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## Local Correspondence

### NEWBURG.

Messrs. Ryder and Chilson attended the District Supervisors meeting at Detroit Monday.

The Chauncey Brown farm has been sold to Alex. Lyle of near Inkster.

The W. R. C. and the G. A. R.'s meet at the hall in Newburg Saturday for dinner and also hold installation of officers.

Mrs. John Stark gave a dinner to a number of ladies Wednesday noon.

There will be a Poverty Social at the hall Saturday, Jan. 22. The proceeds will go toward buying wall paper for our church. Ladies bring cake.

Mrs. James LeVan is improving slowly. Mrs. Mark Joy is able to sit up and also Clyde Bassett.

Mildred Brown of Milford is expected to be a guest of Newburg friends this week.

The Ladies' Aid society held a very pleasant meeting at the hall Friday last. Several of the members who had made aprons brought them in, carpet rags were also brought in. It was decided to paper the church this spring. Mrs. Emma Ryder was chosen chairman of the committee selecting wall paper, Mrs. James Norris, Mrs. Walter LeVan and Mrs. Roy Laing being also on the committee.

The ice house was not filled last week owing to the inclement weather. Mr. Lewis Krumm has the contract and will draw the ice this week.

Albert Stevens' auction was not well patronized on account of severe weather. Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ames are boarding at W. J. Ostrander's.

The milk house will soon be moved to the ice house.

Floyd Ostrander Sundayed with his parents and with his parents and his brother Sylvester took a sleighride to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Joy's home to see their nephew and two nieces and their first niece Leona, nearly three years old.

The busiest and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They do the work whenever you require their aid. These tablets change weakness into strength, listlessness into energy, gloominess into joyousness. Their action is so gentle one don't realize they have taken a purgative. Sold by Beyer Pharmacy.

### SALEM.

David Waters of South Lyon was in town Wednesday.

The Ladies' Aid society of the west M. E. church will meet with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hammond Tuesday Jan. 25th.

James Bullock of Detroit called on Salem friends this week.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Wheeler and Ethel Calahan visited from Friday to Tuesday with Aniel Cook and family of Howell.

Mrs. Martin Potts and Mrs. Webster Lane visited relatives in Milford Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lew Stanbro and daughter of South Lyon spent Saturday at Wm. Stanbro's.

James Boyle shipped a carload of stock to Detroit Wednesday.

A sleigh load of twenty-two from here took Frank Murray and family by surprise Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Bussey visited at A. C. Wheeler's Wednesday.

Frank Buers was home from Detroit over Sunday. Evidently Salem still holds some attraction for Frank.

Fred Ryder was in South Lyon on business Tuesday.

Harry Atchison has purchased the Freeman Elliot farm and expects to move there in the spring.

Mrs. Chas. Kensler entertained relatives from Plymouth Saturday.

Wm. Naylor was in town Wednesday. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Foreman Saturday, a girl.

Mrs. Rosa Smith is in South Lyon with her sister Mrs. Worden, who is in poor health.

Fred Monahan, of Whitmore Lake, was in Salem on business Monday.

Mrs. Melvin Waters is in Ann Arbor caring for her mother, who is very ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Worden of Ann Arbor are spending a week with their daughter, Mrs. Ray Savery.

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### WEST TOWN LINE.

Mrs. James Heeney is on the sick list. The Grange met at Odd Fellows hall in Plymouth Thursday.

Mrs. Eli Schoch is having a very uncomfortable experience this week with a burn on her foot resulting from an application of iodine to chilblains. Mrs. Schoch narrowly escaped very serious blood poison.

F. L. Becker, who has been in very poor health for several weeks, is improving.

Thomas Thompson, Hervey Packard and J. C. O'Bryan attended the school officer's meeting in Detroit, Tuesday.

The meeting was one of great interest, and those who attended were greatly benefited by the excellent interpretation and explanation given to the school law of Michigan. Fortunate, indeed, would it have been, if every voter in the various districts could have been present, for it would have helped much toward an intelligent and correct administration of the law.

Mr. and Mrs. Angus Heeney visited at Mr. Everett's in South Lyon, Wednesday.

Young people are ever brave, and two started out Friday night through the snow banks to Plymouth with a team of horses and a cutter; but the lantern's light was deceptive or the drivers' hands unskillful, for like Holmes' Deacon of long ago there was "First a shiver, and then a thrill. Then something decidedly like a spill." Only for the venturesome young people it was not a rock but a snow bank they landed upon, and all that was broken was a lantern globe.

Over a hundred gathered at the hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Smith Wednesday evening, where a social in the interest of the Plymouth Universalist church was held. The sleigh ride, the good things to eat, the pleasant games, all contributed to send every one home happy and well content. Between and nine and ten dollars were added to the treasury.

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### W. C. T. U.

The leaders for the meeting next week Thursday, Jan. 27, are Miss Harriett Hartsough and Mrs. C. T. Jack. There will be extracts from the Washington letters, a sketch of the life of our State President, Mrs. E. S. Calkins, and also one of the corresponding secretary, Mrs. Julia R. Parish. We shall be told about Count Tolstoi, and there will be a parliamentary drill. The new programs will be ready for distribution. Sisters, the holidays are over and we hope the worst of the storms, so let us rally in large numbers to our next meeting.

There is no disputing the fact that since local option has prevailed in Hillsdale county there has been a dearth of drunks and crime and nobody is in a position to realize this condition better than a justice of the peace. Captain J. L. Frisbie, who in the three and a half years he has served as justice, has never been reversed by the higher court, declares that there is no business to make the office desirable or in any way profitable, and so he has tendered his resignation to the mayor and common council to take effect March 1st. He says in his letter of resignation that there is no use for more than one justice of the peace in the city of Hillsdale under the present conditions.

A school teacher in one of our public schools relates the following conversation between herself and a pupil.

Teacher, "You were not here yesterday, Minnie, how was that?"

Pupil, "Please, teacher I had to mind the baby."

Teacher, "Could not your mother mind the baby while you were at school?"

Pupil, "No, teacher, she had to mind father."

Teacher, "Oh, how was that?"

Pupil, "Father is drinking again, teacher."

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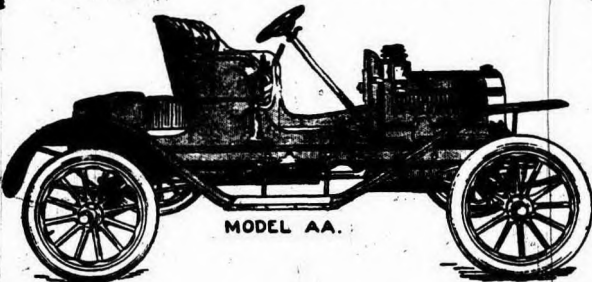
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FRIDAY, JANUARY 14, 1910.

## PURITY IN FOODS.

Methods of Preparing Various Food Products being Discussed More Thoroughly than Ever.

Ever since the passage of the pure food law a couple of years ago the discussion of food factory methods have continued to occupy a large share of public attention. While the original law has remedied a great many abuses which were in vogue especially in meat and drug preparations, a number of processes in other lines were not touched upon.

Recently a great deal of attention has been devoted by various bodies and individuals to study the methods used in various canning plants. An effort will be made at the coming session of Congress to have several of the more questionable methods made the subject of a new statute.

Among the processes to which exception is taken is the practice in vogue in many canneries of peeling peaches by immersing them in lye or caustic soda instead of by knife. By using the caustic soda method canners save a cent or two per can. The method consists of putting the peaches in a tank containing a boiling solution of caustic soda allowing the fruit to stew in this compound until the skins are eaten loose, which are then washed away. In the process of washing it is presumed that all of the caustic soda is also washed away, but no effort is made to find out if this is accomplished. In consequence if any of the lye remains on the fruit the consumer gets it. Just what effect this lye has on the human system has not yet been discovered but most folks probably would prefer not to be the ones experimented upon.

Another feature in this matter is the fact that only unripe peaches can be used in the lye process with the result that the canners using this method prefer and must have green fruit. After a lye bath, what little flavor such fruit has, almost entirely disappears.

It is hoped that Congress will pass a law compelling canners who use the lye method to say so on their labels so that the people will have an opportunity of making intelligent choice of the canned fruit they and their families consume.

The result will probably be that every canner will abandon the lye-method, for while they want to save all the money they are able to, they will probably prefer to spend a little more on the peeling of peaches if they face loss of business as a consequence of sticking to the cheaper method.

## Plenty of Questions.

Enumerators Will Ask Thirty-two Questions in Taking Census.

The census schedule to be carried by enumerators during the taking of the thirteenth decennial census contains thirty-two questions concerning every man, woman and child in this country, the total of whom is expected to reach the number of ninety millions.

Under the subject name, for each person whose place of abode on April 15 is in the family being enumerated, the census taker is instructed to enter the surname first, then the given name and middle initial, if any. He must include every person living on April 15, 1910, and must omit children born after that date.

The first group, relationship calls for a statement of the relationship which the person enumerated bears to the head of the family with which he resides.

The personal description group asks for the sex, color or race, age at last birthday, whether single, married, divorced, and under the subject of "how many children?" the number of children each woman has had and the number living.

One question requires the enumerator to ascertain whether the person is able to speak English; or, if not to give the language spoken.

There are questions touching upon occupation. One for the trade or profession of, or particular kind of work done by the person being enumerated; others will ask you to state whether you are out of work on April 15, 1910, and the number of weeks out of work during the year 1909.

The questions in the educational group are "whether able to read," "whether able to write," and "attended school any time since September 1, 1908."

## CHURCH NEWS.

### UNIVERSALIST.

Rev. F. W. Miller, Pastor  
Services next Sunday at the usual hour, 10:00 A. M. Sermon by the pastor. Subject, "Some of the World's Needs."  
Sunday-school at 11:15 A. M.

### CHRISTIAN SCIENTIST.

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

### BAPTIST.

Rev. C. T. Jack, Pastor  
Services next Lord's day as follows: Morning worship 10:30. The pastor will preach both morning and evening. Sunday-school 11:45. Classes for all grades. B. Y. P. U., 6:00. Leader, Maurice Campbell. Topic, "Does Religion Pay?" Evening sermon 7:00. Seats free, all welcome. Mid-week service Thursday night, 7:30. A special invitation to prayer service.  
B. Y. P. U. will hold a social Wednesday night, the 25th, at the commodious farm home of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Daggett's. A cordial invitation to all. Watch for further announcements.

### METHODIST.

Rev. E. King, Pastor  
Sunday services as follows:—  
Morning service at 10 a. m. The pastor will preach on "The Meaning of Life." Sunday-school at 11:30. Epworth League at 6:00 p. m. Led by Miss Nina Sherman. Evening service at 7 p. m. The pastor preaches. Subject, "Blind Folks."  
The attendance at all the services last Sunday was gratifying. The evening service, conducted by Dr. Caster, was very well attended and highly profitable. The pastor preached at Tonquish to a good congregation.  
The Epworth League hold a Poverty Social at S. O. Hudd's this evening.

### LUTHERAN.

Rev. O. Peters, Pastor  
Sunday-school at 10 o'clock. English services in evening at 6:30, standard time.

A conference of the ministers of the Michigan Synod and the Michigan district of the Wisconsin Synod will be held here next week beginning Tuesday and lasting until Friday, for the purpose of furthering plans toward a contemplated union of the two bodies. Forty to sixty ministers are expected to come—some from all the principal cities of Michigan. Special services Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock standard in German language. Rev. G. Schmelzer of Chesaning, Mich., will deliver the sermon. The ministers will be guests of the different members of the congregation.

### PRESBYTERIAN.

Rev. H. N. Ronald, Pastor  
Sunday, Jan. 23, 10:00, Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor. Putting away Childish Things." 11:15, Sunday-school. 6:00, Young Peoples' Class—Study of the life of Miss Eleanor Chesmet (Servants of the King, Chap. 6.) All Presbyterian young people will be welcome.  
7:00, Evening worship. Sermon by the pastor. Subject, "What Makes a Man."

At the Thursday evening service the subject will be "Temptation—How to Meet It Successfully." Matt. 4:1-11. You are most cordially invited to all these services.

Mrs. E. W. Chaffee, newly elected president of the Woman's Auxiliary, has appointed the following committees: Work—Mrs. Joy and Mrs. Taft. Temperance—Mrs. M. A. Patterson and Genevieve McClumpha. Missionary—Mrs. Ronald and Mrs. J. H. Patterson. Flowers—Mrs. A. W. Chaffee and Mrs. W. J. Burrows. Hospitality and Lookout—Mrs. Fraser and Mrs. Sly. Chaplain—Mrs. Joy. Organist—Mrs. Fraser.  
The past year has been an unusually successful one and the society is planning great things for the new year.

### Carriers Complain.

The Fourth Assistant Postmaster General has sent out requests that patrons of the rural routes buy a supply of stamps and stamped envelopes and not place pennies loose in the mail boxes expecting the carrier to fish them out and stamp their letters.

The carriers in one county in the state of New York counted the pennies found loose in the boxes in one week and found that it averaged 115 for each carrier in the county. At that rate the carriers of the United States would dig out 300,000,000 pennies in one week. Looking after pennies in zero weather is not a pleasant pastime and the carriers are complaining to the Post Office Department.

## AUCTION SALE

15 head of cattle, mostly fresh milk cows, and 1 brood sow will be sold at auction on Thursday, Jan. 27, at one o'clock p. m., on the farm 2 1/2 miles northwest of Plymouth, known as the Hurd farm.  
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## SCHOOL NOTES.

[Printed as written by Pupils.—Ed]  
Be careful Latin IV.'s or "off comes your head."

The eighth grade is making a study of some of the great artists.

Examinations next week; no "School Notes" until the week after.

Miss Brown's class in English II. is about to begin the study of Ivanhoe.

Oh joy! Oh glee! No worry o'er science profound, Our final exam. is be just on "sound!"

Some of the grades, as well as the High School, are rounding out the semester's work by reviews.

The sixth grade is about to make a map of Plymouth, based on actual measurements taken by pupils.

The sixth grade are planning a sleigh ride. (This note was handed in Monday night before the rain.) We commend them to the study of Burn's lines: "The best laid plans of mice and men gang aft a gley."

Mrs. Lipman, of Salt Lake City, visited Miss Smith's room last week. She and Mr. Lipman are on their way to New York City where business matters will keep them some weeks; meanwhile their little girl will be in the fourth grade here.

The sixth grade girls are still learning to sew while the boys have their hour in the manual training room. Before Christmas the reports were all of such things as embodied towels, dollies and opera bags; but now they are working upon prosaic kitchen aprons.

One of the greatest helps to Plymouth schools is the loyal support of its patrons, and in order that they may have a chance to know more of the actual work of their school, Mr. Isbell is planning a novel "patron's evening." Watch for announcement later.

Our safety seems uppermost in the minds of the board, for as we entered the building Monday morning a pounding met our ears, and we found that all the doors in the old part were being changed to open out instead of into the room. This will be a great advantage in case of fire.

Clara Reiman has been out of school nearly two weeks helping to care for her little brother, ill with scarlet fever. We all miss her, and as for Gertrude, she seems to

"feel like one  
Who treads alone  
Some banquet hall deserted."

Norma Baker has resigned as editor of "School Notes," and as there is only one week before the end of the term, Marjorie Travis, who had been appointed for that office for the second semester, has consented to add this week to her term of office. The members of the board for the second half will be announced in our next number.

The younger members of the Methodist congregation were to give all the teachers who are their fellow-worshippers a sleigh-ride Monday night, but greatly to the regret of the teachers the January thaw set in three hours too soon. The kindly will was appreciated, but it is hoped it will not have to be substituted for the deed in this case. Here's hoping for a cold snap.

The weather last week was a severe test of our students, and though some were absent, there were many who drove long distances and were ready for work on time in spite of so called impassable roads. Character shows best in time of difficulty, and character is developed faster in such times too. But however good for us it may be we are satisfied with the amount of developing opportunity of this particular kind furnished us by this winter.

### EXAMS.

Let the midnight lamp be burning.  
Send a beam across the snow.  
For exams are surely coming:  
So look up, what you don't know!

"Was Washington a Federalist?"  
[And "Who wrote the Paradise Lost?"  
Or "Was Brutus a Rep. or a Socialist?"  
Miss Hanford might ask at my cost.

Do you change the signs when you add or subtract?  
And why do you multiply?  
My brains I have racked and the algebra's  
sacked.

But—Miss Brown must always know "Why?"  
What word comes after hic, hic, hoc?  
And that word you use to mean "love!"  
That Miss Newell will give an exam. that's no  
joke.

I'll swear by the bright stars above.  
I'll look up the rate that sound'll travel!  
I'll study it all through and through:  
The why and the wherefore that ben's eat  
gravel.

Miss Johnson will give us that, too.  
I'll find the volume of that sphere.  
And then how to discount a note.  
Oh, the dreaded exam. is so frightfully near.  
Surely Prof. I'll now get them by rote.

Take advice, my dear friends, and get busy.  
Look up what you fear you don't know.  
Or you'll flunk on exams and get dizzy.  
And get marked with a big round O. —H. B.

## MURRAY'S CORNERS.

The Aid Society will have a dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Geer Thursday Jan. 27. Everyone come.  
The L. A. S. will have a box social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Pooler Friday evening Jan. 21st. Everybody invited.

In spite of the storm last Thursday, there were about 70 in attendance at the L. A. S. dinner at S. W. Spicer's and the Aid received \$14.00.

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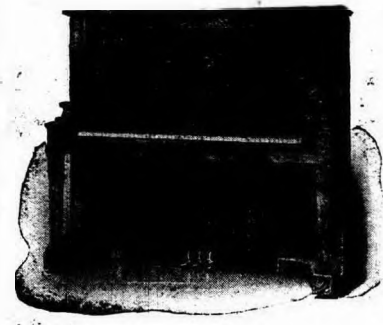
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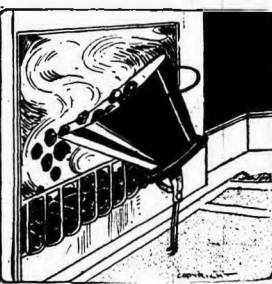
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hour to 7:30 p. m.; also 9 p. m. and 11 p. m.  
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hour to 8:35 p. m.; also 10:10 p. m. and 12 mid-  
night.  
Cars connect at Wayne for Ypsilanti and  
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The New Iowa  
Cream Separator.  
Having taken the agency for the  
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onstrate its superiority over all others  
to any farmer who may be interested.  
Also have the agency for the Choro Boy  
1 1/2 horse power gasoline engine.  
Call and see me or phone 917 2SIL1S.

F. L. BECKER  
Commissioner's Notice.  
IN the matter of the estate of Helen M.  
Colvin, deceased. We, the undersigned, having  
been appointed by the probate court for the  
county of Wayne, State of Michigan, commis-  
sioners 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. E. Dibble & Son, in the  
City of Plymouth, in said county, on Thurs-  
day, the 27th day of January, A. D. 1910, and  
on Saturday, the 30th day of March, A. D. 1910,  
at ten o'clock A. M. of each of said days, for  
the purpose of examining and allowing said  
claims, and that four months from the 27th day  
of November, A. D. 1909, were allowed by said  
court for creditors to present their claims to  
us for examination and allowance.  
Dated, November 27, 1909.  
FRED A. DIBBLE  
Commissioner.



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A good prescription  
For mankind  
The 6-cent package is enough for usual occasions  
family bottle (50 cents) contains a supply  
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TRY MAIL LINERS

## Local News

W. B. Roe is clerking for Gittins Bros.

Dr. S. E. Campbell was in Adrian Tuesday.

Mrs. A. Gunsolly is spending a week in Detroit.

Still have a few 45c disbands for 25c at Variety Store.

Miss Bertha Bennett of Salem visited in town this week.

The Plymouth Grange met yesterday in Odd Fellows hall.

Melburn Partridge, who has been ill, is better at this writing.

James Ferguson of Richmond visited at E. L. Riggs' Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Inez Cole of Ann Arbor spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Rauch.

Ladies', Gents' and Children's Sweater Coats at Rauch's.

Mrs. Ruggles and son of Bay City were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Hudd this week.

Mrs. J. D. McLaren visited her sons at Novi and Wixom Wednesday and Thursday.

Misses Grace Culver and Kate Delmarsh of Detroit spent Sunday with Miss Alice Safford.

Miss Rose Kolch of Saginaw is visiting at Rev. Peters' and will remain until after the conference.

Mrs. Chas. Filkins and son Guy and Mrs. B. G. Filkins of Northville were Plymouth visitors Tuesday.

Mrs. Wm. Lapp of Uxbridge, Canada, mother of Mrs. C. T. Jack, came this week to remain with them for the winter.

The Albert Stevens auction sale has been postponed until next Tuesday on account of the stormy weather last Tuesday.

During October a total of \$17,970.73 was collected for binder twine sold from the Jackson prison. This twine was shipped to several states.

Have you looked over our selection of 10 and 15c sheet music? Variety Store.

Miss Lelia Murray was in Ypsilanti from Thursday until Sunday. She attended the funeral of a friend, Mrs. Nelson Stevens, Saturday.

William Thompson left Wednesday morning to resume his studies at Cleary's Business College after a week's absence on account of lagrippe.

Mrs. P. W. Voorhies and Mrs. Rose Bodmer entertained a number of ladies at a tea party Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Ruggles of Bay City was an out of town guest.

It pays to attend Riggs' sales. You always save a few good hard dollars for other days.

From the way people are talking, at least twelve to fifteen automobiles will be purchased by Plymouthites this season. Several farmers also have the automobile fever.

Friends of Fred Durfee of Novi were pleased this week in receiving cards announcing the wedding of himself and Miss Irma Perry, which occurred in Novi January 12th.

The State tax commission has announced its assessment of telephone property in the State under the new law. We notice the Plymouth company is down for \$20,000 and the Salem company for \$10,000.

Twenty-two little friends gathered at the home of Lonetta Lyon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Asa Lyon, Thursday, the 13th, in honor of her seventh birthday. She received many beautiful presents. A fine supper was served.

Gilbert McClurg with his new travel talk illustrated with 300 superb stereoscopic views, subject, O Brave New World of Texas, will be in the opera house on the evening of Feb. 22nd for the benefit of the school. Keep this date in mind.

Attorney General Bird announces that in his opinion the general primary election laws supersedes the special primary acts passed for Wayne, Kent, Muskegon and Alpena counties. He also holds that the law applies to the nomination of city and ward officers.

Members of the Grange are still trying to convince Hon. George B. Horton that he should be a candidate for Governor. Some members of that organization fear that none of the other announced candidates will pledge themselves to support the tonnage tax on ore.

Frank Oliver of Detroit was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. John Beyer of Perrinville was in town Thursday.

Children's hats and untrimmed shapes at cost at Mrs. Harrison's Saturday.

Mrs. A. J. Hall of Alma was a visitor at the Presbyterian manse this week.

Regular meeting of the Plymouth Chapter No. 115, Tuesday evening Jan. 25.

Mrs. A. E. Patterson visited Mrs. Bert Norton of Rochester the first of the week.

Herman Lipstraw little son of Herman Lipstraw of Beech died Thursday. Funeral Saturday.

Christopher Hostetter aged 80 years, who lived with Mrs. Addie Rowley, died yesterday at 12 o'clock.

Special candy sale, American mixed, only 7c a pound, at Variety Store.

Mr. P. R. Phelps, Agent for the Pere Marquette, finds they are unable to cope with the large increase in business and has put on an additional clerk in his office. This makes R. Cassady, the cashier. Additional help has also been put on in the Yard office for the same reason.

Rumor still has it that Frederick C. Martindale, secretary of state, will be a candidate for the governorship, but until Mr. Martindale makes his own announcement, and in face of his often quoted remark, that there is still plenty of time and it is not to see who is in first but who is there at the finish, rumor will have to be satisfied by being just plain rumor.

Riggs' Mighty January Clearing Sale now on with the greatest bargains ever shown. Overcoats, Suits, Cloaks, Ladies' Suits, Dry Goods, Shoes, Rubbers at less than cost to manufacture—Jan. 15th to 29th.

A handsome picture of the new battleship Michigan, has been received at Governor Warner's office. The picture is nicely framed and bears a brass plate on which is inscribed: "From the U. S. S. Michigan to the state of Michigan." An accompanying letter from Capt. N. R. Usher, commanding the battleship, states that the picture is a gift to the state from the officers and crew of the ship.

Rep. Townsend and Senator Burrows seem to be causing a big stir in the state. Senator Burrows now has a force of clerks copying poll lists of the state to begin his "postage campaign."

Just what move Representative Townsend will take to keep up remains to be seen, but it is a sure thing that he will not be idle. Many sections are coming out for one or the other and a split is promised in a great many others.

Early last fall the little six-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anson Hearn was sent by her mother with an empty bottle to get some lemon extract. On the way to the store the child fell and the bottle broke in her hand cutting a deep gash. The wound healed up and no trouble was experienced until two or three weeks ago when the hand began to swell. Poulitices were applied and an open sore resulted. Last Sunday Doctor Patterson decided to perform an operation and removed a broken piece of glass from the hand that had been the cause of the trouble.

Last year 3,304 postoffices in the United States were broken into by burglars and Inspector Larmour advises that those who are caught in the future be tried in "the circuit courts instead of in the United States courts. The reason for this is found in the fact that a conviction in the federal courts carries with it a sentence of five years' imprisonment, whereas on conviction in the circuit court a penalty of 15 years' imprisonment can be given them.

In regard to our schools, parents have duties to perform, which they can ill afford to neglect. They should show to their children that they have an interest in the school. They should examine carefully the reports sent by the teacher, should see that their children are in school every day, and punctual, should assist and encourage their children to do all their school duties faithfully and well; should co-operate with the teacher in securing the prompt return of their children home after school is dismissed; should make a friendly visit to the school, and talk freely with the teacher and principal in regard to same.

The Baptist Young People's Society will give a Foot social at the home of L. W. Daggett, Wednesday evening, Jan. 26. Free conveyances will leave Post Office and Gayde Block at 7 P. M. standard. Supper will be served.

MENU  
Mashed Potatoes Roast Beef  
Rolls Pickles Baked Beans  
Assorted Cakes Cheese Fruit Salad  
Coffee

Boiled Dinner at Presbyterian church, Jan. 28, from 11:30 to 1 o'clock, at 25c per plate. Corn beef and pork, all the vegetables, white and brown bread, beef salad, tea, coffee, apple pie, cheese and fried cakes.

For those who don't eat boiled dinner, roast pork with gravy, baked potatoes, jelly.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy never disappoints those who use it for obstinate coughs, colds and irritations of the throat and lungs. It stands unrivalled as a remedy for all throat and lung diseases. Sold by Beyer Pharmacy.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a very valuable medicine for throat and lung troubles, quickly relieves and cures painful breathing and a dangerously sounding cough which indicates congested lungs. Sold by Beyer Pharmacy.

## Price of Tickets Reduced.

The Citizen's Lecture Course Committee has decided to cut the price on the few seats that remain unsold to seventy-five cents for the remaining three numbers, and fifty cents for students tickets. There are two first class entertainments and one popular lecture: January 27 the attraction will be L. B. Wickersham, popular lecturer, of whom the Pacific Christian Advocate says: "Eloquence, wit, pathos and logic combined. The most captivating speaker ever listened to on these waters." Of the Rogers-Griley entertainers, booked for Feb. 7, C. W. Deitrich, Sec. Y. M. C. A., Brooklyn, N. Y., says: "Rogers is certainly a genius on the harp; and Griley is one of the best humorists I know about." The Seattle (Wash.) Star says: "Egan's Hall was crowded last night with people who laughed and cried by turns and between times applauded the best kind of music of the Rogers-Griley company. A Conan Doyle's best short story, "A Straggler of '15," was given a marvelous dramatization by Mr. Griley." The Castle Square entertainers, a male quartet of rare and varied ability will conclude the course March 10. The Chicago Daily News says of them; "The quartette selections by the Castle Square Entertainers were received with thunderous applause by the audience at the Grand Opera House."

This is an opportunity worth while for Plymouth people. Remember the date of the next number. Wickersham, is next Thursday evening, Jan. 27.

Additional Subscriptions.  
Through an error the following list of names of those who are subscribers to the Plymouth Improvement Association were not included with those published last week. If any one who is a member to the Association and finds that his or her name has not been published in either list it will be a favor to the Secretary, C. H. Rauch, to notify him of such omission.

Geo. W. Springer  
John Lang  
Ralph Samsen  
Wm. Gayde  
Louis Schaal  
Frank S. Wilson  
Joseph T. Tomman  
A. G. Burnett  
C. E. Pitcher  
Gifford Chase  
James McKeever  
Chas. Holloway  
A. D. Stevens  
Isaac Gunsolly  
Fred Williams  
A. Felham  
Arthur Briggs  
Robert Warner  
W. N. Isbell

Improvement Association Banquet.  
The plans for the first annual banquet of the Plymouth Improvement Association have so far progressed that definite announcement can now be made that the same will be held in the dining room of the Plymouth House at 8 o'clock on the evening of Tuesday, February 1st.

The price of the banquet has been placed very low, 50c per plate. Because of the limited capacity of the dining room it has been found necessary to limit the banquet to members of the Association only. It should be understood, however, that any person not a member of the Association may become a member thereof by paying a sum not less than \$1.00 into the funds of the Association.

Among the speakers for the evening will be Prosecuting Attorney Van Zile and County Roads Commissioner Himes.

Food prices and especially meats are soaring so high that the people of the country are taking measures to bring the trust to time. In several of the larger cities men have banded together, refusing to buy meat and the idea is spreading over the country. With the consumption materially lessened the price must come down, it is argued. The food question is a most serious one to the workingmen and middle classes and something must be done to check the upward prices. Wages do not increase in any proportion to the cost of living and the workingman finds it hard to make both ends meet. The meat trust says the supply of cattle and hogs is limited, which accounts for the high prices, while on the contrary it is asserted by others that thousands and thousands of carcasses are hung up in cold storage houses by the packers with the purpose of forcing higher prices. It is not improbable that the government may step in and make some enquiries.

The Right of Way  
Has to be given Harvell's Condition Powders, which for over seventy years has been the standard of perfection. Why? Because every ounce and particle of the ingredients do their share towards contributing to the qualities of the stock, to which the powder is given. You should not fail to try this stock food and we feel sure, that after a few days, you will notice a wonderful change in the stock. Get a package at the nearest drug store. Price 25 cents. Sold by Pinckney Pharmacy and Beyer Pharmacy.

THE MARKETS  
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Hay, \$10.00 to \$12.00 No. 1 Timothy.  
Oats, 45c.  
Rye, 75c.  
Beans, basis \$2.00  
Potatoes, 25c.  
Butter, 30c.  
Eggs, 15c.

Wants, For Sale, To Rent, etc.  
5c. per Line One Insertion.  
FOR SALE—Two Single Harness and one outfit.  
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After our delivery, and you'll find every article right—RIGHT in quality, too. We have a superior line of Family Groceries, and we have reason to be proud of our reputation as caterers to the best families in the neighborhood. Our Teas, Coffees, Sugar, Flour, Eggs Butter, Ham, Bacon, Cheese, Canned Fruits, Meats and Vegetables are all of the highest brands. Notwithstanding which our prices are extremely satisfactory.

VESPER BRAND SAUERKRAUT, 10c.

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## Dusting Out Time

Is now at hand and from now on you can look for weekly bargains until you are convinced that we can save you money on your Groceries. We do not ask you take our word. Give us a trial order and we feel assured of a victory. Look at these

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Sunny Monday	6 bars for 25c
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We have a full line of Men's Overalls, Jackets and Working Apparel. Also Hosiery, including the Holeproof brand, which is the best hose made. Try a pair.  
Ask about the large American Mirror that goes at a song.

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Don't let go of your money until you get its value in return. Don't shove it out even when you have plenty, for you might just as well save some for future use. You get a chance to save on every purchase here and at the same time get new and up-to-date goods. Take special notice of our

## Book and Stationery Dept.

Books of popular Romances of the day. Books of History, Poetry and Fiction. Books for girls and boys. Fine Box Stationery, 10c to \$1.00. Initial Box Stationery 15c a box. 100 sheets Note Paper and 50 Envelopes for 35c. Fine Writing Tablets, 5c, 10c and 15c. A fine line of the best Fountain Pens on the market.  
Tally Cards, Crepe Paper and Napkins, Crepe Table Spreads, Passe Partout Paper, Local Postcards and Postcard Albums, Fancy and Comic Postcards of every description.  
Call and let us show you our line.

# G. G. DRAPER

Jeweler and Optometrist.

# GALE'S.

This week we are selling

Wilcox Flour	75c
Leader Flour	75c
Buckwheat Flour, 3 makes	30c
Extra Fine Potatoes	45c
25 lbs. Best Granulated Sugar	\$1.35
New Cranberries, quart	10c
Red Apples, peck	25c
Turnips, Cabbage, Onions, etc.	

In DRUGS we call your attention to Newton's Heave Remedy, a fast seller, Fleck Lice Killer, Fleck Poultry Powder, Fleck Stock Food.  
We are selling Swift & Co.'s transparent glycerine Soap, large cake, 5c.  
Soaps of all kind in stock.  
Now is the time to pick out your VALENTINE before the rush.

# JOHN L. GALE



# RAILROADS NOW TO PAY \$4,127,307

## State Board Makes Increase in Tax Valuations

### HELPS PRIMARY SCHOOL FUND

#### Assessors Complete Work of Making Tentative Assessment for Valuation—Big Roads Are Raised, Weaker Ones Reduced.

Lansing.—The valuation of railroad properties in this state for the purposes of making the tentative assessment for taxation was completed by the state board of assessors, and their valuation was increased from \$207,305,000 to \$214,190,000, a raise of \$6,885,000. In 1907 the properties were valued at \$207,130,500.

The average rate of taxation per \$1,000 was raised from \$18 to \$20.67 which, if the tentative assessment stands, will increase the taxes and the primary school fund to \$4,427,307.

Gov. Warner is acting with the board in making the assessment, and in speaking of the valuation he said this morning:

"We have raised some of the larger roads of the state, while some of the weaker roads have been reduced. I think the valuation is very fair. We worked nearly all night completing the figures."

In going over the properties the board increased the valuation of the Michigan Central and Pere Marquette about \$2,000,000 and the Lake Shore about \$500,000. Comparative figures given out show that the total assessed valuation of general properties of the state on which the average rate for taxing the railroads is based was \$1,667,155,697, an increase of \$23,484,256. In 1907 the figures were \$1,643,671,441.

The total amount of taxes assessed against general properties is \$34,879,093.20, an increase of \$5,189,760.94 over the previous year, and in 1907 the taxes were \$29,153,969.97. This includes all taxes assessed for every purpose in the state. These figures also as given out by the board show some interesting increases in the detailed taxes, the school tax in the state having increased \$1,200,535.05 over the previous year; city taxes \$841,377.22; county taxes \$766,899.18; county road taxes, \$212,415.00, and highway taxes, \$157,667.87. The state tax was increased \$1,734,971.09.

The Michigan Central tunnel at Detroit is assessed at \$1,000,000.

Ann Arbor, reduction, \$25,000; Detroit, Toledo & Ironton, reduction, \$100,000. Increases: Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul, \$75,000; Chicago & Northwestern, \$700,000; Grand Trunk Western, \$400,000; Lake Shore & Michigan Southern, \$750,000; Manistee & Northern, \$125,000; Michigan Central, \$2,500,000; Minneapolis & St. Paul, \$125,000; Pere Marquette, \$2,175,000.

The tentative assessments of the express companies, car-loading companies, telegraph and telephone companies was completed by the state tax commission. As it was necessary to make a careful invoice of the property owned by nearly 300 telephone concerns, the commissioners are of the opinion that they have completed the biggest job of their careers.

The assessed valuations of these companies aggregate as follows:

Express companies, \$1,995,260; car companies, \$1,424,550; telegraph and telephone companies, \$23,184,950.

This is the first time in the history of the state that the telephone companies have come under the supervision of the commission in the matter of taxation, and it required considerable work to make the assessment.

The total assessed valuation of the telegraph and telephone companies is \$23,184,950. Of this amount the Western Union's property in Michigan is valued at \$1,440,000. There are nearly 300 companies included.

### Banner County for Beans.

Tuscola county claims to be the banner bean raising county in Michigan. It is believed that the bean product of Tuscola is larger than any other county and a careful estimate of this year's yield will be made for comparison. For individual farmers, Tuscola also claims the banner yields for the past year. Hume Brothers of Aimer received 1,600 for the product of 33 acres, and Verne Gensell in the same locality raised 1,461 bushels of beans from 30 acres for which he was paid by the Caro Elevator company, after reserving an ample amount for seeding the coming year. \$2,500.

### Michigan Corporations.

The following companies have filed articles of incorporation with the secretary of state: Westwenty Lead & Zinc Company, Detroit, \$22,500; Watt Motor Company, Detroit, increase from \$100,000 to \$300,000; Colonial Realty Company, Lansing, \$15,000.

### Will Improve Highways.

Clare county is to join in the good roads movement. It is making preparations to adopt the county road system, in response to a strong agitation for improved highways. State Highway Commissioner Ely will hold a road institute February 23 in Clare, which will be attended by all the road commissioners. A campaign of education is to follow, including the organization of a good roads association, and an election for adoption of the county system will be held in the spring.

### "White Plague" Hits Farmers.

The annual report of the state tuberculosis sanitarium at Howell for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909, has been received at the governor's office and contains some interesting statistics showing the benefits which are being derived by the sufferers from the "white plague" at the state institution.

At the end of the fiscal year, June 30, 1908, there were 34 patients at the sanitarium. During the following year 103 were discharged and at the end of the last year there were 44 patients at the institution. The records for the past 12 months show that 20 were discharged apparently cured, while 27 were improved to such an extent that they were able to leave. Only two deaths were recorded.

It is a curious fact that more farmers than any other single class took treatment last year. Eleven agriculturalists were at the sanitarium during the year. There were four students and four traveling men, and nearly every other occupation was represented by one sufferer.

A temporary infirmary with a capacity of eight patients has been erected, but it is hoped that a permanent structure may be erected in the near future. No patient is allowed the privilege of the building longer than six months, but any one may erect a shack on the grounds and be taught to fight the disease under the supervision of the hospital authorities. The occupants of five tents, which were built last year increased the capacity to 56.

### Save State \$150,000 a Year.

Deputy Auditor-General Simpson is enthusiastic over the manner in which the new law is working out, requiring probate judges to file monthly reports of the number of persons committed to insane asylums, the amount of property they possess and the names of their immediate relatives or guardians. The heads of the various state institutions for the insane and of the home for the feeble-minded and epileptic render monthly reports, and by these statements it is possible to ascertain whether any of the inmates of these institutions are being supported by the state when wealthy relatives could easily afford to pay for their maintenance.

Only the other day it was discovered that a boy who has been a state charge at the home for the feeble-minded and epileptic at Lapeer since 1896 has a mother who is said to be worth nearly \$50,000. It costs about \$200 for the maintenance of each inmate, and there are about 6,000 persons in the various insane asylums each year.

Deputy Simpson estimates that the law will be the means of saving the state about \$150,000 each year. Owing to the manner in which property is held by guardians or relatives appointed to care for persons committed to insane asylums, it is often many years before the state is reimbursed.

### Rounding Up Bad Men.

Word has been received at the state land office that Sheriff Selting of Kalkaska county has started out with seven warrants for a gang of men who beat up one O. C. Everling, claiming that Everling furnished information to the state land office that led to the arrest of two of their pals, Artiber and Runcor, some weeks ago. Artiber and Runcor were heavily fined for stealing state timber.

It is alleged that these seven men have declared war on all of the state trespass agents and threaten to shoot them on sight. Several threats have been made recently against state trespass agents, and it is thought that in the arrest of these men the state will get evidence to convict a number of them.

### Would Make Corporations Pay.

A suggestion will be made at the next legislature by the state railroad commissioner for an amendment to the law giving the commission supervisory power over the public service corporations, which will require that class of corporations to aid in the maintenance of the department.

It is proposed that when a corporation asks for the authority to issue stocks and bonds and an investigation of the project is necessary that the interested corporation be required to pay a certain sum to cover the cost of the investigation.

### State Gets Battleship Picture.

There was received at the governor's office a handsome picture of the new battleship Michigan, finely framed and bearing a brass plate on which is inscribed: "From the U. S. S. Michigan to the State of Michigan." An accompanying letter from Capt. N. B. Usber, commanding the battleship, states that the picture is a gift to the state from the officers and crew of the ship.

### Wayne's Election Law Superseded.

Attorney General Bird says that the general primary election law supersedes the special acts passed for Wayne, Kent, Muskegon and Alpena counties. He also holds that the law applies to the nomination of city and ward officers in cities which adopt the system.

### Erskine Will Remain.

After all the excitement and political gossip caused by the resignation of Judge Byron R. Erskine from the bench of the sixteenth circuit, Judge Erskine has changed his mind, agreeing to remain on the bench until the end of the term next December.

Judge Erskine states that his only reason for wishing to leave the bench is to take care of his private practice. During the remaining months of the term he will devote his attention to chancery work, while outside judges will preside in jury trials.

# BANK CLOSES DOORS

## DIRECTORS ORDER CITIZENS' NATIONAL OF EVANSVILLE, IND., TEMPORARILY CLOSED.

### PRESIDENT IS A BORROWER

#### Turns Over Personal Property—Suspension Is Due to Bad Loans—Alleged Capital, Surplus and Undivided Profits Wiped Out.

Evansville, Ind., Jan. 18.—The doors of the Citizens' National bank has been closed, at least temporarily, or until the affairs of the bank can be investigated fully by J. C. Johnson, a national bank examiner.

The bank did not open for business and the following sign was posted on the front door of the bank:

"This bank is closed temporarily by order of the directors, pending an examination of its affairs. It is the opinion of the directors that the depositors will be paid in full without loss. The affairs of the bank are now in the hands of J. C. Johnson, national bank examiner."

It is understood the controller of the currency will not appoint a receiver for the bank at the present time. It is the opinion of the directors that the depositors will be paid in full, and it is believed the stockholders will be assessed to the full value of their stock.

#### Capital and Surplus Wiped Out.

A leading banker of the city said he had been reliably informed that the losses would wipe out the capital, surplus and undivided profits, which would make a loss of \$267,000.

The action taken by the directors is the result of an investigation of the loans of the bank by the national bank examiner, Mr. Johnson refused to discuss the condition of the bank in detail, but stated that he had examined all of the Evansville banks and with the exception of the Citizens' found them in excellent condition.

#### Bad Loans the Cause.

The suspension of the Citizens' bank is due, it is said, to the discovery of bad loans of long standing and of such an amount as to seriously impair its capital. At this time no certain estimate of the loss can be made, as many of the loans now regarded as weak may be collected.

It is stated that Capt. S. P. Gillett, president of the bank, was a borrower to the amount of \$50,000, and that William L. Swormstedt, cashier, had paper up to \$20,000. Capt. Gillett, however, it is said, has made over his home property to the bank.

### COURT DENIES WALSH WRIT

#### Only Thing That Can Save Former Banker from Prison is Appeal to Taft.

Washington, Jan. 18.—It was Chief Justice Fuller in person who sent in the order that left only an appeal to the president between John R. Walsh, the former Chicago banker, and the Leavenworth penitentiary.

It was merely the bare, formal order that all the petitions for a writ of certiorari had been denied which settled the banker's fate. No explanatory remarks of any kind accompanied it, for it is not the custom of the supreme court to tell why it denies such appeals.

The order of the court goes to the circuit court of appeals at Chicago, and as soon as it is entered a mandate will be sent down to the district court where Walsh was tried, and as soon as that is issued the commitment of Walsh will issue, and unless there be an appeal to the president he will be sent at once to Leavenworth. The effect of the order entered was that the court declared that Walsh had had a fair and impartial trial, despite all his complaints of prejudice.

### 14 INJURED IN N. P. WRECK

#### West-Bound Passenger Train Jumps Track Near Salem, N. D.—Every Car Derailed.

New Salem, N. D., Jan. 19.—The Northern Pacific west train No. 7, west-bound, left the track a mile and a half west of New Salem last night, and piled in the ditch. Fourteen persons were reported injured seriously.

Every car in the train was derailed and turned completely over. Two passengers and a member of the train crew fought their way back through the cold and deep snow to report the wreck. A train was immediately made up here, carrying three coaches, baggage car and caboose, with all the physicians in the car. The injured were taken to Mandan and Bismarck, 33 miles east, and placed in the hospitals.

#### Minimum Rates for Six.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The state department made public to-day proclamations by President Taft, declaring that certain European countries therein specified are entitled to the minimum rates of duty imposed by the Payne-Aldrich act. Only six countries are designated by the proclamations as entitled to the minimum rates. These are Great Britain, Russia, Italy, Spain, Switzerland and Turkey.

#### Bequeaths a Cancer Fund.

New York, Jan. 19.—Under the terms of George Crocker's will, which was filed for probate in Trenton, N. J., his chief beneficiaries are his immediate relatives. Aside from these the only other large bequest is that for the foundation of a cancer research fund at Columbia university.

### BITTER DISAPPOINTMENT.



Kind Lady—It must be hard to find that you have inherited a taste for beefsteak.

Sandy Pikes—Yes, mum; especially when yer find dat yer haven't inherited de beefsteak.

#### Made It Clear.

Jim had never learned to read by the ordinary methods the face of the old eight-day clock. It pleased his long-time employer, however, to ask him the hour and hear his answers.

"Jim, what time does the old clock say?" he asked one evening, when he had callers. "Step out in the hall and see."

Jim was gone several minutes, but returned with a beaming face.

"Ah—Ah—waited jes' a minute to see which'd get ahead, de sho' one or de long one," he said. "Wen I went out dey was bofe on delef' han' winding place, sah. But de long one, she clip it up good an' libely wen she see me watchin' out, an' now she's 'bout a inch ahead, sah."—Youth's Companion.

#### After the Hunt.

Provided with some trophies of the chase in the shape of rabbits, Rev. Sanford C. Hearn, pastor of the First Methodist Episcopal church, Yonkers, proceeded to dress them for dinner in the parsonage cellar. His small son watched the father's work with interest. Going upstairs, the youngster called his mother.

"Oh, mamma," said he, "what do you suppose papa is doing?"

"I can't guess, child. What is he doing?"

"Well, he's just skinning, shaving and cutting up cats."

#### His Discovery.

The small son of the household had just been initiated into the art of cleaning his own teeth with the soft little brush his mother had bought him.

Hearing the baby cry lustily a few minutes later the mother ran into the nursery, only to find the nursing bottle on the floor and Johnny, toothbrush in hand, leaning over the crib of the screaming infant.

"Oh, muvver!" he cried, anxiously, "baby must have been borned without any toofs!"

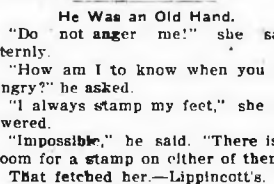
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## HIS ARTISTIC EFFORT

Dinner was over and Enderby had lighted his cigar, but had not settled down for the evening.

"Suppose you chuck that work basket for once and we go over to mother's," he said to his wife. "We haven't been there in two weeks."

"I know it," she answered, "but I can't to-night. Somebody has to stay with the baby, and Augusta's going out."

"Augusta's going out! That has a familiar sound."

"Don't be unreasonable, dear. You know we never have the least trouble with Augusta when we engage our evenings ahead."

Enderby indulged in a mild snort. "Engage our evenings ahead! If it's come to this, it's time we made a strike for liberty."

Mrs. Enderby dropped her embroidery in consternation. "If you should do anything to make Augusta leave—" she began.

"Don't you worry. If I should act, it would be done so artistically she'd never know it happened."

He took up his newspaper and Mrs. Enderby thought he had forgotten all about it. However, next morning, just as Augusta was bringing in the breakfast, he looked across the table and said:

"Don't forget the reception to-night, Dorothy. We ought to take the 8:03 train."

Augusta went out with a perceptible cloud on her face and Enderby grinned.

"What do you mean?" his wife demanded.

"I mean we're going over to mother's to spend the evening. If it's necessary to invent important engagements, I can do it."

Enderby came home early that night, and Mrs. Enderby thrifflily proposed that he put in his extra quarter of an hour opening the crate of fresh eggs that had just come from Wisconsin. Augusta happened to be in her own room at the time and when Enderby came back to the library he was carrying, with furtive glee, a paper bag containing a dozen fresh eggs.

"I just happened to think it would be nice to take these over to mother," he said.

"That's so; I'm glad you thought of it. Oh, we can't, either!" Mrs. Enderby added, remembering the evening's program. "How would it look to Augusta if we started to a reception with a bag of eggs?"

"Why do you suppose I sneaked 'em in here now, if not to guard against that very thing?"

"Well, what are you going to do with them, now that they're here?"

With a masterful stride Enderby walked to the waste basket and buried the eggs beneath its contents. His wife laughed outright at the triumphant look on his face.

"But I'm afraid she'll see us when we start," she suggested. "And here's another complication—we'll have to dress for a reception, just to go over to your mother's."

"That's all right," he answered. "It'll be a treat to the folks to see us in our good clothes for once."

Augusta put the baby to bed that night and then came to the library for final directions from her mistress, who was just getting into her evening wrap. Enderby, high hat and cane in hand, was impatiently awaiting Augusta's departure, when suddenly, as if prompted by some imp of darkness, Augusta walked across the room and picked up the waste basket.

"I forgot to empty this to-day," she apologized.

"Oh, never mind!" Enderby and his wife gasped in duet, but Augusta, with unprecedented swiftness already was disappearing through the doorway.

"There!" said Mrs. Enderby, turning on her crest-fallen husband. "This whole thing is your affair and you may get out of it the best way you can. I shan't be here when she comes back!" She disappeared into the bedroom just as Augusta's footsteps were heard approaching.

Augusta pushed aside the portiere and halted, holding at arm's length the paper bag. "Eggs!" she announced. "I found 'em in the waste basket!"

"In the waste basket? How very singular," Enderby exclaimed. Then he raised his voice in craven tones. "Dorothy!" he called. "What do you know about a bag of eggs in the waste basket?"

There was a half-minute of dead silence, but just as Enderby was wondering what to try next a rustle sounded and Mrs. Enderby swept regally into the room.

"I know that a bag of eggs ought to be here on this table," she answered, coolly. "I thought we'd have time before the 8:03 train to leave them at your mother's? If you've reached the pass, George, that you absent-mindedly drop a bag of eggs into a waste basket, you need a guardian. Put them on the table, Augusta."

With a pitying look at her hair-brained employer Augusta obeyed. Enderby waited just long enough to let her get out of sight before he took two long steps across the floor to his wife and silently, but warmly, expressed his appreciation.

As soon as she could, however, she held him off with both hands. "George Herbert Enderby," she said, trying not to laugh, "your behavior was simply yellow! And that's the last artistic scrape I shall ever help you out of—so beware!"

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### UNCLE BELA ON WRONG TRACK

Old Gentleman Had Mixed Up in Matter Relating Exclusively to Aunt Maria.

"I don't know what we're a-coming to," said Uncle Bela Cummings, as he surveyed a sheet of thin paper which had accompanied a periodical sent to Aunt Maria by their daughter in New York.

"What's the matter now?" asked Aunt Maria, tranquilly. "What are you doing with that sheet o' paper, Bela, and where are your specs?"

"I'm hunting for 'em now," said Uncle Bela, excitedly, "and I suppose this here," shaking the paper, "is a new map, and the way it's cut up by the railroads is a shame and a disgrace! I don't see how there's room left for a decent home-let in the whole state!"

"Well, now, 'and your specs, and read what it says," counseled Aunt Maria, abandoning her socks to look

over Uncle Bela's shoulder. "Perhaps they're only prospecting the roads as yet; maybe they won't be built any more'n some o' these western towns—that's laid out all so pretty on paper and nowhere else. Read what it says, father!"

"It says," faltered Uncle Bela, with a confused expression on his countenance. "Pattern of skirt and jacket on page 372. Pattern of evening waist on page 374. Pattern of—"

"Here, you give it to me!" commanded Aunt Maria; and she departed to spread Uncle Bela's supposed railroad map on the table, while he was left to ponder on the wonderful works of man—and woman.—Youth's Companion.

### USED WORDS HE UNDERSTOOD

Clever Idea of Lawyer That Won Sailor Juryman to His Side of the Case.

It was a clever lawyer in a Boston

court recently who took advantage of the nautical knowledge he possessed to work upon the mind of a jurymen who did not seem to show much comprehension of a case of suing a street railway for damages.

The dull member was an old sailor, who, though doubtless keen of perception along some lines, was nevertheless rather slow in his understanding of the points involved in the case being tried, says the New York Journal. The lawyer noticed this and made his strike with this particular man. Approaching the jury box, he addressed himself to this one jurymen and said:

"Mr. Jurymen, I will tell you how it happened. The plaintiff was in command of the outward bound open car, and stood in her starboard channel. Along came the inward bound closed car, and just as their bows met she jumped the track, sheared to port, and knocked the plaintiff off and ran over him."

The sailor was all attention after

this version of the affair and joined in a \$5,000 verdict for the injured man.

### The Age of the World.

An endless number of scientists have delved into the question of the age of this good old world, and many have undertaken to fix its age. But the fact is that none of them has ever been able to produce irrefutable evidence of the absolute truth of his deductions. Pinned down to hard facts, these men of science are forced to admit that their deductions are in great measure mere speculation.

Countless dates have been assigned to the earth's creation, ranging all the way from 3616 to 6384 B. C., one just as authentic apparently as the other. There is in fact no way to fix the date with any degree of certainty. For the most part we are inclined to favor the date given by the English Bible—4004 B. C. In this opinion of the creation such renowned scientists as Usher and

Blair concur, although they admit that it must forever remain in the shadow of doubt.

The question of the oldest race is so less speculative.

### Dictionary Lera.

"Poison" and "potion" are doubtless the former being an older form of the latter. Both are derived from the Latin "po:are," to drink, and "poison" in its original sense signified merely something to drink.

While the word "human" used to mean "a human being," it now has colloquial or humorous. Lowell, in the introduction to the "Biglow Papers," chided E. R. R. for including it in his "Dictionary of Americanisms," and remarked that it was Chapman's habit to parse in his translation of Homer, and that it is found also in the play of "The Hog, Hoth, Last Pearl." Rochester Democrat Chronicle.