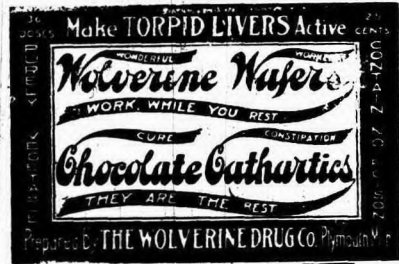


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Local Correspondence

WEST PLYMOUTH.

Mrs. A. Stout visited Mrs. J. W. O'Bryan in Wayne Friday and Saturday of last week.

Mrs. J. J. Lucas has been on the sick list for a week past.

Master Lyman O'Bryan is spending two weeks with his grandparents at Wayne.

The Helping Hand held a very pleasant meeting with Mrs. Ed. Stuart Wednesday.

All Grangers are anticipating a delightful time at the picnic at Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hanford's the fourth.

Mrs. Dan Murray and little daughter were Plymouth visitors this week.

John Robinson is having his house shingled this week.

Mrs. George Corey spent the past week with her sister.

The bells rang joyously when another of West Plymouth's fair daughters assumed matronly duties, at the bride's home, at six thirty Wednesday evening, Miss Otha Lucas, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Lucas, was given in marriage to Mr. Will Cole of Salem.

Rev. C. M. Cure of the U. B. church of Monroe, a former pastor of Miss Lucas, tied the nuptial knot. The young people stood beneath an arch made beautiful with ferns, roses and orchids. The bride carried orchids and was charming in a beautiful gown of white crepe de chene. The dining rooms were decorated in pink and white, the scheme being carried out principally with a profusion of pink roses. A delicious five-course luncheon was served, after which the young people departed for their honeymoon at Niagara Falls. The bride's traveling gown was a handsome tailored suit of dark blue.

These estimable young people bear with them the best wishes of their many friends. The presents were of silver, linen, china and furniture and were very handsome. Only immediate relatives were present. The guests from out of town were Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Cure of Monroe, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Thomas of Dearborn, Mrs. H. C. Guilford of Waukegan, Mr. and Mrs. Warn of Pontiac, Mr. D. L. Cole of Bangor, Mich., and Mr. and Mrs. Festus Lucas and children of Detroit.

PIKE'S PEAK.

Mrs. Barnum of Detroit visited Mr. and Mrs. H. Klatt and family the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Cummings and Mrs. Wright were Stark callers last Friday.

Mrs. Ada Beyer of East Boulevard visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Badelt last Friday.

The Misses Edna and Grace Lyle visited Miss Blanche Klatt last Friday.

Miss Hazel Klatt visited her sister, Mrs. Myrtle Witt of Elm the latter part of last week.

Charles Wright and son Erwin were Wayne callers last Saturday.

Lottie and Emory Holmes made a business trip to Detroit last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marke entertained company from Detroit last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Butler of Inkster have moved into part of Mr. Osband's house.

Mrs. Cummings called on Wayne friends last Saturday.

Oral Holmes of Redford visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Holmes and family last Sunday.

MURRAY'S CORNERS.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Murray and son Charles of Sacramento, Cal., visited Mr. and Mrs. H. Murray and Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Spicer last Thursday and Friday.

Hiram Murray and daughter, Mrs. S. W. Spicer visited at Wm. Murray's, Salem, Friday.

Orson Westfall and Clarence Webber spent Saturday and Sunday at Walled Lake.

Mrs. W. J. Soper and daughter Norma visited friends in Detroit and Windsor from Friday until Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Lewis of Ypsilanti called at S. W. Spicer's Tuesday, bringing Martin Murray, wife and son over in their auto.

Everybody is cutting Canada thistles in compliance with the new law.

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IVONIA CENTER.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Mau, Jr., was buried in Center cemetery Monday afternoon. The little bud of promise only lived a few hours and then passed to his maker. The parents have our sympathy in their bereavement. The mother is doing nicely.

C. F. Smith's people entertained friends from the city Saturday night and Sunday.

Lester Lee and wife, also a little grandson, from near Monroe, visited at Fred Lee's from Saturday till Tuesday.

Mrs. Will Cort has been entertaining her sister from Gilt Edge for the past few days.

Ed. Warren and son Jack of Detroit visited the former's mother, Mrs. Minkley, over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Hake of Plymouth visited H. O. Peters Sunday.

Our cemetery looks fine and much credit is due Paul Helm for his neatness in cleaning up the old grass and sand-burrs.

Wm. Coopersmith lost a horse one day last week, which was overcome by the heat.

Harry Bennett's auto has been so busy on our street the past week, it has been quite a thoroughfare, and now it seems so quiet again.

Harry Robinson of Plymouth was on our street Saturday.

Strawberries seem to be a very good crop for all the frost killed so many. Almost everybody has some to sell and the price is very reasonable.

Brush cutting seems to be the order of the day here at present and it seems to hustle some of them that have brush of several years' standing to cut down.

The ice cream social at Grant Barrett's Saturday evening was quite a private affair, as there were lots right close by that did not learn of it till too late to go and some did not hear of it until Monday.

NEWBURG.

Mrs. Kate Wallace with her little grandson, Wallace Hawley, are visiting at the home of her brother, Chas. Amrhein.

Miss Grace Theide attended church at Dearborn Sunday.

Regular meeting of the A. O. O. G. will be held at the hall Thursday, July 7. All members are requested to be present.

Mrs. Sarah Royal expects to spend the Fourth with friends and relatives at Milan.

Chas. Waechter and family, Mrs. Dora Toepfer and daughter, Mrs. Chas. Beckhold and the Misses Tillie and Dora Beckhold, all of Detroit, spent Sunday at John Amrhein's home.

Railroad Commission's Statement.

From the annual report of the state railroad commission some interesting figures can be found pertaining to the railroads of Michigan. This report shows that the state has 86 steam roads with 13,361 miles of track and 19 electric roads with a mileage of 1,268.9.

Little new track was laid by the roads during the year, steam roads being credited with 37.14 miles and electric roads with 8.19 miles. The electric roads especially will make a much better showing this coming year.

This report shows the par value of the stock of the roads, their debts, the receipts from passenger and freight business, and much other valuable data.

During the year there were 11 passengers killed, 210 injured, 79 employees killed and 1,244 injured.

Another feature of this report shows the number of men employed and the average daily wage of each different department paid for labor, officers, etc. The total shows an army of over 30,000 railroad men in Michigan.

The financial condition of the electric roads is shown in this report very completely; the number of employees on the electric lines is given as 7,153, including general officers, clerks, superintendents, etc.

During the year electric roads killed 43 persons and injured 375. Five passengers were killed and 222 injured; four employees were killed and 51 injured.

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Local News

Ed. Chase is driving a new Brush runabout.

Evelyn Larkins of Detroit is visiting friends in town.

Mrs. C. A. Frisbee of Chelsea is visiting old friends in town.

Mrs. L. Whipple of Detroit visited at H. C. Robinson's Tuesday.

Fred and Clara Barker of Canton visited at Frank Sears' this week.

Ed. Huston sold a Ford touring car last week to George Dingledee.

E. A. Hauss of Century, Fla., was a guest at D. D. Allen's last Sunday.

Miss Bertha Shattuck is home from Big Rapids for the summer vacation.

Mrs. E. N. Campbell of Garrettsville, N. Y., is visiting friends in Detroit this week.

Will the owner of stray pigs call at J. H. Spitzer's, R. R. 4 and identify same.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Windley of Tacoma, Wash., are visiting at E. L. Riggs'.

Miss Cora White underwent an operation on her throat at Harper hospital Tuesday.

Yates-Upholt Brass Co. advertise the opening of a garage at their place of business.

Misses Louva and Florence Millard of Detroit were guests of Mrs. W. T. Pettingill Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. David Mather of Marshall are visiting their son, Chas. Mather and family.

Mrs. Ellen Nichols entertained friends at tea last Saturday afternoon for Mrs. Frisbee of Chelsea.

Geo. Allen, an old school-mate of Asa Joy, of Pittsburg, Pa., called on him Tuesday evening.

Mrs. O. E. Duman of St. Mary's, Ohio, came to visit Mrs. F. B. Park, who is now at Walled Lake.

I. N. Colvin, Mrs. H. C. Robinson and Rose Hawthorne leave Friday for St. Clair Flats for the summer.

There will be a band concert in the park Saturday evening. Everybody come out and listen to the music.

B. L. Dean and son Bennett of Detroit spent Sunday with their parents and grandparents Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Dean.

The Daisy boys were defeated in a ball game with the Tonquish huskies last Saturday afternoon by the score of 7 to 5.

Mr. and Mrs. James Downey and Mrs. Jane Downey of Detroit visited at James McKeever's the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Brewer and daughter of Saginaw and Miss Frick of Duluth visited at J. D. McLaren's this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stevens and daughter of Greensburg, Pa., are spending the summer at the parental home here.

The train carrying the evening mail from Detroit does not arrive in Plymouth until 6:45, making the distribution of mail rather late.

Miss Edith Scott, teacher in our schools, left yesterday for Walloon Lake, where she expects to remain until about Nov. 1st for her health.

The O. M. A. will meet at the Presbyterian church next Saturday afternoon from 4 until 6 o'clock. They will have lunch in the park in front of the church.

A. R. Brooks has accepted a position with a railroad in Montana and left there Tuesday. His family, after visiting relatives in Minden City for a few weeks, will leave for that place also.

Coello Hamilton and Miss Theresa Gunn were married last Friday at the home of the bride in Jackson. Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton are now on their honeymoon but are expected home tomorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Chaffee and Mr. and Mrs. Brant Warner are motoring through Ohio and Indiana. They made a call on Rev. Ronald and wife at Thorntown, Ind. They expect to arrive home on Saturday.

Rev. Fred Kolch of Saginaw, who recently graduated from the seminary at St. Louis, Mo., visited his sister, Mrs. Rev. Peters, this week. He was ordained at the convention in Detroit last week and will preach at Highland Park.

Several attempts at house breaking are reported this week. At each place the would-be burglars were frightened away before gaining entrance. Some lead pellets administered "hyperdermally" with a gun might be of some effect in keeping intruders away.

Asa Lyon went down to the depot last Saturday to pay a freight bill, carrying a roll of money in his pocket. When he got back to town he was short two \$20 bills. Asa is quite sure no one could have "touched" him, but thinks he lost it out of his pocket some way.

The fees for Michigan students at the University are as follows: Matriculation fee, \$10; annual fee, \$30. In the professional schools the annual fee is \$45. There are also in some departments, laboratory fees for certain courses. For students outside of the state the fees are higher.

Nightwatch Trombley has thrown up his job.

Mrs. Lorena Leonard of Detroit visited Mrs. E. L. Riggs yesterday. Miss June Pelton of Detroit is visiting Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Kimble.

Miss Grace Sears visited Mrs. Will Raymond at Wayne last week.

Esoson Carruthers of Detroit is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ben Chamberlain this week.

Mrs. Lottie Leitch of Winnepeg, Can., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. D. A. Jolliffe.

Miss Clara Gayde left Tuesday to spend the summer with her aunt at Pine Lake.

Miss Genevieve Beals of Detroit is visiting her grandmother Mrs. E. L. Beals this week.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Jolliffe attended the wedding of their niece at St. Thomas Canada, Tuesday.

Phillip Born of Bay City visited his sister, Mrs. Peter Gayde and family here, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Ella Greenlaw and Mrs. F. J. LaCroix and daughter Mildred of Oakwood visited at Elmer Willett's Sunday and Monday.

"The Nation and Its Future" will be the subject of Rev. King's sermon Sunday evening at the union service at the M. E. church.

J. B. Henderson and son Ernest are visiting relatives in Canada this week. Mrs. Henderson and daughters are visiting her sister at Wyandotte.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Zimmerman of Beaver, Miss, Minnie Kolch and Mrs. Amelia Kolch of Saginaw are visiting Rev. Peters and family this week.

Mrs. George Shafer and the Misses Nettie and Cora Pelham will entertain a large company of ladies at tea this evening at the home of Mrs. Shafer.

Boren Benton, who has been staying his aunt, Mrs. Chas. Olds, the past two years and attending school here, left Sunday for his home in Los Angeles, Cal.

T. P. Sherman's team became frightened Thursday forenoon and ran from the depot to Main street, where the horses fell, throwing some furniture that was in the wagon onto them. The horses were only slightly bruised, but the furniture was badly broken.

Milo Corwin has temporarily given up his auto conveyance to Walled Lake. The machine, which was an old one, gave too much trouble and causing too much delay. However, he says the enterprise was a paying one and he is now trying to secure a new and larger "carry-all."

Constable Springer was out last Friday and Saturday notifying all owners of dogs in the township to keep them muzzled or tied up. Several dogs in the village showing symptoms of rabies were shot this week by the owners. No chances should be taken on the dogs.

There is said to be no water in the reservoir and the steady drain on the mains every day weakens the pressure to such a degree that by evening there is scarcely any force left. Some people are using water much in excess of the rules and are running the chance of having it cut off altogether. Water users are cautioned to be less extravagant, so that the supply may be sufficient in case of fire needs.

4th of July Hats.

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There is plenty water for all household purposes, and for lawns between the hours of 5 and 8 a. m. and 5 to 8 p. m., but it is unreasonable to allow hydrants and sprinklers to run all day and all night as some have been doing, and parties who are so inconsiderate run the risk of having their supply cut off altogether. The lack of pressure to which some have complained, comes wholly from useless waste. Please take notice. By order of Council. E. E. CASTER.

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Hay, \$ 9.00 to \$12.00 No. 1 Timothy.
Oats, 35c.
Rye, 70c.
Beans, basis \$2.00
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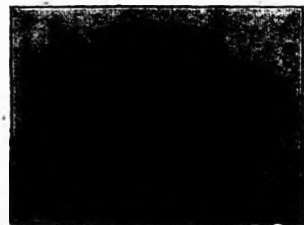
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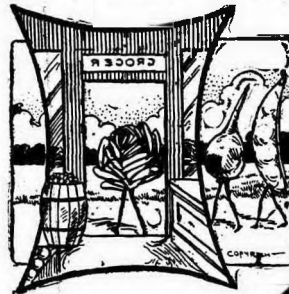
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THOMAS JEFFERSON

When the clock struck four, I was on the floor. The bells began to ring and the cannon to roar. The guns to fire and the crackers to snap— This is the Fourth of July.

ONCE upon a time—if you are exacting as to dates, the time fell between 1836 and 1860—there was a country parson who kept a record of his Fourth. In the year 1856 he broke into poetry and the quoted quatrain was the result. This record of his Fourth, taken from his Journal, was published in the Atlantic Monthly.

Now if various and sundry reasons, all excellent in their way, did not keep this esteemed magazine closed to the eyes of boyhood, it is to be feared that this parson, despite his poetry, would be voted a cross old man. For when the Fourth fell on Sunday he saw no reason why it should be celebrated on any other day or in any fashion not in keeping with a seemingly observance of the Sabbath. Instead of gladly accepting the bounty of the calendar and having a trilogy, a series of three dramatic and exciting days fraught with danger and delight, this gloomy personage would have limited the day's events to a sermon and a prayer.

In his records can be found testimony against him, for they read: "July 4, 1847. Sunday. "July 5. Monday morning. This is celebrated as the Fourth of July very improperly. Yesterday was the day and ministers might have preached upon the subject of religious freedom; this would have been sufficient and ought to have been satisfactory. But no; there must be noise, the drum must beat and the cannon roar, the children be dressed in their best and paraded, and 'Don't these children look nice?'"

"Oh, yes, very nice, but if their parents would teach them to respect their superiors and behave with propriety it would be far better. Well, there has been a general turnout, rich and poor, young and old, all mixed up together. This is a free country—but not so, it is a country of slave holders. We hold 3,000,000 of our fellow mortals as slaves—and how inconsistent."

"July 4, 1852. Sunday. "July 5. Monday. "The community were not satisfied to have yesterday as being the Fourth of July because they could not serve Satan so openly and boldly as today. My opinion is that when the Fourth of July comes on the Sabbath it ought to be remembered in a suitable and proper manner by assembling in the sanctuary and hearing the proclamation of peace announced from the pulpit, 'good tidings of great joy which shall be to all people.' Suitable prayers and suitable readings would be a suitable acknowledgment that our blessings are of God, but because this won't do we must have a great noise and bustle and much that is derogatory to the Christian character must be put in operation."

He didn't like the methods of celebration any better when the glorious day fell in the middle of the week, for July 4, 1849, he wrote: "Wednesday. At the rising of the sun the bells of the city are ringing and the cannon roaring, calling upon those within hearing to awake, arise and call upon their God, and give him thanks for this great blessing, our national independence, which we this day commemorate by making all the noise we can and by acting as well as we can and as bad as we can."

All of which would justify any boy in the belief that though the parson may have been a God-fearing personage who walked the narrow path all his godly days and was never even tempted by a lingering desire for pleasant primrose by-ways, he must certainly have been rather an unpleasant person to live with and that the milk of human kindness which was his portion, though it may not have soured, was as certainly lacking in cream.

How different was the letter which John Adams in the first flush of joy over the adoption by congress of the Declaration of Independence, wrote to his wife. Its date, July 3, may give some ardent young Americans excuse for firing their crackers before the dawn of the day which even lawmakers say may have its claim shattered into fiery noise.

This first historic Adams, first vice-president, second president of the republic which he helped to bring into being, was a good husband. Busy as he must have been, for he was a foremost figure in the stirring events, "the Atlas of Independence," the "Colossus of that debate" which preceded the vote on the nation-making resolution, he wrote on July 3 two letters to his wife, Abigail. In one he said: "Yesterday the greatest question was decided which ever was debated in America; and a greater perhaps never was, nor will be, decided among men. A resolution was passed without one dissenting colony, that these united colonies are and of right ought to be, free and independent states." In the other: "The second day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, bells, bonfires and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forevermore. You will think me transported with enthusiasm, but I am not. I am well aware of the toil and blood and treasure that it will cost us to maintain this declaration and support and defend these states. Yet through all the gloom I can see the rays of ravishing light and glory. I can see that the end is more than worth all the means; and that posterity will triumph in that day's transaction, even though we should rue it, which I trust in God we shall not."

Though posterity selected, instead of July 2, July 4, the day on which the formal Declaration



of Independence prepared by a committee of five, headed by Thomas Jefferson, was discussed and accepted, the resolution for Independence was, as these letters show, really adopted July 2.

It took a long time for the petitioners of the colonies to conceive of independence. Leaders like Samuel Adams waxed impatient with those who believed a peaceful settlement of the trouble was possible without separation from the mother country. Yet Washington in the first congress denied that the colonies desired or that it was to their interest to set up for independence. Franklin looked upon it as an event which, if it must come, was lamentable.

Lexington and Concord and Bunker hill favored the radicals. June 7, 1776, Richard Henry Lee of the Virginia delegation, following the instructions which he had received from the council of Virginia, presented a resolution, "That these united colonies are and of right ought to be free and independent states; that they are absolved from all allegiance to the British crown; that all political connection between them and Great Britain be and ought to be totally dissolved." John Adams seconded the motion and a debate followed. There are no authentic reports of these debates. The war had not yet been won. Public report of what was said would have been of extreme danger to these men, who, indeed, would have been hanged had good King George been able to get them, but hanging men is like making rabbit pie—you must first catch the rabbit.

It is likely that those who led the debate in support of the measure were John and Samuel Adams, Roger Sherman, Oliver Wolcott, Richard Henry Lee and George Wythe. Those opposing were probably John Dickinson, John Jay, James Wilson and Robert R. Wilson. It appeared that four New England colonies, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, New Hampshire, Connecticut, and three southern colonies, Virginia, Georgia and North Carolina, were prepared to vote at once in the affirmative, but as unanimity was desired a final vote was postponed until July 1, and a committee composed of Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Franklin, John Adams, Roger Sherman and Robert R. Livingston, was appointed to prepare a formal statement for the world.

Lee, the mover of the resolution, would perhaps have been named chairman of the committee had not his wife fallen ill. As it was, Jefferson received the honor and save for a few alterations by Franklin and Adams the Declaration of Independence was written by him. The original draft in the state department in Washington, save for these interlineations by Franklin and Adams, is in his handwriting.

July 1 debate was resumed on the Lee resolution. July 2 all the delegates but those from New York voted in favor of it and it was of this action that John Adams wrote to his wife. The original resolution having been carried, the formal declaration prepared by the committee to show a due respect for the opinions of mankind was reported and discussed until late July 4, when it was finally accepted and signed by the president of the congress, John Hancock, and the secretary. Within a week the provincial congress of New York expressed its approval. August 3 an engrossed copy of the declaration was laid before congress and received the signatures of delegates from 13 col-

onies, 56 in all, though Matthew Thornton of New Jersey did not sign until November.

Grim jests were passed. Hancock, writing his name large, said that John Bull could read it without spectacles and impressed upon his comrades that since the fatal die was cast they must "all hang together in this matter," which gave Franklin a chance for his bon mot, "Yes, indeed, we must all hang together, or assuredly we shall all hang separately."

A fat delegate—some say it was Harrison, others that it was Carter Braxton of Virginia—said to one of light weight, either Carroll of Carrollton or Gerry of Massachusetts: "When it comes to hanging I shall have greatly the advantage, for my neck would be broken at once, while I fear you will dangle in the air and hang for some time."

The first public celebration of the Declaration of Independence was probably that of July 8, 1776, when John Nixon read the statement in the yard of the statehouse in Philadelphia and the king's arms were taken down in the courtroom. In New

York in 1777, in honor of the first anniversary of the glorious day, every soldier was ordered an extra gill of rum. In 1778 the general orders read: "Tomorrow, the anniversary of the Declaration of Independence, will be celebrated by firing 13 pieces of cannon and a feu de joie of the whole line." Even as early as that parades were in order. A description of one shows that elaborate hair dressing is not of the twentieth century only and that the Tories were not so insignificant as to escape notice.

"We had a magnificent celebration of the anniversary of independence when handsome fireworks were displayed. The Whigs of the city dressed up a woman with the monstrous head-dress of the Tory ladies and escorted her through the streets with a great concourse of people. Her head was elegantly and expensively dressed. I suppose about three feet high and proportionate width, with a profusion of curls. The figure was droll and occasioned much mirth. It has lessened some heads already and will probably bring the rest within the bounds of reason, for they are monstrous indeed. The Tory wife of Dr. Smith has christened the figure Costelloa, or the Duchess of Independence, and prayed for a pin from her head by way of relic. The Tory women are very much mortified notwithstanding this."

Barbecues, fireworks, parades, picnics, white dresses—these seem early to have become a part of the day's celebration. Noise and accidents, also, early developed. Julia Ward Howe, in her reminiscences, tells that she remembers her own distress as a child because the Democratic mayor of New York, Gideon Lee, prohibited horse fireworks. Fortunately for her and her sisters and brothers, they lived next door to the mayor and he made an exception in their favor.

In 1857 she listened to the ode written by Emerson and read in the town hall at Concord July 4, 1857. Perhaps he caught the spirit of even the day's noise better than the other parson. At least he wrote more kindly of it:

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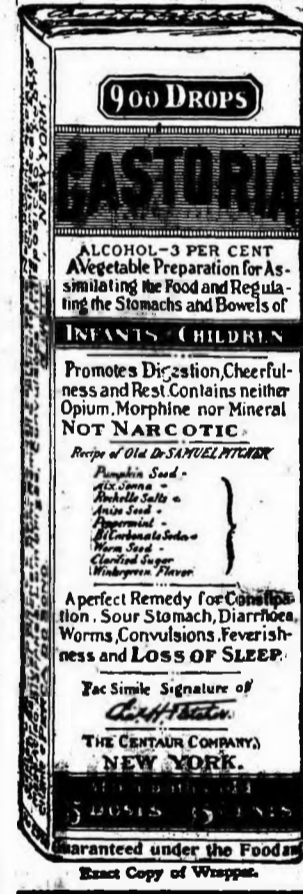
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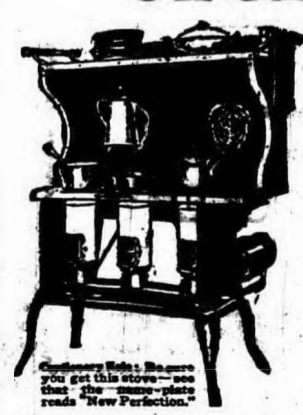
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