

Pinckney Dispatch.



VOL. XV.

PINCKNEY, LIVINGSTON CO., MICH., THURSDAY, MAR. 11, 1897.

No. 10

Local Dispatches.

R. C. Culhane is clerking for W. B. Darrow.
 E. J. Briggs and wife, spent Sunday in Brighton.
 Earl Mann went to Detroit the fore of last week.
 O. A. Tupper was in Webster one day last week.
 Bert Green spent Saturday and Sunday at home.
 Henry Ruen spent Saturday and Sunday under the parental roof.
 O. J. Williams was laid up several days last week with the lumbago.
 Miss Belle Herrick of Howell, called on friends here one day last week.
 Mrs. A. Goodspeed has moved to Howell, where she will reside for the present.
 Rufus Noble died quite suddenly at his home in Unadilla, on Saturday evening last.
 A large number of young people enjoyed some fine skating on the pond last Saturday.
 Mrs. J. A. Donaldson who has been quite sick for some time past, is slowly improving.
 Mrs. H. D. Grieve spent several days the past week with her son Fred and family of Stockbridge.
 Mr. Fields, wife and daughter of Hamburg township, called on friends here one day last week.
 T. Knox Jeffrey of Lansing, was the guest of friends and relatives at this place, several days the past week.
 The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. Society, will meet at the home of Mrs. A. B. Green on Friday afternoon of this week.

Senator G. W. Teeple and wife attended a reception tendered Lieut. Governor Dunstan in Lansing one day the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Grieve and daughter of Stockbridge, spent Sunday with Pinckney friends and relatives at this place.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Teeple gave a very sociable party to about twenty of their friends and relatives on Saturday night of last week.

We received one day last week, a very fine picture of Chas. D. Long candidate for Justice of the Supreme Court. Accept our thanks.

C. L. Grimes has the editor's thanks for a fine mess of parsnips. During convalescence, the editor's appetite is immense and the parsnips came very acceptable.

We hear you ask your neighbor, why Geo. Clark walks with such agility and elastic tread. A young fellow arrived at his home last week Wednesday, and George is a happy man.

A good sized crowd attended the social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Joslyn last Friday evening, and enjoyed a good time. Boxes were sold at auction and the receipts were nearly \$10.

Quite a number of young people from this place, went down to the red school house at East Putnam last Thursday evening, to hear a sham law suit on a breach of promise case. Earnest Carr of this place, acted as judge.

On Friday the 26th of Feb., about half of the friends and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Hart of Iosco, gathered at their home in memory of the tenth anniversary of their return from Nebraska, where they spent several years. The relatives left a good sized purse, in remembrance of their pleasant time.

We have been very busy this week with programs, bills, tickets, etc., for the entertainment to be given on March 17th (St. Patrick's Day), by the Columbian Dramatic club. The drama "Shamrock and Rose" has been produced here twice before, and gave satisfaction both times, and we are sure it will be a success this time.

Richard Roche of Howell, called on friends in this place on Sunday last.

Chauncey Becker of Detroit, spent Sunday with F. L. Andrews and family at this place.

Mrs. Ball of Webster, is caring for her sister, Mrs. I. J. Cook, who has been quite sick.

Miss Maggie Allen of Durand was the guest of Miss Lillian McIntyre several days this week.

H. W. Crofoot transacted business in Detroit the latter part of last week and the fore part of this.

The defective furnace at the M. E. church has been repaired, and hereafter there will be no more smoke.

Miss Mame Sigler was detained at her home a couple of days the past week, on account of a very hard cold.

"The Kid" Aldermen and "Boy" Mayor take their positions tonight to act as village dads for the ensuing year.

Frank Haynes of Marion who has been assisting Will Moran in the barber shop at this place, returned to his home last week.

We have been rushed with numerous jobs the past week, and have had about all we could do, which kept our whole office force busy most of the time. The Editor wasn't "in it" this time.

Last Saturday as Cornelius Lynch was driving spikes on the railroad, the head flew off one and struck him in the face, knocking several of his teeth out and cutting his face up quite badly.

Kirk Van Winkle closes a very successful term of school in district No. 3, Putnam Township, next Friday. He has been engaged to teach the spring term, which goes to show that Kirk makes a good teacher, and is well liked.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hides, our efficient telephone manager, spent last evening with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Webb, who have of late moved from Detroit, and taken up their residence at 209 South Division street. We learn that Mr. Webb has the superintending of the overhead work on the new electric road between Kalamazoo and Battle Creek.—Battle Creek Daily Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Teeple gave a very sociable party to about twenty of their friends and relatives on Saturday night of last week.

We received one day last week, a very fine picture of Chas. D. Long candidate for Justice of the Supreme Court. Accept our thanks.

C. L. Grimes has the editor's thanks for a fine mess of parsnips. During convalescence, the editor's appetite is immense and the parsnips came very acceptable.

We hear you ask your neighbor, why Geo. Clark walks with such agility and elastic tread. A young fellow arrived at his home last week Wednesday, and George is a happy man.

A good sized crowd attended the social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Joslyn last Friday evening, and enjoyed a good time. Boxes were sold at auction and the receipts were nearly \$10.

Quite a number of young people from this place, went down to the red school house at East Putnam last Thursday evening, to hear a sham law suit on a breach of promise case. Earnest Carr of this place, acted as judge.

On Friday the 26th of Feb., about half of the friends and relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Hart of Iosco, gathered at their home in memory of the tenth anniversary of their return from Nebraska, where they spent several years. The relatives left a good sized purse, in remembrance of their pleasant time.

We have been very busy this week with programs, bills, tickets, etc., for the entertainment to be given on March 17th (St. Patrick's Day), by the Columbian Dramatic club. The drama "Shamrock and Rose" has been produced here twice before, and gave satisfaction both times, and we are sure it will be a success this time.

Richard Roche of Howell, called on friends in this place on Sunday last.

Chauncey Becker of Detroit, spent Sunday with F. L. Andrews and family at this place.

Mrs. Ball of Webster, is caring for her sister, Mrs. I. J. Cook, who has been quite sick.

Miss Maggie Allen of Durand was the guest of Miss Lillian McIntyre several days this week.

THOMAS McCLARY.

Rev. Thomas McClary of Minneapolis Minnesota, delivered one of his world wide, famous lectures, on that great subject which so many lecturers are at present, drawing hundreds and hundreds of people to their hearing, "Sunshine." The weather was very inclement, but Mr. McClary having been before the people at this place before, many could not miss this opportunity which they felt might not again appear in their way. Taking the weather into consideration, Mr. McClary was greeted by a large audience, and he at once drew their closest attention, and delivered to his hearers one of the best and most striking lectures ever listened to, on the citizens lecture course. His subject in full was, "Sunshine in Labor" and he told how many a person had been deprived of that great happiness, 'sunshine' simply because they chose to look on the wrong side of this life. He illustrated how people might work all their lives and still be the happiest people on earth. It is not always the people that are the richest that find the most happiness in life. No matter what may come in their way, they should always look on the bright side of life and if they are blessed with that great happiness, health, which may come to mankind, they are not only the happiest people on earth, but are a hundred times richer than those who are deprived of such.

This being the last lecture on the citizens course for 1896-7, many attended especially on that account.

There can possibly be no fault to find in any way with the committee as every man has appeared on the aforesaid date with the exception of one, was unavoidable and the committee were in no wise to blame. The committee are to be congratulated on their grand success of the past season, and we hope that the people of this and the surrounding vicinity may have the pleasure of knowing that these courses will continue in the future.

G. W. Teeple returned to Lansing last Monday night.

Mrs. A. McIntyre is visiting her sister at Hamburg.

Mrs. F. L. Andrews has been assisting in this office the past week.

Mesdames L. Colby and L. C. Bennett were in Marion on Monday last.

The robin redbreast has come back once more to tell us that spring is almost here.

Michael J. Roche closes his winter term of school in district No. 4 Iosco, on Friday of this week. Success attends all Putnam teachers.

Next Wednesday evening March 17 1897, St. Patrick Day, the Columbian Dramatic Club will produce that thrilling five-act drama "Shamrock and Rose" which has been produced at this place twice before, and gave entire satisfaction. Admission 25 cents, reserved seats 10 cents extra. Curtain rises at 8:00 o'clock.

Miss Ella Winegar elocutionist of Howell, will give an entertainment in the M. E. church, Tuesday evening March 16th. Come and hear her, if you do not you will miss a rare treat. Admission 10cts.

PROGRAM.

Voluntary Solo, vocal Readings Solo, vocal Readings Duo Percy and Mabel Swarhout Readings Solo Little Gormond Leland Readings Solo, vocal Readings Solo

Miss Emma Haze
 Miss Alice McMahon
 Miss Winegar
 Mrs. Snow
 Miss Winegar
 Percy and Mabel Swarhout
 Miss Winegar
 Little Gormond Leland
 Miss Winegar
 Florence Marble
 Miss Winegar
 Jennie Haze

MONEY SAVED.

Merchants whose methods have been and are to announce fictitious reduction sales have been totally defeated in the battle for popular supremacy.

STRAIGHT CUT PRICES
HAVE WON THE DAY.
FOR THIS REASON
WE WILL OFFER TO YOU FOR A SHORT TIME

First Class A-1 Sarsaparilla	.30
Fine Liniment, 50c size	.20
Cough Balsam, 25c size	.10
One of the best Ointments, 25c size	.10
Pills	.10

F. A. SIGLER,

PINCKNEY, MICH.

Teeple & Cadwell.

Winter is here; and so are we with a fine line of Winter Hardware. Stoves, Ranges, Cutters, Bob-Sleighs, Sleds, Skates, etc. Call on us when making your Hardware purchases.

Teeple & Cadwell.

Hugh Clark fell on the ice one day this last week and put his shoulder out of joint.

Topic for the Epworth League at the M. E. church next Sunday evening March 14th is, "The Blessedness of Missionaries."—Isiah 52:7-10.

Topic for the C. E. at the Cong'l church next Sunday evening March 14th is, "How the Christian Endeavor Pledge strengthens the Christian Life." 2nd Kings 23:1-3.

CHARITY SOCIAL.

The Christian Endeavor society will hold a social at the home of E. A. Mann on Friday evening this week for the benefit of a family very much in need of help, within two miles of town. Wheat, groceries or wood, in short anything in the line of provisions will be acceptable. Supper 10 cents, the money for the supper is to be given them also. Every body is urged to attend and give what they can. "The Lord loveth a cheerful giver".

E. E. Mann jumped off the train one day this week, when in motion and walks a little lame in consequence.

Don't fail to see "Shamrock and Rose" at the Pinckney opera house next Wednesday evening, March 17th which will be produced by the Columbian Dramatic Club.

Business Pointers.

WANTED
 Fifteen cords of green wood wanted for cash. D. Richards.

Notice.
 Thomas Clinton has just rec'd a large invoice of harnesses and other spring goods. Don't buy without seeing him.

NOTICE.
 Salzer's Earliest, are the earliest of all potatoes. Strictly pure seed. I have a few bushels of these potatoes for seed, which I will sell at \$1.00 per bushel. Inquire of K. E. Crane.

PENINSULA MATTERS

RELATED IN A BRIEF, CONCISE MANNER.

Wibbard's Opera House Destroyed by Fire at Jackson—Michiganans Has a Narrow Escape from Destruction—Here Robbers at Detroit.

Referring Aud. Gen. Turner's report, just issued, for the past year, says there is now more than \$3,000,000 in the delinquent tax list. Under the homestead provision of the law, a total of 310,000 acres of land have been added to the state and made subject to homestead. There have already been homesteaded 40,125 acres.

The receipts of the state treasurer from all sources for the last fiscal year were \$3,354,059.37, and the disbursements for all purposes, were \$4,434,054.73, making the excess of receipts \$822,004.64, which, added to the balance on hand at the beginning of the year, makes the balance \$912,432.43. Deducting from the total receipts the amount of refunding, \$31,919.63, the net cash receipts are shown to be \$8,234,139.89. The bonded indebtedness of the state amounts to \$19,000 of past due, non-interest bearing \$5,000,000 loan, non-paid bonds adjustable at \$10,992.62.

The state institutions, in the aggregate, draw from the state treasury a total of \$1,638,132.52, and earned \$699,669.93, a total of \$2,327,794.45. Their aggregate disbursements for current expenses were \$1,899,693.50, and for building and special purposes \$324,044.35, a total of \$2,223,737.85, the excess of receipts being \$114,056.10.

The net receipts from direct taxes were \$2,745,679.80, and the receipts from specific taxes were \$996,061.73. The receipts from liquor taxes were \$1,899,752.52.

Freight Handlers Strike.

The freight handlers of the F. & P. M. railroad at Jackson struck against reduced wages, and over 300 men went out. Danosa, Stewart and John Hounsworth, two leaders, were arrested for trying to persuade others to strike, and on charges of destroying railroad property, but Judge McMahon released them. The judge issued an injunction restraining the strikers from interference with the company's property, but refused to enjoin them from the right to use proper persuasion in getting men who have taken their places, to quit work.

The strikers formed a strong organization and have the sympathy of the citizens. Large quantities of flour, pork and other provisions were given liberally to aid them. Three sermons were preached at different churches on the subject of strikes and labor. The men are all quiet and orderly and hold their meetings with as much decorum as a legislative body.

The national company imported 300 men from Saginaw and other points, but the strikers labored diligently with them and persuaded over half of them to quit work. Many of the outsiders said the situation had been greatly misrepresented to them. The F. & P. M. has only enough men to unload one boat in twenty-four hours and there are four boats waiting to be unloaded at times.

Terrific Brutality Toward a Child.

Neighbors of Henry Wilson at Grand Rapids reported to the police that Wilson and his wife were brutally treating their adopted child, Ada, aged about 5 years. Investigation showed that the poor little creature's body was covered with sores and bruises inflicted with rattans and her little feet were terribly blistered. It is said that the Wilsons had made her stand on a hot stove until she fainted. Both Wilson and his wife were locked up on a charge amount to commit murder. Much feeling has been aroused in the community over the affair and even the prisoners in the jail will not associate with Wilson, while in one corridor they threaten to hang him if he is turned loose among them. When Wilson and wife were taken from jail to be arraigned, a mob of 300 citizens made a rush for the patrol wagon and shouted "Hang them!" One man even climbed into the wagon with a rope but was pushed away.

The child is unable to move her left arm or leg as the result of blows on her head, and doctors say that if she recovers she will be paralyzed for life.

Open House Burned at Jackson.

Fire broke out under the stage in Hibbard's open house at Jackson and despite the efforts of the whole department, it burned with terrific force until nothing remained but portions of the exterior brick walls. Several firemen had narrow escapes.

The building was erected in 1861 by Daniel Hibbard and cost \$4,000, but was purchased two years ago by Nathan S. Potter and W. B. Webb. It was insured for only \$15,000, of which \$5,000 was on scenery and furniture. The loss is total. Hibbard is now without a theater and Mr. Potter says the Hibbard will not be rebuilt.

MICHIGAN'S LEGISLATORS.

The sugar beet bounty bill was passed by the House after a hot fight in committee of the whole, and it is thought there are good prospects of its becoming a law. The bill provides that the state shall pay to Michigan manufacturers of beet sugar, made from beets grown in Michigan, a bounty of 1 cent per pound, provided that the beets shall be bought from Michigan farmers at the rate of \$4 per ton. The principal opposition to the measure was because the total amount of bounty to be paid was not limited. The fight of the previous day making a special order for the consideration of railroad legislation on April 13 was renewed and Rep. Atkinson succeeded in having it passed. Two resolutions for an adjournment of a week to take in the inaugural ceremonies of President McKinley were presented to the House and both were tabled. The only other measures passed by the House, besides a few of merely local importance were these: (H. B. 285) reviving the corporate existence of slack water companies for improvement of navigable rivers; (H. B. 104) for the compensation of county agents for visiting the children of reformatories who are farmed out. In the Senate the principal event was the passage by a vote of 25 to 3 of the bill to prohibit the coloring of oleomargarine and other imitations of butter. A concurrent resolution appropriating \$7,500 for a Michigan exhibit at the Tennessee exposition was left in the air by first being passed and then reconsidered. Senator Bostwick offered a resolution condemning the murder of Dr. Ruiz by the Spaniards in Cuba, but it was tabled. The following bills were passed by the Senate: (S. B. 24) for the equipment of laundry and electric lighting plant for the eastern Michigan asylum at Pontiac; (S. B. 102) for the incorporation of national societies of Colonial Dames of America in Michigan; (S. B. 87) for the care and use of the Abbott voting machines.

After spending a Sunday at home among their constituents the legislators returned to Lansing well convinced that the tax payers did not like the idea of the legislature adjourning for a week to take a junket to President McKinley's inauguration. Consequently it was allowed to drop. Nevertheless, arrangements having been made for Gov. Pingree and his military staff and a number of state officials to take the trip, about 15 or 20 members of the House and several Senators decided to attend the inaugural with the governor's party. The Senate passed two bills: (S. B. 131) For the repeal of the law for the collection of sociological statistics; (S. B. 130) for the repeal of the law for the collection of statistical information regarding the deaf, dumb and blind. In the House a resolution was adopted providing for a committee to investigate the method by which Dave Wixon, a life prisoner at Jackson, gained a pardon, it having been alleged that it was secured by false representation on the part of a prison official. The House agreed to the following bills in committee of the whole: Permitting corporations to be sued in chancery in circuit courts, the same as in actions at law; providing for a Kent county insane asylum and permitting the state to pay for the incarceration of patients therein; providing a fine of from \$2 to \$10 for wearing high hats at the theater; for branding of buckwheat flour when not pure. An attempt was made to cut down a \$5,000 appropriation for the pay of the Agricultural college students who work at eight cents an hour upon the state farm, to a total of \$100 or \$300. No action taken.

The beet sugar bounty bill is now in the hands of the Senate. The Agricultural committee having reported it favorably as it came from the House. The lieutenant-governor has been authorized by the Senate to appoint a committee to investigate charges of gross mismanagement of the Michigan Soldier's Home at Grand Rapids. The Senate committee reported a radical measure as to the method of voting upon constitutional amendments. It provides that an amendment instead of being run across the entire width of the ballot at the foot, shall be placed underneath each party ticket on the ballot, and that a cross at the head of the ticket shall be considered an affirmative vote on the amendment unless the elector takes the trouble to mark a cross in the negative square in front of the proposed amendment. In committee of the whole the Senate to joint resolution fixing the salaries of members of the legislature at \$600 per session with 5 cents a mile mileage allowance, and cutting down the time for the introduction of bills in the legislature from 30 to 30 days. The Senate passed (H. B. 246) Authorizing the incorporation of homes for aged, infirm or indigent men or women. Rep. Chamberlain's bill to prohibit the wearing of high hats in theatres came very near being killed outright, but he saw its danger and had it tabled. Rep. Petrovski, of Wayne, introduced a red hot resolution protesting against Spanish insults of Americans in Cuba, as follows: "Whereas, we are convinced that the American flag has been insulted, the passport issued by the state department of this country and bearing its seal, has been trampled in the dust, the lives of American citizens resident upon the Island of Cuba, have been placed in jeopardy, and others have been injured, and it is the duty of this body to take prompt action thereupon."

The bill making constitutional amendments a part of each party ticket met with strong opposition in the Senate, after being agreed to in committee of the whole, and it was finally tabled. The Senate passed a bill repealing the present plank road company laws and placing the toll road companies in charge of a township toll road commissioner, who shall have authority to open toll gates to the public if the companies do not keep their roads in proper repair. The Senate committee on public health reported favorably a bill which provides for a medical registration board, to be non-sectarian, to consist of six members, four to constitute a quorum, not more than three members of the board to be appointed from any one school of medicine. In the committee of the whole the Senate agreed to the joint resolution, providing that the electors must be citizens of the United States, be able to read the constitution of Michigan and write their own names. This resolution will not disfranchise anyone who could vote on Jan. 1, 1897. Bills passed by the Senate: (H. B. 13) Providing for duplicate instead of triplicate election returns; (H. B. 159) for a bounty of \$15 for the killing of wolves, \$5 for wildcats, and \$5 for lynx; (H. B. 81) requiring county treasurers to furnish abstracts and transcripts and fixing the fees therefor; (H. B. 132) making it unlawful for prosecuting attorneys to assist in defense of any person charged with crimes in their respective counties; (S. B. 130) permitting Allegan to bond for water power. In the House the committee of the whole agreed to the home rule bill for cities. It provides that before local municipal bills are considered by the legislature they must be brought to the attention of the people and given a public hearing, the common council of such cities to pass upon the proposed legislation. Notice of the public hearings upon any bills for municipal legislation must be given. Residents may get proposed legislation before the legislature even if the council and mayor refuse to consider it in the above way, by so certifying. All expense is to be borne by cities affected. On motion of Rep. Sawyer, Ann Arbor, was exempted from the provisions of the bill. The committee of the whole also agreed to bills appropriating \$22,000 for the state Agricultural college; permitting municipal corporations to be garnished the same as individuals. Rep. E. W. Moore's bill to reduce the salary of supreme court judges from \$7,000 to \$5,000 a year, was recommitted to the committee on judiciary. A current resolution was introduced providing for a committee of three from the House and two from the Senate, to proceed at once to seat of the miners' strike at Norway, to investigate the same, and to effect a settlement if possible, before the miners become state charges, it being alleged that the men are striking against starvation wages and the foreign corporations who control the mines pay no attention to their appeals. Bills passed in the House included: (H. B. 579) Preventing the killing of deer in Monroe county for five years; (S. B. 81) making the division of townships into two election precincts where the vote cast is over 650 discretionary with township boards.

Costly Fire at Michiganans.

Fire started in C. F. Sundstrom's store, on Main street, Michiganans, and before it was under control an entire business block was destroyed, causing a loss of \$20,000 with about \$8,000 insurance. As soon as it was discovered, it was seen that the local fire department could not cope with the fire, and help was asked for from Ishpeming. A company promptly responded or the loss would have been much greater as the wind was blowing half a gale at the time. The losses are: C. F. Sundstrom, \$9,000; H. J. Atkinson, \$3,000; J. Hickey, \$2,500; A. Anderson, \$6,000.

State Base Ball League.

The Michigan State Base Ball league was reorganized on a substantial basis at a meeting at Detroit. W. H. Mumby, of Corunna, who filled a similar position in the old state league two years ago, was chosen president, secretary and treasurer. Franchises were granted to Owosso, Saginaw, Bay City, Port Huron, Kalamazoo, Jackson, Flint and Lansing. The schedule meeting of the State league will be held at the Hotel Vincent, Saginaw, March 13.

Fred Mark's home burned at Comstock and the family narrowly escaped.

A rolling log crushed the life out of Nelson Beane at Grand Marais bay, near Seney.

The farm home of Wm. Christy in Seneca township, Calhoun county, was devoured by hungry flames.

Joseph Langlois, a trapper, was killed by falling rock in the Calumet & Hecla mine.

Mrs. M. R. Bissell is about to erect a free kindergarten building at Grand Rapids to cost \$25,000.

A 3-year-old son of E. N. Wallace, of Beal, was scalded to death by falling into a tub of boiling water.

Matt Mason and Dominick Seghetti were buried alive under tons of falling ore in the Newport mine, at Ironwood.

J. E. Just who will become banking commissioner April 1, says he will retain Deputy A. A. Sinden.

DAILY DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

SENATE—60th day.—With the largest number of members that has attended a session in a long time the Senate held a Sunday session in order to push the appropriation bills through. The sundry civil bill was under consideration, a number of important items in payment of sugar bounties, for rivers and harbors, etc., retaining to be passed upon. The sugar bounty amendment was agreed to, 37 to 12. The amendment appropriates \$1,085,156 for the balance of bounties earned from August, 1894, to June, 1895. The river and harbor items were next considered, most of the committee amendments being agreed to as reported. The bill carried the unprecedented total of \$51,000,000, of which \$17,000,000 was for rivers and harbors contracts and Senator Gorman, of Maryland, made an earnest speech, pointing out the enormous total of the bill and urging that it be not loaded down with new river and harbor items. Senator Hill, of New York, took occasion to chaff the Senate on working on Sunday that it involved a debate on electric light conduits in Washington and that the Senator (McMillan, of Michigan), who urged this conduit amendment had himself offered a bill "to protect the first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, as a day of rest and worship." The amendment providing for a commission to visit the Alaska seal fisheries caused further debate which turned upon the treaty relative to the arbitration of the Alaskan boundary recently sent to the Senate by the President. Senator Morgan, who was a member of the Paris seal arbitration tribunal, said that as usual when the court was made up of European arbitrators, the decision was against us; it always would be so under like circumstances. There was more real danger of trouble over this seal question since the arbitration than there ever was before arbitration was adopted, owing to the deliberate refusal of Great Britain to carry out in good faith the spirit of the Paris award. The amendment continuing the seal investigation was agreed to. The Senate, by a unanimous vote, then added an amendment counteracting the President's recent order withdrawing 21,000,000 acres of land from the public domain and establishing it as forest reserves. The bill was then passed. HOUSE—No session.

SENATE—61st day.—Sensational Senator Tillman created a stir during the consideration of the naval appropriation bill. The recommendation of the committee that the price of armor plate be fixed at \$400 per ton was being discussed and Senators Hawley and Squire had spoken against Senator Chandler's amendment to reduce the price to \$300 a ton, and Senator Elkins had complained of the lack of information on the cost of making armor plate, when Senator Tillman took the floor. He charged that the armor plate manufacturers had their paid agents in the Senate who were robbing the government. The charge was resented by Senator Hawley, whereupon Mr. Tillman replied that "the galled jade winces," and it looked for a time as though a personal conflict was imminent, until Mr. Hawley was escorted to the cloak room by his friends. The Chandler amendment was adopted, but an amendment to authorize the secretary of the navy to establish a government armor plate factory at a cost of \$1,500,000 if he failed to make contracts at \$300 was lost. The naval bill was not passed until midnight. The President sent to the Senate correspondence relating to American citizens arrested in Cuba. HOUSE—The entire day was spent in dull routine work until the bill to prohibit the transmission of detailed accounts of prize fights by mail or telegraph was brought up. This led to a very lively skirmish in which prize fighting was denounced on all sides, but the bill met with most strenuous opposition on the ground that it would tend to establish a censorship of the press. No action was taken. The sundry civil and postoffice appropriation bills were sent to conference. A bill was passed to provide for the transmission to Washington of presidential election returns by mail and to abolish the present system of messengers.

SENATE—62d day.—The bill for an international monetary conference was taken up and after two hours of animated debate the House amendments were agreed to without the formality of a yeas and nays vote. This is the final legislative stage of the bill; and it now goes to the President. The fortification appropriation bill was also passed. At the night session the deficiency bill was taken up, the question being on Mr. White's motion to strike out the appropriation of \$1,310,487 to the Southern Pacific railroad. Mr. Allen offered an amendment providing that the amounts remain in the treasury until final adjustment of the government liens on the Southern and Central Pacific railroads. After debate the amendment prevailed without division and the deficiency appropriation bill then passed. HOUSE—Although the House held lengthy day and night sessions very little was accomplished. An attempt was made to bring up the anti-prize fight bill, but it was staved off by short recesses awaiting conference reports.

SENATE—63d day.—The galleries were crowded with sight-seers who were at Washington to witness the inauguration ceremonies, when the weary Senators began their days' work. A conference report on the District of Columbia appropriation bill was the first business presented. The report was agreed to and a further conference ordered on that and the sundry civil and Indian appropriation bills. The first interesting proceeding of the day was a discussion of the naval appropriation bill. The House had yielded to all of the Senate amendments but those relating to torpedo boats and \$300 per ton for armor plate. Senators Chandler, Tillman and Gorman got into a squabble over these, but they were returned for further conference. A message from the House reported the passage of the immigration bill over the President's veto. The veto message was read and without comment was referred to the committee on immigration. A large number of unimportant bills passed by the House, to which there were no objections, were then passed. An attempt was made to pass the anti-scalping bill, but the Senate wanted nothing to block the appropriations and it was therefore brushed aside. The general deficiency and the fortifications bills were received from conference and agreed to. When the news was received that the House had concurred in the Senate amendment making the cost of armor plate \$300 per ton, Senator Quay commenced filibustering tactics to stop all business unless a compromise satisfactory to him was made, raising the price of armor plate, but the Senate overpowered him and after agreeing to the conference report on the naval bill took up the reports of the sundry civil, the District of Columbia and the Indian appropriation bills and agreed to all three by sticking to it until 3 a. m. HOUSE—The House began work at 10 a. m. after having been in session until 3 a. m. the previous night. Of course the most interesting feature of the day was the action taken upon President Cleveland's veto of the immigration bill. Very little time was lost on it, but by the tremendous majority of 193 to 37 the House voted to override the veto. There were several sharp skirmishes over the appropriation bills, but the chairmen of the committees in charge of the bills held their own and step by step advanced their bills to the final stages. First in order came the Indian bill. The action of the House conferees in accepting a Senate amendment to detach from Oklahoma the Osage and Kansas Indian reservations and attach them to the Indian Territory aroused the fierce opposition of Mr. Flynn, the Oklahoma delegate, and the bill was ordered back to conference, with the result that later the Senate receded from the obnoxious amendment. The general deficiency bill was sent to conference under suspension of the rules. Partial conference reports were received from time to time and disposed of. The Senate amendment to reduce the price of armor plate to \$300 a ton was accepted, and then all the other differences on the naval bill were wiped out and the House was through with that bill. The postoffice and fortifications bills were reported in order and agreed to.

SENATE—64th day.—The closing day of the Fifty-fourth congress found the Senate with decks almost cleared. All of the appropriation bills were passed excepting the general deficiency bill which was allowed to go over. The bill was passed providing for a labor commissioner to investigate the condition and needs of labor and report within two years. No action was taken on the President's veto of the immigration bill. Vice-President Stevenson temporarily surrendered his chair to Mr. Hoar, of Massachusetts, when a resolution was offered by Mr. Morrill, of Vermont, and was unanimously adopted, tendering to the vice-president the thanks of the Senate for the dignified, impartial and courteous manner in which he had presided over its deliberations. A resolution to the same effect was offered by Mr. Faulner, of West Virginia, thanking Mr. Fry, of Maine, as president pro tem, the terms used being "courteous, dignified and able." Senators Hoar, of Massachusetts, and Brice, of Ohio, were appointed to notify the President of their readiness to adjourn unless he had some further communications to make. At 12:15 Mr. Hoar reported that the committee had been requested by the President to extend his congratulations to congress and the country and to say that he had no further communications to make. As soon as that report was made the vice-president-elect was announced, and all stood up while Mr. Hobart walked down the aisle to the vice-president's desk and took a chair there reserved for him to the right of Vice-President Stevenson. At 12:35 the President and President-elect were announced, and the assembling stood while Mr. Cleveland and Mr. McKinley walked slowly up the main aisle and took the seats reserved for them. Then, in the presence of the Senate, the House, the President and President-elect and the diplomatic corps Garret A. Hobart took the oath of office as vice-president, and took the chair. Mr. Stevenson delivered a farewell address after which Vice-President Hobart called upon the blind chaplain, Rev. Milburn, for prayer.

Pinckney Dispatch.

F. L. ANDREWS, EDITOR.
S. A. ANDREWS, ASSOCIATE EDITOR.

THURSDAY, MAR. 11, 1897.

TREASURERS REPORT.

I, J. A. Cadwell, Treasurer of the Village of Pinckney, would respectfully submit the following report for the year ending March 1st 1897:

Cash on hand in Contingent fund	March 1, '96.	\$11.14
County Treasurer	247.50	
W. A. Carr, fees	1.00	
S. Grimes, fixing sidewalk	4.33	
	.40	
License from street pedler	1.00	
General fund tax	298.78	
Excess on tax roll	6.28	
Total	492.78	
Paid out of contingent fund	388.86	
Am't transferred from cont'gt to h'y	260.00	
Total	108.92	
Bal on hand Mar 1, '97 cont'gt fund	154.42	
Cash on hand in h'y fund Mar 1, '96	17.82	
Hy tax collected	170.96	
Transferred from cont'gt to h'y fund	260.00	
Total	443.20	
Paid out of h'y fund	441.34	
Bal on hand Mar 1, '97 in h'y fund	1.86	
Contingent fund:		
W. Moran	8.42	
R. H. Teeple	5.00	
Mrs. H. Allen	1.50	
W. Moran	8.42	
Thomas Turner	2.65	
W. A. Carr	2.00	
G. W. Hoff	3.00	
H. Clinton	.41	
Geo. Burch	5.00	
H. P. Sigler	10.00	
F. L. Andrews	18.60	
C. J. Teeple	4.00	
K. H. Crane	8.00	
W. A. Carr	3.00	
Thomas Turner	3.00	
Teeple & Cadwell	4.39	
M. Lavy	2.00	
Mrs. H. Allen	4.00	
T. Grimes	3.00	
F. A. Sigler	20.82	
W. B. Darrow	.35	
Wm. Steptoe	8.00	
G. A. Sigler	4.00	
G. W. Hoff	3.70	
A. Monk	1.00	
F. G. Jackson	.10	
E. R. Brown	3.00	
Mrs. B. Allen	2.00	
G. W. Hoff	3.81	
F. A. Sigler	.25	
W. Moran	8.42	
Samuel Sykes	10.50	
Teeple & Cadwell	15.27	
D. W. Norton	4.00	
Philander Monroe	6.50	
	1.00	
K. H. Crane	4.00	
Jerome Brown	4.00	
W. Moran	8.42	
W. B. Darrow	.65	
Samuel Walker	1.13	
H. D. Grievé	4.80	
D. W. Norton	15.00	
P. Monroe	6.25	
F. R. Brown	.35	
Thomas Road	68.15	
Teeple & Cadwell	8.33	
	4.49	
Angel & Green	8.42	
Eugene Campbell	.50	
W. Moran	8.37	
F. L. Andrews	3.45	
P. Monroe	6.25	
Teeple & Cadwell	6.59	
F. H. Moran	1.98	
Chas. Henry	.98	
A. Smith	.46	
Thomas Road	31.83	
H. D. Grievé	1.15	
W. H. Harris	1.38	
W. Moran	8.37	
P. Monroe	6.25	
Teeple & Cadwell	3.04	
W. Moran	8.37	
Teeple & Cadwell	1.98	
F. L. Andrews	6.25	
P. Monroe	6.25	
W. Moran	8.37	
Teeple & Cadwell	9.23	
F. L. Andrews	6.21	
W. Moran	10.85	
Swarthout Bros.	.10	
F. E. Wright	.85	
Wm. McIntyre	1.00	
Francis Carr	7.61	
Jerome Brown	2.50	
P. Monroe	6.25	
F. H. Moran	1.75	
Teeple & Cadwell	5.17	
P. Monroe	7.57	
Francis Carr	7.64	
Samuel Grimes	2.00	
P. Monroe	6.25	
Teeple & Cadwell	17.08	
A. Monks	.95	
Depreciation of Tax Roll	8.07	
Trans'd from cont'gt to h'y fund	260.00	
Total	578.36	
Highway fund paid but as per Order:		
Samuel Grimes	\$6.60	
Teeple & Cadwell	.77	
George Sweet	1.25	
Stockbridge Brick & Lumber Co.	24.00	
P. Monroe	2.50	
G. D. Grievé	4.40	
John Bowers	3.75	
John Mortenson	3.75	
George Burch	10.00	
A. Smith	.50	
F. J. Johnson	1.25	
Mort Mortenson	2.80	
I. S. P. Johnson	2.89	
George Judson	8.75	
Thomas Road	2.18	
John Monks	2.43	
Rob. Culhane	1.25	
C. A. Smith	3.60	
John McComb	1.25	
E. R. Brown	1.25	
W. Goodrich	4.50	
John Jefferys	1.85	
Charles Henry	2.50	
R. H. Teeple	1.25	
C. J. Teeple	1.25	
H. W. Crofoot	1.25	
Thomas Turner	3.18	
James Greer	1.25	
S. Walker	1.25	
I. S. P. Johnson	1.50	
R. H. Chalker	1.25	
Jacob Bowers	1.25	
E. Farnan	1.25	
Samuel Grimes	30.15	
F. D. Johnson	11.25	
James Greer	1.25	
Teeple & Cadwell	1.25	
A. Monks	11.25	
Jerome Brown	10.00	
Frank Parker	1.25	
L. Belland	1.25	
George Sweet	1.25	
W. J. Black	1.25	
Geo. Burch	2.50	
Bert A. Green	1.25	
C. L. Sigler	1.25	
Mort Mortenson	2.25	
Frank Wright	1.25	
Bert McIntyre	1.25	
John	1.25	
T. Grimes	2.50	
M. C. Wilson	1.25	
John Monks	4.50	
C. L. Grimes	1.25	
W. B. Darrow	1.25	
John Mortenson	3.18	
Rob. Bullis	2.50	

C. Mills	1.25
G. W. Hoff	1.25
M. Lavy	1.25
M. Lavy	1.25
Rob. Tiplady	1.25
Richard Roche	1.25
H. E. Angel	1.25
Jacob Bowers	1.25
F. H. Moran	.85
Jerry Caten	2.50
S. Grimes	16.00
Justin Swarthout	8.00
E. L. Thompson	2.50
Janus Greer	2.50
I. S. P. Johnson	2.50
James Smith	1.25
Geo. Judson	1.25
W. A. Carr	1.25
Frank Richmond	5.00
John Mortenson	1.88
Richard Baker	2.50
Nelson Bullis	2.50
Alexander McIntyre	7.00
A. D. Jacoby	1.25
Samuel Grimes	14.70
Justin Swarthout	8.75
I. S. P. Johnson	6.00
Jake Bowers	3.18
G. W. Hoff	2.50
E. E. Mann	.50
C. A. Smith	1.50
C. L. Grimes	2.50
Teeple and Cadwell	.50
Thomas Read	2.77
H. D. Grievé	.35
John Mortenson	.63
Teeple and Cadwell	.80
Samuel Grimes	10.80
A. McIntyre	.80
D. Richards	2.50
John Mortenson	2.50
A. Reason	5.00
W. A. Hoff	4.98
Samuel Grimes	8.85
E. E. Mann	.50
James Jeffries	1.25
W. H. Moran	1.00
H. D. Grievé	.15
Angel and Co.	.40
John Monks	2.50
Robert Culhane	1.25
M. Lavy	1.25
I. S. P. Johnson	8.25
Samuel Grimes	10.35
Teeple and Cadwell	2.25
G. W. Hoff	4.88
W. H. Harris	3.75
F. D. Johnson	2.25
H. D. Grievé	2.50
Robert Culhane	1.13
John Mortenson	1.13
Thomas Read	16.79
G. W. Hoff	1.88
John Mortenson	4.00
A. Monks	1.25
W. H. Goodrich	1.25
Samuel Grimes	5.70
F. H. Moran	1.13
Nelson Bullis	1.25
Samuel Grimes	1.25
Total	\$441.34

To the Common Council of the Village of Pinckney, Mich.
J. A. CADWELL, Treas.

Business Pointers.

Notice.
Jersey red boar. For service.
H. G. BRIGGS and SON

Subscribe for the DISPATCH.

SOMETHING TO KNOW.

It may be worth something to know that the very best medicine for restoring the tired out nervous system to a healthy vigor is Electric Bitters. This medicine is purely vegetable, acts by giving tone to the nerve centers in the stomach, gently stimulates the Liver and Kidneys, and aids these organs in throwing off impurities in the blood. Electric Bitters improves the appetite, aids digestion, and is pronounced by those who have tried it as the very best blood purifier and nerve tonic. Try it. Sold for 50c or \$1.00 per bottle at F. A. Sigler's drugstore.

Subscribe for the Dispatch.

THE GRANDEST REMEDY.

Mr. R. B. Greeve, merchant of Chilhowie, Va., certifies that he had consumption, was given up to die, sought all medical treatment that money could procure, tried all cough remedies he could hear of, but got no relief; spent many nights sitting up in a chair; was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery, and was cured by the use of two bottles. For past three years has been attending to business and says Dr. King's New Discovery is the grandest remedy ever made, as it has done so much for him and also for others in his community. Dr. King's New Discovery is guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Consumption. It don't fail. Trial bottles free at F. A. Sigler's drug store.

The habits of Children.

Should be closely watched and regulated by mothers. Carelessness in childhood often leads to serious trouble in after life. The digestive organs and bowels should be kept in

the best possible condition to insure good health, not only for the present but for years to come. Dr. Cadwell's Syrup Pepsin a harmless but potent remedy, corrects all such evils in children. Twenty doses [for children] 10c at W. B. Darrows.

Consumption Cure—Warner's White Wine of Tar Syrup, the best cough remedy on earth, cures a cold in one day if taken in time. 25 and 50 cents. All druggists.

A True Saying.

It has been said that habitual constipation is the cause of full one-half the diseases that flesh is heir to. Keep your bowels regulated by Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin, and your system will be in proper condition to keep off diseases of all kinds. Get a sample bottle (10 doses 10 cents) of W. B. Darrow, and you will bless the day you did.

Durham bull for service. Service fee, 75 ct. V. G. Dinkle. t17.

JOB PRINTING!
In all its branches, a specialty. We have all kinds and the latest styles of Type, etc., which enables us to execute all kinds of work, such as Books, Pamphlets, Posters, Programmes, Bill Heads, Note Heads, Statements, Cards, Auction Bills, etc., in superior styles, upon the shortest notice. Prices as low as good work can be done.
ALL BILLS PAYABLE FIRST OF EVERY MONTH.

W. B. GILDART,
Attorney at Law.
STOCKBRIDGE, MICH.

Will attend to all business of the profession with fidelity and care. Special attention given to business along the line of the M. L. Railway. Telephone calls responded to.

SUBSCRIBE FOR THE DISPATCH.

FOR THE DISPATCH.

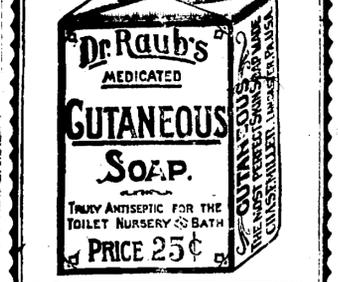
THE DISPATCH.

Behind the Times.
"I want a bicycle number of the Scottish Quarterly Review," said he to the newsdealer.
"I don't think the Scottish Quarterly Review has issued a bicycle number, sir."
"No? How very much behind the times!" — Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

A Coal Mine.

William Gilbridge of Assumption Ill. writes: "Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin is the best remedy I have ever used for stomach troubles. I never felt better in my life and every family should keep it on hand. It does more than is claimed for it." W. B. Darrow.

"Nothing else like it!"
The most refreshing and pleasant Soap for the skin.



It lasts twice as long as others.
A trial will convince you of its great merit. Will please the most fastidious.
CHARLES F. MILLER,
Mfr. of FRENCH MILLED TOILET SOAPS AND PERFUMERY,
Lancaster, Penn.
ESTABLISHED, 1829.

"Saved My Life"

A VETERAN'S STORY.

"Several years ago, while in Fort Snelling, Minn., I caught a severe cold, attended with a terrible cough, that allowed me no rest day or night. The doctors after exhausting their remedies, pronounced my case hopeless, saying they could do no more for me. At this time a bottle of



AYER'S Cherry Pectoral

Highest Awards at World's Fair.

AYER'S PILLS cure indigestion and headaches.

Cushman's Menthol Balm

Is the safest, sweetest, and most reliable remedy for

CUTS, SALT RHEUM, CHAPPED HANDS, BURNS, ITCH, FROSTED FEET, BRUISES, ERYSIPELAS, AND OLD SORES.

Especially Recommended for PILES.

Quickly relieve Pain and Reduce Inflammation. Guaranteed to give satisfaction when you need an ointment. Be sure to get Cushman's Menthol Balm. It is the best of its kind and is being just as good as ever. It is the Largest Box of Ointment and the best on the market.

FARMERS: Beware of cheap imitations. Buy the Balm in the original box. It is the best of its kind and is being just as good as ever. It is the Largest Box of Ointment and the best on the market.

Should always use this Balm for FARMERS' sore or cracked hands. If you cannot get it of your druggist send 25c for one box by mail. Sold by all leading druggists.

CUSHMAN DRUG CO., VINNEN'S, IND., or 224 Dearborn St., CHICAGO.

We invite people who need any

JOB PRINTING

to call on us and see our samples of

STATEMENTS, BILL HEADS, NOTE HEADS, LETTER HEADS, ENVELOPES, BUSINESS CARDS, WEDDING CARDS, ETC., ETC.



Railroad Guide.

We aim to have correct Time Tables of the following railroads.

Grand Trunk Railway System.

MICHIGAN AIR LINE DIVISION.

GOING EAST.		STATIONS.	GOING WEST.	
8:10	LENOX	5:45	8:30	
8:35	Armad	6:00	8:55	
9:00	Wixom	6:15	9:20	
9:25	Rochester	6:45	10:25	
9:50				
10:15				
10:40				
11:05				
11:30				
11:55				

AN ISLAND PEARL

BY BL. FARJEON.

INTERNATIONAL PRESS ASSOCIATION.

CHAPTER V.—(CONTINUED.)

My way then is clear, and I tell her that if she had not so assured me, I should not have had the courage to speak further. And so by degrees I open my heart to her, and I show her that the happiness of my life is in her hands. Well, well, what more can I say of this interview? What more than that, to my ineffable delight, Mabel accepts me as her lover, telling me that she has loved me from childhood, and that, although she has never thought of me in the relation of a husband, she is blessed and contented in the prospect of becoming a sailor's wife? We vow to be ever faithful and true to each other, and I break a champagne, each taking half.

"I devote my life to you, my darling," I say, as I kiss her and hold her in my arms. "My heart beats forever, and only for you."

Many minutes pass in such-like lovers' talk. I think that a mother, when she presses her first-born to her breast, cannot experience a greater joy than animates me at this time.

"When I command a ship," I say, as we walk arm-in-arm toward her house, "I will take care that my wife shall come out with me—if she cares to come."

She says that would be a true delight to her, and says other sweet things which, as she speaks them, are to my heart like the murmuring music of birds. We go toward her house with the intention of acquainting her mother with what has occurred, and I fancy I see her watching us at the window as we walk up the street; but on our arrival she is not to be found. It is settled between us that Mabel shall break the news to her, and I walk home.

"So, mother," I say, going to her in the kitchen, where she is making a pudding for dinner, "Mabel wouldn't marry a poor man for love! Of course not, when gold is flung before her eyes! Well, mother, how much gold have I to buy her with?"

I draw the old woman on my knee, where, if my voice has not already betrayed me—but I am sure it has—she can read the joyful tidings in my bright face and kindling eyes.

"Ah, mammy! You didn't know Mabel. She is, as I said she was, the soul of truth, and her heart is better than gold. She'll be a sailor's wife, as you were, mammy."

Does my old mother's face reflect the joy that shines on mine, or is there a cloud of doubt on it? Doubt of what? As to whether I have done right? Away with it! I will have no doubts or shadows. There is no room for them in the sunshine of my life.

"Why, mother!" I exclaim. "I cannot tell whether you are pleased or not at the news."

"I hope you have acted wisely, my son," she replies, her lips trembling slightly.

I snap my fingers at the word. Wisely! What lover ever thought of that when she was opening his heart to the girl of his choice? And, after all, is not love the best kind of wisdom? But I can scarcely understand my old mother speaking in this way, and it does not satisfy me.

"You married for love, mother; why should not Mabel do the same? Come, come; it would hurt me much to think you begrudged me my happiness."

"Oh, Amos," she cries. "With all my heart and soul I wish you to be happy."

"Well, then," I reply, repeating words that have been used before, "there is no happiness without love, and Mabel and I love each other true, as you and my father did. Don't tell me you doubt Mabel any longer. You may have had reason for it before, because of people's foolish tongues; but, now that she has proved herself better than gold you have no right to suspect her. She'll be a loving daughter to you, and you must be to her as good a mother as you have been to me. There! there!"

For the good old soul had suddenly thrown her arms around my neck, and gave me forgiveness if she has hurt me in any way. She believes, and she tells Mabel is exactly as I have described her, and she sends out blessings from the top of her head.

"Did she leave a message for me?" I asked.

"No," replied Mabel. "She was so hurried and agitated—"

She scarcely knew how to finish the sentence, so I placed my fingers on her lips to save her from awkwardness.

She felt more deeply than I any lack of affection in her mother toward me.

"I suppose she wanted you to go with her, Mabel."

"Yes; but I said I could not leave

"No; it didn't come into my head to do so."

"Of course it didn't. And that is the way you take advantage of a child—you, a full-grown man, with a beard as'll soon be white; knowing, too, that she was as good as married to a man as will be able to support her, and make a lady of her."

"No man can do that; she is one already."

"Thank me for that," she says, with a toss of her head.

"I do, heartily. As for the man, name him."

"I shall do nothing of the sort."

"I will, then. Mr. Druce."

"A better man than you any day."

"That may be. But I know he's not the man to make Mabel happy."

"He'll make her both happy and rich," she retorts. "And you step in with your smooth tongue, and spoil her life."

"God forbid!" I say, with twinges of compunction and rue and jealousy.

"I'll not stand in the way of her happiness. Call her in, and if she says now she prefers another I'll bid her good-bye, as is a man's duty."

She darts from the room and brings in Mabel, and then there is a scene. The mother wants to have all the talk to herself, and I am too much cast down to stop her; but Mabel does.

"Amos," she says, "is it true that you do not love me?"

I know by that question that her mother has been working against me secretly. But out of regard for Mabel's peace of mind at home, I repress the hot words that are rushing to my tongue. I answer simply that I love her devotedly, and that I would pour out my heart's blood in her service. I make no reference to the wicked tongue that has maligned me when my back was turned. Then Mabel tells her mother—before my face, bless her! she tells her—that there's no man in the world she loves like me, and that she has given her word, and means to abide by it. Her mother's face grows white and sly and she does not reply to Mabel's outburst. So, her breath not being employed to fan the fire, it cools down, and that storm is over.

Well, I am a little disturbed at the difference in our ages, which I never thought of before Mabel's mother spoke of it. Truly, I am old enough to be her father, though as for my hair getting white, that's a fable—there isn't a gray hair in my head. Still, the twenty and odd years between me and her are like twenty and odd little imps mocking and pricking me. How I should like to poison some of them, and bury them out of all knowledge!

Meeting Mr. Druce at this point of my musings, he looks at me as though he would be glad of the opportunity of killing not only my twenty and odd years, but all my other years as well. I am too happy to return his scowl, and he makes an angry motion and passes on.

Well, I am a little disturbed at the difference in our ages, which I never thought of before Mabel's mother spoke of it. Truly, I am old enough to be her father, though as for my hair getting white, that's a fable—there isn't a gray hair in my head. Still, the twenty and odd years between me and her are like twenty and odd little imps mocking and pricking me. How I should like to poison some of them, and bury them out of all knowledge!

Meeting Mr. Druce at this point of my musings, he looks at me as though he would be glad of the opportunity of killing not only my twenty and odd years, but all my other years as well. I am too happy to return his scowl, and he makes an angry motion and passes on.

Well, I am a little disturbed at the difference in our ages, which I never thought of before Mabel's mother spoke of it. Truly, I am old enough to be her father, though as for my hair getting white, that's a fable—there isn't a gray hair in my head. Still, the twenty and odd years between me and her are like twenty and odd little imps mocking and pricking me. How I should like to poison some of them, and bury them out of all knowledge!

Meeting Mr. Druce at this point of my musings, he looks at me as though he would be glad of the opportunity of killing not only my twenty and odd years, but all my other years as well. I am too happy to return his scowl, and he makes an angry motion and passes on.

Well, I am a little disturbed at the difference in our ages, which I never thought of before Mabel's mother spoke of it. Truly, I am old enough to be her father, though as for my hair getting white, that's a fable—there isn't a gray hair in my head. Still, the twenty and odd years between me and her are like twenty and odd little imps mocking and pricking me. How I should like to poison some of them, and bury them out of all knowledge!

Meeting Mr. Druce at this point of my musings, he looks at me as though he would be glad of the opportunity of killing not only my twenty and odd years, but all my other years as well. I am too happy to return his scowl, and he makes an angry motion and passes on.

Well, I am a little disturbed at the difference in our ages, which I never thought of before Mabel's mother spoke of it. Truly, I am old enough to be her father, though as for my hair getting white, that's a fable—there isn't a gray hair in my head. Still, the twenty and odd years between me and her are like twenty and odd little imps mocking and pricking me. How I should like to poison some of them, and bury them out of all knowledge!

Meeting Mr. Druce at this point of my musings, he looks at me as though he would be glad of the opportunity of killing not only my twenty and odd years, but all my other years as well. I am too happy to return his scowl, and he makes an angry motion and passes on.

Well, I am a little disturbed at the difference in our ages, which I never thought of before Mabel's mother spoke of it. Truly, I am old enough to be her father, though as for my hair getting white, that's a fable—there isn't a gray hair in my head. Still, the twenty and odd years between me and her are like twenty and odd little imps mocking and pricking me. How I should like to poison some of them, and bury them out of all knowledge!

Meeting Mr. Druce at this point of my musings, he looks at me as though he would be glad of the opportunity of killing not only my twenty and odd years, but all my other years as well. I am too happy to return his scowl, and he makes an angry motion and passes on.

Well, I am a little disturbed at the difference in our ages, which I never thought of before Mabel's mother spoke of it. Truly, I am old enough to be her father, though as for my hair getting white, that's a fable—there isn't a gray hair in my head. Still, the twenty and odd years between me and her are like twenty and odd little imps mocking and pricking me. How I should like to poison some of them, and bury them out of all knowledge!

Meeting Mr. Druce at this point of my musings, he looks at me as though he would be glad of the opportunity of killing not only my twenty and odd years, but all my other years as well. I am too happy to return his scowl, and he makes an angry motion and passes on.

Well, I am a little disturbed at the difference in our ages, which I never thought of before Mabel's mother spoke of it. Truly, I am old enough to be her father, though as for my hair getting white, that's a fable—there isn't a gray hair in my head. Still, the twenty and odd years between me and her are like twenty and odd little imps mocking and pricking me. How I should like to poison some of them, and bury them out of all knowledge!

Meeting Mr. Druce at this point of my musings, he looks at me as though he would be glad of the opportunity of killing not only my twenty and odd years, but all my other years as well. I am too happy to return his scowl, and he makes an angry motion and passes on.

Well, I am a little disturbed at the difference in our ages, which I never thought of before Mabel's mother spoke of it. Truly, I am old enough to be her father, though as for my hair getting white, that's a fable—there isn't a gray hair in my head. Still, the twenty and odd years between me and her are like twenty and odd little imps mocking and pricking me. How I should like to poison some of them, and bury them out of all knowledge!

Meeting Mr. Druce at this point of my musings, he looks at me as though he would be glad of the opportunity of killing not only my twenty and odd years, but all my other years as well. I am too happy to return his scowl, and he makes an angry motion and passes on.

Well, I am a little disturbed at the difference in our ages, which I never thought of before Mabel's mother spoke of it. Truly, I am old enough to be her father, though as for my hair getting white, that's a fable—there isn't a gray hair in my head. Still, the twenty and odd years between me and her are like twenty and odd little imps mocking and pricking me. How I should like to poison some of them, and bury them out of all knowledge!

Meeting Mr. Druce at this point of my musings, he looks at me as though he would be glad of the opportunity of killing not only my twenty and odd years, but all my other years as well. I am too happy to return his scowl, and he makes an angry motion and passes on.

Well, I am a little disturbed at the difference in our ages, which I never thought of before Mabel's mother spoke of it. Truly, I am old enough to be her father, though as for my hair getting white, that's a fable—there isn't a gray hair in my head. Still, the twenty and odd years between me and her are like twenty and odd little imps mocking and pricking me. How I should like to poison some of them, and bury them out of all knowledge!

Meeting Mr. Druce at this point of my musings, he looks at me as though he would be glad of the opportunity of killing not only my twenty and odd years, but all my other years as well. I am too happy to return his scowl, and he makes an angry motion and passes on.

Well, I am a little disturbed at the difference in our ages, which I never thought of before Mabel's mother spoke of it. Truly, I am old enough to be her father, though as for my hair getting white, that's a fable—there isn't a gray hair in my head. Still, the twenty and odd years between me and her are like twenty and odd little imps mocking and pricking me. How I should like to poison some of them, and bury them out of all knowledge!

Meeting Mr. Druce at this point of my musings, he looks at me as though he would be glad of the opportunity of killing not only my twenty and odd years, but all my other years as well. I am too happy to return his scowl, and he makes an angry motion and passes on.

Well, I am a little disturbed at the difference in our ages, which I never thought of before Mabel's mother spoke of it. Truly, I am old enough to be her father, though as for my hair getting white, that's a fable—there isn't a gray hair in my head. Still, the twenty and odd years between me and her are like twenty and odd little imps mocking and pricking me. How I should like to poison some of them, and bury them out of all knowledge!

Meeting Mr. Druce at this point of my musings, he looks at me as though he would be glad of the opportunity of killing not only my twenty and odd years, but all my other years as well. I am too happy to return his scowl, and he makes an angry motion and passes on.

Well, I am a little disturbed at the difference in our ages, which I never thought of before Mabel's mother spoke of it. Truly, I am old enough to be her father, though as for my hair getting white, that's a fable—there isn't a gray hair in my head. Still, the twenty and odd years between me and her are like twenty and odd little imps mocking and pricking me. How I should like to poison some of them, and bury them out of all knowledge!

you, especially as it was uncertain when we should return."

I knew instinctively that there must have been a scene between the mother and daughter, but I was not the man to question Mabel concerning it. I would not inflict that pain upon my girl.

Now, how it came into my mind, or what put it there, it is beyond me to say; but as Christmas drew near, I got it fixed in me that Mabel and I ought to get married before I went to sea again. The more I thought of it, the more fixed became the idea and the stronger my wish. I was fearful of broaching the subject to Mabel, not knowing how she would receive it in the absence of her mother; but an incident which occurred three days after her mother's departure gave me the opportunity and the courage.

I had gone to the docks to see after my ship, expecting to be away until night, when I was to meet Mabel at our little cottage of shells. I returned, however, three or four hours sooner than I anticipated, and I went at once to Mabel's house. I heard voices within—one the music of which I well knew; the other I scarcely recognized. I opened the door, and, entering, saw Mr. Druce. He was standing before Mabel, and had just finished a passionate speech, judging from his position; for as I appeared he laid his hand in no light way upon her, and she was striving to wrest herself from his grasp.

To see was to act; my blood was boiling furiously. I seized him by the neck and the next moment we were outside the house, whither I had dragged him, without any effort on my part, and without resistance on his. He was really as a feather in my hands. Being outside, with my hand still grasping him firmly, I twisted his face by force to mine, and looked into his eyes. "You miserable coward!" I said. "That is the way you treat defenseless women, is it?"

And with my open hand I struck him on his smooth face; then flung him away.

He said nothing—not a word. But the glance he gave me was like the sudden darting forth of a serpent's fang—without the active poison.

"Put up your hands," I cried; "I'm going to thrash you, or you me!"

He put up his hands, and aimed a feeble blow at me. I hit him once, and he fell to the ground, with the color of blood now on his frightened face. I had not struck lightly.

He wiped the blood away as he rose. I scorned to strike again. Then he spoke.

"Amos Becroft," he said, "you shall live to learn that this is the worst day's work you have ever done."

"Worst or best," I replied, "you have received a lesson I advise you never to forget. Indeed, I think you are not likely to, for I am in hopes I have marked you for life."

His lip was cut, and the scar, I judged, would not be soon effaced.

"By what right," he asked, slowly, "do you step between me and Mabel?"

"By the best of all rights. That young lady is to be my wife."

"You are a liar!" he cried, furiously. Mabel was standing at the door, trembling in every limb, and I went to her side and passed my arm around her waist.

He stood before us in silence for full ten seconds; then, with a wicked look, slunk away.

"I'll not risk your being insulted again by that scoundrel," I said to Mabel. "While your mother is absent you must sleep at our house. It will be safer for you."

But her woman's sense saw in this proposal what had not occurred to me. "I can't do that, Amos, until—until—"

"Until what, my darling?"

Bright blushes drove the illites from her cheek. Then I guessed what was in her mind.

"Come with me," I said. "I have something to say to you before my mother."

She locked the door and came with me.

"Mother," I said, "it isn't safe for Mabel to sleep in her own place alone; she has come to stop with me."

My mother nodded.

"I shall sleep there instead of her," I continued, "and Mabel will take my room here for a day or two."

"And then, Amos?" said my mother, guessing that I had something more to say.

"And then, mother," I rejoined, "Mabel and I will get married. There is no occasion for any one to know but ourselves. On the day before Christmas we will go to the registrar's, and this Christmas shall be the happiest we three have ever spent."

I saw in Mabel's joyful, blushing face assent to my darling. It took my mother's breath away for a moment, however.

NO MORE CONTINUED.

REMEMBER HIS PRIZE.

Near Susquehanna, Pa., lives a man who makes a good living capturing rattlesnakes. Last year he—his name is William Chandler—caught two hundred rattlesnakes. They were taken alive and are kept in a big cage with a closely woven wire net cover. Chandler expects to market them probably. Their poison and the oil tried from their fat command a good price.

Deluge of the Hunters.

The value of a good telescope or glass was illustrated forcibly to a Maine hunter recently while he was after deer in an open space in the woods that had been formed by a fire some years ago. The hunter had a tolerably clear range of vision for eighty or one hundred rods across the open, but beyond that briars and scrub-growth poplars made it extremely difficult to see. The hunter sat down on the side of one ridge and watched the side of another across a wide gully. He was certain that a deer was on that hillside. After a bit he saw something moving in the bushes near a big clump of trees that had escaped the fire, nearly ninety rods away. The something seemed small, and was of a neutral tint, not apt to be observed by a tenderfoot at all at such a distance.

The hunter had a small telescope with him, one worth about \$3. He took it out to look at the moving thing. Instantly he made out the form of a small deer, a doe. He was not after does, however, but he wanted a buck. Instead of folding up the glass, he began to examine the ridge side carefully with it. When his glass turned to a little alder bed, following the course of a brook in the gully, he saw the form of a big deer through the bushes. When he took down his glass to look at the deer with his bare eyes, he could not see it. He tried several times, and at last succeeded in locating the deer. It was not hard then to wait for the deer to move out, which it did in about an hour, and was dead before it knew a man was anywhere near.

True Test of Oysters.

"The best oyster experts that I know of," said the captain of an oyster boat, "judge an oyster by the smell instead of by the taste. There is something about the smell of an oyster that indicates its condition to me much plainer than does the taste. People buy them and eat them probably on account of their taste. So, also, do they buy tea, coffee and the various grades of whiskey and brandy for their taste, but all experts on those things pass upon them entirely by their smell. The professional tea taster or whiskey taster, so called, never tastes them, but simply arrives at their taste by their peculiarities of flavor, or, to speak plainly, smell."

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, LUCAS COUNTY, ss.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY.
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 8th day of December, A. D. 1886.
(Seal.) A. W. GLEASON,
Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.
Sold by druggists, 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

The water that pours over the Falls of Niagara is wearing the rock away at the rate of five yards in four years.

NO-TO-BAC FOR FIFTY CENTS.

Over 400,000 cured. Why not let No-To-Bac regulate or remove your desire for tobacco. Saves money, makes health and manhood. Cure guaranteed, 50c. and \$1.00, all druggists.

The devil has a claim on the soul of the man who is willing for any kind of sin to remain in his heart.

"STAR TOBACCO."

As you chew tobacco for pleasure use Star. It is not only the best but the most lasting, and, therefore, the cheapest.

Where there is no settled determination to do right, an evil course is more than half decided upon.

Make Ten Thousand Dollars by chewing PASTURE'S GUM. For particulars write JOHN T. MILLIKEN & CO., St. Louis, Mo.

When the devil was cast out of heaven he stole an angel's robe with which to hide his cloven hoof.

Even catarrh, that dread breeder of consumption, succumbs to the healing influences of Thomas' Electric Oil.

The human race is but a contest for dollars. In old age the height of a man diminishes.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25 cents a bottle.

A wave of thought would require about a minute to traverse a mile of nerve.

PITS stopped free and permanently cured. No fit after first day's use of Dr. KIDNEY'S Great Nerve Restorer. Free 25 trial bottle and treatise. Sent to Dr. KIDNEY, 331 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

In South America rain frequently falls in torrents from a clear sky?

Piso's Cure for Consumption is the best of all cough cures.—George W. Lott, Publisher, La. August 24, 1884.

Beware of the beast in which men are wounded by hunger.

Engemann's Compound has with Gilchrist's—Cures Chronic Cough and Pleurisy, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Whooping Cough, Croup, Hoarseness, etc. C. G. Clark Co., New Haven, Ct.

It takes more than one crank to turn the wheels of progress.

CASCARETS stimulate liver, kidneys and bowels. Never sicken, weaken or gripe. 10c.

"I will pay you tomorrow" is part of the bankrupt's assets.

When billions or costive, eat a Cascaret candy cathartic. Cure guaranteed. 10c. 25c.

In life's barometer quick rises often precede sudden falls.

Dogfish oil is a new California industry.



A sick person trying to keep up on men's stimulating tonics is like any one pretending to swim while supported by a belt. The instant the support is withdrawn down you go.

Nearly all diseases result from a deep-seated impairment of the nutritive powers which cannot be reached by any temporary exhilaration. The only good that any medicine can do is to increase your own natural powers of recovery and make you able to swim for yourself.

The debilitating weakness, nervousness and digestive disorder which indicates this state of mal-nutrition can only be overcome by a scientific remedy like Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery, which acts directly upon the digestive and blood-making organs, and effects the natural transformation of food into rich, healthy blood, which carries genuine permanent vitality to every corner of the system.

It is vastly more nutritious than malt-extracts. It does not paralyze the nerves, but feeds them with health. It is better than cod liver oil emulsions. It is assimilated by the weakest stomachs. It does not make flabby useless fat, but muscular strength and healthy nerve-force. It is the only perfect invigorant for corpulent people.

Mrs. Ella Howell, of Derby, Perry Co., Ind., writes: "In the year of 1864 I was taken with stomach trouble—severe dyspepsia. There was a coldness in my stomach, and a weight which seemed like a rock. Everything that I ate gave me great pain; I had a bearing-down sensation; I was unable to eat, and the physicians gave me around my right side, and in a short time I was bloated. I was treated by three of our best physicians but got no relief. Then Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery was recommended to me, and I got it, and commenced the use of it. I began to see a change for the better. I was so weak I could not walk across the room without assistance. I took Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and one bottle of the Pleasant Peppermint Cure. I began to improve very fast after the use of a few bottles. The physicians who attended me said I had 'droupy' and that my disease was leading into pulmonary consumption. I had quite a cough, and the home physicians gave me opiods. I thank God that my cure is permanent."

Living without a plan is as foolish as going to sea without a compass in the ship.

Coughing Leads to Consumption.

Kemp's Balm will stop the cough at once. Go to your druggist today and get a sample bottle free. Large bottles, 25 cents and 50 cents. Go at once; delays are dangerous.

Jose Echegaray. Spain's great playwright, is sixty-four years old. He is an engineer and a mathematician. He was once a minister of state. He has written fifty-two plays.

Cernuschi's house on the Avenue Velasquez in Paris, which the bimetallic banker bequeathed with its contents to the city of Paris as a museum, has been thrown open to the public.

While the population of France remains nearly stationary, the consumption of tobacco increases by leaps and bounds. During 1896 the French consumed over 20,000 tons of tobacco.

ASKING QUESTIONS.

It is a Woman's Prerogative and She Uses It.

Timely Questions and Prompt Answers Have Resulted in Great Satisfaction to Many Women.

Sensitive women hate to ask their physicians those delicate questions that only a woman understands, and therefore write to Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass., as she has ever proved their most accurate adviser, and knowing that their letters will be read and answered by one of their own sex. Thousands of such letters have been received within a few months from those afflicted with the various forms of female diseases

CAMPBELL PUTNAM.

Miss Sarah Pearson is in Williamston.

Frank and Guy Hall were in Howell last Saturday.

Archie Rice of Hamburg is visiting at Mrs. E. D. Brown.

Mrs. A. Goodspeed moved her family to Howell the first of the week.

Miss Nettie Hall was obliged to close her school this week on account of sickness.

Miss Nellie Lake commenced the spring term of school in the Sellman district Monday.

A number from this place are attending the Crusade meetings at the North Hamburg church.

Henry Spaulding of Perry spent the latter part of last week as a guest at the home of W. H. Placeway.

The celebrated breach of promise case of Spriggins vs. Jones was tried last Thursday night; eminent council was engaged on both sides; the jury rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiff.

The semi-annual election of the YPSCE was held last Wednesday evening and the following officers were elected:

President	Flota Hall
Vice Pres	James Fitch
Rec. Sec.	Sarah Perrson
Treas.	Lela Spaulding

PARSHALLVILLE.

Mrs. John Avery is much better at this writing.

Herb Preston is very smiling now days, it is all on account of a 10 lb. boy who has come to his home to stay.

Miss Harrison, of Pontiac, who has been quite sick at her aunts, Mrs. John Bristol, is now able to return home.

Wells Avery's school closed on Thursday last with a fine program in the evening. Mr. Avery is a successful teacher.

As Geo. Russel was returning from Fenton, Saturday last, his horse ran away throwing him out injuring him some.

Fred Slover left here this week for Howell where he has been employed by Browning & Breimer of the Howell City Mills, to sell flour on the road. Fred is a hustler.

Frank Chase's team ran away on Saturday last, near Howell, spraining his wrist. A Mrs. Eager was riding with him and it threw her out, she was picked up unconscious.

UNADILLA.

Arthur Green of Ionia, was in town last week.

Miss Julia Gibney, of Detroit, is visiting her parents here.

Miss Ella and Eva Montague of Chelsea, were home over Sunday.

Mrs. Bullis has been visiting for a few weeks with relatives in Kalamazoo.

Rev. Thistle and wife have been sojourning at Mrs. Thistle's home at Lambertville.

Laurance McClear and wife of Gregory, visited Mrs. McClear's parents the fore part of the week.

The C E society elected the following officers for the coming six months, at their business meeting: Pres., Anna Gilbert; Sec., Ally Pyper; Treas., Gertrude Webb.

School closes on Friday of this week. The exercises will be given at the Hall in the evening, March 12. A good program is being prepared and a good time looked for.

Additional Local.

Daniel Richards is on the sick list.

Mrs. E. C. Joslyn is on the sick list.

J. Parker visited relatives in Webberville a few days the past week.

The yearly village treasurers report can be found on the fourth page of this issue.

On Monday last occurred the first thunder shower of the season. Considerable rain fell and it looked as though spring was close at hand.

On Tuesday evening last occurred the largest thunder storm of the season, lightning flashed and some heavy claps of thunder rolled heavily overhead.

The Columbian Dramatic Club will produce "Shamrock and Rose" at the opera house, next Wednesday evening, March 17th. To miss this will be to miss one of the good things of life.

Remember the elocutionary and literary entertainment to be given at the M. E. church next Tuesday evening, March 16th, by Miss Ella Winegar of Howell. All are invited. Admission 10 cents.

Remember the charity social, mentioned in another column, to be held at the home of Mrs. E. A. Mann on Friday evening, March 12th of this week. All are invited to come and donate what and as much as you think best.

The monthly meeting of the society of church workers, will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Crofoot Wednesday afternoon, March 17th. Tea will be served from 5:00 o'clock until all are served; all are very cordially invited.

Programs were issued from this office this week announcing the five-act drama "Shamrock and Rose" to be produced at the opera house, Wednesday evening, March 17th, by the C. D. C. Admission 25 cents, reserve seats 10 cents extra.

F. L. Andrews, who was once publisher of the PINEKEY DISPATCH and who expects to be again, is gaining from his recent sickness. He is now able to sit up with his clothes on and soon if not sooner his bright face will be seen upon our streets to welcome you once more to his sanctum.

The YPSCE of this place held their semi-annual election of officers last Monday evening which resulted as follows:

President,	Mrs. Grace H. Crofoot
Vice Pres.	Miss Mame Sigler
Secretary,	Miss Kittie Grieve
Treasurer	Kittie Hoff
Cor. Secretary,	Addie Sigler
Chorister,	I. J. Cook
Organist,	Mame Sigler

Poor Blood

When a horse is poor in flesh, a new harness won't give him strength. If a house is cold new furniture won't warm it. If your strength is easily exhausted; work a burden; nerves weak; digestion poor; muscles soft; if you are pale and worn out, the trouble is with the blood. It is not so much IMPURE blood as POOR blood. Pills won't make this blood rich; nor will bitters, nor iron tonics, any more than a new harness will give strength to the horse, or new furniture will make a house warm. For poor blood you want something that will make rich blood.

SCOTT'S EMULSION of Cod-liver Oil with Hypophosphites is the best remedy in the world for enriching the blood.

We have prepared a book telling you most about the subject. Sent Free. For sale by all druggists at 50c. & \$1.00. SCOTT & BOWNE, New York.

A load of Masons from here went to Howell yesterday to take in the dedication of the Masonic Temple. A grand time was reported by all.

Rev. Carl S. Jones of Olivet Congregational College, will preach at the Cong'l church next Sunday morning and evening and at Hamburg at 2:30 P. M. All are invited.

For the past week or more a band of crusaders have been holding meetings at the Hamburg church in Hamburg township, and it is reported that much good is being done.

On Monday morning last, three geese were seen to pass over this place by some of our citizens, which were headed southeast. Many would have been glad to have got a shot at them.

N. D. Wilson went to Detroit Wednesday, leaving the report behind that his trip was for the purpose of procuring new goods. Many people are, seemingly very curious to find out just what kind he will purchase. Therefore we take pleasure in informing the public that he contemplates putting in large line of valuable Julia(r) although we understand that no diamonds will be handled on account of their great value.—Livingston Herald. Did you see the covered wagon going east Feb. 24, and sidetracked at the Eaman school house, (1-2-3) no more school until tomorrow, and Randall triped out to the covered wagon and drove away with a Hoff, (v) (that is the way to stand in), (SEE)! —DISPATCH. It is evident that the writer of the last mentioned article wasn't "in it", as he expresses it. We feel very sorry for him, "Besies" little heart.

SOME LATE NEW THINGS.

A combination razor and case in which the strop slides into one side of the case has just been patented.

An electric roller for massage purposes is composed of plates of copper and zinc and generates its own electricity.

A recently patented solder for aluminum consists of thirty parts tin alloy, four parts aluminum and three parts zinc.

A newly designed double-barreled gun has only one trigger, a lever being used to change the action to either side as desired.

A handy device for opticians consists of an indicator, to tell the angle it which the nose-piece of eye glasses must be set to fit the nose.

Blackening brushes for use with liquid blacking have a reservoir in the dander, together with a tube running into the bristles through which the polish runs.

A Massachusetts woman has a patented leather dressing consisting of a compound of wax, rubber, gutta percha, Spanish licorice and paraffin oil, the proportions being secret.

Circular extension tables are made with a number of slots on the under side into which the supports of semi-circular leaves are pushed to increase the circumference of the table.

A New York woman has designed a glass oven door in connection with a device for opening and closing the dampers by means of the expansion and contraction of the glass plate.

A recently designed watch-carrier for bicycles has a screw clamp to attach it to the head of the wheel, the watch being held in place by a number of springs to grip the stem and watch case.

Pneumatic roller skates having one wheel on each skate are just out. In connection with the foot plate and heel and toe clamps there is a brace running up to the calf of the leg to make it more rigid.

The latest curtain pole is cut into two equal sections lengthwise, hinged to each other and having a hole bored through it to hold a rod on which the curtain is hung, thus putting the hangers out of sight.

A new combination tool will drive or pull a nail and can be used as a pipe wrench. It has a movable beak, one side of which grips the heads of nails, the other side having teeth to hold the pipe solidly for turning.

HINTS OF ALL SORTS.

The woman with a list is very much in evidence in shops.

Branded peaches served with ice cream form a combination for dessert that frequently replaces the Christmas mince pie and plum pudding.

Few men know how to choose flowers that will be acceptable to women. Nine out of every ten fair ones love violets. This is a suggestion that may help some puzzled masculine who had in mind a composite bouquet with wired carnations and ferns as its primary principle.

The decorations in Paris in honor of the Russian emperor and empress during their recent visit were of unusual beauty. The large chestnut trees that line the boulevards were made to look as if in full bloom. This was accomplished by taking bunches of grapes and pulling off the fruit. Then upon each little bare stem were fastened small wax flowers made in imitation of the chestnut blossoms. Who would have had this ingenious thought but a Frenchman?

An excellent dinner sweet is stuffed figs. To prepare them, cut an opening in the side of nice fresh figs and take out the inside with a spoon. To this add some salted almonds or salted peanuts that have been chopped fine. Mix these thoroughly together and moisten them with a little brandy. Put this mixture into the fig shells and press the sides of the opening together. Roll the figs in powdered sugar.

JOSH BILLINGS' PHILOSOPHY.

There is lots of humility in this world that is mere sullenness.

There is sutch a thing as a wise phool; he is the phellow who knows how to hide his pholly.

Whenever you can make a dependant yure equal, yu can make a servant yure friend, and not till then.

Adventurers in literature most generally begin by writing poor poetry, and end up by writing worse proze.

One grate error that menny make is they think to praise others is to diminish themselves, when exactly the reverse is the fakt.

It would be absolutely krewel to banish all decepshun out of the world. The majority of mankind would be nelankolly for a job.

It is safer to bestow on a needy friend one dollar than one hundred. He will look upon the dollar as hiz, and upon the hundred as yours.

The habits of a snob are sumthing like the wearing of a tite boot; they are painful to the man who wears them, and ridiclulous to those who see them.

We all ov us are apt to prate about our independance ov karakter, and yet he noilss of a grate man affects most folks, just as a pat on the hed dux a puppy.

I suppose the world mite de divided into pholks that kno how to liv, pholks that only sprout and vegetate,—and pholks that never pay their debts untill they are obliged to.

Yu kan't detest vulgarity so surely as to dress it up in fine clothes. You kan soon tell then, which is the best man of the two, the man who made the clothes or the one who wears them.

By a simple rule the length of the day and night, any time of the year, may be ascertained by simply doubling the time of the sun's rising, which will give the length of the night, and doubling the time of the setting will give the length of the day.

OUR FEBRUARY SALE

for 1897 show again over the corresponding months of 1895 and 1896 and we propose to make our

MARCH SALE

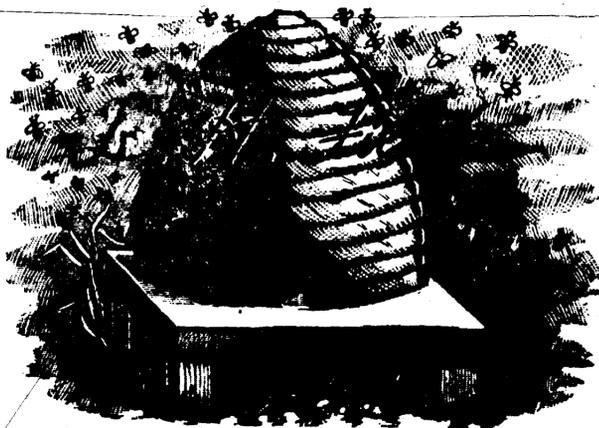
DO LIKEWISE.

We are now in the midst of our annual inventory and we find several odd lots and small quantities. Remnants of Carpets, odd pairs of Lace Curtains and Draperies, small lots of Window Shades, odd Chairs and Bockers, one of a kind; the prices we are making on these odd lots will close them out quickly.

The secret of our big trade is our big assortment and low prices. If you need anything in our line of Furniture, Carpets, Baby Cabs, Dinner Sets, Lamps or Bedroom Crockery Sets, come in and let us figure with you.

NEWELL, RICHARDSON & GALBRAITH,

139-141-143-145 West Main st., JACKSON, MICH.



We Invite You All

to see the changes we at the Busy Bee Hive have been making.

We invite you to our new Domestic Room in basement, the roomiest and lightest in the city.

We invite you to our new Cloak room on first floor which we feel sure you will think a great improvement.

We invite you to the whole thing which in its renewed condition we are sure you will approve of and enjoy.

Come As Soon As You Can

Respectfully Yours,

L. H. FIELD, Jackson, Mich.