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Local Correspondence

LIVONIA CENTER.

Steele show is holding forth at the town hall the past six nights and as usual there is a fair attendance and a very good show for the small sum of 10 cents.

We are glad to hear that Wm. Hake is much improved in health since last week.

Barney Tuck and family of Plymouth and Wm. Helm and family visited with Wm. Garehow Sunday.

Elmer Chilson was home over Sunday. Karl Smith started for Seattle last Monday night to visit his three sons and their families.

Word was received here last week that Almond Fisher was dangerously ill in the city, but later we heard that he was better.

Some gentleman from the city is moving into the Ned Bennett house. We are not informed as to whether he has bought or rented.

We were visited by a severe rain storm Sunday night and a cold wave set in and is with us yet at this writing.

PERRINSVILLE.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hanchett and children and Alonzo Hanchett and Miss Grace Edwards visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Hanchett of Plymouth last Sunday.

Roy Oliver is working for L. J. Mel-drum.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Tait and daughter visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richards, last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wolf and children visited their parents Mr. and Mrs. Aug. Shoults over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Fox of Detroit have moved in with their daughter Mrs. F. Kulik. Mr. Fox is in very poor health.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Sherman entertained Mr. Farwell over Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. Baehr is not as well at this writing.

The L. A. S. at Mrs. J. F. Brown's last week Wednesday was well attended about 35 being present.

A maple syrup party was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Beyer. A very pleasant evening was spent.

James Tait visited relatives at Northville last Sunday and Monday.

Mrs. Wm. McKinney and daughters visited with her parents Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schunk Sunday.

Mrs. Flora Jones and daughters of Wallaceville visited at Mr. and Mrs. Fred Theuer Thursday.

Mrs. Hatty Stephenson and Mrs. Maud Tait and daughter made a business trip to Elm Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kubik visited at the latter's parents Mr. and Mrs. Avery at Wayne.

Henry Kubik visited at Plymouth Saturday.

Miss Myrtle Eckles of Plymouth visited with Miss Myrtle Chambers Saturday.

There was no school at the Cooper school Monday or Tuesday, reasons unknown.

Mrs. Anna Wolf is very ill at her mother's Mrs. Aug. Schultz.

NEWBURG.

Herbert Culver of Detroit visited his relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Ostrander, Sunday.

Mattie Messer went to work for her sister, Mrs. Maggie Pearce, Monday, at Detroit.

Mrs. Sarah Campbell spent Sunday with her aunts, the Misses Priscilla and Emma Arnold.

Little Faye Ryder is very ill with scarlet fever,—the school, however, is not closed.

Fred Genny lost a valuable cow, her leg being broken. He killed her immediately.

[Our Newburg correspondent furnished us with a complete report of the wreck there, but we already had an account of it in type and therefore omit that of our correspondent.—Editor.]

MURRAY'S CORNERS.

The Aid Society met at the church yesterday.

The Helping Hand met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Root yesterday.

Mrs. W. J. Soper and daughter Norma are visiting in Detroit for a few days.

Ervin Pecker bought a horse in Detroit last week.

Louis Brown of Detroit spent Sunday with his parents.

Try The Mail want column.

SALEM.

The Detroit Creamery Co. shipped seven fine horses to Detroit from here Monday.

Geo. Groth is working for A. C. Wheeler at the milk station here.

F. C. Wheeler was in Detroit on business Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whittaker and Mrs. Geo. Roberts were in Plymouth Monday.

Mrs. Wm. Seeley entertained quite a company of friends at dinner Thursday. Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Chet. Shoe-bridge, Wednesday, a boy.

The Ladies Dime of the Congrega-tional church will hold a social at the parsonage Friday evening, April 30th. A musical program has been prepared.

Mrs. Preston, elocutionist, of Detroit, will give an entertainment at the Baptist church Friday evening for the benefit of the Women's Missionary society. Admission 10c.

Arbor Day will be observed by ap-propriate exercises and planting of trees on the school yard Friday afternoon.

Married, at the home of the bride's parents, Wednesday evening, Miss Iva Tait and Mr. Glen Whittaker.

Miss Julia Highland of Rushton was a Salem caller Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Quigley, who have been spending the winter in Sa-lem, will leave Saturday. Alton Far-ner will accompany them.

Cecil Holmes of Plymouth visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Holmes, over Sunday.

Mrs. Nellie Daggett of Ypsilanti spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Holmes.

Miss Lois Bettes is working in Miss Calkins' millinery store in South Lyon.

D. W. Wheeler purchased a fine driving horse this week.

Hourly Service in May.

It is now announced by President F. W. Brooks of the D. J. & C. Ry., a part of the Detroit United Lines, that the hourly service on the Plymouth division will go into effect Monday, May 3. The promise to the people of Plymouth during the winter, was for the installation of the hourly service the first of May, but this is on a Satur-day and railway operators, owing to the natural increase of business on Sat-urdays and Sundays, prefer to make changes in schedules on important lines take effect on the first week day and hence the delay.

Under the new schedule cars will run hourly to Detroit without change from 5:30 a. m. to 7:30 p. m., with another car for Detroit at 9:43 p. m., changing at Wayne, and another car for Wayne only at 11:35 p. m. For Northville the service will be 6:03 a. m. daily, except Sunday, 7:10 a. m., and hourly until 9:10 p. m., then 10:43 p. m. and 12:28 a. m.

This new schedule will place Plym-outh on the map as a most important station among those on the Detroit United lines and will undoubtedly be greatly appreciated by the people.

Formalin Treatment of Oats for the Prevention of Smut.

Enormous losses occur annually from the reduction of oat yields by the ravages of smut. This loss can be largely if not entirely avoided by treating the seed with a formalin solution.

Formalin is a 40 per cent solution of formaldehyde; it can be procured from or by local druggists; the standard strength should be guaranteed. The solution most commonly used is made by adding one pound or pint of formalin to from forty to fifty gallons of water.

The treatment may be applied in one of two ways, viz:

Clean carefully a large area of the granary or barn floor and saturate with solution; upon this spread a layer of grain several or more inches in depth. Apply formaldehyde solution to grain with a garden sprinkler and stir well with shovel. Repeat the sprinkling and stirring until the grain is thor-oughly moistened and then shovel into the smallest sized pile possible, where it should remain for not less than two hours. Then spread the grain and dry it sufficiently to pass through the drill if to be sown at once, or dry perfectly if delayed.

In adjusting the seeder, allowance must be made for the swelling of the grain. Formalin should not be added to the water until ready for use. The results secured will depend largely on the thoroughness of application.

The same methods will apply in the case of barley.—R. S. Shaw, director Michigan Agricultural College experi-ment station.

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SERIAL STORY

THE LOVES of the LADY ARABELLA

By **MOLLY ELLIOT SEAWELL**

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SYNOPSIS.

At 14 years of age Admiral Sir Peter Hawkshaw's nephew, Richard Glyn, had been in love at first sight with Lady Arabella Stormont, who pursued his attentions. The lady, in her turn, had given a berth in the Ajax to the Ajax by his uncle, Giles Vernon, nephew of Sir Thomas Vernon, because the boy's pal. They attended a ball where Hawkshaw's nephew saw Lady Arabella. Vernon met Philip Overton, next in line for Sir Thomas Vernon's estate. They started a duel which was interrupted. Vernon, Overton and Hawkshaw's nephew found themselves attracted by the lady Arabella. The Ajax in battle defeated French warships in the Mediterranean.

CHAPTER IV.

We took the Xantippe home—the redemptible went to the bottom of the Bay of Biscay—but before our prize-money was settled-up we were off again; Sir Peter dearly loved cruising for blue water. It was near two years before we got back to England to spend that prize-money; for, except the captain and Mr. Buxton and some of the married officers, I know of no one who served any. Sir Peter, I understood afterward, spent much of his in a diamond necklace and tiara for Lady Hawkshaw, in which he was most egregiously cheated by a Portuguese money lender, and the balance he put into a scheme for acclimating elephants in England, which was to make him as rich as Croesus; but he lost £1,000 on the venture, besides his prize-money. In those two years I grew more and more fond of Giles Vernon. We generally contrived to have our watch together, and we were intimate as only shipmates could be. He talked much of what he meant to do when he got ashore with money to spend, and assured me he had never had above £30 of his own in his life. In the course of many nights spent in standing watch together, when the old Ajax was sailing like a witch—for she was a capital sailer at that time—he told me much about his early youth, and I confided to him the story of Betty Green. Giles' career had been the common one of the younger branches of a good family. His father had been a clergyman, and, dying, left several daughters, who married respectably, and this one son, who was put in the sea service very young. At that time several lives stood between Giles and the title and estates of Sir Thomas Vernon, and other lives stood between Giles and Overton; but those had passed away, leaving these two distant kinsmen as heirs to a man that seemed rightfully to have earned his title of "wicked Sir Thomas." I asked Giles if he knew why Sir Thomas, who so cordially hated his heirs, had never married. Giles replied that Sir Thomas showed no inclination to marry until he was near 40. Then his reputation was so well established that he was generally looked askant upon; his character for truth was bad and at cards was worse. But he had had a lady of rank and wealth to become engaged to be married to him. His treatment of her was so infamous that her whole family had declared war against him, and had succeeded in breaking off several very desirable matches he would have liked to make. Of course a man of his rank and wealth could find some woman—alas!—to take him; but Sir Thomas was bent on money, with an inclination to court rank, and was the last man on earth to marry unless he had a substantial inheritance; and several more years had passed without his being able to affect the sort of marriage he desired. Meanwhile, his health had broken down, and he was now a shattered man and prey for the doctors. All this was very interesting to me, especially as Sir Thomas' two heirs would one day have the experience of shooting at each other, and possibly deciding the matter of heirship by the elimination of one or the other from the question.

We both got promotion, of course, and that brought us into the guardroom; but we were as intimate there as in our refter days in the cockpit. On a glorious October morning in 1799, our anchors kissed the ground in Portsmouth harbor.

When we reached Portsmouth, the news of our good fortune had preceded us, and we were welcomed with bayonets by men, women, and children—especially the women. All the prize-money brought back by any single ship during the war was insignificant compared with ours. The men were seized with a kind of madness for spending their money. The spectacle of an ordinary seaman passing the streets of Portsmouth with a gold-laced hat, a gold-headed stick, and watches and jewelry hung all over him was common enough, and he was sure to be an Ajax man. Sad

to say, the pimps and the worst class of men and women soon got the money away from our poor fellows.

The officers, in their way, were but little behind the men in their lavishness. Champagne was their common drink, and several of them invested in coaches!—the last thing they would ever have a chance of using.

Giles Vernon, although the most wasteful and profuse man I ever saw, desired to spend his money in London, Portsmouth being too small a theater for him. But the pressing affair of the satisfaction he owned Capt. Overton had to be settled. After much hard thinking, Giles came to me on the day after we reached Portsmouth, and said:

"Dick, boy, read this letter and give me your opinion of it."

This was the letter:

"H. M. S. Ajax, May 17, 1798.

"Capt. Philip Overton:

"Dear Sir: This is to inform you that I have reached Portsmouth, after a very successful cruise in the Ajax, when we took the Indomitable and Xantippe and a large sum in specie. My share is considerable—more money in short than I ever saw, much less handled, in my life. I would like a month in London to spend this money before offering my carcass to be made full of holes by you. Dear sir, consider. If I escape your marksmanship, the month more or less will be of little account; and if I fall, I shall miss the best chance of seeing the world I ever had in my life. I think, sir, with diffidence I say it, that my record in the Ajax is enough to make plain I am not shirking the satisfaction I owe you, but I would take it as a personal favor if you would put it off to this day month, when I will be in London. And as I shall eat and drink of the best, 'tis ten to one I will be much fatter and therefore be a much better mark for you. I am, dear sir, Your obliged and

"Obedient servant,

"GILES VERNON."

I pointed out to Giles that, although the tone of the letter was quite correct, the writing and spelling were scarce up to the standard—I was more bookish than Giles. But he replied with some heat:

"Who, while reading the communication of a gentleman, will be so base as to sneer at the grammar or spelling?" So the letter went as it was, and in reply came a very handsome, well-expressed letter from Capt. Overton, not only agreeing to postpone it a month, but for six weeks, which pleased Giles mightily. I wish to say, although Giles was inexperienced in the pen, he had no lack of either polish or ideas, and was as fine an officer as ever walked the deck.

The matter with Overton finally settled, and the ship being paid off, Giles and I started for London, as happy as



With Her Were Daphne and the Glorious Lady Arabella.

two youngsters could be, with liberty and £2,000 apiece to spend, for I acknowledge that I had no more thought of saving than Giles. We took a chaise and four to London—no stage-coach for us!—and reached there in a day. We had planned to take the finest rooms at Mivart's hotel, but fate and Lady Hawkshaw prevented me from enjoying them except for the first night of our arrival. Next morning on presenting myself at the admiralty to ask for letters—never dreaming I should have any—I received one from Sir Peter Hawkshaw, which read:

"Grand-Nephew—My Lady Hawkshaw desires that you will come and bring your money with you to our house in Berkeley Square, and remain there.

"Yours, etc.,

"P. HAWKSHAW, C. R."

Great was my distress when I got this letter, as I foresaw there would not be much chance under Lady Hawkshaw's eagle eye of seeing the kind of life I wished to see. And I was obliged to go, for Sir Peter was the only person on earth likely to interest himself at the admiralty for me; and I might stay and wither on shore while others more fortunate got ships, if I antagonized him. And when Lady Hawkshaw commanded there was but one thing to do, and that was to obey.

So, with a heavy heart, I took myself and my portmanteau and, in a canvas bag, my 1,600 guineas to the admiral's great fine house in Berkeley Square. My parting with Giles was melancholy enough; for, with the womanish jealousy of a boy, I was unhappy to think he would be enjoying himself with some one else, while I was suffering the hardship of having my money taken care of for me.

Giles had no more forgotten the lady Arabella than I had, and, on reading this note, exclaimed:

"Zounds! I wish Peter and Polly had sent for me to stay in Berkeley Square, with that divine creature under the same roof. Do you think, Dick, we could exchange identities, so to speak?" But on my reminding him that Lady Hawkshaw had demanded my prize-money, and would certainly get it, his ardor to stand in my shoes somewhat abated.

When I reached Sir Peter's house about noon, the same tall and insolent footman that I had seen on my first visit opened the door for me. Lady Hawkshaw, wearing the same black velvet gown and the identical feathers, received me, and sitting with her were Daphne Carmichael and the glorious, the beautiful, the enchanting Lady Arabella Stormont.

If I had fallen madly in love with her when I was but 14, and had only seven and sixpence, one may imagine where I found myself when I was near 17, and had £2,000 in a bag in my hands. Lady Hawkshaw's greeting was stiff, but far from unkind; and she introduced me to the young ladies, who curtsied most beautifully to me, and, I may say, looked at me not unkindly.

"Is that your prize-money in that bag, Richard?" asked Lady Hawkshaw, immediately.

I replied it was.

"Jeames," she said, "go and make my compliments to Sir Peter, and say to him that if he has nothing better to do, I would be glad to see him at once. And order the coach."

James departed.

I sat in adoring silence, oblivious of Daphne, but gazing at Lady Arabella until she exclaimed, pettishly:

"La! Have I got a cross-eye or a crooked nose, Mr. Richard, that you can't take your eyes off me?"

"You have neither," I replied, gallantly. "And my name is not Mr. Richard, but Mr. Glyn, at your ladyship's service."

"Arabella," said Lady Hawkshaw in a voice of thunder, "be more particular in your address to young gentlemen."

"Oh, yes, ma'am!" pertly replied Lady Arabella. "But such very young gentlemen, like Mr. Glyn, or Mr. Thin, or whatever his name may be, are always difficult to please in the way of address. If you are familiar, they are affronted; and if you are reserved, they think you are making game of them."

By this speech I discovered that although Lady Hawkshaw might rule her world, terrorize Sir Peter, and make the lords of the admiralty her humble servitors, she had one rebel in the camp, and that was Lady Arabella Stormont. I saw that her remarks displeased Lady Hawkshaw, but she endured them in silence. Who, though, would not endure anything from that cherub mouth and those dazzling eyes?

Sir Peter now appeared and greeted me.

"Sir Peter," said Lady Hawkshaw in her usual authoritative manner, "you will go in the coach with me to the bank, with Richard Glyn, to deposit his money. You will be ready in ten minutes, when the coach will be at the door."

"I will go with you, madam," replied Sir Peter; "but I shall order my horse, and ride a-horseback, because I do not like riding in that damned stuffy coach. And, besides, when you and your feathers get in, there is no room for me."

"You ride a-horseback!" sniffed Lady Hawkshaw. "Even the grooms and stable boys laugh at you. You are always talking some sea nonsense about keeping the horse's head to the wind, and yawing and luffing and bowing at the bowline, and what not; and, besides, I am afraid to trust you since Brown Jane threw you in the park."

It ended by Sir Peter's going in the coach, where the little man lay back in the corner, nearly smothered by Lady Hawkshaw's voluminous robe, and pishing and pshaving the whole way.

But I was quite happy—albeit I was the victim of Lady Hawkshaw in having my money kept for me—for on the seat beside me was Lady Arabella, who chose to go with us. She made much game of me, but I had the spirit to answer her back. After placing the money, we took an airing in the park, and then returned to dinner at five o'clock. I neither knew nor cared what became of Daphne; for was I not with the adored Lady Arabella?

That night Lady Hawkshaw was at home, and I had my first experience of a London rout. The card tables were set on the lower floor, for although Lady Hawkshaw hated cards, yet it was commonly said that no one could entertain company in London without them.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

INTO SERE AND YELLOW LEAF.

Eighteenth Century Women Seem to Have Willingly Settled Down.

In an English novel of the eighteenth century the author thus refers to a certain woman: "She had reached the age of 35, an age beyond which no woman can hope either to feel or inspire deep affection." In one of George Meredith's early novels he refers to a character as a woman "on the criminal side of 30." A Boston woman in the last century, after reaching the age of 30, put on, over her abundant natural hair, a false front and a cap. These were the outward and visible signs of the matronly maturity she had reached. She gave up at the same time all the gayer forms of social intercourse. She coached herself thereafter to the mild and elderly variety. She had "come out" into Boston society at 15. After two years of social gaieties she had married. At 30 she was the mother of eight children. She had lived the active part of her life. In accordance with the conventions of her time she settled down to a life of vegetating domesticity. She was not an exception. She was the normal woman of her day, registering its customs, just as a good thermometer registers the temperature.—Appleton's Magazine.

ACTS OF YOUTH Baffle Doctors

BOY POSSESSES MYSTERIOUS POWER OF ATTRACTING INANIMATE OBJECTS.

BELIEVED TO BE HYPNOTIZED

Home Has Been Visited by Hundreds of People; Who Cannot Account for the Strange happenings.

Mount Horeb, Wis.—The citizens of this village have been considerably troubled during the past few weeks by the actions of Henry Brophy, a young lad 11 years of age.

The boy lives with his grandparents in the center of the village and is a lad of more than usual intelligence. The grandparents are aged people. They are retired farmers, having purchased a nice home at Mount Horeb and moved to that village about a year ago.

The first strange acts were noticed on March 3, and since that time stories as weird as the phantom ghost have been transpiring in rapid succession. The strange occurrences always take place in the presence of the boy, never when he is absent from the house.

Some of the best and most highly respected people of Mount Horeb claim to have witnessed scenes for which they cannot give the slightest explanation.

It seems that the prevailing circumstances are that all articles that move about in a mysterious manner nearly always travel in the direction of the boy, who is usually on the opposite side of the room from that side from which the article starts.

On one occasion a relative brought a basketful of eggs to the house and set them upon the table, and while talking to the members of the family, one egg suddenly flew out of the basket, striking the boy in the face. On another occasion a drawer in the sewing machine came out of its place and came flying through the room, scattering the contents in every direction.



Everything Travels Toward the Boy.

An old case knife flew through a room and stuck in the floor near the old grandmother. An ornament on a heating stove was jerked off and thrown across the room. Books, soap, sausage, and many things movable in the home have been performing queer pranks.

Thinking that the environments of the home had something to do with the events, the lad was sent to the home of a relative, three miles in the country, where, it is said, the strange occurrences are still taking place daily.

There are many attempts at solving the mystery. At first it was thought that the house, which is built of brick, had in some manner been electrified, which was soon disproved. Another theory is that the boy has accumulated hidden force which was acting without his knowledge. Others think that the lad has the strange power possessed by mediums. Still others believe that the circumstances all have natural causes, whatever they may be.

Nevertheless, whether it is a scheme or some spiritualistic performance, the events that have transpired have caused a great commotion in Mount Horeb, and as many as 200 people have visited the house.

It is said that the lad has a high temperature constantly, and is losing flesh. Relatives are planning to have the boy taken to a specialist for examination.

The writer recently visited the scene and those at the home seemed strong in the belief that the boy had been hypnotized and left in that condition. Since the little fellow has been taken to the country nothing extraordinary has transpired at the home in the village, but strange movements of articles have followed him to the country.

A Modern Instance.

"Now, Mary," asked the Sunday school teacher, "can you tell me what King Solomon did when both women claimed the baby?"

"Yessum," responded the little girl in whose home the stork had recently come with a double burden, "he made twins of it."

The Missionary Mule.

"That mule," said the old farmer, "is what I call a 'missionary mule,' an' I'll tell you why: It throwed one man on his head, an' when the man wuz able to be up an' about agin, he went to preachin'; an' the last time the sheriff come to levy on that mule the critter klicked him 'cross the county line, whar they wuz holdin' a campmeetin' an' I'm blest if the sheriff didn't git religion an' quit runnin' fer office—'wich wuz uncommon hard to do, seein' that the office habit run in his blood. I tell you, nuthin' in this here worl' is to be despised, w'en as humble a critter as a mule kin be a 'missionary!'"

Usually They Are.

"Professor, what is the meaning of the word 'monologue'?"

"My dear sir, consider the derivation of it. 'Mono' is slang for 'money,' and 'logos' means 'a word. Monologue, words for money."

PERUNA

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FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 1909.

CAR LEAVES THE TRACK

One Passenger Killed and Two Severely Injured.

The citizens of Plymouth were filled with indignation last Sunday morning when it was learned that a car on the D. U. R. had been thrown off the track at Newburg and one of its passengers killed and several injured, the accident being apparently due to the carelessness or ignorance of the motorman. The car was the last one to leave Wayne after midnight, in charge of Conductor Frank Morrissey of Wayne and Motorman Lewis Butler of Ypsilanti, and contained five men passengers. It is stated Motorman Butler was a new man and that this trip was his first over the road as a regular, though having made several trips under instructions. The car was late and as is usual the crew undertook to make up time by increased speed.

The curve at Newburg is not and has not been in the best condition for cars to make the turn in safety, even going at moderate speed. It is the general belief that when the car Saturday night struck this turn in the road, Motorman Butler was unaware of its proximity and let it run at full speed, the result of which was that it left the track and after plowing along the road for fifteen feet or more, toppled over on its side.

In the rear end of the car, where naturally the heaviest swing would be felt, sat Mr. P. H. Yorton. He was thrown from his seat on the left hand side of the car to the opposite side with such violence that his neck and right arm were broken. In the smoker sat four other passengers—George Farwell, James Dunn, Max Wright and a Mr. Beech of Novi. Farwell sustained the most severe injuries of these, receiving a bad cut on the back of the head and another on the hand and was also internally injured. Dunn also received several minor cuts. Wright and Beech were unhurt. Conductor Morrissey was severely cut about the head and received internal injuries of a serious nature. Motorman Butler jumped from his car and was uninjured.

As soon as the injured and uninjured were able to get out of the car and collect their senses, they secured assistance at the door of H. J. Ostrander, living on the corner, and the family rendered valuable aid in staunching the flow of blood. James Dunn crawled into the car and by the aid of matches found Mr. Yorton dead.

Dr. Patterson was telephoned for as was also Undertaker Schrader. Upon the arrival of the doctor, the wounds of the injured were sewed up and dressed, the doctor finding also that Mr. Yorton's death was caused by a broken neck.

Justice Bassett empanelled a jury who viewed the body, when it was taken in charge by Undertaker Schrader, who conveyed it to his undertaking rooms.

Conductor Morrissey was taken care of by Mr. and Mrs. Ostrander until Sunday afternoon when a special car took him to his home in Wayne, accompanied by Dr. Patterson, where he has since been lying in a critical condition.

George Farwell was taken to his home here and has since been confined to his bed, being very weak from a great loss of blood, and also suffering from internal injuries.

Mr. Yorton had been employed in the office of the Michigan Retail Lumber Dealers' Association and came home every evening. He stated to his wife Saturday morning that he expected to see a man on business Saturday afternoon and might be detained for a later car than usual. The family was not notified of the tragedy until Sunday morning, it being deemed considerate not to do so.

The coroner's inquest will be held in Newburg hall Monday, April 26th.

A Reliable Maligner.

If your stock doesn't look well or do well, just go at once to the nearest drug store or general store and purchase without delay a package of Harvell's Condition Powders. The packages are small but the price places them within the reach of all. There are no food stuffs in the package, each and every drug or different substance being chosen solely for its medicinal properties, and for your money you are getting a better article than any one can give you along the same line, and at the same price. Over seventy years old and sold everywhere for 25¢ per package. Sold by John L. Gale and Beyer's Pharmacy.

Try a liner in our want column and watch results.

An adjourned meeting of the council was held Monday evening. The committees to whom was referred the petitions of John Stewart and others relative to street lights and water mains recommended that the request of said petitioners be laid on the table, which recommendation was adopted.

Some informal talk was had regarding the cleaning of Main street, and the committee on streets was instructed to adopt the best means applicable, outside of a regular street sweeping machine.

The committee on parks had not yet held a meeting and asked for further time. Mr. Voorhies stated the school board had secured permission from the preceding council to put a hydrant in the school park for use in wetting the grass, the former council having also granted free use of water for that purpose. He made this explanation to the new council that there might be no misunderstanding. The clerk was instructed to look up the record and report at the next meeting. The board pays for the tap and has already put it in.

Several applications for superintendent of electric lighting were presented, but that of the present incumbent, Ben Havershaw, was regarded the most favorable, and his contract was renewed for another year, dating from May first.

Upon a vote the council decided to accept liquor bonds with a bonding company as surety. The liquor bond of Thos. Hemenway being presented, the committee on license recommended that it be accepted, which was done.

On motion the free use of the village hall was given for an entertainment for the benefit of the family of George White, whose home was recently destroyed by fire.

The council gave permission to use the gravel pit on the corner of Harvey and Church streets as a dumping ground for ashes, but no other refuse. The street committee has supervision.

A rubberoid covering will be laid on the floor of the band stand in the park to prevent leakage on the hose apparatus.

Fire Chief Gayde was present and in most emphatic terms explained to the council some of the needs of the fire department, which included 1000 feet of hose, the total cost of all items being about \$700. The request of the chief was referred to the committee on fire and it is probable that they will recommend the purchase of the items requested. The council and the village cannot afford to be stingy with the fire department. Fires will occur and it may be that at any one of these enough property may be saved to overbalance many times the amount expended for apparatus, especially in a fire of large proportions.

The council adjourned for one week.

CHURCH NEWS.

LUTHERAN.

Rev. G. D. Ehnis, Pastor.
 Services next Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Sunday-school at 10 a. m.
 Ladies' aid will meet with Mrs. Ehnis next Thursday afternoon, April 29.

CHRISTIAN SCIENTIST.

Next Sunday morning at First Church of Christ, Scientist, 10:10 A. M. Subject, "Probation after Death." Sunday-school for children 11:00 A. M. Wednesday evening testimonial service 7:10. Every one is welcome.

UNIVERSALIST.

Rev. F. W. Miller, Pastor.
 Services as usual next Sunday at 10 a. m. Sermon by the pastor. Topic—The Faith that Unifies and Equalizes. Sunday-school at 11:15 a. m. At 7 p. m. there will be a lecture by the pastor. Subject—Modern Christian Church.

METHODIST.

Rev. E. King, Pastor.
 Services next Sunday will be as follows: Morning service at 10. Preaching by the pastor. Sunday-school at 11:30. Epworth League at 6 p. m. Evening service at 7 p. m. Usual song service. Preaching by the pastor.

Keep an open date for Rev. W. E. Burnett's dramatic recital Friday evening, April 30, on "The Awakened Conscience—Victor Hugo." This will be the finest event of its kind this season.

BAPTIST.

Rev. C. T. Jack, Pastor.
 Morning service 10:30. Evening services 7:30. Morning subject, "A good grip." Evening subject, "Is Christianity a Help or a Hindrance to Noble Life?" The pastor will preach at both services. E. Y. P. U., 6:30. Leader, Mrs. Charles Olds. Song service from 7:30 to 7:45, followed by evening sermon. Prayer service Thursday night 7:30. The annual meeting occurs Thursday, April 29th. Watch for further announcements. Every member should arrange to be present at the annual meeting.

PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. H. N. Ronald, Pastor.
 Sunday 10:00, morning worship. Sermon by the pastor. Subject, "An Appeal to Reason." 11:15, Sunday-school. 6:00, Young People's service. 7:00 evening, gospel service. Sermon by the pastor. Subject, "The Inconsistencies of Satan." You are most

cordially invited to all these services. Also to the midweek services Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

Tuesday evening, April 27, beginning at 7:30 o'clock, at the church, the fourth quarterly social of the board of trustees will be held. All members, adherents, contributors and friends are invited and urged to be present. There will be a short program and refreshments will be served.

SCHOOL NOTES.

Supt. Harris of Highland Park visited school Monday.

Howard Grant of the U. of M., visited his sister, Miss Eva Grant Monday.

Miss Phelps who teaches at the Normal spent Friday with Miss White, at school.

Three pupils from the grades left school this week. We hope that others will start to make up the loss.

To repay the first grade for the shelter it received during the winter, a beautiful butterfly emerged from its cocoon recently.

If you ever catch a frog and want to hear him croak, just "squeeze" him behind the ears. A freshman girl discovered that.

H. D. Nutt, travelling for the American Book Co., was in the Political Economy class Monday. He answered several questions for the "guys."

The Biology class went on a trip last Tuesday. It seems peculiar that they don't have adventures like we used to have. Anyway we don't hear about any.

Field Day will be held at Chelsea, June 5th. It was Chelsea's turn to have the meet, and because in former years it was to be held in May, it has been postponed until June.

A very interesting program was given at the Junior Musical last Wednesday evening, which was greatly enjoyed by all present. It was a financial success also, and this gratified the Juniors.

The Biology class have started a zoological garden in a small way. They have a snake, frog, fish, clams, a crab and some frog eggs. The exhibit is free so it will pay to come up to see them.

The operetta "Cinderella in Flower Land," will be given, May 7th by the grades under the direction of Miss Pearl Jolliffe. The operetta given two years ago was extra good, but we expect this one to be better.

A piano recital will be given in the high school room by Prof. Frank Stephens, assisted by Mr. Arthur Davey tenor, some evening next week. Date announced later. Admission 15c, school children 10c. Later—Date will be May 3.

At a banquet given by the Knights of the Holy Grail last Friday evening, a number of cases of "fussin" started. Some of the "fussers" were a little timid at first, but because notes are starting to cross our high school room, it is evident that some cases were successful.

Liquor Legislation

There are several liquor bills before the legislature that are likely to become laws. Senate bill 225 provides for a more rigid regulation of the druggists' trade in dry counties and also for the suppression of blind tigers and clubs. The anti-saloon league is back of this bill and they are making strong efforts to have it enacted into law. They are asking the support of every law-abiding citizen in the State and request that members of the legislature be petitioned to vote for the bill.

Another bill has been introduced by Rep. Warner which is said to have the indorsement of the liquor committee of both houses. It is in the form of an amendment to the liquor laws and its most important provision is limiting the number of saloons to one to every 500 population, the number of saloons where in excess of this, to be reduced by arbitrarily cutting off 10 per cent of the licenses granted each year, until the proper ratio is reached.

It further provides that if the people of any city, village or township so desire they can limit the number to one to every 1,000 population. In no case is the number of saloons in any community to be greater than that existing April 4, 1908, until the population has increased so that ratio may be attained.

The bill also provides that only citizens of the United States and Michigan may conduct saloons and no man may receive a license who has been twice convicted of violation of the liquor laws of this, or any other state. There is also the proviso for revocation of license on two convictions, with prohibition against any saloon within 400 feet of any church or school. It also provides for prohibition in villages and townships of less than 500 population where there are no saloons.

Building Business Dull.

Great Britain maintains an active army of a quarter million men. She bears also the cost of keeping up an "army" of 453,000 reserves. Fifty-five battleships, 103 cruisers, 225 torpedo boats and destroyers, 61 submarines, nine scout ships and 17 torpedo gunboats. Only 29 vessels were built in the United States during the month of January, with a total tonnage of 1,324 tons. One-half this total is to be credited to one vessel, otherwise

Carpets, Rugs and Mattings

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Mattings, Rugs, Linoleums and Lace Curtains kept in Stock.

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(The January additions to our merchant marine were small craft, the mosquito fleet of commerce. It is many years since the depression in our ship-building industry was so great. Competent observers will not be surprised if the output of merchant tonnage during the fiscal year, ending July 1 next does not exceed 150,000 tons. But for government work it would be difficult to keep some of the shipyards open.—Boston Transcript.

Probate Notice.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne. At a session of the Probate Court for said county of Wayne, held at the Probate court room in the city of Detroit, on the fourth day of April, in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine. Present Edgar O. Duffee, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Ella Patterson, deceased.

Paul W. Voorhies, administrator of said estate, having rendered to this court his final administration account.

It is Ordered, That the eighteenth day of May next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said court room, be appointed for examining and allowing said account.

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

EDGAR O. DUFFEE, Judge of Probate.

(A true copy.) ERWIN R. PALMER, Probate Clerk.

Probate Notice.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Wayne. At a session of the Probate Court for said county of Wayne, held at the Probate court room in the city of Detroit, on the fourth day of April, in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine. In the matter of the estate of Charles H. Patterson, deceased.

Fred D. Schrader, administrator of said estate, having rendered to this court his final administration account and filed therewith his petition praying that the residue of said estate be assigned to the persons entitled thereto.

It is Ordered, That the eighteenth day of May next at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said court room, be appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.

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

EDGAR O. DUFFEE, Judge of Probate.

(A true copy.) ERWIN R. PALMER, Probate Clerk.

Commissioner's Notice.

In the matter of the estate of John M. Ward, 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 store of A. B. Dibble in the village of Plymouth, in said county, on Wednesday, the 14th day of July, A. D. 1909, and on Thursday, the 15th day of October, A. D. 1909, at two o'clock P. M. of each of said days for the purpose of examining and allowing said claims and that six months from the 14th day of April, A. D. 1909, were allowed by said court for creditors to present their claims for examination and allowance.

Dated, April 14, 1909.

PAUL VOORHIES, CALVIN WHIPPLE, Commissioners.

EXCURSION

VIA THE

Pere Marquette

ON

Sunday, May 2

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MOTHER'S BREAD

The Greissell Baking Co. of Flint wish to announce that

W. W. MURRAY,

one of you hustling grocers, is receiving shipments daily of "Mother's Bread," wrapped in silk paper, from our oven to your house. Once tried, always used. GIVE IT A TRIAL.

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LUCK IN HORSESHOE

ODD POINTS ABOUT THIS WIDELY ACCEPTED BELIEF.

Dates Back to the Mythology of the Ancient Greeks—Once Generally Considered a Specific Against Earthquakes.

Of all the emblems for good fortune the horseshoe stands among the first. Everybody knows it is unlucky to pass a horseshoe on the road without picking it up; it is a luck emblem of the greatest power. Again, we are indebted for this statement to old tales, centuries in age, that have descended from father to son, from mother to daughter, through the years.

It is necessary to notice how the horseshoe lies before picking it up. If the ends are away from one, the sign is that fortune will be within grasp, but by extravagance, carelessness, or the operation of rogues, it may depart almost as soon as it comes. A sign to take care is given, therefore.

The right thing to do is to turn the horseshoe around, so that the ends are toward the finder, before picking it up. And in carrying it home it is correct to hold it with the ends upward or the earth will attract to itself all the promised fortune.

When the shoe is nailed up on door or window in its destined place the ends must be upward, or the whole luck emblem will be nullified. Instead of keeping evil spirits away, the shoe, in the wrong position, will attract them! Instead of bringing good fortune, the luck of the house will be diverted.

A century ago it was very common to see upon a cowshed door the horseshoe that scared off witches who would milk the cows or dry them up. Nowadays they are not so common, yet here and there they are still seen.

The old myths repay research. The luck of the horseshoe has a most respectable beginning. It is traced to the religion of the old Greeks and their sea god Poseidon, who was identical with the Roman sea god Neptune.

To Poseidon horses were sacred, and to him they were sacrificed. Poseidon was believed to have created the first horse when he struck the ground with his trident and a horse sprang from the hole, which afterwards became a spring. The sea god was the lord of springs. To him all springs were ascribed. In the shape of a horse he sometimes wandered by the shores of his ocean domain and where he struck his hoofs, deeply there the waters gushed out and permanent springs were found.

This is the reason why horseshoes are reckoned lucky. Going to the root of the matter, one sees a nature myth as the root principle. From the sea all rain comes, and to the sea all springs owe primal origin; and to the rain and the fresh waters, sea derived, we owe all fertility on earth.

The old Greeks therefore worshipped Poseidon as the fortune giver through his springs. They gave him horses, his precious beasts, and they adored the footprints of horses when they found them, for they might be the very footprints of the god himself.

Pegasus, the winged horse, from whose hoofs the water springs gushed copiously when he came to earth, has been credited with the origin of the horseshoe luck.

Some legends called him the son of Poseidon, and therefore gifted by his father with power to call the waters from the earth. Other legends state that Pegasus sprang from the trunk of Gorgon Medusa, after Perseus had cut off her head. He had the power of producing famous springs which gave the gift of poetry, of art, of intellectual powers. From these springs the muses drank yearly.

The horseshoe was a specific against earthquakes. It would keep a house safe from harm by earth shaking. Again, one perceives the sea myth—Poseidon was the shaker of the earth.

Thousands of Women's Clubs.

Nobody knows how many women's clubs there are in the United States. The General Federation of Women's Clubs was registered in the almanac of 1904 as having over 3,000 clubs in its membership, with 150,000 women on their rolls. But that was in January, 1908, and the federation grows every year amazingly. It contains, too, only a few out of the numberless women's clubs in the land, since there are small clubs, societies and circles everywhere which do not affiliate themselves with any state or national organization, but exist simply for the pleasure and profit of their own membership.—Harper's Bazar.

One Was Enough.

"Henry, I am more than glad that you don't drink now, but how did you come to leave off?"

"You remember the last time your mother was here?"

"Yes."

"Well, one night while she was here I came home in pretty bad shape, and saw three of her. That settled it."

Exchange.

The Way to Manage.

"Caustick has the reputation of being a great wit and I'm sure I can't see where he ever got it."

"That's easily told. He's so malicious in everything he says that people are sure he must be witty."

Exactly the Situation.

"I see what Castro says he's going back to face the music."

"Well, that beats the band!"

Local News

C. H. Rathburn has a new delivery wagon.

Dr. Pelham visited friends in Ypsilanti Sunday.

L. B. Samsen of South Lyon was in town Tuesday.

Gideon Wight of Lansing was in town Tuesday.

Chas. Wheelock of Detroit was in town last Saturday.

Henry Reichelt left Thursday for St. Louis, Mo., to visit his brother.

Matt. Fahrner, Sr., moved his household goods to Detroit Tuesday.

Hear the fine dramatic recital at the M. E. church next Friday evening.

Rev. E. King was on the sick list a couple of days the first of the week.

D. M. Berdan received a new Maxwell touring car Tuesday. It's a beauty.

Laurenç Johnson was home from Lansing last week on account of sickness.

Claude Fahrner and Miss Elizabeth Devorner were married in Detroit Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Briggs of Salem spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Hearn.

James Sage of Detroit visited his brother Henry and family here Wednesday.

Regular monthly bake sale at the Universalist church Saturday afternoon, Apr. 24.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Pitcher of Flint spent Saturday and Sunday at Chas. Pitcher's.

Mrs. Chas. Riggs, Mrs. P. E. White and Mrs. Van Aiken visited in Salem this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Stevens of Ypsilanti spent Saturday and Sunday at W. W. Murray's.

Bert Crumie has been appointed assistant chief of the fire department by Chief Gayde.

The masons began work this week on the foundation of the Ray-Toneray house on Oak street.

D. A. Jolliffe was in Flint this week looking over a business proposition, which he may purchase.

W. J. Burrows and Rev. H. N. Ronald were in Mt. Clemens Tuesday attending presbytery meeting.

Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Safford and children and Miss Ada Safford of Detroit spent Sunday at R. C. Safford's.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Walker and Mrs. Bartlett attended the Canton aid society meeting at Frank Tillotson's Thursday.

Frank Rae has moved to Detroit, where he is now proprietor of a three-chair barbershop on Grand River avenue.

Mrs. W. W. Murray and Miss Lelia Murray, Mrs. B. J. Rathburn, Mrs. Geo. Proctor and Mrs. Edith Robinson spent Monday at Warren.

The Degree of Honbr will give a dance in Penniman hall on Friday-evening, April 30. Meldrum's three-piece orchestra will furnish music. Bill fifty cents a couple. Spectators .25.

Miss Ada Safford attended the National Convention of the Delta-Gamma Sorority at Ann Arbor last week. About 200 members of different colleges and universities throughout the country were present.

Mrs. Tim. Promenschenkel of this village died at the home of her parents near Farmington on Tuesday last of consumption. She had been married but a little over a year. The sorrowing husband has the sympathy of his many friends in the community in his loss. The funeral occurs to-day.

The Wayne County Farmers' Institute Society offers twenty-four dollars in prizes for corn grown by boys or girls under eighteen years of age, in Wayne County during the season of 1909. There will be six prizes, viz: \$8, \$6, \$4, \$3, \$2, \$1. All corn exhibited must be grown from one pint of Picket Dent seed. A pint of seed will be furnished by Emery S. Bird, secretary, if the applicant so desires. All applications must be in the secretary's hands by May 1st.

Mr. and Mrs. James Dye, Mrs. Fred Dye of Davisburg, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Dye, F. J. Barrett, George Wight, Mrs. Wm. Haddon, Mrs. John Smith, Mrs. M. B. Wiley, Misses Florence Waterman, Maude Hudson and Mabel Somerville of Holly, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dye and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dye, Mr. and Mrs. John Dye and Mrs. Robt. Erskine of Detroit, and Mrs. Albert Belford and Mrs. Lewis Meyers of Grand Blanc attended the funeral of P. H. Yorton Tuesday afternoon.

A dramatic recital will be given by Rev. W. E. Burnett on "The Awakened Conscience," with Victor Hugo's famous character, "Jean Valjean," as a subject for illustration, in the Methodist church Friday evening, April 30. Mr. Burnett has given this recital to very large audiences in Detroit and elsewhere and has been enthusiastically received. He is a master of the art, as well as being one of Michigan's most gifted orators. You will do well to hear him. Admission 25 and 15 cents. Tickets at Gittins Bros.' store.

Miss Caroline Kensier has been laid up for some time with a broken ankle that she sustained by slipping on a step while visiting friends in Northville.

Another severe windstorm prevailed Wednesday in this section. While it blew "great guns" it was nothing compared to the hurricane which struck Cleveland where four people were killed and many injured and property destroyed to the value of a million dollars.

Ex-Warden Armstrong of the Jackson State prison has consented to go before the grand jury and tell all he knows about the grafts going on there for the past few years. He has acknowledged receiving \$1500 as his share of the binder twine machinery steal and a rake-off on sisal purchases. Other developments will follow.

Fire Destroys Home.

Fire destroyed the home of George White on Kellogg street about three o'clock Saturday morning. Mr. White was awakened by his dog sneezing and immediately realized that the room was full of smoke. Jumping out of bed he called to his children, who were sleeping up-stairs, and running out to the kitchen found it in a mass of flames. Not stopping to dress, White took his family to a neighbor's and then ran back to collect what clothing he could grab onto. Meantime an alarm of fire had been given and at effort made to save the household goods, the furniture and carpet of the front room only being saved.

The fire department arrived in good time, but owing to the distance of the house from the hydrant, only one string of hose could be laid and some trouble was experienced by the bursting of hose. The building was completely destroyed.

The cause of the fire seems to be a great mystery. It originated in the summer kitchen or woodshed where there had not been a fire for a long time. The building and contents were insured for \$500 each.

Funeral of Mr. Yorton.

The funeral of Mr. P. H. Yorton was held from his late home Tuesday afternoon being attended by a large concourse of relatives, friends and citizens. The obsequies were held under the auspices of the Masonic order, Mr. Yorton being a member of Holly Lodge, some twenty-five members of which came to Plymouth, being joined here by the local lodge. The sermon was by Rev. E. E. Caster.

Mr. Yorton was born in Holly township October 6, 1861, and spent all his life in that vicinity until he came to Plymouth with his family some 3½ years ago, being local manager of the Michigan Mfg. & Lumber Co. until the company sold out a few months ago. He was married to Lena Dye October 21, 1884, and to them was born a daughter, Myrtle. He leaves besides his widow and daughter, a mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Johnson, of Davisburg, a brother, Milton Yorton of Bridgeport, and five sisters, Mrs. Mary Harwood of Detroit, Mrs. Belle LaFlamboy of Holly, Mrs. Carrie Fisher of Goodrich, Mrs. Nora Davis and Mrs. Maude Huntley of Grand Blanc, all of whom were present at the funeral.

Deceased was held in the highest estimation by the citizens of Plymouth and the deepest sympathy is expressed for the bereaved family.

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Another Bad Fire.

Fire yesterday afternoon at 1 o'clock furnished another bit of excitement. The house of Mrs. Frank Comstock was discovered to be on fire and when the department arrived the blaze had gained quite a headway. Mrs. Comstock was away from home, but her sons Frank and Irving had been to dinner, building a fire in the kitchen stove, from which the fire undoubtedly originated. The people gathered rapidly and succeeded in getting out much of the furniture. A strong wind was blowing, but three streams of water by the fire companies soon had the fire under control. The rear portion of the house was totally destroyed and the roof of the upright will probably need to be replaced. Lute Passage had his hand badly cut and Lee Passage, one of the pipe men, was overpowered by the smoke while working in one of the upper rooms and was taken out of the place unconscious. A physician was summoned and he was taken to his home. The loss will undoubtedly exceed \$1000. Valiant work by the fire department saved the building from total loss. Give the boys the credit.

The Big Head

is of two kinds—conceit and the big head that comes from a sick headache. Does your head ever feel like a gourd and your brain feel loose and sore? You can cure it in no time by acting on your liver with Dr. Horrikins Sugar-Coated Pills. Isn't it worth trying for the absolute and certain relief you'll get? Ask for a free sample. Sold by John L. Gale and Beyer's Pharmacy.

The Knights Banquet.

The Knights of the Holy Grail and fifty of their friends banqueted last Friday evening in the dining room of the church. After the installation of officers the young men and their friends feasted in the room, which was prettily decorated with their emblem colors. Mr. H. B. Coe acted as toastmaster. Lynn VanVleet responded as King Arthur and Rev. King, Mr. Voorhies and Mr. Hudd respectively on "The Boy in the Church," "In the Sunday-school" and "In the Day School." The event marked the organization of the order a year ago. The members enthusiastically endeavor to carry out in their daily life the thought of the key words, "Confession, Chastity and Charity."—E.

Beautifulizing the Home with Paints and Finishes.

It is really remarkable what transformations may be made, now-a-days, with paints and finishes. Messrs. Gayde Brothers are showing this week in the center of their window a beautifully finished panel showing results that can be easily secured by anyone over old painted surfaces or on old bare wood. It is one of the handsomest and most practical displays we have seen and reflects great credit both to Gayde Brothers and to Acme Quality paints and finishes.

The extensive newspaper advertising being done by Gayde Brothers in behalf of Acme Quality goods is producing excellent results.

Benefit for Geo. White and Family.

The members of the cast who gave it recently will repeat the play, "Just for Fun," Wednesday evening, April 28, for the benefit of George White and family, whose home, household goods and clothing were nearly all burned early Saturday morning last. This cause is a worthy one and merits the patronage of the whole community. The council has kindly donated the use of the opera house for this purpose and as there will be very little other expense practically the entire receipts can be turned over to the benefit of the family.—An effort will be made to add some new features in the way of specialties, so that the evening's entertainment will not be entirely old even to those who have seen the play. Come out and help along those who have suffered a misfortune to which we are all liable. Music by Miss Evelyn Thomas and Wm. Harmon. Specialties by Calvin Whipple and Glee Club. General admission, 20c.; gallery, 10c.; children, 10c.

CARD OF THANKS.—The undersigned wish to express their sincere thanks to all neighbors and friends who assisted us in our late bereavement. Also to the choir and for the beautiful flowers.

Mrs. Ida Birch & Family
Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Birch & Family
Mr. & Mrs. H. Leadbeater & Family

CARD OF THANKS.—The first division of the W. C. T. U. wish to thank the cast who assisted in the presentation of "The Emancipation Club," Mrs. E. L. Riggs, Meldrum's orchestra, Mesdames Pettingill and Mimmack and all others who aided in making the play a success.

Mrs. E. O. HUSTON,
NETTIE H. PELHAM,
Leaders.

A CARD.—Words cannot express our grateful thanks to our many friends who so kindly assisted us in our great sorrow, and we thank you all for the many beautiful flowers which to us expressed your love and sympathy. We also thank the Masonic order which helped us so much in our trouble.

Mrs. P. H. YORTON AND DAUGHTER MYRTLE.

To Automobile Owners.

At a moderate cost I write a very liberal policy protecting you against loss or damage by fire from whatever cause and wherever your machine may be and also protecting you against loss by theft. P. W. VOORHIES, agent

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I have 7 acres of oat ground to rent on shares; also corn ground. Mrs. Julia Stewart, R.F.D. No. 1, Plymouth.

WANTED.—Woman to assist with house work on farm. Good home and good wages to right one. Address P. O. box 56, Plymouth, Mich.

FOR SALE.—Three window sash, containing six panes each, size 24x32 inches. H. B. JOLLIFFE.

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FOR SALE.—Hand-made top single carriage, very cheap. Also single harness. H. A. NICOLS.

FOR SALE.—My house and lot north of Plymouth village, on street car line, outside of village limits. Mrs. MINNIE SPINES.

FOR SALE.—Frame building, 10x14 feet, suitable for hen house, wood shed or milk house. Also one Empire Cream Separator, hand power. P. W. VOORHIES.

Plymouth Rock eggs for hatching. \$1.00 per setting. E. J. BURR.

FOR RENT.—7 room house, good cellar and garden. Enquire at this office.

THE MARKETS.

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Oats, 52c.
Rye, 72c.
Beans, basis \$2.15
Potatoes, 80c.
Butter, 22c.
Eggs, 18c.

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Something New, Tree Tanglefoot,

To keep Moths, Worms and Ants off Fruit Trees.

New Stock of Wall Paper

Just received. We are keeping our stock of wall paper full with new goods and new patterns. Our prices are cheaper than you will find in other places.

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We have in bulk, Peas, 6 varieties Beans, Corn, Cucumber, Onion, Lettuce, Watermelon, Carrot, Pumpkin, Beet Seed, etc.

We have fresh stock of Lawn Grass Seed. Also something new this year—Lawn Grass Seed for shady places. Headquarters for Field Peas.

We have a large stock of Blue Vitriol, Paris Green, Zenoleum, Sulphur, Insect Powder, etc.

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the success of your afternoon reception by taking chances on the tea you serve. A cup of really good tea means more, as far as the success of your function is concerned, than the goodness of the other delicacies served. People will be quick to observe the goodness of your tea, if it's really good. Our

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LEGISLATIVE NEWS;
DOINGS OF SOLONS

WHAT THE LAWMAKERS AT LANSING ARE DOING—NEW BILLS UP.

ACTION ON WHEAT CORNER

Residents of State Write to Lansing
Move by Legislature on Patten Deal in Chicago—
Other Notes.

Lansing.—Letters from all other Michigan cities have been received in this city within the past few days, asking whether there is any probability of the legislature taking action of some sort against the possible evil effects which may materialize as a result of the corner in wheat, alleged to be maintained by Patten, so-called Chicago Wheat King.

Perhaps the only action possible by the solons is the passing of a resolution asking congress to investigate wheat deals and other grain speculations with a view to making it impossible for a clique of men to gain control of the situation to the detriment of the country at large.

In some of the letters attention was called to the recent action of the Wisconsin legislature when the solons of that state at Madison unanimously concurred in a resolution presented by Assemblyman George E. Scott in which national legislation was requested for an investigation not only in wheat, but in stocks upon the great exchanges of the country.

While there was some talk at Lansing, there has been little gossip on the situation in the corridors of the capitol and therefore it is generally believed that the letters will go unheeded as far as any real action, making a request of the national legislature is concerned.

Cut Number of Circuits to 34.

The special committee appointed upon suggestion of Speaker Campbell that there should be a re-districting of the judicial circuits in a bill provided for a saving in salaries of about \$20,000 a year. The number of districts in the state is cut from 39 to 34. Following are the circuits as rearranged in the Miller bill:

First circuit, Lenawee and Hillsdale; second, Monroe and Washtenaw; third, Wayne; fourth, Branch and St. Joseph; fifth, Cass and Van Buren; sixth, Berrien; seventh, Kalamazoo; eighth, Calhoun; ninth, Jackson; tenth, Oakland and Lapeer; eleventh, Livingston and Shiawassee; twelfth, Ingham; thirteenth, Eaton and Barry; fourteenth, Allegan and Ottawa; fifteenth, Kent; sixteenth, Ionia and Montcalm; seventeenth, Clinton and Gratiot; eighteenth, Genesee; nineteenth, St. Clair and Macomb; twentieth, Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac; twenty-first, Saginaw; twenty-second, Bay; twenty-third, Midland, Isabella, Clare and Gladwin; twenty-fourth, Mecosta, Newago, Lake and Osceola; twenty-fifth, Muskegon and Oceana; twenty-sixth, Mason, Manistee, Benzie and Leelanau; twenty-seventh, Grand Traverse, Kalkaska, Wexford and Missaukee; twenty-eighth, Arenac, Crawford, Isocod, Ogemaw, Otsego and Roscommon; twenty-ninth, Antrim, Charlevoix, Emmet and Cheboygan; thirtieth, Alpena, Presque Isle, Montmorency, Oscoda and Alcona; thirty-first, Chippewa, Mackinac, Luce and Alger; thirty-second, Marquette, Schoolcraft, Delta and Menominee; thirty-third, Dickinson, Iron, Gogebic and Ontonagon; thirty-fourth, Baraga, Houghton and Keweenaw.

The third circuit is to have six judges, the first, second, twelfth, fifteenth, nineteenth and twenty-first each two judges, and one judge in all others.

New Liquor Bill is Brought in.

Representative D. G. Warner of Frankfort introduced a new liquor bill incorporating the good features of the late Ormsbee bill, but amending the existing liquor law rather than enacting a new measure for the statute books.

The Warner bill provides for a limit of the number of saloons to one for each 500 population, and provides also that no greater number of licenses shall be issued than were in effect April 1 of this year. The manifest purpose of this limitation is to check the great number of persons who would otherwise flock to get new licenses before the new law takes effect. If the present number is in excess of the limit of one to 500, Representative Warner's bill provides for the reducing of the number of licenses issued each year by not to exceed ten per cent of the excess per annum.

This is an arbitrary provision, but there is no provision for local boards and councils to make the limit one to 1,000 population if they deem it wise.

Lansing Has No Ordinances.

The Lansing city council devoted much time during the winter of 1907-'08 to revising all the ordinances of the city, completing the work May 1, 1908, when the whole bookroll was passed. Judge West recently knocked out the whole set of municipal laws for the reason that "no" official record was made by the council of the passage of each ordinance separately as the rules of the council provide.

MICHIGAN'S HALL OF FAME
REPRESENTATIVE OATES.



Off hand, you would say that Representative Oates, at least in name, typified the agricultural districts of the state. Far from it. Solon Oates, even if he doesn't raise oats, is the legislator who looks after the interests of a part of Houghton county, which is known the world over for its copper mining propensities. Chairman Oates in the session of the legislature has had much to do, for he heads the committee on amendments and revision of the state constitution. The constitutional convention, the pessimists say, left many things undone and therefore there had to be some one to look after the fringe. Mr. Oates is the fringe expert and the job of handling his committee, handling the requisitions for more constitution here and less there have kept him humping through out the session. Therefore one could not blame him if he should down deep in his heart cherish a desire for a quick getaway from Lansing, if lawmakers and prospective laws.

Postmaster Sherman Out.

The Port Huron postmaster's controversy growing out of the activity of Postmaster L. A. Sherman for William Alden Smith in the latter's candidacy for senator two years ago has been settled by a compromise on the part of Senator Smith and Representative McMorran, in whose district the office is.

Announcement of this effect was formally made from Washington, D. C., by Senator Smith, who gave out for publication the correspondence in the case. Under the terms of the arrangement, reached, according to the senator, "many months ago," Mr. Sherman was to hold the office as long as he cared to without reappointment.

Under date of March 22, Sherman sent his resignation to Washington, to take effect December 31, 1909. This long distance resignation is regarded as good politics, inasmuch as it gives Sherman practically his full term and at the same time lets Mr. McMorran down easy.

The congressman can now go ahead and select Sherman's successor in the full knowledge that the man he picks out will get the job. Senator Smith in a letter to Mr. Sherman, dated April 10, says he does not intend to interfere with the selection of the postmaster's successor. Mr. McMorran, the letter says, is entitled to make his own selection for postmaster in his home city.

Had to Quit Working.

After considering 24 bills, of which it passed 16 in committee of the whole, the house woke up Friday to find it had but 34 members present.

The Stewart bill reorganizing the military department, containing many reforms the military men desire, had just been considered. Representative Chambers of Gratiot was against an amendment Miller of Ionia had put on the bill and when the committee of the whole rose made the point of order that there was no quorum. The clerk called the roll and found but 34 present.

An adjournment had to be taken, for no business could be done.

Miller of Ionia made a game fight in committee for fair treatment for his town. Ionia took advantage of the memory law last year, when the state was paying but \$10,000 per company. The city spent \$15,000 and the state \$10,000. Miller was determined that Ionia should have the extra \$5,000 it would get under the new policy and fought hard for his amendment. Chambers and one or two others were against it but Miller won by a slight margin in committee of the whole. The fight was renewed Monday night.

Monday night Representative Morrison put in a resolution withdrawing that put in February by the terms of which state lands bordering on streams were withdrawn from sale. Lead Commissioner Russell is bothered with applications for these lands and has a stack of them a foot high in his safe.

Aimed at Dick Fletcher.

In the bill to take the office of the state labor commissioner elective is reflected the dissatisfaction of the state's organized labor interests with the present labor commissioner, Richard Fletcher, and the bill which he is pushing through the house in behalf of his department.

Labor circles all over the state are behind the Clarks bill, and whether they will be able to swing the measure to make Fletcher's job an elective one in the face of the strength of the administration is a question.

MICHIGAN NEWS
TERSELY TOLD

Hastings.—The sessions of the city council are becoming more and more turbulent, the trouble growing out of opposition to sewers on the part of certain factions in the Second and Fourth wards. The city marshal prevented a fight between ex-Alderman Hobbs and Tim Burke, a section boss who headed a delegation from the Second ward to oppose a sewer along Hanover street.

Saginaw.—Unconscious, his skull fractured in two places, his eyes swollen shut and possibly blinded, long and deep cuts in his scalp and face, and his body pounded almost to a jelly, Charles Yazel, roadmaster of the Saginaw & Flint railway, lay dying at his home in Ohio as the result of an assault. William Miller was in jail here accused of the deed.

Grand Rapids.—A washout caused by the overflowing of Indian Mill creek sent Grand Trunk freight No. 54, from Grand Haven east-bound, into the ditch one mile west of this city. Three men were killed and one was injured. William Stolz, engineer; Fred Runche, fireman; Fred Quinn, head brakeman; Roy Stevenson, the conductor, was internally hurt and may die.

Saginaw.—Notwithstanding he is 82 years old, Deltrich Gerstein will journey across the Atlantic ocean to lay claim to a large fortune, left by a sister, to which he is the only heir. While in Germany he will settle up the estate awaiting him and return to America with the proceeds to enjoy life.

Koruhna.—Mrs. Stella Chalker, wife of a Knappa Bridge farmer, has begun suit in the circuit court against Arthur Anderson, R. M. Sturgis and George Brown, Durand liquor dealers, for \$5,000 damages. She alleges they sold liquor to her husband after being notified not to do so, causing him to become a habitual drunkard.

Pontiac.—Pontiac schools have adopted a system of medical inspection which is to go into effect at once. The school board hereafter will require teachers in grammar grades to make an examination of the eyes, ears, nose and throat of every pupil, and keep a record of the condition of each child.

Detroit.—A bolt of lightning shot down through the vestibule of the M. E. church in the little hamlet of Meade, Macomb county, 30 miles northwest of Detroit, and although about fifty persons were crowded together there but five were injured. Mrs. Warren Bliss was struck by the bolt.

Hillsdale.—Leo Brock, alias James Freelmame, found guilty of robbing the Hillsdale post office by a jury, was sentenced by Judge Chester to a maximum term of 15 years and a minimum term of seven and one-half years, with the recommendation of 12 years, in the state reformatory at Marquette.

Owosso.—Fred Flicke, the Elsie young man who caused a disturbance on an Ann Arbor train and tore the ear of the conductor who attempted to arrest him and who was fined \$25 in Ithaca on a drunk and disorderly charge, was rearrested here on the charge of resisting an officer, the conductor.

Battle Creek.—Raving mad from the effects of a dog's bite, a delivery horse in the service of the O. K. laundry of this city had to be shot in its stall by Patrolman Davis. The animal began acting queer after being bitten. It went wild and chewed off great chunks of its own flesh.

Traverse City.—Over 1,750 school children are now members of the local humane society, the work of organizing the schools having been just concluded. The children are pledged to be kind to birds and animals and to influence others to do so.

Saginaw.—Nearly 100 red men, remnants of the famous tribe of Chippewas which made Michigan its stamping ground, held a meeting at Tawmouth, this county, to take action to protect their property rights in the state.

Durand.—The terribly mangled body of a man identified by the clothing and papers found in the pockets as that of Sherman Knight, a hay baler and sheep shearer of Lennon, was found on the Grand Trunk track in the east end of the local yards.

Oxford.—Alarmed by the danger from possible breakage, citizens of Oxford have petitioned the council to compel the D. U. R. to remove from the corporation limits the high tension wire.

Rochester.—Leroy Bennett fell from a D. U. R. car at the car barns here, and two ribs were broken and his spine injured. He will recover.

Bozoye City.—Ignatius Petoskey, son of the late Chief Petoskey, died a short distance from this city at the age of 97 years. The city of Petoskey was named for the old chief.

Deerfield.—Mrs. Sarah Whitney died after a lingering illness from paralysis. She was 73 years old.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Champion Frank Gotch and Jess Reimer signed articles to wrestle to a finish in Des Moines May 3.

H. Percival Dodge of Boston, American minister to Salvador, has been selected as minister to Morocco to succeed Mr. Gummere.

A step looking toward the ultimate annexation of Cuba is embodied in a resolution introduced in the house by Representative Helm of Kentucky.

Charles D. Hillis of Dobbs Ferry, N. Y., was sworn into office as assistant secretary of the treasury, succeeding Louis A. Coolidge, resigned.

It was authoritatively announced at Houston, Tex., that the Houston Oil Company will soon take over the Waters-Pierce Company's Texas property.

A thorough official investigation will be made of the reported lynching of William Wright, a negro and an American citizen, at Livingston, Guatemala, on December 15 last.

Superintendent J. Van Buskirk of Philadelphia and six others of the Miller Brothers' "101 Ranch" show, were injured in a wreck on the Santa Fe railroad at Perry, Okla.

Roland Post Falkner, former commissioner of education of Porto Rico, was tendered appointment to the vacant membership on the commission to investigate conditions in Liberia.

One hundred and eighty-four people were killed and 2,924 injured in train accidents during the three months ending December 31 last, according to an interstate commerce commission report.

Miss Aimee Tourgee, lecturer and author, daughter of the late Albion W. Tourgee, a well-known author, died in Pittsburgh in a hospital where she had been ill for five weeks. She was 39 years old.

The business section of Cordell, Okla., was destroyed by fire. Mrs. James Caston, wife of a restaurant proprietor, was fatally injured by jumping from a second-story window. Loss, \$60,000.

Jules Cambon, the French ambassador to Germany, has been decorated by the emperor with the grand cross or the Order of the Red Eagle in connection with the conclusion of the Moroccan agreement.

The battleship Mississippi will finally accepted by the government. On her way up the Mississippi river to Natchez to receive the silver service presented by the state of that name the vessel will stop at various cities along the route.

The senate confirmed the nominations of Charles D. Hillis to be assistant secretary of the treasury; Aloysius I. McCormick to be United States attorney for the southern district of California, and Ira A. Abbott to be assistant justice of the supreme court of New Mexico.

The validity of Oklahoma's "Jim Crow" railroad regulations is left to the United States circuit of appeals by a petition filed in St. Louis by negro residents of Oklahoma. They appealed from the United States circuit court of Oklahoma, where the railroads' demurrer was sustained.

SLAYS TO STOP WEDDING.

Florida Girl Kills Actor Who Had Gotten Her to Marry Another Young Woman.

Jacksonville, Fla., Apr. 21.—Following closely on the heels of an announcement of the approaching marriage of Earl P. Adams, an actor and stage director of the Mabel Paige stock company, now playing here, to Miss Elizabeth Bagley, Miss Jessie Brown, a well-known young woman to whom Adams had been previously engaged, shot and killed him yesterday at her home, where it is alleged Adams went to explain to her his approaching marriage to Miss Bagley.

Adams was shot several times by Miss Brown and he died almost instantly. Miss Brown was arrested and placed in the county jail.

Miss Brown is the sister of May Brown, who was killed here in 1905 by her fiance, who at the same time shot her mother, Mrs. Freeman and Detective Cahoon.

WOLVERINE
NEWS BREVITIES

Detroit.—William Peabody, a crippled, eccentric old carpenter and veteran of the civil war, pleaded guilty when arraigned before United States Commissioner Fahney on the charge of making and having in his possession molds and counterfeit coins. Six counterfeit silver dollars, some half dollars and quarters and some molds and other counterfeiting paraphernalia were found in the veteran's room on Seventeenth street. He was held under \$500 bail for trial in the United States court.

Owosso.—Confessing, according to the sheriff, that he has been robbing his employers for three years, Fred Holmes, 22 years old and unmarried, was arrested and held for trial in the circuit court on the charge of grand larceny. The officers of the company assert that Holmes' stealings in the three years foot up about \$1,500. A peculiar feature is that Holmes apparently made no effort to sell the stolen materials, but gave them away to women.

Saginaw.—The will of the late Dr. H. C. Potter was probated. The property is divided among six grandchildren, three by his son the late William F. Potter, who was president of the Long Island railroad, and three by the late H. C. Potter, Jr., of Detroit, with the exception that Miss Sarah Farwell Potter, daughter of the former son, and the doctor's only granddaughter, is given an additional bequest of \$10,000.

Alpena.—Totally blind for 15 years and 97 years of age, yet one of the best posted women in Alpena on state and national affairs was Mrs. Elizabeth Ketcham, who died of pneumonia.

Muskegon.—One of the most exclusive weddings that Muskegon has known in years was celebrated when Miss Edna Campbell, eldest daughter of Mayor and Mrs. John Campbell, became the bride of Frederick Gifford Crosby of Milwaukee, Wis.

Kalamazoo.—That the Grand Trunk railroad will probably take over that part of the Chicago, Kalamazoo & Saginaw railway which runs between this city and Pavilion was made evident when S. W. Brown, general superintendent of the Michigan Central, which road owns the Chicago, Kalamazoo & Saginaw road; G. H. Webb, chief engineer of the Michigan Central and A. B. Atwater of the Grand Trunk made a trip over the road.

Alpena.—The house committee on normal schools and several senators were here inspecting sites that this city offers to present to the state for the proposed new normal school to be built this year. It was shown that there are 30,000 school children in the counties tributary to Alpena, that teachers cannot be obtained for many county schools.

Pontiac.—While on his way from Detroit to Pontiac Ralph Lang, tester for the Oakland Motor Company, ran his machine into a Welch car, which he had overtaken and which was being towed by another car. Lang was hurled from his car several feet ahead into the road, and the other cars ran over him. When picked up he was bleeding from the mouth and nose.

Hillsdale.—Facing what might have been a terrible explosion, a number of employes of the Lake Shore Railroad Company of this city and the local fire department prevented a possible conflagration. A shed containing 16 barrels of kerosene, crude and lubricating oils at the railroad yards caught fire in some unknown manner.

Hastings.—The suit case which was stolen from Attorney F. R. Freshney in the Michigan Central depot here April 3 was found slashed open by a knife and with all of the depositions and evidence which Mr. Freshney had gathered for use in the Haskell-Hearst libel case in Oklahoma missing. Not one of the papers was left.

Holland.—Between sixty and seventy Hope college students, including a dozen co-eds, were suddenly and mysteriously stricken with nausea, and it is thought, to the eating of tainted meat or the drinking of milk containing pyrotoxicum served in Vorhees dormitory on the college campus where all are regular boarders.

Bay City.—John Jankowiak has found out that even after he has served the minimum of a sentence, he must behave. He was taken back to Jackson prison because he had been drinking and neglecting his family, this being a violation of the conditions under which he was released.

Oxford.—Stirred by the antics of a neighbor's chickens in his favorite flower bed, a member of the village council has pushed through an ordinance forbidding the running at large of chickens, geese, turkeys and other fowls, and ordering the village marshal to shoot the same on sight.

Oxford.—The plant of the Standard Pure Food Company, which recently moved here from Detroit, has been remodeled to meet the requirements of the Detroit concern. The head offices of the company will remain in Detroit.

Lansing.—Attempting to stop the fight between two bulldogs on the front porch of her home, Ruth, the two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Norris of this city, was attacked by the dogs and terribly bitten in the face before her father could rescue her. Five stitches were required to close a wound on the child's nose.

Ann Arbor.—The "Dovecot farmer" heresabouts is under suspicion. He is suspected of buying "oleo" and mixing it with the product of his dairy and selling the whole to the grocers as pure dairy butter.

THE MARKETS.

New York, Apr. 21.
LIVE STOCK—Steers 42 50 7 75
Hogs 7 25 6 75
Sheep 4 50 6 00
FLOUR—Winter Wheat, 100 lbs. 1 15 1 15
WHEAT—May 1 12 1 12 1/2
July 1 11 1/4 1 12 1/4
CORN—July 7 1/2 6 7/4
RICE—No. 2 Western 23 1/2 23
BUTTER—Creamery 21 1/2 20 1/2
EGGS 19 1/2 20
CHEESE 12 1/2 17

CHICAGO.
CATTLE—Fancy Steers 65 25 67 00
Medium to Good Steers 55 00 62 00
Cows, Plain to Fancy 3 50 5 75
Cows, Feeder 2 75 3 50
Calves 3 50 5 00
HOGS—Heavy Packers 7 05 7 20
Heavy Butchers 7 25 7 40
Pigs 6 50 7 00
BUTTER—Creamery 23 1/2 20
Dairy 20 1/2 25
LIVE POULTRY 8 1/2 11
EGGS 23 1/2 22
POTATOES (per bu.) 1 00 1 07
FLOUR—Spring Wheat, Sp' 1 15 1 20
WHEAT—May 1 12 1 12 1/2
July 1 11 1/4 1 12 1/4
CORN—July 7 1/2 6 7/4
RICE—No. 2 Western 23 1/2 23
BUTTER—Creamery 21 1/2 20 1/2
EGGS 19 1/2 20
CHEESE 12 1/2 17

MILWAUKEE.
GRAIN—Wheat, No. 1 Nor'n 1 17 1/2 1 18
May 1 17 1/2 1 18
Corn, May 57 1/2 57 1/2
Oats, Standard 57 1/2 57 1/2
Eye 57 1/2 57 1/2

KANSAS CITY.
GRAIN—Wheat, No. 2 Hard 1 12 1 12 1/2
No. 3 Red 1 14 1 14 1/2
Corn, No. 2 Mixed 55 1/2 55 1/2
Oats, No. 2 White 54 1/2 54 1/2

ST. LOUIS.
CATTLE—Native Steers 42 1/2 50 00
Texas Steers 40 00 42 00
HOGS—Packers 7 00 7 25
Butchers 7 25 7 40
SHEEP—Natives 4 50 6 25

OMAHA.
CATTLE—Native Steers 42 1/2 50 00
Texas Steers 40 00 42 00
Cows and Heifers 3 25 4 40
HOGS—Heavy 7 00 7 25
SHEEP—Washers 4 50 6 25

WHITE HOUSE TEAMWORK

By WALDON FAWCETT

THE advent of William H. Taft as general manager of the nation's affairs marks the dawn of an era of higher efficiency in the conduct of the presidential business offices. The new vitalizing influence is not going to merely restore to the business atmosphere of the White House the best traditions of a period when the executive office was the premier business establishment of the country in

courtesy, precision and promptness. It will do more. It will temper this clock-like regularity and formality—essential though it be to the dignity of the place—with a modern progressiveness that will make for economy of time and labor in the dispatch of the public business.

It is safe to predict that henceforth no person will have occasion to complain, for instance, that letters addressed to the White House remain unanswered. The president's office will get back on the basis on which it was placed by the conscientious Cortelyou with an invariable rule that every letter should be answered the same day as received—no slight chore when it is taken into consideration that from 600 to 1,000 letters reach the White House every day. Similarly, visitors will be handled with a minimum of ruffled tempers because the work will be in the hands of the best business diplomats in America.

This optimistic forecast is justified because the new bosses at the White House offices are not novices or unknown quantities. They have for years past been proving themselves in the most exacting sphere of public business and have made good most emphatically. In the first place, William H. Taft comes pretty near being an ideal man for the head of a governmental business establishment. Better even than an ultra-practical business man for a position that combines political and business considera-



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largely by a policy of justice and absolute impartiality to all callers and petitioners for favors. That was, of course, in the days before the public had

good to-day as then, or even better, because he understands better how to control me and keep me straighter."

Next to Carpenter probably the most interesting newcomer of the recognized White House business staff is Wendell W. Mischler, likewise young in years but old in official business experience. Mischler, who is a native of Taft's own state, Ohio, was first clerk to Secretary of War Taft and later became, in effect, assistant private secretary. He went with Taft in the latter capacity when the Republican presidential nominee retired from the cabinet to conduct his canvass and has been a member of the personal staff of the new president ever since. During the stay of the Taft family at Augusta, Ga., when Secretary Carpenter was enjoying a long-deferred vacation in California, Mischler was acting secretary and he accompanied the president-elect on the Panama trip. Mischler is a splendid stenographer and is much the same sort of quiet, efficient, general utility man as is Carpenter.

The other assistant secretary to the president is Rudolph Forster, who has been a member of the White House business staff for a number of years. He started in a clerical position and by virtue of hard work combined with ability worked up step by step until he attained his present responsible position. The newly appointed chief executive clerk, Maurice C. Latta, is likewise old in experience at the White House offices, though young in years. An "indispensable" who has survived the present change of administration just as he has been undisturbed by previous White House "shake-ups," is Col. William E. Crook, the distributing officer of the executive offices, who has been for 44 years continuously in the service of presidents. Col. Crook was the bodyguard of Abraham Lincoln; President Johnson made him a clerk; he served under Grant as acting secretary to the president, and almost ever since he has been distributing officer, paying the salaries of all the workers at the White House offices and expending in the aggregate hundreds of thousands of dollars for supplies.

Warren S. Young is another clerical veteran at the White House and a record of service through three administrations is held by Thomas Anderson, the special White House postman, who handles all mail to and from the executive mansion, signs for all registered pieces, and is, in short, as unique in his duties as are any of the White House officials. President Taft has brought to the White House as his personal messenger, Arthur Brooks, the colored man who served him in a similar capacity when he was secretary of war, and who accompanied him around the world. Likewise he has transferred to the White House as doorkeeper William Pennell, who long held a corresponding position in the offices of the secretary of war.

BLAZES STARTED IN STRANGE WAYS

Outbreaks of fire are often most mysterious in their origin. We are frequently confronted with problems concerning the cause of fires in houses, factories and fields that are utterly baffling and insoluble. Yet in what simple ways we may be victimized the examples given in this article afford most striking proof.

It is the simplest natural operation when lighting a candle to place the box of matches close at hand in the vicinity of the candlestick. The doing of this trifling act nearly resulted one summer time in a catastrophe. Every one must have seen how limp and helpless a candle will become on a warm summer's evening; and it was on account of this weakness in the candle that the danger arose. Little by little it drooped toward the slightly opened box of safety matches, into which it at length plunged its flame, causing a sudden burst of fire, accentuated by the presence of warm wax which had fallen from the inverted extremity. The table carried several odds and ends of the character generally to be found on a workman's kitchen table; and had the outbreak not been immediately extinguished the whole place might soon have been alight to the marvel of the inhabitants.

A scullery maid, or any one else, for that matter, would not think twice about placing a box of matches on the ledge of a sink, even in the event of a lamp being situated at a lower level on a stool near by. Now, in the following case the combination of circumstances was indeed remarkable. The wastepipe was stopped up, so that the water dripping from the tap slowly filled the sink. When the water had risen to the level of the ledge it gracefully tilted the matchbox, which fell straight on to the top of the lamp chimney, shedding its fiery contents into the flare, and, of course, considerably endangering the surrounding articles. Fortunately matters went no further, but I am justified in supposing that, had they done so, all concerned would soon have been asking: "How did it start?" without having the remotest chance of the truth dawning upon their minds.

Moths and flames are universally connected, yet few people suspect that danger could arise therefrom. The insects are of such frail structure that generally they are destroyed before it is possible for them to inflict injury; and it is hardly credible that the wings would ignite and retain, the flame long enough to enable the moth to fly to its surroundings. That, however, is what occurred on the following occasion. The moth was a large one, and its wings must have been very dry, so that when it floundered through the flame it set fire to one wing and darted on to a curtain, near by, which at once flared up. It is possible that many summer evening fires in the country could be attributed to a source of this kind. It is notorious that mysterious fires often arise at sunset in the hot months. In this case the adherent wax may have helped the wings to keep alight.

The last of our examples is certainly the most extraordinary of them all. A box of lucifers had been thrown upon the mantel shelf, and an ordinary clock evidently put in front of them at a later period, so close as to be in actual contact. Eventually the keydrop on the back, during its slow revolutions, had managed effectually to pinch in and hold the matches tightly between itself and the shelf, and the continual pressure and friction on the heads resulted in their ignition, which soon extended to their companions. One might vainly try to repeat a performance successfully accomplished by chance. Every one has seen or heard of haphazard occurrences which could never be repeated, however carefully attempted. Something sticks in a comical position when thrown—something else undergoes peculiar maneuvers—but never again is it likely to occur, either by accident or design.

tions is a man such as Taft—a lawyer with more or less business training. Equally important as an augur of the future are the exceptional qualifications of the new chief magistrate's business aids. Finally it is to be noted that it will be unnecessary to waste any time in "shaking down" the new organization. President Taft and his chosen helpers have been in the same relation to one another for years past and they are letter perfect in that "teamwork" which is the first requisite of business success.

The business staff at the White House comprises about 43 persons including secretary, assistant secretaries, clerks, telephone and telegraph operators, messengers, etc. This corps is divided, very equally, numerically, into two different classes. In the one group are the higher officials, who by reason of their positions are constantly in the closest association with the president. For these posts each incumbent of the presidency naturally desires to have men whose qualifications especially appeal to him, and possibly men who, by reason of previous connection, are familiar with his personal policies and business methods. To that end, each incoming chief magistrate feels free to, as one of his first official acts, fill the secretaryship to the president and the assistant secretaryships with his personal selections.

The second class of White House business aids includes the executive clerks, disbursing officer, etc., etc.—positions which, though subordinate are important cogs in the executive machinery. In this sphere, however, experience, knowledge of routine and precedent, the latter always an important consideration at the White House—are accounted to outweigh personal considerations and so most of the occupants of these positions remain undisturbed from administration to administration as "fixtures" and "indispensables." Not a few of the places are under civil service and there are on the White House payroll, veterans who have been in continuous service since the days of Lincoln.

It can readily be appreciated from the foregoing that the important positions at the presidential business headquarters and those whose occupants sound the keynote of business procedure at the nerve center of the nation are the secretaryship and assistant secretaryships. No small part of the confidence manifested in the future is to be attributed to the circumstance that Mr. Fred W. Carpenter is Taft's choice for secretary to the president. Carpenter has been for ten years past the "right hand man" of William H. Taft and now, having earned promotion corresponding to that bestowed upon his chief, he will prove to be the right man in the right place as business manager of the White House. Carpenter can be depended upon to restore the position of secretary to the president to the plane upon which it was placed by Lammont and Cortelyou.

It was Cortelyou, acting as secretary to the late President McKinley, who made this post of cabinet caliber and he did it

and diplomatic, yet he has the faculty, when occasion demands, of being firm without becoming ill-mannered. The new secretary to the president also has Cortelyou's love for and prodigious capacity for hard work. Like Cortelyou, too, he is a self-made young man and his meteoric rise had much the same beginning, with skill in stenography as the first stepping-stone.

Carpenter, who will be 37 years of age next December, is a native of the little town of Sauk Center, Minn., but in 1882, when the boy was only ten years old, his father removed to California and most of his boyhood was spent on a ranch in the Golden Gate state, enjoying all forms of open-air life and instilling what has ever since been an abiding affection for this climatic paradise. Young Carpenter attended the public schools in California and a private academy until he had almost reached his majority, when he returned to his native state and entered the law school of the University of Minnesota. In 1897, four years later, he graduated as bachelor of laws, and in 1898 took the L. L. M. degree, being admitted to practice both in Minnesota and California.

In 1898 Carpenter returned to California and was with the law firm of Bishop & Wheeler in San Francisco as Mr. Charles S. Wheeler's stenographer when there came to him from the Philippines that message which started him upon his interesting career of the past decade. It was little more than mere accident that brought Taft and Carpenter together. The president of the Philippine commission was in need of a stenographer for confidential work and could not find one to his liking in the islands. A friend, fresh from America, to whom he appealed in his dilemma, remembered the willing worker in the San Francisco law office and recommended Carpenter. The young man came out on the next steamer and proved his mettle so speedily that in less than a year, with the inauguration of Taft as governor of the Philippines, Carpenter was made his private secretary.

From that day to this Carpenter has been continuously Taft's chief aid in the robes of secretary of war, presidential candidate, president-elect and chief magistrate, and certainly no public man ever had a more energetic or so tireless a secretary. He accompanied Taft twice around the world; sojourned with him successively in Washington; Murray Bay, Canada; Hot Springs, Va., and Cincinnati, O., to say nothing of those weeks of strenuous existence on the special train that "swung round the circle" during the recent presidential campaign. In short, Carpenter earned the tribute recently paid to him publicly when Mr. Taft said of his personal representative: "He is the best secretary that a man ever had, and I got him by accident. I cabled across the Pacific from Manila on a statement of a man named Dan Williams, who was out there, that if I secured him, I would get the best secretary in the United States or the Philippines, or between the two. He had been with me for about ten years. He has not grown any older, except in service. He is just as

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Intruder Among the Whel Dogs.

Prof. William Lyon Phelps of Yale went to West Point last fall to lecture. He was lecturing in the chapel, the cadets were rigidly paying attention, erect, eyes front, each man a ramrod of military etiquette. An Irish setter entered the chapel door and ambled sniffingly down the aisle and up on to the platform. The cadets squirmed under the eagle eyes of their officers but not a man smiled. "Billy" noticed the strain. He looked down at the dog wagging its tail benevolently on the rostrum. "What! How's this?" said Prof. Phelps. "A setter? Why, I expected to see nothing but West Pointers up here."—Yale Alumni Weekly.

Question of the Hour.

"We are really at a loss to know how to punish Earle," she said. "We have tried all the punishment in our kindergarten list without effect. We have reasoned with him and told him that he will cease to be our pretty pet and will grow up to be a bad, bad man, and—"

Not Our Discovery.

The Greek, Eratosthenes, 250 B. C., taught the doctrine of the rotundity of the earth, and the ideas of the sphere, its poles, axis, the equator, arctic and antarctic circles, equinoctial points and the solstices were quite generally entertained by the wise men of that time. There were plenty of men in Rome, therefore, who were prepared to talk about the earth as a sphere and to make globes illustrating their ideas.

"COFFEE DOESN'T HURT ME"

Tales That Are Told.

"I was one of the kind who wouldn't believe that coffee was hurting me," says a N. Y. woman. "You just couldn't convince me its use was connected with the heart and stomach trouble I suffered from most of the time."

"My trouble finally got so bad I had to live on milk and toast almost entirely for three or four years. Still I loved the coffee and wouldn't believe it could do such damage."

"What I needed was to quit coffee and take nourishment in such form as my stomach could digest."

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"Now I am healthy and sound, and eat anything and everything that comes along and I know this wonderful change is all due to my having quit coffee and got the nourishment I needed through this delicious Postum."

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JUST WHO ARE THE ENGLISH?

London the Center of a Mighty Empire—Vast Population.

If this question: Who are the English? were asked, either of the average Englishman or of the average American visitor to England, the answer would probably be both inaccurate and confusing. The average Englishman knows little of the origin of his race, and is not of the mental makeup that sets much store by such matters in any case; and the American pays little heed to anything except to what comes directly under his notice as he travels about to and from London as his center.

London itself is a city of some four million six hundred and odd thousand inhabitants. It is a small nation in itself. The total population of the Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland is only 43,660,000 (1906). But London is not England. The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland is not England, with its total area of 121,000 square miles. No; what the world knows as England is the British empire, which includes the above, and in addition some 11,400,000 square miles, and a population of about 410,000,000. The known surface of the globe is estimated at about 58,000,000 square miles; its total population is believed to be about 1,800,000,000. The British empire therefore occupies more than one-fifth of the earth's surface, and its population is also more than one-fifth, or about 22 per cent. of the inhabitants of the globe.

That is England! In Asia they have a population of some 237,000,000; in Africa a population of some 31,000,000; in America a population of some 6,000,000; in the West Indies some 2,000,000; in Australasia some 5,500,000, and so on. When you walk the streets of London therefore you are in the capital of something over one-fifth of the world. These gentlemen in clubs and offices and in the streets are masters of the world. There must be a great many of them, and they must be very wonderful men, one says to oneself. No, the population of Great Britain and Ireland is, as we have seen, only about 43,500,000, and what of them?—Scribner's.

"Dead" Horse Came to Life.
"If a man wants to encourage capitalism that sometimes result in miracles, all he has to do is to send a son to college and present him with an automobile," declared the father of a young man now in his second year at one of the big universities.

"That boy of mine was likely to bankrupt me with his calls for money to pay damages to and by his machine until I wrote him that in future he must cover all such expenses out of his allowance, which is about ten times what my father gave me when I went to college.

"For a time there wasn't a single demand from him, but the other week he sent me a telegram like this: 'Wire me \$300 immediately. Have killed a man's horse.' Of course I said things unfit to repeat, and finally telegraphed him: 'Demand exorbitant. Will be on to-morrow to compromise.'

"Imagine my amazement, in view of the horse's late demise at receiving within two hours this inexplicable reply: 'Don't trouble to come. Horse recovering.'"

So Sudden.
Smithers was paying a rather formal evening call which he mentally promised himself would be the last. He had never cared for Mabel anyway, he told himself, and the last few days had dispelled the last illusion. In the midst of a conversation which lagged horribly, despite Mabel's loquacity, the doorbell rang.

"Too bad," said Mabel, as she came back from listening at the hall door, "it's that horrid Jones. What shall I do?"

"Say you're out," suggested Smithers.

"Oh, I promised myself the first of the year never to tell a story again. But suppose I say I—I'm engaged?"

And Smithers, overcome by such a calamity, in hesitating for a word, was lost.

Excusable.
Mrs. Charlotte Perkins Gilman, speaking in New York recently, said: "What is a woman? Nothing but the female relative of a man. She is the daughter, the wife or the mother of somebody. The man is the noun; the woman the preposition. She is always of, from, to or by—never the thing itself, never an independent entity."

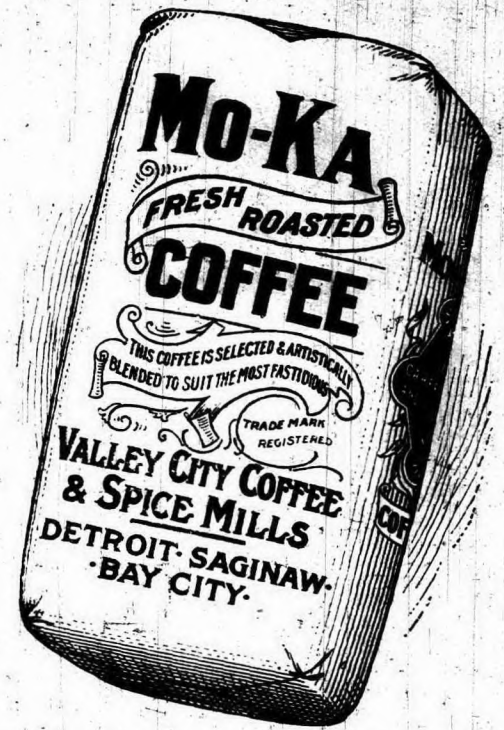
If Mr. Charlotte Perkins Gilman isn't a proud man he ought to be.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Not Worth Touching.
The Souse—Yes, I fell down in the gutter, and nobody paid any attention to me.

His Pa—You must have felt like 30 cents.
The Souse—None—somebody woulda picked me up if I looked worth that much.

Cruel Candor.
"I see you have my pamphlet on your desk," said the economist. "What do you think of it?"
"It's betwixt and between," answered the heartless friend. "It's too light as an argument and not heavy enough for a paper weight."

Interested Parties.
De Broke—I'm engaged to Miss Bucks, the heiress.
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Portugal in Hard Straits.

It is just a year ago that the double fatality in the royal house of Portugal occurred, when the king and prince were assassinated. The anarchical factions in Lisbon have been "celebrating" the event. For the royal house the anniversary is particularly sad under the circumstances, for the palace has never known a moment's real peace since the day of the tragedy. The efforts which have been made by King Alfonso to promote a union with Spain may be said to be the brightest sign in the political sky of Portugal just now, though it is not certain that the Spanish monarch will be able to win over the corrupt office-seekers of Lisbon, whose greatest achievement of late years has been to grab all the spoils offering and deplete the national treasury of everything not actually demanded by the supporters of the present regime for the expenses of the king's household.

Well-Deserved Criticism.

"A picture recently published in Munich shows that the peculiar vanity which manifests itself in a desire to be photographed often kills the sense of decency," says a writer in a Berlin paper. "The picture shows five uniformed men standing on the smoking flues of a building. In front of them, propped up against the debris, are eight mutilated corpses. Under the picture is this legend: 'The Indian coast has been infested for hundreds of years by Malaga pirates. Recently a body of Europeans, conducted by natives; pursued and captured one of these robber bands, whom they bound and cast into a pagoda, which they then blew up with dynamite.' The men who posed for a picture, in which they seemed to gloat over the deed, the fruit of which forms the gruesome foreground, were all Europeans."

Comprehensive Recipe.

Beech, the famous artist of London Punch, was at his best as an entertainer in his own house. Dean Hole asked him one day, after Leech had given him a delectable dinner at his lodgings in Scarborough, how he made such good champagne-cup. "The ingredients," he replied, "of which this refreshing beverage is composed, and which is highly recommended by the faculty for officers going abroad and all other persons stopping at home, are champagne, ice and aerated water; but, in consequence of advancing years, always forget the seltzer."

nally Saw Show.

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