

The Auction Block

A NOVEL OF NEW YORK LIFE

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SYNOPSIS.

Peter Knight, defeated for political office in his town, decides to venture New York in order that the family fortunes might benefit by the expected rise of his charming daughter, Lorelei. A well-known critic interviews Lorelei Knight, now stage beauty with Bergman's Revue, for a special article. Her cotillion mother outlines Lorelei's ambitions, but Blossom, the press agent, later adds his information.

There is a lesson here for the small town girl who thinks she has a call to go on the stage. Too many pretty lasses from the country meet a bad fate in the world life of the city and too often success is bought at the price of sorrow.

CHAPTER II—Continued.

"His mother's son. Need we say more? He's a great help to the family, for he keeps 'em from getting too proud over Lorelei. He sells introductions to his sister."

"Campbell Pope's exclamation was lost in a babble of voices as a bevy of 'Swimming Girls' descended from the enchanted regions above and scurried out upon the stage. Through the double curtain the orchestra could be faintly heard; a voice was crying, 'Places.'"

"Some soul kissers with this troupe," remarked Slosson, when the scampering figures had disappeared. "Yes, Bergman has made a fortune out of this kind of show. He's a friend to the 'Tired Business Man.'"

"Speaking of the weary Wall street workers, there will be a dozen of our ribbon winners at the Hammon supper tonight."

"Tell me, is Lorelei Knight a regular frequenter of these affairs?" "Sure, it's part of the graft."

"She has to piece out her salary like the other girls. Why, her whole family is around her neck—mother, brother and father. Old man Knight was run over by a taxicab last summer. It didn't hurt the machine, but he's got a broken back or something. Too bad it wasn't brother Jimmy. You must meet him, by the way. I never heard of Lorelei's doing anything really—"

"For the moment Campbell Pope made no reply. Meanwhile a great wave of singing flooded the regions at the back of the theater as the curtain rose and the chorus broke into sudden sound. When he did speak it was with unusual bitterness.

"It's the rottenest business in the world, Slosson. Two years ago she was a country girl; now she's a Broadway belle. How long will she last, d'you think?"

"She's too beautiful to last long," agreed the press agent, soberly, "especially now that the wolves are on her trail. But her danger isn't so much from the people she meets with as the people she esteems with. That family of hers would drive any girl to the limit. They intend to cash in on her; the mother says so."

"And they will, too. She can have her choice of the wealthy rounders."

"Don't get me wrong," Slosson hastened to qualify. "She's square; un-gilded."

"Of course; object matrimony." It's the old story, and her mother will see to the ring and the orange blossoms. But what's the difference, after all, Slosson? It'll be hell for her, and a sale to the highest bidder, either way."

CHAPTER III.

The summary of Lorelei's present had not been far wrong. There had come to the Knights three years—changes of age and outlook; the world had seemed it necessary to revise. But it was the changes that Lorelei had seen in her own life that were the most startling.

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publicity pleased her. In due course rival managers began to make offers, which Mrs. Knight, rising nobly to the first test of her business ability, used as levers to raise her daughter's salary and to pry out of Bergman a five-year contract. The role of the Fairy Princess was a result.

Lorelei had arrived at the point where further advancement depended upon study and hard work; but, since these formed no part of the family program, she remained idle. Proficiency in stagecraft of any sort comes only at the expense of poise, and this girl was being groomed solely for matrimony.

With the support of the family entirely upon her shoulders, she had been driven to many shifts in order to stretch her salary to livable proportions. Peter was a total burden, and Jim either refused or was unable to contribute toward the common fund, while the mother devoted her time almost solely to managing Lorelei's affairs. Presents were showered upon the girl, and these Mrs. Knight converted into cash. Conspicuous stage characters are always welcome at the prominent cafes; hence Lorelei never had to pay for food or drink when alone, and when escorted she received a commission on the money spent. She was well paid for posing; advertisements of toilet articles, face creams, dentifrices, yielded something. In the commercial exploitation of her daughter Mrs. Knight developed something like genius. But of all the so-called "graffs" open to handsome girls in her business the quickest and best returns came from prodigal entertainers like Jarvis Hammon.

As Lorelei and her companion left their taxicabs and entered Proctor's hotel, shortly before midnight, they were met by a head waiter and shown into an ornate ivory-and-gold elevator, which lifted them noiselessly to an upper floor. They made their exit into a deep-carpeted hall, at the end of which two splendid creatures in the panoply of German field marshals stood guard over one of the smaller banquet rooms.

Hammon himself greeted the girls when they had surrendered their wraps, and, after his introduction to Lorelei, engaged Lila in earnest conversation.

Lorelei watched him curiously. She saw a powerfully built gray-haired man, whose vigor age had not impaired. In face he was perhaps fifty years old, in body he was much less. He had a bold, incisive manner that was compelling and stamped him as a big man in more ways than one. Playfully he plucked Lila's cheek, then turned with a smile to say:

"You'll pardon us for whispering, won't you, Miss Knight? You see, Lila's got up this little party, and I've been waiting to consult her about some of the details. Awfully good of you to come. I hope you'll find my friends agreeable and enjoy yourself."

Perhaps twenty men in evening dress and as many elaborately gowned young women were gossiping and smoking as the last comers appeared. Someone raised a vigorous complaint at the host's tardiness, but Hammon laughed a defender, then gave a signal, whereupon folding doors at the end of the room were thrown back, and those nearest the banquet hall moved toward it.

Hammon was introducing two of his friends—one a languid, middle-aged man, the other a large-featured person with a rumbling voice. The former dropped his cigarette and bowed courteously. His appearance as he faced Lorelei was prepossessing, and she breathed a thanksgiving as she took his arm.

Hammon clapped the other gentleman upon the shoulder, crying: "Hannibal, I saw your supper partner flirting with 'Handsome Dan' Avery. Better find her quick."

Lorelei recognized the deep-voiced man as Hannibal C. Wharton, one of the dominant figures in the Steel syndicate; she knew him instantly from his newspaper pictures. The man beside her, however, was a stranger, and she raised her eyes to his with some curiosity. He was studying her with manifest admiration, despite the fact that his lean features were cast in a sardonic mold.

"It is a pleasure to meet a celebrity like you, Miss Knight," he murmured. As they entered the banquet hall she gave a little cry of pleasure, for it was evident that Hammon, noted as he was for lavish expenditure, had outdone himself this time. The whole room had been transformed into a bower of roses, great climbing bushes, heavy with blooms. The table, a horseshoe of silver and white, of glittering plate and sparkling cut glass, faced a rustic stage which occupied one end of the room; occupying the inner arc of the half-circle was a wide but shallow stone fountain upon the surface of which floated large-leaved Egyptian pond lilies. Fat-bellied goldfish with filmy fins, and tails like iridescent wedding trains, propelled themselves idly about.

But the surprising feature of the decorating scheme was not apparent at first glance. Through the bewildering riot of greenery had been woven an almost invisible netting, and the space behind formed a prison for birds and butterflies. Disturbed by the commotion, the feathered creatures twittered and fluttered against the netting in a panic. As for the butterflies, no artificial light could deceive them, and they clung with closed wings to leaves and branches, only now and then displaying their full glory in a sleepy pose.

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"You like it?" he asked. "It's beautiful, but—the extravagance is almost criminal."

"Don't tell me how many starving newsboys or how many poor families the cost of this supper would support for a year. I hate poor people. Now for the oratorios and the hummingbird tongues. No doubt there's a pearl in every winecup. Prepare to have your palate doled with a feather when your appetite flags."

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"Can't eat, can't drink, can't sleep," he grumbled. "Stewed prunes and rice for my portion. Waiter, bring me a bottle of vichy, and when it's gone bring me another."

The diners had arranged themselves by now; the supper had begun. A bohemian splash prevailed; the ardor of the men, leached out by laughter, coquetry and smiles, rose quickly; wine flowed, and a general intimacy began. Introductions were no longer necessary; the talk flew back and forth along the rim of the rose-strewn semicircle.

Lorelei turned from the man on her left, who had regaled her with an endless story, the point of which had sent the teller in hecups of laughter, and said to John Merkle:

"I'm glad I'm with you tonight. I don't like drinking men."

"Can a girl in your position afford preferences?" he inquired, tartly. Thus far the banker had fully lived up to his sour reputation.

"All women are extravagant. I have preferences, even if I can't afford them. If you were a tippler instead of a plain grouch I could tell you precisely how you'd act and what you'd talk about. I'd die if I had to teach you the tango."

Mr. Merkle grunted, "So would I." She smiled sweetly. "You see, we're both unpleasant people."

Merkle meditated in silence while she attacked her food with a healthy, youthful appetite that awoke his envy. "I suppose you see a lot of this sort of thing?" he at length suggested.

"There's something of the kind nearly every night. This party isn't as bad as some, for the very reason that most of the men are from out of town, and it's a bit of a novelty to them. But there's a crowd of regular New Yorkers—the younger men about town—" She paused significantly. "I accepted one invitation from them. It was quite enough."

"I've traveled some," observed Merkle, "but this city is getting to be the limit."

She nodded her amber head. "There's only one Paris, after all, and that's New York."

"A gold safety razor—evidently a warning not to play with edged tools. I wonder if Miss Lynn bought one for Jarvis?" "No, why did you say that?" Lorelei asked, quickly, "and why did you ask in that peculiar tone if she and I were friends?"

The man leaned closer, saying in a voice that did not carry above the clamor: "I suppose you know she's making a fool of him? I suppose you realize what it means when a woman of her stamp gets a man with money in her pocket? You must know all there is to know from the outside; it occurred to me."

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ago, and Bob hasn't changed a whit. I think he's a menace to society." Wharton laughed, but his reply was lost in the clamorous demand for an encore by Mlle. Demorest.

"So he gets his devilment from you, eh?" Merkle inquired. "It isn't devilment, Bob's all right. He's running with a fast crowd, and he has to keep up his end."

"Bab! He hasn't been sober in a year." "You're a dyspeptic, John. You were born with a gay beard, and you're not growing younger. He wanted to come to this party, but—(didn't care to have him for obvious reasons, so I told Hammon to refuse him even if he asked. He bet me a thousand dollars he'd come anyhow, and I've been expecting him to overpower those doors or creep up the fire escape."

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CHAPTER IV.

The hand-clapping ceased as the dancer reappeared, smiling and bowing. "I will dance again if you wish," she announced, in perfect English. "Introducing my new partner, Mr.—" she glanced into the wings inquiringly. "Senior Roberto. It is his first public appearance in this country, and we will endeavor to execute a variation of the Argentine tango."

Mr. Wharton was still talking. "That's my way of raising a son. I taught Bob to drink when I drank to smoke when I smoked, and all that. My father raised me that way."

The opening strain of a Spanish dance floated out from the hidden musicians, Mlle. Demorest whirled into view in the arms of a young man in evening dress. She was still laughing, but her partner wore a grave face, and his eyes were lowered; he followed the intricate movements of the dance with some difficulty. To Lorelei he appeared disappointingly amateurish. Then a ripple of merriment, growing into a guffaw, advised her that something out of the ordinary was occurring.

"The—accident!" Hannibal Wharton cried. Merkle observed dryly: "He's won your thousand, I withdraw what I said about him; it requires a gigantic intelligence to outwit you." To Lorelei he added: "This will be considered a great joke on Broadway."

"That is Mr. Wharton's son?" "It is—and the most despicable lump of arrogance in New York."

"Bob" the father shouted, "quit that foolishness and come down here." But the junior Wharton, his eyes fixed upon the stage, merely danced the harder. A few moments later he sank into a chair near his father, saying: "Well, dad, what d'you think of my educated legs? I learned that at night school."

Wharton grumbled unintelligibly, but it was plain that he was not entirely displeased at his son's prank. "You were superb," said Merkle warmly. "It's the best thing I ever saw you do, Bob. You could almost make a living for yourself at it."

The young man grinned, showing rows of firm, strong teeth. Lorelei, who was watching him, decided that he must have at least twice the usual number; yet it was a good mouth—a good, big, generous mouth.

"Thanks for those glorious words of praise; that's more than we're doing on the Street nowadays. Where! Got any grape-juice for a growing boy?" He helped himself to his father's wineglass and drained it. "You can settle now, dad—one thousand iron men. I owe it to Demorest."

"What do you mean?" "Diet of honor. I heard she was due here with some kind of an electric thrill, so I offered her my share of the sweepstakes to further disgrace herself by dancing with me." He caught Lorelei's eye.

"Will you Mr. Wharton prove to the end to be a menace or a salvation to this beautiful girl pursued by smooth-tongues?"

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Man's Existence on Earth

What are considered the earliest evidences of man's existence on this continent, and the estimated date of the same? Charles Conrad Abbott, archaeologist, after seeking all his life to find an answer to these very questions, wrote: "The literature of the subject is enormous and stands quite as much a monument to our ignorance as to our erudition." Archaeologists have been unable to agree upon the time he first appeared here. Occasionally, says the Kansas City Star, a skull or a skeleton is found, as the Lansing skeleton in Kansas, and a great controversy rages over it. Some archaeologists claiming for it great antiquity, and others classifying it as quite modern. It is safe to say that the majority do not accept any of the skeletons that have been found as conclusive evidence of man's existence here before the ice ages. And yet they generally do agree that man was here before the ice ages, the date of which is variously estimated, the average estimate being around 20,000 years ago.

The "ice age" was a period when the north part of this continent was covered with a cap of ice a mile or two thick. It extended south to a little beyond Kansas City in this region. As it gradually melted there were great floods which deposited the deep earth banks herabouts known as "loess."

Mr. Abbott believes the only evidences we have of man's ancient existence here, which admit of no dispute, are our seacoast shell heaps, notably along the Atlantic coast. That these clams and oysters were placed there by man is proved by the implements found in them. In many places the base of the heaps are several feet below the ocean's surface at low tide, proving that the land has sunk that much since they began to be piled up, and this would place the beginning of the shell heaps back nearly to the last

let's eye and stared boldly. "Hello! I believe in fairies, too, dad. Introduce me to the Princess."

Merkle volunteered this service, and Bob promptly hitched his chair closer. Lorelei saw that he was very drunk, and marveled at his control during the recent exhibition.

"Tell me more about the 'Parti-cool Petticoat' and 'Dental Chewing Gum.' Miss Knight, your face is a household word in every street car," he began. She replied promptly, quoting haphazard from the various advertisements in which she figured. "It never shrinks; it holds its shape; it must be seen to be appreciated; it's cool, refreshing, and prevents decay."

"How did you meet that French dancer?" Hannibal Wharton queried, sourly, of his son.

"I stormed the stage door and way-laid her in the wings. She thought I was you, dad. Wharton is a grand old name." He chuckled at his father's exclamation.

"Where did you learn those Argentine wiggles?" "Hard times are to blame, dad. The old men on the exchange play golf all day, and the young ones turkey-trot all night. I stay up late in the hope that I may find a quarter that some suburbanite has dropped."

The elder men rose and sauntered away in the direction of their host, whereupon Bob winked.

"They've left us flat. Why? Because the wicked Mlle. Demorest has finally made her appearance as a guest. My dad is a splendid shock absorber. Naughty, naughty papa!"

"It's probably well that you came with her; fathers are so indiscreet." Young Wharton signaled to a waiter who was passing with a wine bottle and a napkin.

"Tarry" he cried. "Remove the shroud, please, and let me look at poor old Roderer. Thanks. How natural, he tastes." Then to Lorelei: "The governor is a woman hater; but no man is safe in range of your liquid orbs, Miss Knight. Wouldn't mother enjoy reading the list of Hammon's guests at this party? Among those present were Mr. Hannibal C. Wharton, the well-known rolling-mill man; Miss Lorelei Knight, principal first-act fairy of the Bergman Revue, and Mlle. Adoree Demorest, the friend of a king. A good time was had by all, and the diners enjoyed themselves very much."

"She'd be pleased to read also that you came late, but highly intoxicated."

"Ab! Salvation Nell." Bob took no offense. "If the hour was late she'd know my intoxication followed as a matter of course. I am a derivative of alcohol, the one and infallible argument against temperance, Miss Knight."

"You talk as if you were always drunk."

"Oh—not always. By day I am frequently sober, but at such times I am fit company for neither man nor beast; I am harsh and unsympathetic; I scheme and I connive. With nightfall, however, there comes a metamorphosis. Once I am stocked up with ales, wines, liquors and cigars, I become a living, palpitating influence for good, spreading happiness and prosperity in my wake."

"Do you consider yourself in such a condition now?" queried Lorelei, vaguely amused.

"I am, and, since it is long past the closing hour of one and the tango parlors are dark, suppose we blow this 'Who's Who in Pittsburgh' and taxi-cab out to a roadhouse where the bass fiddle is still inhabited and the second generation is trotting to the 'Robert E. Lee.'"

Lorelei shook her head with a smile. "I don't care to go."

"Strange!" Mr. Wharton helped himself to a goblet of wine, appearing to heap the liquor above the edge of the glass. "No, if I were sober I could understand how you might prefer these 'pappy guys' to me

CANADIAN CROPS EXCELLENT

Returning Tourists Speak Well of Their Treatment in Canada.

The Canadian Government, having made extensive preparations during the last few years to impart to the National Park system a degree of comfort and pleasure to the visitor, combining the best efforts of man with the very best gifts of nature, has now the satisfaction of seeing an appreciation of the efforts they have made. Tourists returning from a trip over the Canadian Pacific, the Grand Trunk Pacific and the Canadian Northern railways speak enthusiastically of the beauties that are revealed as these roads enter and pass through the mountains. The Government has spent enormous sums of money laying out roads, and developing easy means of access to glacier, hill, valley, lake and stream. For what purpose? That the wonders that Canada possesses in its natural parks may become more easily accessible and afterward talked about that a tourist travel through Canada would result. Tourist travel means business, and it is business that Canada seeks. To make it even more easy for this travel, the Government has taken pains to make every step of the tourist's entry into Canada one that will give the very least degree of trouble. On crossing the border, there is only the ordinary examination of baggage, and the only precaution is that in the case of foreign aliens, and even in their case there is no difficulty when the officials are satisfied that they are not attempting entry as enemies.

Although officials of the Government have taken every means to bring to the attention of the tourist and others that no difficulty could be placed in the way of their admission, there still remained doubt in the minds of some. Only the other day the Government took action again, and authorized the statement that no measures taken for recruiting the forces either have been or will be applied to any persons who are not ordinarily resident in the Dominion. Nor is it the intention to ask for volunteers except from among British subjects, resident in Canada. Moreover, the Military Service Act, under which conscription is applied in Great Britain, affects only persons "ordinarily resident in Great Britain."

Americans and British subjects resident in the United States who desire to visit Canada will find no more trouble at the border than they have experienced in the past, and upon arriving they will be made as welcome as ever. War conditions of any kind will not inconvenience or interfere with them.

The immigration authorities suggest that, as a precaution against inconvenience, naturalized Americans whose country of origin was one of those at war with the British empire, should provide themselves with their certificates of naturalization.

Now that it is impossible to visit Europe, the planning of your vacation trip through Canada is one to give consideration to. The Government has taken an active interest in its National Parks in the heart of the Rocky mountains. These can be reached by any of the lines of railways, and the officials at these parks have been advised to render every attention to the visiting tourists, who in addition to seeing the most wonderful scenery in the world—nothing grander—nothing better—have excellent wagon and motor roads, taking them into the utter recesses of what was at one time considered practically inaccessible.

In addition to this the tourist will not be inactive to the practical possibilities that will be before him as he passes over the great plains of the Western Provinces. The immense wheat fields, bounded by the horizon, no matter how far you travel. The wide pasture lands, giving home and food to thousands of heads of horses and cattle. The future of a country that he before only heard of but knew so little about, will be revealed to him in the most wonderful panorama, and imprinted in the lens of his brain in such a way that he will bring back with him the story of the richness of Agricultural Western Canada. And he will also have had an enjoyable outing.—Advertisement.

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are ready-made suits of moderate price that command the respect of the most discriminating of women. The most effective suits follow current modes with so much reserve that they are not out of date with the passing of a single season. This is especially true of the materials of which the best tailored suits are made.

The suit shown here is an excellent example of a standard suit, made of black and white checked material, which is never out of fashion. The skirt is plain and rather full and flares sufficiently to be in the mode. The coat is plain cut, with an easy adjustment to the figure, which is always smart, and has a full peplum



Trim and Neat for Breakfast Time.

and wide belt of the material. Patch pockets, odd band cuffs, and high plain collar depend upon neat machine-stitching and bone buttons for an always correct tailored finish. The buttons are white, bordered with a rim of black.

White washable gloves, black and white shoes, and a tailored hat faced with black belong in the company of this model suit. They complete the equipment of the wearer for the happenings of the day.

There are many dainty jackets designed for morning wear that go to no great lengths to make themselves attractive. They are, in fact, brief little garments whose story is soon told. But they are as sure of pleasing the eye and the good taste of women as is the

wild rose. Here is one of them, made of the very palest shade of pink in cotton voile, with a narrow satin stripe running through it. Scattered over the surface of the cloth, the smallest of roses, about as big as a pencil lead, are set in equally diminutive leaves. The roses are in pink, depending to the American Beauty shade.

This is about the simplest of all morning jackets and it doesn't take much calculation on the part of the least calculating woman to convince her that its cost is next to nothing. It

only takes about three yards of voile a yard wide to make the body and sleeves. Any other sheer fabric will answer the purpose as well as voile, and there are numberless cotton weaves, including challie, organdie, lawn, batiste, mull and crepe, that are printed with all sorts of flower patterns.

The jacket pictured is plain with long shoulder seams and three-quarter length sleeves. It is cut to hang straight from the shoulders, and gathered in at the waistline by a ribbon run through a casing. The casing is made by stitching a strip of the material to the under side of the jacket. The neck is trimmed to a V shape at

or manners. She was rather short and slight and her face, pale as marble, was lighted up by large, dark, intelligent eyes, and she had masses of beautiful black hair. Her voice was soft, gentle and caressing, and all her actions seemed to indicate an affectionate, sensitive nature.

When she was tried for her crimes and convicted, she looked so much like a martyr that the jurors couldn't find it in their hearts to assess the death penalty, which was then the prescribed punishment for murder, so she was given 20 years. The canton legislators then reasoned that it would be unfair to bring any other murderer to the gallows after permitting her to escape, so they abolished capital punishment. So Marie did some good in the world.

She began experimenting with poisons when a girl. She seemed to have a fascination for her. She always kept in her room a medicine chest, and was forever toying with its little boxes and bottles. One day her room mate, Berthe, complained of feeling ill. The helpful Marie opened her medicine chest and said: "I know just what to do for you, my dear." So she mixed up a tempting effervescent beverage and handed it to Berthe, who drank it eagerly, and a few minutes later was in a narkyram of pain. The landlady heard her screams and sent for Doctor Lambassy, who saved her life.

When Berthe had told him of the drink given her by Marie, the doctor said: "You have escaped death by a hair's breadth. The girl made a mistake that would have been fatal had there been any delay in sending for me. She gave you belladonna."

That usually was the verdict whenever Marie scored a victim. It was assumed that she had made a mistake. It was impossible to believe that a girl with such a gentle, wistful face could have administered poisons deliberately.

For a time Marie dispensed her poisons as an occasion offered, but she wanted larger opportunities, so she went into training as a nurse, and, although she did not finish her course, she had no trouble in securing employment in the desired capacity. Nature evidently had designed her for service in the sick room, she was so quiet, so gentle, so patient, her hands and voice were so soothing. She went to nurse Madame Chablot, and promptly gave her poison, which brought her to the edge of the grave, but the madam was a strong woman, and she rallied.

Madame Juvet of Geneva conceived the idea of establishing a private hospital, and Marie applied for the position of head nurse.

How to Keep Hands Smooth. It is possible to have smooth hands even if one is a housekeeper and dishwasher. Dissolve a teaspoonful of tragacanth, which can be obtained from any druggist for a very small sum, in three times as much water. Let it stand in a covered cup for 12 hours. Fill the cup with water and apply the thin jelly which was formed,

Historic Crimes and Mysteries

Walt Mason

THE POETRY OF POISON.

The prison regulations at Geneva are extremely liberal, so for many years prior to 1884, hundreds of tourists from all over the world were permitted to see and converse with Marie Jeanneret, "the Swiss Brinvilliers." Marie's cell was a large, comfortable, well-lighted room, and there she sat, day after day, making lace and exulting in the fact that her fame was world-wide.

Having no conscience, and being incapable of remorse, Marie has been described by the historians of crime as a monster. However abhorrent her character may have been, there was nothing repulsive in her appearance



"She Mixed Up a Tempting Effervescent Beverage and Handed It to Berthe Who Drank It Eagerly."

seemed unable to believe that Marie could be anything but what she seemed. It is this that makes the story of her career remarkable. She was careless to the point of recklessness. She would predict the early death of people in perfect health, and when these people died nobody seemed to see anything strange in it. It speaks much for her ingratiating manner that she could so long be "shaking" from out her condor wings invisible woe," and still avoid suspicion.

When at last she was arrested, it was easy to secure the proofs of her crimes, and the indictment against her accused her of the murder of nine persons. Her attempts at murder were too numerous for consideration.

She was an artist in crime. She had none of the ordinary motives. It was art for art's sake with her. She never tried to profit by her horrid deeds. She was willing to work for nothing any time, if it would give her a chance to remove somebody. She was absolutely pitiless and enjoyed the sufferings of her victims. "Death had such beautiful moments," she said, when asked why she committed her crimes. "There is poetry in poison," she remarked, upon another occasion.

She died in 1884, in her little white cell, and to the last she retained her weird beauty. Her marble white face, with its beautiful dark eyes, haunted the memories of the thousands who journeyed to Geneva to see the strangest criminal of modern times.

Aladdin's Cave Outdone. Half way up the Shenandoah valley are the Luray caverns, an underworld palace built by the busy hands of trickling waters, the National Geographic Magazine says. Aladdin, we are told, was once permitted to enter a cave which exhibited such decorations that its glory both dazzled and affrighted. But Aladdin never beheld anything more wondrously exquisite than the water-built architecture of Luray. The throne room is canopied with curtains woven of diamonds and pearls. The Saracens' tent has more than oriental splendors of richest damask and golden samite, which drape the crystal couch in festoons of magic beauty. Titania's veil is woven of petrified spiders' web, while the ball-room seems as if to celebrate a marriage between the gods. The visitor to Luray today shares the sentiment of another visitor of long ago, who exclaimed: "Mortal hath not made the like, nor human fancy conceived a thing more magnificent!"

Just in Style. "You have a complaint to make, madam?" asked the milkman.

"Yes, I have," said the lady of the house at the door. "The milk you have left for three mornings is blue—absolutely blue."

"Well, my dear madam, you must know that blue is the season's most fashionable color. Now, if it were purple or pink you might complain, but nothing can be more fashionable than blue just now, madam, I assure you."

Optimistic Thought. The morning hour has gold in its mouth.

and one day she said to the mother: "I am afraid Julie is very delicate, and I am sure Emilie is about to be seriously sick." The mother was amused, for the children were pictures of health. Meanwhile Marie told some of the servants, in strict confidence, that she was greatly worried over Madame Juvet. "She is a doomed woman," said Marie; "I read her fate in her eyes."

Presently Julie fell sick and then little Emilie, and then Madame Juvet took to her bed, suffering miserably. The doctors came and were puzzled. They seemed to recognize the symptoms of poisoning, but poisoning was impossible. Was not all the medicine administered by that gentle creature with the yearning eyes? There was so much sickness in the house that Emilie was sent away, and his life was saved. Julie grew worse and died at Christmas time, 1887, and a month later her mother died and almost her last word was an expression of gratitude to the faithful nurse who had been at her bedside night and day through so many weary weeks.

Meanwhile Marie had not been neglecting her other opportunities. During the lingering sickness of Madame Juvet three patients in the hospital died, and it was afterwards proved that their deaths were due to poison. When Marie had finished her campaign she and M. Juvet and a couple of servants were the only survivors of the household.

Then Marie, still intent upon doing good, went to nurse a Madame Lenor, and the madame's funeral occurred a few days after her arrival. By this time her reputation as a death angel was beginning to attract attention, and she found it difficult to get patients. The strange thing is that nobody seemed to suspect her up to this time. Time and again the doctors had found indications of poisoning in her suffering patients, and yet they

Of Course Not! A somewhat befuddled individual, who evidently had been lurching a trifle too freely, climbed on board the car with difficulty. "What's the matter?" he asked, mildly, as he observed the conductor's impatience. "Ain't this car the one I want?" "How do I know whether it is or not?" growled the conductor. "Oh, you must have known it, or you wouldn't have stopped to let me catch it," said the befuddled one. We are likely to forget the people who pay their debts much sooner than those who don't.

Convincing Arguments. Policeman—What are you standing here for? Loner—Nawink. Policeman—Well, just move on. If everybody was to stand in one place, how would the rest get past?—The Bits. Human Nature. "Why that hospital is so popular beats me. It hasn't the best system, and it certainly hasn't the most successful doctors." "But it has the prettiest nurses." There are 423,663 persons in Yokohama.

Save the Babies.

INFANT MORTALITY is something frightful. We can hardly realize that of all the children born in civilized countries, twenty-two per cent., or nearly one-quarter, die before they reach one year; thirty-seven per cent., or more than one-third, before they are five, and one-half before they are fifteen!

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DIFFERENT STRAIN OF BOYS

Little Story Shows Why It Is That Some Succeed in Life While Others Don't "Make Good."

Two boys left home with just money enough to take them through college. They both did well at college, took their diplomas in due time, and got from members of the faculty letters to a large shipbuilding firm with which they desired employment. When the first boy was given an audience with the head of the firm, he presented his letters.

"What can you do?" asked the president.

"I should like some sort of a clerkship."

"Well, sir, I will take your name and address, and if we have anything of the kind I will write to you."

The other boy then presented himself and his papers.

"What can you do?" the president asked him.

"Anything that a green hand can do, sir," was the reply.

The president touched a bell that called a foreman, and the college graduate went to sorting scrap iron. A week passed, and the president, meeting the superintendent, asked, "How is the new man getting on?"

"Oh," said the superintendent, "he did his work so well that I put him over the gang."

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Fitting and Proper.

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Wheat averaged in 1915 over 25 bushels per acre. Oats averaged in 1915 over 45 bushels per acre. Barley averaged in 1915 over 40 bushels per acre.

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THE PLYMOUTH MAIL

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Local News

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Burnett and daughter Alva were guests of relatives at Waterloo and Chelsea Saturday and Sunday. Alva remained for a longer visit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Bunney, Mrs. C. Killian and brother O. P. Showers motored to Ypsilanti Wednesday where they visited their brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. James Showers.

Mrs. E. Williams and daughter Charlotte expect to leave the latter part of this week for Weston, West Va., where they will visit the former's daughter, Mrs. James Tierney.

Dr. M. L. Ward of Ann Arbor, and Dr. J. J. Travis left Wednesday for Louisville, Ky., where they will attend the National Dental Convention. Dr. Travis will assist Dr. Ward at the convention with an inlay clinic.

In making up the paper last week about a half column of local items were overlooked, which accounts for the non-appearance of several items that were handed in last week. We are very sorry the mistake happened.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Robinson attended the funeral of Mrs. H. W. Longyear at Mason, Wednesday. The deceased was a sister of Miss Rose Hawthorne of this village, who was called to Mason by her sister's illness several days ago.

Arving Blank, who recently purchased the milk route of Sly Bros., has just completed a new and up-to-date building for handling the milk, on his lot on Blank avenue. The building is built of cement blocks and will be equipped with every facility for the proper and sanitary method of handling milk.

Naomi Galpin, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Linus Galpin, fell on the pavement near their home last week Thursday afternoon, striking her forehead which caused a severe contusion. Their physician was called and for a time it was feared that serious results might follow, but she is much improved at this writing and is able to be out again.

The following were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wheeler at Shackleton Cottage, Walled Lake, last Sunday: Edward Gray, Mrs. Ed. Rotnour, Miss Ruth Howe, Miss Bernice Smith, Mrs. Wm. Ray and son Sterling, June Keggeries, Glen Pooney, Thelma Wheeler, Mrs. John Gale and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Riker, all of Plymouth. Some of these remained for the following week. All had a good time bathing, boating and fishing. The day being a fine one, Mr. Wheeler had splendid luck with the hook and line and with two fish all had a splendid dinner.

There was a special service at St. John's Episcopal church last Sunday morning, the occasion being the baptism of Eugene Anthony, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Angelo. The service was choral and the solo, "Someone is Praying for You," was sweetly sung by Miss Gladys Rowe, a member of the choir. There was a very good attendance considering the intense heat of the morning, and it was very gratifying to see so many men among the congregation. There will be another baptismal service next month, when it is expected that three more children will be admitted members of the Episcopal church. Particulars of this service will be announced later.

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NOTICE TO WATER TAKERS!
Village Tax Notice
Winn B. Hubbell, Village Treasurer

CHURCH NEWS

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.
First Church of Christ Scientist, corner Main and Dodge streets. Sunday morning service, 10:30 o'clock. Subject, "Truth." Sunday-school at 11:30 a. m. Wednesday evening testimony service, 7:10. Reading room in rear of church open daily except Sunday, from 2 to 4 p. m. Everyone welcome. A lending library of Christian Science literature is maintained.

BAPTIST.
Rev. Archibald L. Bell, Pastor. Phone 84W.
Morning worship, 10 o'clock. Theme of sermon, "Five Foolish Virgins." 11:15 a. m., Sunday-school. 6 p. m., young people's meeting. Topic, "Stephen the Martyred Deacon." Evening service. Subject of sermon, "Not far from the Kingdom." Mid-week prayer meeting, Thursday evening, 7 o'clock.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL MISSION.
R. Midway, W. M.
Sunday, July 23—Divine service at 10:15 a. m. Morning prayer and sermon. Everybody welcome.

METHODIST.
Rev. Joseph Dutton, Pastor.
10 a. m., public worship, one hour. 11:15, Sunday-school. Note the change to fifteen minutes earlier. Bring a boy or girl. The contest is on. 7 p. m., public worship. (See ad.) Thursday, 7 p. m., prayer meeting.

PRESBYTERIAN.
Rev. H. F. Barber, Pastor.
Services of this church will be held Sunday, July 23rd, in the village hall, as follows: Morning worship at 10 o'clock. The pastor preaches. Sunday-school at the close of the morning service. The public is most cordially invited to attend these services.

LUTHERAN.
Sunday-school at 9 o'clock. Subject, "The Holy Christian Church." Morning service at 9:45 in English. Text, St. Luke 5:1-11. Theme, "What a glorious provider God is for his people." Services Sunday evening at 7 o'clock in German. Text, Genesis 42:9-17.

BIBLE STUDENTS.
Declaration. "And there shall be times (years) of restitution which hath been spoken by the mouth of all the holy prophets." Result. "They shall beat their swords into plough shares, their spears into pruning hooks, nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more." "For I will make wars to cease unto the ends of the earth," "and the Lord of hosts will make unto all people (not angels) a feast of fat things, a feast of wine (joy) on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wine on the lees well refined." "And will swallow up death in victory, and the Lord God will wipe away tears from off all faces." "And there shall be no more sickness, no more sorrow, no more death, neither any more pain, for the former things, (the things of the curse) shall have passed away." "The shower shall come in its season" (not any old time as now), "the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose," "the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water," and "every man shall sit under his own vine and fig tree and none shall make them afraid." For in these (through the instrumentality of the glorified church) shall all the families of earth yet be blessed." Is it any wonder that Bible students the world over have a hope that others do not enjoy. Let us take down our Bibles and get into line. Then the village of Plymouth will not need to spend several thousand dollars for some critical evangelist to come along and tell us we are all but a few going to some imaginary place that does not exist.

Mrs. J. W. Thompson and Miss M. Thompson of Detroit, were over Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sharrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brown were called to Elm this week on account of the serious illness and death of their little grandchild Genevieve, the 12-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bredin, who died Tuesday of spinal meningitis.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER'S REPORT OF

School District No. 1. Fractional, Plymouth, Mich., 1915-1916.

Table with columns for month, name, and amount. Includes sections for General Fund Expense, Building Fund, Teachers' Fund-Expense, and Disbursements.

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Local News
 F. W. Hillman will build a five new home on Carter avenue.
 Best of service and ice cold drinks at Rockwell's soda fountain.
 Chocolate chips at 10c a box next Saturday at Rockwell's Pharmacy.
 Hiram Roe of Flint, was the guest of his brother, E. S. Roe, over Sunday.
 Miss Loda Riley of Chicago, is visiting the Misses Pearle and Winifred Jolliffe.
 Miss Hildred Lapo of Lake Odessa, is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. W. Hlickentaff.
 Saturday will be a salted peanut and candy day. Watch the window at Rockwell's.
 Mrs. George Russ of Chicago, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Smyth.
 William E. Rice's new bungalow in the Blunk sub-division is fast nearing completion.
 Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Johnson are spending a week at Silver Lake, near South Lyon.
 Rev. Joseph Dutton and family are spending a week at Silver Lake, near South Lyon.
 Mr. and Mrs. Austin Boyd of Detroit, visited the sister's mother, Mrs. John Krumm, over Sunday.
 Mrs. A. W. Chaffee and Miss Alice Safford have returned home from a two months' stay in California.
 Dr. and Mrs. O. J. Lasenby of Rochester, were over Sunday guests with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rambo.
 Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gayde and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gayde motored to Howell Sunday where they visited relatives.
 Mrs. Etta Stiff and little grandson, Stewart Rambo, have been visiting the former's mother at Ortonville this week.
 Mrs. Bisbee and two sons of Reed City, have been the guests of her sister, Mrs. Evered Jolliffe, the past week.
 Mrs. Wm. Preston of Detroit, visited her husband who is working on the good roads here, last Saturday and Sunday.
 Miss Cella Blomgren of Norway, Mich., a former music teacher in the Plymouth schools, is visiting Mrs. Evered Jolliffe.
 Mrs. Roy Starkey of Detroit, and Mrs. Krabach and daughter Genevieve of Terre Haute, Ind., were guests of Mrs. Mary Chaffee last Saturday.
 Mrs. George Holbrook, Sr. of Hollywood, Cal., is visiting her mother, Mrs. H. M. Taft, and sister, Mrs. Ella Peck, beside other relatives and friends here.
 Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Scott of Saginaw, were called here the latter part of last week on account of the serious condition of the former's uncle, Fred Hall.
 Frank Toncray, Stephen Jewell and R. O. Samsen attended a convention of the State Firemen's association held in Detroit, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week.
 Smoking or lighting matches in garages are prohibited under an order just issued by the state fire marshal. The regulation was made as the result of a disastrous garage fire in Charlotte.
 Lyman Judson has returned to his home at Bad Axe, after several weeks' visit with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Spicer. His aunt, Miss Mabel Spicer, returned with him for a several weeks' visit.
Silliness and Stomach Trouble.
 "Two years ago I suffered from frequent attacks of stomach trouble and biliousness," writes Miss Emma Verbrugghe, Lima, Pa. "I could eat very little food and I grew very thin and I became so sick and sick at my stomach at times that I had to take hold of something to keep from falling. Seeing Chamberlain's Tablets advertised I decided to try them. I improved rapidly. Obtainable everywhere.—Advt."

Mrs. Wm. Greenleaf is visiting relatives in Chicago.
 Mrs. Mary Robinson visited friends in Detroit Thursday.
 Titus Ruff visited relatives in Detroit Monday and Tuesday.
 Mrs. Jesse McLeod has been on the sick list the past week.
 Miss Hazel Kingsley is employed in the Rockwell Pharmacy.
 Mrs. Ben Rathburn of Detroit, visited her son Charles and wife Sunday.
 Miss Pearl Vouck of Chicago is visiting her sister, Mrs. Byron Willett.
 Mrs. E. A. Lapham of Detroit has been the guest of Mrs. Ella King this week.
 Mrs. M. S. Everett has been confined to her home this week on account of illness.
FOR SALE—A few well bred Flemish Giants and Belgian hares. Ben Blunk.
 Mrs. L. B. Samsen has returned home from a week's visit with her parents at Adrian.
 Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Shaw spent Tuesday and Wednesday with friends in Detroit.
 Miss Cora McCallester of Detroit, was a week-end guest of Mrs. Fred Samsen.
 Mrs. J. J. Travis has gone to Hano Lake for a ten days' stay with Mrs. M. J. Ward.
 Mrs. E. C. Smith of Dearborn, visited her sister, Mrs. Harmon Kingsley, Tuesday.
 Mrs. Byron Willett and sister, Miss Pearl Vouck, visited friends in Detroit Wednesday.
 Mrs. Huidah Everett has returned home from a week's visit with friends at Northville.
 Mrs. Nellie Rhode and son Gilford were guests of Mrs. T. P. Sherman last week Thursday.
 Mrs. M. J. Bolt of Detroit is visiting at M. L. Everett's and Orson Westfall's this week.
 The Misses Mabel and Jennie Wilson of Elm were over Sunday visitors of Mrs. T. P. Sherman.
 Mrs. Howard Glass of Detroit is staying with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Eckles, for a few weeks.
 Mr. and Mrs. Will Everson and son of Detroit, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rathburn this week.
 Miss Verne Rowley is taking a few weeks' vacation from her duties in the office of C. J. Hamilton & Son.
 Several members of Plymouth Chapter O. E. S. attended lodge at Wayne last Friday afternoon and evening.
 Wm. Roe and family and Miss Ruby Newman motored to Silver Lake, Whitmore Lake and Ann Arbor last Sunday.
 Mrs. Charles Bradner and P. B. Whitbeck have gone to Detroit today to attend the funeral of S. J. Springer.
 V. H. Muller of Bombay, India, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bennett over Sunday and the first of the week.
 Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Addison and Mrs. Robert Robins of Toledo, are visiting Mrs. Addison's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Springer.
 Several relatives and friends from here expect to go to Eloise tomorrow (Saturday) to attend the silver wedding of Dr. and Mrs. Joe Bennett.
 Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Samsen and guest Miss McCallester, and L. B. Samsen and daughter Ruth were guests of friends at Adrian over Sunday.
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Snyder and little son Kenneth of Detroit and Mrs. Bert Stevenson of Wayne were guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Sherman last Friday.
 Mrs. G. W. Clark and daughters Urnna and Harriet of Cleveland, Ohio, are visiting the former's sister, Mrs. R. G. Samsen, and brother, Dr. J. Olsvaer.
 Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Bell and son Berdie, Mrs. Martha Farrand and Miss Ruby Williams were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Robinson at Novi last Tuesday.
 The Misses Hazel Conner and Ethel Smithman had their tonsils removed last Sunday. Dr. Robb of Detroit, performed the operation. Both are doing fine.
 N. W. Ayers has returned to Syracuse, N. Y., after a two weeks' visit with relatives here. Mrs. Ayers and little daughter will remain for a longer visit.
 Mrs. A. J. McArthur and son Russell and Wm. Wood of Beamsville, Ont., have been guests the past week at Dr. A. E. Patterson's and F. D. Schrader's.
 Mr. and Mrs. Frank Carr and daughter Dorothy, who have been residents of Plymouth for the past few months, left Sunday for Detroit, where they will reside.
 Mr. and Mrs. James F. Stewart and Mrs. C. Stevens and children of Detroit, and Miss Grace Stewart of Perou, Ind., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Springer last Saturday.
 Gala day, Thursday, August 10. Come to Plymouth Saturday night. Elsie Burnett of Royal Oak, is visiting friends here.
 J. W. Oswald and wife have been in Grand Haven this week.
 There will be no services at the Livonia church next Sunday.
 The largest crowd of the summer was in town last Saturday night.
 Mrs. C. E. Johnston of Chicago, is visiting Mrs. George Wilcox.
 The Plymouth & Northville Gas Co. are driving a dandy new auto truck.
 Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rutter of Romulus, were Plymouth visitors Monday.
 Capt. B. D. Foreman of Plainwell, is the guest of Robert Walker this week.
 Catholic services will be held at Grange hall, Sunday, July 23 at 10 a. m.
 Mr. Herbert of Ann Arbor, visited his daughter, Mrs. Carl Heide Saturday and Sunday.
 Wm. Weibrand Mr. and Mrs. Chester Arthur visited friends at Royal Oak last Sunday.
 Miss May Melnally of Sincere, Ont., is visiting her uncle, Robert Walker, for several weeks.
 Wm. Robinson and family have returned home from a two weeks' visit with relatives at Gagetown.
 Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Slack of Redford, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sharrow.
 Henry Baker has gone to Bogardus Engineering Camp near Cheboygan, for a two months' stay.
 Mrs. Wm. Gray returned home Saturday after a three weeks' visit with friends at Fenton, Owasso, Oakley and Lansing.
 Miss Kate Hubbard, who has been teaching at Lead, South Dakota, for the past two years, is visiting her mother here.
 The young people's society of the Lutheran church held their monthly meeting at the home of Miss Sarah Gayde last week Thursday evening.

Wants, For Sale, To Rent, etc.
 See per Line, One insertion

Good horse for sale or exchange for light horse. Good market wagon for sale or exchange for buggy. K. Kincaid, Stark, Route 5. Phone 301-F24. 312

FOR SALE—A tent 10x12. Enquire of Ella Jackson, West Ann Arbor street.

WANTED—Girl or middle aged woman for general house work. Call at Kraus' store. 321

FOR SALE—House and one-half acre of land. Good house and garden spot. Inquire at 65 West Ann Arbor St.

FOR SALE—McCormick mowing machine, milk wagon, four year old colt and work horse. Enquire at 11 South Harvey street. 322

FOR SALE—Modern 8 room house, with bath, hot and cold water and a garage. Inquire of D. M. Berdan. 231

FOR SALE—House on Blunk Ave., 7 rooms and bath, steam heat, large porch all screened in, large lot with fruit trees. Enquire of Charles F. Letever. P. O. B. 454. 331

FOR RENT—A nine room dwelling house on Mill street. Phone 316-F4. 331

FOR SALE—Lot on Depot street. Inquire of Wm. Waterman. 271

WANTED—Men at the Plymouth Motor Castings Co. 141.

FOR SALE—12 well located lots in the heart of the village. Prices reasonable. Inquire of George Wilcox. 331

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Mrs. Coello Hamilton. 331

FOR SALE—Fine young Holstein cow and calf. H. A. Spicer, East Ann Arbor street. 331

FOR SALE—2 horse iron Age 8 row potato sprayer. Inquire of Matt Snerwood, North Phoenix. 331

FOR SALE—A good span of mares 8 years old, sound and gentle, weight 3,000 lbs. Call Thomas J. Sals, phone 314-F14, Plymouth. 331

TO RENT—Light house keeping rooms, 19 Union street. 331

FOR RENT—A flat on Main street. Inquire of T. P. Sherman. 331

FOR SALE—Panniman block on Main street. Inquire of owner, B. Cohen, Northwestern Dept. Store, 1337 Grand River, Detroit, Mich. 303

FOR SALE—A beautiful flat, fine location. Inquire at Pinckney's Pharmacy. 331

FOR SALE—Baby cab. Enquire of Mrs. Geo. B. Lang. 331

FOR SALE—Lot 50x122. Geo. C. Gale, Plymouth, Mich. 231

FOR SALE—One good house with large lot, on Starkweather avenue, cheap at \$2500; a fine one on Penniman avenue at \$8000; one on Main street at \$4500; a few good building lots for sale, prices and terms are right, house and lot on Blunk street at \$2,500, and house and lot on south Main street at \$1,100. E. N. Pasmore. 45-F

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DOINGS OF THE WOLVERINE TROOPS AT EL PASO, TEXAS

Captain Roy C. McCormick, Commander of Company B, Thirty-first Regiment, Has Been Placed in Permanent Command of a Motor Truck Company

MEDICAL CORPS TO STUDY ALL DISEASES KNOWN TO MEXICANS

There Will be no Changes in the State Military Board. All Five Members Reported for Duty When Call Came and Have Been Accepted.

El Paso, Texas.—Further assurance received that the Michigan brigade would remain on border duty for a long time to come brought expressions of disappointment on the part of the men and frank declarations from officers that they would resign their commands if this meant interminable inaction.

Both officers and men are willing to stay here indefinitely, or for say six months, if there were hope of any real action at the end of that time, but even those who realize that things in Mexico are as upset as ever do not believe the guard will be sent across the border.

Trevino's reported defection from Carranza, despite repeated denials, is taken here as a settled fact. The sources of information are so good that El Paso people are convinced the Carranza government is weakening. But even these people do not think the overthrow of Carranza would mean the end of peaceful negotiations between the Mexicans and Americans. Despite the fact that Trevino has been admitted opposed to Carranza's conciliatory attitude toward the United States, they do not think he would be foolish enough to start anything. Some of them even go so far as to say that his part in the Carrizal affair was taken not so much to injure Americans as Carranza.

The complete overthrow by Villa of all is a contingency likely to arise that would upset President Wilson's plans for a peaceful adjustment of border differences. Of course it is within the realms of possibilities yet that Villa may sometime be the Mexican government. He is said to have plenty of money behind him, some of which is available in El Paso. He is intensely popular with the people of Northern Mexico and brigand cut-throat though he may be, he has a personal magnetism and capacity for leadership that is hard for the peons to resist.

But even so, the Michigan men are not looking forward to anything but a year of hard grinding drill and discipline. And they don't like the prospect. Many of the men will take advantage of the fact that they have families to secure their release, and a number of the officers have given themselves a fixed time to stick before they will ask to be relieved and go back to their jobs and their business interests.

Some of the high officers of the regiment put it up cold to regular army officers still higher in rank today and were frankly told that the guard need not expect to be sent back home for perhaps two years.

In the meantime the most elaborate preparations for war are being made by the government all along the border. The militia is being organized into one big machine, and millions of boxes of ammunition and supplies are being established and everything being done to prepare for almost anything that may happen.

In spite of the permanent aspect of the thing, however, the war department is not enervating its army in such a shape that it cannot be pulled out in a moment's notice.

Although everything has been going on so quietly and smoothly that local people themselves have scarcely realized the transformation, there have been other preparatory preparations that might make Mexico think she was about to be invaded on short notice by this country at full strength. Along with the permanent buildings that are going up are also being built miles and miles of railroad running through camps where cars can be loaded for shipment in strict order and a whole brigade permitted to leave the country over night.

But this is about the only hope the men have of active service outside of fighting a few border bandit gangs or stopping minor raids.

Capt. Roy C. McCormick, of Detroit, commander of company B, is the second officer of the Thirty-first to be honored with a special detail by the regular army officers. He has been placed in command of a motor truck company and is permanently detached from his old command. First Lieut. Harry Cramer will assume command of Company B.

The medical corps received orders from the war department to study all diseases common to the people of Mexico.

Cheered Along Route.

Colonel L. C. Covell's command, the Thirty-second Michigan infantry arrived at the border with his four sections in perfect condition and was greeted all along the route where the troop trains passed and the men will long remember with inspiring memory

the send-off they received long after they are in camp across from terror stricken Mexico. From the moment the troops left Grayling for their trip across the state cheering men, women and children, honking automobile horns and blowing steam whistles made glad the hearts of the soldiers and flags were displayed.

Three weeks of the hard work at Grayling has left its imprint of efficiency upon them and the second contingent of Wolverine troops to go to the border is a soldierly-looking outfit, indeed.

Bay City was out in force to cheer the first section, but the following three trains received even greater ovations. Saginaw was missed because the train touched only the Genesee street station, but Owosso did itself proud. The whole city was out to greet the troops. It is the home of Captain Hume, of the Thirty-second infantry, of Major M. J. Phillips and several other guardsmen and officers.

An automobile truck loaded with things was waiting and when the train drew up, this was unloaded.

That Grand Rapids people had been informed of the train's movements was apparent when the first section pulled in more than an hour late. Sprinkled among the Kalamazoo folks at the Michigan Central station were some Grand Rapids men and women who had taken this opportunity to catch a glimpse of the departing soldiers and say good-bye.

And Grand Rapids owes a debt of gratitude to Lieutenant-Colonel Joseph Westgate. But for him, only the first section would have stopped, and the Grand Rapids folk waiting at the station, would have caught but a glimpse of loved ones in the car windows as the train rolled past. The railway officials required a written order to halt the train, and he gave it.

The first section was just ready to leave Jackson when the second section, carrying McCullough's battalion, rolled in.

Ann Arbor Men Appointed.

Ann Arbor.—Professor Paul Dekruif, of the bacteriology department, and Robert Novy, student in the University of Michigan, have been detailed by the headquarters at El Paso to take charge of the bacteriological department of the army. Their offices will be on the top floor of a 14-story building. Professor Dekruif, who has specialized on tropical diseases, will be chief of the governmental laboratory and will test out diseases and remedies for the soldiers, by means of experiments on animals.

No Changes in State Military Board.

There has been quiet speculation since the national guard was called into the service of the United States, as to possible changes in the state military board. All five members of the board, General John P. Kirk, Ypsilanti; Col. L. C. Covell, Grand Rapids; Maj. M. J. Phillips, Owosso; Maj. D. W. Smith, Detroit, and Capt. W. H. Martin, Saginaw, were called upon by Uncle Sam, all promptly responded, and all have been accepted. One member of the board has already gone south with his regiment, and the other four will follow.

The board has arranged financial affairs in such a shape that the adjutant general and quartermaster general of the state can conduct the routine military business properly for several months.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Berlin.—Word was received here from Innsbruck, Austria, that Dr. Cesare Battelli, former Socialist member of the Austrian parliament from Trent, has been put to death for treason.

Senator Ransdell estimated the grand total annual loss from typhoid fever at \$271,932,880, and from malaria at \$694,924,750, the total per capita loss from these two diseases being \$9.46.

Dublin.—Sir Edward Carson, sometimes called "King Carson," the great Ulster leader, has taken a great step toward solving the Irish problem by agreeing to sit in the new Irish parliament.

Washington.—Immediate organization of an extensive national guard recruiting service was authorized by the war department to bring regiments on border duty up to full war strength of about 160,000 men. With nearly 50,000 regulars on border duty, the government would have 210,000 men or more engaged in protecting the line.

Sing Sing, N. Y.—All the prison buildings here have been decorated with American flags, and green and white bunting, colors of the Mutual Welfare league, in anticipation of the return Monday of Thomas Mott Osborne as warden.

Toledo, O.—The twelfth case of infantile paralysis was reported to the health authorities.

Boston.—Samuel A. Campbell, paymaster of the Colonial Can company, was robbed of a payroll of \$2,500 by two men, one of whom fired a shot which struck him in the head.

LETTER FROM STATE CAPITOL

THE STATE TREASURER SHOWS THE CASH TRANSACTIONS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR.

WHY WARDEN SIMPSON QUIT

Matters of State Wide Interest and Importance Gathered at the State Capital.

[By Gurd M. Hayes.]

Lansing, Mich.—A total of \$20,923,261.62 was received during the past year from all sources by the state treasurer, according to the annual report of State Treasurer Haarer submitted to the governor. For the same period a total of \$17,927,106.39 was disbursed by the state department.

The largest single item that was disbursed for the year which ended June 30 is for the care of the insane in the state, \$1,399,779.25, which was distributed among the various state hospitals as follows:

Eloise hospital, \$120,623.09; Ionia state hospital, \$84,595.96; Kalamazoo state hospital, \$404,822.74; Newberry state hospital, \$196,439.33; Pontiac state hospital, \$272,086.54; Traverse City state hospital, \$321,211.49.

There is a balance in the specific tax fund of \$6,532,736.98 which will be distributed among the various primary school districts this month and the report of Treasurer Haarer shows that 36 counties in the state received last year more primary school money than they paid in state taxes.

The corporations making up this vast sum to be paid the primary school districts for the support of teachers, the law specifying that such funds can only be used in the payment of teachers salaries, are as follows: Railroads, \$4,536,616.07; fire insurance companies, \$294,709.04; life insurance companies, \$351,356.15; telephone companies, \$522,433.61; telegraph companies, \$44,443.73 and a total of \$478,146.32 collected from estates paying inheritance taxes.

The largest receipts are paid into the general fund and some of the larger items making up the vast sums received in this fund include \$9,815,893.23 in state taxes, \$376,589.10 in mortgage taxes, \$66,211.43 in bond taxes, \$28,389.18 paid by hunters who secured deer licenses, \$18,736.90 paid by anglers who were required to take out a license and \$18,181.42 by commercial fishermen. All of the three latter funds are paid over from the general fund to the state game warden's department for maintenance of that department, the reports showing that the department is self-sustaining.

The state banking department contributed \$45,277.07 in fees collected from state banks paid for examining such banks while the state insurance department contributed \$55,385.13 in fees collected from insurance companies for examinations, etc., the dairy and food department \$12,765.12 in fees, Michigan securities commission \$15,762.27 in fees, \$1,336,192.09 from the secretary of state in automobile licenses, and \$44,492.81 turned over by the state oil inspector in fees collected for inspecting gasoline and kerosene.

Some of the larger disbursements from the general fund for the year were: Michigan Agricultural college, \$450,000; Central Michigan normal school, \$128,000; Western state normal school, \$198,166.74; state normal college, \$276,516.74; University of Michigan, \$1,076,000; state highway department, \$1,094,873.30; Industrial School for Boys, \$118,700 and Industrial School for Girls, \$94,400.

The report which is for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1916, is already in the hands of the state printer, making a record which no other state department can boast of, usually department reports being from 30 days to three years later than the closing of the fiscal year.

Warden Simpson's Salary.

Failure to have authorized his advance in salary from \$5,000 to \$7,500 per year, voted by the board of control and blocked by Auditor General O. P. Fuller, is thought here to be the main reason for the resignation of Warden Simpson of Jackson prison. The resignation did not occasion any surprise at the state capital as it has been known for some time that Simpson would tender his resignation.

More than a year ago the Jackson prison board of control voted Warden Simpson an increase in salary of \$2,500 a year. This action had to have the approval of the governor, auditor general and state treasurer. The papers were sent to Lansing, approved by the governor and when received by Auditor Fuller he immediately blocked further progress by refusing to sign the increase claiming that the \$7,500 salary a year voted Simpson was excessive; that state officers did not receive such an amount and that it was \$2,500 a year better than the chief executive of the state received. The papers never reached Treasurer Haarer for his signature.

All sorts of pressure was brought to bear on Mr. Fuller to change his opinion but he stood firm and it is known that only a few weeks ago he was requested to alter his opinion else Simpson would resign.

A \$10,000 yearly salary was turned down by Simpson about six months ago from a private canning establishment, Mr. Simpson believing that his first duties remained with the prison. While he has accomplished what no other warden in Michigan has ever done, it is thought among his close friends that had the salary increase been authorized he would have kept to his state job.

Michigan Happenings

Grand Rapids.—Albert Anderson, aged forty-eight, who came to Allegan from Chicago last fall, committed suicide on his farm by cutting his throat with a razor and hanging himself.

Grand Rapids.—J. J. Eckhart, president of the Farmers and Merchants' bank at Lake Odessa, died of the heat, making the sixteenth victim in Michigan in a week. Ten died in Detroit, two in Grand Rapids, one in Clarksville, one in Big Rapids and one in Coloma in one week.

Grand Rapids.—Harold Cheney, aged twelve, son of Dr. and Mrs. S. W. Cheney of Chicago, who are spending the summer at Little Point Sable near Shelby, was killed when lightning struck a tent in which he was sleeping with the two Montgomery boys of Chicago. They were only stunned. The body was taken to Chicago.

Flint.—With the entry of former Mayor William H. McKeighan into the race for sheriff, there are now 12 candidates in the race for the office. The big fight for the office is caused by the fact that with the present system the salary for the office is said to be about \$10,000 a year.

Kalamazoo.—Rowland Cornwell, aged fifteen, lost his life in Twin lake when overcome by cramps. He was within two strokes of shallow water when he crumpled up and sank. The boy's body was found in ten feet of water some 50 feet from shore, after James Balch, a farmer, discovered the youngster's clothing scattered along the shore of the lake.

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Spanish Fish.

The annual production of fish in Spain amounts to nearly \$20,000,000 yearly in value. There are 586 steam, and 15,194 sailing vessels engaged in the industry. The annual production of tinned fish is 3,500,000 cases of ten tins to the case. The pack of Portugal is about 1,500,000 cases, and that of France in normal times about 1,000,000 cases. Large quantities of Spanish-packed fish are sent abroad under French and Italian labels.—Exchange.

Not "There" in Beans.

My sister had brought home an unsatisfactory report card, and mother scolded her a good deal for it. We were called to lunch just then, and, having a new maid, this was our first taste of her baked beans. My sister took a few mouthfuls (which were rather too sweet with molasses), and, looking up at mother, said: "If that maid of ours got a report card, I can tell you she'd get 'poor' in beans."—Exchange.

To Remove Stains.

Almost every housewife has had to spend a great deal of time in scouring and cleaning the kitchen sink. One housewife has used the various cleansers and also kerosene, but was never able to keep it entirely white until one day she used the half of a lemon on drainboards and table. It was found it removed every stain.

Resourceful Author.

She—"Oh, dear! I hardly know how to tell you, but the baby somehow got hold of a fountain pen and your first bold—" He—"I see, but don't let it worry you. It really enhances the value of the book. It disposes of it as an autograph copy."—Punch.

Compelling Belief in Dreams.

The individual who makes much over the art of divination of dreams is convinced that dreadful events will follow dreadful dreams. In so far as he himself is concerned science says that it is perfectly possible for such a belief to have convincing realization.

Suggestive Nickname.

It is said that a former postmaster general of Guatemala was nicknamed "mata muertos" which is to say "killer of dead persons." He is supposed to have stabbed the dead body of a murdered president as it lay in the street.

Had Sultan's Indorsement.

Extract from a Turkish newspaper: "His serene highness has been pleased to watch the eclipse, and has directed the lord chamberlain to express his entire satisfaction with the magnificent performance."—Tit-Bits.

Easy to Get Line on Him.

Fond Father—"I hardly know what business to put my son in, I know practically nothing about his ability." Friend—"Take him for a sea voyage. That will show what there is in him."—Philadelphia Record.

We'll Quit.

A Boston doctor says that 50 years hence kissing will be considered barbarous. Oh, very well. One might as well be dead as out of fashion, and if he is right we will quit kissing—60 years hence.

Don't Seem to Mix.

"Have you studied political economy?" "No, sir. Economy is all right in its place. I'm one of those who believe in keeping business out of politics."—Washington Star.

Use for the Dowry.

A bachelor informs us that a marriage dowry is a lump of sugar intended to nullify the bitterness of the dose.—Indianapolis Star.

Uncle Eben.

"Many a man," said Uncle Eben, "gives himself credit for being a student of human nature when he's only curious 'bout other folks' affairs."

May Be Truth in Old Saying.

More toilet soap is used on Sunday than any other day. This would tend to prove that cleanliness is next to godliness.

Optimistic Thought.

Impatience under a burden only makes it heavier.

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Queen's Carriage.

By the beginning of the seventeenth century the use of carriages and coaches had become so prevalent in England that in 1601 the attention of parliament was drawn to the subject, and a bill "to restrain the excessive use of coaches" was introduced, which, however, was rejected on its second reading. In the early part of the century it was estimated that there were 6,000 in London and its vicinity.

No Servant Problem Here.

The servant problem has not bothered Mrs. H. L. Garland of Opelousas, La., according to an American Magazine. She has had one servant in her family for 63 years, a negro woman who commenced her duties as servant eight years before the Civil war began. The name of this paragon, who shows that the old-time dark devotion still exists, is Mrs. Sophie Stumms.

Little at a Time.

The chief art of learning, as Locke has observed, is to attempt but little at a time. The widest excursions of the mind are made by short steps frequently repeated; the most lofty fabrics of science are formed by the continued accumulation of single propositions.—Johnson.

What will the bartenders do when the state goes dry? Well, when you drain a pond you don't worry about the frogs.

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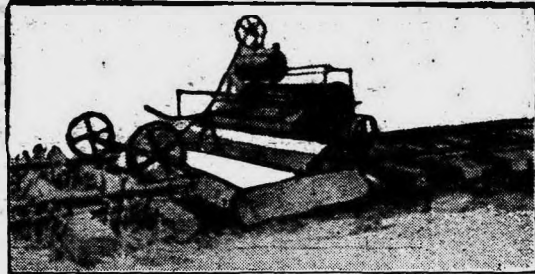
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FIRST LINE IN PERSIA

RAILROAD CONSIDERED A WONDER BY THE NATIVES.

American Attaché Tells of the Initial Trip—Horses and Cattle Terrorized—Expected to Cause Commercial Development.

Persia's first railroad has been opened to traffic. It runs from Julfa, on the frontier of Russia Transcaucasia, to the ancient Persian city of Tabriz, a distance of 93 miles.

Mr. Baker gives this interesting account of the new railroad: "Thousands of people, including all the foreign consuls and other officials in the city, came to witness the entrance of the first train into Tabriz, and there was immense excitement at the blowing of whistles announced its approach."

The railroad may possibly be extended to Teheran, the capital of Persia, and thence through Isfahan to Beluchistan, where it would connect with the railroad system of British India.

It is expected that the new line will bring an enormous commercial development to the region of Persia which it traverses, where there are many mines not worked up to now on account of transportation difficulties.

Engine Treated Master Kindly. A yard engineer at Van Wert, O., left the cab of the locomotive, while waiting on a siding, laid down along the track with his head on the rail and went to sleep.

Thought Whalebones Improved Figures. "I understand that each whale carries about half a ton of whalebone about him."

A Fan's Expedient. "How did you manage to keep up your enthusiasm while you stood up and cheered for an hour and a half?"

Subject to Attack. Church—I see a New Jersey railroad has an armored train.

WILL WITHDRAW TROOPS GRADUALLY

THE FRICTION BETWEEN U. S. AND MEXICO TO BE SETTLED BY COMMISSIONERS.

VILLA BANDITS TURN BACK

Mexicans Open Fire On Company of the Ninth Massachusetts Infantry; No Casualties Were Reported.

Mexico City—James Linn Rodgers, representative of the American government, informed the Mexican secretary of war that the American expeditionary forces in Mexico under Brigadier-General Pershing would be gradually withdrawn from Mexican territory.

El Paso—The Villa band of 200, believed to have been headed for the American frontier in the Big Bend region, has turned south, as have all groups of bandits in Chihuahua, according to a message from General Jacinto Treviño at Chihuahua City, received by Andres Garcia, consul here.

El Paso, Tex.—A party of mounted Mexicans exchanged fire with U. S. troops of the Ninth Massachusetts Infantry. According to reports, the guardsmen were doing outpost duty when the Mexicans rode upon the opposite side of the Rio Grande and opened fire.

Captain Hickey, of Dorchester, Mass., commanding the company, estimated the number of Mexicans at 15, but asserted that he was unable to determine whether or not they were soldiers.

Washington—The growing strength of the Villa revolution is creating a new condition that threatens to upset all peace plans of President Wilson.

With a new revolutionary movement menacing Carranza in northern Mexico, the situation the United States faces was outlined in official circles as follows: First, when the Pershing expedition was ordered into Mexico to "get Villa" the latter had a force of 150 bandits.

Second, if the United States aids Carranza in suppressing Villa it will be placed in the position of sending an army in a neighboring state to aid one faction of Mexicans in subduing another faction.

Paris Reports the Bombardment of the Entire Front in Greece.

BATTLE IN BALKANS BEGUN

London—Announcement from Paris that a bombardment is in progress along the entire front in Greece is accepted here as meaning that the long expected French-British-Serbian attack in the Balkans has begun.

These experts point out that with the British and French pushing a successful offensive in the west, the Russians driving the Germans from their positions in the east and also keeping up a vigorous warfare against the Turks, and the Italians more than holding their own against the Austrians, only the opening of the Balkan battle is needed to make the chain complete.

Whatever the significance of the Paris announcement there is no denying that the actual fighting of the war is now in progress on a scale not heretofore approached in the great conflict.

Raleigh, N. C.—Thirteen persons dead, at least 10 missing and property damage estimated at around \$15,000, is the known toll of flood in five southern states.

Memphis, Tenn.—The new Harahan bridge spanning the Mississippi river at Memphis, said to be the largest structure on the river, was opened to traffic for the first time.

New York—The United States this year will produce 2,000,000,000 pounds of beet sugar, as against only 5,000,000 pounds in 1890.

Washington—President Wilson nominated Representative James Hay, of Madison, Va., chairman of the house military affairs committee, for judge of the United States court of claims, to succeed Judge George W. Atkinson, who retired for age.

MARKET QUOTATIONS

Live Stock

DETROIT—Cattle: Receipts 2,619. Best heavy steers, \$8.50@9; best heavy weight butcher steers, \$7.50@8.25; mixed steers and heifers, \$7@7.50; light butchers, \$6.25@7; light butchers, \$6@6.50; best cows, \$6@6.75; butcher cows, \$5.50@6; common cows, \$4.50@5; canners, \$3@4.25; best heavy bulls, \$6@6.75; bologna bulls, \$5.50@6.25; feeders, \$6.50@7.25; stockers, \$5.50@6.75; milkers and springers, \$4@6.50.

Calves—Receipts, 876. The bulk of the good selling at \$13, with a few at \$13.25, and culls and heavy at \$8 to \$10.

Sheep and Lamb—Receipts 1,209. Best lambs, \$11.25; fair lambs, \$10@10.50; light to common lambs, \$8.50@9.50; fair to good sheep, \$6@6.50; culls and common, \$2.50@4.

Hogs—Receipts 5,019. Yorkers and medium selling at \$9.80 to \$9.95.

BUFFALO—Cattle, Receipts, 175 cars; market demoralized, 25c to 50c lower; choice to prime native steers, \$9@10; fair to good, \$8.50@9.50; plain, \$8@8.75; very coarse and common, \$7.75@8.25; best Canadian steers, \$9.25@9.50; fair to good, \$8.50@9; common and plain, \$7.50@8; choice heavy butcher steers, \$9@9.50; fair to good, \$8@8.75; best heavy steers, \$9.75@10.25; light and common, \$7@7.50; yearlings, prime, \$9.25@9.50; common to good, \$7.50@8.50; best heavy butcher heifers, \$7.40@7.60; common to good, \$6@7.25; best heavy fat cows, \$7@7.50; good butchering cows, \$6@6.75; medium to fair, \$5.25@5.75; cullers, \$4.50@4.75; canners, \$3.25@4.25; best heavy bulls, \$7@7.35; good butchering bulls, \$6.25@6.50; sausage bulls, \$5.25@5.75; light bulls, \$5@5.25; best feeding steers, \$7.50@7.75; common to good, \$6.75@7.25; best stockers, \$7.35@7.50; common to good, \$6.25@7; milkers and springers, \$7@10.

Hogs—Receipts, 70 cars; market 10c lower; heavy, \$10.30@10.35; mixed and Yorkers, \$10.25@10.30; pig, \$10.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts, five cars; top lambs, \$10.50@11; yearlings, \$8.50@9; wethers, \$8@8.25; ewes, \$7@7.50.

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Grains, Etc.

DETROIT—Wheat: Cash No 2 red, \$1.16 1/4; September opened with an advance of 1/2c at \$1.19, declined to \$1.18 1/2 and closed at \$1.18 3/4; December opened at \$1.23, declined to \$1.22 1/2 and closed at \$1.22 3/4; No 1 white, \$1.13 1/4.

Corn—Cash No 3, 31c; No 3 1/2 yellow, 30@31 1/2c; No 4 yellow, 30@31 1/2c; Oats—Standard, 45c; No 3 white, 44c; September, 40 1/4c; No 4 white, 42 1/2@43c.

Rye—Cash No 2, 97c. Beans—Immediate and prompt shipment, \$5.75 bid, \$6 asked.

Seeds—Prime red clover, \$9.90; prime alsike, \$9.50; prime timothy, \$9.30.

Hay—No 1 timothy, \$13.50@19; standard timothy, \$17.50@18; light mixed, \$17.50@18; No 2 timothy, \$14@15; No 1 mixed, \$12@13; No 2 mixed, \$9@10; No 1 clover, \$10@11; rye straw, \$7.50@8; wheat and oat straw, \$6.50@7 per ton in carlots, Detroit.

Feed—in 100-lb sacks, jobbing lots: Bran, \$24; standard middlings, \$25; fine middlings, \$30; cracked corn, \$32; coarse cornmeal, \$32; corn and oat chop, \$29 per ton.

Flour—Par 196 lbs. in eighth paper sacks: Best patent, \$5.90; second patent, \$5.70; straight, \$5.50; spring patent, \$5.30; rye flour, \$6 per bbl.

General Markets

Cherries—Sour, \$2.50@2.75 per bu. New Apples—\$1.50@1.75 per hamper.

Lemons—California, \$5@5.75 per box. Coconuts—\$7.50 per sack and 90c @ 81c per doz.

Pineapples—Florida, \$3@3.75 per case and \$1.25@1.75 per doz. California Fruits—Peaches, \$1.50; plums, \$2@2.25 per box.

Peaches—Texas, \$2.50@2.75 per bu and \$2.25@2.50 per 6-basket crate. Lettuce—\$5@7.50 per bu. Cabbage—New, \$2.25 per bbl. Green Corn—\$4.25@4.50 per bbl. Celery—Kalamazoo, 18@25c per doz.

Asparagus—Section, \$1.25@1.50 per box. New Potatoes—White, \$3.25@3.35 per bbl. Maple Sugar—New, 15@16c per lb; syrup, \$1.25@1.50 per gal.

Dressed Calves—Best, 15 1/2@16c; good, 14 1/2@15c; ordinary, 13 1/2@14c per lb. Onions—Texas Bermudas, \$2.15@2.25 per crate; southern, \$3.75@3.85 per 100-lb sack. Melons—Rockyford, \$4.25@4.50 for standard crates; watermelons, 35@50c each.

CRIME IS LAID TO WITCHCRAFT

Queer Murder Committed in Reading, Pa., Stirs the Authorities.

HEX DOCTORS ACTIVE

Blacksmith Who Killed Friend Said Charcoal Burners Consulted the "Seventh Book of Moses" and Told Him to Slay.

Reading, Pa.—The murder of Abraham Fick, an inoffensive German laborer, by his friend, Peter Leas, Jr., in Hyde Park, a suburb, a few days ago, revives public curiosity in "The Seventh Book of Moses" and in the witch doctors and powwow practitioners who still infest that region.

In his confession, Leas, who is thought by some to be insane, said that charcoal burners at a settlement several miles from his home had consulted "The Seventh Book of Moses" and had ordered him to end Fick's life to prevent Fick from murdering him.

That Fick, in all probability, never dreamed of attacking Leas, a blacksmith with a reputation as a fighter, and a man of quick temper, seems to be well established.

Other Indictments May Follow. "The Seventh Book of Moses" is identical in some respects with the booklet first published in 1819 by John George Hohman, the prince of miracle workers of the powwow, hexer school.

Not in years has so much public interest been stirred up in the fallacies of powwow, witchcraft and the remnant of beliefs in hexes and hexers as through the Fick murder.

It is likely that the district attorney, Wilson S. Rothermel, who conducted a coroner's inquest holding Leas responsible for the murder, will make every effort to learn if a reader of this book of nonsensical rhymes and formulas is the author of the crime.



Leas Ambushed Fick and Killed Him.

Many Deaths Due to Fakery. Some years ago the deaths in one week of six infants who had been powdered for to cure infantile ailments, focussed attention all over the country to the practices that still flourish in the Reading region, regardless of prosecutions by authorities.

The spread of education and the efforts of reputable doctors to save lives endangered by the powwow doctors had no effect. The hex doctors still use incantations, passes in the air, amulets or charms worn in bags around the neck instead of using medicine to cure their patients.

That the patients were really victims did not lessen the hold of the fakery and impostors on the unlettered part of the community.

A few years ago a family of 20 children, 17 of whom died at short intervals, their parents attributing their deaths to witchcraft, came into prominence in Reading. Their parents gave credit for the survival of the three children to the use of charms and a powwow formula.

HE PULLED WRONG WHISKERS

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One-Legged Man Saved Girl. Point Bridge, Pa.—Albert Collins, who has but one leg, leaped into the Monongahela river, near here and rescued Miss Marie Gibson, who was drowning.

Stork Carried a Heavy Baby. Indian Bottom, Ky.—Mr. and Mrs. B. B. Caudill have become the parents of a child that weighed 30 pounds at birth.

Diese Abteilung ist für die Familienglieder, welche am liebsten Deutsch lesen.

Untersee Handels-schiff verblüfft den Alliierten.

Das erste Untersee-Handels-schiff der Welt, die "Deutschland", ist vor einigen Tagen in Baltimore angekommen. Die Fahrt von Bremerhaven über den Ozean dauerte fünfzehn Tage.

Das Boot war ein A. Schumacher und Co. Konstruktions, die hiesigen Vertreter des Norddeutschen Lloyd, und seine Ladung an die Galtien Forwarding Co., eine Firma, die in den letzten paar Wochen eigenmächtig den Zweig organisiert worden ist, um die Geschäfte der Untersee-Schiffahrt zu bejagen.

Die "Deutschland" ist, wie P. O. Gillen, der Senior der Redererei Schumacher & Co. sagt, ein umgebautes Kriegsschiff, aber als Handels-schiff funktionsfähig, in Bremen gebaut auf eine rein kommerzielle Mission hierher geschickt.

Sie ist Eigentum der "Ocean Schiffahrt-Gesellschaft" und im März in Kiel vom Stapel gelaufen. Die Idee des neuen Unternehmens, die vor 9 Monaten geistig wurde, ging, wie Gillen sagt, von F. A. Rohmann, Chef einer Bremer Import- und Export-Firma aus, der die "Ocean Schiffahrt-Gesellschaft" organisiert hat.

Rohmann ist der Sohn des früheren Generaldirektors Rohmann des "Norddeutschen Lloyd". Er ist an vielen, wichtigen deutschen Handelsunternehmen interessiert.

Das Boot ist unter der Leitung des modernen Kapitän König mit Leichtigkeit den alliierten Blockadegeschwadern und Kriegsschiffen entgangen.

Kapitän König erzählte den Berichtern, nachdem er seinen offiziellen Bericht gegeben hatte, eine Menge Einzelheiten von seiner Fahrt. Er sagte, als man ihn fragte, ob er von feindlichen Schiffen verfolgt worden sei, und erklärte, daß die "Deutschland" auf der ganzen Fahrt nur 30 Meilen unter Wasser zurückgelegt habe.

Er sagte, daß er keine Schwierigkeiten gehabt habe, "Ich habe Erklärungen gegeben," sagte Kapitän König, "daß wir gezwungen wurden, der englischen Kriegsschiffe wegen mehrere hundert Meilen außerhalb des gewöhnlichen Kurzes in dem Atlantischen Ozean zu fahren. Das verhält sich nicht so. Warum sollten wir außerhalb des Kurzes fahren, statt untertauchen. Das ist der einfachste und wirkungsvollste Weg, aus dem Kurs zu steuern. Außerdem ist das Untertauchen bedeutend einfacher."

Wir kamen nach Hampton Roads über den direkten Kurs vom englischen Kanal. Wir sind nicht über die Ägaren gefahren. Im ganzen legten wir von Helgoland nach Baltimore 3800 Meilen zurück. Von dieser Meilenzahl legten wir nur 90 Meilen unter Wasser zurück. Während der ganzen Fahrt erfreuten sich die Offiziere der besten Gesundheit und des besten Humors. Natürlich wurde die Luft ziemlich schlecht, wenn wir lange Zeit unter Wasser waren, und es gab sonst allerlei Unannehmlichkeiten, aber niemals etwas Ernstliches.

Die "Deutschland" ist so konstruiert, daß sie vier Tage hintereinander unter Wasser bleiben kann, so daß wir, wie Sie sehen können, niemals unter Wasser—Maximum nur der Fahrt erreicht haben. Es fährt sich auf dem Schiff viel besser als auf einem Torpedojäger, weil es so vorzüglich gebaut ist. Natürlich mußte es zuweilen etwas, aber das läßt sich ertragen. Jemand eine Nation, die ein Schiff wie die "Deutschland" bauen kann, kann tun, was wir getan haben."

Kapitän König sprach mit dem naiven Enthusiasmus eines Kindes, als er die Einzelheiten seiner Fahrt zum Vorschein brachte. "Eigentlich ist nicht viel zu erzählen," sagte Kapitän König, "Wir verließen Helgoland und fuhrten auf der Oberfläche in die Nordsee. Vor der Fahrt machten wir für 10 Tagen oder zwei Wochen Probefahrten und Übungen mit der Mannschaft, nachdem wir von Bremen nach unserem Abfahrtsort aufgegeben waren. Ich war nie früher auf einer Untersee-Fahrt gewesen, und die Erfahrungen dieser zwei Wochen bildeten meine ganze Trainingierung. Am ersten Tage, ging Alles ganz ruhig ab, aber am zweiten Tag kamen wir in die Nordsee in die Zone der britischen Kreuzer und Torpedojäger. Wir sichteten öfters deren Rauch, tauchten jedoch bloß, wenn wir glaubten, daß man uns entdecken werde. Natürlich waren wir immer zu sichten, weil wir so tief im Wasser fuhrten und keine Rauchwolken aufstiehen. Wir tauchten mehrere Male in der Nordsee und blieben manchmal zwei Stunden, manchmal länger unter Wasser. Wir blieben immer in voller Fahrt, wenn wir auftauchten und sahen, daß nichts uns bedrohte. Wir sahen keine englische Schiffschiffe in der Nordsee, nur Kreuzer oder Torpedojäger. Während der ganzen Fahrt kamen wir unter und verließen ruhig während der ganzen Fahrt auf dem Grunde des Kanals. Wir wußten, daß sich eine Menge Kreuzer in unserer Nähe befanden, und es war sehr neugierig. Daher erachteten wir es nicht für klug, um einem Risiko auszuweichen, und ich gab die Order, für die Nacht und bis zum Eintreten klareren Wetters untertauchen. Am anderen Morgen fand alles gut und wir fuhrten ohne Unfall durch den Kanal in den Atlantischen Ozean."

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HEAD OF STATE FAIR IS GOOD ROADS ENTHUSIAST

John S. Haggerty, president of the Michigan State Fair, is a firm believer in good roads, and he has indorsed the action of G. W. Dickinson, general manager of the fair, who has mapped out a good roads building program, which is to be carried out during the summer months.

Mr. Haggerty is a member of the Wayne county road commission, and many miles of macadam highway have been constructed under his supervision.



JOHN S. HAGGERTY.

The roads to be built at the State Fair Grounds will be of macadam and will be constructed by the State Fair management. Mr. Haggerty's name stands for good roads throughout the state, and that the highways at the fair grounds will be models of their kind is evident from the fact that Mr. Haggerty is assisting in supervising the construction work.

Water Pressure in the Mains

There is a matter that should receive the early and careful consideration of the village council, and that is the water supply question. While it is true that during the drought of the past two weeks there is a vast quantity of water being used for sprinkling purposes, yet there is hardly enough water pressure to cope with a fire of even ordinary proportions during the restricted hours of the day. The big fire which destroyed the school building and the Methodist church last March demonstrated this fact plainly.

We have been informed that the water pressure will average only from 15 to 20 pounds during the restricted hours of the day and goes down to from 8 to 14 pounds during the sprinkling hours. At its best, it is far from being adequate. Is it any wonder that these conditions are with us? For years new extensions have been made and there are hundreds more users now than when the system was first installed, at which time we understand the water pressure was from 45 to 50 pounds.

Just how to remedy the matter we are not prepared to say, but it has been suggested that an automatic pump at the spring driven by electric power would give much additional pressure. It has also been suggested that a large storage tank could be erected and the water from this turned into the mains in case of a fire. However, these are questions for an engineer to decide. It would seem some action should be taken at once to give more efficiency to our water works system.

Most Appropriate. A quarrelsome couple were discussing the subject of epitaphs and tombstones, and the husband said: "My dear, what kind of stone do you suppose they will give me when I die?" "Brimstone, my love," was the affectionate reply.

SUPERINTENDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE FAIR ANNOUNCED

Will Have Charge of Exposition's Various Departments.

SEVERAL ARE REAPPOINTED.

John Endicott, F. J. Lesaiter, John W. Smith, T. F. Marston, D. J. Healy, H. S. Newton, Jacob Baumann and George Kelly Among the Officers.

Superintendents of the various departments of the Michigan State Fair, which will be held at Detroit Sept. 4 to 13, have been announced by G. W. Dickinson, general manager of the big exposition. John Endicott of Detroit, whose efforts have made the horse show, held annually in connection with the State Fair, one of the greatest events of its kind in the middle west, will again serve as superintendent of the horse department. Mr. Endicott will be assisted by Howard C. Allen of Washington Court House, O.

Heads of Other Departments. F. J. Lesaiter of Clarkston and Charles Prescott of Tawas City will act as superintendents of the cattle department. Frank Coward is superintendent of the sheep department and will be assisted by E. N. Hill of Hamburg. John W. Smith of Port Huron is superintendent of the swine department, while the poultry, pigeons and pet stock department will be in charge of George Kelly of North Branch. He will be assisted by Daniel Thomas of Pontiac.

T. F. Marston of Bay City continues as superintendent of the farm products department, while A. E. Stevenson has charge of the machinery, implements and vehicle department. H. S. Newton of Hart will superintend the fruit department. Jacob Baumann of Detroit is superintendent of plants and flowers.

The dairy and domestic department will be in charge of F. Fred Smith of Byron, and E. B. Tyrrell will superintend the dairy department. D. J. Healy of Detroit will act as superintendent of the needlework department. The handicraft and the arts department will be superintended by Miss Ethel Plumb of Detroit, while Dudley E. Waters of Grand Rapids will be the board member in charge. Thomas M. Sattler of Jackson will again have charge of the educational department, while Mrs. George G. Carson of Detroit will superintend the Better Babies Contest. Foster Walker will be in charge of the physical educational department.

W. A. Williams of Sault Ste. Marie will be superintendent of the main building. Walter R. Wilcox will have charge of the automobile show. Eugene C. Betz of Monroe is superintendent of the transportation department. Sheriff Milton Oakman of Detroit the police department. C. A. Tyler of Detroit superintendent of outside gates. Thomas E. Newton of Detroit superintendent of the grand stand and Joseph Toynton of Pontiac assistant superintendent of the grand stand.

LIVONIA CENTER

Mrs. H. D. Peters accompanied her daughter, Mrs. Harry Bennett to Middleville Friday where she will remain for a week's visit with friends. Mrs. Maggie Cahill and daughter Rose of Lansing, were guests of the former's sister, Mrs. Frank Pelt, several days last week. Mrs. Fred Lee and son Robert were Detroit visitors Friday. Mrs. Julia L. Sinau entertained seven ladies Thursday afternoon and served an excellent salad luncheon. Irene and Harold Chilson are spending their vacation with their grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Gibson. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bentley and Mr. and Mrs. Volney Gunning were entertained at the home of Mrs. Whipple Sunday.

Will Pankow of Detroit, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pankow, Friday.

Henry Pankow and Jesse Hake are the owners of new Fords. Mrs. Robert Bredin passed away at her home Sunday morning following several weeks' illness. The funeral services were held at her late home Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock and interment was made at the cemetery at this place. Mrs. Bredin's death came as a great shock to her many friends in this community where she has resided a number of years and where she is well and favorably known. The husband and other relatives have the sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement.

Mrs. Paul Lee entertained the O. H. S. Club at her home Monday afternoon. Following the business session and a social hour, contests were indulged in. Miss Myrtle Eckles was awarded the first prize in the bean-carrying contest, and Mrs. Wm. Maynard was consoled. The next meeting of the club will be held at the home of Mrs. A. M. Eckles.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Hayball entertained friends from Inkster and Detroit Sunday. Mrs. Palmer Chilson was a week-end guest of friends in Detroit.

Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Every family without exception should keep this preparation at hand during the hot weather of the summer months. Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy is worth many times its cost when needed and is almost certain to be needed before the summer is over. It has no superior for the purposes for which it is intended. Buy it now. Obtainable everywhere.—Adv.

M. E. Sunday-school News. Dearborn wins. The first Sunday of the three months contest between Plymouth and Dearborn Methodist Sunday-schools found Plymouth on the losing end. Dearborn's attendance was 139 while Plymouth's was 121. We all know very well what this means, and now it is up to us. We must reverse the figures next Sunday. Dearborn also claims that we had three of their people as visitors last Sunday, which really makes it look still worse for us. Teachers, be on hand promptly next Sunday, and in the meantime rally your hitherto absent scholars.

Taking Big Chances. It is a great risk to travel without a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, as this preparation cannot be obtained on the trains or steamships. Attacks of bowel complaint are often sudden and very severe and everyone should be prepared for them. Obtainable everywhere.—Adv.

Advertisement for National Biscuit Company. Ho! Everybody!! Know Zu Zui Eat Zu Zui The crispest, spiciest ginger snap that ever tickled a palate. Make a bee line to the nearest grocer man, and get a whole packageful for a nickel. NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY

EAST PLYMOUTH

George Henry, wife and children and Charles Hannan of South Lyon, visited at John Thompson's Sunday. Mrs. Thompson returned to South Lyon with her father and sister for a few days.

Mr. Quail of Detroit, recently from Nottingham, England, is spending some weeks with William Bakewell, and Mrs. Wm. Maynard was consoled. The next meeting of the club will be held at the home of Mrs. A. M. Eckles.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Hager and friend Mrs. E. M. Coverdill of Detroit, motored to Stark, Port Huron and Wayne on Monday, calling on their return on Mrs. Gilbert at King's Corners, and Mrs. Herbert Bakewell at Sand Hill.

John Cool, Jr. was home from Detroit last Sunday, and he is the happy possessor of an imperial motor cycle, which he had the good fortune to win in a contest.

Mrs. E. Rocker and Miss Helen Downey called on Mrs. Wm. Coverdill Wednesday.

Fred West, formerly of East Plymouth, was married to Miss Annie Kemp June 2nd, so he informed his friends, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bakewell on whom he called Tuesday afternoon.

Visitors at the home of Emil Rocker Downey of Detroit, William Strebbling and sister Viola of Redford, Will Shrewing of Flat Rock, and Miss Ethel Shear and friend of Howlett.

Mrs. Ernest Coverdill has returned to her home in Detroit after a ten days' visit with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Wood called on Mrs. Chas. Rathburn this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Raviler entertained this week, Mr. and Mrs. McKay of Los Angeles, Miss Edna McKay of Grosse Pointe, and Mr. and Mrs. Denny and children of Detroit. The Misses Ruth and Dorothy Denny remained to spend a week with their aunt.

Carl Stender and Miss Louise Schindler of Detroit, were guests at Julius Miller's Sunday.

Dr. James of Rockford, Ill., and M. S. Jennie Thomas were week-end guests at Greenbrook, the beautiful country home of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Thomas.

Miss Beatrice Bakewell has returned home from Detroit.

Mrs. E. Rocker, Miss Clara Coverdill and Miss Helen Downey called on Mrs. John Cool Thursday afternoon.

Constipation and Indigestion. "I have used Chamberlain's Tablets for some time and I have ever used for constipation and indigestion. My wife also used them for indigestion and they did her good," writes Eugene S. Knight, Wilmington, N. C. Chamberlain's Tablets are mild and gentle in their action. Give them a trial. You are certain to be pleased with the agreeable laxative effect which they produce. Obtainable everywhere.—Adv.

GRAIN'S LAKE. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lyke and daughter Evelyn have returned home after spending a week with friends at Ipperwash Beach, Ontario.

Mrs. Al Bullock of South Lyon, is spending several days at the home of William Lyke.

Fred Fishbeck and family spent Sunday at Walled Lake.

Mrs. Daniel Jewell is entertaining her nephew from Ypsilanti.

Mr. and Mrs. Theda Lyke and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Sherwood motored to Trenton Sunday and called at the home of Harry Proctor.

Mrs. Mary Rice suffered a light stroke of apoplexy last week.

Austin Whalen attended the theatre at the Martha Washington, Ypsilanti, last Saturday night.

Mrs. Burton Galpin entertained her sister Anna and family from Pittsburg, Pa., last Thursday and Friday.

Mrs. Don Packard and Cecil visited Mrs. Packard's mother, Mrs. Durfee in Wayne last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gaydor have moved into D. W. Packard's tenement house.

Adolph Melow is having a milking machine installed.

Miss Avis Wright of Ypsilanti, was a week-end visitor with Miss Mildred Bell.

Mr. Rutan of Greenville, is visiting at Charles Shearer's.

Wm. Rogers of Detroit visited at the LeVan home Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stevens, and Calvin went last Friday at Commerce fishing, etc.

Quite a number from here attended the Newburg picnic last Saturday at Belle Isle and enjoyed a very pleasant day greeting old friends; also the boat ride on beautiful Detroit river.

Word was received that an old resident of Newburg, Emma Johns, is quite sick at Hill, N. Y.

There were a few brave souls ventured out to church Sunday last, along with the pastor. Only a few more weeks and the conference year will draw to a close. There is much to be accomplished before then. Mr. Farley has nearly enough contributed to buy the pews for the church. Any one having a dollar or two to give toward the fund it would be gratefully received.

About 35 attended the L. A. S. meeting last week Friday. Some plans were made for the fair to be held this fall. Next meeting with Mrs. J. Jewell in August.

Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell and son Samuel are taking a motor trip through York State and Canada.

Word was received that Mr. and Mrs. Vern Mackender are the proud parents of an 8 1/2 pound baby boy, born Saturday morning, July 15. We extend congratulations.

Don't forget the Gleaner social on John Thompson's lawn this Saturday evening.

J. LeVan is somewhat improved at this writing.

Call brothers have the frame up for Mr. Mackender's house and will soon have it completed.

Ray Britten of Chattanooga, Tenn., spent Wednesday at the Ryder home-stead.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ryder of Chicago were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Chappel.

Leigh Ryder has purchased a new Ford touring car and trailer.

Miss Anna Youngs has returned from the Homeopathic hospital, Ann Arbor, and is doing nicely.

Grange Notes. The Fourth of July picnic was a very pleasant social affair, and was largely attended. The day was spent among friends in a quiet way. Children's sports and a very good program was given.

Our next regular meeting will be held August 3. The 1st and 2nd degrees will be conferred on four candidates. Meeting called at usual hour.

July 29 a six-county Grange rally will be held on the fair grounds at Adrian. This is to be one of a series of four of the largest Grange rallies ever held in the state. State Master T. Ketcham will be chairman of the day and Oliver Wilson, master of the National Grange will be the principal speaker. Everybody welcome, especially Grangers. A special prize of a fine American flag will be given the Grange that makes the largest showing of members present and miles traveled.

To All Whom It May Concern. Notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the Common Council of the Village of Plymouth, State of Michigan, to open Forest Avenue from the south side of Brush street and extending thence westerly so as to make Forest Avenue fifty feet in width throughout its entire length.

That the entire expense of the opening of said street shall be assessed upon the following described private property, lots or lands, which said private property, lots or lands are designated as a special assessment district for the purpose of making the said improvement, to-wit: All property, lots or lands fronting on the said Forest Avenue and located south of the south line of section number 27 in the township of Plymouth, also a parcel of land consisting of about five acres located adjacent to the said Forest Avenue and as now owned by one William Eckman, said assessment to be made in proportion as near as may be to the benefits which each of the aforesaid pieces or parcels of land will receive by reason of the construction of said public improvement. That maps, plans and estimates of the cost of said public improvement are now on file in the office of the Village Clerk subject to public inspection and that the Common Council of the Village of Plymouth will meet at the Council Chambers in said village on Monday the 31st day of July, A. D. 1916 at 7:30 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of hearing objections or suggestions relative to said public improvement.

In And Around Plymouth

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Oakland county's valuation has been boosted seven million dollars, by the supervisors.

Louis C. Evans of Detroit, and formerly of this village, who has been at the Herman Keifer hospital in that city for the past three months suffering from hemorrhages of the lungs, is slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Schroder and two children were Plymouth visitors Saturday night, Mrs. Schroder having a sister in that village. They were also in attendance at the band concert and moving picture show which is held in the park every Saturday evening. They report a fine time and state that the crowd was immense, needing the services of officers to keep them moving, and in the parking of automobiles. Plymouth certainly has the right idea in drawing crowds to the business section, thereby keeping things progressing.—Farmington Enterprise.

Pontiac will celebrate the Oakland county centennial August 20 to 26 and will hold a big homecoming in connection. Plans have been made for a solid week of amusement and entertainment, including as features a historical pageant, water carnival, fraternal day, woman's day, oratorical day, labor day, church day, merchant's and manufacturer's exposition, etc. The committee in charge promises more music, free attractions, fireworks and decorations, "than any five ordinary celebrations combined." The whole county is participating in the preliminary arrangements with the expectation of making the occasion a memorable one.

Commissioner's Notice. In the matter of the estate of Minnie Ellen Bush, 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 home of Paul Bennett township of Plymouth, in said county, on Tuesday, the 29th day of August, A. D. 1916, and on Saturday, the 3rd day of October, A. D. 1916, at two o'clock P. M. of each of said days, for the purpose of examining and allowing said claims, and that four months from the 29th day of August, A. D. 1916, were allowed by said court for creditors to present their claims to us for examination and allowance. Dated, June 21st, 1916. PAUL BENNETT, ARTHUR BLUNK, Commissioners.

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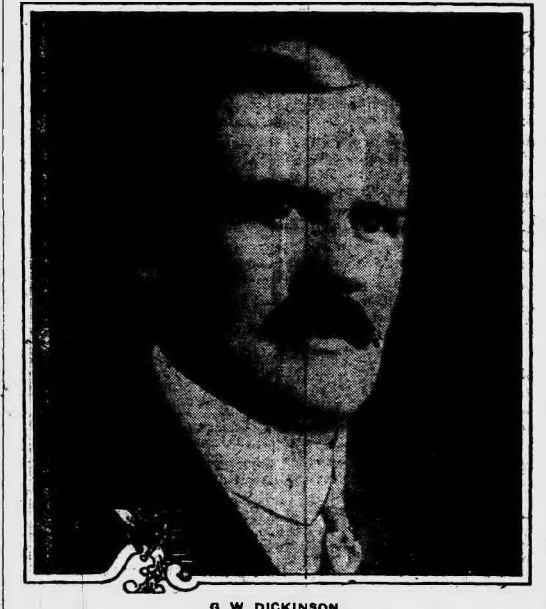
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GENERAL MANAGER WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR WONDERFUL GROWTH OF STATE FAIR



G. W. DICKINSON.

THE 1916 State Fair was a great success, both from an educational and financial viewpoint, and the 1916 exposition will be even a greater success if the efforts of G. W. Dickinson, general manager of the fair, will make possible a better showing. Mr. Dickinson announces that the exposition, which will open on Sept. 4 and will continue for ten days, will have many new features, including exhibits by several state institutions. The general manager is working overtime to insure the success of the State Fair and says that with favorable weather all attendance records should be shattered. Inquiries in regard to the exposition are being received from all sections of the state, and many persons who have never been exhibitors at Detroit will show their live stock, farm products, fruits, flowers, dairy products and poultry for the first time.