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SOME TWO weeks ago a fleshy, well dressed gentleman came to Plymouth and engaged board for twenty men, eight at one place and twelve at two other places, to appear on Monday of the next week, and intended to set them at work immediately drilling for salt and prospecting along the gulch of our little river.

He hired a team and drove to the gulch, where he prospected a little on land owned by Chas. Allen and Wm. Atchison. He proposed to buy Mr. Atchison's land but could not agree upon a price.

After looking over land for a day or two he disappeared, as did also a dollar in money and a little jewelry and nothing has been seen of him since.

To avoid a little notoriety the parties will not complain and consequently no arrest will be made.

The Trichina Spiralis.

THE FOLLOWING from a leading physician will no-doubt be of interest to our readers, inasmuch as the cases caused by trichinae at Clarenceville have caused wide spread attention: "I thought a few lines on a subject which interests all of the people would be appropriate at this time. A sad death has recently occurred in Ravenna, and from the symptoms, as I learned them, I presume, it was the result of trichinosis, which is induced by food containing trichina spiralis. This worm, which is sometimes found in great numbers in the muscle or red meat of the hog, is about one-seventy-eighth of an inch in length, and one-seven-thousandth of an inch in breadth. The number of trichinae or worms which may exist in an individual is enormous. As many as 350,000 have been found in a single ounce of muscle. I think the case which has just occurred is the first that has ever been known here. A few very serious cases occurred in Youngstown a few years ago. This worm is rarely found in pork or ham; but we have no means of telling when it is present except by the microscope, and then only by one trained in the use of it. A classmate of mine, an expert chemist and microscopist, was employed for many years by a large Chicago packing house to carefully examine all pork slaughtered there for shipment to Germany, and he reported that he did not find any in hogs allowed to run on the ground while being raised.

"I write the foregoing to call attention to the fact that while the worm does exist sometimes in pork and is dangerous when the pork or ham is eaten raw, we have a safe and sure preventive in heat. Fahrenheit will destroy all the trichinae and their embryos. As water boils at 212 degrees Fahrenheit, if meat is well boiled or fried thoroughly, it is safe for human food.

"One thing more I wish to add before closing. Rats are more liable to have trichinae than any other animal, and hogs often get them by eating rats. All dead rats should be buried or better burned, for even chickens may pick at them and in that way convey the worm to some human being. Hogs should not be fed raw meat of any kind. Well-cooked meat may safely be fed to them. This is a matter where the old maxim comes in play. An ounce of preventive is worth a pound of cure."

West Astry.

CLAUDE MURDOCK and Roscoe Smith started out last Friday via the D. G. R. & W. Ry to see some of the world. They saw it Saturday morning the chief of police of Jackson, informed Marshal Nowland that the boys were there locked up awaiting his orders. Mr. Nowland called on the parents and informed them of the matter. Mr. Murdock finally decided that Claude had better be sent to the Industrial School for Boys at Lansing, whither he was sent by due process of law, as this is not the first offence of this kind. Roscoe was brought home at the expense of the parents and it is hoped this experience will teach him the lesson of obedience his parents have endeavored to instill into his young mind.

Last Wednesday evening a matched game of checkers was played between Geo. A. Starkweather and Daniel Julliffe. The game was a draw. About twenty witnessed the game.

BUT TWO SCHOLARS

Unique Job Now Held by a Girl Near Northville.

HINMAN SCHOOL district, near Northville, employs Miss Lucy Halthron as teacher. The school is not crowded—in fact, there are but two pupils in attendance, and this is a gain of 100 per cent. over last year, when Bertha Hinman, aged 6 years, was the only scholar. Needless to say, she always stood at the head of her class. This year, however, Nettie Wilkinson, a lass of 13 summers, matriculated, and now Bertha has a schoolmate. It is not known what salary Miss Halthron draws. While her pedagogic pursuits are not particularly confining, her time is fully occupied, as she has a two-fold round of duties. When no scholars turn up, she is said to play the part of truant officer, and to go out in the highways and byways and seek the delinquents.

Amusing, If Not Instructive.

A LONDON periodical recently offered a prize for the best collection of unintentionally amusing advertisements. Here is a part of one list. It embodies illustrations of the curious effect which the misplacing of a comma, or a word or two often has upon the meaning of a sentence:

"Annual sale now going on. Don't go elsewhere to be cheated—come in here."

"A lady wants to sell her piano, as she is going abroad in a strong iron frame."

"Wanted, a room for two gentlemen about thirty feet long and twenty feet broad."

"Lost, a collie dog by a man on Saturday answering to Jim with a brass collar around his neck and a muzzle."

"Wanted, by a respectable girl her passage to New York, willing to take care of children and a good tailor."

"Respectable widow wants washing on Tuesday."

"For sale, a pianoforte, the property of a musician with carved legs."

M. Brown, furrier, begs to announce that he will make up gowns, capes, etc., for ladies out of their own skins."

"A boy wanted who can open oysters with a reference."

"Bulldog for sale, will eat anything; very fond of children."

"Wanted, an organist, and a boy to blow the same."

"Wanted, a boy to be partly outside and partly behind the counter."

"Lost, near Highgate, archway, an umbrella belonging to a gentleman with a bent rib and a bong handle."

"Widow in comfortable circumstances wishes to marry two sons."

"To be disposed of, a mail phaeton, the property of a gentleman with moveable headpiece as good as new."

Notice to Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Plymouth Fair association to elect a board of directors and for the transaction of any other proper business will be held in business men's club rooms, over National Exchange bank, Tuesday, Feb. 8, 1898, at 2 o'clock p. m. Let every stockholder be present.

J. M. COLLIER, Sec.

Mrs. Geo. Williams spent Thursday in Detroit.

Moonlight coasting on the Wilcox hill is quite popular.

The shops are all running full time and with full forces.

Wm. Alexander reports some of the finest ice he ever put up.

Peter Gayde is not recovering very rapidly from his recent fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fisher are the proud parents of a baby boy.

W. N. Wherry is the possessor of as fine a lot of pigeons as can be found in the country.

W. E. Morgan will move his family from Northville to Plymouth the first of next week. He will occupy Mr. Conner's residence.

C. J. Hamilton & Son have been kept busy at their machine shop the past few weeks manufacturing a dental saw, the invention of a Flint man.

The sleigh load that went to the party Saturday night enjoyed the same sensation that one gets in the haunted swing at Wonderland—that of going over.

Several of the young friends of Miss Maud Herr gave her a pleasant birthday surprise last Saturday evening in Perrinsville. A very pleasant time was had.

L. O. T. M. will give a mask social on Feb. 9th at I. O. F. hall. A prize will be given the one who guesses the most maskers. Admission, 10c. Card playing. All are invited.

Last Wednesday night three sleigh loads of Plymouth young people enjoyed an evening's entertainment out at William Blankenburg's. Dancing, whist and other popular card games were indulged in. The loads returned about 5 o'clock a. m. and all reported an excellent time.

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For Spot Cash,

8 Bars Queen Anne Soap,	25c
Extra White C Sugar, per lb.,	5c
Extra Fine Granulated Sugar, per lb. with order,	5 1/2c
New 2 Crown Muscatel Raisins, per lb.,	5c
New California Prunes, per lb.,	5c
Kingsford's Corn Starch, per lb.,	7c
Kingsford's Silver Gloss Starch, per lb.,	8c
Granular Sal Soda, per lb., 2c. 4 lbs. for	5c
McLaughlin's XXXX Coffee, per lb.,	12c
Lion Coffee, per lb.,	12c
Best Extra Water White Kerosene Oil, per gal.,	6c
Best Home Made Leaf Lard, per lb.,	8c
Clear Salt Pork,	6c
New Sweet Oranges for Sauce, per doz.,	15c
New Orleans Molasses, per gal.,	25c
2 gallon pail Syrup,	40c
George Shafer's Best Cider Vinegar, per gal.,	15c

This cut in prices is made to increase trade during the month of January. All the goods are new and fresh, and it is a splendid opportunity for everybody to put in a supply.

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THE PLYMOUTH MAIL.

E. Wm. BALCE, Pub.

PLYMOUTH MICHIGAN.

Greater New York contains many
wonders, but not one of them is more
remarkable, certainly none is more
amusing, than the snobbishness which
is displayed by the leaders of "soci-
ety."

Moral beauty cannot co-exist with
radical defects of principle. The char-
acter that is unable to resist tempta-
tion, or unwilling to stick faithfully
to duty, is no more truly beautiful,
whatever be its generous impulses or
amiable traits, than a figure which
cannot support its own weight. Parts
of it may be admirable; but, as a
whole, a unity, it cannot be rightly
called a beautiful character, for it
lacks the foundation.

Rev. Edith Booker is delivering a
lecture through Kansas on "What is a
Man?" A man, dear Edith, is a ten-
der, shrinking creature, whose wide
fawn eyes look out into the great whirl
about him with startled inquiry—an
innocent, trusting dove, nestling upon
the neck of a hard world—a sweet field
flower, lifting up its face for the sun-
shine of your womanly affection. That
is what a man is, Edith. You your-
self are the sturdy oak. Don't forget
that.

Rational protests against legislative
invasions of personal liberty are never
untimely. The disposition to run to
the legislature for a law to cure evils
that are not to be cured in that way
is a growing thing. In a vast majority
of instances a law to cure an evil af-
fecting private persons causes graver
faults than it is intended to cure. It
is nonsense to say officials will never
take wrong advantage of unwarranted
authority placed in their hands. Hu-
man nature has not changed in all
the centuries and men are as ready to
abuse or usurp authority now as at
any time in this world's history.

The Manchester Guardian, which
has the reputation of being one of the
best informed of English journals, gives
the world to understand that John
Bull is still doing business at the
same old stand, and proposes to
protect his patents and copyrights with
his accustomed intelligence and vigor.
All he demands now is that, if China
is hanged, drawn and quartered, he
shall have a slice for every slice taken
by every other power. For example,
Germany grabs, then England grabs as
much; Russia takes something, then
England takes a portion; France ab-
sorbs a province, then England appropri-
ates one equally as large and power-
ful.

Good and healthy girls are almost
always cheerful. No novelist would
consider his youthful heroine complete
if a "ringing laugh" were omitted from
the list of her charms; and in real life
the girls who do not laugh now and
then are seldom trusted or liked by
their companions. Even beauty will
not save them. A belle who fails to
understand the jest of her admirers
and smiles in amiable bewilderment
while other people are laughing is soon
left with no consolation save to wonder
what anybody can see in her rival—a
girl with "tip-tilted" nose perhaps,
and a large mouth and freckles, but
the happy possessor of a pair of merry
eyes and a cheerful mind. The gift of
gaiety is indeed of great value; but
it must be evenly which originates in
a kind and cheery heart, not that
which is born of mere excitement or
gratified vanity.

The dogs in the United States kill
nearly 2 per cent of the sheep of the
country every year. They killed more
than 600,000 sheep in the year ending
June 1, 1896, when the last statistics in
regard to the flocks were gathered.
The damage done by them is greater
than that from any other cause except
unexpected storms, in which whole
flocks of sheep are killed, and disease.
In six states more damage was done
to the flocks of sheep by dogs than
by anything else. In Florida 9,823
sheep were killed by dogs, and only
4,750 by the weather and disease. The
number killed by dogs was about 9
per cent of the total number of sheep
in the state. The Florida sheep are
not exposed to such changes in tem-
perature as those on the farms in Ne-
vada, where 128,850 died of cold and
disease. Only 7,372 sheep were killed
by dogs in Nevada in the census year.
The enormous number of deaths from
changes in the weather was due to
unprecedented storms, which caught
the breeders unprepared and almost
halved their flocks. In South Caro-
lina, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, and
Arkansas dogs do more damage to the
sheep than anything else, and more
than weather conditions and disease
combined. In Massachusetts, Rhode
Island and Connecticut the number of
deaths in the flocks due to dogs is al-
most the same as that due to disease
and the weather. The record is al-
most as bad in all other states where
dogs and sheep are caught.

The Bible prohibits perjury against
God and against man and forbids slan-
der. Slander is defamation of charac-
ter, malicious gossip, injurious talk
against one's neighbor. It is the in-
vention and propagation of an evil re-
port. A fool can give currency to a re-
port that will vilify a prince. No
sword bites so fiercely as an evil
tongue. Slander cuts honest throats by
whispers. Slander is the pestilence
which rages at noonday, an arrow
which is shot in the dark, the revenge
of a coward.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"MEN AND WOMEN NEEDED,"
LAST SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

"Who knoweth whether Thou art
Come to the Kingdom for such a
Time as This"—Ezra, Chapter IV,
Verse 14.



ESTHER the beauti-
ful was the wife of
Ahasuerus the
abominable. The
time had come for
her to present a
petition to her in-
famous husband in
behalf of the Jew-
ish nation, to which
she had once be-
longed. She was
afraid to undertake the work,
lest she should lose her own
life; but her cousin, Mordecai,
had brought her up, encouraged her
with the suggestion that probably she
had been raised up of God for that
peculiar mission. "Who knoweth whether
thou art come to the kingdom for
such a time as this?"

Esther had her God-appointed work.
You and I have ours. It is my busi-
ness to tell you what style of men and
women you ought to be in order that
you meet the demand of the age in
which God has cast your lot. So this
discourse will not deal with the tech-
nicities, but only with the practical-
ities. When two armies have rushed
into battle, the officers of either army
do not want a philosophical discussion
about the chemical properties of hu-
man blood or the nature of gunpowder;
they want some one to man the bat-
teries and take out the guns. And
now, when all the forces of light and
darkness, of heaven and hell, have
plunged into the fight, it is no time
to give ourselves to the definitions and
formulas and technicalities and con-
ventionalities of religion. What we
want is practical, earnest, concentra-
ted, enthusiastic and triumphant help.

In the first place, in order to meet
the special demand of this age, you
need to be an unmistakable, aggressive
Christian. Of half-and-half Christians
we do not want any more. The church
of Jesus Christ will be better without
them. They are the chief obstacle to
the church's advancement. I am
speaking of another kind of Christian.
All the appliances for your becoming
an earnest Christian are at your hand,
and there is a straight path for you
into the broad daylight of God's for-
giveness. You may this moment be
the bondmen of the world, and the
next moment you may be princes of
the Lord God Almighty. You remem-
ber what excitement there was in this
country, years ago, when the Prince of
Wales came here—how the people
rushed out by hundreds of thousands
to see him. Why? Because they ex-
pected that some day he would sit up-
on the throne of England. But what
was all that honor compared with the
honor to which God calls you—to be
sons and daughters of the Lord Al-
mighty; yea, to be queens and kings
with God. "They shall reign with him
forever and forever."

I was once amid the wonderful, be-
witching cactus growths of North Car-
olina. I never was more bewildered
with the beauty of flowers, and yet
when I would take up one of these
cactuses and pill the leaves apart the
beauty was all gone. You could harp-
ily tell that it had ever been a flower.
And there are a great many Christian
people in this day just pulling apart
their Christian experiences to see what
there is in them, and there is nothing
left in them.

This style of self-examination is a
damage instead of an advantage to
their Christian character. I remember
when I was a boy I used to have a
small piece in the garden that I called
my own, and I planted corn there, and
every few days I would pull it up to
see how fast it was growing. Now,
there are a great many Christian peo-
ple in this day whose self-examination
merely amounts to the pulling up of
that which they only yesterday or the
day before planted. Oh, my friends,
if you want to have a stalwart Chris-
tian character, plant it right out of
doors in the great field of Christian
usefulness, and though storms may
come upon it, and though the hot sun
of trial may try to consume it, it will
thrive until it becomes a great tree,
in which the fowls of heaven may have
their habitation. I have no patience
with these flower-pot Christians. They
keep themselves under shelter, and
all their Christian experience in a
small, exclusive circle, when they
ought to plant it in the great garden
of the Lord, so that the whole atmos-
phere could be aromatic with their
Christian usefulness. What we want
in the church of God is more strength
of piety. The century plant is won-
derfully suggestive and wonderfully
beautiful, but I never look at it with-
out thinking of its parsimony. It lets
whole generations go by before it puts
forth one blossom; so I have really
more admiration when I see the dewy
tears in the blue eyes of the violets,
for they come every spring. My Chris-
tian friends, time is going by so rap-
idly that we can not afford to be idle.

Again, if you want to be qualified to
meet the duties which this age de-
mands of you, you must, on one hand,
avoid reckless iconoclasm, and, on the
other hand, not stick too much to
things because they are old. The air
is full of new plans, new projects, new
theories of government, new theologies,
and I am amazed to see how so many
Christians want only novelty in order
to recommend a thing to their con-
science; and so they vacillate and swing
to and fro, and they are useless and
they are unhappy. New plans—secu-
lar, ethical, philosophical, religious,
eco-Atlantic, trans-Atlantic—long
enough to make a line reaching from
the German universities to Great Salt

Lake City. Ah, my brother, do not
take hold of a thing merely because it
is new! Try it by the realities of the
Judgment Day. But, on the other
hand, do not adhere to anything mere-
ly because it is old. There is not a
single enterprise of the church or the
world but has sometimes been scoffed
at! There was a time when men de-
rided even Bible societies, and when a
few young men met in Massachusetts
and organized the first missionary so-
ciety ever organized in this country,
there went laughter and ridicule all
around the Christian church. They
said the undertaking was preposterous.
And so also the work of Jesus Christ
was assailed. People cried out, "Who
ever heard of such theories of ethics
and government? Who ever noticed
such a style of preaching as Jesus
has?" Ezekiel had talked of mysteri-
ous wings and wheels. Here came a
man from Capernaum and Gennesaret
and He drew His illustrations from the
lakes, from the sand, from the moun-
tain, from the hills, from the corn-
stalks. How the Pharisees scoffed!
How Herod derided! And this Jesus
they plucked by the beard and they
spat in His face and they called Him
"this fellow!" All the great enter-
prises in and out of the church have
at times been scoffed at, and there have
been a great multitude who have
thought that the chariot of God's
truth would fall to pieces if it once
got out of the old rut. And so there are
those who have no patience with any-
thing like improvement in church
architecture, or with anything like
good, hearty, earnest church singing,
and they deride any form of religious
discussion which goes down walking
among everyday men, rather than that
which makes an excursion of rhetori-
cal shifts. Oh, that the church of God
would wake up to an adaptability of
work! We must admit the simple fact
that the churches of Jesus Christ in
this day do not reach the great masses.
There are fifty thousand people in Ed-
inburgh who never hear the Gospel.
There are one million people in Lon-
don who never hear the Gospel. The
great majority of the inhabitants of
this capital come not under the im-
mediate ministrations of Christ's truth,
and the Church of God in this day,
instead of being a place full of living
epistles, known and read of all men,
is more like a dead-letter postoffice.

"But," say the people, "the world is
going to be converted; you must be pa-
tient; the kingdoms of this world are
to become the kingdoms of Christ."
Never, unless the church of Jesus
Christ puts on more speed and energy.
Instead of the church converting the
world, the world is converting the
church. Here is a great fortress.
How shall it be taken? An army
comes and sits around about it, cuts
off the supplies, and says: "Now we
will just wait until from exhaustion
and starvation they will have to give
up." Weeks and months, and perhaps
a year pass along, and finally the for-
tress surrenders through that starva-
tion and exhaustion. But, my friends,
the fortresses of sin are never to be
taken in that way. If they are taken
for God it will be by storm; you will
have to bring up the great siege guns
of the Gospel to the very wall and
wheel the flying artillery into line, and
when the armed infantry of heaven
shall confront the battlements you will
have to give the quick command:
"Forward! Charge!"

Ah, my friends, there is work for you
to do and for me to do in order to this
grand accomplishment. I have a pul-
pit, I preach in it; your pulpit is the
bank. Your pulpit is the score. Your
pulpit is the editorial chair. Your pul-
pit is the arvil. Your pulpit is the
house of scaffolding. You pulpit is the
mechanic's shop. I may stand in my
place and, through cowardice or
through self-seeking, may keep back
the word I ought to utter; while you,
with sleeve rolled up and brow be-
sweated with toil, may utter the word
that will jar the foundations of
heaven with the shout of a great vic-
tory. Oh, that we might all feel that
the Lord Almighty is putting upon us
the hands of ordination! I tell you,
every one, go forth and preach this
Gospel. You have as much right to
preach as I have or any man living.

Hedley Weirs was a wicked man in
the English army. The grace of God
came to him. He became an earnest
and eminent Christian. They scoffed
at him and said: "You are a hypocrite,
you are as bad as ever you were."
Still he kept his faith in Christ, and
after a while, finding that they could
not turn him aside by calling him a
hypocrite, they said to him: "Oh, you
are nothing but a Methodist!" This
did not disturb him. He went on per-
forming his Christian duty until he
had formed all his troops into a Bible
class, and the whole encampment was
shaken with the presence of God. So
Havelock went into the heathen tem-
ple in India while the English army
was there and put a candle into the
hand of each of the heathen gods that
stood around in the heathen temple,
and by the light of those candles held
up by the idols Gen. Havelock preach-
ed righteousness, temperance, and
judgment to come. And who will say
on earth or in heaven that Havelock
had not the right to preach? In the
minister's house where I prepared for
college there worked a man by the
name of Peter Croy. He could neither
read nor write, but he was a man of
God. Often theologians would stop
in the house—grave theologians—and
family prayer Peter Croy would be
called upon to lead; and all those wise
men sat around, wonder-struck at his
religious efficiency. When he prayed
he reached up and seemed to take hold
of the very throne of the Almighty,
and he talked with God until the very
heavens were bowed down into the
sitting-room. Oh, if I were dying I
would rather have plain Peter Croy
kneel by my bedside and commend my
immortal spirit to God than the great-
est archbishop arrayed in costly canon-

icals. Go preach this Gospel. You
say you are not licensed. In the name
of the Lord Almighty, I license you.
Go preach this Gospel, preach it in the
Sabbath schools, in the prayer-meet-
ings, in the highways, in the hedges.
Woe be unto you if you preach it not!
I prepare this sermon because I
want to encourage all Christian work-
ers in every possible department.
Hosts of the living God, march on!
march on! His spirit will bless you.
His shield will defend you. His
sword will strike for you. March on!
march on! The despots will burn his
idols, and paganism will burn his
idols, and Mahometanism will give up
its false prophet, and the great walls of
superstition will come down in thun-
der and wreck at the long loud blast
of the Gospel trumpet. March on!
march on! The besiegement will soon
be ended. Only a few more steps on
the long way; only a few more sturdy
blows; only a few more battle cries,
then God will put the laurels upon
your brow, and from the living founda-
tion of heaven will bathe on the sweat
and the heat and the dust of the con-
flict. March on! march on! For you
the time for work will soon be passed,
and amid the outfashings of the judg-
ment throne and the trumpeting of
resurrection angels and the upheaving
of a world of graves, and the bosanna
and the groaning of the saved and the
lost, we shall be rewarded for our
faithfulness or punished for our stupid-
ity. Blessed be the Lord God of Israel
from everlasting to everlasting, and let
the whole earth be filled with his
glory. Amen and amen.

FEW SHUT DOORS.

Why the People in Canada Leave
Them Open.

Canadians are known in Britain as
the people who never shut doors, says
the Montreal Witness. Where rooms
are heated, as they are there, by grate
fires, the opening of a door sets up an
immediate draught, and if the person
who opens it does not close it again he
quickly realizes his mistake, and not in
his own sensations, then in the reproach-
ful glances of others. The first les-
son in manners taught to children is
to shut the door, and that quietly.
The door handle, the child is taught,
is not only for the purpose of opening
a door, but of shutting it. The reason
why Canadians do not learn to shut
doors is that their doors, for the most
part, stand open. The houses are
heated with a general heat, and be-
fore the days of furnaces, unless the
doors of the room stood open, the
rooms would, for the most part, get
cold. Thus has grown the habit of
leaving doors open. When a Canadian
comes to shut a door, he is prone to
think that something very private is
going on within which he must not
disturb, and his first impulse is to re-
frain from it. Where we in Canada
have a door which we want kept shut
we put a spring on it, and so where
there are many offices there is usually
a general and constant slamming of
doors. To one not accustomed to the
jarring thus occasioned the result is
torment. In time kindly nature steps
in and mitigates the evil by making
the auditory nerve less and less sus-
ceptible to an accustomed sound. Ask
a person who lives in a cathedral
close, or under the shadow of one of
our great churches, whether the bells
do not disturb him; his reply is: "Bells?
I never hear them."

COOLNESS IN THE PULPIT.

Probably Saved a Congregation from
Panic and Disaster.

Already vastly popular with his con-
gregation, Rev. Arthur Wellwood of
Brooklyn, raised himself still higher
in general estimation on a recent
Sunday when his coolness in the pres-
ence of danger probably averted a
wild stampede from the Church of the
Incarnation. Although there were in-
dications of impending disaster, the
people, acting upon his advice, fled
out of the church in an orderly man-
ner to find a fire engine pouring water
into the cellar through a front win-
dow. Shortly after 11 o'clock smoke
began to pour up through the regis-
ters. The assistant pastor, Rev. Ar-
thur Wellwood, went down to the cel-
lar to see if the furnace was smoking.
He was alarmed to find the cellar full
of smoke, so dense that he could not
go inside. He ran out and turned in
an alarm. Then he walked rapidly up
the aisle, and after whispering to the
officiating clergyman, said aloud: "The
furnace seems to be smoking worse
than usual. I think the congregation
had better retire to allow us to open
the windows." The people, assured by
his calmness, retired in good order, but
became somewhat alarmed when they
saw the engines and firemen in the
street.

It Applied to Both.

Mr. Justice Maule once went on cir-
cuit with Judge Coleridge in a part of
the country where the high sheriff was
a shy and modest man and very much
alarmed at having to entertain his
cynical lordship. Coming home in his
coach with the two judges, he thought
it his duty to make conversation for
them. He observed that he hoped
there would be better weather, as the
moon had changed. "And are you
such a fool, Mr. Jones, as to imagine
that the moon has any effect on the
weather?" said Coleridge. "Really, Broth-
er Maule," said Coleridge, who was
politeness itself, "you are very hard
upon our friend. For my part, I
think the moon has a considerable ef-
fect upon it." "Then," said Maule,
"you are as great a fool as Jones is."
After which conversation in the sher-
iff's carriage languished.—Rochester
Democrat and Recorder.

It rains on an average 208 days in the
year in Ireland, about 150 in England,
at Kesan about ninety days, and in St.
baria only sixty days.

ARE YOU TO LIVE IN ALASKA?

Some Requirements That Will Be Found
Indispensable.

The universal article of diet in that
country, depended upon and indispensa-
ble, is bread or biscuit. And to make
the bread and biscuit, either in the
camp or upon the trail, yeast cannot be
used—it must be baking powder; and
the powder manufactured by the pro-
cesses of the Royal Baking Powder
Company, miners and prospectors have
learned, is the only one which will
stand in that peculiar climate of cold
and dampness and raise the bread and
biscuit satisfactorily.

These facts are very important for
every one proposing to go to Alaska
and the Yukon country to know, for
should he be persuaded by some out-
rigger to take one of the cheap brands
of baking powder, it will cost just as
much to transport it, and then when
he opens it for use, after all his labor
in packing it over the long and difficult
route, he will find a solid caked mass
or a lot of spoiled powder, with no
strength and useless. Such a mistake
might lead to the most serious results.
Alaska is no place in which to experi-
ment in food, or try to economize with
your stomach. For use in such a
climate, and under the trying and
fatiguing conditions of life and labor
in that country, everything must be
the best and most useful, and above
all it is imperative that all food sup-
plies shall have perfect keeping qual-
ities. It is absurd to convey over such
difficult and expensive routes, an article
that will deteriorate in transit, or
that will be found when required for
use to have lost a great part of its
value.

There is no better guide to follow in
these matters than the advice of those
who have gone through similar experi-
ence. Mr. McQuesten, who is called
"the father of Alaska," after an experi-
ence of years upon the trail, in the
camp, and in the use of every kind of
supply, says: "We find in Alaska that
the importance of a proper kind of
baking powder cannot be overesti-
mated. A miner with a can of bad
baking powder is almost helpless in
Alaska. We have tried all sorts, and
have been obliged to settle down to use
nothing but the Royal. It is stronger
and carries further at first, but above
all things, it is the only powder that
will endure the severe climatic changes
of the arctic region."

It is for the same reasons that the
United States government in its relief
expeditions, and Peary, the famous
arctic traveler, have carried the Royal
Baking Powder exclusively.

The Royal Baking Powder will not
cake nor lose its strength either on
board ship or in damp climates, and is
the most highly concentrated and effi-
cient of leavening agents. Hence it is
indispensable to every Alaskan outfit.
It can be had of any of the trading
companies in Alaska, but should the
miner procure his supplies before leav-
ing, he should resist every attempt of
the outfitter to palm off upon him any
of the other brands of baking pow-
der, for they will spoil and prove the
cause of great disappointment and
trouble.

PEDLERS IN MEXICO.

Why an Old Woman Wouldn't Sell All
Her Honey at One Time.

"While traveling in Mexico a few
years ago I had a funny experience
with a Mexican vender which goes to
show what little business ability the
lower classes have," said E. F. Gul-
ligton of St. Louis. "I was en route
to look at some mines away up in the
mountains. At the station where we
left the train to take the stage I saw
an old woman selling some honey. She
did not have more than ten pounds of
it altogether and as it looked so good
I wanted to buy it all to take along with
us. I asked our interpreter to buy it.
Much to my surprise the old woman
would sell him but two boxes, claim-
ing that if she sold it all to him she
would have nothing to sell to other
people, neither would she have any-
thing else to do during the remainder
of the day!"

FADS IN FLOWERS.

Florists' shops abroad are much dif-
ferent from the ones in this
country. In London, for ex-
ample, funeral wreaths and em-
blems are displayed in the windows,
with their prices attached. Some are
attractive, others very hideous. Lichen
is fashionable there for crosses and
wreaths, and from this grisly-gray
background calla lilies and white roses
peer.

See pieces, the "gates ajar," broken
columns and floral pillows, are always
painful, for, in the first place, the nat-
ural grace and beauty of the flowers is
destroyed, and in the next there is no
excuse for the emblems. Flowers for
the dead should be scattered in care-
less handfuls—then only are they com-
forters, with their graceful beauty un-
impaired. The modern custom of add-
ing to a death notice the words,
"Friends will please omit flowers," may
be traced to the reluctance of the sur-
vivors to be confronted with those
ghastly set pieces which have raged so
long.

The best artists have always recog-
nized that flowers should be arranged
to arrange themselves. Basketfuls, ar-
ranged or great bunches of loose flowers
are justifiable, but crushing their beau-
ty into any systematized outline is un-
forgivable. Florists abroad have a
frightful habit of "making up" bouton-
niers for men's coats, and these bunches
of three or four violets a spray of fern
and a branch of forget-me-nots are
seen on the lapels of the men who do
not appreciate true fitness. A single
gardenia tuberose or a knot of mignone-
tis is better than one of these horri-
ble mixtures.

STAND SQUARELY

Demand honest shoes for your honest dollars. There are no shoemakers' tricks—No weak spots—No hidden bad work about the

J. B. LEWIS CO'S
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Every stitch is honest. Every shoe is stamped "Lewis." Made by J. B. LEWIS CO., Boston, Mass.

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Self Setting MOLE TRAP

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DETROIT, Grand Rapids & West

NOV. 21, 1897.

GOING EAST	A. M.	P. M.
Grand Rapids	7:00	1:30
Lansing	7:30	2:01
Salmon	8:54	3:20
PLYMOUTH	10:30	5:10
Ann Arbor	10:50	5:30
DETROIT	11:40	6:20
GOING WEST	A. M.	P. M.
DETROIT	8:00	1:18
PLYMOUTH	8:45	1:49
Salmon	9:01	2:07
Lansing	10:25	3:34
Lansing	12:17	4:40
Ann Arbor	1:00	5:20
Grand Rapids	1:00	5:20

ED. PELTON, Agent, Plymouth.

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F. & P. M. R. R.

TIME TABLE.

In effect Nov. 14, 1897.

Trains leave Plymouth as follows:

STANDARD TIME	STANDARD TIME
Train No. 4, 10:30 a. m.	Train 1, 9:10 a. m.
" No. 5, 9:20 p. m.	" 2, 9:10 a. m.
" No. 6, 8:45 p. m.	" 3, 2:05 p. m.
" No. 10, 6:30 a. m.	" 4, 7:30 p. m.

Trains No. 3 and 8 run through to Alpena.

Train No. 1 connects at Ludington with steamer for Mackinac and

Train No. 4 connects at Ludington with steamer for Milwaukee, (during season of navigation), making connections for all points West and Northwest.

Sleeping Parlor Cars between Alpena, Bay City, Saginaw and Detroit.

Train No. 8 runs daily, from Bay City to Detroit. On Western Division it runs daily, except Sunday. Connections made at Port Huron and Detroit. Union depot for all points South, Canada and the East.

For further information see Time Card of the company.

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Single copies 3 Cents.

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ards of Thanks sets
Resolutions of Condolence sets
and notices set a word; in locals sets a word.
Reading notice where charges are made sets a line.

Friday, February 28, 1898.

FAR AND NEAR!

IMPORTANT EVENTS FROM OUR EXCHANGE

CONDENSED AND RECORDED HERE.

Work has commenced on the new depot at Brighton.

J. D. Perry, of Elm, has been granted a patent on a potato digger.

A Farmington merchant tailor is advertising full suits right in the dead of winter. Work on the new bank building at Farmington has been progressing as rapidly as possible.

Phil Sweet, of Salem, fell from a horse one day last week, and sustained a fracture of the leg just above the ankle.

There is some talk of pushing Mark S. Brewer for the patent commissionership made vacant by the death of Hon. Benj. Butterworth.

Pontiac will vote by a machine this year. We do not mean by this that the candidates were not elected by a political machine before, but they will have an Abbott voting machine this year.

Some fine races have been held on Walnut lake the past week, there being 12 or 13 horses competing. No admission fee was charged and of course a large number of spectators was present.

A Birmingham report says that it is an assured fact that the Detroit and Novi Toll Road Co. will construct a trolley line to Orchard Lake. Supt. Frank D. Clark says contracts have been made for the proposed road.

Jacob Bullock, of Salem, has accepted the position as overseer at the retired minister's home in Fentonville. His friends gave him a pleasant surprise one day last week. He left this week to begin his duties.

Will Larabee, of Britton, met with a very serious if not fatal accident in a Britton saw mill Wednesday week. The small circular saw above the large one flew off the shaft and struck him in the left breast, tearing a fearful wound, exposing his heart to view, and cutting his wrist very badly.

Last week the examination of Bert Ryan, Will O'Neil and Charles Calkins, alleged Holly incendiaries, was completed before Justice Mathews and the respondents held for trial in the circuit court. Fred Briggs, a witness in the case, testified that the three tried to hire him to set some of the fires.

Milan has a sweet factory. It manufactures syrup out of beets—not the dead kind, but the real live, red kind that taste so good in the morning, soaked in vinegar, after being out with the boys. Whaley Bros. have been experimenting and claim the syrup cannot be equalled. They will manufacture it the coming summer.

A Durand man owed a Flushing man a sum of money, and the Flushing man after writing several letters went to Durand to try and collect it. The Durand man claimed he had sent the money and triumphantly brought out a postoffice money order to prove it. He thought that the money had been sent and that the order was a receipt from the postmaster. This is most as good as the case of the man who dropped a letter into the letter box and after waiting a moment said, "What wonderful inventions they have nowadays, I suppose for instance that that letter is half way to Detroit by this time."

As a result of the laying up of several freight trains at this point the first of the week the town, for a couple of days, was full of hobos of all ages, sizes and degrees. On Monday night, twelve of the unwashed gentry were locked up in the "cooler"—which in this case was a warmer—and probably as many more sought cover in the vicinity of the depot. On Tuesday night there were nine in Marshal Smith's custody, but the number has fallen off largely since. Milford is a favorite point for tramps and will continue to be as long as the town treats them better than do neighboring towns—Milford Times.

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Song of the Business Man.

Ab, the dreamers see it clearly, we are voluntary slaves,
And a cruel master mocks us, while we dig each other's graves;
We can hear him haily, hourly, as he cries in accents stern:
"In the market men must murder, and be murdered in their turn.
No, I cannot rise while hunger's phantom fills my soul with dread;
And I am bound by tender ties, my wife and children must be fed.
There are thousands pledged to me, I must fight as others fight,
And I dare not be a dreamer, though the dreamers see aright."

On Friday, of last week, a tramp espied Harmon Fuller's coat hanging on a fence and appropriated it to his own use. Harmon's usual "inside" coat was a militia that day, and securing the services of Deputy Sheriff Coy they started in pursuit of the fugitive. He, in company with two others, was overtaken near the county farm. They were arraigned before Justice Deming and sent to the Detroit house of correction for 90 days each.—Wayne Review.

Here is what John Wannamaker, the most successful merchant in this country, says about advertising: "I never in my life used such a thing as a poster or dodger or handbill. My plan for twenty years has been to buy so much space in the newspaper and fill it up as I wanted. I would not give an advertisement in a newspaper of five hundred circulation for five thousand dodgers and posters. If I wanted to sell cheap jewelry or run a gambling scheme I might use posters, but I deal directly with the publisher. I owe my success to the newspapers, and to them I freely give a certain profit of my yearly business." Mr. Wannamaker spent \$100,000 last year in newspaper advertising and says he will spend more than that this year.

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BULLET PROOF.

A Remarkable Cloth Tested That Comes Very Close to It.

This week there is to be a further test in Chicago of the power of Ziegler's bullet-proof cloth to resist the steel-jacketed missiles of the Krag-Jorgensen rifle. The test will be made in the presence of the German and Austrian consuls by their request. Last week the first test was made by two soldiers from Fort Sheridan. Col. Hall, the commandant of the post; Lieut. Col. Carpenter and a number of other officers were present. It was the first time that the army's new rifle had been tried against any of the so-called bullet-proof cloths, and the officers were quite confident that the "gun would win. Lieut. Sarnecki attached the cloth, which measured twenty-four by sixteen inches, to the wooden figure of a man which is used by the soldiers of the fort as a target. The shot, that fired was at 400 yards distance, and the bullet fell to the ground twisted after tearing a hole half an inch deep in the cloth. At 250 yards the bullet penetrated the cloth a quarter of an inch and stuck. At 200 yards the bullet went in deeper, and at 150 yards it went half way through. At 100 yards the bullet passed through its head projecting a sixteenth of an inch. The army officers were much impressed by the tests, but say that the cloth cannot be made into uniforms on account of its weight. The piece used in the tests weighed fourteen pounds. Besides, the shock of impact would be sufficient to kill a man, even though the ball did not break the skin. The Krag-Jorgensen is the most powerful of modern rifles and will kill a man two miles away. It is thought that Ziegler's cloth may be utilized to make shields for Gatling and other machine guns.

THROWN ON THE WORLD.

Widows and Daughters Paying for Previous Extravagance.

A visitor in one of the government offices where women are employed in one of our cities was conducted by the superintendent, an old man with large experience. The last room inspected was filled with women at work, says the Youth's Companion.

The visitor remarked: "This is a higher class of women than that employed at the same work in some other kind of business. These women have been educated and have refined faces and voices. I should judge they are not used to manual labor of any kind."

"They are not," was the reply. "In almost every case they are the widows or daughters of men whose income died with them, but who, while living, gave to their families luxuries beyond their means."

"That young girl by the window was in fashionable society in New York two years ago. Her father, with a salary of \$5,000, lived beyond his means. The woman in mourning is a widow of a physician whose income averaged \$6,000. He probably spent \$8,000."

"That pale girl is the daughter of a master builder, who lived comfortably among his old friends until he was seized with political ambition. He moved into a fine house, had his carriage, servants and gave balls. He died and his daughter earns \$12 a week on which she supports her mother. There is hardly a woman here who is not the victim of the vulgar ambition which makes a family ape its wealthier neighbors in its outlay."

"That is an ambition not peculiar to us Americans," said the visitor.

"It is more common among us because in other countries social position depends upon birth, while here it is usually fixed by money. How many families in every class do you know who are pretending to a larger pecuniary wealth than they have?"

SAVAGES.

The American Indians Make Dainty Silver Trinkets of Mexican Dollars.

An exhibit which usually surprises the visitor at the National Museum in Washington is the group showing the American Indian working in silver at a forge of his own contriving.

Contrary to popular supposition, the Indian is a very clever workman, in metals. Some of the amulets, armlets and buttons found in the possession of the far Western Indians are of excellent finish and workmanship. The Indian loves ornaments and delights to deck the blankets and buckskin robe of his young son with silver trinkets.

His bullion is the Mexican dollar, and he uses a rude forge fitted with bellows made of buffalo skin. They generally have two pairs of bellows, which, being worked alternately, furnish a steady draught.

Some of the designs wrought upon these rude silver buttons prove that the Indian is far from an unimaginative being. It is clear that he has more conception of the beauties of nature than most of his critics would admit.

The use of the blow-pipe is not unfamiliar to the Indians. They make use of it to braze the eyelets of buttons. The lamp used for this purpose is very crude, consisting of a rag damped with tallow, placed in an open dish of metal or stone. As the Indians have been gathered into reservations they have lost the use of even these rude mechanical arts, and the practice is now confined to a few in the mountains of Northwestern Mexico. Here an occasional rude forge may still be found, and its output of forged silver trinkets still passes from hand to hand. Dishes are sometimes made of silver by hammering out a dollar very thin and then pressing it against a design already cut in stone.

MAKING MONEY IN A NEW TOWN

And It Wasn't Far Out of the Ground Either.

White Pine, Nev. was almost unknown to the world until one day in 1859, when a prospector struck it rich—so rich that the story of his discovery could not be kept secret, and the whole western country was interested in the developments that followed. Six months after that memorable strike one point in the camp—Treasure hill—had a population of 20,000, and the whole district was the scene of a memorable bonanza excitement.

As usual in such booms the gamblers followed the rush for the new camp, and among them were two young men who came originally from Illinois, and who were introduced as "Jeff" and "Al" Hankins. The newcomers opened an establishment on a modest scale in a business block, upstairs, and got along so well that they soon brought out their brother, George, as assistant.

The three brothers continued in business until an accident happened which brought them prosperity and changed their plans so radically that they felt justified in moving to Chicago. According to an old miner who knew the boys at the time, Jeff and Al had been away on business. Returning to the camp by stage the rig was upset and both the boys were thrown out. Jeff had his leg broken and Al turned up in camp the next day carrying a cane and showing symptoms of suffering when anybody was around to observe.

"Things went along this way until time came for the trial of suits for injury brought by the Hankinses against the Stage company. They both proved that they had received serious and permanent injuries in the accident, and that the Stage company was responsible for them. The jury returned in favor of the plaintiffs. Jeff got \$15,000 and Al \$8,000. Just as soon as the company had settled with them Al had one of the most remarkably sudden recoveries on record. It is currently believed in White Pine to this day that Al threw his cane away within thirty seconds after he was paid, but of course this is only gossip. Anyway, it was only a short time afterward that they all went to Chicago and opened up the establishment that became famous.

Excursion Rates South Via Ohio Central Lines.

Homeseekers' Excursion tickets will be sold by the Ohio Central Feb 14th, 15th, and Feb 28th, March 1st, 1898.

One-Way Settlers' tickets will be sold by the Ohio Central at greatly reduced rates on the same dates.

For further particulars, call on or address agents of the Ohio Central Lines.

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Notable Typewriters.

In the Strand Magazine there is an article concerning the origin of the typewriter, in which many interesting facts are stated. The writer says:

There have been many curious and beautiful machines constructed from time to time to the order of various people, or for presentation. Perhaps the most elaborate typewriter ever produced was that made for the Czars of Russia. All parts of the machine ordinarily black were enameled blue, and these portions of the frame work usually "filled with gold" were inlaid with mother-of-pearl. The keys were of African ivory and the bright parts of solid gold. A similar machine was presented on the wedding day to the Duchess of York, and another was recently made to order for the Khedive of Egypt. The Queen also possesses an extremely elaborate typewriter. It is a "bar-lock" key-eyed, gold-plated throughout, and very beautifully engraved.

An extraordinarily curious machine was that made for Li Jang Chang. It was fitted with twenty sets of characters—eighteen inscribed in all—each of which, as no dice were available, had to be engraved by hand. Apropos of this remarkable machine, its introduction into the country was followed by the appearance in London of an enterprising Chinese, who, upon forming a company for the sale of typewriters of the Chinese make, according to this gentleman, it is quite possible to write the Chinese language, or, at all events, a sort of modified phonographic version of it, with as few as 250 characters. The machine he proposed to manufacture, and for which he asserted there would be a ready sale, in the Flowery Kingdom, were to have been about five times the width of an ordinary typewriter, and the said price was to have been one thousand pounds apiece. The English capitalists, however, failed to "bite" and China still does its writing in the old-fashioned way.

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Just 1-2 Price,

Remember Take Your Choice.

\$20 Cloaks for
15 Cloaks for
12 Cloaks for
10 Cloaks for

\$10
7.50
6.00
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8 Cloaks for
6 Cloaks for
4 Cloaks for

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3.00
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Strong, steady nerves
Are needed for success
Everywhere. Nerves
Depend simply, solely,
Upon the blood.
Pure, rich, nourishing
Blood feeds the nerves
And makes them strong.
The great nerve tonic is
Hood's Sarsaparilla,
Because it makes
The blood rich and
Pure, giving it power
To feed the nerves.
Hood's Sarsaparilla
Cures nervousness,
Dyspepsia, rheumatism,
Catarrh, scrofula,
And all forms of
Impure blood.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS AND PERSONAL MENTION

What Our Scribe Gathered on the Out side.—Other News Items.

Clover threshers were in this vicinity the first of the week.

Richard Smye, who has been sick the past two weeks, is now able to sit up.

Ernest Hudson accepted a position last Monday morning as fireman on the F. & P. M. railroad.

Jolliffe Bros. had some cheese on exhibition at Ypsilanti the first of the week at the dairy meeting.

Mr. Botsford has moved into the Scotten house and has commenced his duties as checker at the F. & P. M. depot.

"Bill" Robinson took a load of young folks out to Garfield's, near Northville, last Friday night for a dance. All report an enjoyable time.

Several Plymouth people attended the farmer's institute at Wyandotte Wednesday and Thursday, a pleasant and profitable meeting is reported.

Geo. A. Starkweather intends to build a residence on Mill street, the first of the spring. His foreman intends to occupy it. The announcements are not out.

The social given by the C. E. last Friday night at Henry Springer's was well attended and all enjoyed a good time and a good supper. They cleared nine dollars.

The Record last week printed a picture of one of Harry German's Light Brahma prize winners. From the picture one would judge the fowl was just recovering from the cholera.

Martin S. Stringer, who is now residing in Belleville was united in marriage the first of the week with Florence M. Miller, of the same place. They have the best wishes of his many Plymouth friends.

Many of our townsmen have the "trotting horse fever." There are now about a dozen swift horses of good breeding owned about here. We may be able to announce the organization of a track association in the near future.

During the past week all trains have been delayed on account of snow drifts. Monday night's nine o'clock train did not arrive until five o'clock Tuesday morning, and when it did it was a shining mass of ice, caused by snow and condensed steam.

A writer in Scientific American says he has cleared his place of vermin by making whitewash yellow of coppers and covering the stones and rafters in the cellar of it. In every crevice in which a rat might go he put the coppers and scattered it in the corner of the floor. The result was a complete disappearance of rats and mice. Since that time a mouse nor rat has been seen near the house. Every spring the cellar is coated with yellow whitewash as a purifier, a rat exterminator, and no typhoid, dysentery or fever attacks the family.

Additional local on first page.

Spring.
The robin, as a harbinger,
Now finds his prestige dead;
For—lo—the baseball manager
Is out some months ahead.

THE MAIL office would accept some good wood on subscription.

The "Hoyt's A Black Sheep Co" passed through town Tuesday in their special car. Fred Waite, engineer on No. 55 on the F. & P. M., is laid up with rheumatism at his home.

When you want anything in the printing line, call at the old reliable Mail office and get the best.

Hotel Plymouth still continues to improve its facilities for accommodating guests. A commodious bath room is being added.

Why not make an effort to get the Wayne County teachers' institute? The committee is now looking for a suitable place for holding it.

The amount of business done at the Plymouth post office last year was \$2,782.99. The receipts for the month of January last year exceeded the same month this year, \$89.48.

The Plymouth Fair association will hold their annual meeting at the Business Men's club rooms on Tuesday, Feb. 8th, at 2 o'clock p. m. All stockholders are requested to be present.

Chicken thieves visited Chas. Grainger's coop last week, and the next morning tracks were measured and compared with those of an old gentleman, and exactly fitted. He settled and no arrests will be made.

Give the boy a "weekly allowance," increase it by all means; but don't insult him by making him think he had to earn it, and he will grow to manhood thinking the world owes him a living and he does not have to work for it.

Last Friday was the 10th anniversary of Miss Lillie Streng and it was fittingly celebrated by a party. Ten of her little schoolmate friends were invited, and an excellent time was enjoyed by the little folks. An elegant repast was served by Landlord and Mrs. Streng.

The tendency of work is to promote and sustain the mental and physical organization in an uninterrupted action of health, until it shall be broken up and dissolved by death. Man is kept in life by work, and dies either because he will not or because he cannot work—Bate.

The donation for Rev. J. B. Oliver last Friday evening was largely attended and netted that estimable gentleman about \$80. Mr. Oliver is an earnest and conscientious worker and we are glad to note the fact that the people so liberally responded.

To-night at the M. E. church will occur the second lecture on the Epworth League lecture course by Prof. R. S. Copeland. Mr. Copeland is an eloquent and talented speaker and all should turn out and hear, and thereby not only benefit yourself, but help a worthy organization.

An exchange moralizes as follows: "It is not what people eat, but what they digest that makes them strong. It is not what they gain, but what they save that makes them rich. It is not what they read, but what they remember that makes them learned. It is not what they confess, but what they practice that makes them righteous."

Rev. Charles Y. Abrahamson, of Smyrna, Turkey, interested the audiences at the Methodist church last Sunday morning and evening. His theme in the evening was "The Armenians as they were and are." He drew a graphic picture of his countrymen and the wrongs and indignities they have suffered at the hands of the Turks, and of which he has been a personal witness. Monday evening he gave, at the same place, a lecture on "The social and home life of the Turks."

The musical given by the pupils of Miss Clara E. Moll, assisted by Mrs. Ed. Pelton and E. C. Plough, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Pelton, was a success in every particular. The house was filled to its fullest capacity, and all thoroughly enjoyed the program rendered by the young people. The closing song was given by June, the 2½-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pelton, who can rightly be called a youthful prodigy. She sang two pieces with piano accompaniment, keeping perfect time and singing in a clear voice.

Friendship.
A friend in need's a friend indeed—
A fact we should take heed of—
That is, provided that he thinks
You've got what he's in need of.

Genuine winter weather the past week. Winter wheat is reported in excellent condition.

H. B. Jolliffe was in Detroit yesterday on business.

A. J. Lapham has a change of adv. this week. Read it.

W. N. Wherry has about 5,000 mole traps in course of construction.

John Singe is again able to take his place in Markham's air rifle works.

A. J. Lapham is striking hard and deep on prices. See his price list in this issue.

Election of village officers comes on late in the month as it possibly can this year—March 14th.

Look out for winter flow. The groundhog saw his shadow last Wednesday. This is an old tradition.

The workmen's caucus will be held at village hall on Thursday evening, March 3d, at 7:30 p. m. sharp.

The new postal card issued by the government is the same size as the old one but has a much neater heading.

—One fourth off on brushes, mirrors, papeterie, novels, school supplies and playing cards, at A. M. Potter's.

Water pipes around the village are causing much trouble during this cold weather. Plumbers are kept busy.

A. M. Potter is bound to sell his property and migrate for the west. This will make a good investment for someone.

C. Wilbur, of Farmington, is learning banking at the Plymouth Savings bank, preparatory to going into the new Farmington bank.

Dan Smith has remodeled the interior of his store and placed on sale a stock of groceries. Dan is a hustler and will get business if any one can.

Mrs. Sumner writes from New Jersey that she enjoys THE MAIL very much, and that it is the most welcome visitor that comes to her home.

Fred Waack is another victim of trichina. The family has been removed to a Detroit hospital. No hopes are entertained of their recovery.

—One-fourth off on all tablets and books (except school books) and school supplies and no nonsense, at Potter's Subscription Agency.

W. N. Wherry ranks high as a taxidermist, as his excellent work will show. He has mounted two deer heads this fall that are equal to the best that can be found in the country.

Chas. Grainger, who for the past three years has acted as cheesemaker for Jolliffe Bros., has accepted a position on the F. & P. M. railroad as second car inspector under C. E. Hill.

The write-up of Plymouth village has been delayed somewhat, as a number have expressed their desire to wait a couple of weeks longer in order to get every business place and industry represented therein.

The change in postmasters in the Plymouth postoffice will take place April 1st. Who Mr. Baker's successor will be is yet unknown. Mr. Baker has served the public faithfully and it is hoped his successor, whoever he may be, will prove as satisfactory to all parties as he has.

The next high school debate will be held at Northville on Friday evening, Feb. 21st on the subject, Resolved, "That the railroads should be owned and operated by the government." Plymouth will take the affirmative and be represented by Lena Vrooman, Donald Safford and Norman Miller.

THE MAIL representative the past week has talked with several of our business men in regard to getting some new enterprise to locate here, and found them willing to do anything reasonable and within their power to help the matter along. Let us call a meeting of those interested and get the matter started.

A representative of the Harper's Publishing Co. was in town Wednesday, organizing a club for the subscription of Harper's historical works in twenty-seven sections. It is an excellent work for reference and instruction, giving pictures of famous men and history complete of the late war as was published at that time in Harper's magazine.

Plymouth Markets

The following is the market report for Plymouth as corrected every Thursday:
Wheat, No. 2 red, 87
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Wheat, No. 1 white, 87
Oats, No. 2, 41
Rye, No. 2, 41
Butter, 14
Eggs, 18
Potatoes, 52.55
Beans, according to sample, 50.75

AS THEY COME AND GO!

Purely Personal Paragraphs Promiscuously Picked.

Chas. Bradner spent Tuesday in Ypsilanti.

"Bono" Brown was in Detroit yesterday on business.

J. A. Robins, of Salem, was in town Tuesday on business.

Miss Mabel Spicer, who is teaching north of Elm, spent Sunday at home.

Jay, Cochrane and wife visited at S. Ostrander's, Newburg, last Tuesday.

Messrs. Geo. and Jay Knapp and Geo. Lane, of Belleville, spent Sunday in town.

Daniel Jolliffe spent part of last week in Ypsilanti, attending the dairy association.

Sumner Beals and Chas. Shattuck spent the latter part of last week fishing at Pontiac.

Frank Spicer spent Saturday and Sunday with Master Harry Robinson, of Perrinsville.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dingman, of Wayne, visited Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McKinsey a part of last week.

Supt. Crump, of the F. & P. M., spent Monday here in his special car, looking after some new men.

Dr. E. O. Bennett, keeper of the Wayne county asylum, was in town last Friday looking after business matters.

Herman Rupert left for Reed City last Friday. He had been spending the past week at the old home.

Mrs. Ellen Shattuck left Tuesday morning for Grand Rapids on account of the serious illness of her sister.

Mrs. Chas. Grainger, who had been visiting friends and relatives in Canada the past two weeks, returned yesterday.

Miss Mae Bronson, has just returned from Stockbridge, where she has been visiting friends and relatives the past six weeks.

Misses Schambers and Kelley, of Wayne, attended the public installation of officers of the L. O. T. M. on Thursday night week.

Here is a point that if remembered by our local celery growers, might greatly benefit them. Some years it is a noticeable fact that a large percentage of the celery grown is hollow. The cause of this is too deep cultivating, thereby disturbing the roots of the plant and stunting the growth. If you want to get rid of the weeds take a garden rake or something of that kind, but don't disturb the roots.

We are informed that the Michigan Central railway has made a reduction in their rates from Wayne to Detroit to 45 cents for the round trip. This will be good news to those who are compelled to go to the city, as the rate from Plymouth to Wayne and return is only 40 cents, thus making the round trip rate to Detroit 85 cents, a saving of 50 cents.

Will They Do It?

IN THE THREE saloon cases, which were dropped last week, the prosecutor gave his consent on condition that the defendants should pay all the costs incurred and further, upon their agreement, hereafter, to adhere strictly to the law, not only in the matter of obstructing the view to their bars, but in all other details as well. From this, Pontiac should now have law-abiding saloons.

—FOR SALE—Dry stove wood.
4w DWIGHT BERDAN.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE.

Services held in Safford's Hall every Sunday morning at 10:30, and every Friday evening at 7:00. All are most cordially invited to attend.

Store Property For Sale.

SUTTON STREET

38 ft. Frontage, \$1,500 Dollars Cash, Balance on Time.

10 per cent guaranteed on investment.

This offer will positively be withdrawn February 28, 1898

A. M. POTTER.

Dated January 21, 1898.

Make an offer for 99 ft. frontage on Ann Arbor street

RARE BARGAINS IN GROCERIES



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BOGERT & CO.'S

In Canned Goods we are selling at

ONE-FOURTH OFF.

Yellow Peaches, Pie Peaches, Pineapples, Apricots
Yellow and Green Gage Plums,
Heinz's Baked Beans, Home Baked Beans
Sugar, with \$1.00 order, 5½c per lb.

McLaughlin's XXXX Coffee, 12c, Lion Coffee, 12c
Strained Honey, 10c, Maple Syrup 10c bottle,
15 Bars of Soap for 25c.

Highest Market price paid for Butter and Eggs.

BOGERT & CO. Plymouth.

Look at Prices Of the Old Reliable House of

A. J. LAPHAM.

Cash Prices.

Regular Prices on Book.

18 lbs. Granulated Sugar with goods,	\$1 00
Lion and McLaughlin XXXX Coffee,	10c
Raisins, good, 4½c per lb. or 6 lbs. for	25c
Prunes, good, 4½c per lb. or 6 lbs. for	25c
9 Bars Queen Anne Soap,	25c
Kingsford's Silver Gloss Starch,	7c
Corn Starch,	6c
Church's Saleratus,	7c
4 lbs. Best Rice,	25c
25 lb. Sack Best Buckwheat Flour,	45c
Short Clear Salt Pork,	6c
New Orleans Molasses,	20c
Vail & Crane best V Crackers, 4 lbs. for	25c
Globe Crackers, per lb.	5c
Bulk Starch, 4c per lb., 7 lbs. for	25c
10 lbs. good Rolled Oats,	25c
Indian Queen Smoking Tobacco, per lb.,	12c
12 boxes good Parlor Matches,	10c
Best Headlight Oil, per gal.,	10c

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Closing out Rubbers at Cost.

Closing out old line of Boots and Shoes below cost to make room for New Stock.

A new line of ready-made Clothing will be in in about 20 days, also a new line of Neckties.

North Village.

PENINSULA MATTERS

RELATED IN A BRIEF, CONCISE MANNER.

The Steamer City of Duluth Completely Wrecked Just Outside St. Joseph—Michigan Grand Lodge F. & A. M.—An Aged Gay Deceiver Caught.

Steamer Duluth Wrecked Off St. Joseph The steamer City of Duluth, with a cargo of grain from South Chicago, struck the pier at the mouth of the harbor at St. Joseph, about 10 p. m. and a jagged hole let the water rush into the vessel's hold. She sank almost immediately and only the cabins and part of the bulwarks were out of water. The fireman and engineer scrambled out of the pit in a hurry and managed to reach the deck in the nick of time. The stranded steamer was soon in a helpless condition. The tugs were unable to release her because the water is shallow on the bar and a terrific gale was blowing from the west. The life-saving crew worked hard to save her crew of 23 and 17 passengers. A life line was shot across the deck on the second attempt and after being made fast by the sailors the work of taking the passengers off in the breeches buoy was begun. August Kernwein, of St. Joseph, was the first one to be taken off. The basket dipped into the icy water several times as each one made the passage to the shore and they thought that their hours were numbered. The women's screams as they were drawn over the black abyss of waters added terror to the occasion. The crew stuck to their posts until the passengers had all taken the dangerous ride and then they took their turn. Capt. MacLaren remained until the last. He had barely reached shore when the waves broke up the vessel. The passengers will all recover from their experience except Mrs. Wm. Tryon, of Rosalton, who is said to be in a delicate condition. Exposure and fright will cause her death. The steamer was chartered by the Graham & Norton Transportation Co. for the winter service between St. Joseph and Chicago. She was owned by the Lake Michigan & Lake Superior Transportation Co., was of 1,300 tons burden and was valued at \$50,000. She carried a load of 30,000 bushels of corn and a deck cargo of miscellaneous freight.

Grand Lodge of Michigan Masons. About 1,000 delegates attended the grand lodge of Masons at Grand Rapids. Secretary J. S. Conover reported 396 lodges in Michigan, with 39,688 members, an increase of 1,020 during a year. Michigan stands fifth in membership among the grand lodges of this country. Amendments to by-laws were adopted raising per capita dues from subordinate lodges to 10 cents, for the support of the Masonic home. This will give the home over \$4,000 a year. The grand lodge voted \$1,500 for this year. Officers elected: Grand master, James Bradley, of Post Huron; deputy, Frank T. Lodge, of Detroit; senior warden, Lucian E. Wood, of Pokagon; junior warden, Frank O. Gilbert, of Bay City; treasurer, Wm. Wentz, of Manistee; secretary, J. S. Conover, of Coldwater; lecturer, Arthur M. Clark, of Lexington; chaplain, Rev. A. A. Knapp, of Manistee; senior deacon, Neal McMillan, of Rockford; junior deacon, R. W. Broughton, of Paw Paw; marshal, E. E. Terrell, of Bellaire; sentinel, J. E. McGregor, of Detroit. It was decided to meet at Port Huron next year.

Peculiar Tax Roll Cronkleton. The supreme court has ordered the board of Au Sable township, Inoceno county, to show cause why it should not elect, at once, a new supervisor and spread state and county taxes on the township rolls. It is charged that this assessment was willfully omitted by Supervisor Dudgeon, who is now in Idaho. The combined state and county tax apportioned to Au Sable township was \$6,043. It is said that the township board backed Dudgeon in refusing to spread this amount on the rolls, and the reason is not very hard to find when it is understood that every member of the township board is an employe of the big lumber firm of the H. M. Loud & Sons Co., and that 90 per cent of the taxable property in the township is owned by the Louds. The township treasurer refuses to allow the county supervisors or any taxpayer to inspect the rolls, which are kept in the Louds' office.

An Old Scoundrel Captured. Wm. Sherman, the old scoundrel who makes a practice of marrying widows and deserting them after securing their property, has been captured at Pierson, Montcalm county, and will be prosecuted by Mrs. Mary Killam, of Kalamazoo. Sherman is said to have left a dozen broken-hearted wives in Michigan and Indiana.

Miss Rosa Boyer, of Lawton, took landman while visiting at Vicksburg, but was saved. Love affair. Mitchell Bros. snow plow uncovered the frozen body of a man four miles north of Lake City. He was identified as Andrew Anderson, a laborer. While Michael Greenburg, a German farmer living one mile north of Coral, was cutting a tree it broke in two and fell upon him. His son Harmon had gone to the house with a load of wood and upon returning he found his father unconscious and he died in two hours.

Chas. Halliday, aged 24, adopted son of ex-Sheriff Halliday, committed suicide at Benton Harbor by slashing his throat on both sides, severing an artery in his wrist and then firing a rifle ball through his body. He was prominent and popular. Jealousy is surmised to be the cause.

Elk and Four Bears in Half an Hour. William Post, who lives seven miles from Clare, has made a new bear-hunting record. He was examining a huge tree that had blown over with upturned roots, when a good-sized bear came out. Mr. Post "plugged" him. No sooner had the echo of the shot died away, before another bear came from another side and a shot from the rifle soon silenced this one also. Mr. Post thought he would get his game together and prepare to go home. As he attempted to extricate the first bear, another stuck his snout out. Mr. Post grabbed his gun and with one shot laid No. 3 dead at his feet. He again began to pull one of the dead bears from the hole, when a gruff growl was heard and one of the largest she-bears ever seen there came out for a fight. The next moment she was dead. The whole butchery occupied less than 25 minutes and only four shots were fired.

Fine Residence Burned at Flint. A disastrous fire at Flint reduced to ashes the home of Frank M. Howard, just outside the city limits. The fire caught in the upper story and when discovered by the family it had gained such headway that it was almost useless to attempt to quench the flames. The Flint fire department responded to a call, but there was no water to be had. The thermometer was below zero and the wind was sweeping a heavy gale from the northeast, blowing the fire and cinders toward the dairy house and stock barns. Good work upon the part of neighbors saved those buildings. The furniture of the lower rooms were partially saved, but the dwelling house was completely ruined. The building was erected by the late Judge Sumner Howard at an expense of \$25,000.

Snow Prevented a Greater Conflagration. The most disastrous fire in the history of the village of Brooklyn commenced at 2:20 a. m. and eleven business places on the west side of the public square were wiped out of existence. The fire started in the bakery and grocery of George C. Ebbert, and spread with great rapidity to the adjoining buildings, which burned like tinder, and it was soon evident the entire row of buildings must go. The heat was so intense it cracked the glass in all the store windows on the opposite side of the square, and if the buildings had not all been covered with snow there would not be a dozen buildings left in the village. There was much excitement and many narrow escapes but no one seriously injured. The total loss is \$25,000.

A Guilty Conscience. Fifteen years ago Mike Krupchak, now of Bessemer, purchased a railway ticket from George Beatie, then ticket agent at Embarras, Wis. In paying for it he gave Mr. Beatie a \$3 gold piece for a penny. Krupchak has received a letter from Beatie as follows: "A long time ago you gave me, by mistake, when buying a ticket, a \$3 gold piece for a penny. I feel that I did wrong by taking it. The Bible tells us that we must return four for one wrongfully obtained. I therefore inclose you an express order for \$24." Mr. Krupchak returned \$15, saying: "I am just as honest as you are."

The Divorce Papers Were Unnecessary. Under-Sheriff Shepherd served papers in a divorce suit on Ansel Withergall, aged 75, a well-to-do Franklin township, Lenawee county farmer, while he was sick in bed. Mrs. Withergall recites that he was always accusing her of stealing \$1,500 deposited in a savings bank; that he had refused to eat with her because he feared poison; that he struck her with a beer bottle and that he finally left her and broke all the windows in the house. Several hours after the papers were served, Withergall died, and his wife was free.

Preferred Death to Hard Work. Nellie Allman, aged 19, and a deserted wife, shot herself dead in the home of George Savage, at Grand Rapids, where she was employed as a domestic. Her husband disappeared last August and the young wife was much depressed by the fact that she was compelled to support herself by servant's work.

MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS. Sievert Olsen was fatally injured by a falling tree at Bear Creek, near Muskegon. A little son of Mrs. John Frey, of Jackson, fell into scalding water and may die. Mrs. Malcolm Ferguson, of Cass City, died from a dose of carbolic acid taken in mistake for medicine. Three Bay City fishermen were fined \$10 each for shipping fish of a smaller size than is allowed by law. Whitecapers are after a Branch county farmer who brutally horse-whipped a delicate little girl. Tuscola county is having a coal mining boom, a four-foot vein having been discovered in Columbia township. A pocketbook containing \$516 was found at the depot at Hartford by Jas. Eagan and no owner has turned up. The finest house in Dundee, the residence of J. F. Slayton, which cost \$6,000, burned to the ground while the family were away. From six to ten new cases of measles are discovered at Grand Marais daily. Schools are closed, and almost every house is placarded. Stephen Plews, of Ridgeway, shot himself in the foot while climbing over a fence with a gun in his hands, and died of his injuries. James Rinehart, a prominent farmer, was hauling logs to the mill at Jasper, Lenawee county, when his load tipped over, crushing him to death.

Supt. of Public Instruction Hammond, proposes to raise the standard of examinations for state teachers' certificates. Test coal shafts are to be put down on the "middle ground," an island in Saginaw river which was once covered with sawmills. Elks have subscribed 227 shares of stock, amounting to \$57,075, for a new temple, and an opera house is talked of, in connection. J. S. Stearns, of Ludington, has announced his candidacy for the nomination of secretary of state on the Republican ticket. During a raging blizzard the dwelling of Wm. Walton was burned to the ground, at Sutton's Bay, with all their household effects. The first grand jury in 10 years in Berrien county, has been impaneled to try numerous saloonkeepers and druggists for alleged violations of the liquor laws. The 26th annual state convention of the Y. M. C. A. at Kalamazoo, Feb. 10 to 13, is to be one of the most successful in the history of the organization in the state. Rover Snow, a farmer near Battle Creek, while preparing a windmill was struck by the fan and thrown to the ground, 45 feet, striking on his head. He died instantly. Arthur Kangas, aged 10, was run down by a work train at Calumet. His right arm was severed from his body and his head split open. He died in a short time in the hospital. Coloma is excited over the alleged discovery of petroleum. A Chicago man is organizing a company to investigate surface indications which have been found on Paw Paw lake. Rev. Isaac Matzinger, pastor of the German church at Elk Rapids, was found dead in front of his church. He had been cleaning the walk of snow at night when stricken with heart disease. Landon Winchester, of Byron township, Kent county, celebrated his 100th birthday, and among his descendants at the reunion were 24 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild. George Johnson has started from Sault Ste. Marie with a dog team and a sled eight feet long, carrying 650 pounds of supplies, and expects to average 50 miles a day on a trip to the Klondike. Charles Howland died at Copemish during an operation, performed by Dr. King, of Manistee, to find a bullet. He had been shot in the stomach by W. E. Hobson during a trivial quarrel. Hobson was arrested. August Kollas, aged 23, of Romulus, tried to punch a rabbit out of a hole with the stock end of his gun. The weapon was discharged and his right arm was so terribly lacerated that he died from loss of blood. Franklin B. Carson, of Woodruff, Ill., was arrested at Boston by U. S. officers on an indictment warrant, charging him with sending an obscene letter through the mail to Miss Blanche Lorton, of Ann Arbor, Mich. Washington authorities have decided that the Bay City custom house shall be kept open during the winter. There will be no extra expense attached, as the government acquires the service without additional cost. The boiler of Wm. Benjamin's traction engine exploded near Constantine, fatally injuring Herman Lane. Wm. Benjamin, John Born and James Davis were also badly hurt, Davis losing a hand. Four other others were scalded more or less. Four prisoners in the county jail at the Soo escaped. They unlocked the door of the cage, wrested a bar from the jail window and crawled outside. All were awaiting trial for serious offenses. Six other prisoners, in for short terms, remained in jail. Arthur Manzer, an escaped convict who was sent to Ionia from Detroit, March 1, 1894, on a 15-year sentence for robbery, has been captured at Dawson, Ky. The young man was allowed outside the walls as a trusty. Off June 6, 1896, he skipped and has been at liberty since. New Michigan postmasters: Vicksburg, Montcalm county, Frank Heacock; Cooze, Monroe county, Frank B. Raymond; Corey, Orono Hunt; Hamblen, Fred Erbish; Twin Lake, C. F. Putnam; Wildwood, Henry Benson; Arland, A. B. Lyman; Atlanta, George M. Babcock; Lambertville, H. L. Van Orman. The officials of the proposed Lansing, Dexter & Ann Arbor electric railroad made a trip over the line, and are greatly encouraged with the promises of aid which have been received. Meetings were held at Holt, Mason, Danville, White Oak, Stockbridge, Plainfield, Gregory and Pinckney, and committees appointed to solicit subscriptions. There is a row in the Saginaw board of trade because the powers that be invited Mayor Maybury, of Detroit, to speak at the annual \$2-a-plate banquet Feb. 12. Gov. Pingree's friends claim that this is a direct snub and an insult to the governor, and they declare that they will not attend the banquet, but may have the governor speak in the Masonic temple to a public audience, with a free feed to follow. The directors of the Lansing & Dexter electric road have submitted a proposition to the localities through which the road will run. Lansing city and township are asked for \$30,000; Delhi, \$7,000; Alabon, \$10,000; Mason, \$25,000; Danville and Ingham, \$15,000; White Oak, \$10,000. The committee appointed to consider the proposition think that the company has made an outrageous demand—\$97,000 bonus for 30 miles of road. Joe Drewory was loading logs at Upham & Mettlers' mill at Newport and was fatally crushed between two logs which rolled down upon him.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS PICKED PROMISCUOUSLY.

President McKinley Addressed National Manufacturers—England Backing Down Before Russia in China—Ariel Railway Over the Chilcot Pass.

President McKinley Made a Speech. The fact that President McKinley was to be present and was to respond to a toast drew a large crowd to the banquet at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel, New York, which was the closing event of the big convention of the National Association of Manufacturers. The President first referred to the convention of the association at Cincinnati in 1893 when he, as the governor of Ohio, addressed them. He contrasted the conditions of the business world at that time and the present, and rejoiced that their thoughts were full of gloom then and that their chief aim was to stop their constant losses, while today trade has regained much of the loss and now their ambition is to reach for more extensive fields. He then spoke on the relation of the government to business, saying that national policies can encourage industry and commerce, but the people must project and carry them on. In speaking of the financial question the President said: "There is another duty resting upon the national government—to coin money and to regulate the value thereof." This duty requires that our government shall regulate the value of its money by the highest standards of commercial honesty and national honor. The money of the United States is and must forever be unquestioned and unassailable."

British Backing Down in China. The London Daily Mail says it learns from a source "hitherto accurate," that China is inclined to make the best possible bargain with Russia, whose diplomacy appears to have triumphed at Peking, England, having resolved not to force a conflict by further opposing Russia's claims at Port Arthur and in the Liao-Tung peninsula. Japan, says the Daily Mail's authority, "has been thrown into a state of consternation by the British backdown and has adopted a more friendly attitude toward Russia."

10,000 Russian Troops Bound for China. An Odessa correspondent says a volunteer fleet will convey in the quickest time practicable over 10,000 Russians to the far east. The first cruiser, with 2,000 men, will leave within a few days. Turkey has given Russia permission to send the Black sea fleet through the Dardanelles.

Over Chilcot Pass in One Day. Hugh C. Wallace, president of the Chilcot Railway & Transportation Co., announces the completion of the company's aerial railway over the Chilcot pass to Lake Lindenman. This marks a new era for Klondike travel, as the time between tide water and the head waters of the Yukon river is shortened from a month to one day, besides removing the peril and hardships. The company has made a contract with the Canadian government at 15 cents per pound for transporting all its freight for the mounted police from Dyea to Lake Lindenman.

A CONGLOMERATE CHRONICLE

A Pontiac council has forbidden the circulation of indecent literature and pictures.

Sheriff John Clune, of Cheboygan, arrested Landlord Baker and his bartender, Chas. Wilson, of the hotel at Wolverine, for selling liquor illegally.

The whites are waging a war upon the Negroes in Lonoke county, Ark. Five colored men have been killed and scores are preparing to leave the county.

Both the senate and house committees of the Ohio legislature which are to investigate the bribery charges against Senator Hanna are said to have anti-Hanna majorities. The hearings are open to the public.

It is reported on apparently good authority that the proposed consolidation of the New York Central and Lake Shore railroads means the retirement of Chauncey M. Depew from the presidency of the Central, as he is persona non grata to J. Pierpont Morgan.

The Italian armored cruiser Marco Polo sailed for Chinese waters. King Humbert granted an audience to the captain of the Marco Polo with a view of expressing his wishes and defining the policy of Italy in the far east. His majesty intimated that Italy's interests lay in the direction of trade expansion and were, therefore akin to England's.

The board of general appraisers' customs at New York has sustained the decision of Attorney-General McKenna as to section 22 of the Dingley bill, imposing a discriminating duty of 10 per cent on goods imported in bond through contiguous territory to the United States. It has been held that this additional duty should not be imposed on such goods. The particular case decided by the board was appealed from the collector of customs at Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., who imposed the duty on a case of German china entered at New York and transported across Canada to the Michigan port.

Judge C. W. Dustin, of Dayton, in an opinion delivered at Urbana held the Smith anti-lynch law, which provided that relatives of persons injured by mobs could obtain damages from the county, to be unconstitutional. "For the reason that it is an encroachment of the legislative upon the judicial branch of government, and by its terms necessarily deprives the defendants of the right of trial of disputed facts by a jury and subjects them to the loss of property without due course of law." The case, which is an echo of the "Click" Mitchell lynching at Urbana, will be carried up.

DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

A Paragraphic Chronicle of the Acts of the Nation's Lawmakers.

The discussion on the Indian appropriation bill, which has passed the House, covered a wide range of subjects from silver to the Cuban question. Rep. Hartman (Silver Rep., Mont.) found occasion to denounce the conduct of the Republican party. He declared that the majority of the House were mere puppets of Speaker Reed, and denounced the speaker as a tyrant. Mr. De Armond (Dem., Mo.) criticized the Cuban policy of the administration and with fine sarcasm, ridiculed the official explanation of the visit of the battleship Maine to Havana. Mr. Dolliver (Rep., Ia.) replied eloquently to both. He referred to the Cuban insurrection during the terms of President Grant and said that after seven years of responsibility, anxieties and worry, in a message to congress Grant vindicated the policy of this administration and gave the country warning that any intervention in the affairs of Cuba would not only be unwise but injurious. "For my part," said Mr. Dolliver, "I do not aspire to a larger patriotism than that which governed the official career of U. S. Grant." In reference to the attack on Speaker Reed he said: "There is no authority that constrains the Republican majority here except the policy of the Republican party and the administration of a Republican President. It is true we have a leadership in this House and I for one have often felt a sense of satisfaction that we have a leadership of brains and character that men may follow and follow without loss of self-respect."

Silver had an innings in the Senate. The Teller resolution, the debate upon which is considered as the preliminary lining up for the presidential battle of 1900, was passed after the discussion had continued for a week. It was at all times of an animated character, and often assumed a strongly acrimonious phrasing. The resolution is a practical reaffirmation of that of Stanley Matthews in 1878 and is as follows: "That all the bonds of the United States, issued, or authorized to be issued under said acts of congress hereinafter recited, are payable, principal and interest, at the option of the government of the United States, in silver dollars of the coinage of the United States, containing 412 1/2 grains each of standard silver; and that to restore to its coinage, such silver coins as a legal tender in payment of said bonds, principal and interest, is not in violation of the public faith nor in derogation of the rights of the public creditor." All efforts to amend the resolution were voted down by good majorities. The final vote was 47 to 32. Party lines were broken up on both sides, a number of Republicans who supported McKinley and the St. Louis platform in 1896 voted for the resolution, because, as Mr. Wolcott announced, they did not believe the resolution committed those who supported it to the free and unlimited coinage of silver.

The Teller resolution declaring bonds of the United States payable in silver, which had passed the Senate, was voted under an adverse majority of 50 votes in the House, the Republicans voting almost solidly against the proposition. The result was reached after five hours of debate under a special order. The majority, under the leadership of Mr. Dingley, who made a carefully prepared speech sounding the keynote of the opposition, assumed the position that the last clause of the resolution was in reality a disguised declaration for the free coinage of silver, while the assailing Democrats, under the direction of Mr. Bailey, maintained that the defeat of the resolution would be another step in the direction of the establishment of the gold standard, to which they alleged both the President and Secretary Gage had irrevocably committed the Republican party. There were no sensational incidents beyond the hissing of Mr. Rhea, of Kentucky, when he said that as the author of the "crime of '73" the hottest place in hades would be reserved for the present secretary of state. The vote on the resolution was: Ayes, 132; nays, 182.

At one day's session of the Senate two general appropriation bills—that for the army carrying \$23,743,492 and that for the legislative, judicial and executive departments carrying \$21,658,530—were passed.

John M. Mc Laurin has been sworn in as Senator from South Carolina to fill the unexpired term of the late Senator Earle, which ends March 4, 1903. Senator Gallinger, chairman of the pension committee of the Senate reported adversely the bill introduced by Mr. Allen providing that all pensioners now receiving less than \$10 a month receive that amount after the bill's passage. Mr. Gallinger said that the whole number of pensioners affected by the proposed bill was 468,463 and the total annual increase in pensions would aggregate \$15,286,000. The bill was placed on the calendar. Senator Pettigrew has introduced the following resolution: "That it is contrary to the interest, policy and tradition of the people of the United States to acquire any territory so situated as to require a navy to protect it." The resolution went over. It was aimed at Hawaii.

The news from Christiania that the committee appointed to draw up proposals for the better regulation of the relations between Norway and Sweden has been unable to reach an agreement, indicates that the tension between Sweden and Norway is fast approaching the snapping point and it is stated that on the frontier the arming of both parties is rapidly progressing, both sides preparing for war. Peter and Fred Vanderberg and Ford Dale, of Grand Haven, will leave for the Copper river gold country in Alaska, together with eight Benton Harbor men. Each man puts up \$30.

EIGHT BURNED TO DEATH.

Big Conflagration at Spokane Destroyed \$300,000 Worth of Property.

A fire in which the loss will run up to \$300,000 worth of property and at least eight lives were lost, took place at Spokane, Wash. The Great Eastern block six stories in height, and constructed of brick, caught fire about midnight and in three hours was totally demolished. All of the two upper floors and part of the third floor were used for lodging purposes and at least 150 people were asleep in the building when the fire started. While most of them escaped with only their clothes, it was feared that a large number perished. None of the remains have been recovered. The Great Eastern block was built in 1890 at a cost of \$250,000 and was owned by Louis Leviniski, of San Francisco, who carried but \$50,000 worth of insurance.

Miners Get Their Demands. The interstate joint convention of bituminous coal operators and miners at Chicago ended in a victory for the miners, who are jubilant over the results of their 10 days' session, for it means to nearly 200,000 soft coal miners an advance of 10 cents per ton and a uniform day of eight hours at uniform day wages. The convention completed its work by naming a scale committee to tabulate the scale and perfect all the arrangements for putting it into effect of the date set. It was determined that hereafter the miners and operators will meet in January each year to fix a scale for the 12 months beginning April 1. Pittsburg was selected for the next annual joint convention, which will meet on the third Tuesday of January, 1899.

President M. D. Hatchford of the United Mine Workers expressed himself as highly satisfied with the work of the convention. He said he considered the establishment of an eight-hour day for the miners one of the greatest labor victories of the century. President Dole, of Hawaii, arrived at Washington, and on behalf of the government was welcomed to the national capital by Secretary Sherman and Assistant Secretary Alog, who greeted President and Mrs. Dole and their party on their train. There was a brief and informal exchange and then the party filed out to the waiting carriages. Mr. Sherman offered his arm to Mrs. Dole and escorted her to President McKinley's carriage and the party proceeded to the Arlington hotel, where the Hawaiian executive will be the nation's guest. President McKinley's call on Mr. Dole was entirely formal and did not last longer than 15 minutes. Mr. Dole returned the visit of President McKinley.

Deadly Wind at St. Louis. A gale which blew 60 miles an hour and continued for several hours wrought considerable damage, besides causing three deaths, at St. Louis. August Weymeyer, aged 37, a carpenter, was blown from the roof of the Shields school, which is 100 feet high, and was killed. Thomas Peterson, 4 years old, was blown from the roof of a porch and killed. Mrs. Sarah Lorin, had her spine crushed and she may die. Several buildings were unroofed and store fronts blown in and a repetition of the big cyclone of May 27, 1886 was feared.

Monetary Conference at Indianapolis. Four hundred delegates were present at the Grand opera house at Indianapolis when Chairman Hanna, of the executive committee, called the monetary convention to order. This was an increase of 100 over the number of delegates that attended the first Indianapolis convention of a year ago. Gov. Mount, of Indiana, and Gov. Shaw, of Iowa, were among the prominent speakers and both made earnest pleas for the maintenance of the gold standard. It is rumored that the New York Central and the Lake Shore railroads are to be consolidated.

THE MARKETS.

Table with columns: LIVE STOCK, GRAIN, ETC. Rows include New York, Chicago, Detroit, Buffalo, Cleveland, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, and various grades of cattle, sheep, hogs, wheat, corn, etc.

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A Good Pretext for Another Big Grab. It is reported that four guards from the German cruiser Kaiser were beaten to death and beholden by Chinese rable while doing out-post duty at Taimo, the extreme German post on Kiao-Chau bay. The greatest excitement prevails at Kiao-Chau and it is believed that the incident will form the basis of further German demands upon China. The Letter combine at Chicago forced January wheat up to \$1.10, but it dropped to \$1.08 the same day. The Letter's aim to control the surplus wheat of the United States.

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Hood's Pills cure all Liver Ills. 25 cents.

Doctored.

The London Globe says that a clever photographer has "doctored" a snapshot of an informal royal family group taken at Darmstadt and produced a new and ostensibly official picture, representing the kaiser and the czar with their arms affectionately entwined. In Berlin they buy it by the gross; in St. Petersburg it has been forbidden by law. One capital's meat is another capital's poison.

Food of Golf.

Stokes—"Is your son fond of golf?" Fogie—"Fond of it? I should say he was. Why, the young rascal actually plays it!"—Boston Transcript.

BETTER THAN A SILVER MINE.

The editor estimates that the increase in yields had by the American farmer by planting Salzer's Potatoes and new creations in Wheat, Oats, Corn, Rye, Grasses and Clovers the past year amounted in round numbers to \$50,000,000. The reason of this is Salzer's farm and vegetable seeds are bred up to big yields. Salzer is the largest grower of grasses, clovers and farm seeds in the world; 100,000 barrels potatoes, \$1.50 a barrel and up.

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Belt pulleys are being manufactured which will hold the belt in the center of the pulley and prevent it from sliding off, a right and left spiral groove being cut from the center to the edges of the belt surface.

A new cuff fastener is composed of a wire link twisted into three hoops with the connecting link fastened in the end loop for inserting in the cuff, after which it is slipped into the center loop to hold the cuff.

To assist in polishing stoves and other metal work a new apparatus is composed of a liquid receptacle mounted over a lamp's wool polishing surface, to which the polishing liquid is discharged through valve-controlled pipes.

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CHAPTER XI.—(Continued.)

"I will care more," she said, making a desperate effort to rouse herself. "What am I to do?"

Amice was all animation. She brought out a beautiful dinner-dress, a dress that looked like a soft black cloud tinged with golden light.

"Amber and black!" said Lady Caraven. "Surely I am dark enough, Amice? Lord Caraven likes everything about him bright and fair; I should wear something lighter if I mean to please him."

"You promised, my lady, that I should dress you as I liked to-day."

"It does not matter," she said, indifferently, and so the amber and black was worn.

Nothing could have suited her better. The low dinner-dress showed the exquisitely molded neck and shoulders, the rounded arms; it displayed the beautiful contour of a figure tall and graceful. The mass of dark waving hair was arranged in thick shining coils fastened with a diamond arrow; one dark crimson flower lay in their depths. A pearl necklace was clasped round the graceful throat, a bracelet round one of the dimpled arms. Amice's pride was great; there might be a thousand ladies present—none could be so beautiful as hers.

Lady Courtenay looked up in wonder as her lovely young hostess entered the drawing-room. She turned to the earl, with whom she was most intimate—they had played together when children.

"How falsely people speak!" she said. "I heard that you had married a great heiress, but that she was quite a plain little school-girl. I must congratulate you on the rare beauty of your wife."

"Little she certainly is not," returned the earl, laughingly; "my—my wife is tall, I consider."

"And she is beautiful," said Lady Courtenay. "She looks like a Spanish princess. You do not often see faces like hers in England—we are all red and white."

"So you ought to be," he replied; "I can as soon imagine a dark angel as admire a dark woman."

"You retain your old love for the blondes," said Lady Courtenay. "I am a far better judge; and I tell you that the fair pink-and-white faces of most English women would pale into insignificance before the rich bloom, the exquisite coloring, the dark, lustrous eyes of your wife."

"I really ought to thank you in her name," he responded.

"You ought to love her very much, for she is worth loving," said Lady Courtenay, frankly.

"Has any one told you that I do not love her?" he asked.

"No, certainly not; but, though she is so beautiful, she does not look happy. Her eyes ought to be filled with sunshine—they are sad and dreary. It is not a happy face, Lord Caraven."

But he had heard quite enough of the topic—his wife's face did not interest him. He looked at her with some curiosity after Lady Courtenay had spoken, and, for the first time he was impressed with her growing beauty.

"Lady Alice has rightly described her," he said to himself—"she is like a Spanish princess. She would be perfect if she had a mantilla and a fan!"

Then he forgot all about it, and was soon busy talking over old Oxford days with Sir Charles.

It was not a happy face. Hildred took her place at the brilliantly appointed table. She was perfectly calm and self-possessed. In her thoughtful consideration for others she made an admirable hostess; her tact and graciousness were beyond all praise. But hers was not a happy face. She did not voluntarily join in the conversation—with a quick, flashing smile she answered when she was spoken to, but she seldom volunteered a remark. When she was not speaking, when her face was in repose, there came over it an air of dreary languor, of sadness, of thought, painful to see in one so young.

"What can be wrong here?" thought Lady Courtenay. "There is plenty of money, they are both young, both handsome—Saxon beauty and Spanish—why are they not happy?"—for, among all other gossip, she had not heard the fact that Lord Caraven had married for money and not for love.

"NEVER HEARD YOUR WIFE SING?"

With a glance, half laughing, half haughty, she took up the sheet of music and crossed the room. Lady Courtenay looked curiously into the face of the earl.

"Had you never heard your wife sing, really?" she asked.

"No, I had not, indeed," he replied.

"If I were a man, and had wood so sweet a songstress, I should have spent long hours over the piano," she said. "I thought you always liked music so much."

"So do I do. But I did not even know my wife could sing; she makes no parade of her talent."

"No," said Lady Courtenay to herself, "nor do I think that you have made any great parade of your love." But she said no more—the subject was evidently not pleasing to the earl.

CHAPTER XII.

A BEAUTIFUL evening in October; it was as though some of the warmth and sweetness of summer had returned for a while. The sky was blue, the colors of the sunset were gorgeous, the foliage of the trees was magnificent, autumn flowers were blooming, autumn tints were over the land. The day had been unusually warm and sunny. Lord Caraven had invited some friends to dinner; as they lived at some little distance, and they could not remain for the night, dinner was ordered earlier than usual. It was only twilight when the guests drove away, and Lord Caraven, having no one to play billiards with him, sauntered restlessly through the rooms, thinking to himself how foolish he had been not to provide himself with a companion for that most interesting of all games.

"I must not let this happen again," he said. "To live here alone requires more strength of mind than I am possessed of."

It did not occur to him that he was not alone—that he had a fair young wife near him. He never thought of her at all. He would not have remembered her existence but that, wandering aimlessly along the terrace, he saw her in the drawing-room.

Seeing her, he thought it was possible she understood something of billiards, although "women never know anything useful." She saw him, and, fancying from his manner that he wished to speak to her, she opened the window and went out to him.

"You will be cold," he said with unusual thoughtfulness.

She went back to the drawing-room in search of a silvery scarf that she used. She threw it carelessly over her head and shoulders, where it looked so picturesque and became her so well that he could not help noticing it.

"This is dull work being here alone," he said.

"It is dull for both of us," she replied briefly.

"Ah, yes; do you know, I had quite forgotten you were alone as well. You must find it dull, too. We will ask some people down at once—this kind of thing will never do. I wanted to ask you, do you know anything of billiards?"

"Billiards?" she repeated, wonderingly.

"Yes—many ladies play remarkably well. Lady Courtenay does. It is such a great resource."

"Do you want me to play with you?" she asked, quickly.

"Yes, I am bored to death. I am tired of smoking. I never read much, and there is nothing to do."

"Extraordinary!" she cried—"nothing to do!"

"What do you mean?" he asked.

"I mean nothing. I am very sorry. I have seen a billiard table; but I have never played. I will try to learn, if you like."

"Beginners are generally very awkward," he said, frankly. "I cannot think how it is that I have forgotten to ask any one over. I must not be so remiss again."

"Do you never amuse yourself?" she asked.

"No. How can I? I am essentially a sociable being. I feel little interest in myself."

"You would rather be amused than interested?" she asked.

He thought for half a minute before he answered.

"I see," he said. "Yes, I prefer amusement to anything else."

"It is a great pity that you cannot imitate the kings of old, and keep a court jester with cap and bells."

Lord Caraven looked at her. It could not surely be possible that this

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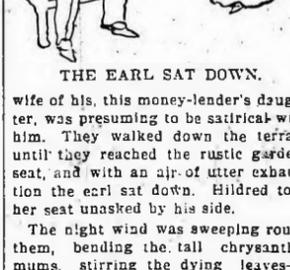
HE actor strode to the footlight glare Apparently happy as he could be; And the "house" looked up at his face so fair, And sighed "what a fortunate man is he." And they little dreamed as he spoke his lines— So full of honor, and joy, and glee— That his brain was busy with "eues" and "fines," And where his last act "props" should be.

And when he knelt by the Ingenue's side, So brave, so gentle, and urged a kiss— They did not hear, as he wildly sighed, "For God's sake, tell me the 'otz' for this!" Ah, no! they saw but the courtly pride Of his manly form and her perfect bliss; But, nevertheless, she answered—aside: "Be darned if I know! Try another kiss!"

And when he paused by the sweet soubrette— Just lingering a little, as if in play— They did not hear—for the clarinet— As she gently murmured: "Up stage, you Jay!" And when the prompter behind the scenes Had "pulled Mim through" in the usual way, The "house" demanded a "curtain call," And left, delighted with cast and play.

For they were not in the final act— Whose scene far back in the wings was set— But the "supes" took part with surprising tact When the manager and that actor met. For there by the light of a pasteboard moon, In the time it would take to behold a Czar, The man who had called the last act too soon Played an opposite part to his dazzling star.

Just so



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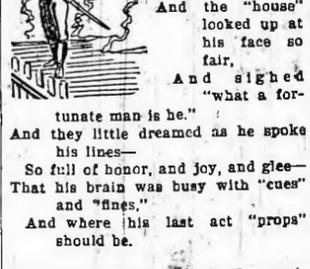
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From the Evening News, Detroit, Mich.

Mrs. John Tansey, of 130 Baker Street, Detroit, Michigan, is one of those women who always know just what to do in all trouble and sickness. One that is a mother to those in distress. A reporter who said: "I am the mother of ten children and have raised eight of them. Several years ago we had a serious time with my daughter, which began when she was about sixteen years old. She did not have any serious illness but seemed to gradually waste away. Having never had any consumption in our family, as we come of good old Irish and Scotch stock, we did not think it was that. Our doctor called the disease by an odd name which, as I afterward learned, meant lack of blood.

"It is impossible to describe the feeling John and I had as we noticed our daughter slowly passing away from us. We finally found, however, a medicine that seemed to



Most of the Time She Was Confined to Bed.

help her, and from the first we noticed a decided change for the better, and after three months' treatment her health was so greatly improved that she would not have recognized her. She gained in flesh rapidly and soon was in perfect health. The medicine used was Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I have always kept these pills in the house since and have recommended them to many people. I have told my mother-in-law about them and they have effected some wonderful cures.

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"The Klondike is another field now open to the Western Canadian farmer for all produce of the farm, and the officials in the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, Canada, are kept busy sending out literature describing this great agricultural country. The agents of the Government throughout the United States are also supplied with literature, which they distribute free.

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Pikes Peak.
Good meat always to be had at T. P. Sherman's market. Local agent for THE MAIL.

Ransom Lewis was taken very sick last Thursday night but now is improving very fast under the treatment of Dr. Dewey.

Perrinsville thinks they need another doctor. What ails the other two doctors?

Tom Kerr has sued Alex Lyle in the Wayne county circuit court.

Livonia Center.
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Mr. and Mrs. Horace Kingsley and son, Dick, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of Geo. Chilson, of Newburg.

Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Benton, of Waterford, visited Mrs. A. Stringer Sunday.

The surprise party given to George Wilcox on Wednesday night was largely attended and all report a good time.

Ed. Millard, accompanied by Miss Roberts, spent Sunday evening at R. Z. Millard's.

Chas. Millard is going through this locality buying potatoes for a Plymouth firm.

John Patterson, of Detroit, called at our little burg on Tuesday.

A great many around the Center are sick with heavy colds.

Monday night was the coldest night here this winter, and most of the house plants in this vicinity looked sick Tuesday morning.

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Mrs. John A. Vroegman, of this place, is very sick at this writing.

Charlie Shuker was found guilty of breach of promise and bound over to the circuit court, but he gave in and married the young lady and thus stopped proceedings.

Lewis Waack, another victim of diseased pork, is at death's door. The doctor says

there is no hopes for his recovery. There are several more doctored victims yet.

The K. O. T. M. at Elm installed their officers on Wednesday night of last week and all enjoyed a good time.

Old Mr. Mow has rented his farm for a number of years and will live with his daughter, Mrs. Haton, of Redford township.

E. C. Leach of Plymouth has rented his farm here to a man from Wayne.

Duncan Leach, of Northville, was here calling on old friends and acquaintances on Wednesday last.

J. F. Criger is on the road selling his celebrated Green Mountain salve and taking orders for nursery stock the best and cheapest.

We experienced a severe blizzard here Tuesday.

February came in here with the thermometer 11 below zero. Many had their ears frozen.

February 2d—Candlemas day—was so cloudy that the bear couldn't have seen his shadow, therefore according to the old Indian tradition we will have an early spring.

Fred Gorst, of Farmington, is buying oak hereabouts and hauling the same to his mill to be sawed into ship timber and road plank.

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The L. A. S. library social last Friday was a success. A goodly number were present, and all enjoyed a good time guessing who each one represented. Miss Mabel Rutter guessed twenty right and was awarded the first prize. Robt. Rutter guessed four and got them all wrong and was awarded the booby prize. They will meet with Mrs. W. J. Smith on Friday, Feb. 11, for dinner. All are invited.

Newburg Hall association held their regular meeting Thursday evening week, when it was decided to have a chicken pie supper and art loan exhibition at the hall on Tuesday evening, Feb. 8th. All are invited.

Mr. Abrahamson, an Armenian student, preached at church last Sunday, giving us a very interesting discourse and a vivid description of some of the customs of his country, showing us why all should do what we can for the salvation of the world, especially from the drink curse.

Sunday school was well attended last Sunday. We now have three well-filled classes, all doing good work, and our home department is doing as well as possible under the difficulties they have had to struggle with.

G. A. R. and W. R. had their regular meetings last Saturday. They were well attended. As the business of their meetings is secret, we cannot state it to the world, but it was no doubt good, as they left with smiling faces.

Frank Kniekerbocker is quite sick with pneumonia.

R. Richards is suffering very much from poison from cutting a finger with a piece of tin.

The Plymouth Y. P. S. C. E. had a very large social at H. Springer's last Friday evening.

Miss Lillie Rutter is quite sick.

Miss Edith Picke, has returned from a very pleasant visit with Plymouth and Northville friends.

Miss Eva Jackson has been visiting friends in Detroit and Dearborn the past week.

Church sheds are nearing completion.

Mrs. M. King is still confined to the bed.

Miss Lydia Joy, Normal student, visited home this week.

John Calhoun is very sick with the grip.

Epworth League had a very large number present last Sunday. A lively dis-

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