, but eat and grow. They're frolicsome, and it is said They eat tin cans and are not dead. I'm not astonished at that feat, For all things else I've seen them eat.

THE SMART SET. "Marm, bless our soul, young man," said the old lady, "why hadn't ye said so before? I've been hankerin' for a smoke for the last few miles, but I hate to smoke before men folks that don't use it themselves. But them that smoke understand how it is. Light right up and I guess I'll have to trouble ye for a match."

She reached down into her bag and pulled out at T. D. and we filled our pipes and I never had a more comfortable smoke and chat with any one in my life than I did with the old lady.

# MIND YOUR OWN BUSINESS.

## A Westerner Tells of Some Sound Advice He Once Got After a Row.

Mind your own business is a good rule to go by," said a veteran Westerner with an ugly scar between his thumb and his index finger, and this mark you see on my hand keeps me in mind of it. I got it by not doing that. It happened in a faro room one night in a mining town. I was watching a friend playing, and just opposite was a little fellow neither of us knew. My friend had up a bet of \$20 which he won and just as he was about to take it, the little man reached out and got it.

"That's mine," said my friend. "It's mine," said the little man, and the trouble was raising when the lookout, with a gun across his lap, put in to settle it.

"This is our business," said my friend waving the lookout off. "Now," he went on, addressing the little man, "we will just step outside and see whose it is."

"I thought I had seen a 'guerrilla,' one of those chaps around a game who is watching to catch a sleeper, slip the checks and knowing that somebody would be killed if the two men went outside, I put my hand on my friend's shoulder and announced that the guerrilla had pinched the bet. The guerrilla promptly struck me in the jaw and I went over, but was right up again and he came for me with a big knife. I caught at his arm and got the knife which ripped my hand up, but I held on until somebody hit the guerrilla with a stool and knocked him senseless. A dozen pistol shots were fired during the scrap, just to shoo the 'thes' out, some joker said, but I was worse hurt than anybody else.

"You ought to have minded your own business," said the old fellow who dressed my wounded hand. "But I wasn't going to see my friend robbed and killed," I protested. "Mebbe," was the sage reply, "but you'll have all you can do to keep out of trouble mindin' your own business in this country, and let this be a warnin' to you."

"As it turned out, I was right, and my friend and the little man shook hands. We got the \$20 from the guerrilla and that same night the boys wrecked his cabin and drove him out of the camp."

Way Not Home Made Ice. If the courts fail, science may be depended upon to knock out the ice trust says a chemist in the Kansas City Star. "I venture the prediction that the average well to do family will be making its own ice inside the next two years. For a long time past a number of the cleverest inventors in the country have been trying to devise a small, compact ice machine, with a capacity of from 50 to 500 pounds a day, that can be operated by any domestic servant, and they have made sufficient progress to bring success clearly in view. It is an interesting fact that nearly all the remarkable improvements which have been made in large commercial machines during the last two or three years have suggested themselves in this tireless search for a practical household apparatus.

"When I say that success is in sight, I mean that all the most serious problems have been solved, and the difficulties that remain to be overcome are purely mechanical. As a matter of four or five small machines are already in the market, but none of them quite meets the requirements. The ideal apparatus for use in cities will probably obtain its power from an incandescent lamp socket, just like the ordinary electric fan. The cook will fill up the receiver with water, make the connection and go about her business.

There is nothing Utopian about this little forecast. Private ice plants are already practical for very small commercial concerns—restaurants, confectioneries, etc.—and the household machine is one of the advances along the line of domestic economy to which we may look forward with absolute confidence. By the by, one of the inventors who is pegging away at the problem is a New Orleans man, and I was told lately that he had turned out a very successful working model. I have said nothing about liquid air, because that strange product has proven so tricky and intractable that it is risky to venture any predictions as to what may or may not be done with it. Another substance which has been exploited as the 'refrigerant of the future' is a so-called 'freezing powder.'

Stage Driver and Passenger. "The only passenger I took out last Saturday," says the Martin's Corner stage driver, "was an old lady who told me two or three times that she was going out to visit her daughter Lindy. She was such a real nice old lady that I reckoned I wouldn't smoke, for I was afraid that the smoke would blow back into her face. There are some women that ride with ye that ye feel like askin' if they jest as soon ye would smoke. But somehow I reckoned that she was too nice an old lady. But I did want to smoke dreadfully. At last we come to the long stretch of woods—a lonesome place and a long drag up hill. A few whiffs do take the edge off the lonesomeness there in great shape. I couldn't stand it any longer.

"Marm," says I, "don't make no bones about tellin' me right out if you object to smokin'." But if you don't think it would bother you too much I'd like to light up for a few minutes."

"Why, bless our soul, young man," said the old lady, "why hadn't ye said so before? I've been hankerin' for a smoke for the last few miles, but I hate to smoke before men folks that don't use it themselves. But them that smoke understand how it is. Light right up and I guess I'll have to trouble ye for a match."

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FRIDAY, JULY 27, 1900

The Adjutant General has issued his annual report containing a statement of the organized militia force of the United States, together with the number of men available for military duty, but unorganized. The grand total of organized militiamen in the several States and Territories at last report was 106,339. Those unorganized but available for military duty aggregated 10,343,152.

The final signatures to the Italian reciprocity convention have been appended at the State Department and the treaty has been formally proclaimed. The arrangement, like that with Germany, is made under Section 3 of the Dingley Tariff act, and in the matter of imports into the United States relates only to still wines, brandies, argols, painting, and statuary. It does not require action, by Congress, as the convention with France does.

The Navy Department has completed the circular calling for bids for constructing six armored cruisers of the first class. These will be the largest ships in the navy, the tonnage running over 14,000. The ships will be enlarged New Yorks, a type found to be better than any other of the armored cruisers, and lacking only in size, a defect which it is proposed to make good in new designs. The circular calls for bids to be opened on September 8 next.

Governor General Wood of Cuba is in Washington and has been speaking enthusiastically of the state of affairs in Cuba. He thinks that it is undesirable to withdraw any more than the three regiments already moving from Cuba. There will remain a little more than 5,000 soldiers. These are regarded as essential until after the constitutional election. When the election has been held, more can be spared and it is probable that this will be hurried in consequence.

The Democratic county convention to elect delegates to the State convention was held in Detroit Tuesday. The convention was presided over by Wm. F. Connolly and Wm. J. Lee was secretary. Among the delegates chosen were Geo. A. Starkweather, of Plymouth, C. A. Sessions, Northville, John F. Cullen, Nankin, H. F. Homer, Canton Benjamin McClure and Mat. Miller, Livonia. Emphatic resolutions were adopted denouncing Republican State extravagances and favoring lower and equal taxation.

The smaller ship builders of the country are anxious to secure a share of Government work, and are bringing pressure to bear upon the Navy Department to secure the simultaneous advertisement of all the 14 naval vessels authorized to be built in the past two naval appropriation acts. They have represented that such a procedure would tend to insure a more satisfactory distribution of the naval work among the shipbuilders by preventing the big concerns from crowding out the smaller ones, and assert that the Government would save at least \$1,500,000.

The foreign trade of the United States for the fiscal year just ended amounted to almost two and quarter billion dollars, and was the largest in our history. Imports amounted to \$849,714,320, and the exports of American products and manufactures were \$1,394,479,214. The aggregate figures of our foreign trade reached \$2,244,193,543. Compared with previous years the imports of the 1900 fiscal year have exceeded only once, in 1893, when they were \$16,700,000 larger. The value of our exports last year has never been exceeded, the largest previous total being for 1898, when they were \$163,000,000 less than in the year just ended.

All but \$25,000,000 of the \$314,000,000 gold two per cent bonds issued in exchange for the older ones under the gold law, are held by the banks. As the new bonds will run for 30 years, as they are available as security for circulating notes equal to their face value—the old notes being formerly security for only 90 per cent of their face—and as the tax on these notes is reduced from 1 per cent to 1/2 per cent, the reasons for the rapid exchange of the old bonds are obvious. The greater value of a bond having 30 years to run as compared with those that had nearly matured is obvious, while the 1/2 per cent reduction in the tax on notes alone makes the 2 per cent equal to 2 1/2 per cent on the old basis.

A CARD.—We extend our thanks to the many kind friends for their assistance in our late bereavement.  
MRS. WORDEN AND DAUGHTER.

# Maybury for Governor.

The Democratic State convention at Detroit Wednesday nominated William C. Maybury, of Detroit, for governor by acclamation. Sundry other candidates were presented to the convention, but all were withdrawn when it was seen Maybury had the delegates. Thos. E. Barkworth, of Jackson, was permanent chairman of the convention and Chas. Hampton of Petoskey, secretary. Maybury was acknowledged to be the best vote-getter of all the candidates named, and the Democrats propose making a tremendous effort this fall to elect their ticket and it is conceded they have a better show for it than for many years back. Concerning the convention the Detroit Free Press says:

It was not an enthusiastic gathering. Its tone was one of hope. There was a realizing sense that a big natural Republican majority would have to be overcome, as well as the 16 to 1 handicap, but the bad record of the last Republican legislature, the scandals of the military board, and the use of money in the recent Republican primaries, made the delegates feel that they had a fighting chance to win in the state and they were correspondingly anxious to put forward their best material. The nomination of Mr. Maybury was not the only one that indicated that the Michigan Democracy is not rabid as to 16 to 1. Judge Ramsdell, of Traverse City, named for lieutenant governor, was lukewarm as to Bryan in 1896 but the mention of this fact in the convention had little effect on the delegates, though Ramsdell was opposed by a strong man like Philip Wachtel. On the other hand, Populism was recognized in the nomination for secretary of state of John W. Ewing, of Grand Ledge, ex-chairman of the Populist state committee. The old soldiers are represented in the nomination of Hiram B. Hudson, of Manalona, for auditor-general. Before the convention there had been much talk of naming a German, but the completed ticket has no German names on it, Sundstrom being a Swede.

During last May an infant child of our neighbor was suffering from cholera infantum. The doctors had given up all hopes of recovery. I took a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy to the house, telling them I felt sure it would do good if used according to directions. In two days the child had fully recovered. The child is now vigorous and healthy. I have recommended this remedy frequently and have never known it to fail.—Mrs. Curtis Baker, Bookwalter, O. Sold at Meiler's drug store.

The Pere Marquette railroad company has just adopted a new trademark which will in a short time, appear on every car, engine, time card and piece of stationary in the control of the road. It is an oval shaped and crossed by a bar and the reading is "Trans-Michigan Route." It is the intention of the management to make this system spoken of as the principal Michigan railway.

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# EXCURSIONS VIA THE PERE MARQUETTE

Island Lake, Sunday, July 29, Spiritualist Camp-Meeting.  
Train will leave Plymouth at 8:50 a. m. Leave Island Lake 7:30 p. m. Rate 35 cents.

Sunday, August 3, Island Lake, Grand Ledge, Grand Rapids.  
Train will leave Plymouth at 8:20 a. m. Returning leave Grand Rapids at 6:30 p. m., Grand Ledge 8:00 and Island Lake 10:15 p. m. Rates low as usual. Turner's Society at Grand Rapids will dedicate new hall with usual good time incident to German celebrations.

# NIAGARA FALLS, ALEXANDRIA BAY, MONTREAL, TORONTO.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2nd.  
Tickets will be sold on above date via Detroit and M. C. R. R. to Niagara Falls and Alexandria Bay and via Canadian Pacific Ry. to Toronto and Montreal; all good to return until August 13th inclusive. Rates will be very low, same as last year. Ask agents for full particulars.

Toledo and Monroe, Sunday, July 29.  
Special train will leave Plymouth at 10:45 a. m. Leave Toledo at 7:00 and 10:30 p. m. Rate 75c. Good place for a Sunday outing.

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# PERRINSVILLE.

The L. A. S. social held at Mrs. A. Robinson's, Wednesday evening was well attended and all seemed to have an enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bossarte and daughter, of Detroit, spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jenson Wurts.

Miss Paget, of Detroit, has been spending a few days with Miss Vena Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Hanchett, of Plymouth, spent Sunday with their son Arthur.

H. E. Meldrum is improving.  
Mrs. Stevens, formerly of this place is visiting with Mrs. Flora Proctor.

The yolk of the egg spoils much quicker than the white. For this reason it is important that the yolk should be surrounded with a layer of the white. If the egg is placed on the side or large end the heavy yolk will settle to the bottom and come in contact with the shell, which admits the air. If it is placed on the small end it will always have a layer of white between it and the shell. Eggs absorb odors easily, therefore only odorless materials should be used when packing them.—August Ladies' Home Journal.

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# ICE IN HOT COUNTRIES.

It is Not Much Appreciated and Nearly Everybody Gets Along Without It.

Ever since the trade in artificial ice began manufacturers of ice-making machines have been seeking markets in hot countries, where no natural ice is procurable, except in the neighborhood of lofty mountain peaks. They have sold large quantities in tropical cities, but it is doubtful if they would have met even with a moderate success if it had not been for brewers and a few other manufacturers who find ice desirable in their business. The people generally get along very well without ice, as their fathers did before them, and comparatively few have learned to appreciate its desirable qualities since ice was presented to them.

Our Department of State, some years ago, collected facts about the ice industry and consumption in tropical countries. It has just published in the "Consular Reports" the result of the latest investigations in the same field. Both these reports show that the people of the tropics care very little for ice and that no real progress is making toward the general introduction of ice in hot countries.

In Guatemala, for example, ice is used mainly in saloons, restaurants and hotels and very few families own a refrigerator or buy ice. The city of San Salvador, with a population of 30,000 consumes only 5,000 pounds per day; there is no cold storage in the city and all meat sold on the market is killed the previous night. There is not a single ice plant in Bolivia, but some natural ice, brought by the Indians from the mountains, is sold in La Paz. In the large seaport of Bahia, Brazil, the first attempt at ice making was abandoned because there was no demand. For three years past, however, one small plant has been making about one and a half tons a day, which is sold to the hotels and drink shops patronized by the foreign population and a few foreign families. The ice is not used to preserve food, but only to cool drinks. Butchers say they have no need for ice. The laws require that all meat killed one day shall be sold before noon next day, and just enough meat is killed to supply the average daily demand.

In the city of Barranquilla, Colombia, there are no refrigerating plants or cooling rooms and meat, not salted soon after the animals are killed, becomes unfit for food. The Deputy Consul at Colon writes that no town in his consular district, except Colon, would consume enough ice to justify the erection of a plant. The only ice factory in Ecuador is run by a brewing firm at Guayaquil and the firm consumes the entire product. In Uruguay there is a prejudice against cold drinks or food refrigeration. Consul Goldschmidt writes from Venezuela that the small demand for ice there is due to the fact that victuals and meats are not kept over night, but are daily bought in the market for immediate use.

Origin of the Months Names.  
February was named after the Roman god, Janus; the deity with two faces, one looking into the past and the other gazing forward to the future," writes Clifford Howard, in the Ladies' Home Journal. "February comes from the Latin word februo, to purify. It was customary for the Romans to observe festivals of purification during that month. March owes its name to the old God of War. Among the Saxons this month was known as Lenct, meaning spring; and this is the origin of our word Lent. April was named from the Latin aperire, to open, in signification of the opening of flowers. The Saxons called the month Eastre, in honor of their Goddess of Spring, from which comes our word Easter. May was named after the Roman goddess Maia, and June was so-called in honor of Juno. July was named in honor of Julius Caesar, and August gets its name from Augustus Caesar. September is from the Latin septem, seven, this being the seventh month according to the old Roman calendar. October, November and December also retain the names by which they were known under the old calendar, when there were but ten months in the year—octo, novem and decem meaning eight, nine and ten."

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# Commissioner's Notice.

In the matter of the estate of Cynthia M. Duntley deceased. We, the undersigned, having been appointed by the Probate Court for the county of Wayne, State of Michigan, commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons claiming to be entitled to the estate of said deceased, do hereby give notice that we will meet at the office of William H. Hoyt, in the village of Plymouth, in said county, on Saturday, the thirtieth day of October, A. D. 1900, and on Saturday, the twelfth day of January, A. D. 1901, at ten o'clock A. M. of each of said days, for the purpose of examining and allowing said claims, and that six months from the thirtieth day of July, A. D. 1900, were allowed by said Court for creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.  
Dated July 27, 1900.

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## Local Newslets

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C. A. Pinckney was home Tuesday.

Rupert Jones is home from Alpena.

Fred Lamphere, of Detroit, was in town Sunday.

Mrs. C. A. Frisbee visited in Ann Arbor Wednesday.

Mrs. T. Chilson is so far recovered as to be able to be out.

Miss Mae Brunson is visiting relatives in Williamston.

Mrs. Reiman entertained friends on Monday and Tuesday.

Ralph Orr, of Tecumseh, is visiting friends here this week.

Mrs. Mary Penney is building a new house on Harvey street.

Miss Katie Fisk is visiting friends in Grand Rapids this week.

Save percentage by paying your village taxes before Aug. 7.

Will Brown is again behind the counters at F. M. Briggs'.

Miss Mildred Bamo, of Wayne, visited Phila Fraser Sunday.

Bert Leadbeater is clerking at J. L. Gale's in place of Al. Lyon.

John Hurdman, Sr., of Chicago, visited at Hiram Taft's Sunday.

Sam Spicer has accepted a position as car inspector in Milwaukee.

Miss Maud Peters has been visiting Lansing friends the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. McLaren are visiting relatives at Chelsea this week.

Miss Sadie Merrill returned Monday from a several weeks' visit at Toledo.

Mrs. E. L. Riggs visited friends at Silver Point, on Lake St. Clair, Sunday.

Mrs. Geo. Spencer and children are visiting her parents at Lenox this week.

Mrs. E. P. Lombard entertained her father, Mr. Paulger, the fore part of the week.

C. H. Rauch and wife arrived home from their visit in New York state, Saturday.

All summer underwear at cost. J. W. OLIVER.

Miss Leo VanEpps, of Chicago, spent a few days with her cousin, Miss Bessie Holloway.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Yates, of Superior township, are visiting relatives at Eaton, Colo.

Thomas Jordan, of Essex, Ont., has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Don Felton, this week.

Mrs. C. O. Holloway has returned home after a three weeks' visit with her sister at Jackson.

Mrs. Geo. Shaffer returned Tuesday from New York, where she has been visiting the past month.

Miss Stone and Miss Miller, of Portland, Mich., are the guests of Prof. Rogers and wife this week.

E. C. Hough and wife and Mrs. Sheffield returned Thursday from their outing at Walloon Lake and vicinity.

Miss Ruby Newcomb, of Hamilton, Ontario, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. James McKeever during the vacation.

Special communications of Plymouth Lodge F. & A. M. this evening and also next Friday evening. Work in M. M. degree.

The Helping Hand Society of Toniquish will hold an ice cream social at Fred Reiman's Friday evening, the 27. The public is cordially invited.

All tan shoes (except Puritan) at cost. J. W. OLIVER.

Mr. and Mrs. Scoville of Kalamazoo, Mrs. Bently and Mrs. Chute, of Chicago and Mrs. D. B. Giles of Detroit, spent Sunday with C. O. Holloway and family.

Mrs. D. B. Bently and Mrs. M. Chute of Chicago, Mrs. B. D. Giles of Detroit, and Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Scoville of Kalamazoo took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Armstrong Sunday.

Ford Lyndon arrived home Monday from Poughkeepsie, N. Y., where he has been attending a business college. He left Tuesday for Lansing where he has a position in the Quarter-Master General's office.

The Plymouth Stars and Northville Juniors base ball clubs crossed bats on the latter's grounds Monday afternoon and one of the most exciting games of the season was played. The score was 25 to 18 in favor of Plymouth.

Bugs made to order by Mrs. James Williams.

The best ball game of the season was played on the fair grounds last Friday afternoon between the Brighton and Plymouth clubs and resulted in a score of 5 to 3 in favor of Brighton. The batteries were Hacker and Deane for Brighton and Austin and Peck for Plymouth.

Chase Bros. Co. New England nurseries, Rochester, N. Y. Fruits, ornamentals, roses, bulbs. Reserve orders or give me a call.—Julia M. Hough, agt.

Piano for Sale—A good upright Vose Piano, nearly new, for \$125. Terms cash or \$8.00 monthly. Can send on trial. For particulars address Miss M. S. Schultz, Delray, Wayne Co., Mich.

Farm for Sale—Located 2 1/2 miles east of Plymouth, containing 115 acres. For particulars enquire A. W. Zander.

## Have you paid your village taxes?

The Methodist church is being repainted this week.

Marion White, of Pontiac, visited friends in town this week.

Frank Phillips, of Chicago, visited Rev. Stephens Wednesday.

Mrs. E. C. Smith, Detroit, is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. Kingsley.

Miss Wellman, of Wayne, visited Miss Zaida Lunckney Sunday.

Mrs. C. Millard and Mrs. Fred Dunn spent Thursday at Orchard Lake.

Mrs. Fox, of Flushing, visited her sister, Mrs. Geo. Van Vleet, Saturday.

Quite a number of our people go to South Lyons to-day to attend the celebration.

Miss Mae Pitkin, of Brighton, is spending a few days at A. D. Prout's this week.

A terrific rainstorm prevailed in the village Monday afternoon. Water fell in torrents.

Miss Louwa Millard is home for the summer, after a week's outing at Mackinac Island.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dunning have returned from a week's visit with her daughter at Redford.

Light weight pants at cost. J. W. OLIVER.

Mrs. George Brown, of Ypsilanti, and Mrs. Charles Ayers, of Howell, Sunday with Mrs. Plato Hough.

The Democratic third district representative convention will be held at Belleville, Aug. 4th, 11 a. m.

Autie Millard has returned from a two weeks' visit with friends in Detroit, Pontiac and Orchard Lake.

The Plymouth Base Ball team will cross bats with the Dixboro team on the fair grounds next Tuesday afternoon.

Sheriff Stewart now says he will be a candidate for renomination. There are others, and the Sheriff may be turned down.

Florence Webber, Lulu Sutherland and Flora Whitbeck, spent one day last week at the Misses Warner's near Wayne.

Mrs. Luc Goodell, of South Lyon, and her daughter, Mrs. Burt Bowen, of Kalamazoo, visited Mrs. Draper Wednesday.

The subject of the Epworth League devotional meeting Sunday night is "Cumberers of the Ground." Leader, Dr. Adams.

Some entirely new features are being considered for special attractions at the fair in September. They will be winners, too.

FOR SALE—Good building lot on South Main St. Enquire at this office.

Fifteen new houses have been built or are in progress of erection in Plymouth thus far this season. And there will be more of them.

Geo. Hunter cut a severe gash in the fleshy part of his right hand a few days ago, while handling a sheet of tin at the Conner Hardware. It has laid him up since.

All the merchants of Plymouth should be represented in the Plymouth fair book. Three thousand copies are printed and distributed among the farmers for miles around. Get your copy in at once.

The Plymouth Improvement Co. promises building operations on their apartment house will be begun soon. The plans and specifications are only awaiting some changes to be made in them to be acceptable.

Although the weather was somewhat chilly Saturday evening, a large crowd attended the ice cream social given by the O. E. S. and band jointly in the park. Socially it would have been better had the weather been more suitable.

Remember us with an order for a fall and winter suit. 2000 samples to select from. J. W. OLIVER.

The Aid Society of the Baptist church will hold an ice cream social on the park across from the Starkweather block this (Friday) evening. Every body invited to come and help in a good cause.—Sec'y.

The following young people spent Wednesday at Walled Lake: Misses Sarah Bradford, Verna Root, Grace Bradford, Lefa Brown, Maud Miller, of Flint, Calvin Whipple, Frank Whitbeck Wyman Bartlett, Raymond Brown and Don Vorhies.

There should be something done to prevent the water standing in large puddles in front of business houses after every rain. It isn't healthful and certainly not ornamental. Prompt action should be taken by the street committee to have the water carried away.

A great many of Plymouth's and Northville's young men are intensely interested in the Chinese trouble and many would enlist if there would be a chance guaranteed to go to China in a Volunteer regiment. These young men also wish that some person would organize a company here to be drilled, and in due time given a place in the M. N. Guards.

**Chronic Dyspepsia.**  
You cannot make the stomach strong healthy and able to digest food with stimulants. Begin at the seat of the disease. Purify the blood, make the liver do its work and dyspepsia will vanish. Knox Stomach Tablets purify the blood and cure dyspepsia.

## CHURCH NEWS

Pastor Beckwith expects to occupy the pulpit of the Lake View Baptist church in Chicago Sunday, Aug. 12.

Subject for next Sunday at First Church of Christ Scientist will be—Spirit. All are most cordially invited.

At the Presbyterian church next Sunday afternoon, Rev. Wm. S. Jerome will preach and four deaconesses will be ordained. The church will be closed after next Sunday until September 2.

The old folks' service held at the M. E. church Sunday morning was well attended. In the sermon Mr. Stephens beautifully portrayed the future home of the aged who will not be with us for long.

The Baptist-S. S. and B. Y. P. U. meetings will be held in the Mission rooms during August, and after that regular preaching service at the same place until the church shall be ready for occupation.

Rev. W. G. Stephens leaves tomorrow for Toronto, Can., on a two weeks' vacation. There will be no preaching services at the M. E. church Sunday morning. Sunday-school at the usual hour. The Sunday following, T. C. Sherwood will deliver an address.

Next Sunday's will probably be the last services held in the old Baptist church. The pastor has a vacation during the month of August and a general remodeling of the church will be begun the first of that month. The work will be pushed rapidly and it is hoped to have the church ready for dedication by the middle of October.

The German Lutheran Society of Clarenceville will hold a grand summer meeting in the grove at Farmington Junction, August 5th. There will be preaching at 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. Morning service in German and the afternoon in English. Dinner and refreshments will be served on the grounds. A brass band will be in attendance and visitors will be assured the best car service to all points.

About 50 Epworthians gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Noyes on Wednesday evening. The lawn was prettily lighted and various games indulged in. Later in the evening the company were seated beneath the trees and each one given the conundrum, "Why is our Epworth League treasurer like Bryan?" A prize was given Miss Maude Oliver, who guessed the correct answer. Lemonade and wafers were served by the young men and all enjoyed a pleasant time.

An account was neglected to be given of a picnic given by the Universalist Ladies Aid Society at Mr. Cole's in Canton. After the social and dinner the ladies and their invited friends gathered under the trees and held a brief meeting. After that a business meeting of the church was held. Then Mrs. Crooker gave a short talk and Mrs. Theron Harmon recited some selections. A vote of thanks for their part in entertaining us so handsomely was given to Mr. and Mrs. Cole and family and to all others who had helped and encouraged us. We then each went our way thinking we never had a better time.—One of the members.

The congregation at the Presbyterian church on last Sunday responded to the improved weather conditions, being much greater than the week previous. Judging by the way those present crowded about the preacher and thanked him for his discourse they must have been greatly pleased. The sermon in brief, was a very forceful argument in favor of the obligation, of all to be loyal to the church as the organized body of Christ's disciples rather than a loyalty with no greater force than our personal likes and dislikes of the preacher. Next Sunday occurs a rather unique ceremony, at least in Plymouth, namely, the ordination of the Board of Deaconesses elected last spring.—T. S. C.

**First Annual Basket Picnic.**  
The first annual basket picnic of the Wayne county Leg-Rolling Association (Modern Woodmen) will be given at Wayne village on Tuesday, Aug. 14th. Some thirty camps within a radius of fifty miles have been invited to participate, over twenty of whom have already sent written acceptances, so that the success of the picnic is already assured. Aside from the members of the society it is especially intended that every one who chooses to take a day's outing will be cordially welcomed, and such invitation is extended by the committee. Addresses will be made by Chas. H. Smith, of Jackson, and Chas. J. Byrns, state deputy of the order. Reduced rates of fare have been secured on the railroads of one cent a mile each way from Flint, Howell, Jackson, and Monroe. The electric lines will also give reduced rates. At 12 o'clock noon the visiting camps will form in line and march to Goldsmith's grove, where dinner will be had. Those who do not bring baskets, can secure lunch or dinner on the grounds. After dinner will come the oratory, music by the Wayne band and songs by the Northville quartette. Games and sports of all kinds will follow, and the affair wind up in a grand ball at the palace opera house in the evening. The Plymouth contingent will turn out in force and the "log-rollers" cordially invite all their friends to go along.

## The North Side

F. Sheron visited Chas. Worden and daughter on Thursday.

Bert Spedicer, of Howell, visited friends here on Sunday.

Save percentage by paying your village taxes before Aug. 7.

Miss Lida Hassenger visited friends in Detroit on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Adams spent Sunday at Orchard Lake.

Miss Mary Born, of Bay City, is visiting at Peter Gayde's this week.

Peter Gayde has been visiting relatives in Detroit a few days this week.

Mack Adams is home spending a two week's vacation with his parents.

Winnie and Pearl Jolliffe left on Thursday to visit relatives in Canada.

Dan Jolliffe spent Sunday at Salem with his brother-in-law, Duncan Leitch.

Miss Callie and Fern Roe, of Lansing are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Willard Roe this week.

Miss Anna E. Maiden is visiting friends at Detroit, Farmington and Birmingham this week.

Quite a number from Plymouth attended the spiritualist camp meeting at Island Lake last Sunday.

Mr. F. Helder left Wednesday for his home in Louisville, Ky. Mrs. Helder will remain and visit her mother Mrs. Jno. Gonsohy.

The Baptist Ladies Aid Society meets at Mrs. Luther Lyon's next Wednesday, Aug. 1st, at ten o'clock. We extend an invitation to all.—Sec'y.

Don't forget that we are agents for Puritan shoes, both men's and women's. J. W. OLIVER.

A birthday surprise party was given Mrs. Chas. Gentz on Tuesday evening by the ladies of the German Ladies Aid Society. All report a good time as usual.

Quite a number took in the Baptist excursion to Put-in-Bay on Thursday. The church is to get 10 cents rebate on each boat ticket which is to go toward the rebuilding of the church.

Herman Ruppert, who is working for the Southern Pacific Ry. Co. in Arizona, is visiting his parents here. Mr. Ruppert made an extensive trip in the western states before coming home.

Ground was broken this week for Jake Streng's new house, on the corner of Mill and Liberty streets. Wm. Bentley will do the mason work and John Smith and Wm. Robinson the carpenter work.

Mr. and Mrs. Tuttle and Miss Smith went to Detroit on Wednesday, taking along four boys, Warren, Homer and Edgar Stevens and Roscoe Smith. They agreed they never enjoyed themselves more, for with Mr. Tuttle as their escort they visited the principal places of interest.

**A Challenge.**  
The Odd Fellows' base ball club challenge the Hamilton Rifle Co. base ball club to a game of base ball to be played on the fair grounds at some date to be decided on in the future.  
E. FELTON, Manager.

**Northville Challenges Plymouth.**  
Eight strong men of Northville township challenge a like number from Plymouth for a tug-of-war on the home stretch of the Northville Driving Club's race track on the occasion of the big opening to-morrow, Saturday, afternoon. A box of good cigars to the winners.

**Will Be the First.**  
The Northville Driving and Bicycle Club holds its first meeting on its new grounds, Starkweather park, Northville, Saturday, July 28. The Club has just completed a new regulation one-half mile track which has already proven itself very fast and the infield is nicely fitted for ball games and other athletic sports. The fun will begin at one o'clock with athletic sports, running, jumping, fat man's race, potato and sack race, bicycle races, and four horse races, in all the contests liberal prizes being given. A ball game between the Deltas of Detroit and Northville also takes place. Admission to grounds 25 cents. Ladies free.

50c Shirt Waists for 25c.  
75c Shirt Waists for 35c.  
\$1.00 Shirt Waists for 50c.  
\$2.00 Shirt Waists for \$1.00.  
\$2.50 Shirt Waists for \$1.25.

Mrs. Chas. Fox, of Onaway, Mich., is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. D. Prout.

The Plymouth Telephone Co. have finished setting the poles of their line and commence stringing the wire to-day.

A new modern delivery wagon is the latest addition to the store of F. M. Briggs. Markham believes in being up-to-date.

The Brighton ballists were defeated yesterday by the Columbian Giants (colored) by a score of 6 to 1. The Giants expected to play the Plymouth boys here to-day, but through some misunderstanding will not appear. A number of our boys play at South Lyon this afternoon.

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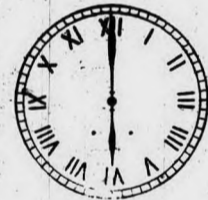
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If you have Stomach Trouble, try a box of Dr. Cooper's Dyspepsia Tablets.

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**JOHN L. GALE**



# WILL FREE MINISTERS.

## Cheng Cables They Will Be Sent to Tien-Tsin Under Escort.

### ARE FED BY GOVERNMENT.

French Dispatches Tell of Bombardment of Legation—New Danger of the Allies—Famine and Pestilence Threaten District Held by Them.

Washington, July 25.—The Chinese minister received a dispatch this morning from Sheng, the director of railroads and telegraphs at Shanghai, stating that the foreign ministers are to be sent from Peking to Tien-tsin under escort; also that the imperial government has not only been protecting them, but has supplied them with food.

Paris, July 25.—Four dispatches from the French consul at Tien-tsin, dated severally July 13, 14, 17 and 18, and forwarded from Chefoo July 18 to 20, have been received by the minister of foreign affairs, M. Delcasse. The dispatch dated July 13 says a courier from Peking relates that since June 30 the foreign ministers had been besieged in the British legation and that the marines were making a vigorous defense. The supply of ammunition was low and the peril of those in the legation was great. Up to the time the courier left Peking the loss of the marines had been sixteen killed and seventeen wounded.

The dispatch dated July 14 announces the taking of Tien-tsin.

The message of July 17 says the city of Tien-tsin was quiet. A courier had been dispatched to Peking, and his return was expected in seven days.

The dispatch of July 18 says the military chiefs of the allied forces were at that time deliberating as to the form of government that should be given Tien-tsin. The consul had received no dispatches forwarded from Paris since June 20.

Tien-tsin, Tuesday, July 3.—Famine and pestilence are sure to strike the region of Tien-tsin soon. Hundreds of thousands of Chinese are leaving their homes in the districts where fighting is going on, without means of support. Lieutenant Colonel John S. Malloy of the Forty-first United States Infantry has arrived here to act as military observer. The American and British commanders here have established a censorship of correspondents of those nationalities, to prevent the transmission of news that might tend to kindle international animosities. The anti-Russian prejudices of certain of the English correspondents caused this action.

#### OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Emperor's Request for Mediation and President's Answer.

Washington, July 25.—The following correspondence between the President of the United States and the Emperor of China is made public by the State Department:

Translation of a cablegram received by Minister Wu July 20, 1900, from the Taotai of Shanghai, dated July 19, 1900:

"Have received a telegram from Governor Yuan (of Shantung) dated 23d day of this moon (July 19), who, having received from the privy council (at Peking) a dispatch embodying an imperial letter to the President of the United States, has instructed me to transmit it to your excellency. The imperial message is respectfully transmitted as follows:

General to U. S.

"We have just received a telegraphic memorial from our envoy, Wu Ting Fang, and it is highly gratifying to us to learn that the United States government, having in view the friendly relations between the two countries, has taken a deep interest in the present situation. Now China, driven by the irresistible course of events, has unfortunately incurred well-nigh universal indignation. For settling the present difficulty, China places special reliance in the United States. We address this message to your excellency in all simplicity and candor with the hope that your excellency will deign to take the initiative in bringing about a concert of the powers for the restoration of order and peace. The favor of a kind reply is earnestly requested, and awaited with the greatest anxiety.

KWANG-HSU.

26th year, 6th Moon, 23rd day (July 19).

"It is, therefore, my duty to transmit the above with the request that your excellency, in respectful obedience of imperial wishes, will deliver the same to its high destination and favor me with a reply.

"YU LIEN YUEN.  
(Taotai at Shanghai).

The President's Reply.

This cablegram was at once communicated to the President at Dayton, Ohio, and the following is his reply:

"I am to infer from your majesty's letter that the malefactors who have disturbed the peace of China, who have murdered the minister of Germany and a member of the Japanese legation, and who now hold besieged in Peking those foreign diplomats who still survive, have not only not received any favor of encouragement from your majesty, but are actually in rebellion against the imperial authority. If this be the case I most solemnly urge upon your majesty's government to give public assurance whether the foreign ministers are alive, and, if so, in what condition.

"I to put the diplomatic representatives of the powers in immediate and

free communication with their respective governments and to remove all obstacles to their lives and liberty.

"2. To place the imperial authorities of China to communication with the relief expedition so that co-operation may be secured between them for the liberation of the legation, the protection of foreigners and the restoration of order.

"If these objects are accomplished it is the belief of this government that no obstacles will be found to exist on the part of the powers to an amicable settlement of all the questions arising out of the recent troubles, and the friendly good offices of this government will, with the assent of the other powers, be cheerfully placed at your majesty's disposition for that purpose.

WM. McKINLEY.  
By the President: John Hay, Secretary of State.  
July 25, 1900.

#### LI HUNG CHANG'S WARNING.

Says an Advance on Peking Means a Terrible War.

Shanghai, July 25.—A sensation has been caused here by a reported threat made by Li Hung Chang, that if the powers attempt to advance upon Peking every white man in Peking, if there is any left, will be at once slaughtered.

The reported threat is couched in the following words:

"The members of the legations are still alive, but an advance of the allied troops from Tien Tsin would probably be the death herald of every white man in Peking. Then the conservative element would be entirely overpowered by the radicals."

Li added that any attempt to partition China would result in a general uprising throughout China against the foreigners.

#### BRITISH ENVOY HEARD FROM.

Letter from Peking July 4 Reports 44 Dead, Many Wounded.

London, July 25.—The foreign office has received a dispatch from the British consul at Tientsin, dated Saturday, July 21, stating that he had just received a letter from Sir Claude MacDonald, the British minister at Peking, and dated July 4, appealing for relief.

There were enough provisions at the legation to last a fortnight, the letter said, but the garrison was unequal to the task of holding out against a determined attack for many days. There had been 44 deaths and about double that number wounded. The foreign office thinks the dispatch does not affect the main question of the reported massacre of members of the legation at Peking.

#### THE NOTE TO THE POWERS.

The President to Deal with It in Another Communication.

Washington, D. C., July 25.—Negotiations between the United States and China which have been proceeding actively for the last week were advanced another stage when President McKinley sent his reply to the royal letter from the Empress of China which was received last Friday. This appeal of the Chinese imperial government has been erroneously described as a request for mediation. Instead of that it is a circular note by the sovereign of China addressed by name to the ruler of each country having a representative at Peking. It asks the foreign governments to be considerate of China and not take advantage of the imperial government at a time when it had been threatened by rebellion. The royal letter is rather a plea for mercy based on the theory that the imperial government has been doing the best it could to put down the rebellion, and has faithfully protected the foreign representatives to the utmost of its ability. The answer of President McKinley to the effect that China must continue to protect the envoys and must not only protect them, but must relieve them of all anxiety, by putting down the rebellion in Peking at once and throughout the empire immediately thereafter.

The President reminds the Empress that the United States would not have sent troops to China if it had not been for the fear that Minister Conger, the other members of the legation, and some fifty officers and marines had been cruelly murdered. The President repeats that the Chinese government must show its good faith by preserving the envoys and by restoring order completely in Peking.

The imperial government is assured by President McKinley that the United States has not been and will not become a party to any scheme for the partition of China provided the present government is able to maintain peace. There is a gentle reminder, however, that a government which cannot protect its diplomatic guests and which permits armed uprisings directed specifically against all foreigners cannot expect to receive the support of these same foreigners.

#### RUSSIAN TROOPS TO CHINA.

Transport Hancock Will Make a Special Trip to Taku.

Washington, D. C., July 25.—The war department is considering the advisability of sending the Hancock, which sails from San Francisco July 28, with four batteries of artillery and 500 marines, direct to Taku, instead of Nagasaki. These troops were to have gone on the Meade, which sails Aug. 1, but it has been decided, owing to the urgent necessity of getting reinforcements to China, to have the Hancock make a special trip. She will carry stores and provisions only for the troops in China. The Meade, on the 15th inst., will take out one battery of the 15th infantry, one squadron of the 3rd cavalry and one company of engineers from West Point, in all, 1,171 men and sixty officers. The Germans, carrying two squadrons of the 1st cav-

alry and 100 recruits, thirty-five officers and 950 men, will sail from Seattle the same day for Nagasaki. The place of the Hancock, which was originally scheduled to sail Aug. 16, will be taken up by the Warren if she arrives at San Francisco in time. She will take out two squadrons of the 9th cavalry and recruits, in all forty-two officers and 1,243 men.

#### REPULSE THE CHINESE.

British Troops Defeat the Mongolians in a Stubborn Encounter.

St. Petersburg, July 25.—Two encounters are reported to have taken place between British and Chinese forces near Wei-Hai-Wei. The latter, it is reported, were repulsed after a stubborn encounter. No dates are given. M. Kruttski, engineer of the Eastern Chinese railway, telegraphing from Algaichi, in the trans-Balkal territory, under date of Friday, July 20, reports the occupation of Chaliar by Chinese troops. The Russians, according to this dispatch, continued to concentrate at Charbin. The situation in Manchuria is reported as far more serious than had been supposed. The Russian railway staff at Chaliar is surrounded and in desperate straits. Advice sent to the Times at London from St. Petersburg declares that Gen. Kouroupakin, the Russian minister of war, will probably become commander-in-chief of the Russian forces in China, and will presumably take command of all the allied troops.

#### BAYONET FIGHT.

3,000 Russians Charge Into Tien-Tsin—Still Fighting.

Shanghai, July 25, post from Chefoo, July 15.—The estimated losses of the allies thus far in the fighting at Tien-tsin are 600. Attacks on the city continue. The Russians have captured several guns and a large Chinese camp. The Chinese retired to the intrenchments. Two thousand Russians entered, charging with bayonets. One Russian was killed and five wounded. The Chinese loss was very great.

#### CHINA BLOCKS TROOPS.

Ten Thousand Drilled Regulars Stand in Front of Russian's Soldiers.

Shanghai, July 25.—Three thousand Russian troops have arrived at New Chwang from Port Arthur. Their advance is blocked by a force of 10,000 Chinese regular troops well armed and drilled, and a battle is imminent. The Chinese are on the defensive, but will not permit the Russians to proceed.

#### CHIKU DESTROYED.

Missionary Station Gone, but the Missionaries Safe.

London, July 25.—The Church Missionary society has received a cablegram which states that the missionary station at Chiku has been destroyed by Boxers. Mr. and Mrs. Barton and Miss Riddell, the cablegram says, are safe.

#### LASHED BY AN IRATE WOMAN.

Col. L. L. Laffin Is Horribly Whipped by a Saloon-keeper's Wife.

Ottumwa, Ia., July 25.—Col. L. L. Laffin of this city, ex-sergeant-at-arms of the Kansas City national democratic convention, was publicly horse-whipped in the streets by Mrs. Thomas Gallagher, the wife of a saloon-keeper, who says the colonel slandered her to her husband during an altercation between them over a personal difference. Laffin made an effort to get away, but was followed by the irate woman, who continued to rain blows upon his back. He finally managed to stay her hand and wrest the whip from her. Mrs. Gallagher was interviewed immediately after the occurrence, and said that she had come within an inch of killing her victim. She also said she made him apologize to her for the language he had used. The colonel denies that he slandered the woman, and says the whole difficulty originated over his buying his whisky at another saloon. The affair created a lot of excitement and was witnessed by a large number of citizens.

#### INDIAN CHIEF INSANE.

Geronimo, Famous Warrior, Unable to Endure Loss of Liberty.

Fort Sill, Okla., July 25.—Geronimo, the Apache chief, who is incarcerated in the military prison here, has become insane. Geronimo cost the government a million dollars and hundreds of lives before he was safely behind iron bars. Deprived of his liberty he could not stand the confinement. For fourteen years he has been a prisoner of war. For almost half a century he led a band of bloodthirsty Apaches on the path of war. To the early settlers of the Southwest he was a terror. In March, 1886, after four years of constant chase, Gen. Miles and Maj.-Gen. Lawton cornered Geronimo in the Four Peaks basin, near Prescott, Ariz. After months of starvation, and when hope of cutting their way through the surrounding troops had gone, the Indians surrendered.

#### PEARY'S RELIEF DELAYED.

St. John's, N. F., July 25.—The Peary relief steamer Windward entered the harbor at Port au Basques, at the southwest extremity of the island, with part of her machinery disabled. Pieces to replace the broken sections reached here by train. It will probably require a few days to make the necessary repairs. The delay may seriously disarrange the ship's plans for reaching the far north.

#### BIG FIRE IN BUFFALO.

Buffalo, N. Y., July 25.—The Leblanc Valley freight house in East Buffalo, together with fifty cars loaded with merchandise, was destroyed by fire. The loss is \$150,000, divided as follows: Building, \$50,000; freight cars and contents, \$100,000.

#### MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

Grass Lake is to have a cement factory.

Brighton has laid 4,000 feet more of cement walk.

The Norwegians at Spruce have just dedicated a new church.

The contract has been let for a \$40,000 opera house at Ithaca.

Sixty-four marriages were solemnized at St. Joseph on the 22d.

The Hillsdale Screen Door Co. will remove to Adrian. The firm employs 50 men.

St. James Episcopal church in Albion has been reopened after being closed for two years.

The Genesee County Agricultural society will hold its annual fair at Flint, Oct. 2, 3, 4 and 5.

The Sanitas Nut Food Co.'s buildings at Battle Creek burned on the 22d. Loss, \$18,000; covered by insurance.

The Republican convention for the 13th congressional district has been called to meet at Calumet on July 26.

Hudson has decided to repeat its street fair again this year, making the 5th annual fair. It is to last five days.

The wheat crop around Flat Rock is almost a total failure and what little has been cut is growing in the shock on account of the excessive wet weather.

Emma, the pretty 5-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Breneck, of Muskegon, died of hydrophobia on the 18th. She was bitten by a small dog last April.

A severe electrical, wind and hail storm passed over a section in the vicinity of Eaton Rapids on the 20th, doing considerable damage to corn and other crops.

The Michigan Telephone company has begun the construction of its long-distance lines between Saginaw and Ludington, following the Pere Marquette right of way.

At Dowagiac, right in the heart of a beautiful farming country, dealers in oleomargarine paid \$144 for licenses to do business this month. The six months' bill amounts to \$715.

A Detroit man has secured options through Flat Rock for the right of way for the new Toledo & Detroit electric road. The route will probably be along the old plank road.

Detroit has established means whereby poor sick children and their mothers can enjoy free rides on the water, where such a recreation is deemed advisable by the attending physician.

Lightning struck the house of F. W. Bradley at Mancelona on the 18th, tearing the shoes from the feet of Mrs. Bradley and burning one of her feet badly, but not injuring her otherwise.

Marshall and Battle Creek youngsters are persistent hunters. They have drawn \$890.02 out of the county treasury for sparrow heads, in spite of the fact that the appropriation was but \$800.

Many people at Three Rivers are against the proposed curfew ordinance because it would advertise to the world that the citizens of that city are unable to properly handle their children.

Arthur Taylor, a colored pugilist of Marshall, on the 20th shot his sweetheart, Mrs. Lillie Green, and then put two bullets in his own brain. She will recover but it is feared his wounds will prove fatal.

On the third attempt at self-destruction, Nettie Dalton, an inmate of a house of questionable repute in Detroit, succeeded in ending her life on the 24th. She swallowed a large dose of carbolic acid.

The Masons of Athens are planning to build a new hall for their lodge, which they propose to make an ornament to the village. It is to front 60 feet on Main street and have a depth of 80 feet, and will be built of common field stone.

Little Lawrence Lester, of Harbor Beach, was only 15 minutes out of his mother's sight, but when she found him the neck of his dress was caught on the nail of a chicken coop and he had choked to death. He was 19 months old.

A general hair-pulling match and fist fight took place between Mrs. Alice McClish and Alice and Martin Myr at Leonidas the other day. Mrs. McClish fired two shots from a shotgun without effect, but received a broken arm and was otherwise bruised.

Coloma was visited by a three-hour rainfall on the 17th which left the highways and hillside throughout a wide extent of country in a bad condition; ravines and gullies to the depth of five feet being cut out. Much damage was done to crops and orchards.

The grasshopper plague in Florence seems to be growing worse. Many pastures and meadows are ruined, some promising fields of hay were unfit to cut, and pastures are cleared up in a few days. The corn has been affected some, but as yet no serious damage in that line.

Petitions are being extensively circulated by prominent ladies of Three Rivers, asking the city council to pass a curfew ordinance, prohibiting boys and girls under the age of 16 from being on the streets after 8 o'clock in the evening, unless accompanied by their parents.

The speed and force of a bird when flying were forcibly shown on a Muskegon county farm recently, when the farmer observed a quail flying through the air strike a wire fence and fall to the ground. He went over to the spot and found that the bird's head had been severed by its sudden collision with the wires as smoothly as if done with a sharp knife.

Sept. 19 will be "Republican day" at the Union fair, at Muskegon. On that day Gov. Roosevelt, Col. Bliss, Congressman Bishop, Chairman Dickema and Senators Burrows and McMillan will be there.

# NEGRO PRISONER LYNCHED.

## Alabama Mob Smokes Sheriff Out of the Jail.

### USE DYNAMITE ON PRISON.

A Negro Accused of an Assault Upon a Little Girl is Identified by Her as the Culprit, and the Mob Then Wreaks Summary Vengeance Upon Him.

Huntsville, Ala., July 25.—At the hands of a quiet and orderly but determined mob of 1,000 men, Elijah Clark, a negro, 20 years old, paid the extreme penalty of a criminal assault upon a white girl, Susie Priest, 13 years old. The negro was taken out of jail after the sheriff had been overcome by smoke and an attempt to blow up the jail with dynamite, carried to the girl and identified, and then taken to Moore Grove, near Dallas, and swung to a limb, his body being riddled with bullets and shot. The body is swinging to a limb in a deserted grove, left as a warning to other negroes who may have an idea of committing this crime. Clark was guilty of one of the most dastardly cases of assault ever committed in North Alabama. He caught Susie Priest and her sister, Nellie, out in a lonely field and grabbed the former by the throat, threatening to cut her head off if she made resistance. Nellie Priest escaped and gave the alarm at Dallas. Within a few minutes the entire male population was in pursuit of the negro who fled into the mountains. The search was continued all night.

Capture Him in Bed.—Deputies were also after him, and he was captured by Deputies Phillips and Jamar at the home of relatives, near Meridianville, eight miles from the scene of the crime. Clark was in bed with two cousins, and they made an attempt to conceal him. He was hustled out and brought to the city at an early hour this morning. Clark confessed to the deputies that he was the negro who assaulted the girl, and said that knowing that she was a poor factory girl, he thought nothing would be done with him. When the news spread over the town that the negro was in jail, the male population of Dallas suspended work, causing the Dallas mill to shut down, came to town, and surrounded the jail. The men brought rifles, shot-guns, and pistols with them, and were ready for any kind of trouble. Sheriff Fulgham was requested to hand over the keys. He refused, saying that the mob would have to kill him to get them. A strong guard was placed at the jail, armed with Winchester shot-guns. The mob then began to make preparations to break into the jail.

The front door was burst open and a rush made for the line of deputies in the hall. The deputies opened fire and one man, Will Vining, an electric light trimmer, was shot in the shoulder. This checked the mob for a while, and the leaders decided to go about accomplishing their object in some other way. Several pounds of dynamite were secured and placed against the walls of the jail. The sheriff was again asked to surrender the keys or have the jail blown up, but he refused again. Prominent citizens, among them Capt. Wilton Humes, Capt. Daniel Coleman, John H. Wallace, and others made speeches in an endeavor to pacify the mob, but they were hooted down.

Shortly after noon a large stick of dynamite was thrown up the main stairway of the jail. The explosion damaged the stairs and broke every window in the front part of the building. The sheriff was warned to come out with his deputies and prisoners, but he again firmly refused. The mob then made plans to smoke the officers out of the jail. A barrel of oil, a large amount of tar, and several bushels of feathers were placed on the cement ground floor of the jail and set afire. A suffocating smoke arose, and the sheriff was compelled to take refuge in the third story of the jail, the deputies and guards seeking the remote corners.

The negro was forcibly taken out of the jail to the home of Susie Priest who identified him.

He was then taken to the woods and hanged on a horse and asked if he had anything to say. He replied that he had not, and the horse was led under him.

Some minutes after the negro was dead, then his body was filled with bullets from half a hundred guns. No member of the mob made any attempt to conceal his identity.

#### BRYAN IS GOING EAST.

Democratic Nominee Will Make Six Speeches in New York.

New York, July 25.—William Jennings Bryan expects to visit New York the first week in October. He will make about six speeches in the state, taking in New York, Brooklyn, Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse and Albany.

Norman E. Mack of Buffalo, democratic national committee man for this state, brought this news to town. He is here on a business trip and expects to talk over the state campaign, with which he has not been in touch, with Chairman Frank Campbell and Executive Chairman McGuire on Wednesday.

"I understand," said Mr. Mack, "that the state committee will be called to meet in the second week in August. The nominating convention will be held at Saratoga if before Sept. 15, or at Albany—perhaps Buffalo—if after that."

Yellow fever in barracks of Seventh Cavalry and First Infantry in Pinar del Rio.

#### TRANSVAAL WAR ITEMS.

Gen. De Wet has again succeeded in cutting Lord Roberts' communications, both by railway and telegraph, and has captured 100 of the Highlanders. The story of the federal commander's bold raid comes in the form of a telegram from Gen. Forester-Walker, dated at Cape Town, Sunday, July 22, forwarding a dispatch from Gen. Knox as follows: Have followed commando since July 16. Hard, sharp fighting at Palmietfontein, July 19. Prevented from pursuing laager by darkness. Eight dead Boers found. Our casualties five killed and 76 wounded. Reach Vaalkrantz on the 22d. Enemy doubled back through Paardekraal in darkness. Send supplies for 3,000 men and horses, also any news of the enemy's movements. I hear the commando consists of 2,000 men and four guns, and is accompanied by President Steyn and both the De Wets.

The Boers made a determined attack on the 21st to destroy a post at the Rail Head, 13 miles east of Heidelberg, which they attacked with three guns and a pom-pom and surrounded. They were, however, beaten off after a sharp engagement, before reinforcements summoned from Heidelberg had arrived.

Six hundred women and children from Pretoria, including Mesdames Kruger, Botha and Meyer, have arrived at Bärbaron, where they will remain for the present.

The gold Democrats will decide upon placing a third ticket in the field at Indianapolis, July 25.

The excessive heat caused the death of six persons in Philadelphia and two in Camden, N. J., on the 18th. Over 40 cases of prostration were treated at the hospitals on the above date.

More than 70 persons succumbed and many more were fatally prostrated by heat in New York city on the 18th. About half of the fatalities occurred among babies and little children.

Capt. Mercer, Indian agent at Solway, Minn., says that the Blanket Indians have withdrawn their opposition to the building of a school house on their reservation, and everything is now amicably settled.

Indians hunting on the east coast of Hudson bay recently found three bodies and a vast quantity of wreckage. It is believed by officials that it was the remains of Andree and party, who were trying to reach the north pole by balloon.

In the preliminary examination of Jessie Morrison at Eldorado, Kansas, on the 18th, charged with the murder of Mrs. Olin Castle, interest centered in the testimony of Olin Castle, whose young wife was slain a week after her wedding.

During the progress of a funeral at Chatfield, O., on the 19th, lightning struck a church wherein the funeral was being conducted, and more than 25 persons were injured. The house was packed to the door, but little damage was done to the building.

Edward W. Green, of North Judson, Ind., is becoming the subject of much interest and study among physicians, who declare that his body is gradually turning to bone. His body began to ossify to a perceptible degree about two years ago and the process of ossification was so rapid that his entire system became affected.

#### THE NEWS CONDENSED.

Below we submit the official standing of the clubs of the National and American leagues up to and including Tuesday, July 24th:

BASE BALL.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Club	Won	Lost	Per cent.
Brooklyn	47	27	.635
Philadelphia	41	34	.547
Chicago	39	36	.520
Pittsburgh	40	37	.519
Cincinnati	36	40	.474
Boston	35	39	.473
St. Louis	32	40	.444
New York	27	44	.380

WON. LOST. PER CENT.

Club	Won	Lost	Per cent.
Chicago	46	31	.597
Indianapolis	42	34	.553
Milwaukee	41	39	.510
Cleveland	39	37	.513
Detroit	36	41	.467
Buffalo	36	44	.449
Kansas City	28	47	.367
Minneapolis	25	49	.333

WON. LOST. PER CENT.

Club	Won	Lost	Per cent.
New York	41	30	.576
Best grades	34	25	.576
Lower grades	25	25	.500

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#### THE MARKETS.

Below we submit the official standing of the clubs of the National and American leagues up to and including Tuesday, July 24th:

LIVE STOCK.

Commodity	Price
New York—Cattle	\$10.00
Best grades	\$10.50
Lower grades	\$9.00

Chicago—Cattle



**Detroit, Plymouth & Northville By TIME CARD.**

Cars Lv. Conner's Corner. Going South.	Cars Lv. Wayne. Going North.
6:45 a. m.	6:00 p. m.
7:40	7:15
8:40	8:15
9:40	9:15
10:40	10:15
11:40	11:15
12:40 p. m.	12:15 p. m.
1:40	1:15
2:40	2:15
3:40	3:15
4:40	4:15
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6:40	6:15
7:40	7:15
8:40	8:15
9:40	9:15
10:40 p. m.	10:15 p. m.
11:40	11:15

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**THE DETROIT & ILLINOIS RAILWAY.**

Time Table in Effect Oct. 28th 1899. SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	No. 1.	No. 3.
Detroit	7:30	6:00
Carleton	8:25	7:05
Dundee	9:15	7:45
Tecumseh	9:50	8:15
Adrian	10:08	8:37
Wauson	11:05	9:25
Napoleon	11:15	9:35
Malinta	11:48	10:18
Hamlet	12:09	10:39
Leipic	12:18	10:48
Ottawa	12:36	11:00
Col. Grove	12:45	11:15
Lima	1:15	11:45

**NORTH BOUND.**

STATIONS.	No. 2.	No. 4.
Lima	6:30	3:30
Col. Grove	6:45	3:45
Ottawa	7:00	4:00
Leipic	7:15	4:15
Hamlet	7:30	4:30
Malinta	7:45	4:45
Napoleon	8:00	5:00
Wauson	8:15	5:15
Adrian	8:30	5:30
Tecumseh	8:45	5:45
Dundee	9:00	6:00
Carleton	9:15	6:15
Detroit	9:30	6:30

No. 1, 2, 3, 4, run daily, except Sunday. F. E. DEWEY, Gen'l Supt. O. A. CHAMBERS, Gen'l Pass. Agt. Detroit, Mich.

**PERE MARQUETTE TIME TABLE.**

In effect Jan. 7, 1900. SAGINAW DISTRICT.

Trains leave Plymouth as follows: STANDARD TIME.

GOING SOUTH.	GOING NORTH.
Train No. 4, 10:30 a. m.	Train No. 3, 9:00 a. m.
" No. 3, 9:15 p. m.	" No. 4, 2:00 p. m.
" No. 4, 7:30 a. m.	" No. 3, 6:15 p. m.

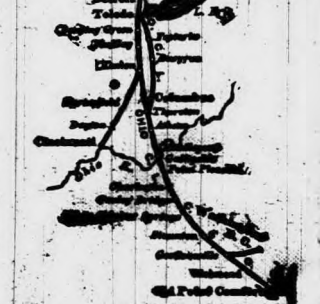
Trains Nos. 3 and 4 run through to Alpena. Train No. 3 connects at Ludington with steamer for Manitowic and Milwaukee (weather permitting) making connections for all points West and Northwest.

**GRAND RAPIDS DISTRICT.**

GOING EAST.	A. M.	P. M.
Grand Rapids	7:10	12:06
Leonia	7:40	12:36
Lansing	8:24	1:20
Baker	10:48	3:28
PLYMOUTH	11:30	3:25
Detroit	11:40	4:06

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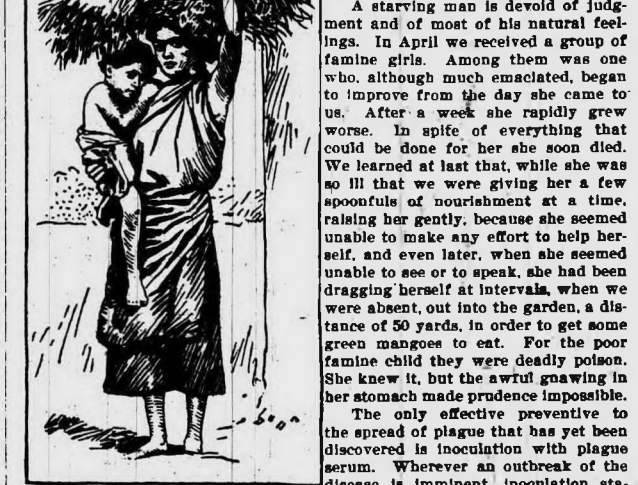
**FAMINE SHADOWED INDIA.**

BY EDWARD S. HUME.  
For Twenty-five Years an American Resident of Bombay.  
Having just returned from India, I have read the accounts of the famine in American papers, I have seen the pictures, I have seen the conditions in the famine districts, and I can assure you that the actual state of affairs is much more terrible than painted or pictured. And the worst of it is that, even if the June rains are entirely favorable, no relief can be expected till the crop is gathered in October. Famine photographs frequently represent half starved and dying persons lying on the street or in some field. They are poor but self respecting people, who have never been the objects of public charity



**HUNGER KILLED WOMAN.**

and have refused to go to famine relief camps until at last death has stared them in the face, and unbearable distress has driven them out in search of help. Weary and hungry, they have laid themselves down to rest and have died before waking. Not long before leaving India, while walking with a brother missionary at Ahmedabad, not far from his house, he pointed to a tree at the roadside and said: "The other day I saw the emaciated figure of a man lying, face down, under that tree. On going near and touching the body I found it already stiff and cold. Examining it more carefully, I found one side torn away, evidently eaten by jackals. A couple of rods away lay the dead body of an infant. A little farther on was found a woman, still alive. She was the wife of the man and mother of the child. She, too, poor thing, died before she could reach the poorhouse, which stood within sight and call of the spot where these patient, helpless ones had fallen down to die."



A starving man is devoid of judgment and of most of his natural feelings. In April we received a group of famine girls. Among them was one who, although much emaciated, began to improve from the day she came to us. After a week she rapidly grew worse. In spite of everything that could be done for her she soon died. We learned at last that, while she was so ill that we were giving her a few spoonfuls of nourishment at a time, raising her gently, because she seemed unable to make any effort to help herself, and even later, when she seemed unable to see or to speak, she had been dragging herself at intervals, when we were absent, out into the garden, a distance of 50 yards, in order to get some green mangoes to eat. For the poor famine child they were deadly poison. She knew it, but the awful gnawing in her stomach made prudence impossible. The only effective preventive to the spread of plague that has yet been discovered is inoculation with plague serum. Wherever an outbreak of the disease is imminent, inoculation stations are opened. Doctors are sent to them; serum, instruments and everything needed for efficient work are provided, but the Hindoos have not taken kindly to this remedy. All kinds of wild rumors have been spread and have been widely believed to the effect that inoculation is most harmful; that it has been devised by the European doctors to punish the Hindoos for supposed disloyalty and as a means for destroying caste. In view of this the government offers two days' wages to every man, woman or child who is inoculated. I know a little fellow 8 years old, whose mother died and whose father is a helpless invalid. Hearing that money was paid to every person who was willing to be inoculated, this poor



**RESCUED FAMINE GIRLS.**

little lad presented himself at one of the inoculation stations. As soon as his arm was healed he went to another station, and this thing went on until the poor boy had actually been inoculated five times in each arm for the 24 weeks he received and with which he supported himself and father for six weeks. The government has already expended more than \$47,000,000 in the free distribution of food to those who are unable to work and in employing the unemployed at cash wages in the construction of reservoirs, irrigation ditches and other public works that will mitigate future droughts. In addition, there are generous and splendidly organized systems of private charity, the funds being supplied from every part of the civilized world and managed chiefly by American and European missionaries of long experience in India. It is the duty and privilege of every one to have some share in this sacred work of humanity. Gifts may be sent to Brown Bros. & Co., 59 Wall street, New York, treasurer of the committee of one hundred; William E. Dodge, chairman, and Dr. L. T. Chamberlain, executive director, by whom they will be cabled promptly to the responsible and representative American-Indian relief committee, under the chairmanship of United States Consul William H. Fee, at Bombay, with the veteran missionary, Robert A. Hume, as executive secretary.

The New York committee of one hundred on India famine relief co-operates with committees of the same name in Boston, New Haven, Baltimore, Washington, Indianapolis and other cities, each of which has charge of the work in its own section. The committee states that on receipt of a postal addressed "Committee of One Hundred, 73 Bible House, New York," supplies of illustrated literature are sent without charge and expressage free. The help of individuals, clubs, lodges, labor unions, employers, proprietors of hotels and summer resorts, churches, Sunday schools, young people's societies, King's Daughters, etc., is earnestly sought in distributing this free literature. Many who will lend a hand in this way can aid the cause as much as if they were able to draw a handsome check themselves.

**COW NOTES.**

Take the horns off the cows. Much milk requires much feed. Millet is good to increase the flow of milk. Do not breed from a cow that has aborted twice. Do not use beef cows if you want to succeed in dairying. Cows will not do their best unless well housed and fed. Are squashed food for milk cows? asks a subscriber. Yes. Milk should be aerated, strained and cooled as soon as drawn. Don't expect for skim milk cheese the price that Edam brings. No successful dairyman allows his cows to be chased by a worthless cur. It is not always meanness that makes a cow break; it is frequently hunger. If churning is done at too high a temperature, the butter will not be perfect. Milk should be aerated and cooled if it is expected to keep and please the customer.

Gentleness in the treatment of the cow at all times, punctuality as to the time of milking, drawing the milk rapidly and clean are essential to keeping the milk cow up to her full potential yield. Select a few of the best of your heifer calves, considering them individually and also the dairy quality of their dams, to keep up your herd of milk cows, and give them the feed and the handling that will develop their dairy qualities. Bu such selection and management a good dairy stock can be improved and even a poor one may be made fairly good.

A good dairyman has a good deal to do with making a good dairy cow, but it is the good dairyman who is most anxious to secure the best blood in his herd. Yet there are men who, with the best blood, will hardly achieve as good results as a judicious feeder who takes the right sort of care of his milk cows, feeds and milks them properly, even though they be of common stock. A considerable number of dairymen feed skim milk back to the cows, and eight pounds of it is said to be equivalent to two pounds of bran. The cows have to learn to like the milk, and they are usually taught by putting a little in the bottom of the pail and covering it pretty thickly with bran. The cows eat the bran, to which they are accustomed, and in doing so get the milk, which they presently find to be pretty palatable feed stuff, and they learn to like it.

**Poultry Items.**  
Pullets rarely get too fat to lay. A meal of dry oats can be fed profitably once a week. The best article to use for the dust bath is road dust. Liberal feeding means liberal profit; neglect means a loss. In nearly all cases the early hatched make the best breeders. Food rich in nitrogen is always required by the laying hens. Clean off the runs on the poultry yard as well as the houses. Scaly legs may be cured by wetting the legs with diluted kerosene. Water for poultry can best be kept pure if put up in earthen crocks. For mating, the pullets should be at least a year younger than the cock. A cockerel will always be true to color as compared with an old cock. A fowl that shows a gross defect should never be used as a breeder. To make the best success in breeding we must know what we are breeding for. Ducks are voracious eaters and if kept closely confined there is danger of over-eating. Breeding with a knowledge of what you desire means to undertake the work systematically. Sell off the surplus cockerels and the late hatched pullets as soon as they are sufficiently matured. An egg from a good layer will be more likely to produce a good layer than one from a poor layer. When fowls are confined they need meat occasionally; when they run at large they get bugs and worms. Now is a good time to hatch out hantams; if hatched out early they are apt to grow too large. They are rather more for ornament than use. One reason why the hen that steals her nest always hatches well is that she is rarely too fat and her eggs contain good vitality.

**Saving Seed Corn.**  
Why not use pedigreed corn as well as pedigreed stock? As soon as husks turn white, the farmer should select the largest ears from the largest stalks, and those ears that are closest to the ground, and leave a small amount of husk on each ear; then take it to the barn or some place of safety from rats, mice or other vermin, and tie the husks of two ears together, and hang them across a wire high enough to be out of the way. By the time cold weather arrives the corn will be sufficiently dried to stand any freeze we ever have in this country. No ears should be selected except those that have small cobs and long grains, which extend out over the ends of the cob. All ears of corn should taper gradually, with straight rows. I don't like to see swelled butts and small end ears of corn. — A. R. Peters.

**Fine Skin Hygiene.**  
This is a dry and rough condition of the skin of the shank. There is an absence of the oily constituent causing the scales to be brittle and crack, allowing dust and filth to get between and under the scales and give an unpleasant appearance. Fish skin disease is not caused by an insect, as is scaly legs, but does seem to be found in certain lots of birds, giving the impression that it may be largely a trouble of hereditary taint. Softly rub the dry spots of shank and toes with some petroleum jelly, or vaseline or cod-liver oil, or an ointment of vaseline, two parts; oleate of zinc, one part. This will soften the skin and restore the natural condition.

**TRANSPLANTING**

**Fruit Trees Can Only Be Learned by Experience.**  
The best way to transplant fruit-trees can hardly be given satisfactorily in the columns of a paper, for the reason that there is much detail in regard to it that can only be learned by experience. In a general way, however, among the important things in transplanting trees are to prune off the broken portions of the root, and if the roots have been shortened in the process prune the top to correspond, taking pains to leave the tree in good form. In setting the tree it should be set about two inches lower than it grew in the nursery. In digging the holes for them it is desirable to put the sub-soil and top soil separately, and in covering the roots put in the dark soil first. It is very important, also, to thoroughly firm the soil about the roots, so that the tree will be well anchored. This should be done by stamping in the soil around the roots as the hole is being filled up. Do not wait until the hole is filled before doing so, but do it every six inches as the hole is filled. Dig the hole large enough to receive the roots without crowding. Where a large number of trees are to do is to stake out the land carefully, and then plow straight, deep furrows where the rows are to go. Mark the land the other way, putting stakes at the ends of the rows. It is then quite easy, by sighting along the rows both ways, to get the trees in position. If the rows are very long it is desirable to put up several stakes in the course of the row. But the most important of all directions is to start with vigorous, healthy trees with a good root system.

**Lawn-Making Easy to Solve.**  
One of the greatest problems in general gardening is the production of a good turf and maintaining it. Yet it is easy to solve, to, if carefully attended to. The chief thing is to start right. There should be a good, rich, loamy top soil six inches in depth, at least, in which the seed should be sown. Unless for some very good reason, which would seldom be the case, one kind of grass only should be sown, which will make an even, regular growth if cared for. Dishonest contractors are occasionally to be met with who do not hesitate to "skimp" with the top soil, and a weak, stunted and tufted growth of grass is the result.

Kentucky blue-grass is the most popular and best for more northern states, being very hardy and close-growing. It is a famous pasture-grass, and thrives in almost all soils. For excessively dry soils, where it has been found difficult to establish ordinary grass, sheep's rescue, a very fine, "silky" grass, will be found admirable. Around the base of large trees where it is not also shady it will grow right up to their trunks. This is also recommended for sowing in sod which is troubled with annual grass or weeds, as it may be cut very close and the annuals prevented from seeding. While telling what to do it is well to add what to avoid. Whatever kind of grass is employed to seed with, it should be a slightly creeping and not of a tufted character. It is impossible to make a close, even carpet with a tufted grass. — Meehan's Monthly.

**Charcoal and salt, in proportion of one eighth of the latter, are valuable correctors to a deranged digestive system. Cholera is not only prompted by a filthy food and drink, but by bad sanitary conditions. The pens must be kept fresh and clean at all times. The government formula given below will be found very effectual in checking this disease when an outbreak is feared, and also even after the first symptoms have appeared. Wood charcoal, one pound; sulphur, one pound; sodium chloride, two pounds; sodium bicarbonate, two pounds; sodium hyposulphite, two pounds; sodium sulphate, one pound; antimony sulphide, one pound. To be thoroughly mixed and pulverized. This can be given in feed in doses of a teaspoonful to a tablespoonful, according to the size of the animal and severity of the attack. Animals affected must be warmly housed and fed on milk, light slop or gruel. The quarters should be disinfected with slaked lime and crude carbolic acid, and burned to prevent further outbreak. — Farm Journal.**

**The Hen's Own Grinding Machine.**  
The hen is furnished with a grinding apparatus and she will not keep in a vigorous state of health unless it is put to use. Amateurs are apt to form the opinion that they are doing their hens a kindness by making their food consist in large part of softened and plastic masses. It saves them the work of grinding it, and it seems altogether reasonable that it would be more digestible and more readily assimilated in that form than such a tough and unyielding substance as whole grain. In the natural state the grain food of the hen would consist of whole seeds, and they were fitted for sustaining upon this kind of food. Domestication has modified, but has not wholly changed, their nature. The grinding apparatus must be kept in active operation. No cock will remain healthy on softened and mushy food. Though the elements of the mass may be wholly unobjectionable, it fails to supply the mechanical conditions which will stimulate to healthy action the grinding machinery.

The majority of successful poultrymen approve the practice of feeding a small quantity of ground grain daily, mixed with sufficient water to enable it to be worked up into a crumbly mass. But a spoonful of the mixture for each hen is the allowance. The greater part of those who are committed to its use would prefer to dispense with it entirely rather than give more than this. While confessing the advantages of a restricted ration of this description, they all know that it can be omitted and paying returns be obtained by feeding all the grain whole.

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### Breezy Items

By Live Correspondents.

#### CANTON CENTER.

Mrs. Virgil Tillotson is suffering with rheumatism.

George Gittins and cousin are attending summer school at Wayne.

A few of the young people of Canton attended the speech at Wayne Wednesday evening by Judge Donovan.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gittins started for Sand Hill Wednesday morning to visit his sister who is now sick.

There will be an ice cream social given by the L. A. S. Thursday evening, Aug. 2nd, at the home of Frank Palmer.

Joe Gill spent Wednesday with Freeman Huston and family.

#### PACKARD DISTRICT.

Miss Bessie Chase, who has been visiting in this vicinity for the past week, returned home Monday.

H. W. Tuttle and wife took their grandsons, Edgar, Howard and Warren Stevens, and their nephew, Rosecoe Smith, on a trip to Detroit and Belle Isle on Wednesday. The boys report an enjoyable time.

Mrs. Lydia Bronson, of Ypsilanti, visited her daughter, Mrs. Frank Whitacre, last week.

Perry Losey and Arch Herrick went to the Garfield huckleberry marsh last Tuesday, but did not report berries very plenty.

Miss Anna McClumpha has been engaged to teach the school in this district the coming year.

Miss Ada Smith has been sick this past week but is now able to sit up some.

C. F. Smith marketed his first installment of peaches on Wednesday.

#### LIVONIA CENTER.

H. Kingsley and Joe McEachran are both hustling their bridges along and expect to have them in first class shape in a few days.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stringer is spending a few days with her sister at Northville.

The party that went to Commerce Monday night huckleberrying got rained out and came home Tuesday night with very few berries.

Miss Bessie Warren, of Detroit, is visiting her grandmother, Mrs. W. O. Minkly.

#### MEAD'S MILLS.

Harry Briggs, of Ovid, called on relatives here last Tuesday.

Mrs. Fanny Greene Easton, of Grand Rapids, visited at H. S. Greene's one evening last week.

Mrs. G. P. Benton and Mrs. Lilly Benton are visiting at Delhi this week.

Mrs. Ross, Mrs. Horton, and Mrs. Sherman, of North Farmington, visited at Joseph Soules' last week one day.

Miss Grace Magraw is very much improved in health under Dr. Johnson's care.

Miss Susie Eckles returned Sunday from a visit in West Plymouth.

#### SALEM.

Rev. and Mrs. Allen are away for their annual vacation. The pulpit of the Congregational church will be unoccupied for the coming two Sabbaths.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith, of near South Lyon, entertained a party of Salem ladies on Wednesday.

Mrs. Wm. Giger is recovering from her severe illness under treatment of Dr. Wade.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McLaughlin, of Belding, drove from their home to Salem, reaching here Monday. They were former residents of this place and will spend several days visiting with old friends.

Mrs. Fred Wheeler and little daughter, accompanied by Mrs. Amelia Perkins have been visiting friends at Ypsilanti this week.

Dr. Cleveland of Ann Arbor, was called here to consult with Dr. Walker on the case of Mrs. H. B. Thayer, who has been having serious trouble with one of her ears. After examination he gave an encouraging view of the case by saying that while the ear may never be useful to her, as an organ of hearing it may still be healed so as not to be an organ of pain.

Fred Ryder's new dwelling house is being rapidly pushed to completion and when completed it will be an ornament to that part of the village.

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#### MURRAY'S CORNERS.

Perry Walker and Orson Westfall went huckleberrying Tuesday but did not have the best of luck.

Born on Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. Randolph Brown, a daughter.

Miss Alta Bradley, of Plymouth, spent a few days last week with Miss Ada Westfall.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Howson, of Dearborn, spent a few days last week with friends in this vicinity.

Miss Mattie Walker is visiting friends at Howell.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Burrell spent Sunday with Mrs. Burrell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Martin, of Dixboro.

Miss Louise Stever, of Plymouth, spent a few days at Hiram Murray's last week.

On account of the weather, the social at Olin Streng's last Friday evening was not a success.

Frank Woodruff, of Ypsilanti, called on friends here Saturday.

#### TONQUISH

Mrs. James King is quite ill at this writing.

The Helping Hand Society of this place will hold an ice cream social at Fred Reiman's in Plymouth this Friday evening. All are most cordially invited.

A. Stevens and M. Hanchett took a trip to the huckleberry marsh Friday.

Mr. Brownell held service at church last Sunday evening. There was a good attendance.

#### SOUTH LIVONIA.

After a two weeks' illness your correspondent is able to write up a few items for The Mail.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bossardet with their daughter Bernice, of Detroit, spent Sunday with Mrs. Katie Wurts.

Mrs. Flora Proctor is on the sick list.

Mrs. Will Felt and family, of Plymouth, were down this way Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Hanchett, of Plymouth, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Hanchett.

Mrs. Murray and family, of Salem, spent Sunday here.

Ed. Gillet accidentally shot himself with a revolver last week.

Lee J. Meldrum is nursing the rheumatism.

Mrs. A. E. Sherman entertained company from Vassar last week.

Wheat harvest is about over and oats are being harvested.

The first case to test the validity of the new state dog license law was tried at Saginaw last week, and yesterday a decision was rendered by the trial justice that needs only the affirmation of the supreme court to wipe the new law off the state books. The plaintiff sued to recover damages for the killing of his Newfoundland pup by the dog warden of Carrollton township, and he based his case on the ground that dogs are personal property. The court held that this ground was well taken and awarded the plaintiff damages in the sum of \$50. The case will be carried to the supreme court by the dog warden and will probably come up for hearing sometime in September, when that tribunal reconvenes after its summer vacation.—Flint News.

Four short stories, the beginning of one serial, and the concluding chapters of another give the August Ladies' Home Journal claim to the title of Midsummer Story Number. There are besides upward of thirty other features. Pictorially the August Journal is made unusually sumptuous by the work of nine illustrators and by innumerable photographs. "Through Picturesque America" will command particular attention, and Howard Chandler Christy's "American Girl in Society" is another notable artistic feature. A waltz, "Golden Poppies," is attuned to the slumberous summer days and is exceedingly pretty. From cover to cover the August Journal is entertaining and attractive. By The Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia. One dollar a year; ten cents a copy.

Major General McArthur has sent from Manila, a strong protest against withdrawing any troops at all from the Philippines for service in China, and instead, has asked for reinforcements. He has urgently represented to Secretary Root that under the system of garrisons adopted it is impossible to redistribute his force when regiments are withdrawn so as to properly patrol the district from which they have been taken. Secretary Root thoroughly appreciates General McArthur's views, but the urgency of the situation in China is such that he is compelled to detach regiments from the Philippines and send them to Taku. Naval officials ridicule a story that the Philadelphia has gone under sealed orders for China. The Philadelphia sailed for Portland to drill the naval militia. She is not going to China, according to present intentions, nor is the force of naval vessels in the orient to be increased. In fact, it is said the navy can play little part in any campaign in China. The entire Chinese fleet is outnumbered three to one by the foreign fleet in Chinese waters, and would fall an easy victim in case of formal war. On the other hand, owing to the character of the Chinese coast, the naval ships cannot be operated success-

fully against the forts, except at one or two ports, and these are already sufficiently protected by the foreign fleet.

William VanDyne, a farmer living near Salem, who is a prominent church member, has started a suit against Jas. Bullock, of that village, to recover \$1,000. VanDyne employed Bullock's daughter as a servant girl. She left VanDyne's place suddenly. He went to Bullock's to learn why the girl left, and Bullock accused him of making improper advances to the girl. VanDyne says that Bullock threatened him with violence if he did not settle. VanDyne protested that he was innocent, but rather than have the story get out he says he mortgaged his farm for

\$1,000 and gave the money to Bullock. Members of the church VanDyne attends heard the story and a committee was appointed to investigate. VanDyne again declared his innocence, but the committee told him that he would either have to square himself with the church people or get out of the church. The news was out anyway, so VanDyne commenced an action in garnishment at Ann Arbor Monday to recover the money. He made a complaint against Bullock for making threats in order to get the money.

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