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### PLYMOUTH MAIL. PLYMOUTH, - MICHIGAN.

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### WHAT THEY BAY.

- en a man tolls upward with his load, His speed is not increased; But when he strikes the downward road, Then everything is gressed.
- Now swear off!
- -The days are again lengthening.
- -After this week date your letters 1888! J. M. Venoy, of Wayne, was in town Saturday.
- James Woodard, of Detroit, Christmassed here
- -Chas. Burch, of Detroit, spent his christmas here.
- -Will Varney and Orrie Hubbard were in town Monday evening.
- -Miss Anna Scotten, student at Albion college, is home for the holidays.
- J. R. Corson has something to say to you at the bottom of the last page.
- One Saline man has shipped oven 70,-
- 000 pounds of live poultry this season. -To-morrow is the last day in which to
- pay your taxes and save the percentage. -Holly Advertiser: Mrs. Whipple, of
- Plymouth, is visiting Mrs. Starkweather. -Miss Carrie Cady, of Canton, left Friday, for a few days visit at Williamston
- with relatives. -Harry Wills, the veteran blacksmith, comes out with a quarter column ad. this
- week. Look it over.

  W. F. Parmeter, of Northville, and Julia F. Crickmore, of Orchard Lake, were married on the 21st.
- -Mrs. C. M. Duntley who has been visiting with her eldest daughter, at Flint, for several weeks past is home again.
- -Christmas was a beautiful day and the only thing lacking to make it real enjoyable was sufficient snow for sleighing.
- Irving Durfee, who has been teaching school near Fort Wayne, Ind., has been home for a week. He returns to-morrow.
- -The heirs of the R. B. Stewart estate, of Canton, have a notice elswhere in this issue asking creditors, if there are any, to present their claims.
- Remember ladies you will stand a better chance after this week. Next week is the beginning of leap year and you can be the aggressive party.
- Gideon Moore was in town, Tuesday looking over our hardware stores for an axe. He seems to have gone out of the corn cutter business and is now handling axes again.
- -Mrs. George Scott, of near Northville, daughter of Mrs. M. E. Scotten, of this ace, left last week Thursday for Chester Minn, to join her husband who has been there for some time.
- -The lady assistant at the office of the Northville Record received a beautiful boquet the other morning—a head of caband thanks returned.
- -An exchange says that a farmer who refused seventy cents per bushel for his wheat, fed it to his hogs and found that it netted him seventy-six cents, with pork at four dollars per hundred.
- -Lou O'Rourke, the barber, been at work for Geo. Vandecar f some time past, left on Monday, for Detroit. A young man by the name of C. E. Olms-
- tead took his place here the next day.

  -W. B. VanVliet had a complet of locals
- —W. B. VanVliet had a couple of locals in our columns last Friday stating that he had a couple of buffalo robes for sale. Monday evening he informed as that he had already had five or six calls for them.

  You should look through Agricultural hall, of Polley, Wherry & Co. on Main street, Plymouth, and learn the low prices of wagons, buggies, sleighs and cutters, before purchasing. It is to your interest to do so.
- terest to do so.

  —Miss Cora Beam, who has been teaching school near Northville, returned home Saturday evening, having Baished her contract. We learn that the has given excellent satisfaction during the several that she has taught there. Dis-

-Manufacturers of early spring chickens are already getting to work filling their incubators

-Miss Della Shattuck, of Eaton, Colo rado, daughter of D. C. Shattuck, dropped in on her parents Thursday evening, just as they were preparing to retire. She will make an extended visit, returning some time in February.

-They tell us that the new road cart got ten up by Marvin Berdan, and for which he has made application for a patent, is the slickest thing of the kind in the market, and there will undoubtedly be a lot of them manufactured here.

The following were installed as officers of Plymouth Rock Lodge, F. & A. M., for the ensuing year: P. C. Whitbeck, W. M.; J. M. Collier, S. W.; W. H. Depue, J W.; C. A. Pinckney, Treas.; J. O. Eddy, Sec.; C. L. Wilcox, S. D.; Wm. Bradner, J. D.; Net Brown, T.

-South Lyon has suffered from another fire. At about midnight on Sunday the South Lyon roller mill burned to the ground. The loss was about \$20,000, with \$10,000 to 12,000 insurance. The fire, like everal others that have occurred there within the past few weeks, is supposed to have been incendiary

-We have received a copy of the New Smyrna Breeze, a weekly paper printed at New Smyrna Volusia county, Florida, of the date of last Saturday. In perusing it we learn that H. S. Allyn, formerly of Newburg, just east of here, has purchased it and made his bow as editor and proprietor last week. The Breeze is a very cred itable looking sheet, eight months old.

-A. N. Brown, who is in the employ of Walker & Stellwagen, near Stockbridge, was home Christmas. He tells us that they are doing a rushing lumber business there. He further says that Walker, whom we know to be a hustler, has scoured the country and bought all the standing tim ber that was for sale in that section. An other mill was about to start there, was the cause of his hustling.

-The Belleville Enterprise: "Elijah and Bert Darling, while deepening Swan Creek, last week, unearthed bones supposed to be those of a mastadon. One half of the under jaw, with teeth, weighed forty pounds, while one rib measured 31/2 feet; the shoulder blade is three feet four inches long and one foot ten inches wide one of the teeth in the jaw is eight inche lengthwise and four inches across. The enamel on the teeth was perfect.

-Christmas day was well opened in the Presbyterian church. There was a large congregation present, who seemed to thoroughly enjoy the day and its services. The pastor preached a sermon appropriate to the day and its observances, from the text, Romans vi 23, "The gift of God." A full choir rendered finely a number of Christmas anthems, a credit to their musical sbility as well as to their thoughtfulness. The evening service and sermon from Isa. ix 6," "The Prince of Peace, was also well attended and appreciated.

-Some one at Northville seems to have a mania for driving other people's horses The other evening some one took a horse and carriage belonging to G. P. Benton from the front of one of the stores and kept it till midnight, when it was turned loose in the street. The horse traveled around for some time and then went home without injury to the horse or car-riage. The party very thoughtfully left a whisky bottle and some tobacco in the buggy. It might be well for parties tying their horses in that town to keep a good lookout for such tricksters.

(More local on fourth page.)

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" - 75 cts.

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Why will you have poor bread? Thence discord in the family? When, by using the

Celebrated Mayflower Brand of Flour,

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-: HOUGH. -:-

F. & P. M. Elevator, - PLYMOUTH.

Also, Graham, Buckwheat, &c., &c.

All Best Ware! door,

FLOUR! FLOUR! C. A. FRISBEE,

Lumber, Lath, Shingles, :

and Coal.

A complete assortment of Rough and I

Prices as Low as the Market will allow.

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### \$500 REWARD!

We will pay the above reward for my complaint, dyspepsis, and he dachs indistribution or to tiveness we cannot correlate the complete with. They are purely vere full to give saits action, large being 30 sugar coated pills, 25c. For sale gists. Beware of counterfeits and intits delivered at your genuine manufactured only by JOHN C. L. C. HOUGH. CO., 882 w.Madison St., Chicago, Ill.

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### A CREAT STATE SHEEP RAISERS MEET.

The Want Pretection and Jak for it.

The eighth annual meeting of the Michlgan Harino sheep by deas' association was held in Lansing. Dec. 21. Reports of he secretary and treasurer showed the meetation to be in a flourishing condition with momes in the treasury.

The address of President John T. Rich of Eiba, was devoted almost satisfy to the woot tariu festures of the president's message, he said, was devoted to a recommendation for the abolishment of the duty on wood. This, if carried out would unterly rain Michigan wool interests. He arged it as the duty of the association to the abolishment of the flighting on behalf of the association to the satisfy of the association of the wool tariif! Unqualifiedly inversible replies were received from Senator Stuckbridge and Representatives Burrows, Cutchson, Brewer, O'Donnell and Allen.

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Papers were read as follows: "Is it advisable to issue a register annually in the form of an annual report!" and "Is it advisable for members of the Michigan marino aheep- breeders' association to belong to any other sheep-breeders' association!" by D. P. Dewey of Grand Blanc.

Blanc.

A committee was appointed to prepare a second volume of the register. The secretary's salary was fixed at \$500 per any man and the following officers were elected: Fresident, John T. Rich of Eiba: vice-president, G. W. Stewart of Grand Blanc; secretary, E. N. Ball of Hamburg, treasurer, J. Evarts Smith of Ypeilanti.

The following resolutions were adopted, and arrangement made to have the association represented at Washington this winter when tariff matters are before the proper committee.

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Whereas, The association meets in annual convention at a time when the great interest it represents is threatened with the most serious danger to its future,

Whereas, The danger arises from the fact that the executive head of the nation has desired it his duty to recommend a further reduction to the extreme limit of abrogation of the system of protection, which has made our industries great and presparous, and

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WHEREA, The claim upon which this recommendation is based is that it has become necessary to reduce the revenue of the country; it is therefore hereby. Resolved, That we will regard the proposition of the president to put wool on the free list as fraught with the most danger was consequences if not the annihilation of an industry inseparably connected with the agricultural prosperity of the state. Resolved. That the argument that the duties upon wool should be abrogated to reduce the revenue falls to the ground whan it is remembered that the entire revenue collected upon foreign wool only amounted to \$5,000,000.

Resolved, That we believe it to be quite easy to reduce the revenues of the country to the limit desired without imperiling a single interest or industry in which any number of the citizens of this land are engaged.

Resolved, That since the reduction of the stariff duties upon wool in 1853 the

any number of the citizens of this land are engaged.

Resolved, That since the reduction of the tariff duties upon wool in 18% the sheep-breeding and wool-growing industry of this and sister states his suffered everely from the constant depression which has prevailed; and while the revenue have been increased, contrary to the purpose of those who made the reduction, the foreign wool grower and foreign manufacturer profited largely at the expense of our own citizens.

Hasolved, That we call upon our sonators and representatives in congress to oppose by ways and means in their power any further reduction of the tariff on wool or woolens, which can be produced or manufactured in the United States as those industries.

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Rasolved, That whereas the constitution of the United States guarantees to every chizen the right of petition, and whereas as congress and the executive cannot know what the people desire unless they make their wants known; and whereas the present classification of wool has been found ob ectionable from the fact that enormous frauds are being practiced under it, and that the value of wool has been reduced, and different manners of working the wool has rendered possible the evasion of the duties imposed by law: therefore.

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Resolved, That the following changes in the classification of wool is respectively recommended:

irst—That the distinction between the wool of the first and second classes shall be discond—That the dividing line be re-

be d. acuntinued as unnecessary.

Becond—That the dividing line be reduced from 30c to 20c.

Third—That the wools of what is now the third class shall be so classified as not to include any wools grown in this country by making the price at the last port of shipment so low that no wools which rould be grown in this country would be admitted under it, say 3c per pound, and that this wool be admitted fire of duty.

In th—The washed wools shall be deemed to be wool washed in cold, water on the sheep. Scoured wool whall be deemed to be the fleece washed after hearing in warm water or aby cleansing a ution. All wool-tips, waste, noils, etc., to be classed as secured wool to be charged three times the rates charged the rates to se charged as squared wools be charged three times the rates charged the rates e arged in their several classes. All mix-ed wools to be charged the highest rate which any portion of the mixture would be subject to. Wools further advanced in angesture to be charged proportion.

Ately higher rates.

Assolved, That in the opinion of this convention the importation of foreign hoddy to adulterate the wools of our country ought to be absolutely prohibited by law.

A resolution was also adopted providing ir the circulation by members of a peti-on arging no further reduction of wool

tariff.

At the meeting of the Galloway breeders' essociation at the same time, the following efficient were elected: President, J. B. Careas of St. Johns: vice-president, L. B. Towsseed of Ionia; secretary and treasurer, R. G. Hart of Lapeer.

### MOFFATT IS DEAD.

Shoten of the Career of the De

Hen. Sath G. Moffatt, representative from the eleventh district of Michigan, died in Prividence hospital in Washing-ton on the 22d inst., of blood-poisoning a malignant carbuncie. Mr. Moffatt was run down when he arrived at the opening of the session. He hoted poorly and white jiot complaining of being ill, he had lost much of his vital-ity, so that he was in goor shape to with-

tand disease.
Seth f. Mofatt, the dead congressman, ras born at Sattle Creek, Aug. 10, 1841, there he received a common school eduction. He was then a student for one car is the literacy department and two curs in the law department of the state intertity. He graduated from the law

department of the university in 1865, engaged in the practice of his profess For ice years he was prescuting after of Grand Traverse and Leelsnaw count of Grand Traverse and Leelsmaw counties; was elected to the state senate for the ses-sion of 1971-9; in 1873 was a member of the constitutional commission: from 1874 to 1878 was register of the United States land office at Traverse City, and was elected to the state legislature in 1890, and served as speaker. In 1884 he was a delegate to the national convention at Chicago, and the same year was elected to congress, receiving 16,467 votes, against

993 for the fusion nominee. His record in congress has seldom be equaled by a new member. The bill to grant Presque Isle to the city of Marquette for the purpose of a public park was put through the house by Mr. Moffatt in spite of objections. He secured the passage of he bill for the sale of the Fort Brady me pur for the sale of the Fort Brady military reservation and the erection of a new post there. He also secured large appropriations for river and harbor im-provements, and it was principally owing provements, and it was principally owing to his efforts that the Ste. Marie's Fall canal was provided for. He was re-elect ed in 1886 by 14,885 votes to 12,242 for John Power, his democratic opponent. In his party Mr. Moffatt held a high place. In 1884 his district sent him as

delegate to the republican convention a

The committee designated to escort the remains home are Senators Palmer, Jones of Arkansas, and Teller of Colorado; Con gressmen Cutcheon, Ford, Brewer an Fisher of Michlgan, Wade of Missouri

Lynnan of Iowa, and Shively of Indiana
The circumstances attending the alsence of Mrs. Moffatt are particularly said she was first notified by telegraph the her husband was ill and needed her help Subsequently this was countermanded by a dispatch telling her not to come. Final ly Congressman Wade, Mr. Moffatt's room mate, telegraphed: "Husband quitte slots but do not be alarmed. Come on." Mrs Moffatt started at once, but did not read the capital until after her husband's death.

### Cattle Breeders' Meeting.

The Holstein Freisan Breeders closed their annual session in Lansing on the 22d inst. Secretary Seeley of Lansing. 22d inst. Secretary Seeley of Lansing read a paper upon the growth and super ority of Holsteins. He said that in feedthe agricultural college, they were third lowest in cost for a gain of 100 pounds, Devons being first, Galloways second. A resolution was adopted re-questing the American association to lower ife membership fee to \$25 and regis-on fee for cattle of non-members to it was voted to discontinue the membership with the national life stock assocint on.
The short horn breeders elected the following

lowing officers: President, Prof. Samuel. Johnson, agricultural college; secretary, I. A. Butterfield, I.a peer; treasurer. B. J. Gibbons of the Michigan Farmer. The balance in the treasury was \$4.33. The secretary reports forty-five members out of 500 breeders. Appropriate resolutions upon members deceased were adopted. Wm. Bail of Hamburg, read a pager upon "What is the best family of short horns to breed from?" Discussion followed, taking a wide range. Other pagers and owing officers: President, Prof. Samuel taking a wide range. Other papers and discussions occupied the remainder of the

After the great mill strike in the Saginaw Valley a year or two ago Thomas B. ilarry, now a member of the general executive committee of the Knights of Labor, was a prominent figure among the striking mill hands, the was sued by Wm. I.. Webber for damages to the Hoyt estate (of which Webber is executor) for damages to the property by shutting down the mill, injuring the machinery, etc. Judg ment for \$290 18 was obtained in the cirment for \$330 is was obtained in the cir-cult court against Barry, and affirmed by the supreme court. Barry has not paid the judgment, and now it comes to the surface in the shape of a letter from Mr. Webber's attorney, saying that Barry must pay up, or a judgment, or a body avenution will be issued for him and the execution will be issued for him and lie will be imprisoned. Barry's friends say he will not pay it. In addition to the additional to the additional to the addition to the additional to the additional to the addition to the additional to the addit ing to \$107 20.

### PENINSULA -OINTERS.

Civil service examinations will occur in Michigan as follows: Detroit, Thursday, March 22: Lansing, Saturday, March 24: Grand Rapids, Tuesday, March 27th; Detroit, Friday, November 2th; Lansing, Monday, November 12th. Applications must be filed with the commissioner at least six days before the time fixed for the commission. examination.

Barry county decides in favor of local option by 1,000 majority.

Senator Palmer has introduced a bill to grant Mrs. Elmira E. Baxter, widow of Gen. Henry E. Baxter of Hillsdale, a a month.

Senator Cockrell of Missouri, has a bill to pension Caroline Ruppert, a widow of Christian Ruppert, who was a private in company E. Second regiment, Michigan

The saloon within one mile of

soldiers' home has been discontinued. David McKnah a farmer of Sunfield Barry county, aged about 60 years, while visiting his brother on the 19th, fell from the porch, a distance of about three feet, and broke his neck. After he fell he lived long enough to be carried a quanter of a mile.

The Erickson block in Big Rapids, destroyed by fire the other night, at a loss

of \$16,000.

The Michigan car company of Detroit. is building 120 freight cars of 50,000 pounds capacity each for the Michigan sait association.

Gov. Alger sent the veterans at the diers' his check for \$200 to be sed for the Christmas festivities. Gov. Luce has been petitioned to

don James McCauley, sent to Jackson from Alpena in 1885, for four years for burglary.
Dr. A. B. Palmer, dean of the

faculty and professor of pathology and the practice of medicine in the university, dled at his home in Ann Arbor Dec. 33d, from general prostration and old age.

John Miller, for over 40 years a well known business man of Hillsdale, is diad.

A rup use is imminent in the order of the royal templars in Michigan. It is claimed that the basis of beneficiary as-sessments is unjust, and unless it is cor-cected it will lead to the withdrawal of a wholege part of Michigan. tion part of Michigan.

The oval wood dish factory at Mance lona, was destroyed by fire on the 37th ult. Loss between \$40,000 and \$50,000. About 250 hands, are thrown out of work. Ingham county will vote on local option

February 24. Laura Shippey is bringing another \$10,-000 suit against Au Sable for injuries recelved on a defective sidewalk.

Lumbernien claim that in spite of the lack of snow there will be at many I cut this winter as there were last year.

Dr. J. M. Russell, for over 30 years practicing physician of Hastings, is dead. A Kalamazoo firm sends flour by the car load to Richmond, Va., and It is put

up in sacks weighing 121/2 pounds each Miss Alice Freeman, ex-president of Wellesley college, and formerly a teacher at East Saginaw, was married in Boston recently to Prof. Geo. H. Palmer, profes-sor of philosophy at Harvard. The distinguished pair go to Europe for a tour of

a year or more. Workmen who were digging up the Morkmen was were display ap.

floor of a cellar on Monroe street, Ani
Arbor, to lay pipes, found the body of a
murdered baby buried in the ground. I
had evidently been there several years.

### DETROIT MARKETS

DRIROIT MAHMETS
WHEAT.—No. 2 red upot, 22 cars at 80½c., closing with 87½c bid for Michigan; January, 5,000 bu at 87c, closing with 87½c bid; February, 87½c bid, offered at 88c; May, 2,001 bu at 91½c, 30,000 at 91½c, 5,000 bu at 91½c, 25,000 bu at 91½c, 25,000 bu at 91½c, 25,000 bu at 91½c, 25,000 bu at 91½c; closing with 87½c 25,000 bu at 91½c; closing with 87½c cars at 87c, 1 car at 87½c, closing with 87½c bid; May, 10,000 bu at 93c, closing with 87½c bid.
Conn.—No 2 spot was called nominal at 50c carry in the day, and later at 45½c;

CORN.—NO 2 spot was called nominal at 55 cearly in the day, and later at 55½c; December, 10,000 at 55½c; No 3 spot, 2 cars at 53c; No 4 spot, 3 cars at 53c; No 2 spot, 34½c; bid.

CLOVER SEEL.—Prime spot, 52 bags at \$4.10; January, 50 bags at \$4.25½; No 2 spot, 27 bags at \$4.25½; No 2 spot, 27 bags at \$4.90.

\$3.90.

BAKLEY.—State barley is firm at the following prices: No 2, \$1.50; No 3, \$1.30%
\$1.40 per cwt.

FLOUR.—The flour market is quiet and firm at the following prices:
Michigan patent.

\$4,75% 00
Michigan roller.

\$4,75% 35
Minnesota patent.

\$5,00% 2
Minnesota bakers.

\$4,25% 35
Minnesota bakers.

\$6,350 Illinois rye.... Buckwheat, per bbl....

Buckwheat, per libl.	APPLES, new, per libl.	1.75
Chanderries, per bu.	8.00	
Ulinges, per libl.	4.00	
Brans, picked.	2.10	
Unpicked.	75	
Beeswax.	55	
Butter.	18	
Cherest, per lib.	12	
Dried Arples, per lib.	14	
Edgs, per doz.	19	
Hongy per lib.	18	
Hops	18	
Hops	18	
Leggs	18	
PROVISION Family ......15.75 Extra mess beef 7 00 Hams..... Shoulders .... 10		

11 HIDES--Green City per lb ... 5 @ 6%@ 7%@ Country Cured Salted Sheep skins, wool 50 @ 1 25 LIVE STOCK.

CATILE Market stronger good to thoice steers, \$1@5; stockers and feeders, \$2 20@3 40; cows, bulls and mixed, \$1 40@81; Texas cattle, \$1 60@3 25.

Hoss-Market dull: good heavy, 5c nigher; mixed, \$5 05@5 40; heavy \$5 30@ 5 75; light, \$4 85@5 20; skipa, \$3 25@ 4 60.

Suzer-Market stronger: natives, \$3@
\$5 25; western \$4@4 90; Tekans, \$2 50@
\$3 70; lambs \$4 75@\$ 50.

Only Two Saved

The Alfred Watts, under command of the veteran captain, F. H. Johnson, left Philadelphia on October 8, for Japan, with a cargo of 714,205 gations of case oil. This was welf stowed and sufficient ballast was placed in the hold to make the shipeteady. For the first ten days the weather was fair, but on October 10 a hurricane struck the vessel. For hours the storm raged, and everything moveable was swept from the decks. All the sails were furled, but the yards were torn from the masts. The deck houses were smashed into kindling wood and swept overboard.

Shortly after noon a huge sea boarded the vessel, and Captain Johnson and 26 seamen were carried away, their death walls mingling with the roar of the temp-est. The two saliors left alone on the great ship could only cling to the broken fixtures on the main deck. The main mast snapped off close to the deck and the fore and mizzen masts followed, the sea sweeping everything overboard. The ship sweeping everything overboard. The ship was rapidly filling, and soon the decks were flush with the water. They man-aged to obtain some of the brine-soaked provisions on the Watts and some water

from the tanks.
On November 20 the bark Lizzie Perro Yarmouth, Eng., took them off in an exhausted condition. The Perry wawredded a few days later on a reef south of Barbadoes, but everyone was saved by an English steamer.

### The War Cloud

The Berlin Post says no one can deny that Russia's cavalry, atrength on the Galician frontier would enable her to flood Galicia with troops the moment war was declared. Austria should long ago have taken measure, that now attempted would only in: ease the existing tension without restoring the equilibrium: Hing Milan, in addressing the deputies at Belgrade recently, said: The horizon is dark, an a fearful war seems to be impending. Servia must be prepared to defend her inter



THE EX-SECRETARY DEAD.

Daniel Manning. Ex-Secretary of the Treasury, at Rest.

Ex-Secretary Daniel Manning died at 1:32 'clock Saturday afternoon, at the residence of his son, James H. Manning, Albany N. Y. Death came very peacefully. Since early morning the spark of life gradually filck-ered until the light was out and the life was done. He died in the presence of his family, those around his bedside being Mrs. Daniel Manning, Mr. and Mrs. Fred-ert & C. Manning, Mrs. John E. Delhanty, Miss Mary E. Manning, Mr. Wm. J. Fryer and Mr. Robert L. Fryer. Mr. Manning's mental faculties remain-

ed bright for the past few days, and nearly to the hour of his death his hearing facul-ties were intact, and he could underto the hour of his death his hearing faculties were intact, and he could understand what was going on. At noon
the end began to appear, and all were
prepared. He had received holy communion at the hands of the Rev
Dr. J. Livingston Reese, rector of
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, several
times since the hand of death appeared,
and the clergyman was at his bedside offering prayers and consolstion. ing prayers and consolstion.

Mr. Manning came to Albany on Tuesday evening. December 13th. to seek rest. The diagnosis of his case at the time he was stricken down at Washington showed that he was suffering from Bright's disease. This, his physicians believed was brought on by close confinement in his private office in the Treasury Building, which was in a wretched sanitary condition.

### ( aused by a Monkey.

A monkey overturned a kerosene land in O'Brien's variety theatre at Wakefield, and soon the whole establishment was in and soon the whole establishment was in flames. The water supply was limited, and the entire block in which the theatre stood was also on fire. The flames spread with great rapidity, and when morning came the entire business portion of the place was in ruins, over 40 buildings having been destroyed. They were nearly all of flimsy construction, the town being new. There is practically no insurance, and the loss is stated as aggregating \$100,000—a too large figure, perhaps. There was no fire-fighting apparatus in the place.

The lawless element had full control of the town during the progress of the fire. Hundreds of shots were fired by the roughs to intimidate the merchants who were endeavoring to save some of their stock.
They went into a number of stores in a body and while some of them would cover the lumates with revolvers, others would be robbing the stores of the most valuable goods. The whisky secured from the large number of saloons in the burning block made the men perfect demons, and people who had property stood by aghast. They were powerless and made no efforts to in terfere with what was going on.

The streets were filled with hatless wom en, some rushing about searching for lost children, and others wringing their hands and crying as they watched tion of their homes.

To an Uaknown Country.

Dr. Ferdinand Vanderveer Layden died at his residence in Philadelphia after an illness which has confined him to his room or a year and a half.

Dr. Hayden was a distinguished scientist

and was widely known as a geologist. He was born of Puritan descent in West-field. Mass., Sept. 7, 1829; emigrated to, Ohlo, on the Western reservation, at an early age: was brought up on a farm and educated at the common schools. He en-tered Oberlin. Ohio, college when 16 years old and graduated in 1850; he also studied medicine, and graduated from the Albany, N. Y., medical college in 1853. He was a member of the national academy of sciences, and of nearly all the other sciof America, and honorary and corresponding member of a large number of scientific bodies in foreign countries. He occupied more than twenty years in the exploration of the great west, and has extended his investigation over the great portion of Kausas, Nebraska, Colorado, New Mexico. Dakota, Montana, Idaho and Utah. Among his publications were "The Great West, its Attractions Resources," in 1880, and "North and Resources," in 1883.

### Anti-Saloon Platform.

The anti-saloon republican league of New York met in Syracuse on the 16th inst and adopted a platform declaring an irrepressible condict between the liquor traffic and Christian civilization, holding that the saloon ought to be utterly extir-pated, because its proprietors have combined in an open war against the Americrn Sabbath, that the the brewers and distill compact between the brewers and distillers has reached a point where the republican party must accept the issue, and with no uncertain sound declare determined hostility to these enemies of good morals and the sacred in stituti ns of our land or abandon their claims to be the party of law and order, opposed to vice and crime, anarchy and socialism." It points to Pennsylvania as an example of the success resulting from hold stand in favor of prohibition an ments and local option and restriction by taxation.

Albert Griffin of Kansas, chairman of the national committee, announced that when he called on Mr. Blaine several months ago at Augusta, Mr. Blaine said he favored the anti-saloon movement.

We P ob bilities

The holiday season has somewhat delied the edge of the European crisis, even the newspaper; succumb to the molitying influence of the Christmas festivities. Nevertheless, the Colonge Gazette, which is unually more reserved than most of the great continental journals in its expressions of political opinion; sees nothing in the aitnation to instify confidence in much the situation to justify confidence in much further prolongation of peace. "The Czar," it says. "Is surrounded by intriguers who will never rest until war is waged to the end of substituting Russian for German influence throughout Europe." Concluding its article, the paper issues a defiant invitation to the Muscovite Empire o come on and learn that not even the war it seeks can overthrow the power of Germany nor increase the influence of Russia. The Mauser rifle factory at Russia. The Mauser rife factory at Derndorf, Wurtemburg, is filling a con-act to make 700,000 rifles for Turkey. This controct, together with other untin ished orders, is necessitating the working of the factory night and day, the inference being that early shipments of the inished weapons are imperatively demanded.

### Shot a Sold er.

James Stance, first sergeant of troop F. Ninth cavalry (colored), stationed at Fort Robinson, Neb., was shot and instantly killed while riding from Crawford to Ft. Robinson. The murderer is unknown, but as Stance is a strict disciplinarian it is suspected that some private who had been disbanded or punished murdered the officer in revenge. Stance was one of the most valued non-commissioned officers of the colored troops, and had received a medal from congress for rescuing children from the Indians.

### Beecher's Successor.

Rev. Lyman Abbott has been selected as pastor of Plymouth church, at the same salary paid Mr. Beecher. No definite term of service has been fixed, and it is term of service has been nacu, and per-probable that Mr. Abbott will remain per-perspectations of the perspectation of the per-pension of the perspectation of the perspectati probable that Mr. Abbott will remain permanently as Mr. Beecher's successor. He has filled the pulpit most of the time since Mr. Beecher's death, and the church has shown unexpected strength under his administration. He will also retain his editorial to the statement of the sta itorial connection with the Christian Union

### Murdered the Family.

In Lee County, Georgia, a man named Nathan Reed, who did not live happily with his wife, brutally murdered the with his wife, brutally murdered to chole family and then committed suicide He sent a half-grown boy who lived with him after a doctor. When the doctor and boy returned they found the cabin a beap of smoking rains and the charred body of Reed's wife and their six children. A search of the premises disclosed Reed's body in the well with his throat cut.

### Four Me K let.

An explosion of dynamite at a lime-stone quarry, near Brookfield, Colchester county, Halifax, killed four men, one of them being Alex. McDonald, proprietor of the quarry. They were warming dyna-mite previous to using it for a blast, when it exploded, it is supposed from over-heating. A man and a woman who were present escaped with slight injuries. The building was destroyed.

### Manitoba's New Cabinet.

The new members of the Manitoba cabinet have been sworn in as follows:

Dr. Harrison, Premier, President of the Council, Provincial Treasurer and Minister of Agriculture; Dr. Wilson, Minister of Public Works and Commissioner of Rail-ways; Wr. Hamilton, Affarmay General. ways; Mr. Hamilton, Attorney-General; Mr. Burke, Provincial Secretary. The cabinet is considered a weak one.

### Died in the Poor House.

M. D. Babcock, inventor of the fire ex-tinguisher bearing his name, died in the alms-house in San Francisco Christmas-day, aged 70 years. At one time he received \$10,000 a month royalty on his ma-chines, but he sold the patent, squandered the money and died a pauper.

Poultry men say that pullets batched by incubators and raised in brooders lay mu sooner than those hen-hatched and raised. A Trenton man has one of these artificial young hens that began laying when ten weeks old, and has laid an egg a day ever since.

A physician says that the benefit to his patients from a public library is enormous. Most of his patients are poor and good books would be beyond their reach but for this system: an nteresting book is togthem something of what shange of air and scepe is to the rich.

News has just reached New Bedford that the whaler Abbie Bradford had been frozen in the northern waters for eleven months. The crew had plenty of ventson and other fresh meat; find experienced cold 56% degrees below zero, and had had a pretty good time generally.

The United States government has ordered a new survey made of government lands lying in and near Monterey, Cal. The survey will be made immadiately, and will probably add between two and three hundred acres to the military reservation, which is the proposed site for the national soldier's home.

The credit of establishing a national Thanks-giving day, is attributed to Mrs. Sarab J. Hale, late editor of Golley's Lady's Book. As far nack sp 1841 she began to urge upon the gov-nors of the states the propriety of fearing bankegiving proclamations, until in 1650 the was observed in all the states but two.

good story, says The Springfield Republione, has just leaked out concerning the pastor of a church not a hundred miles from West West of a church not a hundred miles from West Warren, and a neighbor who is not in the habit of attending church regularly. The neighbor had stated as a reason for not going to church the next Sunday that he had a lot of word to saw. The clerky-man officed to saw the wood himself before Sunday if the man would agree to attend church. A bar-gain was struck the wood sawed, and the minister caught his bird.

William Hanson, a lineman at Salem, to save himself from falling from an electric light were pole, caught hold of one of the wirea Instantly the thought flashed through his mind that is was about flore for the electric current to be turned on, which he knew would certainly kill him. He was haugrenty feet from the ground and about to let go of the wire to drop to the ground when someone, shouting to him hold on for a few minutes, ran to the engine-house and warned the enviseer. Hauson was then

BT PELIX.

refed f om a reading of Burt Arnold poem, "Papa"s Hoy.") will squa come to noght, mamma,
I'm tried of walther so;
I'm tried of walther so;
I'w high his little by the chimney alde
Full ford long data saco.
Who I ran to peep within door.
B. the increasing's early light.
Oh! seel's now; but say, mamma,
We pupe come to-night!

Will supercome to-night, mammal free the snow is on the bill;
Theste must be three inches thick Down on the meadow rill. I have two asy to him last night That I was sled in bed;
I then it was sled in bed;
I then the mean to hear, mamma,
And some mealthin, you said. t mean to hear, mamma, some medicine, you said

Oh, i' papa wouldn't drink, mamma
I sticuld be so full of glee;
I could tell the logs and girls at school
What papa's done for me;
I'd give them town and lend them books,
And make their life so glad;
For God, loss say, takes back his gifts
When Ill the boys are bad;

And won's you let me go, mamma,
. Upin m next litthday,
and carry semeiling warm and nice
To poor id Widow Gray!
I'll leave the bactet near the door,
lit insie the garden gate.
Will maps come to night, mamma?
It seems so long to wait.

An sagel came last night, mamma;
Oh, I saw him in my sleep!
If is ireas was white as anow, I thought.
But say immunis, what makes you weep!
In his hands he held a little shroud:
Yes, a broud, and nothing more.
And a little coffin, made for me,
Was standing on the floor.

And a seemed so very stronge, indeed, To Bad such gifts, instead off all the loys I want so much, My story books and sied.
While I wandered what it meant, You canne, with tearful joy, Ami said: "They go first we love best: God callett thee, my toy!"

But I thought it all a dream, manima, And now i know it must be true; But, manima, I've been so bad a boy That; ma stays away from you; I ston!t knew what mamina you!li do When i am laid to best. You'll have no little Willie's head To fold upon your breast.

Will man come to night, manual:
Lay your head against my cheek,
And raise are head a fittle more;
It's so hard for me to speak.
You need n'i buy my skates and sled,
For I case not go and alled;
Before to morrows such a up,
I'll be on the other side.

I shall not want the shates, manima,
Nor my little trundle bed:

Give them both to Torinny Smith,
Who hit me on the head.

He used to hide my books away,
And lean my pictures, too;
Please let hum now that I forgive him, ms.
As then I tried to de.

Will maps come to night mamina.
And see he in my room?
I don't think paps heard me ask
For just another June.
I know I've been smanghty boy

For just another June.
I know I'va been a manghty boy
And made you too much care;
I know that you'll not lay it up, ma,
When I am over there.
There's one thing more—my pretty pets,
mamma.
My robiniand my dove—
I've then to you and paps dear.
And, teach them how to love.
And there's my rake and little hoe—
You'll flush them both nice's laid, ma,
Away up on the garret floor.
The place where last I played.

L know, dear mamma, you will keep The summer flowers green, and plant a few-don't-cry, mainma-olis a robe or two, I mean.
Nien I'm saleep.I'll sheep so sweet
There beneath the appletree,
When you and Robin in the morn, ma,
Can come and along to me.

Hark! Pape's come to-night, mamma,
But his eyes, they are so wild;
Come kiss four Wille, paps, dear,
Come and kiss your dying child.
If I-nlow child it seems, how dark—
Come and kiss me, I cannot see;
O, paps's come to night mamma,
And God has come for me.

### An Episode.

MY C. JEWKIT.

"Every time I look at you," said Myri, severely, "I am reminded of that text of Scripture. There is no fool like an old fool.

Now I don't in the least mind being alled a fool, or even an 'old fool;' Myri and I are neither of us spring chickens; but I do, and I always did. object to her habit of finding all her unpleasant speeches inside the Bible.

The misquotation, not the assertion, couched my temper, and I answered with considerable indignation, that no such remarkable statement could be found between the covers of the Good Book.

"If it sin't there it ought to be, persisted Myri, "for it is gospel truth an way, and in your case I must say I am surpred at it."

Here a Petter, as good a boy as ever lived in leve with a pretty respectable to his marrage, won't see the young tady, you's listen to reason, and won't into decat and disobedinee."

'Decat and disobedinee!" cred I;

"Id just ke the to catch him at anyat a marr ageable age I will pick out wife for him myself, a woman wit brain and money, not a giggling little

As I spike I left the room, shutting the door algorously; I do not mean to vely as one may say injures vely as one may say. I alsyst of at at the end of an argument
an of the funan it drowns the sound of the funantice and one can go away with
comportable assurance of having
the last word.

Byen this privilege, however, failed
the ore mrequanticity. I was wor-

WILL APA COME TO NIGHT, MAMMA?" | ried and vexed about Peter. The boy was just like his mother, determined to have his own way in every trifle, and I knew well enough that if he had set his mind on a wife I should have to get him one; as for that huzzy in Atkinson's dry goods store she would not do at all: or

I knew 'um, the streets are full of 'un, pert, saucy, minxs, all airs and graces, rhine stone and ribdons.

Just as I had about made up my mind that I should have to send him to Australia or Van Diemen's Land or some other retreat where the young of opposite sex lack the allurements of bosom pins and bustles, a little lady en-tered the car whose appearances exact ly suited me.

I don't often look at girls. Myri says it is scandelous at my time of life; but on Peter's account I broke through my usual reserve and examined ber some what attentively.

She wasn't exactly handsome, but clean and fresh looking, round and rosy, and neatly thressed in some sort of gray stuff, that made her look like a

plump fille pigeon.

She did not put on airs, or wear jewelry; but she had the very sweetest voice in the world.

I made sure of that, because the

a made sure of that, because she stepped on my tenderest corn, and off again with a hady-like apology. She hard me terribly, but there is a good deal of the stuff in me, out of

which martyrs are made, and when I saw how distressed she was, I hid my anguish and entered into conversation

I do not think Myri would have approved of the bright little smile she gave me at parting, I wasn't quite easy in my own mind until I recalled fact that my wife regarded me as

That memory so hardened my heart that I returned the pretty salutation with a bow, which I flattered myself was not altogether paternal.

Myri was cross at supper time, and

Poter came to the table with a towel overwork; I noticed he fed well not-

withstanding.

His mother seemed quite overcome, but begged him not to grow discourag-

Boys," said she, "whose father's disinherit them upon the slightest prov ocation, cannot too early make the acquaintance of poverty and suffering."
"Boys who can't stand overwork

"Boys who can't stand overwork should shun marriage as they would an ax handle," said L and, finding no peace in the bosoni of my own family, I left the house.

It was Myri's fault entirely, that I

was alone and unprotected upon the street, when I happened to meet my pretty little car acquaintance.
She blushed and sm led modestly be-

fore she bowed, then, of course, I returned her salutation, and as she was alone, offered to escort her home.

She accepted my offer with apparent pleasure, and I was glad to discover that she lived up town in a very aristocratic neighborhood &

On Peter's account, I determined to follow up the acquaintance, and if all things proved satisfactory, to procure at once a suitable as well as a charm-

ing, daughter-in-law Although I said nothing regarding my plans to the lady herself, she soom-

ed perfectly willing to further them in every possible way. It was really surprising to see how

often we happened to meet: on street, in the horse-cars, even at places of amusement.

This was particularly cause Myri absolutely refused to accompany me anywhere. She even stayed at home from church, rather than walk two squares beside me.

Indeed, my home life was daily coming more and more turbulent. Peter pined, his mother sulked, and to punish them I said nothing of my rapidly matering plans.

Rosabella became every day more

charming, and I took great pleasure in her society. It is some consolation for a man whose wife regards him as a brute and an imbecile, to know that he is not altogether unattractive to the opposite sex.
The undisguised admiration of

very pretty young woman cannot fail to please any man; and when our chance meetings began almost imper-ceptibly to lose their accidental character, and a yawning-perception of my own fascinations grew upon me, I was conscious of a pleasure which a man who possed an appreciative wife would

never have experienced.

I knew, of course, that Myri was excellent woman but when she called me an addlepated old numb-skull, and Miss Rosabella said that she regarded me as a kind and judicious friend, it was not to be wondered at, that sentiments coincided with my own

more nearly than did Myri's. Peter at this time took it upon himself to be more than usually trying.

He refused good wholesome victuals and went mooning about the house when he ought to have been asleep.

His mother said he was going into a decline, and called a touch of the liver complaint "blighted affections." "Blighted fiddlesticks" said I. "if

that young working woman who wants to finger my money, would let him alone, his affections would come out all to finger right

I know 'um, root and branch, azy trollous, who had rather make eyes t a young fool with a r.ch father, than in not their own hus ness."

'I am sure,' answered Myri, 'a rich father-in-law as stingy as you are would

be no attraction for any woman. Peter is not a tool, there is not one particle of father about him; and McCal ster is multiar pert, sancy, nor a trollop, if you would only see her, you would say so yourself,"
"She is a hergage!" I retorted, "and

I wont see her. I've picked out a wife for Piter. If he marres her, I will ge to the welding and give him twents thousand dollars; if he don't I'll d sown him. I have said it and I'll stick to it. Now he can go into a decline or the can eat his victuals like a sensible man, just

For three or four days after this unpleas interpisode, I did not see Rosa- also looks forward to the season rapidly balla, and I must confess that I did approaching. Have there last year from the fact that Myri was glum as a poker, and Peter's rapidly developing decline necessitated a doctor, with, of

course, an attendant bill.

I am not a stingy man. Myri to the contrary notwithstanding, and I do not begrudge necessary medical advice to y family, but to be obliged to pay an ormous bill just on account of that

McCalister hussy, was exasperating.

If Peter had been a submissive son, and Myri'a gentle, loving wife with no desire but to make her husband's home a happy one, I should have been, in a messure, shielded from temptation: as it was, a del cate, violet scented note that reached me after an unusually trying day claimed my immediate at-

It was an invitation to spend the evening with Rosabella, who was confined to the house with a severe cold.

and whose parents were out of town. On Peter's account I felt that I should like to see the young lady in her own home. I also felt that Myri described to lose for a time the pleasure of my society. I did not care to walk the streets, therefore, I determined to make at least a short call.

After attending somewhat carefully to my toilet, I uttered one or two mis leading remarks in regard to a special meeting of the club, and left the house with a guilty conscience and a new silk handkerchief.

Miss Rosabella did not answer my ring in person as I had hoped she would; instead, a trim maid ushered me into a small and very dimly lighted apartment, where she left me to the not altogether agreeable companion-ship of my own thoughts.

After sitting in uncomfortable soli-tude full ten minutes, I began to wish I hadn't come. I did not like the looks of things; to be sure, I could'nt see much, but I heard enough to make

up for that.

The house seemed full of people, laughing, whispering and fushing about in a perfectly incomprehensible manner. I wished I had stayed at nome, or that I had brought Myri. knew very well that no one would dare impose upon me when she was around; but having voluntarily relinquished her protection. I felt terribly

When all the noise and confusion seemed to locate itself in the next room; I fairly trembled with excite-

Wisions of murder, robbery, and disgrace lanced through my brain. Little hivers of apprehension capered

up and down my spinal columns.
With the courage of despair, I arose, determined to fly before it was forever

too late.
Alas! I had miscalculated my oppor-

tunities Before I could reach the door it opened. Feeling that all was lost I

opened. Feeling that all was lost I shut my eyes and screamed.

'I won't! I shau't!" I shouted,

'Murder, fire thioves! let me out of here! Myri! Myri!"

"Do stop that racket!" said an icily famil ar voice, the voice of my idolized

conjugal companion.

A drowing man will catch at a straw; Myria was no straw, but a plank of safety, a very steamboat, as one may say; and I caught at and held her fast.

When I recovered sufficient presence of mini to open my eyes, I saw that my wife presented a remarkably splenappearance.

She wore a new satin gown, very unsecluded at the top, and voluminous at the bottom, while her hair was full two inches higher than I had ever secu

I was always a little afraid of Myri in full undress, and to save my life couldn't brace up enough to demand the explanat on which the circumances

into a brilliantly lighted, and crowded room, in the centre of which stood a clergy man and facing him, a young man and woman.

An instantaneous hush greeted our entrance; a hush broken by the voice of the clergyman, repeating a brief and simple marriage service. It was not unt I after they were pro-

nounced man and wife that I awoke to a realizing sense of the fact that I was attending the wedding of my son Peter and Rosabella McCalister.

I have in reality a good deal of nerve and backbone. In spite of the terrible experiences of the early part of the evening. I rose to the occasion as few

men could have done.

I kissed the bride I shook hands with the bridegroom, I filled out the check which his mother hunded me for twenty thousand stollars; I partook of wedding supper. I drank to the health of the young couple and I urged. Includily begged, my dear wife to accompany them as far as Exeter.

accompany: them as far as Exeter.

I went after her the next day, taking withing the finest set of diamonds to be produced in the city.

I do not believe in bribery and corruption, bu I think any man perfectly justified in taking precautionar measures to guard against a domest of

### FARM AND HOME.

SCIENTIFIC FARMERS.

The intelligent farmer, who give thought to his business, finds his mind occupied with matters belonging to the year that is just closing, while be also looks forward to the season rapidly calla and I must confess that I was seen failure with some tiver words; missed them all the more while others have been universely that Myri was glum as a usually successful? We should examine into the failures, not to mourn over them, but to ascertain if they were due to avoidable causes, or to natural phenomena beyond human control. We are apt to ascribe our losses to a Higher Power, but are we so ready to neredit our successes to the same controlling influence? The "scientific farmer," so-called, is the sensible farmor who sees that all Nature, on his farm or off of it, is governed by wise and immutable laws. Those who study to learn what hee these laws, and how they can best work with them, are the most successful farmers; they are called "scientific." MAKING A HOME ON THE PRAIRIES.

The first question to decide in make ing a home on the prairies is, What do you want to do? Do you want to make wheat-rasing a specialty? If so, Northern Dakota offers every inducement. Do you want to raise stock ex-tensively? Then Northern Dakots winters are too long, and the cost of folder will eat up the profits; but you our go beyond the Missouri and find a better field open for this, or follow the river down, and you will find men who have been in the business for a number Southern and Central Dakots also offer many opportunities, especially the latter, on account of the smal Hor raising fruit and a general variety of crops, or anything but root crops, o the more hardy varieties of grain, winters in the north are too long the summers too short, while in al and Southern Dekota, even in the shortest seasons, corn on breaking ripens well, and gives good crops when put in early. Wheat and oats also produce crops fully up to the average, and the range of hills lying on the northern boundaries of Haud and Spink coun ties, furnishes some of the finest stock runges east of the Missouri, the entire region being well supplied with gress and water the year around.

ABUSES OF LIVE POULTRY. During the sammer weeks, live poultry suffer even until death from overcrowd ing and insufficient supply of water. In winter these much-suffering creatures die from exposure to intense cold. These being the extreme seasons of the year, persons not familiar with the reasonable in supposing that at least slight loss would be experienced during spring and autumn. That is the infer heavy losses entailed by suffering from improper modes of transit are heavy all the year round, and are increased under the influence of extreme heat and extreme cold. In the month of October, for example, the sides of the great freight carrying railways leading into New York are strewn with the mortal remains of poultry that have succumbed to harsh treatment. Ducks die most readily when subjected to the and want of air; next to these, chick ens suffer most; then surkeys and fowler and geese in the order named. To  $T_0$ remedy this evil is the question. Ship-pers evidently make so much profit from their investments that they can afford the depletion of numbers, can the consumers afford to pay such prices as will cover the deficit caused inhumanity and sheer carelessness! We think not.

PROFITS IN PREPARED FOOD. Cutting the fodder has the effect of educing the muscular work of the cow. Every movement of the cow's muscles. motion of the lungs as the animal breathes, consumes some of the muscu lar tissue and requires some food to re-pair the waste. Every digestive function is also carried on at some coat of substance for the repair of which food required.

"Cone," said she, authoritatively linking her arms in mine, "we are all ready and waiting for you."

I wanted to hang back, I wanted to run, I wanted most of all to go home, instead of which, walked decorously linking his possible, and beginning mixed with the cyt and moistened lodder, is eaten with less exertion, and folder, is eaten with less exertion, and to digested with the greatest ease. More of it, too, is digested, because of the fine condition of it, by which it is more completely subjected to the action of the solvent fluids of the mouth (the sal iva), stomach, and intestines. As the fat and oil of the food exists in exceedingly fine particles distributed in cellular tissue, the thorough grinding and the perfect mastication of it tend to its most economical disposition in the body of the animal,

The results of feeding vary with circumstances. The character and quality of the herbage vary, and necessariand qualas yrass is the basis of a cow's food any variation in this will affect the results of the grain feeding and make some modification necessary. To observe the effect of feeding, some tests will be found useful. A dairyman should be very inquisitive and observ-ant, for his profit depends upon it. He should count, measure or weigh every-thing; and the quantity of food given, its cost and its results, should all be

carefully noted.

EARLY WINTER MILLINERY.

As the cold weather approaches, the female mind naturally turns to the consideration of that most important part of her costume, the hat or bonuel, and well may the modern woman be bewirdered by the variety of shape dis-

played for her to select from. If she is young and partial to the English style of dressing, she will likely select a stiff, moderately high crowned shape of the glossy beaver or hatters' plash, as mill ners term it, which was worm somewhat last winter, and will be at more in favor this, as it now comes in variety of colors as well as in

In felts, the low crowned English turbans are still worn by conservative people, and some of these have the crown indented toward the front; in-deed the leading features of the newest round hats are lower crowns and projecting brims. These brims, however, are most eccentric, and it is in this the variety ex:sts. Some extend from the crown far out in front, some are wide on one side, some turn up in a point at the back of the hat, and others roll toward the front, and become gradutoward the front, and become gradu-ally narrower on the right side, while still another style rolls up on both sides close to the crown. These are often stylishly trimmed with a long rich plume extending over the crown towards the back.

Another odd conceit is a pinked edging of felt around the rim of both hats and bonnets, while other felts are embroidered in small leaf and flower terns. A new gray-blue shade known as "Globelin blue" is fashionable for millinery, as well as walking suits, re-placing "bul otrope." which has had its day; but the useful browns and navy blues will, as ever, be the most popular, next to blacks.

BEES IN DECEMBER This month is a comparatively quiet one for the bees, as there are scarcely any broods reared at this season, except in the warmer climates. Still the bee-keeper has some matters of importance to attend to, foremost among which is the care of his empty brood combs, for they all contain more or less eggs of the moth miller. How these eggs get there is still an unsettled question. Some bee keepers hold to the that they are deposited by the miller on the bottom board, or about the entrance, and that the bees, when passing in the hive, or moving about the botthe combs. Be this as it may, the fact remains, the eggs are in the combs, and, if stored in a warm place, will hatch and soon destroy them entirely. To prevent this, the combs should be fumigated with sulphur before being put away. The safest way to keep the empty combs is to stretch heavy wires from one end of the room to the other. just far enough apart for the ends of combs to rest on. The combs should be about one inch apart, thus admitting light and free circulation of air between them. It is preferable that the combs be stored in a room in which the temperature falls below freezing as then there is no danger from mother and by banging the combs on whree they are also out of the reach of mice, who are very destructive to combs. Store all boney in a warm, dry place, to keep it as long as possible from granulation. Should your extracted boney granulate, set it in water on the stove until it returns to its liquid state. This destroys the grain, and as it does not come in con-tact with the fire, the flavor is preserved, and the honey is not apt to granulate again for a very long period. American Agriculturist for December.

The Farmer's Seventy Years Ab! there he is, lad, at the plow; He beats the boys for work,

And whatsoe'er the task might be None ever saw him shirk. And he can laugh, too, till his ever Ran o'er with mirthful tears, And sing full many an old-time song. In spite of seventy years.

"Good morning, friends! 'tis twelve o'elock;
The for a haif-hour's rest."
And Farmer John took out his lunch
And ate it with a zest,
"A harder task it is," said he,
'Than following up these steers,
Or mending fences far, for me
To feel my seventy years.

"You ask me why I feel so young;
I'm sure, friends, I can't tell.
But thick it is my good wife's fault,
Who kept me up so well;
For women such as she are scarce
In this poor vale of tears;
She's given me love, and hope and strength,
For more than forty years. "And then my boys have all done well, As far as they, have gone.

And that thing warms an old man's And helps him on, and up and on; My girls have never caused a pang. Or raised up anxious fears; Then wonder not that I feel young And hale at seventy years.

"Why don't my good boys do my work and let me sit down and rest?

Ah! Irlends, that wouldn't do for me;
I like my own way best.

They have their duty, I have mine,
And till the end appears,
I mean to smell the soil, my triends,"
Baid the man of seventy years.

Hartford Times.

Au Honest Explanation.

Poultry Dealer. How does it happen that all the turkeys I bought from you have their crops filled with shot? Granger. Filled with shot?

P. D. Yes as full as they could hold. Now you know I'm not going to stand any business of that kind. If— G. Don't be hastv. mister, don't be G. Don't be hastr, mister, don't be hasty. I kin tell you how that happened. Instead of cutting off the turkey's heads in nassing up the place with their blood, I took my old gun—she's a rattler—an' loaded her mp. ma.'jet shot them fewls one by one. That did the job for 'em an' I had the sport into the

presence of shot in their crops.

G. Why sarting toos, motor. Property good shot on their crops.

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oter Ber. J. M. Shank, Pustor. 30 a. m. 7:50 c. m. Sabhath School service. Prayer meeting Thursday

p. m. Sabbath school at close of morn-Prayer meeting Tuesday and Thursday All are juvited.

### Societies.

T. U.—Mosts every Thursday at their at National Bank, at three p. m. Mrs. in W. C. T. U.—Meets every Thursday & Bellin in or First Relianal Bank, at three p. m. Mrs. Friends. President.

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In Heiden blook. L. N. Hedden, Master.

To the Loose L. O. O. F., No. 32.— Moe's every and every the first street, and their hall at 7200 o'clock g. m. v. F. Fanylet, E. G., John B. Banch, Bec. red. L. T. or T. Council, No. 37.— Meets first indibird handly of every mooth at W. O. T. U. hall, at 7:30 hm. H. Garra, S. O., Mrs. H. C. Beals, Red. Sec. L. oy L., LAPHAM ARKEMELY, No. 8506.— Western 

### WHAT THEY SAY. (Continued from first page.)

Lappy New Year!

W. Chaffee has been home this

rs caps, small sizes, ten cents each at

ohn Dawson, of Northville, was in

Miss Matie McCann, of Wayne, has visiting in town several days this

Ve are informed that there are quite a number of cases of diphtheria at Northville again. Sorry to hear this.

E. J. Penniman, Sr. made his usual ity-five cent Christmas gift to all the children that called on him and they were legi n.

Miss Isabella Ewen left on Thursday lat week for a three weeks visit at the home of her father at FondDuLac, Wis-

Our Mead's Mills correspondent says that the Ramsdell property has not been sold to the Lansing milk condensing com-

pan, or to any one else. We learn that Lee Nowland, who the his family is visiting his parents at Illey Boston, is sick, and detained there longer than was expected, on that account.

Yes, I had the best mother-in-law in world. Two weeks after I was mariet she went to glory." That certainly is hat should be required of any mother-

Dominick Murray's "Right's Right," awing good audiences this week at the Casino theatre. The play is said to bove the average, and the scenic efs remarkably fine.

Mrs. Edith West, of Caro, nee Killyon, his place, has a large crayon picture ur venerable townsman, C. A. Frisbec. xhibition at J. L. Gale's store. It is a very good copy indeed of the photograph n which it was taken.

- In Wakefield, a town in the upper pemlar, of this State, a monkey in a dime eum upset a lamp, which set fire to building and then burned all the busiportion of the town. Loss estimated 100,000. They shouldn't allow such nals to monkey with lamps.

-Lawyer J. F. Brown returned Tuesmorning from his two weeks vacation. Wien he left here he intended making people a visit and then going to Alabatia, but having some legal business for a relative to look after in Canada, used up time allotted for his Southern trip and

was obliged to give it up for the pres-His vacation however did him much od and he returned with twelve pounds re fiesh on his frame than he when he

Evening Journal, Dec. 26: "A marge was to take place at Belleville, Sunday night, and the bridegroom was on hand, but the bride did not appear. It alleged that her friends did not apprive of the match, and succeeded at the last moment in causing her to charge her mind. This morning anxiety and curiosit impelled visitors to the bride elect's brime and they found a diphtheria card conspicuously displayed, and it was not brid for the callers to take the hist that it wasn't any of their business why the ge altar. There is no diphtheris in the

-Last winter, Gen. R. A. Alger, of Depit, elothed five hundred newsboys, fitog them out with entire new suits, be many other generous gifts. This ar he proposes to clothe one thousand was by the will also furnish one outside of Detroit's poor families, each ith a barrel of flour and a cord of wood ton of coal. He also contributed librally to the State school for the blind, and o the State school for the plind, and close to traske blackers of those is stitutions. He is continually it ving and how to use his great realth not allowed, but also for suffering What a pity that mere of the

Coldi -Mrs. Charissa Steers, of Wayne, was in

town Saturday. John King, Berdan house clerk, spent

Christmas at Northville. -Mrs. Hendrick, who has been sick so long, is improving nicely.

-Rev. H. Burns expects to leave to-day for Dexter, nis new home.

-Charlie Shattuck has a pet in the shape of a felkon on one of his thumbs. A cold wave struck us Wednesday

and the thermometer took a decided drop. -There will be preaching in the Baptist church as usual, morning and evening.

-Miss Jessie Steers returned home yesterday from a visit of several days at Wayne.

-Two tramps were sent to the house of correction by Esq. Valentine yesterday for sixty days

-Frank Shattuck has convalesced sufficiently from his recent severe relapse to walk about the house

-A social was held by the Baptist society at Sewell Bennett's Monday evening and another at Geo. Bartlett's last night.

-All Odd Fellows are requested to be present at lodge room, next Monday evening, January 2, to assist at installation of officers.

-A private letter from A. K. Wheeler states that they reached San Francisco, where they have settled down, without

-Herbert Pelhem, of Iron Mountain, Lake Superior, arrived here Tuesday evening, to spend the holidays, the guest of his father, A. Pelham.

-The interior of the postoffice underwent a great change Wednesday night. One hundred new boxes were added and the whole of them changed so as to make it much more convenient for the post

-The shadow social held last Tuesday evening, by the German Luther society, at the residence of Fred Gentz, for the benefit of the church, was an enjoyable affair and well attended. The proceeds were \$17.50.

-We learn that Marvin Berdan made another contract with Mr. Beam, on Wednesday, for twenty-five more of his new road carts. Mr. Berdan is already getting calls for them and it is likely will oon go to making them more extensively.

-The Christmas supper given to the M. E. church Sunday school, was a grand success. At the appointed time about seventy five children were seated around the table and as you looked over this happy chattering band, one could not help but exclaim within themselves, "God bless the dear children; what a Merry Christmas." After two hundred or more had partaken of a most bountiful supper, a light literary entertainment was listened to. After this candies and oranges was given to each member of the school, and all left for their homes happier, and we trust better than before. The school extend a hearty vote of thanks to those who so kindly aided in making the occasion so pleasant and successful, and also cordially invite them who do not to meet with us in our

-We clip the following from the Council Bluffs (Iowa) Daily Nonparcil, of Dec. 24, concerning Miss Effic Vining, a young lady from Wayne, who left there some three months ago to accept a position as teacher in a Council Bluffs school: "The holiday exercises in Miss Vining's room of the Bloomer school yesterday afternoon were very interesting and creditable to the little folks and their teacher. The singing was admirable. When a piece was announced it was instantly started and carried through in most perfect harmony. The recitations and readings were excellent. Especially noticable was the perfect order and strict attention on the part of the scholars. Miss Vining came here from Detroit, Michigan, last September, and it is evident from what was seen in her room yesterday, that she is a first-class teacher

-On Thursday evening last, Walter T. Mills, the well known Prohibition advocate, lectured in Amity Hall. There was a very good attendance, but the hall being very cold through lack of proper care, not only drove a number out, but made it very uncomfortably for those within. The lecture was a good one, but under the circumstances was not thoroughly enjoyed. His subject, " Is the government of the people, by the people, a fact?" was well handled. He showed how a fact which is palpable to all people was brought about, namely: By the large number and character of our cities vote. He stated that four or five of our States, by the popplation of our chief cities within them and the manipulation of politicians there in, made and unmade rulers, enacted of set aside laws, thus trampling on the will and wishes of the people at large. The way out of this difficulty, was by every bonest man voting for a principle and not for an individual party, and that party which was founded on some rightous principle or moral fact, ought to be sup principle of moral lact ought to be sup-norted. Prohibition was the chief grind-nie, its party one of morals; and the question it involved the great issue of the authorities argument for the establishment of a third party, and that one founded on

and young folks, at the parsonage, Mon-day evening. The spacious rooms and halls were filled with as jolly a crowd as it has been our fortune to see for a long time. Though no count was made, still an estimate of little and big would put the number at not far from ninety or a hundred.

The Sabbath school committee. Misses Blanche Starkweather, Lizzie McClumpha, Maud Vrooman, Emma Coleman and Mrs. Will Conner, deserve special credit for their labors, good nature and taste displayed in choice for the Sabbath school and decoration of the tree.

The tree was loaded to the floor, and was a marvel of beauty and brightness. The congregation had also contributed gifts, which were given from the tree to young and old, midst shouts of merriment. . There was first a short program of music, by the Sabbath school, and by the choir, then reading and recitations by the pastor, Messrs. Arthur Stevens, Clarence Stevens and Miss Cohoon, all of whom were warmly applauded.

Then came the refreshments, to which none seemed averse, for they disappeared as rapidly as constantly vibrating tongues would allow.

Then the tree was lighted up, the lamps turned down, and the children danced in their excitement and expectation. The doorways and hallways all centered toward the merry scene, so that all could see and hear. The distribution began, and for a full half or three quarters of an hour continued, old as well as young being alike remembered. There were gifts of all kinds, rich, rare, common, curious, comic, and all the colors of the rain bow. The whole affair was a decided success, all declaring themselves not only pleased, but thoroughly delighted. It was near eleven o'clock ere the last visitor had departed, with happy memories of the Merry Xmas

### Resolutions.

WHEREAS, Our pastor, Rev. Herman Burns and wife have thought best to close their services with the church, and

WHEREAS, Their labors have been great-blessed in winning souls to Christ.

by blessed in winning therefore, Resolved, That we esteem their irreproachable christian character, and that we appreciate their untiring and unceasing efforts in behalf of the youth in our

grateful and loving remembrance those earnest and unselfish qualities of heart and mind which we trust will make them a blessing to the church and community where they may be called to labor. Plymouth, Baptist church, Dec. 26,87.

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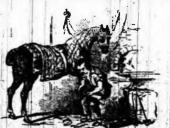
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### PLYMOUTH MAIL.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 80, 1887.

Jacob Farley is on the sick list.

Frank Stringer is home for a week. Dr. Cooper, of Lansing, was in town this

J. D. Crosby, of Cass City, is visiting in

Dr. Foster spent Saturday and Sunday

Meanly everyone is away visiting during

the holidays. Next week will find Wayne in posse

ion of a bank.

Miss Kate Varney is spending the hold days in Detroit.

We mint got no tobog, but we have good coasting and skating. Miss May Curtiss, teacher at Walled

Lake, was home here Christmas. The benefit dance at Central hall, on

Friday evening was largely attended. W. W. Southee has returned from England and is stopping with his family in

Detroit John Marker, Ed Vining and D. B. De Land Cady are home from the university

this week. Edgar Goldsmith has received a new steam peanut roaster from his brother 'Piper," in Dakota

Sam Walker and family. of Stockbridge and George Newkirk, of Canada, are calling on friends here this week.

Mr. Woodmansee, the new propriett nof the Tremont house is in town and will take possession on Monday next. The remains of Mrs. David Cady were

taken from the vault on Tuesday and interred in the cemetery at Linden. The new carriage factory is enclosed

and it is expected that it will be ready for manufacturing by the 15th of January. M. Fisher and Miss Etta Robinson were married at the residence of the bride on

Monday last, Rev. Mr. McIlwain officiat-Mr. Nowlin has traded off the Trement

house, and some skating rink property in Monroe and Belleville for the Follett house, at Ypsilanti.

[TOO LATE FOR LAST WEEK.]

It is blazing cold.

The most snow for the season. Burnett has a new livery and feed stable sign up.

Landlord Gordon has been absent from town for two weeks.

James Murphy has gone to London, Canada, it is said to engage in business.

A government mail agent has moved into Mrs. Gilmore's house from Detroit. The derrick and engine house are up

for boring for gas at the county house. Dr. Pasco bid farewell to his Wayne friends, on Tuesday last and left for Grand Rapids.

The new safe for the bank arrived on Tuesday last. I was lettered Zimmerman

A Poland by the name of Punk, living at Inkster, had a little child badly scalded on Monday last, by falling backward into a pail of hot water.

### Livonia.

It is with sorrowful hearts we are called upon to report the sad news of the deaths of Wallie and Oren Kingsley, two little brothers and sons of Horace and Charlotta Kingsley, both died with that dread disease diphtheria. Wallie was taken sick on Saturday the 17th, and died on the following Saturday and his brother came down a few days later and died last Monday. They were two bright little boys of nine and twelve summers, loved by all their schoolmates. The parents have the sympathy of the whole neighborhood, but none can tell the depth of their sortow and afflictions and what a sad Christmas it was for their little sisters that they have played with so many days and went to with, hand in hand. How their dear old grand parents hearts must ache, they thought so, much of them. They cannot do any more chores for grandpa, which they always did with such willing hands. Little Wallie told his parents before he died to give his things all to his little brother Oren, little thinking that in less than two days he would be laid by his side in the silent tomb. Their schoolmates not one of them could have the privilege of going in to give them a parting good by. Oh! how sad the news will be to their kind teacher, who is at home at Plymouth, on a vacation, and when she returns to her school-room there will be two bright little faces missing from her Reader, stop and think what a sad Christmas it must have been for those bereaved parents to bury one of their lit-tle ones Christmas eve and the other the next day after Christmas. It is a holi-long to be remembered by this family, It is a holiday

And thus our hop s are blighted, There is langurever where; To take aw yo'r loved ones, And leave us in despair.

### Tonquish.

Mr. Newton's sale came off last week Born, December 26, to the wife of Am-

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### Mead's Mills.

Jewitt Cransom moves to Northville this week.

Miss Eva Ramsdell is home from the Laingsburgh school for a week.

John Johnson and wife are going to take up their abode on the Youn'g farm Tuesday evening.

ere long. Mrs. Lydia Hughes received a visit last

reek from her son-in-law, Geo. Welch, of Chicago. The water power at this place, is not sold, as was stated in the MAIL, week be-

fore last, but we do hope that a sale will he made in the near future. There was a family gathering at the residence of James Downey, on the 25th, and to add to the pleasures of the day they had a Christmas tree, well loaded with

presents, each member having been handsomely remembered. Our Sunday school had Christmas exercises last Sunday, consisting mostly of singing and recitations by the infant class. They did nicely for the time they had to prepare. At the close each one of there soon. the class was presented with a pretty

Christmas card. McRoberts, of Northville, formerly of this dancing school. place, died of diphtheria, and membranous their great sorrow and affliction. Little Friday evening. Vena was a bright, sweet girl of four or five summers.

At the Opera .- " I can't explain the success of that singer." "Neither can I." She sings through her nose most atrociously." "Perhaps that is the reason why every one is waving a handkerchief at

A five year old boy, who was engaged in some mischievous doings on being remonstrated with by his father with " Why will you do so, George ?" replied: "Oh, I expect I am too little to know any bet-

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### Belleville,

S. Ayres visited friends in town this

H. G. Smith, of Detroit, was in town

Installation of officers at F. & A.M., last

Mrs. S. W. Burroughs is reported sick

with the diphtheria.

Seventy-three couple attended the band boys Christmas dance.

Wm. and Geo. Davis spent a few days with their parents here this week.

The foundation for the new building, corner of Main and High streets is completed.

Spencer and Chas. Bunton, of Detroit, were the guests of B. F. Whittaker, over Christmas.

Chas. Mordoff helped his parents to deyour the festive bird. He returned to his place of business Tuesday.

L. Nowlin has traded all his property here and at Wayne and Monroe for the Follet house, at Ypsilanti, and will move

The dancing school will give a select dance at grange hall, Monday evening. Vens, youngest daughter of Lyman This is the closing dance of this term of

Messrs. Mitchel and Wolf and the Misscroup, on Saturday, December 24. The es Minnie and Nellie Smith were the family have our sympathy in this time of guests of A. E. Smith, cousin of the latter

> The following are the executive officers of | O. O. F. for the ensuing year : J. A. Sinclair, N. G.; Herman Soop, V. G.; Wm. Soon, R. S.: A. E. Smith, P. S.: James A Cady, Treas.

> It is alleged that Escarte McGraw, on Monday, drew a revolver on Wm. Westfall but for some unknown reason refrained from shooting. A warrant has been sworn out for McGraw, but up to Wednesday morning he could not be found.

> Our Christmas tree passed off quietly Although the M. E. had the better of the entertainment. Long before the time for opening the church was filled to over-flowing and standing room could not be The entertainment reflects great had

credit on Mrs. F. W. Moon and Mrs. J. A. Cady, for never in our life before have seen a lot of children drilled so well. The character piece in costume of Kemo Kimo," created lots of fun and showed that great pains had been taken in training. P. W. Moon made a good Santa Claus. After the entertainment the crowd all went to grange hall, when the scholars were presented each with a glass scholars were presented es mug, and then a nice lun enjoyed by all.

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J. H. Sesens, Polither.

MICHIGAN MOUTH,

The appiversary of the Prophet met's birthday was recently celebased at Constantinople in a striking r, affording evidence; as to the bent of the Sultan's mind and his desire seimilate Ottoman social usages to o of other countries more advanced civilization. After attending the al service at the Mosque, al! the high officials present and visitors were requested to proceed to the palace, re large saloons had been decked out with flowers, rare fruit, confection ery, and delicacies in a profuse and sumptuous style, and the guests, over 400 in number, were invited to regale themseives The aspect of the rooms wis most charming, and Christmas s only were wanting to give a compliste picture of the Christian festival. The chamberlains then called upon the company to appear in the presence of his Majesty, and, the folding-door being thrown open, the Sultan was seen. His Majesty greeted his guests in the most affable way, and made a political speech, wherein, after recalling the glories of Mahomet and announcing his in ention that the yearly Moslem festiva! should be henceforth kept with the e solemnity and rejoicing, he pointedly alluded to the cause of satisfaction fer the empire and the world at larg triminhed by the reign of general peace, which his government was making every effort to preserve for the welfare and prosperity of all nations. This i. the first time since the foundation o the dynasty that a Sultan has made a peech in public.

in the reports of the opening of a new cancer hospital for women in New Ybrk it was mentioned quite accidentally that John Jacob Astor had given \$103.000 to the endowment fund. How came to do so remains to be wild. Ann Corrigan was a servant in hi Astor household. She developed at neer. The family doctor could not re her, several specialists also failed. and Ann died of a disease that puzzles aid defies medical skill. Thus the subject of suffering fro a cancer was brought to the attention of John Jabor Astor. A thousand philanthropist; might have talked it to him without availmillionaires are calloused against arity appeals; but when he actually saw Ann Corrigan tortured to death, in slite of all the hindrances that money could buy, his pity was reached. He once consulted with expert medicus men and they told him that possibly. under conditions favorable for close ervation and experiment, a successhil treatment for the disease might be He employed physicians and architects to plan a ho-pital from which no conceivable appliance should left out. It is exclusively for women.

The St. Paul, Minn., Globe says at there seems to be good reasons for bilieving a "form of leprosy actual." ists in certain portions of that sta e. I hough not the terrible disease which s decimated the population of the waitan islands, it is nevertheles. ed to it, and should receive as careful tention from the authorities The sease exists exclusively among the ndinayian immigrants who, at home, re accustomed to an unvarying li-h et, and has not yet been observed ong those of that race who were en in this country." The Globe cal.s. pon the state board of health to in ate the matter fully, and reminds hat body, which seems to be but little interested, of the fact that in other contries where leprosy exists it is repunities where represe causes it is re-arded as distinctly contagious, and the moment the disease appears the nioritanate victim is at once isolated om the rest of the community.

W. H. Benson of Philadelphia ans that he is about to found a dalist church, the members of which ill believe in God and a life hereafter. I members will be requested to take of following oath: I hereby so emuly R m that I will not rob, obeat, strike, ell Bes about, communicate dis me to. are in any way, a fellow member f this church. I also swear that I will cink distilled and fermented liquors ith great care and moderation. I also ar that I will not lend money to, borrow money from a member of except as a regular busi-ton. I also swain that, as will keep m hody,

THE GERMAN CROWN PRINCE His Malady, Family Relations.

A guison of the German crown prin writes as follows to The New York Tribune: It is no exaggeration to state that the firest, miblest, and best of the great German "A tall, handsome and noble man, with su elegant figure, light-brown hair, and a straw-colored beard, with a most chivalrous and get somewhat grave courtesy-a Tenton, act, such as Tacitus describes" is the por trait which the Empress Eugenie draws of in in writing to her friend the Comtesse Welewski. His name, his appearance, and his haracter are famous throughout the world; ther are as well known in Japan and China as n America or Europe. No breath of scandal er, gentleman, or in his domestic relations and probably the highest testimony in his favor is the fact that the French, with all their intense vindictiveness against the Germans, inve never either uttered or published a single offensive remark about him, and that although he was que of the principal leaders of the invading army in 1880, his death will be no-where more sincerely regretted than in France. A singularly devoted husband, his undiscuis has given rise to the rumor that he is entirely subservient to her will. Those who make this assertion know the prince but little. That it is entirely false everyone who has had the or portunity of becoming acquainted with the strongly defined features of his sterling and unright character will readily admit. Few parents have ever devoted themselves more completely to their children and with the solexception of Prince William, whose conduct toward his father and mother has been far from exemplary, the tenderest relations exlat between the crown prince and the princess and their children. Never was depth and in tensity of feeling more strikingly displayed than at the funeral of Prince Waldemar, an exceedingly bright and lovable 12 year-old boy. and the favorite child of "Unzer Fritz" and his wife. Few of those who were present on March 29, 1879 in the Friedenskirche, at Potsdam, will forget the scene. When services had ended and the choir was singing the beautiful hymn, "Wenn ich einmal scheiden, so scheide nicht von mir," the crown prince strode up to the coffin and threw himself on his knees at the feet of his muchbeloved child. Quietly and gently, the empress and her daughter, the grand duchess of Baden, stole up and kuelt down beside him.

press and her daughter, the grand duchess of Badeu, stole up and kuelt down beside him. After about ten minutes he arose, pressed a long kiss on the velvet-covered lid of the coffin, and having assisted his mother to rise to her feet, led her out of the church, the tears meanwhile stresming down his face. It is a moving thing to see a man weep, especially when the mourner is so glorious a specially when the head frequent opportunities of seeing the crown prince in civilian dress will have noticed that he always wears a little silver coin mouted as a scarfpin in his cravet. Remarking one day that the person with whom he was conversing was observing the pin with some curiosity, he pulled it out of his scarf and said: "This little silver coin is one of three which were unearlihed in an old Roman grave in the presence of my three boys. I had the three coins mounted as pins for them as mementoas for the coasion, and when my little Waldemar dr I took possession of his, and have wern it ever since." The crown prince's relations with ins father are of the most affectionste nature, notwithstanding all that has been

ded I took possession of his, and have worn it ever since.! The crown prince's relations with its futher are of the most affectionate mature, notwithstanding all that has been raid to the contrary, and nothing is more touching than to see the tender and respective manner in which he raises the old gentleman's band to his lips.

With regard to his conduct toward his interiors innumerable anecolotes—insufficent, indeed, to fill several volumes—extant, showing his kindness of heart and consideration for others. The difficulty is to know how to make the selections from those at my disjonal probably the pretiest one is that of the schoolmaster of Bornstedt, a little village on his estate near Potsdam. One day, when passing the village school-house, he stopped, and, making his way into the cleas-room, sat down and began to listen attentively to the leasons. Suddenly a telegraphi messenger made his appearance, and handed the teacher a dispatch amounting that his mother was dangerously ill and wished to see him at once before she died. The crown prince, noticing his bianched face, immediately inquired what was the matter, and bu learning the contents of the dispatch bade, the poor man hasten to his mother's betiade, saying that he himself would look after the school until arrangements be made for obtaining a substitute during the teacher's absence. Accordingly for more than two hours the crown prince took sole charge of the school, rapping the lide ones good-humoredly over the knuckles and rewarding the diligent ones until the arrival of the village parson for the purpose of holding his bi-weekly bible class. By the afternoon a substitute had been found, but the prince continued to superintend matters personally and in the closest manner until the regular teacher returned after the funeral of him, when the guests had risen from table.

At court dinners I have frequently seen him, when the guests had risen from table, sale up the pages of honor—mostly boys of nohad been belonging to the castle school—who had been belping in the service, and after chatting merrily with them for a few minutes, take the sweetmeats and boubons from the table and stuff them in the boys, pockets and occasionally in their mouths. Sometimes he would stuff like inter as full as possible, and would then six nome question demanding an immediate reply. Nothing could be more indicrous than to observe the frantic efforts of the cade the make a fitting reply while his

immediate repix. Nothing could be more indicrous than 10 observe the frantic efforts of the cadet to make a fitting reply while his mouth was craumed full of suarrons glaces and other sticky delicacie. How different this from the manner in which the pages of houors are treated at Windsor and Osborne, where during the whole time of their service they never have a word addressed to them directly by their rhysi mistress, but receive all her communications through the intermediary of the levid is waiting or some other equally lofty functionary of the bonachedd.

There is nothing that "Unser Fritz" is fouder of than a joke, but, unlike the English pruces, he knows how to keep his temper when his victim retailates in kind. Many of these merry sneounters used to take place at the swimming establishment of the guards regiment at Pot-dam, where he was a constant visitor. His appearance there was always halled with delight, and was the signal for the beginning of a series of squalke "farks," A splendid swimmer and expert direc, he was nevertheless ducked by the solders as often as he ducked them. One of his greatest delights was getting a crowd assembled on the rift floating is midstream; and then capturing himself and those with him pell mell into the water.

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to dispose of the remore which seek to a tiribute his disease to a diseaseful source. Never like a more unfounded charge been made, and I do not believe that a man has ever led a ourse and more wholes he life the "Unzer Fritz."

Faw people are aware of the terrible danger he incurred in June, 1874 when out driving near the Widpark station, in the outskirts of Potedam. He was driving across the rails, when suddenly the heavy barriers, which are worked from a considerable distance, were let

Possam. He was driving across the rails, when suddenly the heavy barriers; which are worked from a considerable distance, were let downed from a considerable distance, were let downed the approach of an express train. He carries was thus caught between the two close, barriers, and it was only by the most supernuman efforts that he was able to raise one of them and to get the vehicle off the track before the train rushed by.

During his stay last year in England with the crown princess the latter net me; one of heroid nurses at Windsor when saked if she had any message for her married sister at Berlin, replied that she would be greatful if the princess would inform the sister that she would send her little girl across to Berlin sesson as she found a convenient opportunity. On asking for an explanation the princess discovered that the child, who was 5 years oid, had been invited by her aunt in Berlin married to a doctor there, to stay with her. Her imperial highness immediately offered to take charge of the little girl, and after having put a stop to her old nurse's hesitation about accepting such a favor made all the necessary arrangements. On the day of the departure, theichild, a bright, pretty, and mery little soul, was brought to Buckingham palace and intrusted to the princess, on whose lap she traveled most of the way from London to Berlin, artlessly prattling and keeping up a runging fire of conversation. On the boat, while talking in the cabin, there was a sudden passe in the conversation. The little girl looked for a few moments inquiringly from the crown princes a day highness, ask me anything you want to know? Of course a shout of lagter was the result, and whenever the young princesses want tow to raise a laugh they implore their parents Of course a short of laguer was the result, and whenever the young princesses want new to raise a laugh they implore their parents 'not to be shy."

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hetore concluding, I may add that the crown prince's winning and cordial bearing was the cheif cause of the hearty manner in which the Bavarian and other south German troops under his command in 1870 forgot their hereditary hatred of Prussia, and co-operated so thoroughly with the Prussian soldiers. The prince is immensely popular in the south, and has done more to reconcile its union to the north than anything or anybody else.

### GEMS AND PRECIOUS STONES.

Estimated Yield of Brazil, India. Borneo and Australia

In reference to the interesting article, of Prof. P. L. Simmonds on the search for geniand precious stones, read before Society of Arts of England recently, reprinted in your issue of October 14, allow me to suggest a few corrections. Prof. Simmonds estinates the yield of the Brazilian diamond mines at £300,000 annually, while a little later on he says that the yield has dwindled to 24,000 carats, which at the outside will not yield more than £2 to £3 a carat, and that of Borneo and Australia at £200,000, when these latter figures would probably cover the annual product of Brazil as well athat of the other three countries named. Australia produces so very little as scarcely to be a factor in the computation. Even before the opening of the African mine, in 1867, the estimated value of the products of Brazil from 3861 to 1867 was only £1,888,000, or something over £200,000 per annum, at a time when Brazilian diamands commanded a higher price than at present, and now they produce much less. His statement that the opal is out of fashion would have been true several years ngo, but is not to-day, when more of them stones are sold, and at better prices, than ever before.

The carat is given as 3.174 grains; whereas since there are 151 5 English diamond carats in an English Troy quice of 480 grains, an

aince there are 151.5 English dismond carats in an English Troy ounce of 480 grains, an English Carat would be 3.168.189 Troy grains, or, less exact, 3.168. A diamand carat is always divided into four diamond grains equaling .792074 of a Troy grain. If 31.103 grains equal an English Troy ounce, a carat would be .305304 of a grain.

An international syndicate cominosed of London, Paris and Amsterdam jewelers wishing to establish a uniform carat, in 1877 confirmed .2.5, however, as the true value of a carat, in which case we have 151.76 carats in an ounce Troy.

These may seem trifling differences, but yet they are enough to affect \$10,0.00 lot of diamonds, worth \$100 a carat, to the amount of \$4.58 between the 3.174 carat and the 3.168 carat, and \$19.80 between the former and the syndicate carat.

It would perhaps have been better to make the preference to imperial jade, which he mentions several times under the head of the jade-quartles of Burma, as this [Fattan] imperial jade is jadeite, not jade, and is generally only emprald green in soots or streaks, the mass belig a dead white, lending a vividuess to the green, which occasionally almost rivals the emeral and has the hardness of 7.

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England, Prof. Simmonds says: "Evidencing
the skill of the Maoris in working this hard
material, the second in this respect to the
dismond, although much more fragile," etc. This would leave one to infer that the material possesses great hardness, when in fact, the hardness of jade is only 6.5, less even than that of rock crystal and it can be worked doubtedly, all of the aboriginal organicate of the Maori were made. So far as its fragility is concerned, it is the toughest of all known minerals, and this is the reason why it is so difficult to work. It would require less time to polish twenty surfaces of agate, which is harder than jade, than it would to polish one of jade on the same wheel. Krants, the mineral dealer of Bonn, having a 50-pound plees of jade which he wished broken into small hand specimens, a friend kindly offered him the use pot a large half-ton trip hammer to break if, with. At the first blow the hammer was demolished and the jade was only fractured by being heated and thrown into cold water.

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We frequently hear minerals or gems loosely spoken of as second or third in hardness to the diamond. On the Mohs scale of hardness the diamond. On the Mohs scale of hardness the diamond is represented by 10, the supplies by 3, topax 8 and quartz 7; but, although the difference on the scale is only I, these is room for everal substances between the diamond and the supplire; and, as we have no such substance in nature we piace diamond on 10. In reality, so great is the difference between these two substances that if the hardness of the supplire is 3, that of the diamond would be fully 100, relatively it the rest of the scale. Frof. Simmonds also says that coral has the hardness and brilliancy of agent. Quarts and agate are placed at in the Mohs scale, whereas coral has only the nardness of about 5, is a same as that of maniel (calcite), and can prescratched by fluorite, it is impossible to see how this opaque substance can be said to "abine like a garnet, with the tint of the ruby."

A word, in closing, about the hardness of agains and rock crystal. Mineralogically these the classed together at 7, but is reality the restabilities varieties should be 7, and the regardilitie varieties should be 7, and the regardilities varieties should be 7, and the contraction of the country and quarts will not

THE PHONOGRAPH AT WORK

Test's With Edison's Experimental Instruments-Some Carlour Combinations of Sounds. Within the last week, says The New

York Evening Post, Mr. Ed son has so far finished some specimens of the type of phonograph which he intends to put on the market next January that many interesting tests are possible. While these experimental machines are not so perfect in their working as the finished ones will be, a very fair notion of what the coming phonograph will do may be obtained from them. These first machines are made from the parts of the original phonograph with which Edison worked six months ago, and lack the delicacy of action which may be safely expected from the machines to be manufactured with the aid of costly and very beautiful mach nery which he has devised. A factory at Bloomfield is now working upon this machinery for turning out phonographs, and some parts of the instrument are already being made. The capacity of the Bloomfield factory will be about twenty-five phonographs a day at first, to be doubled should the demand warrant it. The first five hundred phonographs will be ready before the end of January, unless some expected delays occur. Orders for phonographs now come into the Ed son laboratory in Orange at the rate of twenty a day from all parts of the world.

Yesterday Mr. Edison showed the only working phonograph now in his possession to a reporter, and though it was not in perfect adjustment, owing to the fact that it had been repeatedly. aken apart and put together within the last week by machinists who are making tools for the wholesale manufacture, the results of certain tests to which the instrument was put were wonderful, and quite sufficient to show that the phonograph will be a perfectly practicable and commercial apparatand will do what Mr. Edison has claimed for it.

So far as the mechanism of the new phonograph may be described at present; it consists of a cylinder which revolves upon itself and also has a side movement governed by a very fine thread, so that a fixed pencil would trace upon the cylinder a spiral with the lines almost touching. The moed by Edison himself, a very poor motor economically considered, but one which does its present work of turning and without noise, which is the great thing to be sought. The motor runs with four cells of a simple battery, which can be renewed at the end of each month for less than a dollar; with this power the phonograph will work for four or five hours overy day during the month. Upon the cylinder is placal a sheet of soft substance somewhat resembling the wax used at times with the o'd phonograph. The chief feature of the new instrument made by Edison in the last six months in the phonograph consist in a radical change in the apparatus by which the vibrations of a diaphragm under the sound of voice are marked under the cylinder and also in the reproducing apparatus the two b ing entirely distinct, while in the old phonograph the same device was used for both purposes—to make the sound indentations and to reflect them when the phonogram was repassed through the machine.

The phonograms will be sold in the shape of small cylinders one and a quarter inches in diameter and from one to four inches in length. The one-inch phonograms will contain two hundred words or what is considered quite sufficient for an ordinary business letter; they will cost 15 cents a dozen. The full size phonograms of four inches length will contain eight hundred one thousand words, according to the rate of speed of the speaker, and will cost about 36 cents a dozen. Of course there is no manipulation of the aparatus necessary. It will occup, about the room necessary for a typewriter, the cells going in any closet or under the table. The motor will be boxed and nothing but the over, and nothing out the revolving evilinder and the mouth piece in view. One touch of a little switch sets the machine in motion. Then the mouth-piece is adjusted to the cylinder and the talking may begu; the same process is gone through when the machine is to read It will be seen that the cost of the phonograms is a great deal more than that of letter paper, but provision is made for the use of the same phonogram over again twelve times if the messages which it contains are not worth keeping. A little knife is attached to the machine which takes a shaving off the surface of the phonogram soven-thousandths of an inch thick and gives a fresh surface, this proores may be repeated twelve times. boxes for ma ling the phonograms will be ready at the same time with the instruments, and resemble the old-fash oned wood-turned pill-boxes. Mr. Edison hopes to get the government to carry thement the same rate as let-

The phonograms for the reduction of books or long pieces of music will be entirely different from the commercial sizes and will measure four inchestin deameter by ten inches in length. Each phonogram of this size will contain bout ten thousand words, or perhaps more, and, from tests made last week with "Nicholas Nickleby," that book will so into eight cylinders of this size. The duplication or multiplication of lication or multiplication of

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king. sed at which business letter The s can be distated in a satisfactory man. ner to the phonograph has been a matweek. One of Edison's assistants has read from a book at the rate of 255 words a minute, or faster than most speakers, without making an quintel igent mess of the result. The speed at which a message is given the phonograph, of course, regulates the number of words which can be put upon our phonogram.

The instrument having been hastily adjusted yesterday morning in Mr. Edison's private room at the labatory, the reporter was asked to go out of the room while Edison read out something to which the reporter was to listen. This was done, and a small earphone was attached to the instrument and handed to a reporter upon coming back into the room. Owing to Edison's deafness the adjustment of the instrument, was not perfect, and nothing but a confused jumble, sounding like half a dozen men in warm dispute, was the The trouble was remedied at once by an assistant, and then Edison's voice came very clearly from the phone, realling off a list of geographical names many of which the reporter had never heard before, but which were perfect-ly distinct. It must also be noted that there was considerable noise. When sary to touch a spring in order to make the phonograph go back ten words, one hundred words, five hundred words at will when the sound became intelligihundred ble. A test made two da s ago with he editor of a selentific paper, who listened while the phonograph rend to him one page of "Nicholas Nickleby" resulted in his getting 80 per cent of the words the first time, notwithstanding the rattle around him, and every word the second time.

has been said that the phonograph's voice is about twice as loud as that of a good telephone. Yesterday it seemed a great deal more than that Standing four feet away from the phone attached to the phonograph, it was easy to tell when it began to talk. and even to distinguish some words The quality of the voice of the phone-graph is far more characteristic of the voice of the speaker than that of the telephone; in other respects it rather resembles the telephone voice, but is a delightful ustal bazz of the telephone, due to in-

duction along the lines.

A most curious effect of the phonograph is the impression it gives the lisener of talking to another person. When it is necessary to make the ma-chine repeat, one almost instinctively feels like apolog zing for the trouble to the person at the other end of the line, and more than once the reporter was on the point of saying: "Have the kindness to say that over again." The notion that there is nothing before one but a machine is hard to acquire, and Edison's assistants say the same thing. There is so little machinery about the affair, and nothing but the operator to do except to listen, that the differences between operating the old phonograph. which was turned by hand, and the present machine, which runs itself, are tremendous. Besides rending in an ordinary tone of voice from a book. some experiments were made in super-imposing one sound upon another. After reading a long list of geographical names, Mr. Edison toned the machine back and sang "Hail Columbia" right over the previous message. Then he turned it back again, and whistled "Yankee Doodle." The triple message was then given out by the phonograph, resulting in a most curious com-bination in which each part was perfeetly distinct. The marvelous aptitude of the machine for whistling and musi-cal sounds is quite as marked in the new instrument as in the old.

Within two weeks Mr. Edison hopes to have several machines ready for testing with sound-condensers or lunnels, which will gather in the sound from At present it is necessary large area. to talk to the phonograph just as one now talks to the receiver of a tale phone, with the lips close to the month piece. He hopes to make this unnec essary, and workment are now making a large variety of sound condensers Their use will be necessary for record ing the music of an orchestra or the a number of

### An Oft-Worked Dodge.

Ex-inillionaire-My son, you have ruined me.

Son-Have I? "My whole fortune has been squaudered in paying your debts.

"Haven't you any real estate you can mortgage?"

"Nothing. We must move next week to a rented house. I can no long. You must go support you. work

"Well, I'll go into politics." Papers which know your record with

о тон. That's all right. I'll claim they are

opposing me because I am poor

### Too Previous.

Lady patron - "I want to get some good rat poison."

Druggist (with embarrasement) - Rently, you are in great haste, aun't TONP

Haste? I don't see it. What do you enn?"
Well, you know you've only been fourth husband we menp? married to your fourth husband unths and -"

"And?" For the sake of appearances ught to wat a while. I am also on will have to go elsewhere for hebrarks. State Journal.

white aparrow is an oddity at Paw tacket R. I.

Mu-srooms are selling at \$1 per quart in New Morts city.

New York city is the fourth largest shipping ourt in the world. A brisiness men's association has been organ-

zed at Roquester, N. Y. The Daio Dunkards are holding their annual

ove-feast in Miami county.

Asbestos cloth is being used for wearing apparel by the firemen of Paris. A female tramp has excited the curiosity of

the per se of Linn county, Oregon.

D spepsia greatly increased in this country last year, according to medical statistics.

The charming daughters of Minister West have two handsome beagle hounds for pets Celebrated succestry without cash does for to much nowadays," remarks Mrs.

Grandy. A tandermist at Chatham, N. J., breeds on o prevent running abort of such birds for his

Henry rains have been frequent in many tions of Oregon and Washington Territory during the past fortnight.

fering H. Mason, of Poughkeepsie, N. T., deserted his wife and children last week and eloped with his hired girl.

A European plano-player recently played thirt -- xx hours without rest, beating his own pr whom recard by eleven hours. Fing there have a superstition that even-

numbered engines will always meet sooner pr later with some terrible accident. The opard of trade at Los Angeles, Cal.

trying to settle the difficulties between the San Pedro ship-owners and settlers. Poor pld Philadelphia is said to be birtuplace of two very queer dishes. One is

cheese-cake and the other sweet-potato pie. The managers of the New York instue ass ium at Buffalo deny the charges of cruelly and mismanagement of affairs in that institu

Fourteen million cans of corn have been of up by the canning factories of Maine this There are eighty factories in the

The day Miss Lizzie Bell Sinchir, of Ever-N. J., celebrated her twelfth birth-completed a bedquitt that contains i 112,10 pieces.

Twenty business men of Cohoos, N. Y., ute cineted with violating the law relating to the will be prosecuted.

The consumption of coffee is not near so reat in England as it was years ago. mability of cooks to make it as it should be is on assigned.

It is estimated by a Vera Cruz paper that \$10,000,000 damage was caused by recent storms on the Gulf coast of Mexica. Crops received the most injury.

It has been estimated that the number young laidles who find regular and profitable oyment as typewriters in New York alone reaches neroud two thousand.

A Bell county (Kentucky) paper Citizen Hendrickson, who has killed three wounded another, as being 'an in flueritial citizen, a church member, and a dead

expectancy of finding a pot con With th initing \$1,500, which Henry Woods, a hermit, le said to have buried near Hartwell, Ga, tramps have dug up the ground for rods

Among the courses served at the recent Chlacse dinner at Washington in commemoration of the audiversary of the empress of China ere the famous "birds' nests and "Shark's

ins. great del cacies in the Flowery kingdom. A monstrous wolf that escaped from nemigerid some months ago was shot mills, near Websville, former-named Thomas McGarry. Sheep, dogs and poultry had suffered considerably in the neighborhood ever since the teast was at

At the Boston library a few days ago I woman inquired for "The Lady and the Rooster" when she wanted "The Lady of the stook" while a Philadelphia women ce sently saked the librarian for the "Picture of Woman," but meant "The Portrait of Lady b

After having buried three wives and be the father of twenty-four children and spent \$10,000 is trying to get another helpmate. Griffith Pond, an aged farmer, near Celina, O., became became, and Saturday, at the request of the children, a judge ordered blin to be put is charge of a guardian.

Mentioni has been made of a new mili de moss. Paper of different thickness and makemade of the white moss have already shown the latter even in sheets threefourths of an inch thick. It is as hard as wood, and can be easily painted and polished;

An American visitor to Japan says that the Japanese will be the greatest railroad builders the world in five years. He says they are great patrons of railroads, and that even when they have no business to attend to they ride back and forth on the cars. Beggars in the large cities, he says, spend their money in this

As a train was whizzing along toward Sayrook. Com., the otherday, from Middletown 3-year-old boy was found sitting, barelegged and happy on the rear platform of a car, with his little, fat legs dangling off. He had walked from his home to Middletown, a distance of one-half mile, and crawled on the ductor put him off at the next station, and he ed to Middletown and his moth-

The Connecticut girl is one who must be ome time ago M. E. Cor, an oaf offered the ucie of a handsome young maiden at Branded \$1,000 ff he would induce his niece to Hearing of the offer, the young marry him. hearing of the one, the young lady drafted a number of tender young Ama-sons and waylaid the hare-brained youth After being inked, rotten-egge., and ducked in a horse-pond, M. E. Coy made his escape, and here-offer he will reside no longer at Bran

### CAST DPON THE WORLD.

CHAPTER XIII.-CONTINUE Norton stood looking at the angl where but moment before she had stood like one in a

The book-keeper was the first to break the tableau. A strange expression took posses sion of his features. His eyes brightened and, passing his haud across his brow, he started forward, as if to follow Ella, but Nor on grasped him by the arm.

Where are you going !. ' he asked. answered Redfield, endeavoring to release himself from Norton's clutch.

"Are you anad? Why do you wish to fol low this beggar?" "She is no beggar, but a poor, abused

woman, who shall find a friend in me. I ecognize her. She is the daughter of benefactor and late employer, Richard Thorqdyke."

"You know her?" exclaimed Norton, in mazement. "Yes, and you too. Frederick Norton!" he

eplied. "I know you to be the villain she as described you." "Do you dare secuse me," replied Norton,

with well-assumed dignity-"your employer vitos: reputation is untarnished—on the strength of this wretch's slander?"

"/know you to be a forger, and I suspect you to be a MURDERER!" exclaimed Redfield. Norton recoiled.

"I never saw you before you entered employ," he gasped. "Who are you, who profess to know so much?"

"Robert Stanford," replied the other. Nor-

ion staggered as if he had received a blow on "You turn pale and you fear me the bend. pow because you realize I am a free manthat the law has no claim upon me. I payed my debt, served out my full term. I prayed nightly in my prison-ceil that I might live to openly accuse you. When I was released I found you were in California, and I followed you there, but only to learn that you had returned East the day before my arrival. I ought emplo ment under the name of Redfield, and obtained it from your superintendent. At the end of eight months I had won his confidence and esteem, and found it an easy matter to procure from him the strong letter of introduction and recommendation with which I returned to New York. I knew that I had changed beyond recognition. I presented my letter to you and obtained a position here—the position I sought—in order that I might be ever near you to watch you, hoping and praying that the day would come when chance would place in my hands the hringing about your downfall.

"What -what will you do?" cried Norton, with pallid lips.

thirsted for revenge."

"Expose you to the world!" replied Robert, tterly. "You wrought my ruin-brought bitterly my mother's grav hairs to the grave. Her whole heart was wrapped up in me-I was her pride. All of her hopes of the future were centered in me. You crossed my path, and, with a cruel hand, destroyed all. I have lived but for revenge. If only for the sake of the poor girl who left us but a moment ago, you shall be unmasked."

Tremblingly Norton raised his eyes. He saw Robert moving toward the door. He realized that there was in the history of his life many black pages, and he felt that the fluger of suspiciou, once raised toward him, would lead to their disclosure, and the man who was leaving him was going forth to proclaim him a forger, and perhaps a murdererfor had be not hinted that he was such?

What should be do! Permit him to depart in peace! Fool! Why had he stood there, trembling and cringing like a whipped cur? Was this the conduct for a man of his chargeter to display? No. This man must be prevented from leaving the place. He appeared to draw himself together, as a tiger does before it springs upon its prey. All appearance of fear vanished from his face. His eyes flushed like coals of fire. He sprang through the door of the office into the warehouse, and seized the retreating man roughly by the throat. The attack was so sudden and unexpeeted that Robert had no time to ery out

"You have laid your plans well," ' bissed Norton-"played your part to perfection, and now nothing remains but for you to denounce So you think, but we differ. Here I do not fear you, and here you shall remain.

He seized a mallet from the top of a cask near ty. His grip upon his victim's throat relaxed slightly, and Robert, in horror, cried: "Great God! Do you mean to murder me?"

He struggled violently to escape, but the lingers tightened again about his windpipe. The mallet was raised above his head for an instant then it descended with a dull third. and, staggering backward, he fell heavily to the floor. Norton shot a quick glance toward the door. It was too late in the day for many people to be passing. The street appeared to be described. He bent forward, and, seizing an iron ring which was fastened to the floor raised a large trap-door, which opened into the cellar. A puff of cool, musty air struck his face. He grasped the arm of the sense less man at his feet, and dragged him roughly forward, until his body rested upon the ver edge of the opening, and then, with a crue kick, he sent him plunging head-foremost down into the darkness below.

The nightwatchman, passing the building three hours later, saw the gas burning low in the rear of the office, as usual; but could be have looked into the dismal cellar beneath. his eves would have rested upon a scene which would have transfixed him with horror. There, by the dim light of a small lantero, he would have beheld a man who, having reu ed a portion of the stone flagging of which or consisted was digging a hole with a spade in the earth beneath, while behind him, near a pile of casks, upon the damp stone lay a human form with upturned face and ghastly—the face of a corpse.

The next day the apperint ndent of police was notified that Thomas Redfield, a book keeper and eashler in the employ of Frederick Norton, the well-known wine m disappeared, and that a considerable am oney was missing from the safe of his employer by whom a full description of the man was furnished, and a liberal reward for his apprehension offered.

CHAPTER XIV.

Near the banks of the Harlem River, no far from where it connects with Spuyten Devil Creek, in the center of a small plot of ground

ctood a pleasant little two-story cottage. Be-for it was a row of young chestout-trees, and is to rear was laid out a well-kept kitchen is its rear was laid out a well-kept kitchen girden. The taxicful arrangement of the fiewers that grew in bode along both sides of the pathway which led from the front gate to the porch before the house betokened good on the part of its occupants.

The cozy spot was the house of Sampson Klopp and his wife, Polly. They had been married now nearly a year. By the advice of his clear-headed wife. Sampson had ther doned all idea, for the present, at least-of giving up his situation with Frederick Norton, in whose employ, therefore, he still re-mained. The cottage they had taken immediately after their marriage, hoping to be e at no very distant day to purchase it. The mysterious disappearance of Mr. Redfield greatly surprised and perplexed Sampson, who held the book-keeper in high esteem, and who refused to credit the story of his embezzlement, even in the face of his employer's accrisation

There is a mistake somewhere." he said to Poll, at the time. "No one can convince me that Mr. Redfield ever took a penny of anybody's money. Poor man! he had some reason for going away-but it wasn't because he was a thief. I wonder where he is! bim better than any man I ever met before. He always had a good word for everybody. wish he had given you away. Polly. have been sure of good tuck through life if he

"That's all nonsense," replied the little woman. "We'll have good luck enough, if we only work for it."

If there was anything Polly Klopp enjoyed on a fine evening, when the labor of the day was over, it was a pull at an oar in a small boat, which Sampson was given the use of by wner, a friend of his, who lived near It was a bright evening in May when him. Sampson, having returned from his work somewhat garlier than usual, proposed to his Sam wife that they should take a short row on the after supper was over. So, after the meal was disposed of, they walked down to the river-bank, where the boat was kept.

"Let me pull the stroke-oar," said Polly, as on helped her into the boat.

"All right," he replied, as the little woman ested herself and proceeded to get her oar in place.

"Which way!" asked Sampson.

"Down toward the bridge." "Why not the other way!" asked Sampson

Because I want to go down the river." "But I'd much rather go up. There's not near as many boats in the river above," he .blas

What do I care about the boats!" she replied. "I want to go down the river, and down the river I'm going." And she dipped her oar into the water and prepared to take

"Well, down the river we go, then. So pull away. A long pull, a strong pull, and a pull altegether!" cried Sampson, and away flew the little boat, cutting the water with its sharp bow, and leaving in its wake a line of sparkling foam.

On the porch of a public house, near the lower end of the Harlem Bridge, stool a gentleman leading against one of the wooder lars, twirling a light walking-stick, and gazing idly at the boats that passed at intervals

up and down the river. 'It's astonishing," he said, half aloud, "how wealth rolls into one's pockets when Madam Fortune condescends to favor him with one of her sweet smiles. I must capricious clown indeed, for that worthy dame has evidently laughed heartily at my pranks for the last five years, judging by the rapidity with which wealth has accumulated in my hitherto empty purse. Well, laugh and grow fat, venerable Mrs. F. What pleases you pleases me also. I can hardly realize I am back once more in my native city, and a rich man. Here I have known pressing want and keen hunger. I doubt whether any one would be likely to recognize in the Nat Garvin of to-day, the Nat Garvin of the past. And now I must find my cousin Bob, and share my good fortune with him."

Whistling a merry tune, he stepped from the porch, and sauntered leisurely toward the bridge Evidently he did not nome were the wretched y-dressed woman who swept hastly by him, so closely that the very rags she wore shed against the sleeve of his coat. stepped upon the bridge and proceeded along. until about midway across the river; then she paused, and, resting her head wearily against the iron guard, looked down into the water me moments she stood there in the attitude of one is deep thought. At length she raised her head, and, clasping her thin hands.

gave utterance to a moan of despair.

"God forgive me," she cried, "for what I do; but I can bear up no longer! I shall go mad! Is there nowhere I can find rest! Yes, the river-the river! Beneath-the sparkling hold of one of the fron supports at her side, and clambered upon the guard-rail. "God have compassion on me," she cried, "and receive my soul!"

folding her arms tightly across her breast, she threw herself into the river. Nat Garvin saw her mount the rail, and at once, suspecting her intentions, he rushed forward. Great Heaven, she has leaped into the

river!" He looked up and down the stream, but saw no boat near enough to be of assistance. Out of the dark water two white arms an peared, two hands clutched convulsively in the sir, and then disappeared from sight.

he exclaimed, unbut

must be sayed! tending and throwing off his cost. Springing upon the guard, he looked off into the stream. Presently be thought he dis-tinguished semething like a human form ap-pear upon the surface some little distance Without another instant's delay he sprang from the bridge and awam toward th spot. He was not mistaken; it was she. He reached forward and seized her just as she ppearing again. Then came the ter was disappearing again. Then came the learnible struggle. Twice she grasped his disengared hand, and they sank together. He was rapidly becoming exhausted—he felt that his strength was failing him, that he could hold out but little longer. Suddenly both hi hands were philosoft to his side. With all his might he strove to break the death-grip which held them; but in vain. They were sinking again tagether. The water was bubbling about his ears; but above its fearful murann

he heard another sound -the sound of voice

quits near. "Pull with all your might, Polly, pull P some one cried, and the next moment a strong hand seized him, and he and the senseless woman clinging to him were lifted into a bout by Sampson Klopp and his courageous

After several minutes had elapsed, and Nat had somewhat recovered from his exhaustion, he turned his eyes toward the unfortunate woman, whose head rested upon Polly's The moon was shining full upon her hosom. face, and as his gaze rested upon it, his heart gave a great bound-for before him he beheld he beautiful features which had haunted his areains ever since they first met his sight; colorless as now in that wretched room five years

"Do you live mear here, my friend?" he asked, turning toward Sampson.
"A little way up the river; sir," he replied.

"Can you shelter this unfortunate lady toinquired Nat. "If so, you shall be aight?" liberally remunerated for your trouble,"

"Don't speak of that, sir," said Polly, kindly. "Poor creature! she's welcome to slieiter as long as she feels willing to remain."

"God bless you!" said Nat, earnestly. voman's sampathy will do more for her than all the medical aid we can procure; for, if I am not miataken, she has been laboring under a heavy burden of sorrow for a long time past "

"Poor young thing!" said Polly, gently stroking the dripping brown hair that fell in rich tresses from the shapely head that lay so motioniess upon her breast.

In the meantime Sampson was pulling vigrously at the oars, and the boat moved rapidly along, and soon ran in toward the bank be fore the house of the Klopps'. Nat secured the boat to a stake at the water's edge, and Sampson prevented it from swinging around, while Nat, with Polly's assistance, lifted the unconscious girl out and bore her into the

### CHAPTER XV.

The sun was sinking in the west. Upon the porch of Sampson's house sat our heroine -Ella Warburton, as she still called herself, and who had now been an inmate of the klopps' house three days. Her eyes rested mournfully on the beautiful scene before ber. At her side, his shoulder resting upon the loor-casement, stood Nat Garvin, thoughtfully down into her face. At length, eating himself upon the step near her feet, be said, in a low tone:

"You have promised to tell me the history f vour life; Will you not do so now?" "It is a sad history," she said; "but I will

keep my promise." He listened attentively, and it was some moments after she had concluded before he spoke. Then he said:

You say Warburton was your mother's maiden name, and you assumed it for the purpose of evading your persecutor; but you Enve failed to tell me your own name. Surely ou have no reason for withholding it from me! Will you not tell it to me?"

"My neglect to do so was not intentional," the replied. "I have become so accustomed to my assumed name that my own appears strange to me: my father's name was Thorn-

"Thorndyka!" exclaimed Nat, starting percepitbly; "Richard Thorndyke?"
"Yea," replied Ella, in astoniahment. "Did
you know him?"

"No," he replied.

"Then how did you discover his given "I have heard his name before." he an-

'Where?' she asked eagerly. "I do not remember precisely," he re-

spouded. His answer did not satisfy her. She looked at him sharply. He was lost in thought, and the expression of his face puzzled her. felt satisfied that there was something on his mind which he did not wish to tell heromething in some way relating to her father.

Turning toward her, at length be gently said:

Your has been indeed a life vet, you should not give way to despair; for, mber, when all about seems darkest for tune often stands at the very threshold with a lighted torch, ready to lead us to prosperity and jov."

"I have struggled bard and hoped," she re sponded; "but hope is dead-dead in me forver. I have prayed earnestly that my heart's strings might snap, and its beating cease, but death would not come at my bidding. I was without shelter, without friend, and I sought rest beneath the river youder."

"And Heaven sent me to save you, that you might enjoy the bright days that are in store for you!" he exclaimed.

Alas! I liave no hope, she said, mourn fully. "It was noble and brave of you to do what you did; but why did you not let me die! What have I to look forward to! When I leave this bouse, where I have n with such kindness, I must begin again my battle with the heartless world. :ourage - the strength - to undertake the struggle:" and burying her face in her hands, she sobbed piteously.

When she had somewhat regained her composure, he bent forward, and, taking her hand in his gently, mid:

ot tell what Providence has in "You cann store for you, but I believe your days of bitost past. Try and recall hope again to your heart, for it is the flashing blade before which despair and grief take flight or fall. Remember Moore's lines:

"Her precious pearl in Sorrow's cup Unmelted at the bottom lay, To shine again when, all drunk up, The bitterness should pass away

"It is easy for poets to write," she said. still for those who have never tested the bitterness of sorrow such as mine to speak hopefully. You cannot under how despair has caten away my heart, until there is none left for hope to feed upor

"I wish to tell you a story," he said abrupt ly. "There once lived in this very city a young man who through his bad habits wrecked a life of promise. His friends, one one, turned from him in despair, until at by one, turned from him in despair, until at last he stood a one, a perfect wreek, with no home but the treets, friendless and despised. He could not tear to remain longer an outcast in his halve city, so he turned foward the open county and tramped from place to place. He found human nature much the same, however among green trees and fowers, as it was in the busy city he had left.

The farmer in the co whelming descriptions possession of him whelming descriptions procession of him which and he decided to rid himself of his very day in had decided should be his last on earth as hemanical which turned the whole ily. At hat de course of his life. He was enabled to go far away to a new land, where success attend him. He led a better life, and when, af five years, he returned to the land of his birth he was a rich man, and one cape feeling pity for and sometimes advisihe saw about him who were strugg trials and misfortunes."

"And you knew this man?" asked Ella "Very well, indeed," he rapled. "And you, too, are acquainted with him, for at this very moment you are looking into his face."

'You!" she cried, in astonishment. he answered. "And now that you know my story, will you not permit me to advise you! Bear up a little longer—be brave, and happiness will surely come to you.

"I will try to," she replied, in a brighter tone; "I will try and learn patience from VOUL "

The air was becoming chilly and damp, and, noticing that she drew the light shawl which hung about her shoulders close around her, he said:

"I see you are growing cold, and I doubt whether it is safe for you to expose yourself to the night air langer in your present condition."

"I feel somewhat fatigued," she answer "and chilly, and perhaps it would be better for me to retire. I will strive to be more cheerful in token of my gratitude to you for your kindness to me. God bless you! Goodnight.'

"Good-night," he replied. "Sleep gently to-night, and dream of the happiness is sure to come to you."

He assisted her to the door and gently

pressed her hand at parting.

When she laid her head upon her pillow that night her heart was lighter than it had been for many, many months; for, as she recalled the words the man who had risked his life to save hers had spoken, an impressithat there was a hidden meaning in them on tered her mind, and hope began to kindle in her breast. As Nat stood upon the porch. after Ells had left him, lost in a deep reverie,

Sampson Klopp appeared in the door-way. "Won't you come in and sit down a while, Mr. Garvint" he asked pleasantly.

"No, II thank you; but if you, are not par-ticularly engaged, Mr. Klopp, and don't ob-ject to a stroll in the cool air, I should like to nave a few minutes conversation with you.

"I am at vonr service, sir." Together they passed out of the front gate. and proceeded along the road. It was after eleven o'clock when Sampson returned alone. Polly was sitting in the kitchen waiting for him, considerably worried at his long at

"In the name of all that's sensible," she inquired, as he entered the room, "where have you been until this hour of the een walking all along the bank of the river talking with Mr. Garvin, " he answered. He's been asking me all sorts of questions about Mr. Redfield, the book-keeper. I really believe he knew him, for he asked me alt about his looks, and when I seen him last, and if I had any of his writing; and when I told him I had an old book at the wareho with some of it in, he asked me if Pd let him

see it if he came down there early to-m morning." "There's something behind all this that we don't understand," said Polly, meditatively.

"I believe there is," said Sampson, "for coming to the place at eight o'clock to morrow morning to look at the book."

'Sam," exclaimed Polly, suddenly, "do you think, he's one of them detectives?" replied Sampson.

Sampson and Polly were perplexed; but as they saw no immediate prospect of their dis covering the key to the mystery which puzzled them, they very sensibly decided to retire to rest, and let time work out its solution.

At exactly eight the next morning Nat ontered Frederick Norton's place of business. and saluted Sampson with a cheerful "get morning." Neither Norton nor his new book-keeper had yet made his appearance. "Now," said Nat, "with your permission I

night" Sampson took from a rack over deaks a small book, and, opening it at a certain page, on which, in a neat business-h were traced several cutries of sulpments, etc. passed it to Nat, who, after examining the

writing for a few moments, closed the bo

and, returning it with thanks, was about tak-

will look at the book we were speaking of last

ing his departure, when his eyes rested upon the trap-door in the floor of the warehouse "What is there beneath here?" he asked. "The wine-vaulta," replied Sampson.
"Thank you," said Nat. "Good-morning;" and shaking Sampson warmly by the hand he passed into the street, leaving him more

### perplexed than before. TO BE CONTINUED.

Could Not Pass the Examination. Robinson-Well, Jones, how did you come out in your civil-service examination for the position of mircoscopist

in the agricultural bureau? Jones-Poorly, Robinson, poorly. Robinson-Why, that's singular. I thought you had studied up on micro-

scopy. Jones-So I had; but they didn't examine me on that.

Robinson—What did they examine

you on ? Jones—They asked me who the thor of the "Bread Winners" we Pittsburgh Chronicle.

### Always in Advance

Chicago, instead of waiting for the Fourth, put in three cases of fatal shooting on the 3d. So long as there is an American community that sta-mational deletations so much a time ve need not fear that other over programmes of far as to see our liveries. — Jesting 6.

### TERE AND THERE

is decise to eatch a burnard, was after he had been away all day, a field, tying on the ground and d." He said that he was trying supported thing that he was repliy they would come near enough

that they would come hear anough a catch them.

"In For tatte authoritatively that amount has resolved to introduce in a new smaller bore repeating rife, the repeated now in use will be do to the reserves and the landwebr. It is made accountry, the paper may, as french was department has adoptance of the control of the

sore rife. is, a gallant backelor of Henderson is, a gallant backelor of Henderson is a gallant backelor of Henderson is mother unexpectly presented to in Nashville. The m ger to him, gave the young one to him leet it from the crush that followed the case of the President and his party. I not return to claim her property, and rederaouville man still has it.

sedersonville man still has it, one the relics taken from the High d, user the Objo River, jecently, were liver crucses and thirty silver shoe buck-the buckles, bearing the French Crown into of 1220, were probably part of the its outil, and belonged to some Jusuit searies. This indicates the use of the d as burial piaces down to quite recent

ffeen years ago Jacob Trackback, of New age, Oulo, who was thought to be rich, sae knows to be miserly, died, but all ef-s to find the money that he was supposed woodchopers cut down a tree near the re add home, and in a hole in the tree d gold, silver and notes to the value of

George Carter and Ella Crosby went in in the country to see the Louisville Exposi-tion. When they arrived they found that the see was over. They returned to the depot, is found that their train would, not leave in reval hours. Carter proposed that in order this time they should get married, and so in at way they killed time until the next train

clines of Coponhages, Danmark, recently to to St. Louis, saking for an appointment the police force of that city. He inclosed shotograph and said he was 6 feet 4 inches eight, weighted 2D pounds and could out-end outwalk my man of his size in the stry. He was informed that there were 10 applications by residents of St. Louis head of blus.

sheed of him.

Queen Victoria's fancy for the Highland dress has brought is into the highest fashion. As soon as she goes up to Baimoral every servant is at once put in kilts. As for the royal princes, they are extremely fond of the Highland contume and even that round-faced Teulou. Prince Henery of Battenberg, comes set as a barelegged Highlander. They all were the Staart lartan.

Macaroons and taffy are now the toothsome insidiums by which the most naturely of remedies, coll liver oil, may be taken into the available, coll liver oil, may be taken into the ava-

mediums by which the most nauseous of reme-dies, col fiver oil, may be taken into the sys-tem. A single macaron or a square of taffy a made to coutain a teblesponful of oil, but so completely disgulated that children eag-ery evallow the sweets without suspicion; while their elders gestefully commend this most successful experiment in the interests of collection.

A New York jeweler his a curious clock shieb was imported from P ris. It is a broune said of a steam boiler, and has a steam grace, safety valve and Siede regulator, risis a thermometer occupies the place of the le a thermometer occupies the place of the or guare. The dial of the clock is on the nece door, and above it is a barometer, in the clock is running the pendent balls he spend regulator do the work of the nary pendulum.

Mr. Watson, the American traveler, thus sections as annual coremony at the court of shooser: "The king sits on a platform with a subjects below him. Mon are these put, and hand and foot into a basket, which was down a side and discharges them among as mon, who at once arranged to chop them as annual pleases. Mr. Watson expostulated, at the king explained to bim that the victims are offensive political partiesns."

e king droblined to him that the victims offensive political partisans. 1" and Hitchelivet Palmyra, Me, was worth it fortune es tone time. He sold his farm naw who pittle a mail sum of money and gave his word that he would pay at, but never paid. Mr. Mitchell both was wrong to take a note on security dealing with a neighbor. He has a fac kenging a store which shall be bon to all, on that an, body may take to sputs and leave in anchong what

### W. C. T. U. ITEMS.

The first lectu the auspices of the W. G. T. U., will be given Friday evening, Jan. 6, by Rollo Bureau. Hon. Lewis Miller, Presiden Krik Bryan, of the National Ter Chautauqua Literary and Scientific circle, commends Mr. Bryan and his "Chalk Talk " exhibitions to the public.

Talk "exhibitions to the course will be given sometime in February, by the Rev. Anna H. Shaw, of Boston. Boston Daily Globe says: "One of the most interesting and effective speakers is
Rev. Anna H. Shaw. Miss. Shaw is a HORSESHOEING! graduate of a Michigan college, and is at esent a member of the Boston University School of Theology. A lady of genererous culture, refined manners, and good education. She draws large audiences wherever she speaks." Subject and place of lectures will be announced as soon as can be ascertained. Tickets for the course consisting of four lectures will be sold for the small sum of fifty cents.

### · Northville.

McKeand, the taylor is around again. Mrs. Showerman returned to Detroit on

Mrs. Sullivan returned to Detroit, on Tuesday evening.

Wm. Parmeter and wife have commenced housekeeping.

All our college boys are home from Ypsilanti for the holidays. Mr. James Donavan visited with E. P.

Kelly, Monday and Tuesday. John King, clerk of the Berdan house Plymouth, spent Christmas in town.

Chas, Welsh and T. Inslee are visiting friends in Canada. We miss the boys. John Tinham has recovered from his

illness and is around as genial as ever. Thos. Neat and C. Bovee, of Ypsilanti, spent Christmas in town and report a good time.

A large crowd at the Masonic reception. Committee doing everything in their usu-

Frank B. Clarke, of the MAIL office spent Christmas with friends here. Come again Frank.

Mr. Carpenter, of the firm of Watterman & Co., is out again after a severe attack of fever.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Filkins are home from their trip and settled down to the realities of life.

Mr. McPhail, baritone player in Crocker's city band, is visiting his parents in Uxbridge, Canada.

The awarding of the prizes at the carnival, on Christmas evening, gave universal satisfaction. There was a large crowd present. Miss Cora Beam, of Plymouth, closed

a very successful term of school near here on Friday last, and returned home Sutur day eyening.

The holiday hop given by the T. T. F F. social club, last evening, was a decided success. The supper at the Park house was of the finest, and appreciated by all.

### Salem.

Bert Chilson, editor of the South Lyon Picket, was in town Tuesday.

Chas McLaughlin and wife ate Christ mas turkey with relatives at Disco.

Mrs. M. Blood, of Detroit, is spending the holidays with her husband, M. Blood Mrs. Kate Walters returned to Dakots last Wednesday to join her husband H.O. Walters.

F. R. Dakin and wife, returned from Williamston, Tuesday. Christmas turkey was the attraction.

Did you partake of the bounte Christmas dinner served by the Congre-tional society, Saturday?

Miss Mina Walker accompanied by her friend, Miss Clarke are spending a weeks vacation at Miss Walker's home.

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