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WHOLE NO. 746.



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State Laws on Cruelty to Animals.

The following is a copy of the state
law concerning cruelty to animals:

Section 1. The people of the State of Michigan enact, that whoever overdrives, overloads, drives when overloaded, over works, tortures, torments, deprives of necessary sustenance, cruelly beats, mutilates, or cruelly kills, or causes or procures to be so over driven, overloaded, driven when overloaded, tortured or tormented, deprived of necessary sustenance, cruelly beaten, mutilated or cruelly killed, any animal, and whoever having the charge or custody of any animal, either as owner or otherwise, inflicts unnecessary cruelty upon the same, or wilfully fails to provide the same with proper food, drink, shelter, or protection from the weather, shall, for every such offence, be punished by imprisonment in jail not exceeding three months or by fine not exceeding \$100, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

The marshal should be directed to enforce this law, as cases of violation of the law occur on our streets nearly every day.

Ten of the interurban cars, which will be used on the Holland line, are now in Jackson, and are being wired up by experts sent on by the General Electric Co. These cars have no superiors in equipment, size and finish, in the world, and were made by the St. Louis Car Co. They are 56 feet in length, finished in mahogany, and provided with steam heat, air brakes, smoking room, observation compartment, water closet and all modern improvements. Each car is equipped with four general electric 100 horse power motors, which give a total propelling power of 400 horse power. This equipment is the same as is now being installed on the Manhattan elevated railway system in New York city. Its total weight, with equipment, is about 35 tons and the cost is \$13,400 apiece.

Because a farmer near Wayne couldn't find a purchaser for two bushels of clover seed, which he brought to town, the Wayne Review man deploras the lack of enterprise and sagacity in the merchants there in a half column article, and concludes his righteous condemnation thusly:

It seems to us that with our splendid location, almost the geographical center of the part of Wayne county lying west of Detroit, and with all kinds of railroad facilities and highways, we might be able to make some successful effort to draw that trade to Wayne, instead of letting or rather driving it to other towns, and the citizens of this town ought really to feel ashamed that a man could not in a town of at least 1,600 people find a market for as staple a commodity as clover and we do not believe any other commodity would sell any more readily. Something should be done by somebody to rejuvenate the town before it becomes entirely inert.

With the retail price of eggs on the local market running 24c per dozen for over a month past, which is several cents higher than one year ago, the rumor from Chicago that an egg trust is now being formed is somewhat disquieting. But it is said to be the truth nevertheless, and the refrigerator houses in Chicago—the Armour's and the Swifts—are placing in cold storage every case of eggs that they can buy, with the expectation of having the market at their mercy not later than the first of January. Fully a half million cases of eggs have gone into the cold storage in that city since the first of July. The way it looks now, merchants will soon be locking up their stocks of eggs and potatoes in their safes nights and leave the money in the drawer.

W. C. T. U.

The meeting last Friday afternoon, in charge of Mrs. Sarah Eddy proved of unusual interest. After a brief musical and literary program, by pupils of the school, the subject under consideration, "Is Alcohol Necessary in an Home," was presented in an able address by Dr. F. S. Tillapaugh. The speaker brought strong arguments to prove that alcohol has no true medicinal value and should be banished from the home; that it is a dangerous practice for physicians to prescribe alcohol for their patients inasmuch as it often creates an appetite for strong drink. As an efficient substitute for alcohol, the Doctor recommended Aromatic Spirits of Ammonia which may always be safely used.

The address was very instructive and was listened to with great interest by all present. At its conclusion a rising vote of thanks was given the speaker.

The meeting for to-day will be in charge of Mrs. S. M. Reed, the subject—"Anti-Narcotics."

Mrs. Jennie Voorhies will have charge of the meeting next Friday, January 3d, subject—"Madam Willard's Birthday."—Supt. Press.

CHURCH NEWS.

Services at the M. E. church next Sunday. In the morning the pastor will give a New-Year's discourse.

After the sermon last Sunday morning the M. E. church received three members into full connection and one by church letter.

The subject for next Sunday morning at First church of Christ, Scientist, will be "Christian Science." All are cordially invited.

Rev. W. G. Stephens, pastor of the M. E. church, presented to those who were present last Sunday with a very fine Christmas and New Year's Greeting Card.

The annual meeting of the Universalist church and parish will be Jan. 6, at two p. m., at the home of Mary Penney, for the purpose of electing officers and such business as may come before the meeting. A cordial invitation to all.—Clerk.

The pastor of the M. E. church will meet the class for religious instruction on Friday evening at 7:30 in the church parlor. Subject "Wesley and early Methodism." Young christians and those wishing to unite with the church on probation are invited to be present.

Services in the Presbyterian church next Sabbath morning. Subject, "Paul's Last Charge to Timothy." Evening subject, "What do the Scriptures Say about providing for your own family, or is it right to Insure your life." Christian Endeavor meeting at 6:00 P M.

The Presbyterian Aid society wish to thank the merchants who so kindly loaned them the material to decorate their booths, and also the gentlemen who assisted in erecting the booths, and the general public for their liberal patronage.

Mrs. A. JOY, Sec.

Next Sunday, Dec. 29th, is the first anniversary of the Baptist church dedication and special efforts are being made to appropriately celebrate the occasion. F. D. Taylor, senior member of the well known Taylor Wolfenden dry goods firm, of Detroit, will address the congregation in the evening. Mr. Taylor is one of the best known of Michigan's successful business men and the Baptist church should not be able to hold the numbers of our citizens who ought to take this opportunity of hearing so prominent a layman from the pulpit. Mr. Taylor's theme will be "The Simplicity of the Religion of Jesus Christ." Everyone invited.

Christmas is over and I am ready to collar you for spring trade for a Harness. Look at my collary window.
H. W. LEE.

**Barnum's
Monkeys**

"All well—all happy—lots of fun". That is the regular report from the monkey cage of Barnum's Circus ever since the keepers began dosing the monkeys with Scott's Emulsion. Consumption was carrying off two thirds of them every year and the circus had to buy new ones.

One day a keeper accidentally broke a bottle of Scott's Emulsion near the monkey cage and the monkeys eagerly lapped it up from the floor. This suggested the idea that it might do them good. Since then the monkeys have received regular doses and the keepers report very few deaths from consumption. Of course it's cheaper to buy Scott's Emulsion than new monkeys—and that suits the circus men.

Consumption in monkeys and in man is the same disease. If you have it or are threatened with it can you take the hint?

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Has far exceeded our expectations. The persistent buying of Holiday shoppers reduced our stock to such an extent that we have been compelled to fill our shelves with almost an entire new stock of Groceries, Fruits, &c.

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Come in and see what we have to offer. The stock isn't shelf-worn or out-of-date. We simply want to move it and you get the benefit of the reduction in price.

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All Christmas Toys are going at 1-4 off—Doll Buggies, Carts, Wheelbarrows, Dressers, Tables, Chairs, Mouth Organs, Stoves, Blackboards, Dishes, etc.

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We wish to thank our many friends and customers for favors extended in the past year, hoping to merit a continuance of the same in the future.

Wishing you a happy and prosperous New Year, I remain,
Yours truly,

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PLYMOUTH, MICHIGAN.

A calm survey of the situation indicates a very close race between the sleds and the skates.

A trusted employe of a Los Angeles bank took, finally, over \$5,000 for every year that he had been trusted.

Germany has decided to begin the abolishment of slavery in East Africa. Civilization appears to be spreading.

Chicago anarchists are still cheering for Czolgosz, but they can not hope to revive him from his electric slumbers.

Richard Mansfield says Baltimore audiences are cold. He might try the experiment of roasting them before the curtain.

It is high time to begin to organize against the injustice of Sir Robert Ball's forty-eight-hour day 60,000,000 years hence.

A Baltimore society woman has erected a marble tablet over her dog's grave. Let us hope she left a space on it for her own epitaph.

Prince Henry made a mistake in marrying a queen to pay his debts. He ought to have come to America and sold himself to an heiress.

A Michigan man climbed to the top of a tall tree to shoot himself. After taking all that trouble he might have jumped and saved his ammunition.

The Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad has been leased for 999 years. Any woman will tell you that the transaction looks like a great bargain.

The astronomers are in some doubt as to the character of the nebulous surroundings of the new star. Perhaps it is a conjunction of dramatized novels.

A Boston society is called, the "Old School Boys' Association," and as it has just celebrated the 85th birthday of a member, it seems to be appropriately named.

Smokers will note that under the latest decision of the United States Supreme Court a Manila cigar and a cheroot come under the head of domestic articles.

The man who is climbing after high ideals should not allow himself to feel discouraged by the reflection that if we were morally perfect we would bore each other to death.

The woman who in her quest for knowledge took a volume from a book store without going through the formality of paying for it is in a fair way to learn something.

A man in Norristown, Pa., who was supposed to have dropped dead at a ball, was found, on medical examination, to have broken his neck by running into a wall while dancing a jig.

A Boston paper has found 818 couples in New England who were married over fifty years ago and are ready to celebrate their diamond wedding, surrounded, in most cases by many descendants.

When Herr Zehreheisel, of the Reichstag, debated the tariff on American meats, and said the whole business was a chain of humiliation, he most probably referred to the duties on links of sausage.

The Austrian premier has threatened to suspend the constitution if the Reichsrath does not behave itself. To those who have followed the performance of this body for a year or so it will be a distinct surprise to learn that Austria has any constitution to suspend.

The Germans have stopped sneering at American control and administration in the Philippines, and are now admitting that it is successful and wise. The fact that trade is rapidly increasing, as shown by the imports and exports of the islands, has a tendency to convince even rivals that Uncle Sam knows how to manage colonies or outlying territories as well as any of the older nations.

An eminent French psychologist having again given expression to the theory that insanity and genius are akin it would be interesting to have the psychologists explain why so many men of genius have been insane while multitudes of insane persons have been sane. Poe and Byron offer excellent examples in support of the insanity theory, but how, on that theory, are the psychologists going to account for Thackeray or Dickens or Sir Walter Scott or that eminently sane and wholesome philosopher, William Shakespeare?

An Ohio boy, 12 years old, who drank a quart of whiskey, said it "burned" but that after it was down it "made things hum." This youth seems already to have reached that state of depravity which is generally acquired only through a long residence in the moonshine belt.

O. H. P. Belmont is commanding attention in Washington on account of the extraordinary height of his collar. This may do for Belmont, but there are men who would prefer to have it come from the height of their tombs.

THE GOOD STATE OF MICHIGAN

A Woman's Strange Journey Rudely Ended.

THE ILLNESS OF GEN. ALGER.

Oxnard's Request of the President—Olds' Title to the Flats up Again—Killed by a P. M. Train—More Land For Homesteaders.

Gen. Alger's Illness.
In order to relieve the sufferings of the patient, an operation known in the medical profession as cholecystotomy was performed upon Gen. R. A. Alger, ex-secretary of war, Sunday forenoon, in the hope of relieving him of his old trouble, gall-stones. Considerable apprehension was felt as to the general's ability to undergo the operation, but the malady had reached such a stage that drastic measures were deemed necessary, the only hope of relief apparently lying in that direction.

Gen. Alger rallied from the effects of the operation rapidly, and Dr. C. G. Jennings, the attending physician, announced that the symptoms were favorable to his recovery. There is a possibility, of course, of some unforeseen complication arising, but barring this, his chances are considered fair.

The operation, which was begun at 10 o'clock, at the Alger home in Detroit, was performed by Drs. H. W. Longyear, H. O. Walker and J. B. Murphy, the last from Chicago, while Drs. C. G. Jennings, E. L. Shurly and William Osler, the last from Baltimore, were also present. Gen. Alger was on the operating table about an hour and a quarter, but stood the ordeal well and was able to bid some of the doctors a cheery good-bye when they left shortly after he recovered from the effects of the anæsthetics.

General Alger's Christmas.
Wednesday was not exactly a merry Christmas at the Alger home, but there was a great deal to make it a fairly happy one for the members of the family. Gen. Alger passed the most critical stage of his illness resulting from the operation performed upon him Sunday morning. He came through in the best of condition and at the beginning of the fourth day, rested easily, with a normal pulse and a temperature but half a degree above normal. He took nourishment for the first time since the operation was performed.

Over One Hundred Years.
Louis Rock, a French-Canadian, who lived in Geo. Washington's time, passed away at his home in Ludington Wednesday at the advanced age of 107 years. Rock's first and last sickness was nothing more than a mild case of grippe, death resulting more from old age than anything else. Mrs. Rock died three years ago at the age of 85. To them 13 children, 29 grandchildren and 31 great grandchildren were born. Louis Rock was born at sea while his parents were crossing the Atlantic ocean in the year 1794. During his younger days he spent many years with the Indians in the west and is said to have been the first white man who entered Yellowstone park. Endowed with a constitution which never knew fatigue, Rock endured untold hardships during his long frontier career and until ten years ago worked in a sawmill every day.

Wreck of a P. M. Ferry.
During a terrific winter gale from the south Sunday night car ferry Pere Marquette No. 1, formerly the Muskegon, struck on a 13-foot bar while entering Ludington harbor, instantly breaking her steam-pipe, which totally disabled the machinery. The boat drifted up to the north pier, where she pounded against the structure, breaking several large holes in her planking. Capt. Thompson scuttled his boat in fifteen feet of water outside the north pier, where she now lies hard aground. The life-saving crew rescued all on board by use of the breeches buoy, 25 men all told. Capt. Thompson was the last man to leave the boat. He was completely broken up over his misfortune and broke down, crying like a child.

Davidson's Fight for Life.
The body of Edward Davidson, who was brutally murdered at Valparaiso, Ind., Thursday night, was prepared for shipment to Springport, Mich., Saturday, where it was received by a widowed mother. Physicians made another examination of the body, disclosing that a number of blows were delivered in crushing Davidson's skull. His jaw was also broken and one of his legs was fractured. Davidson evidently fought for his life against overwhelming odds. Sayers may turn state's evidence. The coroner's verdict will bear out the murder theory. It is now thought that robbery may have been the motive for the crime. Valparaiso is still in a fever of excitement over the tragedy.

Olds and the Flats.
A rehearing has been granted by the Supreme Court in the celebrated case of S. S. Olds against the state land commissioner, which involves the title to a large portion of the St. Clair Flats. Under a decision during the summer Olds was decreed to have the right to a patent to the lands at the Flats for which he had applied, by virtue of some swamp land scrip which he held. Lucia Avery, who represents the state land commissioner, applied for a rehearing in the case several months ago. The court was somewhat divided upon the question when the case was first decided.

Salt Production.
The state salt inspection shows that for the year ending November 30, 1901, Michigan's 45 salt blocks have an annual capacity of 2,500,000 barrels annually. Of these 12 were operated last year, and they produced the following amounts of salt by districts: Manistee, 2,670,000; St. Clair, 871,915; Mason, 656,088; Saginaw, 337,138; Wayne, 414,987; Bay, 371,482; Midland, 26,664; Iosco, 17,182, the whole being a total of 5,580,101 barrels, 348,016 more than were inspected last year. Michigan has now produced up to date a total of 96,908,584 barrels of salt.

The Noted Philsicator Case.

The jury in the noted Philsicator case, trial in St. Joseph, after seven hours' deliberation, gave a verdict against the Baroda gold king, which means that Philsicator will pay to Joseph Covey, the plaintiff, \$7,500. This suit was brought by Covey to obtain \$7,000 in gold dust which Philsicator had once paid him for alienating his wife's affection, but which had been obtained again by Philsicator under duress. Philsicator had paid Covey \$2,500 to stop a damage suit threatened when at a country ball Philsicator helped Covey's wife out of a window. The \$7,000 afterward paid was when Philsicator and Covey's wife registered at the Palmer house, Chicago, as "F. Johnson and wife." Following Philsicator to the Yukon valley for more money the tables were turned on Covey, and after many weeks in jail he gave up his \$7,000 in gold dust to gain his freedom. Aside from the return of the \$7,000 obtained under duress, the court allowed Covey \$500 interest. Joseph Covey is a farmer living near Baroda. He owns forty acres of land, but with the exception of his wife, who did not appear in court, has no heirs. Frank Philsicator, a three times millionaire, is at Hot Springs, Ark., and did not appear in court. It was shown by the agreement read in court that Jas. O'Hara, of this city, Covey's attorney, would reserve as his fee for prosecuting this case half of the money for which the suit was brought, \$3,500.

Hardwood Lumber Combine.

A big combine of hardwood lumbermen has been effected, making the most important step ever taken in Michigan in those interests. It means the incorporation of a company to absolutely control the hardwood lumber market in this state, and all the mills on the Michigan side of the great lakes. The prime movers in the organization of the combine are Henry W. Carey, of the Peters Salt and Lumber Co. of East Lake; W. T. Clevinger, with Justus S. Stearns, of Ludington; and William H. White, of William H. White & Co., of Boyne City. They are members of the committee on plans for organization, which submitted the arrangement to-day. Such big concerns as Osburn & Johnson, of Alpena; H. M. Lund & Son, of St. Ignace; Buckley & Douglas, and the Butters Salt & Lumber Co. are going into the combine. The men are to be stockholders in a state company, which will control the output of all their mills. An agreement will be made as to the amount of money each mill shall receive for its output, and then the state company will sell for what it is able on the open market, the profits to be divided among the stockholders who are the owners of the mills.

What the Old Lady Does!

A woman approaching 50 years of age and a son of 6 years, giving their names as Avis and Conrard Butts, are in jail in Jackson, Chester A. Conant, of Sandstone, having secured a writ of attachment for the debt of caring for the stock recently. Mrs. Butts is traveling about the country in a covered wagon with several dogs and eight head of cattle. She stopped at Conant's, but didn't pay for her keep at the farm for the past five weeks. Says she came from Minneapolis and makes butter while she travels, stopping with farmers occasionally. Her destination is vague and her husband's whereabouts unknown. It is thought her mind may be affected.

The Onaway Fire.

The fire which destroyed the Lane block and the postoffice and telephone exchange building in Onaway Sunday morning did \$35,000 damage. Lewis E. Lane, general merchandise, loss \$30,000, insured for \$18,000 in Alpena agencies. Postmaster J. M. Clark, loss \$5,000, insurance \$1,000 in the Mutual Fire Insurance Co., of Holly. Much a strong wind was blowing and men with blistered hands and faces fought desperately to prevent a general conflagration. The fire is supposed to have been the work of thieves.

Killed by a P. M. Train.

Willard Wixom, a prominent business man, was killed by the fast express on the Pere Marquette railroad, going south Saturday morning. The accident happened at the crossing a few rods south of the village of Wixom. A horse named for Mr. Wixom, his place name, was killed. He was mangled almost beyond recognition. The body was taken to Novi, the next station, where it was identified. Mr. Wixom was a man respected by all who knew him. He leaves a widow and two daughters.

His Bride Was Death.

George Griggs, a well-known young man, associated with his father in a billiard and cigar business, died at his parents' home in Port Huron Tuesday of pneumonia, after only a few days' illness. What makes the death especially pathetic is that the young man had made preparations to be married on Christmas day to Miss Eva Vaness, of Chicago. The young lady arrived too late to be recognized by her promised husband. The preparations for the marriage gave way to funeral arrangements.

Oxnard is Right.

Appeal has been made to President Roosevelt by Henry T. Oxnard to investigate the beet sugar industry in Michigan and California, and learn if the industry would not be injured by reducing the tariff on Cuban sugar. Oxnard emphasized the point to the president that if the duty on Cuban sugar was reduced the sugar trust and not the consumers will reap the benefit. The trust would reap millions out of our generosity to Cuba.

Awful Death of a Miner.

Matthew Schantz, watchman at No. 7 South Hecla shaft of the Calumet & Hecla mine, met a most horrible death. In some unknown manner he fell from the eleventh to the twenty-third level, a distance of 200 feet. The candle he was wearing in his cap remained lighted during the fall and set fire to his clothing an hour later with the face and trunk burned to a crisp.

Lake Linden people are again talking of installing a municipal lighting plant.

Rochester, N. Y., Wants Him.

Chief Cleary, of Rochester, N. Y., has been notified by Sheriff Little, of Frankfort, Henzie county, Mich., saying that a man named Frank McMahon, alias McNamara, had been arrested there. He is charged with being the third and the last of a gang of robbers who entered the house of Mrs. Louisa French, in Rochester, last October, horribly beat Mrs. French and her sister, Mrs. Alicia Gardner, and robbed them of diamonds valued at \$3,000.

More Homestead Lands.

Auditor-General Powers is now dealing to the state land commissioner the delinquent tax lands in Crawford and Roscommon counties, of which it is estimated there are 75,000 acres. These lands will eventually be subject to homestead entry.

MINOR MICHIGAN MATTERS.

A Monroe firm has just received an order for 15 carloads of white cedar poles from "The Telephone Co. of Egypt, Ltd."

Police Commissioner Dennis Campaign, of Grand Rapids, appointed by Mayor Perry a year and a half ago, has resigned.

The Lansing, St. Johns & St. Louis Electric railway will follow the original plans and be built beyond St. Johns to Maple Rapids.

The university regents at their meeting Friday cut down the contemplated cost of the new engineering building from \$125,000 to \$100,000.

Andrew Carnegie, who gave Iron Mountain \$15,000 for a library, has added \$2,500 to his gift upon request. The library will be opened in about a month.

Fred Gutknecht has been bound over to the Lansing Circuit Court on the charge of entering a dwelling and attempting a felonious assault on a young girl.

Leo Arnold, 19 years old, was crushed to death between the cars at Powers Wednesday night. He was a brakeman in the employ of the Chicago & Northwestern railroad.

Clerk C. C. Hopkins, of the Supreme Court, has completed the docket for the January term, the smallest January docket in at least ten years, containing only 132 cases.

Congressman Applin is confident that nothing will be done at this session of congress that will in any way injure the beet growers and manufacturers of Michigan and other states.

The Great Britain Insurance corporation of London, England, is the latest addition to Insurance Commissioner Barry's list of concerns not authorized to do business in the state.

A little child of Mr. and Mrs. James Dobson, of Staudish, was accidentally smothered in bed by one of the parents rolling on it during the night. The accident was not discovered until morning.

Mrs. Geo. Schull, of Tekonsha, an aged lady, fell down cellar while the other members of the family were gone to town and fractured a leg. She was not discovered until several hours afterward.

Sheriff Brewster from Pontiac arrested James Taylor at Sault Ste. Marie for alleged bigamy. Taylor, it is charged, married Edith Macomber, of Caro, and later Alice B. Leroy, of Rochester.

One thousand dollars worth of roses will be but one of the features of a well social function to be given by Mrs. J. L. Board, wife of the millionaire of Port Huron, on the evening of Dec. 30, at her handsome home on Pine Grove avenue.

The trustees of Olivet college are considering measures for increasing the endowment fund of that institution. One gift of \$50,000, one of \$25,000 and several of smaller sums have been offered provided the remainder of \$200,000 is raised.

The whole city of Detroit was in the extremes of a water famine Friday owing to a bursted main, and factory, hotel, school and housewife were in distress. Even beer could not be drawn owing to the lack of water to work the beer pumps.

The home of Henry Hill, of Goodland township, is without a mistress, and Hill charges Dan Ball with eloping with his wife. He says he traced the couple to Smith's Creek, where he says they are living as man and wife. He wants Hill arrested.

Edward Roman pleaded guilty in Port Huron to a charge of criminal assault on Mrs. Robbins, an aged lady who, while walking along the railroad track, was outraged by an unknown man. Suspicion pointed to Roman, and he was located at Plymouth.

Many of the miners at the local coal mines live in Bay City. Last winter private hack owners carried the miners to and from the mines, charging \$2 per month per man. This year the operators themselves furnished the rigs, and charge only \$1 per month.

The dairy barns of Scott H. Rora-neck burned with its contents, 20 cows and a span of horses, belonging to the Armstrong Music Co., of Lansing, J. J. Wheeler's mail wagon and center, and about 20 tons of hay. Loss \$2,000; \$1,350 insurance. Tramps' work.

Secretary of State Warner believes that he has saved the Michigan stockholders of the Michigan Savings & Loan association of Detroit about \$100,000 by a discovery which he made while in Texas examining into the assets of the concern located there.

Mrs. Frank Gifford, wife of an Au-rellus farmer, left home a few days ago and her whereabouts is unknown. She left a letter to her daughter in which she avowed her intention of leaving, and told the girl to keep on with her school work until she heard from her again.

Many of the friends and neighbors of Robert Smith, of Linwood, who killed his brother, Judd Smith, ten years ago with a shotgun and received a life sentence at Jackson, are confident that the sentence will soon be commuted by the pardon board, and Smith given his liberty.

At the meeting of the State Grange, the father of the order, ex-Gov. Luze, was present, and in a speech pathetically referred to his infirmity, old age, as his "disease." Comparatively few men rise to higher positions than Mr. Luze, and none of these has won his honors more modestly or worthily than he.

THE WORLD'S NEWS HARVEST

The Schley Case As Regards Navy Closed.

HOME AND CHILDREN BURNED

Hogs Feast on the Living Flesh of a Farmer—Miles Gets a Reprimand—The Dhs De Bar Gets Justice—Various Matters of Interest and Notes.

Long Ends the Schley Case.
Secretary Long disposed finally of the Schley case, so far as the navy department is concerned, by acting upon the findings and conclusions of the court of inquiry. He approved the findings of fact and the opinion of the full court; he approved the majority opinion where there is a difference in the court; he held that the court could not have entered into a consideration of the question of command at the battle of Santiago, and finally he accepted the recommendation that no further proceedings shall be had. The secretary also has declined the application of Admiral Sampson's counsel to enter upon an inquiry into the question of command and has notified Admiral Schley's counsel of that fact as a reason for declining to hear them on that point.

Maclay Gets His Congee.
Maclay, who thought the civil service rules would hold his place despite the president's order for his discharge for his venomous attack on Admiral Schley, has learned his mistake. Here is his Christmas present:
"Washington, December 24.
"To Rear-Admiral A. S. Barker, U. S. N., commandant navy yard, New York:
"By direction of the president, Edgar S. Maclay is discharged. Notify him.
"LONG."

Home and Children Burned.

The home of John Ashbaugh, a Summitville, Pa., farmer, was destroyed by fire and four persons were burned to death Sunday morning. Besides the four children who lost their lives, five persons were seriously injured. Mr. Ashbaugh was awakened by smoke entering the room he occupied and found the lower part of the house ablaze. He made his way outside with his two smallest children and hurried back to look for his wife, brother and four other children, who were still in the house. He succeeded in reaching a room that had been occupied by the children, but only one, the 8-year-old boy, Herman, was there. He could hear the screams of the three others in another room which he was unable to reach. Mr. Ashbaugh could not enter their room. The flames were so fierce he was compelled to fight his way from the house. Meantime Mrs. Ashbaugh had jumped from an upper story window, and was lying on the ground with a broken leg and suffering from internal injuries and burns.

The Engineer Knew His Business.

The Southwestern limited, the fastest passenger train on the Big Four system, was miraculously saved from being wrecked near Kansas, Edgar county, Engineer William White was pulling 8 coaches, heavily laden with 1000 passengers, at the rate of 60 miles an hour. Coming down a grade near Adin Baber's stock farm, the engineer saw a herd of 200 cattle driven over the track.
It was too late to stop. With remarkable presence of mind, White pulled the throttle wide open, and going at terrific speed, the engine struck the herd in the middle, grinding 10 animals to pieces, heads, hoofs and bodies being thrown hundreds of feet. The engine pilot and each step were torn off and the whole train splashed with blood. Only the train's great speed kept it on the track.

Ex-Governor Cleveland.

Mrs. Grover Cleveland made the following statement yesterday concerning the health of the former president:
"The results that have been published in relation to Mr. Cleveland's condition have apparently been construed as indicating his entire recovery. This is shown by all sorts of all sorts of applications for all sorts of things which can hardly be considered even by a man in robust health. He has already received several epistolary chasmodons at the hands of those who are impatiently awaiting for answers to letters which should never have been written. While Mr. Cleveland's health is such as to entirely relieve his friends from any apprehension, he is yet far from well and has not been able to leave his room for nearly five weeks."

Got Their Deserts.

Theodore and Laura Jackson, the latter best known in the United States by the name of Ann Odella Doss de Bar, were found guilty by a jury in the Old Bailey, London, Eng., on charges of immoral practices and fraud. The judge at once imposed sentences of 15 and 7 years' penal servitude upon Jackson and his reputed wife, respectively. The prisoners listened to the passing of sentence in evident astonishment, but maintained silence.

Feasting on Living Flesh.

J. Sandbloom, a farmer 89 years old, living a mile south of Oakland, Neb., was found by his son early Friday, lying helpless and unconscious in a hog yard with swine feeding on the flesh of his still living body. He is supposed to have become a victim of the frigid weather and fell in the hog yard while feeding the swine. It was with difficulty the hungry animals were driven off.

Must Hustle for Trade.

There is a large and ever increasing number of thoughtful and well-informed people in Great Britain, who express the serious belief that if radical changes do not come about in the near future, the United Kingdom will be relegated to third position in the ranks of the world's trade and commerce.

A stream of reform is sweeping over Marguette, and the mayor has issued a ultimatum to saloon keepers stating that they must close their places of business promptly at 11 p. m. and also that the slot machines must go.

Miles Reprimanded.

A determination on the part of the administration absolutely to terminate further discussion of the Sampson-Schley controversy took shape in the publication of some remarkable correspondence that has passed between Secretary Root and Lieut. Gen. Miles, relative to the latter's interview published in a Cincinnati paper commenting upon the Schley case. It is seldom that so severe a reprimand is administered to an officer of high rank in either service. What the result will be cannot be foretold, although it is assumed that Gen. Miles will submit without further comment.

Long Will Remain.

Secretary Long's attention having been called again to reports that he contemplated resigning from the cabinet, has again authorized an emphatic denial that such was the case. He said there was not a word of truth in the report and that he had not the slightest intention of resigning.

Exit Maclay.

Secretary Long has issued this order to Rear Admiral Barker, of the Brooklyn yard: "Sir—I am directed by the president to ask Edgar S. Maclay, special laborer, general storekeeper's office, navy yard, New York, to send in his resignation."

News in Brief.

A lone handit got \$7,000 from a bank in Springdale, Ark.

The business section of Dunlow, W. Va., burned Monday night. Loss, \$75,000.

An Omaha, Neb., grand jury has indicted 148 business men and others for maintaining slot machines.

Oklahoma and Indian territory stockmen expect 10 per cent loss of cattle, owing to cold and blizzard.

Cherokees are reported starving in Goring Snake district, Indian territory. Loss of crops and blizzard.

Frozen steamplines in American Car & Foundry plant, Jeffersonville, Ind., send 2,500 men into idleness.

San Juan, Porto Rico, business men ask that Porto Rico sugar be protected against the Cuban product.

Cool famine and extreme cold are causing much suffering to people and inconvenience to business in St. Louis and Chicago.

United States Senator James H. Berry, of Arkansas, slipped and fell while leaving his car at Newberg, Mo., and was badly injured.

A. S. Kerman, of Amelia, O.; W. Provo, Camden, N. J.; J. P. Richmond, New Decatur, Ala., have been found frozen to death.

The postoffice department has ruled that all mail matter is mailable to Porto Rico in the same manner as to any part of the United States.

Gen. H. V. Carpenter is said to be the man who recently gave \$100,000 to Columbia university, New York, to found a chair of Chinese language.

A bill has been introduced in the senate by Mitchell, fixing \$2 as the minimum wages to be paid to women in the employ of the government.

By a gas explosion at the plate glass factory at Kokomo, Ind., Zachariah Chapman was killed and several other workmen were injured. The pot house was wrecked.

Wm. Lasehell, alias Wm. O'Day, was killed in a street duel at New Orleans by Elmer Gerard, who has served a term in the Texas penitentiary. Gerard was also wounded.

Bliss J. Jamieson, aged 82, state brigadier-general, I. O. O. F., uniformed rank, of Indiana, widely known and who had been active in political life for 40 years, is dead.

Dayton H. Miller, secretary of the coal company at Toms Creek, Va., and Charles Williams, a clerk, were shot and fatally wounded by a drunken negro at Bristol, Tenn.

Henry Williams, an Alabama desperado, was killed at Russellville, Ala., Thursday, and his brother, Tom, and brother-in-law, Frank McClurg, fatally wounded, in a fight with officers.

The division of insular affairs of the war department has issued a statement showing the customs revenues in the Philippines for nine months ended September 30, 1901, were \$6,275,283.

Sam Roper, a member of the noted Pitt River gang of outlaws that terrorized the southwest in the late '80s, has been rounded up in Oklahoma. He had not been heard of in 10 years until recently.

Chas. P. Clipp, formerly a doorkeeper in the office of the collector of assessments and arrears, a branch of the comptroller's office, has been arrested in New York, charged with the larceny of \$30,000.

Mrs. Helene Eleanor Woodville, of London, England, has been granted a divorce at Lincoln, Neb., from her husband, Richard Woodville, an English artist of note. She says she came to this country to avoid scandal.

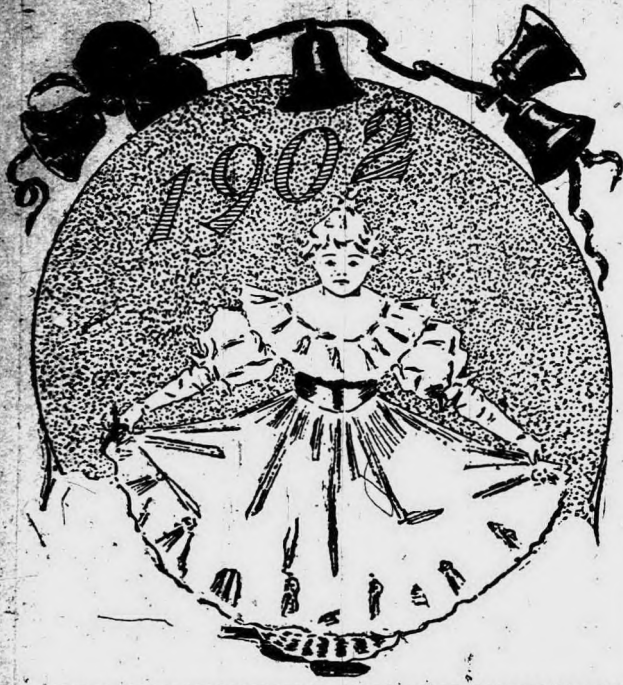
A. Phelps, express messenger; W. Garland, fireman, and J. Thurber, baggage man, were killed in the wreck of the Southern Pacific railroad near Uplands, Cal., Thursday morning, and 25 persons were injured, none fatally.

Charles Preston, of Middleboro, Ky., took little Jessie Marlon sleigh riding on the Powell river. The lee gave way and the girl was drowned, despite Preston's efforts to save her. Preston forced himself to go to the girl's mother and tell her of the little one's death and then killed himself in her presence.

Dave Payne broke jail at Benton, Tenn., and escaped to the mountains. Mrs. Payne became seriously ill and Payne's brother went for her husband. The men quarreled on the way home. Wm. Flannigan, who intervened, was fatally shot by Dave Payne, who in turn was killed by Flannigan. On hearing of the tragedy, Mrs. Payne died.

Mayor Sherman, of Utica, N. Y., has removed Police and Fire Commissioners John Morgan on the charge of exceeding his authority. Tuesday he removed Commissioner Frank E. Jones on the charge. The commissioner voted to expend money in the police and fire fund to enlarge some engine houses and the police station without regard for the expenditure to be authorized by the people.

Henry C. Payne, new post general, said: "The more I think of it, the more I am convinced that the appointment of such a man as myself in such a position is a mistake."



NEW YEAR'S ADVICE.

There is a foe that watches Your comfort to destroy, Assuming robes of evil To interrupt your joy; To keep him at a distance Should be your purpose true. So "never trouble trouble Till trouble troubles you!"

Each day he may remind you Of sorrow that is in store; Each day with hints and shadows Perplex you more and more; But go not forth to meet him As many people do, And "never trouble trouble Till trouble troubles you!"

'Tis time enough to worry When misery appears; 'Tis time enough for weeping When there's excuse for tears; So ever at the fountain Of prayer your faith renew, And "never trouble trouble Till trouble troubles you!"

For they who borrow trouble Are never out of debt, O'er every fancied evil They worry, fume, and fret; And if you would be happy Another course pursue, And "never trouble trouble Till trouble troubles you!"

Anticipating pleasure May give relief from pain; Anticipating sorrow Is never any gain; And if you would be cheerful In mind and body, too, Then "never trouble trouble Till trouble troubles you!"



Estelle, Maude and May Robbins stood in the window with their heads close together.

"I am so sorry," whispered Estelle. "I do so want to make mamma and papa a New Year's present and I have spent all my money—every cent."

"So have I," said Rosy, "and I have not kept even a piece of ribbon or an ounce of worsted."

"It is too dreadful," Maude whispered. "If that horrid Miss Croker had not insisted upon our buying those little books at the fair we would all have had plenty of money. I wonder how long she is going to stay. She is so fussy," said Maude. "Nothing suits her. Sometimes she says: 'This egg is too soft, Lizzie; take it away and bring me another.' Then Lizzie makes up a face and I have to laugh."

"Well, but Maude," said Estelle, who was the eldest, "that is wrong. The girl who is hired to wait on the table should never make faces, no matter what happens; and you must never laugh at her again. I am sure Miss Croker saw you this morning."

"But she is fussy," said Ray, "and I wish she would go home."

"Mamma likes her," replied Estelle. "You know she was mamma's teacher once and some one left her a big fortune and she stopped teaching."

"And mamma says, too, that she is very charitable and gives heaps and heaps to the poor people," put in Ray. "Then I wish she had bought those books herself instead of making us spend all our money," grumbled Maude.

"If we had been honest and said right out, 'I want all my money for myself,' perhaps she would," said Estelle. "Tomorrow is New Year's day. It is too late to get anything now," sighed Ray.

"If we only had some of that lovely wool Miss Croker has been winding for the last three days, we could knit mamma some beautiful mats for her dressing case. I could knit one before dark," said Estelle, mournfully. "Could you, my dear?" said a voice close behind them.

"You are very kind," said Estelle. "Thank you, Miss Croker," said Maude. But Ray, remembering that Miss Croker must have heard her say she wished she would go home, wanted to hide herself. However, she came out from behind the curtain and seated herself close to Estelle. Miss Croker then gave them each a crochet needle. "This blue ball is for you," she said, placing the wool in Estelle's lap. "The mauve for you" and she dropped another ball in Maude's hands, "and the pink for little Rosy Ray."

The children laughed heartily, but at the lady's last words their faces grew very long. "Now, girls," "I want three mats for my dressing case at home and I know you will be delighted to make me a present before I go, which will be very soon now." She looked at Ray while she spoke and then left the room.

"Horrid thing!" said Ray, as the door closed. "I won't knit a mat for her. I thought she meant to give us the wool."

"It just serves us right for talking about mamma's friend as we did," replied Estelle. "We will have to knit them. Come, Ray, I'll begin yours, and Maude, don't you remember? Make a chain of three stitches and the next row plain."

They were all three fond of this kind of work and presently forgot their disappointment. The sun was just setting when Estelle said: "There, that's the last of the wool and my mat's done. But just see what a big wad of paper Miss Croker rolled her wool upon." She tossed the paper under the grate and fastened off her knitting neatly.

"And mine's finished," said Maude, and here is another great roll of paper, and there is something hard in it. Maude opened it slowly, laughing as she did so. A bright five dollar gold piece.

"Oh, look! Just look! I wonder if Miss Croker meant to put it there!" "I am sure I don't know," answered Estelle, but wait until Ray has finished her mat then we will go and ask her."

"It is done," said Ray, "and here is another five dollar gold piece. Estelle, you'd better get a poker and pull out that paper you threw under the grate."

Estelle soon had the paper in her hand, and sure enough, there was a third gold piece hidden away in it. "She must really intend them for us," said Ray. "I feel so ashamed because she heard me say, 'I wish she would go home.'"

While the three girls with the money in their hands and the mats in their laps were wondering what they ought to do, Miss Croker walked in. "So I see my mats are finished," she said. "They are very pretty and I will keep them always in remembrance of my three little friends."

Estelle held up the shining coin. "I found this in my ball," she said. "I put it there as a little surprise for you," replied Miss Croker, "and now I hope you can buy some small gift for your mamma and papa. Then she added, 'Come, children, hurry on home.'"

"AND THE PINK FOR LITTLE ROSY RAY." your wraps and I will take you down town to choose your presents." Never did three little girls dress in such short time.

Miss Croker took them to such wonderful stores and was so pleasant and kind that the three little girls never forgot that New Year's Eve.

The gifts that they carried home to their parents, which were selected under Miss Croker's advice, were really very pretty.

Estelle, Maude and May Robbins stood in the window with their heads close together.

CHANCE FOR AN AMERICAN

Chinese Court Said to Be Seeking an Official Adviser.

WILL PAY \$15,000 YEAR.

Wants a Man Experienced in Dealings with Foreign Countries—Semi-Weekly Train Service Between Paris and Peking by Next May.

Victoria, B. C., Dec. 26.—The steamer Braemar, which arrived last night from the orient, brings news that the Chinese court has decided to engage an American adviser. The name of the official is not given by the oriental papers, but the Chinese press states that the salary is to be \$15,000 a year. Commenting on this the Japan Mail says it is a wise step for China to take, for, although her statesmen need no counsel in their domestic policy, they are inexperienced in dealings with foreign countries.

The agent of the Trans-Siberian railway at Shanghai has announced that by next May the railway will have a semi-weekly service between Paris and Peking and passengers will be able to go from Shanghai to London in three weeks.

A correspondent of the North China Daily News, who has returned from a trip through Kuang Tung, says the kindly feeling of natives toward foreigners is marked. Where the Chinese were crying aloud for death to foreigners they now receive them with great respect.

Plague is increasing in New Chwang. There have been sixty cases and fifty-seven deaths since October 30. A Russian who died was bandmaster of a military band. In searching his residence eight dead rats were found beneath the floor.

The Russian government has forbidden boring for kerosene or minerals at any point within 100 leagues of the coast in Russian possessions, beginning at Korea and extending to Saghalien.

News was received at Shanghai of the wreck of Weebin & Co.'s steamer Amherst, 108 tons, on the bar at Kuala Pahang, December 17. Thirteen lives were lost, owing to the capsizing of one of the steamer's boats in the heavy surf. The victims were eleven Chinese coolies and two Chinese passengers.

No More Reprimands Likely. Washington, Dec. 26.—Secretary Long said to-day that after all, he might not reprimand the retired naval officers who have been making comments on the verdict of the Schley court. The matter was discussed at the Cabinet meeting to-day and President Roosevelt took the position that everything should now be allowed to drop in connection with the matter. Secretary Long has prepared letters to the offending officers, but it is doubtful if these will be sent. They were couched in much the same terms as that to Gen. Miles as asked that they explain their actions.

Shot by a Demented Lawyer. Birmingham, Ala., Dec. 26.—W. M. Little, a lawyer, former consul to Honduras under Cleveland, shot William L. Dodd, president of the Southern Mutual Aid association, in their room this morning. Little had been representing Mr. Dodd, who is on trial on the charge of using the mails for fraudulent purposes, in connection with the Birmingham Debenture Redemption company. Mr. Little became deranged as the result of mental strain in conduct of the case.

Fire in West Virginia Town. Dunlow, W. Va., Dec. 26.—The leading business block of this town burned last night among the buildings destroyed are Henry Copley's dry goods store, W. M. Davis' general store, Wayne Strothers, dry goods, the post-office, several residences, and a number of other smaller buildings. The total damage will exceed \$50,000.

Kansas Millers Protest. Topeka, Kan., Dec. 26.—Kansas millers, in a meeting at Topeka last evening, made vigorous protest against railroads raising the minimum weight of car load shipments of flour out of the state from 24,000 to 30,000 pounds. They claim other state millers will not be compelled to take similar action in the same territory, hence the injustice.

Mrs. Leslie Improving. New York, Dec. 26.—It was said last night at the Roosevelt Hospital that Mrs. Frank Leslie, who has been ill for several weeks, was resting comfortably. Some improvement is noted in her condition. Mrs. Leslie was taken to Roosevelt Hospital yesterday and is under the special care of Dr. William H. Thompson.

Capt. Cook Improving. Washington, Dec. 26.—Capt. Francis A. Cook, who is ill at the United States Naval hospital here, is improving slowly. His physician states that it will be two weeks before he will be able to be out.

Punishment for Banking Officers. Washington, Dec. 26.—It is whispered that as both Admiral Dewey and General Miles are in "disgrace" at the White House neither will represent the United States at King Edward's coronation.

A Wretch Who Should Hang

Two boys named Seyberth and Bonnell, aged 13 and 15 years respectively, who had been out in the country to cut Christmas trees, reached home, in Eau Claire, Wis., Sunday evening almost exhausted from the effects of an assault by a highwayman. The boys state that they were attacked by a man who strapped them together and put gags in their mouths. He then took from them what money they had and dragged them to an abandoned summer house. He fastened the door and set the house on fire. The boys managed to free themselves after a desperate struggle and escaped from the burning building. Both were quite severely injured by their experience. The cottage in which they were confined was totally destroyed.

Carnegie Will Give More. Andrew Carnegie has had an interview with President Roosevelt in regard to the gift of \$10,000,000 recently made for a national university. If the start is made right and the plan works as well as is hoped, Carnegie, it is said, stands ready to make further contributions that will reach the enormous sum of \$25,000,000. The objectionable feature of the gift—the fact that it is in bonds of the United States Steel corporation, will probably be removed. Carnegie, it is reported, is willing to make the offer in cash. The only reason the ironmaster made the offer in bonds was that he considers them more profitable than any other security he or the government could obtain.

Forty-five Perished. By the burning of the city market house at Zacatecas, Mexico, fully forty-five lives have been lost and more than a score of persons seriously injured, some of them so badly that they cannot recover. Fifteen bodies have been taken from the ruins and a large number are buried in the debris.

Soda Fire, a Creek Indian has confessed at Vinita, I. T., to the murder of Louis Wilson, a farmer, in May, 1917. He says he shot him because he had to kill somebody.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT. WEEK ENDING DEC. 26. DETROIT OPERA.—The Christiana.—Evening at 8: Wednesday Matinee at 2. LYCEUM THEATRE.—Robert Mantell.—Saturday Mat. 7:30. Eve. 8:15, 9:45 and 11:15. WHISKEY GRAND.—The Flaming Arrow.—7:30, 9:15 and 11:00. EVENINGS, 10:30, 12:30 and 2:30. WYNDHAM.—Afternoon at 2 and 7:30. Evening at 8:15, 9:45 and 11:15. THE MARKETS.

Detroit—Cattle: Best steers, \$5.00; good to choice butcher steers, \$4.50; light to good, \$3.00; good steers and heifers, \$4.50; light to good, \$3.00; common thin heifers, to fair butchers, \$2.50; mixed butchers and fat cows, \$3.00; canners and common thin butchers, \$1.50; 2:30. Sheep—Best lambs, \$4.50; light to good and good mixed lots, \$3.50; fair to good mixed and butcher sheep, \$2.50; culls and common, \$1.50; 2:30. Hogs—Fairly active, but lower, tops, \$5.50; bulk at 5.25; 4:45. Chicago—Cattle: Good to prime, \$6.75; good to medium, \$5.75; stockers and feeders, \$2.40; cows, \$1.60; heifers, \$1.50; 2:30. Canners, \$1.60; bulls, \$1.50; 2:30. Calves, \$2.50; Texas steers, \$2.50; Hogs—Mixed and butchers, \$5.75; good to choice heavy, \$5.00; mixed butchers, \$3.00; 2:30. Sheep—Lambs, \$5.00; lower, good to choice, \$4.50; 2:30. Western sheep, \$2.50; native lambs, \$2.50; 2:30. Buffalo—Cattle: No good stock on market; veals, \$4.75; closed dull for all but choice grades. Hogs—Heavy hogs, \$5.00; mixed and mediums, \$5.50; 4:45. Good weight Yorkers, \$5.00; light, \$5.00; 4:45. Pigs, \$3.50; 3:30. Roughs, \$2.50; 3:30. Sheep—Top lambs, \$4.50; 4:45. Culls to fair, \$1.75; mixed sheep, tops, \$3.00; 3:30. Culls to fair, \$1.50; 3:30. Wethers, handly kind, \$3.75; yearlings, \$4.00; 3:30. Good export sheep in demand at \$3.00; 2:30. Cows to good, \$2.50; 2:30. Cincinnati—Cattle: Heavy steers, choice to extra, \$5.75; nominal fair to good, \$4.50; 2:30. Oxen, \$2.50; 2:30. Butcher steers, choice, \$4.50; 2:30. Hogs—Heavy hogs, \$5.00; good to choice, \$5.50; 4:45. Extra, \$4.50; 2:30. Common top fair, \$2.50; 2:30. Cows, good to choice, \$3.50; extra, \$4.10; 2:30. Fair to medium, \$2.50; 2:30. Canners, \$1.50; 2:30. Common rough steers, poor cows and scale wags, \$1.50; stockers and feeders, \$2.50; 2:30. Hogs—Heavy shippers, \$5.00; good to choice packers and butchers, \$5.00; 2:30. Mixed butchers, \$3.00; common to choice heavy fat cows, \$4.00; 2:30. Stags, \$3.00; 2:30. Light shippers, \$3.50; 2:30. Pigs, 110 lbs and less, \$2.50; 2:30. Sheep—Top lambs, \$4.50; 4:45. Culls to fair, \$1.50; 2:30. Wethers, good to choice, \$4.00; 2:30. Common to fair, \$3.50; 2:30. Pittsburgh—Cattle: Choice, \$5.50; prime, \$5.00; 2:30. Hogs—Prime heavies, \$5.00; heavy mediums, \$4.50; 2:30. Light mediums, \$3.50; 2:30. None \$3.00; 2:30. Hogs—100 lbs and less, \$2.50; 2:30. Sheep—Best wethers, \$3.75; good, \$3.50; 2:30. Mixed, \$2.50; 2:30. Culls and common, \$1.50; 2:30. Yearlings, \$3.75; 2:30. Lambs, \$3.50; 2:30.

Grain, Etc. Detroit—Wheat: Cash No 2 red, 84c; No 3 red, 84c; mixed winter, 84c; No 1 white, 87c; bid. Corn—Cash No 2, 68c; No 2 yellow, 68c; No 3 yellow, 67c; Oats—Cash No 2 white, 60c; No 3 white, 58c.

Chicago—Wheat: No 3 spring, 87c; No 2 red, 85c; No 2 white, 84c; No 2 yellow, 84c; No 2 white, 84c; No 3 white, 84c; Corn—68c.

New York—Wheat: No 2 red, 84c; No 3 red, 84c; No 1 northern, 85c; No 1 southern, 85c; No 1 hard, 85c; No 2 soft, 85c; No 3 soft, 85c; Oats—No 2, 51c; No 3, 50c; No 2 white, 54c; No 3 white, 54c.

Cincinnati—Wheat: No 2 winter red is quoted at 85c on track. Corn—No 2 white is held at 70c; No 2 yellow at 70c; No 2 mixed at 68c on track. Oats—No 2 car No 2 white sold at 51c; 1 car No 2 mixed at 50c; and 1 car No 3 mixed (short) at 48c on track.

Produce. Apples—Best winter, \$1.50; common, \$2.00; snow, \$2.50 per lb. Dressed calves—74c per lb. Cheese—Michigan full cream, 14c per lb. Eggs—Candled, 24c; regular receipts, 18c per doz. Onions—Michigan, \$1.25 per bu; Spanish, \$1.50 per crate. Potatoes—Home grown, 7c in carlots and 78c per bu in store lots. Dressed poultry—Hens, 7c; fancy spring, 8c; fancy hen turkeys, 11c; 12c; young gobblers, 10c; old heavy gobblers, 10c; ducks, 10c; geese, 9c per pound.

Andrew Carnegie has given Nyack, N. Y., \$15,000 for a public library building.

James Hicks, a prominent iron manufacturer of Cincinnati, O., is dead at New York. He was lying in a convulsion when the sharp edge of the paper cut his lip and blood poisoning set in.

Andrew Pavik, a miner at Fairfax, Wash., was killed by the explosion of a stick of dynamite. Both his arms were blown off, the flesh was ripped off his feet and the force of the explosion blew every stitch of clothing off his body. In this frightful condition Pavik lingered for nearly six hours.

SIGNS POINT TOWARD PEACE

Protocol Said to Be Signed Between Chile and Argentina.

IS DESIRABLE FOR GERMANY.

Interests of the Kaiser's Empire Placed in Serious Jeopardy—Disputed Territory Is Left to King Edward of England as Arbitrator.

Valparaiso, Chile, Dec. 26.—El Mercurio confirms the report that Chile and Argentina have reached an agreement.

The paper claims that at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon Senor Alcorca, Argentine Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Senor Concha, the Chilean minister, signed a protocol, declaring the controversy between the two countries at an end.

Both governments, it is stated, agree to respect the protocol of 1898 and not to exercise dominion in the disputed territories pending the award of His Britannic Majesty.

Germany Is Well Satisfied. Berlin, Dec. 26.—The Nachrichten points out that a settlement of the dispute between Chile and the Argentine Republic is very desirable from a German point of view. German interests are practically equal in both countries, and there are German officers in both armies, so that if war broke out Germans might fight against Germans.

MAY SETTLE LONG STRIKE. Big Chicago Company Reported as Giving in to Machinists.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—All indications point to a settlement of the controversy between the Allis-Chalmers company and the International Association of Machinists before the end of the year. That preliminary steps were being taken was told in the Daily News yesterday. Representatives of the company and of the union are not yet willing to announce a positive settlement but it has been learned that the Allis-Chalmers company is ready to concede the nine-hour day, which in itself is regarded by union men as a great victory for the labor organization. The success of the union in forcing the company to concede the shorter workday is looked upon as a national victory for organized labor.

Irish M. P.'s Are Sentenced. Dublin, Dec. 26.—At Bailymore County Sliigo, to-day, Jasper Tully, member of parliament for South Leitrim, was sentenced to a month's imprisonment, John O'Donnell, member of parliament for South Mayo, to two months' imprisonment and other members of the United Irish League to terms ranging from a month to three months. All the sentences were imposed in connection with a recent meeting called to incite Lord de Freyne's tenants not to pay their rents.

Scalabrini Not Chosen. Rome, Dec. 26.—There is no truth in the report published in the United States by a news agency that Mgr. Scalabrini, archbishop of Piacenza, was recently visited the United States, has been practically selected to succeed Mgr. Martelli as papal delegate in the United States and that he had begged the pope to excuse him from such promotion. The Vatican never intended to appoint Mgr. Scalabrini to the Washington post.

Boys Fanned by Wolves. Marinette, Wis., Dec. 26.—Citizens of Amberg, Wis., will organize a wolf hunt to get rid of a pack of wolves infesting the region around that town endangering the lives of the school children. Len and Willie Randall, little sons of a homesteader, had a narrow escape Saturday. They were chased several miles by the animals and kept them off with clubs until they reached home. One of the boys was bitten.

Chicago Man Chosen President. Bangor, Me., Dec. 26.—At a meeting of the trustees of the University of Maine D. W. E. Fellows, assistant professor of history at the University of Chicago, was elected president of the Maine Institution, to succeed Dr. A. W. Harris, who has resumed the directorship of the Jacob Tome Institute at Port Deposit, Md. Dr. Fellows will assume the duties of the new position on January 1 next.

Pauperism Due to Alcohol. Stockholm, Dec. 25.—The board of guardians has published the results of its inquiry into the causes of pauperism. It finds that drunkenness is responsible for 52 per cent of the cases in 6 per cent of these cases both parents were drunkards, in 39 per cent only the father and in 7 per cent only the mother. The children of such parents have to be supported by the poor rates.

Shortage Is \$60,000. Louisville, Ky., Dec. 26.—Examiners of accounts of Stewart R. Young, city treasurer, who, about a month ago committed suicide when his accounts were found to be wrong, report about \$60,000 shortage, and will give out the exact figures about Jan. 1.

Queen Sophia Is Improving. Christiania, Dec. 25.—Sophia, Queen of Sweden and Norway, who has been critically ill for some time, is some what better.

QUEER WILLS OF RICH MEN.

Some Extraordinary Requests That Have Passed Into History. It does not necessarily follow that because a man has been shrewd enough to amass a great fortune he is wise enough to dispose of it in a sensible manner. The records of the probate courts show that bequests fraught with onerous, even impossible, conditions are not uncommon. It is as though the testator, resenting the scramble for his property which he foresees will follow his death, desires to make the lot of his heirs as hard as possible.

Within the last few months there have been several of these eccentric wills. A brother left his sister \$25,000 under the express condition that she should neither marry nor become a nun. In default of carrying out the stipulations the money is to be distributed among other relatives.

Very different toward marriage was the attitude of a wealthy Italian who died recently. To each of his three daughters he left \$500 a year if they remained single and five times as much, \$2,500 yearly, if they married.

A member of the English parliament just deceased bequeathed to his two daughters his entire estate of \$720,000 with the provision that they can only inherit if they attain the age of 35 without wedding either a Hebrew or a citizen of the United States.

A curious evidence of the foresight of Benjamin Franklin is furnished by one of the items of his will. A small sum of money was left with the proviso that it should not be used until the twentieth century, and that meanwhile the accumulating interest should be added to the principal.

The gift has now become available, with the result that the trustees of the Franklin fund have at their disposal \$375,000, which will be used to erect a Franklin institute in Franklin square, Boston.

More singular even than any of these odd bequests was the obligation that Lord Bute imposed on his heirs. As he lay dying, he expressed the wish that his heart should be taken to the holy land and buried there, adding that unless this was done his relatives would never rest happy in possession of his estate. So strong was this appeal that the order was carried out to the letter.

A Blacksmith's Story. Godland, Kans., Dec. 23.—N. E. Albertson, a local blacksmith, had almost decided to give up his shop altogether on account of Rheumatism which had crippled him so that at times he could not use his hammer.

His shoulders and arms were so sore that he couldn't sleep at night. He had suffered for years, but was gradually getting worse, till at last he had almost made up his mind to give up. But just then he heard of some wonderful cures of Rheumatism by Dodd's Kidney Pills and thought he would try for a cure once more.

They cured him completely and he has not a trace of Rheumatism left. The shop will not be given up and Mr. Albertson may be seen there any day hard at work as if nothing had ever ailed him.

Riding on an Automobile. What are the sensations of a racing automobilist? A good many people have, no doubt, asked this question mentally the past week, especially those who saw the races at Oakley last Monday. A Cincinnati Commercial Tribune man put the query into words on that day and while the crowd was waiting for Fournier and his "Blue Devil" and Mr. John Duttonhofer, who had made a good race in the first event, answered it by inviting him and two others to take a spin around the track in his automobile.

As the machine whirled out of the paddock and onto the track the wind struck it with full force, but the speedy little racer seemed not to mind that a whiff. In a moment it had spun past the grand stand and was taking the first turn like a thoroughbred. People, fences, and the landscape in general now seemed to be a rapidly moving panorama, so fast and smoothly did the auto run, while a look at the ground made the riders think that yards and yards of dun-colored ribbon were being reeled off beneath them. Almost before they realized it they were half way round, whirling softly over the course and leaving a little cloud of snow-white steam in their wake.

As they turned into the home stretch the wind caught them again, and those who rode left got their hold on the seats long enough to turn up their coat collars.

"It is more like sleighing on a packed road of snow than anything I can think of," said one.

The next minute the quiet little auto had come to a stop at the paddock gate and the race against the novice's ignorance for there was nothing else to race against—was at an end.

"Yes," said Mr. Duttonhofer, "it is like sleighing, especially on a day like this. Take a look at the rear of the machine as we run in; even the auto can see its breath."

Plan a New Railroad. Chicago, Ill., dispatch: Articles of incorporation are being prepared and will be filed in a few days for the incorporation of a railroad from Omaha to Emporia, Kan. The line will form a part of the Missouri, Kansas and Texas system, but that part running through Nebraska will be incorporated under a different organization. A representative of the "Katy" has been in Omaha for some time organizing the road, and ten per cent of the stock is to be held by Omaha capitalists, who will organize the new company.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1901

Croegie is having as hard a time getting rid of his surplus wealth as the majority of us have in getting hold of it

According to reports there are 457 granges in the state with a membership of about 26,000. The past year has witnessed a gain of 5,661 new members.

Congressman Smith of this district, has the largest pension district in the United States—the old veterans on the pension roll in his district numbering 3,700.

Chelsea Standard:—In proportion to the population Manchester is the thirteenth spot in the county, having one saloon for every 151 inhabitants. Dexter comes next with a ratio of one saloon for every 180 persons.

A movement is being worked up, very quietly as yet, to raise the pay of Senators and representatives from \$5,000 to \$10,000 a year. Members of the House would as a rule like to have the money, but they do not want the responsibility of originating the legislation.

A pretty home wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Springer Wednesday afternoon, at 4 o'clock, when their daughter, Alice, was united in marriage to William Addison, of Port Huron.

In their annual report the state tax commission calls attention to the fact that the primary school money, which is apportioned on the basis of the school census, is in many cases, misappropriated.

Mrs. David Cable while going home from town last Friday evening slipped and fell on the icy walk and broke her left hip.

The North Side

You can get a nice hat at a very low price at Mrs. Dickerson's. Frank Fitzgerald, of Kalamazoo College, is visiting friends here.

Miss Amelia Gayde is visiting her cousin in Detroit this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tuttle and Miss Smith visited at South Lyon last week.

Mack Adams, of Muskegon, is spending the holidays with his parents here, Miss Rose Rohring, of Ypsilanti, visited Miss Minnie Heide Wednesday.

Wm. Martin and children, of Petoskey, visited at Henry Reichelt's Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Hetzler, of Detroit, are visiting her parents here this week.

Mrs. Dan Jolliffe and son Edgar leave to-day for a visit with relatives in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. James Stewart, of Detroit, attended the Springer-Addison wedding Wednesday.

Miss Leah Rorabacher and Mrs. Jacob Read, of South Lyon, are visiting at E. Toncray's this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Neumann and son, of Detroit, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Geitz.

Mrs. Harry Laible and son, of Saginaw, are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Smith.

The Universalist ladies' aid society will meet at the home of Mrs. Henry Tuttle Saturday, Dec. 28th. A good attendance is requested.

Woman's Literary Club.

The Woman's Literary Club held its 6th regular meeting with Mrs. C. L. Wilcox, Friday P. M., Dec. 13. President in the chair. After the transaction of the usual business, the ladies enjoyed an excellent paper, with map illustrations, given by Miss Sherwood Subject—The Eastern Question, the topic for the afternoon being Poland.

SALEM.

Miss Ethel Burnett recently returned home from Chicago, where she has been visiting with friends and relatives for the past three weeks.

Forrest Roberts is learning the art of telegraphy with our genial station agent, D. R. Perkins.

Our townsman, Geo. Nollar, has rented his farm for the next season to Chas. Higbland, of South Lyon.

Mrs. Wm. Burnett, who has been visiting with her daughter, Mrs. F. J. Tousey, has gone to visit her son, Adams, in Plymouth, for an indefinite period.

Christmas day finds us with enough snow for fine sleighing.

F. J. Tousey, township treasurer will be at Worden Dec. 31st to receive taxes.

Elias Roberts, who has been sick for several months, with an incurable malady, died Tuesday morning, aged 68 years. Burial Thursday in Thayer cemetery.

Misses Ruth and Jessie Hayne are home from Kalamazoo College to spend the holidays with their father, Rev. E. P. Hayne.

The Xmas entertainment at the Congregational church Xmas evening was a very pleasant occasion, being largely attended by both old and young people, and good cheer prevailed among all.

Susan—The pimples, sores and blackheads are danger signals. Take Rocky Mountain Tea, you'll give a farewell to your troubles. 35c. Wolverine Drug Co

The Christmas exercises at the Presbyterian church, were largely attended. There was a large tree handsomely decorated and filled with presents.

Feared Clarke Familiar with Statesman. Ex-United States Senator Arthur Pue Gorman, of Maryland, was in the corridor of the Fifth Avenue Hotel after breakfast the other morning when a street gamin who had been on an errand for some one came up to him and said: "Say, blokey, change a quarter for me, will you? Dem guys at de desk is too stuck up to do business wid me."

First Brewery of Its Kind. The old Hobbury Brewery, in West Berkeley, Cal., has been leased by a Japanese firm for the purpose of manufacturing Japanese liquors. The duty on liquors from Japan is so high as to be practically prohibitive, and the new company intends manufacturing native drinks for the consumption of Japanese in this country and Hawaii.

Municipality Owns Utilities. The municipality of Geneva manufactures its own gas, owns water works and furnishes electric light and power to the city. The electric power is obtained from the Rhone, on which river the council has established an elaborate turbine system.

Former White House Mistress. Residing in Washington at present are three former mistresses of White House—Mrs. Letitia Tyler Seple, daughter of President Tyler; Mrs. Harriet Lane Johnson, niece of James Buchanan, and Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant.

Medical Profession Hereditary. In Korea the medical profession is hereditary, passing from father to son. The basis of medical study is a work in nineteen volumes, written about two thousand years ago.

Women as Well as Men Are Made Miserable by Kidney Trouble.

Kidney trouble preys upon the mind, discourages and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kidneys are out of order or diseased. Kidney trouble has become so prevalent that it is not uncommon for a child to be born afflicted with weak kidneys.

Women as well as men are made miserable with kidney and bladder trouble, and both need the same great remedy. The mild and the immediate effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It is sold by druggists, in fifty-cent and one dollar sizes. You may have a sample bottle by mail free, also pamphlet telling all about it.

Livery 'Bus Draying Penney's Livery! When in need of a Rig ring up City Phone No. 9. DRAYING OF ALL KINDS Promptly done. A share of your trade solicited.

Puts gray matter in your head; brings a rosy glow to faded cheeks; restores vim, vigor, mental and physical happiness. That's what Rocky Mountain Tea will do. 35c. Wolverine Drug Co.

THE LEG DID NOT COME OFF.

Northrop Has a Hard Time, But Saves His Leg. NEWPORT NEWS, Va.—A man named Northrop spent sixteen weeks in the best hospital in Norfolk for a special treatment of rheumatism. The doctor said he was bound to lose his right leg. He would not let them cut it off, so they sent him home.

MORAL—If you have rheumatism or have any friend who has, see that Ath-lo-phos is used, and a cure will be effected.

Ath-lo-phos Cures Worst Cases of RHEUMATISM

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REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE PLYMOUTH SAVINGS BANK.

At Plymouth, Michigan, at the close of business, December 20, 1901, as called for by the Comptroller of the Banking Department.

Table with columns: RESOURCES, LIABILITIES. Includes items like Loans and discounts, Stocks, bonds, mortgages, etc.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WAYNE, ss: I, E. K. BENNETT, acting cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE 1st National Exchange Bank

At Plymouth, in the State of Michigan, at the close of business, December 30, 1901.

Table with columns: RESOURCES, LIABILITIES. Includes items like Loans and discounts, Overdrafts, Banking house, Furniture and fixtures, etc.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WAYNE, ss: I, O. A. FRASER, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Correct—Attest: R. C. SAFFORD, W. H. HOYT, R. L. ROOT, Directors.

A. PELHAM, DENTIST. Office hours—Until 9 A. M., 12 and 7 P. M. Office at home, next to Christmas Business.

E. C. LEACH, Pres. L. C. HOUGH, Vice Pres. C. A. FISHER, Asst. Cashier.

PLYMOUTH SAVINGS BANK CAPITAL \$50,000.

3 Per Cent paid on certificates and savings deposits. A portion of your business solicited.

E. K. BENNETT, Cashier. First National Exchange BANK. CAPITAL, \$50,000.

General Banking Business Transacted. 3 PER CENT Interest paid on Savings and Time Deposits.

Your Patronage Solicited. O. A. FRASER, Cashier.

Detroit Southern Ry. Co.

Time Table in Effect Sept. 1, 1901. SOUTH BOUND. STATIONS: No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, No. 5.

Table with columns: STATIONS, No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, No. 5. Lists stations like Detroit, Carleton, Dundee, Tecumseh, Adrian, Wausau, Napoleon, Ottawa, Lima, Springfield.

NORTH BOUND. STATIONS: No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, No. 5. Lists stations like Springfield, Lima, Ottawa, Napoleon, Wausau, Tecumseh, Dundee, Carleton, Detroit.

Freight Schedule. Leaves Plymouth at 8:30 a. m. and arrives Northville at 9:15 a. m. Leaves Northville at 10:15 a. m. and arrives Plymouth at 10:40 a. m.

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P. W. VOORHIES, Attorney and Counselor. Real Estate, Loans and Collections. Telephone 73. Plymouth, Mich.

Dr. A. E. PATTERSON, Office and residence, Dr. Collier's old stand, Ann Arbor st. Hours—until 9 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m. and after 7.

F. B. ADAMS, M. D. Hours 1 to 3, 7 to 9 P. M. Michigan phone No. 8. Local phone No. 8, 2 rings.

DR. GEO. W. LEUSCHNER, Late Chief of House Staff German Hospital, San Francisco, Cal. Office Hours—7 to 9 a. m., 12 to 2 and 7 to 9 p. m. Office and Residence, Main Street, near Brom's Blacksmithshop. Telephone 90.

DR. F. S. TILLAPPAUGH, A regular graduate from the College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore, Md., in 1888, and from the Polyclinic in Chicago in 1897. Has passed the State Medical Board of New York State, also State Medical Board of Michigan under the present law. Office next to Express Office.

DON'T BE FOOLED! Take the genuine, original ROCKY MOUNTAIN TEA. Made only by Madras Medicine Co., Madison, Wis. Keeps you well. Our tea mark cut on each pack. Price, 25 cents. Never in bulk. Accept no imitations. Ask your druggist.

PERE MARQUETTE. In effect Nov. 3, 1901. Trains leave Plymouth as follows: For Grand Rapids, North and West, 9:22 a. m., 1:48 p. m., 4:58 p. m.

For Saginaw, Bay City and Port Huron, 9:43 a. m., 9:12 a. m., 1:55 p. m., 4:18 p. m. For Saginaw, Manistee, Holland and Frankfort, 2:45 a. m., 7:15 a. m., 1:58 p. m., 6:15 p. m. For Toledo and South, 7:00 a. m., 2:45 p. m., 9:20 p. m. For Detroit and East, 4:52 a. m., 10:22 a. m., 11:00 a. m., 2:30 p. m., 4:45 p. m., 4:45 p. m., 9:20 p. m. Daily. H. F. MOELLER, Gen. Pass. Agent—H. M. JACKSON, Telephone 23 for information.

Detroit, Plymouth & Northville R. R. TIME CARD. Lv. Conner's Corner, Plymouth, 6:40 a. m., 5:02 a. m., 6:40 a. m., 7:40 a. m., 8:40 a. m., 9:40 a. m., 10:40 a. m., 11:40 a. m., 12:40 p. m., 1:40 p. m., 2:40 p. m., 3:40 p. m., 4:40 p. m., 5:40 p. m., 6:40 p. m., 7:40 p. m., 8:40 p. m., 9:40 p. m., 10:40 p. m., 11:40 p. m.

ARE YOU GOING SOUTH? FSO, WE WOULD RECOMMEND TO YOUR US. THE Ohio Central Lines. From Toledo, you will find the TRAIN SERVICE THE BEST through Trains leave Toledo Union Depot through Michigan making connections with the Erie & O. Ry. for all points in Ohio.

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A New Year's Sermon...

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During the coming year I will keep the best quality of Drugs, Druggists' Sundries, Toilet Goods and everything that goes to make up a first class Drug store that money can buy. I am going to put as moderate a price on these goods as possible. It wouldn't pay me to do otherwise.

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Yours truly,

C. O. HUBBELL,
Gayde Block.

For Sale, Wanted; etc.

Notices under this head not exceeding four lines inserted for 15 cents first issue and 10 cents for each succeeding issue.

House to rent on South Main street. Enquire of E. K. Bennett.

FOR SALE.—The Michael Streng place, 3 acres of land next to Riverside cemetery. For further particulars enquire at Plymouth Hotel.

Farm for sale or rent on easy terms. LAFAYETTE DEAN.

FOR SALE.—50 good farms, all sizes. Prices right, terms easy. E. N. PASSAGE.

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	80
No. 1 White	85
Oats, white, per bu.	45
Beans, per bu.	1.30 to 1.55
Rye	38
Corn	80
DAIRY AND PRODUCE.	
Butter, cream	30
Eggs, strictly fresh	20
Lard, lb.	9 1/2
POULTRY AND MEATS.	
Spring chickens, live, per lb.	8
Pork, dressed, per cwt.	6 1/2
Beef	8 1/2
Veal	8 1/2 to 9
MISCELLANEOUS.	
Flour, retail price per bbl.	\$4.25
Bran, per cwt.	30
Short feed	1.60
Chops	1.00
Potatoes	60

Commissioner's Notice.

In the matter of the estate of Mercy Ann Durfee, 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 against said deceased, do hereby give notice that we will meet at the office of the Daisy Manufacturing Co., in the village of Plymouth, in said county, on Friday, the third day of January, A. D. 1902, and on Wednesday, the fourteenth day of May, A. D. 1902, at nine o'clock A. M. of each of said days, for the purpose of examining and allowing said claims, and that six months from the fourteenth day of November, A. D. 1901, were allowed by said court for creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance.

Dated November 29th, 1901.
CHANCEY H. RAUCH,
ED. C. HOUGH,
Commissioners.

Probate Notice.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, county of Wayne, ss. C. O. HUBBELL, Judge of Probate, do hereby certify that at a session of the Probate court for said county of Wayne, held at the Probate office in the city of Detroit, on the eighteenth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and one. Present, Edgar O. Durfee, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Amalia M. Eldred, deceased. On reading and filing the petition of Fred Dunn praying that administration of said estate may be granted to him or some other suitable person. It is ordered, That the twenty-first day of January, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be appointed for hearing said petition.

And it is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Plymouth Mail, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county of Wayne.

EDGAR O. DURFEE,
Judge of Probate.
ALBION W. FLINT, Deputy Register.

Subscribe for the Mail

Local Newslets

Mrs. A. M. Eckles is on the sick list. Happy New Year to all readers of The Mail.

All the factories closed down for Christmas.

L. J. Reiner visited his parents at Brighton Xmas.

Ford Lyndon, of New York, is home for the holidays.

Wyman Bartlett, of Owosso, is visiting relatives here.

Senator W. T. McGraw, of Detroit, was in town Monday.

Walter Bennett, of the U. of M., is home for the holidays.

Ed. Corwin, of New York city, is home for the holidays.

John Lundy is out again after a ten days attack of the mumps.

Mrs. Emeline Cooper is visiting relatives at Toronto, Canada.

H. J. Baker, wife and son, visited his parents at Wayne Wednesday.

Claude Shaffer, of Detroit, is visiting his parents here for a few days.

A. D. Prout, wife and daughter, were South Lyon visitors Wednesday.

Misses Kate and Edna Hughes, of Waterford, visited Mrs. Bert Rea Friday.

C. O. Hubbell and family ate Christmas dinner with their parents at Milford.

Miss Edith Palmer, of Chicago, is visiting at A. W. Chaffee's for a few days.

Mrs. Mary Kellogg is visiting her daughter in Detroit a few days this week.

Dr. Grainger is visiting relatives at Thamesville, Canada, for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Hudd and son, went to Bay City Tuesday to spend Christmas.

Theron Harmon and wife, of Casnovia, are visiting his parents, south of the village.

The prospects now are that Plymouth will enjoy another building boom next season. There is need for many houses.

Calvin Platt, wife and daughter, of Ionia, are visiting his mother a few days this week.

Mrs. Betsy Platt who has been sick for some time is now able to be about the house again.

Mrs. W. G. Stephens left on Thursday morning for a short visit to her relatives in Canada.

Mrs. Maria Sloss and son Arthur, of Dearborn, visited at Mrs. Caroline Bennett's Wednesday.

C. W. Valentine and wife and Miss Brisbane are visiting at Grand Rapids a few days this week.

John Lundy wife and daughter Grace will spend the holidays with relatives at Pontiac and Fenton.

Dr. Nichols and wife, of Whitmore Lake, are spending the holidays with relatives and friends here.

W. T. Conner, whose illness with pneumonia was reported last week, is doing nicely and will be out again within a few days.

Roy Cooper, of near Perrinsville, pulled a shot gun out of buggy muzzle first last Saturday. He is now minus three fingers on his right hand.

Miss Adelaide Bliss, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Chas. Holloway, for the past three weeks, returned to her home in Elkhart, Ind., Monday.

Wm. Wixom, the founder of the village of Wixom, a few miles north of here, was killed by an P. M. train last Saturday while crossing the track in a wagon.

Sheriff Dickson was presented with a handsome gold watch as a Christmas present by his deputies. The sheriff sent a big fat turkey to the home of each of his deputies.

A gentleman from Tampa, Fla., spent Christmas in this vicinity, and though well advanced in years, it was the first time in his life that he had seen any snow. It was a new sensation to him.

Mrs. Rose Morrill (nee Landau), of Sand Lake, and Mrs. Fred Wheeler, of Salem, visited Mrs. Ella King the fore part of this week. Mrs. Morrill will remain in Wayne county for some time visiting relatives and friends.

At a meeting of Case Tent No. 338, K. O. T. M., Monday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Com.—John Quartel.
Lieut. Com.—M. M. Willett.
R. K.—Jas. McKeever.
F. K.—A. A. Taft.
Chaplain—Wm. Meinhart.
Serg't—Mark Joy.
M. at A.—Wm. Felt.
F. M. at A.—Wm. Farley.
S. M. at A.—Wm. Redman.
Sentinel—Wm. Mott.
Ticket—Henry Wright.
Physician—Dr. Tillapaugh.

Used by the ladies of fashion all over the world; it's without doubt the greatest beautifier ever offered the American women. 35c. Made only by the Madison Medicine Co. Wolverine Drug Co.

Clifton Jackson is visiting at Saginaw this week.

Hiram A. Roe is in Chelsea on business today.

Jay Knapp was home from Detroit, Christmas.

Arthur Lyon is the possessor of a fine new piano.

Ed. Crosby, of Detroit, visited friends here yesterday.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Palmer, a girl, Saturday.

George Drayton is visiting relatives at Howard City this week.

Julius Will, of Grand Rapids, visited his parents here Wednesday.

George McGill, of Detroit, spent Christmas with his parents.

Miss Winnie Perry is visiting relatives at Romulus this week.

Jesse Hubbard, of Battle Creek, visited his parents Wednesday.

Will Terry, of Detroit, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Ralph Terry.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Briggs, of Detroit, were visitors here Wednesday.

Miss Irene Baker, Lansing, visited at her brother's H. J. Baker, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Parks are visiting relatives at St. Marys, Ohio, this week.

Miss Lizzie Abelson, of Ypsilanti, is visiting at her home south of the village.

W. H. Hoyt and niece Miss Luella Rodgers visited relatives at Ann Arbor Christmas.

Newell and Julius Willis attended the funeral of a cousin at Thorndale Ont., Monday.

C. A. Fisher, mother and sister took Christmas dinner with Dr. C. F. Bennett at Inkster.

Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan, of St. Thomas, Ont., are visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary Patterson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rhead and son Kirk, of Hudson, are visiting at P. M. Briggs' this week.

Tickets for the three remaining numbers of the entertainment course will be sold for 75 cents.

A box social for the benefit of the Baptist church choir will be held at the residence of A. O. Lyon Friday evening, Jan. 3, 1902. All are invited.

All places of business were closed after noon on Christmas day and everybody enjoyed the holiday as best suited his or her taste. Many enjoyed dinner with relatives or friends, others went to the city or villages in the neighborhood to visit.

Congressman H. C. Smith has in formed the Canton people that the mail route from this village through that section will be established and service begun about Feb. 1st. This will make three mail routes out of Plymouth.

It began snowing Tuesday evening and Christmas morning nearly four inches of "the beautiful" lay upon the ground. It was the first time in many years that sleighing was one of the pastimes on this day, "a green Christmas" being the usual order of things.

Robt. Walker, mail carrier on Route No. 1, was kindly remembered by the patrons on his route with Christmas gifts of all kinds that aggregated in value nearly \$50, over half of which was in coin of the realm. It was a happy day for Robert and a just reward for his faithfulness and accommodation extended in the past year.

At a regular meeting of Plymouth Rock Lodge, F. & A. M., held last Friday evening, the following officers were elected:

W. M.—A. D. Ford.
S. W.—W. T. Conner.
J. W.—H. C. Robinson.
Treas.—J. O. Eddy.
Sec.—Frank B. Miller.
S. D.—Robt Mimmack.
J. D.—Andrew Taylor.
Tyler—Fred Peterhans.

The installation of officers takes place this (Friday) evening.

The seventh annual state Farmers' Institute of Wayne county will hold its next regular meeting in Plymouth Friday and Saturday, Jan. 24 and 25, 1902. The State speakers are C. C. Lillie, Coopersville, on dairying and soil fertility subjects; L. J. Post, Lowell, on fruits and gardening; Prof. Deloss Fall, Lansing, on the Township High School, and Miss Carrie A. Syford, Agricultural College, for the Women's section. Full program later.

No better evidence of the prosperity of the county could be shown than the report from all sections of the big Christmas trade. The people had money to spend and spent it liberally. It was true of Plymouth as well as any other locality. The merchants report a trade unprecedented in their experience while in business. Every storekeeper found it necessary to employ additional help to wait upon the many customers and the streets for a few days presented a lively appearance, shoppers going home loaded with packages of all kinds. The Mail ventures to say that not a little of this trade was secured through the advertising columns of its two holiday editions, in which the merchants, took advantage to present their wares in most attractive form and which were duly read and considered by many hundred readers. It pays to advertise and Plymouth merchants realize the fact and act accordingly.

Hiram Taft is very ill.

Miss Autie Millard, of Detroit, visited at home Christmas.

W. F. Hoops has his market finely decorated and filled with meats for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Cook, of Ann Arbor, visited their daughter Mrs. Lee Nowland Wednesday.

Dr. T. H. McKenzie, of Three Oaks Mich., visited A. O. Lyon and family last Friday and Saturday.

Marion Wilson in her delightful costumed impersonations at the opera house next Monday evening.

Misses Loneita Shafer and Minnie Gyde, of Northville, spent last Saturday with Miss Sadie Knapp.

Fred Gray, of Lansing, called on Plymouth friends Thursday. His wife and children are visiting her parents at Wayne.

Mrs. Gertrude Kinyon, of Middleborough, Kentucky, and Miss Minnie Fowler, of Detroit, were guests of Mr. Mrs. A. W. Chaffee Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. George Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Colvin and A. A. Robinson, of Detroit, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Robinson Christmas day.

There will be a watch-night social for the benefit of the Baptist Sunday school, at the home of S. L. Bennett on Golden street, Tuesday night. Everybody welcome.

Thos. W. Davey, wife and daughter, Dell Knapp, wife and daughter and George Davey spent Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Davey, at Newburg.

John Goodrich, wife and children, Miss Cornelia Parshall and Dewitt Parshall and family, of Detroit, were guests of Mrs. Preston Parshall in Canton Wednesday.

FOR SALE—A good Cash Register. C. G. DRAPER.

Michael Promenchenkel died at his home in Canton township, Tuesday, at the age of 52 years. The funeral will be held from St. Boniface church, at Detroit, at 9 o'clock this morning.

Reserved seats on sale at the Wolverine drug store for the Marion Wilson entertainment. Also reduced price for the remainder of the course if the course ticket is purchased, which will be sold for 75 cents.

The Maccabees are talking of forming a stock company buying a lot and building a brick block, with hall upstairs and store room below. They have several suitable sites in view and a good share of the money required to build is already pledged. We hope that the order will be successful in building as they are much in need of more room and more store rooms are also needed in the village.

Standing room was at a premium at the M. E. church on Christmas eve. The cantata rendered by the Sunday school was very fine and highly commended. The tree was literally filled with presents and in which all appeared to have a share. Some of the teachers were remembered by their classes. Mrs. W. G. Stephens was presented by E. P. Baker, the photographer, and his wife, with a very fine enlarged picture of her husband.

Mr. A. S. Parker, of Hartington, Nebraska, is visiting his niece, Mrs. F. B. Adams, this week. He is enroute for his home having visited in New York City, Boston and other eastern cities. Mr. Parker's last visit to Michigan was in 1866, when associated in the sheep business with Col. G. C. Moody, of Yankton, Dr. and Newton Edmunds then governor of Dakota, and formerly of Ypsilanti. They took back two thousand sheep from Michigan.

The Christmas exercises at the M. E. church, Newburg, were largely attended and the program was well carried out. The singing by the choir under the leadership of Mr. LeVan was very commendable. The tree was filled with beautiful presents for the old and young. The pastor Rev. W. G. Stephens received a piece of paper on which was written kind words of appreciation and was made the wrapper of a few of Uncle Sam's greenbacks.

A large crowd of happy faces greeted Supts Claus and his wife at the Baptist church Christmas eve. There was a large tree, handsomely decorated and laden with presents, and a big old-fashioned fire-place, each brick of which contained pop-corn and candy for the little folks. The singing of Christmas Anthems by the choir, the cantata—The Pilgrims Christmas—by the children of the Sunday School, together with the funny antics of Old Santa and his wife, all went to make up one of the pleasantest Christmas entertainments ever witnessed by those present.

Wednesday afternoon occurred the marriage of Miss Fannie Spicer and E. W. Judson at the home of the bride Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Spicer, the ceremony being performed by Rev. D. B. Tracy, of Detroit, assisted by Rev. W. G. Stephens. Only immediate friends of the family were present. After the ceremony a wedding dinner was served and shortly afterwards the bride and groom departed for Detroit, their future home, Mr. Judson being editor of the Courier. The friends of the bride, and everybody was numbered among them extend heartiest congratulations and well wishes for a long and happy life.

After Christmas Bargains in all Departments of our Store.

There are a lot of goods you have not bought yet this season and will have to have. Get in now on our

BIG 3 BAR-GAIN LOTS

While stock is still complete. All Departments represent Bargains.

SUITS, OVERCOATS, CLOAKS, DRY GOODS, BOOTS, SHOES, RUBBERS, HATS AND CAPS, CARPETS, DRAPERIES,

In fact the entire stock represents the Bargains of the season. Don't buy a dollar's worth of goods until you give us a look.

Wishing you a happy and prosperous New Year, we are yours truly,

E. L. RIGGS,

Plymouth Cash Outfitter.

J. L. GALE'S

We had a good Christmas trade, but have lots of Presents that we will sell

AT COST,

—SUCH AS—

Toilet Sets,
Manicure Sets,
Cuff Boxes,
Handkf. Boxes,
Glove Boxes,
Soap Boxes,
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MARY THE MAID OF THE INN... A Story of English Life.

By JOSEPH HATTON.

CHAPTER XIII.

The witness glanced anxiously for a moment at his mother, and noticed the deprecatory headshakings of his friends, who desired to convey by signs their desire that he should not get himself into trouble.

"I have done nothing that I know of to be threatened or to be ashamed of," said Jack defiantly, "and I say again, my lords and gentlemen, I am not afraid of incriminating myself. Do your worst."

The judge sat up very straight in his throne of justice, the learned counsel for both prosecution and defense stood up.

The court was deadly still. All the immediate interest of the trial was centered in Meadows. For the moment it was as if he were on trial, not the prisoner at the bar.

The prisoner, Parker, flushed to the roots of his hair with excitement, and then became pale as a ghost. He admired the courage, the bravado of the witness, and could not help a passing remark that this brave fellow had not been his companion instead of that wretched Foster, who had so far saved his neck, though he was a thousand times more guilty than he.

As the judge was about to speak, the high sheriff, who was not only his lordship's host in York, but had been a friend of the judge at college, whispered:

"Forgive me; this young man was charged to look after the prisoner, and he has been so nervous that he has done me wrong and true a young fellow as there is in all the country."

The judge listened to his friend with a sign of impatience; but the remark was doubtless had a good effect.

"Witness," he said, "but for your very evident position here and what is due to the court I should at once commit you for contempt; but I am willing to postpone my decision in that direction until the close of the day; what course I shall then pursue will depend upon your own conduct meanwhile."

"Thank you, my lord," said the witness, amidst a general sigh of relief.

"Now, sir, listen to me. You went to the Heather-bell tavern and warned the prisoner that he was suspected of the murder of Squire Bellingham?"

"No, I did not."

"The landlord has sworn to the contrary. I have every desire to be generous to you, Mr. Meadows, consistent with my duty, and I have been reminded that you are my witness. I therefore go out of my way to inform you that the landlord of the Heather-bell has sworn to exactly the contrary."

"Has he?" said Meadows. "Then he has not told the truth."

"You persist in that?"

"I do."

"Then you may stand down."

"Stay a moment," said the counsel for the defense, proceeding to cross-examine the witness in the most friendly manner. Meadows was not a man he would have called for the defense.

"You did not warn the prisoner that he was suspected of the murder of Squire Bellingham?"

"No, sir."

"Why did you not?"

"Because I did not know that he had been murdered."

"When was the first time you knew officially of the murder and the name of the victim?"

"On Oct. 25."

"You remember that date distinctly?"

"Yes, my lord."

"Why?"

"Because, my lord, it was Mary Lockwood's birthday, and I had always been accustomed to take her a little present to the Star and Garter on the 25th, and thinking about it, mother comes to where I was smoking a pipe with her brother, and she said they had found Squire Bellingham's body, and that he had been murdered."

"If the learned counsel has finished his cross-examination—the learned counsel addressed to the judge to signify that he had—"you may stand down; I shall not commit you for contempt of court."

Mary Lockwood was the next witness.

On her name being called, there was a general buzz of conversation throughout the court, followed by a dead silence as the poor girl was assisted into the witness box.

She wore a simple hat and cloak, the latter completely enveloping her figure, the hat tied with a black ribbon under her chin. She was very pale, but this heightened her beauty in the estimation of the ladies and gentlemen of the country, who were present in great numbers.

Instead of the strong, hearty, rural beauty they had expected, they saw a young woman of a refined and gentle bearing, with soft blue eyes and long lashes that fell in dark lines upon her cheeks. When she spoke they heard a soft, sweet voice, the sorrowful tones of which made many of the ladies weep even before they had come to the most touching incidents of her evidence.

The prosecution having decided not to call off Morley, the ostler's evidence being deemed sufficient as to the arrival and identification of the stranger guests, and Morley, being like Meadows a very unwilling witness, the old man came into court with Mary, and when she entered the box room was made to sit with Mrs. Meadows and

her brother, and other friends, who were now joined by Jack.

The witness, who had bearded the court and still retained his freedom, divided for a moment or two the public interest with Mary, who glanced in the direction where he was sitting, and then rested her eyes upon the rail of the box in which she stood—a martyr for love.

"Your name is Mary Lockwood?"

"Yes."

"You live at the Star and Garter Inn, at Kirkstall?"

"Yes."

"Is the landlord your uncle?"

"Yes."

"And do you assist him in his business?"

"Yes."

"Do you know the prisoner at the bar?"

"I do."

"Do you remember the night when you first saw him?"

"Yes."

"When was it?"

"On Oct. 15."

"Where did you see him?"

"In the bar."

"In the bar of the Star and Garter Inn?"

"Yes."

"Was there another man with him?"

"Yes."

"I think the court needs no further evidence as to Foster, who is not before us, unless the learned counsel has any new facts in regard to him which he conceives to be of importance."

"Thanks, your lordship," said the counsel, who was quite ready to take a hint of the growing approach of supper time, and the determination of his lordship to finish the case without rising.

"Did the prisoner remain at the inn until Oct. 19?"

"Yes."

"What did he say when he left?"

"I don't remember."

"Did he say he was going to London?"

"I think so."

"You are not sure?"

"No."

"I will only ask you one question upon a matter that cannot fail to be more or less painful to you, and you may answer it simply yes or no, and I will refer to it no further. Were you pledged to marry the prisoner?"

"Yes."

The answer came softly and slowly, but much in the same tone as Mary had answered the other questions, only that she seemed to struggle with herself against a desire to turn and look at the prisoner, the lawyer's clerk having advised her to try and resist any desire to look at him, but simply to attend to the questions of counsel and keep her eyes on the judge, or straight before her.

Presently, when the counsel came to the events of the fatal night of the wager, much of the calmness of her demeanor left her.

The story of the wager had already been told by Taylor, and what she did and said on her return had been vouched for by several witnesses.

The court was, nevertheless, breathless to hear an account of Mary's adventures from her own lips.

She took them along with her in imagination to the abbey bent on winning the wager for Mr. Barnsley, and the learned counsel elicited the facts from her with a gentleness of manner and questioning that was marked in contrast with the treatment which Jack Meadows had received at his hands.

When the crucial part of her story was reached, so far as it concerned the prisoner, Mary glanced at the dock with anxious and tearful eyes.

"When you were picking a bunch of elder, the hat blew from one of the men's heads and rolled to your feet?"

"A hat rolled close to me."

"Yes, so you have told us—you saw the two men?"

"Yes."

"They had hats on their heads when they passed by you?"

"I thought so," she replied, "but I might have been mistaken."

"Yes," said the learned counsel, "quite so; but when you got back to the inn you said 'Murder has been done and this is one of their hats,' and you recognized the hat?"

"I looked at it."

"Yes, you looked at it; you had seen it before?"

No answer.

"You thought you knew to whom it belonged?"

No answer.

"I will give you time; I am sorry to have to press these questions."

The prisoner looked at the girl, who glanced at him in an appealing way. The tears stood in her eyes as he noted her deep distress. The silence in court was awful.

"You had picked up the hat, you know, and had run home with it in your hand."

"I did not know what I was doing."

"You would be very much excited and disturbed, we know; but when your eyes fell upon the hat in the light of the fire and the candles in the bar of the inn you were struck with the resemblance of the hat to one you had seen before?"

No answer.

"You must answer the question," said the judge in kindly, but firm tones.

"Yes," murmured the witness.

"What was there peculiar about the hat that made you think you had seen it before?"

No answer.

"Was it a ribbon?"

Still no reply.

"I can quite understand that these questions distress you; would to God it were not my duty to put them! I never found my duty so hard to perform, I assure you."

The prisoner burst into tears; they filled his eyes and blinded him; they coursed down his pale cheeks, but he did not move a muscle; he seemed to be more or less unconscious.

(To be continued.)

GEORGE ELIOT AND MUSIC.

Comic Songs Sung in a Rhythmic Way in Middlemarch.

George Eliot has several things to say about music as it was practiced in Middlemarch and its vicinity, and it is as critical that, like Miss Austen, she knew what she was talking about, as it is that Middlemarch was a real place, and that the Brookes, and Vincys, and Cadwalladers, and Chettams were real people. We like Mr. Brooke all the better for not carrying his "advanced views into the region of musical art, says the Cornhill Magazine.

"A woman should be able to sit down and play you or sing you a good old English tune; that is what I like, though I have heard most things—been at the opera in Vienna, Gluck and Mozart, everything of that sort. But I'm a conservative in music; it's not like ideas; I stick to the good old tunes." Neither Dorothea nor Mr. Casaubon cared about music, and George Eliot, evidently taking some such view as Mr. Austen Leigh, forgives Dorothea on the ground of the "small thinking in which domestic art chiefly consisted at that dark period."

In Middlemarch it was the fashion to sing comic songs "in a rhythmic way, leaving you to fancy the tune, very much as if you were tapping a drum." No doubt the "Humors of Bartlemy Fair" and the "Skein of White Worsted at Flint's" were in the Middlemarch repertoire, as well as "So Miss Myrtle Is Going to Marry" and the "Musical Wife."

CARE OF WOUNDED SAILORS.

Their Position in Battle Is Matter of Grave Consideration.

The British Medical association is sitting at Cheltenham, and on Wednesday some very interesting facts were brought forward as to the position of the wounded in naval battles. Owing to the alterations in the structure of the ships, the old arrangements under which the wounded were at once carried down to the cockpit cannot be continued, and, on the opinion of Fleet Surgeon C. Kirker, the most humane course now adopted both by the French and Japanese, is to leave the wounded sailors lie where they are until the action is over and men can be spared to carry them down in ambulances, which will take some mechanical skill to devise. A light sleigh on runners of his own device is now being tested profusely to approval. The wounded are as safe on deck for a short time as elsewhere, and modern wounds do not cause dangerous loss of blood. It is essential, however, that each ship should have an operating room, which at present is not included in the accepted designs. It appears that the general health of sailors in warships is good, iron being much better than wood for sanitation, but some improvements are greatly required, and should be attended to by the admiralty at once.—Spectator.

Use of Revolvers.

I was present at the trial where a man with a split-second watch timed a very ordinary denizen of the border, who drew his six-shooter and emptied it in a second and a quarter, says Munsey's Magazine. It takes a try, that long to pull the trigger once when he is all ready. The expert does not pull the trigger at all. Long ago it was demonstrated that it was vastly quicker to fire off the paw that locks a gun and trust to "fanning" the hammer, than it was to shoot even the easiest of double action revolvers in the ordinary way. This explains how it was possible for the famous man-killers to accomplish marvels against other and equally desperate men as well armed as themselves.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

DISCOURSE APPROPRIATE FOR THE PRESENT HOLIDAY SEASON.

Subject Is the Nativity—How God Honored Childhood—Motherhood for All Time Consecrated by the Scene in the Humble Stable at Bethlehem.

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Washington, Dec. 22.—This discourse of Dr. Talmage is full of the nativity and appropriate for the holidays; text, Luke II, 16. "And they came with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger."

The black window shutters of a December night were thrown open and some of the best singers of a world where they all sing stood there, and putting back the drapery of cloud chanted a peace anthem until all the echoes of hill and valley applauded and encored the hallelulah chorus. Come, let us go into that Christmas scene as though we had never before worshipped at the manger. Here is a Madonna worth looking at. I wonder not that the most frequent name in all lands and in all Christian centuries is Mary. And there are Marys in palaces and Marys in cabins, and, though German and French and Italian and Spanish and English pronounce it differently, they are all namesakes of the one whom we find on a bed of straw, with her pale face against the soft cheek of Christ in the night of the nativity. All the great painters have tried, on canvas, to present Mary and her child and the incidents of that most famous night in the world's history. Raphael, in three different masterpieces, celebrated them. Tintoretto and Ghirlandajo surpassed themselves in the adoration of the magi. Correggio needed to do no more than his Madonna to become immortal. The "Madonna of the Lily," by Leonardo da Vinci, will kindle the admiration of all ages. But all the galleries of Dresden are forgotten when I think of the small room of that gallery containing the "Sistine Madonna." Yet all of them were copies of St. Matthew's Madonna and Luke's Madonna, the inspired, Madonna of the old book, which we had put into our hands when we were infants and that we hope to have under our heads when we die.

Behold, in the first place, that on the night of Christ's life God honored the brute creation. You cannot go into that Bethlehem barn without going past the camels, the mules, the dogs, the oxen. The brutes of that stable heard the first cry of the infant Lord. Some of the old painters represent the oxen and camels kneeling that night before the new-born babe. And well might they kneel! Have you ever thought that Christ came, among other things, to alleviate the sufferings of the brute creation? Was it not appropriate that he should, during the first few days and nights of his life on earth, be surrounded by the dumb beasts, whose moan and plaint and bellowing have for ages been a prayer to God for the arresting of their tortures and the righting of their wrongs? Not a kennel in all the centuries, not a bird's nest, not a worn-out horse on towpath, not a herd freezing in the poorly built cowpen, not a freight car in summer time bring the bees to market without water through a thousand miles of agony, not a surgeon's room witnessing the struggles of fox or rabbit or pigeon or dog in the horrors of vivisection, but has an interest in the fact that Christ was born in a stable surrounded by brutes.

Standing then, as I imagine now I do, in that Bethlehem night with an infant Christ on one side and the speechless creatures of God on the other, I cry: Look out how you strike the rowl into that horse's side; take off that curb bit from that bleeding mouth; remove that saddle from that raw back; shoot not for that bird that is too small for food; forget not to put water into the cage of that canary; throw out some crumbs to those birds caught too far north in the winter's inclemency; arrest that man who is making that one horse draw a load heavy enough for three; rush in upon that scene where boys are torturing a cat or transfixing a butterfly and grasshopper; drive not off that old robin, for her nest is a mother's cradle and under her wing there may be three or four musicians of the sky in training. In your families and in your schools teach the coming generation more mercy than the present generation has ever shown and in this marvelous Bible picture of the nativity, while you point out to them the angel, show them also the camel, and while they hear the celestial chant let them also hear the cow's moan.

Behold also, in this Bible scene how on that Christmas night God honored childhood. Childhood was to be honored by that advent. He must have a child's light limbs and a child's dimpled hand and a child's beaming eye and a child's flaxen hair, and babyhood was to be honored for all time to come, and a cradle was to mean more than a grave. Mighty God, may the reflection of that one child's face be seen in all infantile faces!

Enough have all these fathers and mothers on hand if they have a child in the house. A throne, a crowd, a scepter, a kingdom, under charge. Be careful how you strike him across the head, jarring the brain. What you say to him will be centennial and millennial, and a hundred years and a thousand years will not stop the echo and re-echo. Do not say, "It is only a child." Rather say, "It is only an immortal." It is only a masterpiece of Jehovah. It is only a being that shall outlive sun and moon and star and

ages quadriennial. God has infinite resources, and he can give presents of great value, but when he wants to give the richest possible gift to a household he looks around all the worlds and all the universe and then gives a child. Yea, in all ages God has honored childhood. He makes almost every picture a failure unless there be a child either playing on the floor or looking through the window or seated on the lap gazing into the face of the mother.

It was a child in Naaman's kitchen that told the great Syrian warrior where he might go and get cured of the leprosy, which at his seventh plunge in the Jordan was left at the bottom of the river. It was to the cradle of leaves in which a child was laid, rocked by the Nile, that God called the attention of history. It was a sick child that evoked Christ's curative sympathies. It was a child that Christ set in the midst of the squabbling disciples to teach the lesson of humility.

A child decided Waterloo, showing the army of Bücher how they could take a short cut through the fields when if the old road had been followed the Prussian general would have come up too late to save the destinies of Europe. It was a child that decided Gettysburg, he having overheard two Confederate generals in a conversation in which they decided to march for Gettysburg instead of Harrisburg, and this reported to Governor Curtin, the Federal forces started to meet their opponents at Gettysburg. And to-day the child is to decide all the great battles, make all the laws, settle all the destinies and usher in the world's salvation or destruction. Men, women, nations, all earth and all heaven, behold the child!

Notice also that in this Bible night scene God honored science. Who are the three wise men kneeling before the Divine Infant? Not Boor, not Ignoramus, but Caspar, Balthasar and Melchior, men who knew all that was to be known. They were the Isaac Newtons and Herschels and Faradays of their time. Their alchemy was the forerunner of our sublime chemistry, their astrology the mother of our magnificent astronomy. And when I see these scientists bowing before the beautiful babe I see the prophecy of the time when all the telescopes and microscopes and all the Leyden jars and all the electric batteries and all the observatories and all the universities shall bow to Jesus. It is much that way already. Where is the college that does not have morning prayers, thus bowing at the manger? Who have been the greatest scientists? Joseph Henry, who lived and died in the faith of the gospels, and Agassiz, who, standing with his students among the hills, took off his hat and said, "Young gentlemen, before we study these rocks let us pray for wisdom to the God who made the rocks." All geology will yet bow before the Rock of Ages. All botany will yet worship the Rose of Sharon. All astronomy will yet recognize the Star of Bethlehem.

Behold also that on that Christmas night God honored motherhood. Two angels on their wings might have brought an infant Savior to Bethlehem without Mary's being there at all. When the villagers on the morning of December 26 awoke, by divine arrangement and in some unexpected way the child Jesus might have been found in some comfortable cradle of the village. But no, no! Motherhood for all time was to be consecrated, and one of the tenderest relations was to be the maternal relation and in it the sweetest words "mother." In all ages God has honored good motherhood. John Wesley had a good mother. St. Bernard had a good mother, Samuel Budgett a good mother, Walter Scott a good mother, Benjamin West a good mother. In a great audience, most of whom were Christians, I asked that all those who had been blessed of Christian mothers arise, and almost the entire assembly stood up. Do you not see how important it is that all motherhood be consecrated? Why did Titian, the Italian artist, when he sketched the Madonna make it an Italian face? Why did Rubens, the German artist, in his Madonna make it a German face? Why did Joshua Reynolds, the English artist, in his Madonna make it an English face? Why did Murillo, the Spanish artist, in his Madonna make it a Spanish face? I never heard, but I think they took their own mothers as the type of Mary, the mother of Christ.

The first word a child utters is apt to be "Mother!" and the old man in his dying dream calls, "Mother, mother!" It matters not whether she was brought up in the surroundings of a city and in an affluent home and was dressed appropriately with reference to the demands of modern life or whether she wore the old time cap and great round spectacles and apron of her own make and knit your socks with her own needles seated by the broad fireplace, with great backlog ablaze, on a winter's night; it matters not how many wrinkles crossed and creased her face or how much her shoulders stooped with the burdens of a long life, if you painted a Madonna hers would be the face. What a gentle hand she had when we were sick and what a voice to soothe pain, and was there any one who could so fill up a room with peace and purity and light? And what a sad day that was when we came home and she could greet us not, for her lips were forever still. Come back, mother, in these Christmas times and take your

old place and as ten or twenty years ago come and open the Bible as if you used to, read and meditate the same place where you used to read and look upon us as of old, when you wished us a merry Christmas or a happy New Year. But no! That would not be fair to call you back. You had troubles enough and aches enough and bereavements enough while you were here. Tarry by the throne, mother, till we join you there, prayers all answer, and in the eternal home of our God we shall again keep Christmas jubilee together. But speak from your throats—all you glorified mothers, and say to all these, your sons and daughters, words of love, words of warning, words of cheer. "They need your voice, for they have traveled far and with Mary a heartbreak since you left them, and you do well to call from the heights of heaven to the valleys of earth. Hail, enthroned ancestor! We are coming. Keep a place right beside you at the banquet. Slow footed years! More swiftly run into the gold of that unsetting sun. Homesick we are for thee, Calm land beyond the sea.

Behold also in that first Christmas night that God honored the fields. Come in, shepherd boys, to Bethlehem, and see the child. "No," they say; "we are not dressed good enough to come in." "Yes, you are. Come in." Sure enough, the storms and the night dew and the brambles have made rough work with their apparel, but none has a better right to come in. They were the first to hear the music of that Christmas night. The first announcement of a Savior's birth was made to those men in the fields. There were wisecracks that night in Bethlehem and Jerusalem snoring in deep sleep, and there were salaried officers of government who, hearing of it afterward, may have thought that they ought to have had the first news of such a great event, some one dismounting from a swift camel at their door and knocking till at some sentinel's question, "Who comes there?" the great ones of the palace might have been told of the celestial arrival. No; the shepherds heard the first two bars of the music, the first in the major key and the last in the subdued minor, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace, good will to men." Ah, yes, the fields were honored.

The old shepherds, with plaid and crook, have for the most part vanished, but we have grazing on our United States pasture fields and prairie about 42,000,000 sheep, and all their keepers ought to follow the shepherds of my text and all those who toll in fields—all vine dressers, all orchardists, all husbandmen. Not only that Christmas night, but all up and down the world's history, God has been honoring the fields. Nearly all the messiahs of reform and literature and eloquence and law and benevolence have come from the fields. Washington from the fields. Jefferson from the fields. The presidential martyrs, Garfield and Lincoln and McKinley, from the fields. Henry Clay from the fields. Daniel Webster from the fields. Martin Luther from the fields. Before this world is right the overflowing populations of our crowded cities will have to take to the fields. Instead of ten merchants in rivalry as to who shall sell that one apple we want at least eight of them to go out and raise apples. Instead of ten merchants desiring to sell that one bushel of wheat we want at least eight of them to go out and raise wheat. The world wants now more hard hands, more bronzed cheeks, more muscular arms. To the fields! God honored them when he woke up the shepherds by the midnight anthem, and he will while the world lasts continue to honor the fields. When the shepherd's crook was that famous night stood against the wall of the Bethlehem khan, it was a prophecy of the time when thrasher's flail and farmer's plow and woodman's ax and ox's yoke and sheaf binder's rake shall surrender to the God who made the country as man made the town.

OATHS IN LAST CENTURY.

Coming Done at the Bar and on the Bench.

The early part of the nineteenth century was the age of heavy drinking and bad language. Gentlemen swore at each other because an oath added emphasis to their assertions. They swore at inferiors because their commands would not otherwise receive prompt obedience. The chaplain cursed the sailors because it made them listen more attentively to his admonitions. Ladies swore, orally and in their letters. Lord Erskine, a famous Scotch judge, offered to a lady at whom he swore because she played badly at whist the sufficient apology that he had mistaken her for his wife. Erskine swore at the bar, and Lord Thurlow swore at the bench. George IV. was always swearing; a profane oath always accompanied this Defender of the Faith's expression of approval of the weather, a horse, a dinner, or a drinking bout. His accomplished brothers carried his powers in this field of endeavor, and copied his example. "Society clothed itself with cursing as with a garment." Vauxhall, then still a fashionable resort, must have been a defensible place, with its feast of curse words and flow of oaths. Other amusements were bull baiting, cock-fighting and prize-fighting. Wilberforce and Sheridan supported a bill in 1802 to abolish bull baiting, which was opposed by Mr. Windham, on the ground that it was "the first result of a conspiracy of the Jacobins and Methodists to render the people gross and serious."—London Daily News.

A Kansas girl who recently lost her voice has received twenty-five offers of marriage.—Chicago News.

A Problem in Fur.

BY BLANCHE ELIZABETH WADE
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Gordon hated cats. To him the name cat meant not a round, soft, silky ball with a contented purr somewhere inside, but a gaunt, prowling creature generally one-eyed and scalloped-eared, and more often with three round legs, than with four; a monster haunting backyard fences; a freak giving vent to unearthly shrieks so badly timed at the unoffending moon that instead they pierce the innermost depths of poor sensitive mortal souls and stir up emotions better not described.

Therefore, Gordon did not jump for joy after he had read the following letter from a wealthy aunt:

"My Dear Nephew:—While the description you gave of your new studio charmed me, I observed that you lack one thing, and that an important one. ("Money! Always did, my dear aunt.") "That to which I refer, is indispensable to every pretentious studio. ("And to every unpretentious purse, aunt.") "No studio, my dear nephew, should be without a— and here, Gordon was seized with one of the afore-mentioned better-not-described emotions, for the word he read was— "A cat," went on the letter, "is as necessary to an artist's success as his brush; indeed, I may say, the cat adds a tone." ("Better say a fenshish noise, aunt.") "which is not to be obtained by mere pictures and furnishings. Now, I do not mean that I think you ought to take in an ordinary animal;—better none at all, than any common type. Knowing you are not so placed as to be able to make for yourself a good selection, I have done it for you, and am now sending you a most beautiful creature—a full-blooded Angora, registered as John Alden, and aged three months. He is valued at fifteen dollars, but as he grows older will increase in worth. Let me know if he arrives safely, and what you think of him; also, do not fail to send me occasional reports of him."

Then followed several pages of directions for the care of Angora cats, proper foods, etc., and Gordon dropped the letter with a disheartened sigh.

The next day John Alden arrived. At sight of him Gordon did not shudder as he had fully intended to do. Instead he timidly stroked the long, yellow fur and laughed when this act started a spinning-wheel in John Alden's interior. Then and there, of his own accord, with no thought of doing so for the sake of his own interests in pleasing a rich relative, Ernest Gordon mentally swore to do the right thing by his new possession, and when purred gave place to hungry mew, hastened to his small inner room, procured a saucer, lighted his oil-stove, and heated milk according to his aunt's advice.

John Alden was duly introduced to the elevator boy and to the night watchman, each of whom gladly took the oath of allegiance to his furry highness. Thus was his installation accomplished, his reign begun.

"Your generous gift came safely," wrote Gordon to his aunt. "I like him immensely and appreciate your kind interest in making the success of my new studio complete. I have no doubt my Angora friend and I will get on famously together."

His lordship was not long in establishing himself as master of the studio. Disdaining the comfortable basket Gordon had arranged for him, he carefully selected the most expensive fabrics whereon to compose his dainty limbs; scorning the spool and string provided for his amusement, he tore up and down velvet curtains and portieres. He whisked as lightly as a feather, back and forth, in and out, among costly vases and marbles, and though Gordon sometimes drew long breaths, he said nothing.

A week passed, during which John

Graham on the following morning, as she tried to separate the snarled locks. Gordon bought a soft brush and worked two hours at the fur. While thus engaged he made a startling discovery.

The next day while showing Miss Graham some Puritan studies before beginning work on the portrait, he exclaimed in a tragic tone:

"O, Miss Graham, did you know—er—that—that John Alden had fleas?"

"Mr. Gordon!" cried she in a shocked voice. "Did you intend that as a joke? O," suddenly remembering. "Of course, I had forgotten. You mean the cat!"

"Most certainly," returned Gordon, emphatically.

"Well, in that case I can tell you



"How thoughtful of your aunt," what to do. Wash him with tar soap or with dog soap and comb them out with a fine comb."

Gordon purchased three combs before he found one that would not break. He bought three different kinds of soap, and returning to John Alden he combed, he bathed, he rubbed and then combed again. At the end of the tussle John Alden lay snugly sleeping under a warm drapery high on a bookcase and Gordon dressed his own torn and bleeding hands and captured two live fleas on his coat sleeve. He has since come to believe that those insects flourish on strong soapsuds, for after this performance John Alden did little but scratch and dig at his poor, tormented skin. He lost his appetite and grew thin. Miss Graham advised more combing and warm catnip, tea. Gordon bought catnip at the druggist's. He bought also a walnut wash recommended by the chemist and a bottle of cat tonic. Still the fleas increased and John Alden diminished.

Gordon wrote to his aunt. "Take him to a veterinary surgeon," advised she, "for the fleas will kill the cat if not seen to at once."

"What a pity!" said Miss Graham, when she heard this. "Now, I think that entirely unnecessary. Poor Pussy would die there. If you will trust him to me I will take him home and my mother will doctor him up for you. We live out of town in the summer, you know, and there is lots of delicious grass for him to roam over and no cats in the neighborhood. We will watch him closely and he won't run away. Besides, there are oceans of fresh catnip growing about the place, and home dried catnip is different from that compressed stuff you bought. Then, too—you—you might come often, you know, to—see how he was getting on."

John Alden went to the country. A month later a letter went to the aunt.

"You will be glad," wrote Gordon, "to hear that John Alden is entirely rid of fleas, eats like a bear, and is more beautiful than ever. You will be surprised to hear that I have found that a cat does not add the finishing grace to a studio. There is something else. That to which I refer is a wife who knows how to take care of the cat and of the artist. As you are not so placed as to make this selection for me, I have done so myself—or rather—John Alden has at last spoken for me as well as for himself to the fair Priscilla. Her name is Isabel Graham."

"Your affectionate nephew,
ERNEST GORDON.

"P. S.—I forgot to say June thirtieth."
"E. G."

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To this it was replied that there were two such persons in Middlesex, one a weaver, the other a soldier, and this fact was sworn to. This legal fiction was abolished on October 24, 1852.—London Chronicle.

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HOMICIDE IN AMERICA.

Startling Figures Show Increasing Disregard for Human Life.

A Louisville preacher has recently made the startling assertion that "home life's safer in the dominions of the ameer of Afghanistan than it is in Kentucky. There are more murders in Louisville with 200,000 people than there are in London with its 7,000,000. There are more murders in Kentucky with its 2,000,000 people than in Great Britain with a population of 40,000,000. Finally, there are more murders in the United States than in the whole of Europe, with Italy and Turkey left out and Russia included." The Nashville American says—and who can deny—that "this statement is true." The American asseverates that "no other civilized nation approaches this in the question of murder, and those which come nearest to it are such countries as Italy and Turkey, where the assassin's knife is freely used and where men allow their anger and hate and disgraceful passions to rule their conduct. This nation has a red record of which it should be heartily ashamed."

Did Not Want a Bear Then.

"The sickest man I ever took into the woods," said an Adirondack guide, near North Creek, "was a lawyer who came in from Buffalo last fall to kill a bear. He said he was going to kill one if it took all season. He wanted a rug of his own killing for his office. He stayed in the woods three weeks, and wouldn't look at deer or small game. Finally he had to go home. He sent his stuff out to the railroad by team, and walked out himself, saying that would be his last chance at a bear. "Sure" enough, he went around a big rock and met a bear face to face in the trail. He forgot what he was after, forgot he had been hunting three weeks for this very animal, forgot that he wanted a rug for his office, and even forgot that he had a gun. He turned and sprinted in the direction of which he came till it all came over him that the bear was just what he wanted. Then he stopped, went back," said the guide, according to the New York Times, "and saw from the tracks that the bear had gone a good deal faster than he did, and in the opposite direction."

St. Louis, Mo., dispatch: Joseph J. Novak, living at Ingleside station, in St. Louis county, editor of the Bohemian Hias (Voice) is a victim of the present cold snap. His frozen body was found in a vacant lot near the Wash tracks in Baden.

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Neighbors in a Royal Palace.
When some twenty years ago an attempt was made to blow up the Winter palace in St. Petersburg it was discovered that the lower regions of that Imperial residence were inhabited by a curious and motley tribe of rags-bonds for whom nobody could account. They were hangers-on, cousins and brothers-in-law and friends of the cooks and other servants whose right of domicile in the emperor's palace had never been questioned, but was extremely shadowy.

What is Electricity?
Lord Kelvin, the noted British scientist, once visited some extensive electric works. The foreman, a remarkably intelligent man and an enthusiastic electrician, conducted his lordship. When the tour was completed Lord Kelvin asked him: "Well, now what is electricity?" The foreman stammered that he did not know. "Well, well," said the great man, "that's the only thing about electricity that you and I don't know."

Automatic Locomotive Stoker.
An automatic locomotive stoker has made its appearance on the Pan-Handle and it bids fair to make the fireman's position a sinecure. Despite the fact that the contrivance is said to be proving a success, there is no talk of doing without the services of firemen, who will be expected to take more part in the running of the engines, provided the fuel is taken care of.

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The business done in mouse whiskers is considerable this year, for they are used in the making of the wonderful new fly for fishermen—the "new" fly. And they are expensive—nearly 2 cents a whisker. Trout rise very much better at mouse-whisker flies than at the same "gnat" dressed in jungle-cock hackles, which look very much like them.

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Kansas City's Other Name.
The semi-centennial of the birth of Kansas City will occur in 1903. The incorporation of the city was in 1853, just half way between the Louisiana purchase and the World's Fair that is to celebrate it. Previous to that time Kansas City was called Westport Landing, and was a straggling frontier town on the Missouri river.

New Era in Pacific Navigation.
The two new steamships that are being built for the passenger service between San Francisco and Oriental ports will mark the beginning of a new era in trans-pacific navigation. They are double the size of the largest that now cross the Pacific, and inferior in size to only a few of the latest Atlantic liners.

Substituting Electricity for Steam.
The extension of the use of electricity in British war-ships in place of steam for subsidiary purposes was made the subject of a series of experimental tests in November. At the present time the capstan, steering engines, ventilating fans and derrick hoists are worked by steam power.

Novel Decorations.
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KINGDOM OF TONGA
Is Probably the Smallest Recognized Nation.

It is almost impossible to state with absolute certainty which is the smallest kingdom of the world, for in the savage and semi-civilized portions of the earth there are a number of small communities whose rulers style themselves kings. In Europe, Belgium is the smallest independent kingdom, its area being 11,378 square miles. Montenegro is smaller, with an area of 3,630 square miles and Monaco is smaller still, for its area is only eight square miles, but the two latter are principalities. Monaco is surrounded by the territory of France, except on one side, where it is bounded by the Mediterranean sea. Although small in area it has a population of 1,350. Its principal city is Monte Carlo, the greatest gambling place in the world. In Italy near Rimini on the Adriatic is a small republic, San Marino, with an area of 33 square miles, and in the Pyrenees between Spain and France there is another miniature republic, Andorra, with an area of 175 square miles. Probably the smallest kingdom in the world generally recognized by the Great Powers is the Kingdom of Tonga, comprising three groups of the Friendly Islands in the South Pacific Ocean. The area of the kingdom is 374 square miles. Its ruler is King George II, born in 1874, who succeeded to the throne in 1893. The annual revenue of the kingdom is about \$130,000. The inhabitants are Christians and most of them can speak the English language.—Montreal Herald and Star.

CRAZE FOR WHITE.
The Czarina's Visit to Paris Is Responsible for It.

Paris will doubtless set the seal of fashion upon white fabrics for evening wear this winter, for every French lady of the higher official classes had an elaborate toilette blanche constructed for the visit of the czar and czarina to Compiegne. And in having thus to turn out a very large number of gowns of different styles the great possibilities of white have been revealed. It is said by those present at one of these colorless dresses, adorned only with rich laces, and in every fabric from satin to mousseline de soie, was most beautiful. It was, of course, in deference to the known preference of the czarina for snowy costumes for women that these salons blancs were held. But the result has been so beautiful as a whole and individually the dresses have been such artistic confections, that it is not at all unlikely that we shall find this will be the beginning of a white craze this winter. "Ouida" has said that all women should at all times wear white; it is a view largely shared by the czarina, who never wears any color at night. Mingled with silver and gold, white can be made to look richer than any color ever sent forth by the most cunning dyer. It would be interesting to note how many variations could be produced without the aid of color at all.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Consolation of Scholarship.
A famous English scholar whose hobby was the derivation of words, had occasion to store his furniture while proceeding to the continent in quest of the origin of the term "Juggins." During his researches in Berlin he received from the warehouse company the following letter: "Sir: We have the honor to inform you that the mattress you sent to our store had the moth in it. Since the epidemic would expose the goods of other clients to injury, we have caused your mattress to be destroyed." The scholar replied: "Dear Sir—My mattress may, as you say, have had moth in it, but I am confident that it had an 'e' in it also."

First Travelling Trunk.
The first travelling trunk was so named because it was nothing more or less than the trunk of a tree hollowed out so as to make a box. It is now preserved in the interesting and beautiful old church of Minster in the Isle of Thaaet, where it is pointed out to visitors, who are told that it was brought over by William the Conqueror among his baggage, but that subsequently it was used for the collection of Peter's pence. The venerable trunk still bears traces of its money box days in the little slits in its cover for the coins to be dropped through.—Chicago News.

Perfumes Destroy Germs.
According to the Lancet the liberal use of scent on the handkerchief is calculated to make it antiseptic and to destroy the germs in it, owing to the action partly of the spirit of the scent and partly of the essential oils dissolved in the spirit. Before, therefore, we condemn the persons who use scent upon the handkerchief for practicing a foppish or luxurious habit, we should remember that they actually may be doing good to their neighbors by checking the distribution of infectious materials.—New York Press.

They Cordially Agreed.
"Yes, sir, the newspapers of this country by their extended publication of sensational crimes and incidents are doing an incalculable amount of injury." "That's right. The people shouldn't be permitted to read such details. The less they know about crime and criminals the better." "I entirely agree with you. May I ask the nature of your business?" "I am a greengrocer." "And I am a dealer in gold bricks. Shake."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

ARGENTINE NEWSPAPERS.
Program of Printing There Since Jesuits Introduced It in 1705.

One feature of the progress of the South American States is the increase of the number of newspapers and magazines. A recent issue of the Demographic Bulletin of the Argentine Republic gives some details of the development of printing and journalism in that country. The article calls attention to the fact that the first printing office in the region of the River Platte was established in 1705 by some Jesuit Fathers at their missions in Paraguay. They at first used engraved blocks of wood and later separated wooden types. In 1775 they established the first printing office in the Argentine Republic proper. That was at Cordova. When the Fathers were driven out two years after that the printing office at Cordova was abandoned, but it was transferred soon after to Buenos Ayres. There it was called the Printing Office of the Foundlings, as its earnings were applied to the support of the foundlings. It was continued until 1824. The first newspaper in Buenos Ayres was the Mercantile Telegraph, which came out in 1801. At that time there was no freedom for the press, but the revolution of 1807 gave an impulse to the publication of newspapers and from that time on the number kept growing larger. There are now 739 periodicals published in the country. Of these ninety-four are dailies and 256 weeklies; 682 of them are Spanish, but eleven are English, twenty-four Italian and seven French.

CLDER AS A SMALLPOX CURE.
Its Wonderful Medicinal Value Discovered by Arizona Doctors.

It is reported on what appears to be excellent authority that pure apple cider may be used with good effect as a preventive and a cure of smallpox. The discovery of this new and wonderful medicinal value in apple juice is attributed to Arizona physicians. It appears that during an epidemic of the dread disease in that territory last winter an attendant in a pesthouse discovered by accident that the use of pure apple cider was helping his patients, one of them having received a quantity from the east and distributed it among his fellow-sufferers. Resident physicians made tests with cider on other patients and found most gratifying results. A pint each day, in doses each hour, drove away the eruption in from five to fifteen days, and the patients were entirely cured and discharged within a month. The medical fraternity in Arizona and regions adjacent have followed up the matter with other experiments and investigations, all of which have proved satisfactory. This will be good news to the farmers of the eastern states and other parts of the country, where the products of the apple orchards during the past few years have brought distressingly low prices. That cider has valuable medicinal qualities has long been the belief of country people by whom it has been used in combination with wild cherry or other ingredients for various ailments.—Leslie's Weekly.

Use Philadelphia as a Suburb.
Few people know that Philadelphia has quite a colony of business men who, while maintaining families in the Quaker City, make New York the field of their battle for fame and fortune. Not a small percentage of these, too, suffer the wear and tear of trains daily rather than be away from their hearthstones at night. Two-hour trips are shortened of course, by conversation, card playing and the rapacious and rapidly growing American habit of newspaper reading. One exclusive set kills time on wheels with that reigning fad—bridge whist, while another, composed of men widely known socially and professionally, shortens the trip more effectually than all the rest with the fascinating game of "draw." It's a pretty good traveling pace to keep, but mammon is a relentless task master, and so these modern Jasins must go on to the end. So long as they drop their dollars here it's all right.—Philadelphia Exchange.

The Balmoral "Use."
During the residence of the court at Balmoral the king and queen have attended service at Crathie church each Sunday morning, and, with Princess Victoria, have occupied the royal pew, from which the late queen's state chair has been removed. The pew behind is occupied by the suite, and then come the seats of the royal servants. Under ordinary circumstances the morning "worship" in a Presbyterian church occupies from an hour and a half to two hours, but when the king and queen are present at Crathie the officiating minister follows the Balmoral "use," and hymns, prayers, reading and sermon are all got through in an hour. This was the late queen's limit, and the sermon was never allowed to exceed twenty minutes at the most.—London Truth.

Potatoes Cheap in Ireland.
The Irish potato crop of this year is proving by far the best that the farmers have grown for close on 30 years. The tubers, as a rule, are of good size and the outcome of the highly favorable season is made clearly perceptible by the excellent cooking properties of the tubers at present on the market. It is somewhat curious that the crop should have been so very distinctly favored just at a time when advisers on all hands are recommending farmers to reduce the area under potatoes for something more lucrative. Even though the crop is such a bumper one this season it is doubtful if it will pay, as prices are low owing to the large stocks.

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