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PLYMOUTH, MICH., FRIDAY, JULY 5, 1901.

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Breezy Items

By Elve Correspondents.

TONQUISH

Gus. Fleshemen is quite sick. He is a hard working young man when able, and we hope his recovery will be speedy. Misses Emma Guest and Edith Proctor took a trip to Ann Arbor Sunday.

A new clerk put in an appearance at the Tonquish store Saturday and expects to stay. All doing well.

Mrs. A. Morey, of Eloise, spend Monday with friends in this vicinity.

Mrs. Arden Sackett, who has been treated at Ann Arbor, has so far recovered as to be brought home on Monday last. She is still very weak, but we hope with tender care by her many friends that she will soon be well.

Jack Fogarty took a business trip to Ann Arbor last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hix and Mrs. Jane Russell visited old friends last Friday and Saturday south of Ypsilanti.

The greatest healer of modern times is Banner Salve for cuts, wounds, sores, piles and all skin diseases: it is guaranteed; use no substitute. '93 Pharmacy.

LIVONIA CENTER.

Hazel May, the six months old child of Mr. and Mrs. R. Z. Millard, died Tuesday noon. Funeral at 2 o'clock Wednesday. Interment in Center cemetery.

Miss Edna Smith, who has been attending school in the city the past term, is at home for vacation.

Miss Grace Peck spent Friday and Saturday with her grandmother.

George Fisher and wife buried a little daughter last Thursday in Center cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Peck and Harry called on Perrinsville people last Sunday.

Quite a nice time was had at the bowery last Friday night. The next party will be July 12th; so get your partners all.

Haying has begun in these parts.

Mrs. Grace, employed in Plymouth, Sundayed at home with her parents.

Hurray for the fourth of July, when the small boy amuses himself burning his fingers, or worse still, crippling himself some way.

Thos. W. Carter, of Ashboro, N. C., had kidney trouble and one bottle of Foley's Kidney Cure effected a perfect cure and he says there is no remedy that will compare with it. '98 Pharmacy.

MURRAY'S CORNERS.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Safford and daughter Ada, visited at Hiram Murrys, Sunday.

Miss Lillian Moore, of Belding, and Mrs. Elwin Pooler spent Saturday at Mr. Ed. Shuarts'.

Miss Alma Murry spent Sunday at Dr. T. W. Felt's at Belleville.

Mrs. Adams from the Soo, is visiting her brother, Bert.

On account of poor health, Joseph Durham has had to give up his position on Hiram Murry's farm and is moving back to his old home at Sand Hill. Mr. John Foster will take Mr. Durham's place.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet with Mrs. Orson Westfall next Thursday afternoon.

NEWBURG.

Mr. and Mrs. Day Dickerson and children have gone to Lakeville for a week's visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Kerr.

Newburg ball team were defeated by the Elm team in a game last Saturday. Nelson Barrows, his daughter, Clara Bennett, and children, went to Burton, Shiawassee county, Wednesday, to see the former's sister, who is quite ill.

Newburg's young people spent the Fourth at Walled Lake.

Mr. Gillett, with his two boys, Sylvester Ostrander and Harry Bassett went fishing Wednesday. They will tent out for a few days and do their own cooking.

Bertha Ostrander is expected home this month.

Mr. Brown, who rented Mr. Tahash's farm, has sold out his interest and will soon move away from there.

Miss Emma Arnold attended the Orr-Ryder wedding at Salem Wednesday evening.

Mrs. C. J. Tuttle visited in Detroit the first of the week. Her sister, Margaret returned with her.

STARK.

The next meeting of the Union Ladies' Aid Society will be held at the home of Mrs. Fremont Barker, Wednesday, July 10th. All are invited. Supper will be served.

Charles Meining has sold his interest in the store to Charles Kuhn and son. Wm. E. Hart has purchased the house and lot owned by O. E. Chilson. C. J. Ward, of Dearborn, spent Sunday in Stark.

Gertie Dierline, of Detroit, is visiting at Warren Brown's.

John Kuhn, on his return from Plymouth, found in his buggy one pair of overalls, a package of sugar, lemons and candy not purchased by himself. The goods will be found at the store in this place.

SALEM.

Frank and Bert Haywood and their families spent the 4th at Silver Lake. Rev. Lyon expects soon to move to Massachusetts.

Frank Woodworth, of Grand Rapids, was home the 4th.

Geo. Murray, of Detroit, visited relative here the 4th.

S. D. Chapin has bee at Orchard Lake for the past week.

W. W. Thayer, of Detroit, is home on a two weeks vacation.

There was a blue rock shoot and picnic at Linas Garpin's, Lapham's Corners, the 4th. A good time is reported by all.

Marshall Withee and wife, of Detroit are visiting at his father's, N. A. Withee's.

Burglars broke into the depot Friday night by pulling the staple on the freight house door. They took a revolver belonging to the agent and some change left in the money drawer of the express company. After leaving the depot they broke into the section house and stole a hand car, which was found just this side of Plymouth.

Married, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Ryder, their daughter Lena to Fred Orr, Wednesday evening, at 7:30. Rev. Allen, of Laingsburg was the officiating clergyman. About 60 guests were present and after the ceremony all sat down to a sumptuous wedding supper. The young couple left on the evening train for Port Huron and other places.

The valuation, as fixed by the Washtenaw county supervisors, of Salem township is—real estate \$786,184; personal \$85,489; total \$871,673. The total valuation of the county is 333,939,760.

A dispatch from Ann Arbor under date of July 3, says: Deputy Sheriff Fred Gillen returned this morning from Cleveland where he was investigating the property and record of Fred Shoemaker, the man under arrest here charged with horse stealing near Ypsilanti. The horse and buggy belonging to Mr. Jarvis of Ypsilanti, were found and identified. Shoemaker has refused to talk since his arrest, and even keeps his eyes tightly closed most of the time but now he has changed his tactics and is trying to get admitted to bail. Wholesale horse stealing has been going on in this and neighboring counties during the past two years. In that time Washtenaw county has lost nine horses, Lenawee about 20 and Monroe eight. Shoemaker's hearing has been set for Monday next.

Dr. Geo. Ewing, a practicing physician of Smith Grove, Ky., for over thirty years, writes his personal experience with Foley's Kidney Cure: "For years I have been greatly bothered with kidney trouble and enlarged prostate gland; I used everything known to the profession, without relief, until I was induced to use Foley's Kidney Cure. After using three bottles I was entirely relieved and cured; I prescribe it now daily in my practice and heartily recommend its use to all physicians for such troubles, for I can honestly state I have prescribed it in hundreds of cases with perfect success." '98 Pharmacy.

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Fire Crackers, Sky Rockets, Roman Candles, Pistols, Pistols, Blank Cartridges, Punk, 5c Fireworks, 10c Fireworks, etc.

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FRIDAY, JULY 5, 1901

SUBSCRIPTION RATES. One Year \$1.00 Six Months .50 Three Months .25

ADVERTISING RATES. Business Cards, \$5.00 per year. Resolutions of Respect, \$1.00. Cards of thanks, 25 cents. All local notices will be charged for at 5 cents per line or fraction thereof, for each insertion. Display advertising rates made known on application. Where no time is specified, all notices and advertisements will be inserted until ordered discontinued.

Collector Yerkes has practically decided that while he has no authority to cancel stamps imprinted on checks and return the checks to the banks for use, he can preserve them until next winter and give Congress a chance to authorize their return. By this plan, the entire loss of hundreds of dollars worth of fine check books prepared by the banks will be avoided.

The State Department has received corroboration of the foreign allegation that women connected with the American legation led in the looting of the sacred palace at Peking. Among those guilty of the looting was one lady who is said to have been at the bottom of the "femininity" referred to by Admiral Remy in connection with the wholly unwarranted charges against Captain Hall, of the Marine Corps.

A queer consignment was brought to Washington a day or two ago. It was a box addressed to Academy of Natural Science, covered with gauze and billed "four hundred mosquitoes." The insects were quite lively when they arrived here, and were apparently in as good health as when they started on their journey from South Carolina, where they were captured. They are brought here, of course, for scientific investigation.

Men are needed for the enlisted force of the navy to complete the authorized strength of 25,000. The apprentice system is over 1000 short and the regular establishment about the same number, with poor prospect of being fully recruited during the summer. Sailors whose terms of enlistment have expired, are being discharged at such a rate that the Navy Department finds it impossible to maintain the service at its full strength.

The Government of Brazil, one of the countries which it was feared would not be represented at the Pan-American Congress, to be held in the City of Mexico next October, on account of the restriction imposed upon the application of the principle of arbitration has formally announced its acceptance of the invitation to participate. The Administration is confident that Peru and perhaps Bolivia will be the only ones to absent themselves.

A handsome model of the new protected cruiser Denver has been set up in a corridor of the Navy Department, where it has attracted attention by reason of its trimness. The model represents not only the Denver, but also the Cleveland, Des Moines, Chattanooga, Galveston and Tacoma, which are exact counterparts. These vessels will have graceful lines, two tall, raking masts and the general aspect of an ocean yacht of large dimensions.

Counsel-General Law reports from Barcelona that since the old trade treaty with Spain was canceled and no new compact has been made to take its place, Spain has been obliged to impose maximum tariff duties on American goods, which amount to discriminatory rates. However, it is thought that mutually satisfactory trade relations between the two countries will soon be established. Despite high prices American goods find ready sale in Spain.

Stops the Cough And Works off the Cold. Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets cure a cold in one day. No Cure, No Pay. Price 25 cents.

The United States has decided to abandon all efforts to encourage the maintenance of the naval militia organizations of the States, owing to the lack of interest taken by the men in the plan for their education and training. At the beginning of the year the Navy Department prepared a program which contemplated the taking of naval militiamen to sea in any one of the naval vessels. The whole thing fell flat, however, only one or two states accepting the offer.

Hereafter examinations for entrance to the Naval Academy will be conducted by the Civil Service Boards in various parts of the country instead of at Annapolis by the Academic Board, as has heretofore been the case. The examination papers will be prepared at the Naval Academy and turned over to the civil service commission, and when the examinations are concluded these papers will be forwarded to the Navy Department for final action. The main purpose of the plan is to save the young men nominated as cadets the trouble and expense of leaving their homes and going to Annapolis for examination.

Science has found that rheumatism is caused by uric acid in the blood. This poison should be excreted by the kidneys. Foley's kidney cure always makes them well. '93 Pharmacy.

Was It Original?

To an inquiry by a subscriber of the Herald and Presbyterian, as to whether Thos. Jefferson recast the "Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence and called it the Declaration of Independence," that paper replies as follows:

The Declaration of Independence by the Mecklenburg Convention was made May 31, 1775, thirteen months before the Declaration by the Continental Congress. It was sent by a special messenger, Captain Jack, to the Congress, then in session at Philadelphia, and placed in the hands of Delegates Caswell, Hooper and Hew, who addressed a letter to the Mecklenburg people, complimenting them on their patriotism and expressing the belief that the whole continent would speedily follow their example if grievances were not soon righted. Those who read both Declarations will see that the principles and many of the phrases of the national document are in that previously adopted at Mecklenburg. The following extract from the letter will illustrate this:

We do hereby dissolve the political bands which have connected us with our mother country, and hereby absolve ourselves from all allegiance to the British crown. We hereby declare ourselves a free and independent people, under control of no power other than that of our God and the general Congress, to the maintenance of which we solemnly pledge to each other our mutual co-operation, our most sacred honor and our lives.

W. C. T. U.

It has been decided that the Ladies' Elocutionary contest will be held early in August with five contestants from Plymouth and five from Salem. A fine entertainment is anticipated.

The readings for last week were in charge of Mrs. R. C. Safford who gave several fine selections on "Franchise."

Mrs. C. G. Curtis will have readings for next week on the subject of "Health and Heredity."—Supt. Press.

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A ROBIN'S QUEER ACTIONS.

Does It Play Hide and Seek with Its Own Image? Meehan's Monthly prints a queer story of a female robin. Every morning about daylight, and at irregular hours during the day, but more particularly in the morning, the bird flies to the window-sill, tips back her head, looks straight up, and then makes a flying leap up some three or four feet and pecks at the window-glass, generally giving three knocks while poised in mid-air. This it continues for an hour or more, sometimes going out to the lawn for a worm and then returning to its queer tactics. When driven away, it will return within three minutes. Where the inside shades are drawn down, if of light color, she does not bother that window; but if the shades are dark green, she will peck at the glass. Only windows under a porch cover are attacked. Even when all these are shaded with light shades, she does not bother other windows not shaded that have no porch covering over them. When all the windows under a porch were covered with light inside shades, leaving one small transom window unshaded, she attacked that, but left windows, within five feet unshaded and not covered by porch, alone. She is not attacking her reflection, because the reflection would be near the window-sill. Sometimes her mate sits on the porch railing, some ten feet away, watching her. If a window is left open, she leaves it and goes to another. What does it all mean?

The Mule in Hypnotism.

Max Carnaveaux, who gives exhibitions of his power in hypnotism, has decided that in future he will be more careful in the selection of his subjects for experiment. One of his favorite tricks was to persuade the man who submitted to him for test that he was a mule, and great merriment always followed the muleish antics of the victim while he was under the hypnotic influence. But one day, down in Lyndon, Kansas, Mr. Carnaveaux, feeling unusually sprightly and jovial, presumed a little too far on the good nature and gentility of the mule pro tem, and carried away by the strength of hypnotic suggestion, the man under the spell suddenly kicked out with great violence and struck the hypnotist in the hand, fracturing one of the bones. For a few weeks, therefore, there have been no hypnotic experiments of any sort, and Mr. Carnaveaux has made up his mind to give up the mule trick and rely on animals of more peaceable and reliable dispositions. Youth's Companion.

De Wet and Nicholson's Nek. A "British Weekly" correspondent in South Africa has been told by a burgher that it was De Wet who organized the capture at Nicholson's Nek. He was in charge of a small commando, and noticed the position of the Gloucesters, extended on a long ridge. Seizing an eminence which commanded the position, he occupied this under cover of darkness with few marksmen, whose fire in the early morning led the British force to concentrate, and covered the tactics of the rest of the commando, which quietly took every dominant point round the British position, until the surrender became inevitable. My acquaintance watched the whole affair from his place with the ambulance, some 800 yards from the British center.

EXCURSIONS VIA THE PERE MARQUETTE

Grand Ledge, Sunday, July 7. Train will leave Plymouth at 8:50 a. m. Returning, leave Grand Ledge at 6:30 p. m. Rate 75 cents. 2w
Detroit, Sunday, July 14th. Train will leave Plymouth at 11:20 a. m. Returning leave Detroit at 6:30 p. m. Rate 25c.

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No. 1 White "	62
Oats, white, per bu.	1.30 to 1.35
Beans, per bu.	65
Rye	65
DAIRY AND PRODUCE	
Butter, cream	17
Eggs, strictly fresh	14
Lard, lib.	65
POULTRY AND MEATS	
Spring chickens, live, per lb.	.08
Pork, dressed, per cwt.	65
Beef	65 to 68
MISCELLANEOUS	
Flour, retail price per bb.	54.25
Bran, per cwt.	1.00
Short feed	1.00
Chops	1.00
Potatoes	.40

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PERE MARQUETTE

In effect Jan. 7, 1901. Trains leave Plymouth as follows: For Grand Rapids, North and West. 8:22 a. m., 1:45 p. m., 5:58 p. m. For Saginaw, Bay City and Port Huron. 3:00 a. m., 9:12 a. m., 2:00 p. m., 6:15 p. m. For Saginaw, Manistee, Ludington and Milwaukee. 3:00 a. m., 9:12 a. m., 2:00 p. m. and 6:15 p. m. For Toledo and South. 7:00 a. m., 11:00 a. m., 2:20 p. m. For Detroit and East. 7:00 a. m., 10:32 a. m., 11:00 a. m., 2:17 p. m., 3:25 p. m., 8:45 p. m., 9:20 p. m. H. F. MOELLER, Gen. Pass. Agt. Agent—H. M. JACKSON. Telephone 25 for information.

Detroit, Plymouth & Northville Ry

TIME CARD.

Going South.	Going North.	Leave Wayne
8:45 a. m.	8:10 p. m.	7:15
9:45	6:50	9:15
10:45	4:50	10:15
11:45	3:50	11:15
12:45 p. m.	1:50	12:15
1:45	11:50 p. m.	3:15
2:45	12:50	4:15
3:45	2:50	5:15
4:45	3:50	6:15
5:45	4:50	7:15
6:45	5:50	8:15
7:45	6:50	9:15
8:45	7:50	10:15
9:45	8:50	12:15 a. m.
10:45 p. m.	9:50	
11:45	10:50	

Cars of the D. P. & N. make direct connection with cars on the Ann Arbor leaving Detroit on the even hour. For information about special cars, rates, etc., address, T. E. Griffin, Plymouth Tel. No. 24.

Detroit Southern Ry. Co.

Time Table in Effect June 16, 1901.

SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	No. 1.	No. 3.	No. 5.
Detroit	7:45	9:00	9:30
Carleton	8:52	7:05	7:35
Dundee	9:30	7:45	8:15
Tecumseh	10:20	8:35	9:05
Adrian	10:28	8:43	9:13
Wauseon	11:24	9:38	10:08
Napoleon	11:50	10:00	10:30
Malinta	12:10		11:15
Leipsic	12:38		11:43
Ottawa	12:50		12:00
Col. Grove	1:30		11:40
Lima	1:30		12:00
Springfield	3:55		

NORTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	No. 2.	No. 4.	No. 6.
Springfield	8:30	8:50	9:00
Lima	10:30		6:30
Col. Grove	11:17		6:47
Ottawa	11:35		6:59
Leipsic	11:41		7:05
Malinta	11:50		7:20
Napoleon	12:25	6:00	7:42
Wauseon	12:50	6:20	8:00
Adrian	2:57	7:20	8:32
Tecumseh	2:50	7:45	8:55
Dundee	2:50	8:15	10:08
Carleton	10:28	8:32	10:08
Detroit	1:20	10:00	11:20

No. 1, 2, 3 and 4 run daily except Sunday, No. 1 and Sundays only. No. 3 will run through to Lima Saturdays only.

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Local Newslets

Pay village taxes now.

Mrs. Ed. Huston is quite sick. Don Safford, of Grand Rapids was home Sunday.

Mrs. Celia Clark, of Detroit, is visiting at Jay Burr's. Sunday School excursion on Wednesday to Belle Isle.

Miss Edith Rauch, of Ovid, is visiting at J. B. Rauch's. Miss Maggie Joy, of Detroit, is visiting her father Asa Joy, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hodge left Wednesday for a visit at Cincinnati, O.

Mrs. Briggs and daughter, of Battle Creek, are visiting Mrs. Mercy Durfee this week.

Mrs. Ed. Pelton and daughter June, left Tuesday for a visit at Grand Rapids and Ionia.

Mrs. E. C. Bassett, of Newburg, visited her daughter Mrs. T. W. Davey Wednesday.

A contractor from Romulus will build a new house on Sutton street for Sam. Ableson.

Miss Maud Merrill, of New Boston, is visiting her sisters, Misses Sadie and Celeste Merrill.

Miss Nell McLaren and Mary Conner visited at Miss McLaren's home near Chelsea the 4th.

E. K. Bennett left Saturday for Petoskey and Walloon Lake for several weeks' vacation.

Miss Bernice Goodrich, of Bath, Mich., is visiting her sister Miss Blanche Goodrich this week.

The Plymouth city ball team go to Pontiac next Friday to play the return game with that club.

Merritt Bros. have secured the contract to build W. F. Riggs new house and also Charles Miller's.

E. L. Riggs and wife, F. E. Riggs and children and Miss Avis Green left to-day for St. Clair for an outing.

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Bennett and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Rauch leave to-day for a several weeks' outing at Walled Lake.

Dr. Cooper left Monday for a week's vacation, taking a trip down the St. Lawrence river to the Thousand Isles.

F. E. Riggs and children, of Louisville, Kentucky, are visiting his brothers, E. L. and W. T. Riggs this week.

Supervisor Nash, of Canton, was last week elected chairman of the county building committee, a responsible place.

Miss Maud Patterson, sister of Dr. Patterson, who has been teaching in the schools at St. Marys, Canada, is home for the summer.

Geo. Knapp, who has been working with bridge carpenters on the Pere Marquette, had his right foot badly cut with an adz while at work Wednesday.

Rev. Stephens was called to Deerfield to-day to preach the funeral sermon for Leal Logue, a young man of 18 years, who was drowned while bathing in the Raisin river.

The last outstanding water works note of \$1,000 against the village of Plymouth was ordered paid by the council last Monday evening. Only the bonds—\$30,000—are now outstanding.

The evidence taken at the coroner's inquest in the case of Mrs. Geo. Cooper at Ferrisville, last Thursday, was on Saturday submitted to Prosecuting Attorney Hunt for action. So far, The Mail has not understood that an arrest will be ordered by the Prosecutor.

Gov. P'ngree's funeral takes place Saturday, and it will be a large and imposing affair. Thousands of civic and military organizations will be in line and people from all over the State will be in attendance. The remains will lie in state to-day at the city hall.

FARMERS—Go to Shafer Bros., Plymouth, for mower and binder knives, knife heads, and sections of all makes.

It was a very small crowd that turned out to see one of the best ball games of the season at the fair grounds last Friday afternoon between the Pontiac City ball club and Plymouth. It was a good game from start to finish, both teams playing fine ball. The Plymouth boys did great work at the bat and pounded out 9 runs to Pontiac's 5. Turn out to see the next game, and show the boys Plymouth takes an interest in ball.

It seems The Mail was in error last week when it stated that the liabilities of F. Markham Briggs were about \$8000. The statement was made on information given us by a reliable party. Receiver Starkweather says the liabilities will exceed \$26,000, with assets of but a few thousand dollars at the most, and instead of paying out about even, scarcely ten cents on the dollar will be realized, unless a transfer of real estate to Mr. Briggs' wife, made by him, can be set aside, and an effort to do which will be made. The drug and grocery store is being run by Druggist Hubball, all the other clerks being discharged. Several prospective buyers of the stock are already in sight.

Pay village taxes now.

Clay Hoyt of Lansing was home the 4th.

Frank Black of Detroit spent the 4th in Plymouth.

Mrs. Chaffee, mother of A. W., is visiting another son in Pontiac.

New bar fixtures were placed in the Hotel Plymouth bar room yesterday.

Mrs. Geo. Van Vleet left Tuesday for a visit with friends at Flushing, Mich.

E. P. Baker made a business trip to Fort Wayne, Ind., the fore part of the week.

The Plymouth Junior ball team play the D. A. C. junior team at Belle Isle July 10th.

Mrs. Hawley and grand-daughter, Miss Levison, of Jackson, visited at A. W. Chaffee's Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Bingham, of Rochester, N. Y., are visiting in Plymouth, as the guests of Mrs. F. W. Fairman.

Remember the excursion to Belle Isle on Wednesday next. Fare to Detroit and return 25cts. Everybody go and have a good time.

Mrs. Emory Townsend with her family, of Saginaw, is spending a few weeks with her mother, Mrs. F. W. Fairman, of Plymouth.

Beginning with last Monday the Detroit Journal will be issued as a penny daily. The Journal is a creditable newspaper under its new ownership.

Mrs. Harry Shattuck entertained the infant class of the Presbyterian Sabbath School Wednesday at her home, the little ones enjoying a good time.

Are you going on the S. S. excursion on Wednesday to Belle Isle? Fare only 25 cts. to Detroit and return. Train will leave in the morning at 6:55 standard time. It will be the excursion of the season.

All friends of the Political Equality club will please meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Curtis for the last meeting for the summer on Wednesday evening, July 10. Let us have a good turnout.—E. M. S.

The heat the fore part of the week was terrific. July 1st is said to have been the hottest in thirty years on the same day. Plymouth suffered with the rest of the country but fortunately there were no fatalities.

The Boland syndicate is running cars between Jackson and Grass Lake. About 100 car loads of ties have been unloaded at Plymouth and it is expected grading will be begun in a few days. Farmers who have buildings to move on the route have already begun the work.

Outside of the ball game at the fair grounds yesterday, there was no excitement in Plymouth. All business places were closed after noon and every body that did not go out of town made themselves as comfortable as possible at home. Many went to Wayne, where a celebration was held, and others to the city, Belle Isle, the Flats, etc.

Sailors and walking hats from 25c. to 50c. each. NELL B. McLAREN.

There should be some systematic way of ringing the fire bell, that the department may know in which the direction the fire is. At the ringing of the fire bell Monday the cart in the park stand was run north when it should have gone south on Main street. The firemen are often at a loss to know where the fire is. It would be wise for the chief, or the council, to divide the village into districts and make a rule that the bell be tapped for the number of the district in which the fire may be located.

Mrs. T. W. Davey was about to light the gasoline stove in her kitchen Monday about six o'clock, and after she had turned on the gasoline a few drops ran over into a box containing some paper. In a moment they were blazing up to the ceiling, igniting also some paper on the wall. She seized the stove courageously and threw it out of doors. A neighbor, Mrs. Johnson, heard her call for help and responded with a garden hose with which the fire was put out. An alarm had been sent down town and the fire bell was rung, to which the department promptly responded, but their services were not needed.

I have about one dozen trimmed hats left, which I will sell at cost. NELL B. McLAREN.

Safe at Home.

Frank Miller and wife returned home from Arizona Wednesday afternoon and if any one was ever glad to get home it was Frank and his wife. They left here two or three years ago for the west and located on a ranch near Yuma, Arizona. Last fall Frank got into trouble with a woman whom, he alleges, squatted on land belonging to him, and in efforts to dispossess her, a deputy sheriff shot and killed the woman, as she was about to raise a gun to do a little killing herself, as she threatened. Frank and the deputy sheriff were lodged in jail and the deputy was later lynched by an infuriated mob, as he was to be tried for murder. It looked bad for Miller, but through the efforts of friends in Plymouth a change of venue to another court was secured and a jury acquitted him from all blame, when both he and his wife lost no time in leaving the country.

CHURCH NEWS.

Preaching service at the M. E. church by the pastor Sunday morning.

Rev. Stephens preached a fitting sermon last Sunday morning in the M. E. church.

Episcopal church services will be held (over Plymouth Savings Bank) next Sunday evening at 7:30 p. m. All are cordially invited. Sunday-school at 6:30 p. m.

The subject for next Sunday at First Church of Christ, Scientist, will be—"God." The Christian Science hall will be closed as a reading room during the months of July and August.

A number of families sojourned down to the Markham flats yesterday to get a cool breeze and lay in the shade. The storm came up so suddenly that all were drenched to the skin.

A large walnut tree in the yard of Joel Kellogg was struck by lightning during the thunder storm yesterday. Some of the members of the family had been sitting under the tree less than half a minute previous to the shock and were more or less affected by the fluid as it shot down the tree from top to bottom, scattering the bark in all directions. The tree is thought to be over 75 years old.

Plymouth Division No. 160, of the Knights of the Loyal Guard, was organized Thursday evening of last week in Odd Fellows hall, by Hon. Edwin O. Wood, supreme commander-in-chief, Hon. Marx W. Stevens, supreme captain general, and Dr. Orson Millard, supreme medical examiner, of Flint. The lodge starts off with 28 charter members and six new members for the next meeting, July 10th. Special inducements will be offered new members during month of July. M. E. Kimball, of the P. M. Ry., has been appointed deputy commander-in-chief. The order is based on the military plan and the floor work is very interesting and instructive. The following officers were elected:

Captain General—J. E. Mealey.
Sen. Captain—Nelson G. Riley.
Jun. Captain—H. W. L. Hillmer.
Recorder—E. Partridge.
Treas. and Paymaster—H. M. Jackson.
Chap.—Rev. T. B. Leith.
Sen. Lieut.—William McLaren.
Jun. Lieut.—Chas. Horner.
Sergeants—Adelbert Knapp and Ben. Mott.
Sentinel—Warren O. Brown.
Standard Bearer—Ambrose Roe.
Ex. Physician—Dr. Patterson.

NOTICE.—From July 4th until Sept. 1st, my store will be closed at 6 o'clock every evening, except Saturday evenings. NELL B. McLAREN.

Seldom has a better chance for "stay-at-home traveling" been offered than in The Ladies' Home Journal for July. From West Point, as pictured by George Gibbs on the cover, "A Boston Street at High Noon"; next try "Goin' Fishin' with Joe Jefferson" in Florida; then travel out West with Ernest Seton Thompson to see "The Mother Teal and the Overland Rout"; next go along the Atlantic Coast to find out how the places "Where Our Country Began" look to-day; then seek Northern Michigan to hear "The Story of a Maple Tree," by William Davenport Hulbert; next visit an Eastern magazine editor's office and enjoy the good-humored rallery of "The Case Against the Editor," by Edward Bok; and finally what "The Country of Sheridan's Ride" looks like nowadays. There are many other articles of equal interest on various subjects. By The Curtis Publishing Company, Philadelphia. One dollar a year; ten cents a copy.

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The North Side

Pay village taxes now.

Mrs. H. M. Jackson is improving rapidly.

Mrs. H. E. Riley returned Monday from Mason.

Miss Mabel Smith visited friends in Detroit this week.

Mrs. M. L. Markham visited relatives in Detroit this week.

Mrs. Wm. Bentley is visiting relatives at Tuscola this week.

Wm. Slater, of Marshall, is visiting at M. Smith's this week.

Geo. Van Vleet has a string of horses at the Jackson races this week.

Operator McIntyre was offered a position in Grand Rapids this week.

Miss Lida Hassenger is home spending the vacation with her mother.

John Gill, Otto Mealow and Ira Smith were Detroit visitors Sunday.

James Stewart, of Detroit, was a visitor this week at Conrad Springer's.

A number of Detroit friends of Mr. and Mrs. Eichler's visited them the 4th.

Mrs. F. VonNostitz and children, of Detroit, visited her sisters here Tuesday.

Engineer Kingston and family will move into the Gleason house next week.

Mrs. Willard Roe returned home Saturday from a two weeks' stay at Saginaw.

Rev. A. E. Ketcham, of South Haven visited at Robert Maiden's Tuesday and Wednesday.

Elmer and Arthur Whipple left Monday for a two weeks' visit in Buffalo and Niagara Falls.

Mrs. M. E. Kimball and daughter Elma returned Saturday from a ten days' visit at Flint.

Oliver Johnson and Mr. Ash have moved into Lafayette Dean's new house on Oak street.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Germer and daughter, Mattie, are spending a couple of weeks at Ludington.

Engineer Harry Ables and wife, of Saginaw, are visiting Mrs. Ables' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Dickerson attended the wedding of Fred Orr and Lena Ryder at Salem Wednesday evening.

The B. Y. P. U. will have an ice cream social on Mrs. Carrie Markham's lawn Friday evening, July 12th, to which all are cordially invited.

The social on Mr. Wilske's lawn on Friday night last was well attended and the Sunday-school netted nearly \$10. The superintendent wishes to thank all who attended and helped to make it a success.

For Sale, Cheap—A good second hand lady's bicycle. Enquire at E. L. Riggs' store.

FOR SALE.—One 2-seated canopy top surrey in perfect order, but little used, will sell for just about half what it is worth; also one phaeton, a good one with leather top, broad cloth trimmings and in No. 1 order, at half price. Enquire at Riggs' store.

AUCTION SALE.—I will sell at public auction at my home near the school-house, on Saturday afternoon, July 8th, at 2 o'clock, a large lot of household goods and furniture of all kinds. Harry Robinson, auctioneer.

MRS. REBEKAH PALMER

Notice to Tax-payers.

Village taxes for the year 1901 are now due and payable at the office of the treasurer at the Plymouth Savings Bank.

C. A. FISHER, Treasurer.

FOR SALE.—House and lot on Ann Arbor st., near the fair grounds, and twenty acres of land one and one-half miles east of Plymouth. Address H. E. Bradner, Lansing, Mich.

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The Telephone Situation

The Independent Companies Have Unquestionably the Best of it.

THEIR CLAIMS FULLY ADMITTED BY PRESIDENT JOHN I. SABIN, OF THE CENTRAL UNION (BELL) COMPANY.

Two remarkable statements, made on the same day, in localities wide apart, by two leading exponents of the rival interests.

Hon. S. P. Sheerin, of Indianapolis, Ind., reads a paper in Buffalo, at the convention of the Independent Telephone Association of the United States, and Mr. John I. Sabin issues a circular in Chicago, on the same day, strongly corroborating Mr. Sheerin.

Extract from Mr. Sheerin's paper:

"I feel that you will pardon me for talking a little about my own state of Indiana, by way of illustration:

"We have had a most desperate fight in Indiana for the past five years—notably for the past two years.

"When the first independent telephone exchange was constructed in Indiana, the Central Union Telephone Co. had been paying, for 12 years, on a capital of \$6,300,000 (three-fifths of which was pure water), annual dividends ranging from 4 to 6 per cent. They had no bonded indebtedness, and no floating indebtedness that was reported.

"When the fight with the independents began they ceased paying dividends—the last one being paid in 1905. In 1907 they borrowed two and a half millions of dollars; in 1909, they borrowed six millions of dollars, and a half million of which was set aside to pay the holders of the first mortgage of two and a half millions.

"They now have, in addition to this \$6,000,000 mortgage (according to recent publications), a floating indebtedness of \$1,250,000.

"Now let me tell you what all this has resulted in: The Central Union now have (as shown by their own figures) 22,000 telephones in the state. (The real number is smaller than this, but we can afford to be generous, and I propose to give them all they claim.)

"The Independent Telephone interests have in the state of Indiana, by actual count, 52,468 telephones. I know you will excuse me if I repeat those figures:

"After a 'war expenditure' of seven and a quarter million dollars, begun upon the independent movement when there were less than 2,000 independent telephones in the state, the Central Union now has, for its expenditure, 22,000 telephones and the independent movement has 52,468.

"The total population of Indiana (according to the census of 1901) was 2,516,000. There are 92 counties in the state, and there are 27 of these in which the Central Union or any other Bell company has no exchange—large or small.

"The population of these 27 counties aggregates 401,000, and the aggregate number of independent telephones in these 27 counties is 14,202. The total number of Central Union and other Bell company telephones, used at toll stations only, in these 27 counties is 197.

"I submit this Indiana statement more especially for the benefit of our friends in different parts of the country, who are just beginning their fight with the great monopoly. If you ask how they fought us, I can simply say—every way.

"Of the millions invested in the Independent Telephone business in Indiana, less than \$100,000 has come from outside of the state. More than that, the business is practically out of debt. The total indebtedness upon the Indiana Independent Telephone property is less than 10 per cent of its total value.

"In this great success the farmers and villagers of the state have been of incalculable help. They realized (as all sensible men similarly situated must have realized) that their only hope was in becoming a part and parcel of the great independent movement."

Interesting Comparison.

To the Editor: In explanation of the above, the Central Union Telephone Co. is the Bell organization in the states of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois and Iowa, except in the counties in which are located Cleveland, Cincinnati and Chicago.

The independents in the territory occupied by the Central Union have subscribers' "stations" or telephones as follows:

Ohio	66,728
Indiana	52,468
Illinois	51,000
Iowa	41,000
Total	211,664
Central Union (Bell)	70,000

Excess Independents 141,664

Trusting the above will give you the desired information, I am yours truly,

J. B. WARE, Pres't State Association.

Extract from Mr. Sabin's circular: **NEEDS 5,000,000 AT ONCE**

Central Union Telephone Stockholders Astounded.

(Chicago Tribune.)

John I. Sabin, the new president of the Central Union Telephone Company, stirred up his stockholders yesterday by issuing a letter saying that they must furnish \$5,000,000 if they want to save the company.

So extreme a step is almost without precedent in La Salle street, and President Sabin's letter created much interest. Its receipt was followed by an immediate decline of 9 points in the stock of the company from the closing price on Saturday. Singularly enough the 9 points represent a gain in the stock which was made upon the announcement recently that Mr. Sabin would become president of the company. After a two months' examination he finds liberal expenditures "imperatively necessary."

Mr. Sabin says that the net revenues will not allow extensions rapidly enough, and that in his opinion the most practical way of getting the money is one of the following three:

"1. For you to agree to a voluntary assessment of \$20 a share immediately. \$20 a share before Dec. 31, 1901, and \$20 a share during 1902.

"2. For you to agree to loan the company the same funds, at the same time, at 4 per cent interest.

"3. For you to agree to purchase your share of the unissued capital stock of this company at par. The amount is \$3,000,000."

Mr. Sabin says in effect that the measures he proposes are necessary in order to preserve the company from "dry rot." He does not gloss over facts in the least, and goes as near saying that the company is in extreme bad shape as anyone could without saying it in so many words.

Money Needed Without Delay.

His letter says:

"After two months' investigation—the last month in charge as president—I find it is imperatively necessary that at least \$3,000,000 be provided without delay, that is, one-half immediately and one-half before the close of the present year, 1901; with a call for another \$1,000,000 during the first half of the year 1902, and one more for the same amount during the last half of 1902, making a total of \$5,000,000.

"(This sum in addition to the net income during the period named.)

"The issue of bonds under present mortgages has reached its limit. If the great majority, practically all of the shareholders, will not agree to one of these three propositions, nearly all new work must stop and that simply means going backward instead of forward.

"There is no use crying over spilled milk, or abusing one another for things not accomplished. The people of the states of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Iowa want telephone service. Will you supply it or must someone else?"

"Are you doing it with fewer than 70,000 stations? No. When you have 300,000 exchange stations, then you have a good start, no before."

"When you have 150,000 exchange stations, at proper rates, you will have a plant upon which you can earn something, with which to build up the second 150,000. Your territory needs 300,000 stations."

"With your present 70,000 stations, the great majority of them at insufficient rates, thousands of them absolutely without charge, you cannot build up anything except opposition.

"You are not satisfying the public, because your system does not reach far enough. There are scores of villages and small towns taken as a whole, that should have 50,000 telephones, and in which the Central Union Telephone Co. has not a single instrument."

"The opposition is not satisfying the public. The property is yours, not mine. Do you want to build it up to the proper standard? Time is the very essence of value to your property. What you want done must be done now. Later on, and a little later at that, it will be too late.

"Will you agree to No. 1? Will you agree to No. 2? Will you agree to No. 3? I am sure 70 per cent of our stockholders will agree to either 1, 2 or 3. What will you do about it?"

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AMERICAN PRE-EMINENCE.

United States Ahead of Other Nations in Bridge Building.

Americans are twenty years in advance of other nations (except Canada) in the art of bridge design and construction. The steel of which a bridge is made represents about half of its cost. Steel is now made in the United States at much less cost than in any other country. In Britain, labor is so much hampered by trades-unionism that it is admitted by one of the leaders that the cost of labor in making steel in the United States is not one-half of what it is in Britain. This can be said also of the labor employed in manufacturing. The market for bridges is far greater in the United States than elsewhere. The states have now 190,000 miles of railways, and it has been estimated that there is an average of one span of metallic bridge for every three miles of railway. This gives 63,000 bridges on existing lines, without including those required for new lines. The increase in the United States of the weight of cars and engines has resulted in wonderful economic changes. The average rate of freights on American railways was in 1867 a little over \$5 per ton. Now it averages 95 cents. Any one can figure the saving on \$76,000,000 of tons of freight moved in 1900. These larger cars carry double the paying load of the old ones that they have superseded, and more powerful engines draw more cars in a train. This increase of weight of rolling stock has led to the renewal of the 63,000 old bridges by stronger and heavier ones. This demand has brought into existence many bridge-building companies, and they can well afford to equip themselves with the best labor-saving and accurate-working machinery, regardless of first cost, as they know it would seldom if ever be idle. European bridge builders are not in this position. Trains have not increased in weight as they have in America. The old bridges answer their purpose, and the demand has been chiefly confined to new ones. Bridge building is merely an adjunct to other business, and possibly the owners are wise in not investing much capital in special tools.—T. C. Clarke, in the Engineering Magazine.

JOKE ON SNAKE CHARMER.

It Reacted on the Joker in an Uncomfortable Way.

Rear Admiral Robley D. Evans, when a young officer, was on the Indian Station in the man-of-war Delaware. With several others he set up a bungalow on shore. He tells in "A Sailor's Log," published by the Appletons, what happened to a snake-charmer that came along: "The unfortunate thought came to one of our men that it would be a good idea to get the Mohammedan drunk to see what he would do; so he prepared a dose for him that was very effective. He poured a good stiff drink of brandy into a beer glass, and then filled it with gin instead of water. The charmer took kindly to the drink, and in a short time rolled out of his chair on to the floor very drunk, and was soon fast asleep. The bag of snakes had not been thought of up to this time, but it also fell, and the inhabitants quickly spread over the floor. In the meantime five American officers took to the table, and drawing their feet up carefully remained there until the snake-charmer slept off his dose. He snored quietly while the snakes crawled over and around him, but it was a long time before he finally came to himself, secured his pets and took them away. We did not repeat that experiment."

When Patti Laughed Alone.

When Adelina Patti laughs the heartiest it is at the recollection of her first appearance as Lucia in London. She was very anxious to dress the part correctly, so she studied her Walter Scott, and, finding that Lucia in the earlier scenes was described as wearing a scarlet cloak, she discarded the traditional pearl-gray silk and tulle and came before her audience in the guise of the original bride. But the audience had accustomed itself to tradition and did not recognize Lucia in such homely attire. "They didn't know what I was about!" laughs Patti. "I do believe they really thought that I was going to play Little Red Riding Hood, and was making game of them."

Mistake for Bicycle Rider.

An inquisitive commuter on one of the trains that pulled into the Grand Central station had his dignity ruffled the other day by a facetious engineer. The commuter wore a golf suit of the latest pattern. His suit wasn't ruffled, but his temper was, when the engineer took him for a bicycle rider. Mr. Inquisitive, seeing that the big locomotive in the yard was in some sort of trouble, yelled at the engineer a query as to what was the matter: His curiosity was satisfied and his suit of clothes insulted when the grimy engineer shouted back at him: "Nothing much; just punctured my tire. Got a pocket pump with you?"—New York Sun.

Fish That Change Color.

It has been found that certain prawns, common along the coasts of England, change their color at least twice every twenty-four hours, in order to harmonize with the stronger or weaker light prevailing near the surface or in the deeper water. As evening approaches these fish lose their distinctive day colors, and all assume a transparent saffron hue. The change begins with a reddish glow, followed by a green tinge which gradually melts into blue. The day-and-night change has become so habitual that specimens kept in perpetual light or perpetual darkness nevertheless undergo the periodic alteration of color.

ON THE CANCER GERM.

Dr. Gaylor's Report of Experiments of Last Three Years.

Dr. Harvey R. Gaylor, in the American Journal of Medical Sciences, publishes his official report on his experiments of the last three years, made with a view to finding the germ of cancer. The increase in the number of cancer cases and the fact that it ranks next to consumption as a cause of death in this country, make his report of the greatest interest. It is written in a technical manner, which makes it largely incomprehensible to the laity, but enough can be gleaned from it to give hope that the doctor really has found the pestiferous little "protozoan" which causes cancer. Many learned scientists have searched for the little rascal before, but without success. Dr. Gaylor believes that he has caught him. In cases of well developed cancer the doctor discovered small transparent bodies which, under the microscope, were observed to change their form, increase in size and pass through what appeared to be a spore-forming stage. By inoculating animals with these protozoans the doctor was able to produce a cancerous state in them. One guinea pig so inoculated became afflicted with "a condition of the lungs and the liver which we wish to interpret as primary carcinoma of those organs"—in other words, the beginning of genuine cancer. The report, which occupies thirty-six pages and tells of his experiments in detail, seems to justify the belief that at last the germ of cancer really has been found and "isolated," so that the disease can be transferred by inoculation. If that is so, an important step has been made, but the most important one is yet to come. Granted that the germ of cancer has been found, now what will kill that germ and cure or prevent cancer? Dr. Gaylor emphatically disclaims any responsibility for the reports regarding his experiments which have been published before this official one.

AT THE VOLCANO'S CRATER.

Americans Reached Its Brink and Were There Photographed.

A party of Americans touring in Mexico recently accomplished the unusual feat of ascending to the edge of the crater of Mount Popocatepetl, the famous volcano of the North American continent. A member of the party in describing the trip says the crater is a marvel and well worth a hard journey to see. "A huge and gloomy pit it is," he says, "its steep sides emitting sulphurous smoke and fumes, and its perpendicular walls descending, it is said, to a depth of 1,600 feet. At the bottom is a small lake of emerald green, surrounded by volcanic rocks and deposits of sulphur. At the top there is a ledge of rock at the crater's edge, from which we made our observations of the crater and upon which we were photographed. I did not observe any difficulty in breathing or any noticeable increase of heart action, but several members of the party were panting painfully and were hardly able to speak. One of my comrades told me that he could feel his heart beat through his coat and sweater. The temperature was very cold, but it seemed to be modified somewhat by the natural warmth of the crater and we were protected against the icy wind outside."

Story from the Klondike.

Strangely enough, the London Weekly Dispatch does not appear to credit the story which appeared in its contemporary, the Express, regarding the devastation wrought in the Klondike by a mastodon. The story as it was printed in the Express was dated New York, and it said: "From Dawson City there comes a letter which describes the killing of a big mastodon at the Forks after he had demolished a hotel and several houses, tossed dogs and horses in the air and caused men to run for their lives. He was at last killed by an electric wire which he tried to pull down. His skin alone weighed 1,100 pounds. The skeleton, which is 15 feet high, is now on exhibition. One tusk weighed 217 pounds. The town in which he was killed looked like it had been visited by an earthquake." The Dispatch, for the instruction of its readers, also printed a thrilling picture of a hairy mastodon on a rampage, and it was unkind enough to head the clipping from the Express "A Very, Very Tall Story."—New York Press.

How Quails Are Fattened.

A curious account of how quails are fattened for the market is given in a London paper. It appears that quails, being regular in their habits, always feed directly they wake up in the morning. They are, therefore, put in a large cellar, lit only by electric light. In the dark they go to sleep, but directly the light is turned on they wake up and breakfast. This process is repeated time after time and the birds, always laboring under the delusion that morning has arrived, once more breakfast, over and over again. They have been known to do so six times in an afternoon.

Telephones in Liberia.

Liberia's longest telephone line has just been built between Monrovia, the capital of the country, and White Plains, a settlement twenty-five miles up the St. Paul's river. It was constructed by a civil engineer from the United States. Thus the black republic, which was founded under American auspices many years ago, has taken another stride forward toward that goal which Americans of anti-slavery days fondly hoped would be reached to the helping of the negroes, and, as well, the relief of the United States.

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