

Pinckney Dispatch.

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Local Dispatches.

Easter Sunday next.
Dexter is to have a brass band.
Will Crofoot was in Detroit Thursday.
Miss Carrie Gardner has the measles.
Dr. H. F. Sigler was in Howell last Thursday.
Wm. Hagley has moved his family to Saginaw.
Mrs. J. Drown is improving from her late illness.
Mrs. G. W. Teeple was in Fowlerville on Friday last.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Bert McIntyre on Saturday last a son.
By all reports Michigan has had and is still having a measles time.
F. A. Sigler and wife spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. S. P. Young in Detroit.
Winter is having a hard struggle to give up its hold in this part of the world.
Miss Mary Switzer of Hamburg entertained Miss Fannie Teeple over Sunday.
Earnest Carr and Floyd Jackson spent Sunday at Chas. Switzer's in Hamburg.
Mrs. H. W. Crofoot and Miss Kittie Grieve were in Howell on Thursday of last week.
Miss L. M. Coe, who has been spending the winter at Ionia returned home the past week.
Frank Parker, who is working for Wm. Steptoe in Webster, was in town Saturday and Sunday.
Miss Belle Kennedy of Ypsilanti is spending her vacation with relatives at this place and Fowlerville.
F. L. Andrews made this office a visit last Saturday after an intermission of 13 weeks of tedious sickness.
Miss Emma Haze returned to her home near Ypsilanti last Friday, after an extended visit with friends in this place.
P. G. Teeple of Marquette had the misfortune to have some household goods damaged by fire and water the past week.
The friends of Rev. M. H. McMahon gave him a birthday surprise last Wednesday evening which was an enjoyable event.
Topic for the Epworth League at the M. E. church next Sunday evening is "Wisdom and Folly Personified." Everyone Welcome.
E. L. Thompson and wife, who have been sojourning in this vicinity for the past two weeks, returned to their home at Fowlerville last Monday.
Mrs. McFarland of Amsterdam, N. Y., and L. D. Alley, wife, son and a friend from Dexter were guests at the home of Mrs. F. Rose several days the past week.
The morning hour next Sunday at the M. E. church will be filled by the children who will give an Easter program. In the evening Rev. McMahon will preach an Easter sermon.
There are those in this village too poor to take a local paper (?) but who attended the ten-cent show that was here last week, the entire seven nights and took their family. Well, such is life.
The renowned elocutionist, Miss Minnie Warren will give a recital at the M. E. church Wednesday evening May 5. Miss Warren won the diamond medal in the Demorest contest and ranks among the first in her profession. Watch for further notice.
F. L. Andrews of the Pinckney Dispatch has improved in health and is expected to be on the local staff this week. Democrat. Yes, Bro. Ryan, we were working on the staff last week but was not able to get out of the house—the weather being so not furnish very good weather.

Last Sunday was Palm Sunday.
Dr. C. L. Sigler has been grading his yard the past week.
Farmers are plowing and getting ready for oats, but find it pretty cold work.
Will Wicks, wife and daughter of Waterloo are visiting at the home of J. A. Cadwell.
Webster parties are moving the T. Read residence onto the lot purchased by W. A. Carr.
Many schools throughout the state are closing on account of the prevalence of measles.
Make your plans for a grand old fashioned time July 4th. Pinckney talks of celebrating.
John Chalker attended the reunion of the 26th Michigan Infantry at Fowlerville last Friday.
Rev. C. S. Jones began his year's work as pastor of the Cong'l church at this place last Sunday.
Potatoes are so plentiful in this state that in some places they are selling for six cents per bushel.
Eggs are so cheap now-a-days that the hens are not particular whether they are fresh or otherwise.
The sea-serpent is having a rest this season and the phantom airship is being seen near summer resorts.
Mrs. R. M. Glenn entertained her brother, W. Purchase and wife, of Denver Colo., the past week.
John Bertwhistle is at the home of Warren Hoff under the Dr's. care having had a stroke of paralysis.
Mr. and Mrs. M. H. McMahon and daughter Alice were in Howell visiting friends the first of the week.
Our graduating class will only number two this year, namely, the Misses Annabell Miller and Julia Benidict.
Miss Ella Purchase and Miss Myra Clark, of Chelsea, are visiting Miss Purchase's sister, Mrs. R. M. Glenn.
W. Meyer and wife, of Munith visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Glenn the latter part of last week.
Rev. Edward Kellum, of the Chicago University, was the guest of his cousin, Mrs. C. L. Grimes, this week.
The Misses Florence Sweet and Pearl Bird, of Pontiac, are moving in to the rooms over Barnard & Campbell's store.
Don't fail to attend the opening at Miss Georgia Martin's millinery store in the opera house block today and tomorrow.
Gertrude and Walter Mann of Detroit are visiting their grandma, Mrs. Mary Mann and other relatives at this place.
The regular meeting of the Eastern Star Chapter will be held on Friday evening, April 16th, a full attendance is desired.
Miss Lauretta Shehan of the Ypsilanti Normal is home to spend vacation. She has just recovered from the measles.
Samuel Gilchrist has purchased what is known as the Nash farm, just west of town, but will not take possession until fall.
Mrs. Chas. Kirtland and daughter Dorothea, of Napoleon, are visiting her mother, Mrs. Mary Mann, and other relatives at this place.
Miss Lida Allison of Iosco, who began teaching school in the Hicks district this spring, is sick with the measles at the home of N. Whitcomb.
Mrs. S. Gilchrist gave a party last Saturday in honor of her son, Aubrey's birthday. Sixteen little people enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon.
There will be a photograph social at the home of Chas. Switzer on Friday evening Apr. 16, for the benefit of the North Hamburg Christian Endeavor society. The ladies are requested to bring their first photograph or pay a fee. Everybody invited.

F. M. Grieve and family of Stockbridge spent Sunday with relatives at this place.
A. D. Bannet of Howell, formerly editor of this paper commenced work as foreman of the Livingston Republican last Monday.
The little daughter of Ed McClusky has so far improved as to have the tube removed from her side, and there is every indication of a speedy recovery.
As we go to press a large company of Christian Endeavor workers are holding a county convention at the M. E. church at this place. Further mention next week.
The topic for the Christian Endeavor next Sunday evening at the Cong'l church is "Different kinds of death and the conquest of them." Everybody welcome.
Pinckney never had a "boom" as some villages claim to have nearly every year but her growth has been steady and solid, there being no "To rent" signs in the village. Arrangements have already been made so far this year to put up a large brick store and three residences in the corporation. Let the good work go on—we do not want a "boom."
Probably Insane.
A Well Known Howell Lady Hangs Herself.
When Geo. Axtel, of Howell, returned to dinner Monday, he was startled at finding the lifeless body of his wife hanging to the upper hinge of the door in their room where they boarded. She had placed a piece of cheese-cloth about her neck, climbed upon a trunk and proceeded to hang herself by hooking the cheese-cloth over the hinge then jumping off.
Mrs. Axtel health has been poor for the past year and it is thought that her mind was unbalanced to cause her to commit the deed.
Mr. Axtel was a former sheriff of this county, but for the past few years has been employed in the Republican office at Howell. He is well known and has the sympathy of everyone.
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NOTICE.
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The Household Companion, a family magazine came to our table the past week. On looking it over we find that it contains much good reading matter and would be an excellent addition to any home table. It is published monthly by the Monmouth Publishing Co., 55 Broadway St. N. Y., at 50 cents per year.



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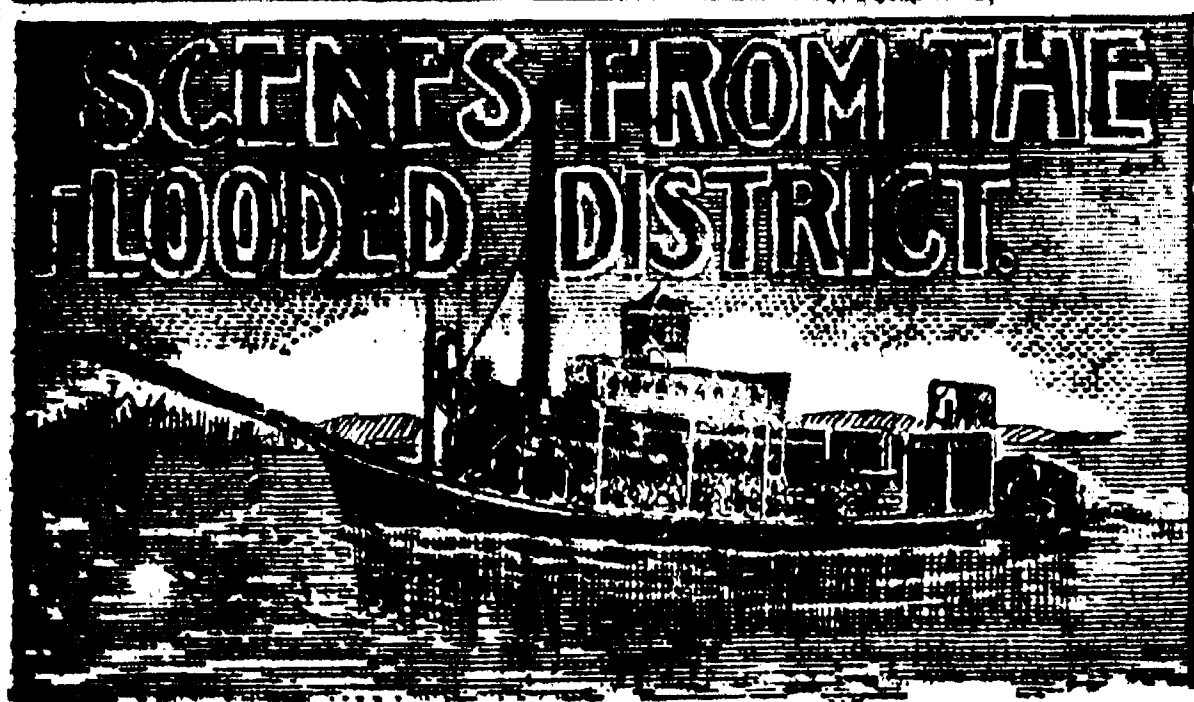
ADIES', MISSES' & CHILDRENS'

HATS.

The Easter tide is drawing near.
The season that all maidens hold dear;
The time to purchase this and that,
But first and best the Easter hat.
For many days, the maid has tried,
But on her hat she can't decide.
At last the one she long has sought,
By her is found, and then is bought.
Its many colors are so gay,
We're sure that with the new "X" ray
More shades could not be brought to light,
To make this hat one with more bright.

On Easter morn this maiden pure,
With sweet expression quite demure,
Is seated in the chair near by,
And sings of maidens in the sky.
So easily she takes high "X,"
One would not think that such as she
Had on her hat one moment spent
Of all the time, she kept as Lent.
But as she sat, long note she sang,
And through the church the music rang,
The queen toward the "Golden Gate"
And wondered, "Is my hat on stage?"

Georgia L. Martin



Terrible Suffering at Many Points.
The seeds of the Mississippi valley and its tributaries continues to grow space. Millions of dollars worth of property have been destroyed and millions more must be swept away before the waters recede. Hundreds of lives have been sacrificed and at least three hundred thousand people have been rendered homeless. The governors of Mississippi, Arkansas, Alabama, Tennessee, Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, Kansas, the Dakotas, Nebraska and Minnesota are receiving funds for the unfortunates in distress.

Secretary of War Alger has forwarded all the available tents in the department to the flooded districts, but these will be inadequate. He has also ordered the expenditure of \$50,000 cash to relieve the sufferings of homeless citizens and their families. This is the first time that the war department has ever felt called upon to spend cash to relieve want outside of the regular army.

Greenville, Miss., Being Swept Away.
One-third of Greenville, Miss., is a desert of water, a scene of desolation impossible to describe. The water is nearly 200 houses and is kept out of the stores in the heart of the town only by the protection so timely thrown up by the citizens to stop its destructive progress. Mail goes and comes in skiffs, doctors visit their patients in skiffs, social visits are made in skiffs, and skiffs are properly equal almost in value to what the mule was a few days ago. The water is deepest in the extreme northern limits, where it has reached a depth of about seven feet. From this point it shows a gradual decline.

New Town, Miss., a very thickly built district, peopled almost entirely by negroes, is under water, the depth ranging from a few inches to five feet. The Belle Air, which contains many pretty homes and was beautiful with green lawns and blooming shrubs, is a Venice, and the only means the people have of leaving or returning to their homes is by boats, which are numerous and various. The water is not as high as in 1890, but will soon reach and pass that mark. Greenville itself is a city of refugees of from 15,000 to 20,000 souls. Relief boats from the interior are bringing in nearly every hour loads of destitute flood sufferers suddenly caught by the waters and driven from their homes. Hundreds and thousands of head of stock are being driven in from every direction. The back water from four crevices is pouring in fearful floods every hour, and the situation is growing rapidly worse. At Helena, Miss., the river is still rising; at St. Louis, Miss., it is rising, and the Arkansas is threatening to rise in a few days. Business men are blue, but try to keep cheerful. The worst has not yet reached the Yazoo-Mississippi Delta, and the half of its tale of woe has not been told. As soon as the different towns and cities already submerged are reached by boat parties from Greenville and as soon as the remote districts and plantations can be heard from, there will be

enough to sadden the hearts of those far away who are now eagerly waiting for news and hoping against hope.

Reporter Gathering News.

The Post-Dispatch correspondent went by skiff from here to all points possible by water in a radius of fifteen miles in every direction from this city, says a telegram from Greenville, Miss. It was a common sight to see rabbits or domestic fowls floating on driftwood, deer on little islands here and there above the water, and the starving creatures do not now fear the approach of man. In one instance a negro was calmly smoking a pipe on the roof of a log cabin, while a stream of water was running through the doors of her hut nearly up to the eaves of the roof.

Another disastrous break in the Mississippi levee, reported Sunday morning at 8 o'clock at Flower Lake, six miles below Tunica, Miss. The crevasse, while not yet of great width, is fully fifteen feet deep and the water is pouring through the opening with fearful velocity. This will probably be the most destructive break that has occurred in the delta. The most fertile farm lands of Mississippi, lying in Coahoma, La Flore, Quitman and Tallahatchie Counties, in the northern part of the state are inundated, and the newly planted corn crops will be laid in waste.

No loss of life is reported, the inhabitants of this stricken section having made preparations for just such a catastrophe as exists there. The condition of the poorer classes throughout the flooded area is indeed critical. Thousands of refugees are huddled on levees and spots of land waiting for relief. The towns of Rosedale and Tunica report that everything possible is being done for these poor people, but that funds and provisions are fast becoming exhausted. In the little city of Rosedale alone 1,200 refugees are being cared for by the citizens.

Half a hundred towns stand in six feet of water and the yellow stream is creeping up slowly but surely.

Levee at Helena, Ark., Gives Way.

Advices received tell of a break in the levee two miles south of Helena, Ark. This is the levee for which the people of Southeastern Arkansas have made such a desperate fight. The wa-



A STREET SCENE AT ANOKA, MINNESOTA.

Yazoo-Mississippi levee district, states that he does not expect the waters to abate before May 15.

Upper Mississippi.
The upper Mississippi continues to show a large showing eighteen feet above low water mark. It has been raining constantly for twelve hours.

busy extending succor to the suffering. The number of people who have been forced to leave their homes is about 1,200. The water east of State street has become so deep that several houses have floated from their foundations. Loss to the value of about \$50,000 floated down the river Sunday.

Floods in Minnesota.

Ortonville, Minn., has been completely cut off from communication with the outside world. A train cannot go 20 miles from this city in any direction. Lac Qui Parle lake, Minnesota river, Big Stone lake and Lake Traverse form one vast sea. The lake and river are merged into one, rising at the rate of half an inch an hour. A heavy northwest gale is driving the ice, which is yet a compact and solid mass, out of Big Stone lake into the overflowed bottoms of the Minnesota river, where it is likely to do great damage. Bridges are gone in many places and boats are in demand in the vicinity of the depot and the railroad yards. Rain has been falling steadily for a week, making country roads impassable and keeping farmers off their fields.

Every record since that of 1849 has been broken by the Mississippi at Anoka, Minn. Fireman's grove, is filled with water and the Ram river dam is expected to go out. Millions of feet of logs are floating down the river. North of Anoka millions of acres of farms are under from two to six feet of water and there are grave doubts as to whether or not it can be seeded this spring. River men tonight say that there will be a further rise here of at least six feet.

The Jim River Overflows.

The Jim River is creating general havoc with railroads in the valley west of Yankton, S. D. The water is a foot higher and threatens to take out bridges and tracks, as the approaches at both ends of the bridges are cutting badly. Three miles and over of track of the Great Northern, Milwaukee and Northwestern railroads is now completely disabled, thus cutting Yankton off from the outside world. Farmers in the bottoms are moving east with their families. Word was received asking for immediate assistance, and men and boats are departing for the flooded district. The water still continues to rise at Yankton. The ice is broken at Grand Forks, N. D., and trouble is expected from that source. Basements in third street stores are cleared of all goods. Above Grand Forks the ice is still solid. Between there and Fisher a long trestle on the Great Northern went out Sunday. It will require a week after the water has gone down to repair this line.



LEAVING OLD HOME TO TAKE REFUGE IN THE HILLS.

"What are you doing there, aunty?" we halloed.
"I've watered in," came the response.
"Would you like us to take you in?" we offered.
"No, sah; I'll be skiffed out terecally."

Plaintive howlings of dogs, cackling of poultry and squealing of pigs keep the woods alive, and graphic scenes and incidents crowd upon the sight at every turn. There are dead carcasses floating in the water, fragments of houses and articles of household furniture of every kind.

P. S.—A later dispatch says that Greenville has been swept away.

ers from this break flood a great area and back up into the streets of Helena.

The relief steamer Ora Lee has arrived at Marianna, Ark., having made an expedition up the St. Francis River. There were on board 160 refugees and 200 head of cattle. The steamer went up the St. Francis River as far as Cut Off, and then worked her way down stream, rescuing people from perilous positions. The suffering along the St. Francis River is appalling. The water throughout the entire neighboring country is from six to fifteen feet deep.

The relief boat had on board the body of Mrs. McMain of Raggle City. The body was found at Raggle and it was taken to Marianna for burial, there being no land at the former place on which to give it interment. The St. Francis is rising from three to five inches daily.

At points below Vicksburg the river is rising. It is the general opinion of old river men here if the levees below Vicksburg hold the great volume of water in its regular channel it will be little short of a miracle.

Middleboro, Ky., is again flooded. The water is four inches higher than in the flood five weeks ago. Most of the stores in Cumberland avenue are flooded. Sixty-five families have been washed out. Three hundred people are fed by the city. Boats are plying on the principal streets. At Pineville the Cumberland river is rising three feet per hour. West Pineville is under water. The Clinch and Powell Rivers are flooding the entire country.

Gov. McLaurin, of Mississippi, continues to make diligent inquiry touching destitute flood sufferers. He will perhaps be compelled to state to Secretary of War Alger that the amount of \$10,000 mentioned in his telegram will be wholly inadequate to alleviate the want and suffering. Hon. J. W. Outler of Coahoma, a member of the



A BREAK IN THE LEVEE NEAR MEMPHIS.



A NEWSPAPER CORRESPONDENT NEAR GREENVILLE.

Interesting Items.

What is the condition of our roads? Muddy or dusty?

The Chelsea soldiers monument is nearly completed and will be unveiled May 31.

There are 700,000 names on Uncle Sam's pension rolls. Last year 29,593 were dropped from the rolls by death. The death list will decrease very rapidly the next few years.

According to the recent decision of the supreme court, a tax title is A No. 1. In fact it is the best kind of a title and supercedes all others. If there are taxes, of whatever kind, against your real estate and it is returned and sold, the purchaser under the tax title owns the property, and you cannot help yourself.

At a meeting of the Sorority club of young ladies of the east side high school of Saginaw at the home of one of its members a bona fide goat decorated with ribbons and enfolded with starchy "Old Glory" was suddenly introduced into the parlor where the secret society was in session. The younger brothers of the maiden at whose home the club met were the conspirators and for a time his goatship had all his own way, knocking down the chief orator and imprinting remembrances of no kindly nature on several others as they climbed on the parlor table. The can-eating animal was finally dragged out by his owner acting as motor but not before most of the members had actually ridden the goat and passed the third degree. They all vow vengeance on the juveniles.

A Beet-Sugar Factory.

Pinckney Just the Place to Locate Such an Industry.

In looking over the matter of the beet-sugar industry we have come to the conclusion that it has come to stay and it would be well for the farmers in this vicinity to look into the matter, as the soil in this vicinity is just adapted to the raising of the sugar-beet, and it seems to us that Pinckney would be the right place to locate a factory, here in the midst of such rich land.

If the farmers will take hold and investigate this industry, there is no reason why there is not money in it for them. Do not wait until every village in the state has a factory, but be among the first. We are to have a race track that cannot be beat, what is the matter of having another industry that is all beet.

JUST EVEN UP.

The board of supervisors for the coming year will consist of eight republicans and eight democrats. The following are the names, townships and politics of the supervisors; paste it in the almanac for reference:

- Howell—Amos Winegar (d).
- Cohoctah—C. H. Miner (d)
- Oceola—M. O. Marble (d)
- Genoa—Henry Weimeister (d).
- Handy—Jos. Franks (d).
- Hamburg—E. J. Sheridan (d).
- Putnam—Alex. McIntyre (d).
- Conway—Fayette Grant (d).
- Green Oak—S. A. Smith (r).
- Brighton—H. N. Beach (r).
- Tyrone—Geo. Dodda (r).
- Hartland—A. W. Cimmer (r).
- Dearfield—Edwin Pratt (r).
- Iosco—R. J. Gardner (r).
- Unadilla—Ryal Barnum (r).
- Marion—H. W. Norton (r).

The publishers of the World-Famous Twice-A-Week Free Press wish us to announce the withdrawal of their trial subscription offer to send the paper ten weeks for 10 cents after May 1. If you wish to take advantage of this special low trial rate, you must do so before above date.

POISONED.

At Howell Saturday Apr. 10, the two children, aged 5 and 8 years, of Mrs. Myrt Grover, and one child of William McFall, aged 8 years, are dead.

While playing in the garden they dug some parsnips which had been in the ground two years, and had started to grow. The children in play grated it like horse radish and ate of it and soon after went into spasms. The strongest drug known to the profession failed to give relief, and they died in great agony.

Those who claim to know say, when parsnips lie in the ground the second year and commence to grow, they go back to the wild state.

TWELVE TRUE MEN.

The following are the list of jurors drawn for the April term of court for this county which convenes Monday April 19, at 1 o'clock:

- Brighton—Emanuel Crout, John C. Newman.
- Conway—Frank E. Dailey, Fredrick Schreder.
- Genoa—George Latson, Martin Holdforth.
- Handy—Joseph R. Griswold, Benjamin A. Davis.
- Iosco—George Wright, Horace Mapes.
- Dearfield—Wm. Bravener, Philo S. French.
- Tyrone—Bernard McKeon, Joseph Buzzard.
- Cohoctah—Fred Chase, Frank Randall.
- Howell—Robert Smith, William Loree.
- Green Oak—William Lyon, Albert Marshall.
- Oceola—Albert Hetchler, Albert Brown.
- Marion—John Dibble, J. W. Clements.
- Hartland—Mark Brock, Chester Whitford.
- Hamburg—Wm. McQuillian, Chas. Phillips.
- Putnam—E. W. Kennedy.
- Unadilla—W. T. Marshall.

Do you owe a debt which you can pay either in whole or in part? If so it is your duty to do so. When money is scarce it is more than ever important that you should do so. One dollar will pass from hand to hand doing a world of good if it is kept going. Some little child may be going hungry or some poor woman freezing because you keep in your pocket the debt that ought to be paid out. In times like this the man who pays out dollars is a blessing, while the man who hangs on to them is a curse.

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STANDS AT THE HEAD.

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Watch the DISPATCH liner columns of To rent, For sale, etc. They may prove to be of interest to you.

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WEEKEND UND.	LY.	AP.
Jackson and Intermediate Sta.	10.44 a.m.	10.50 p.m.
	11.30 p.m.	11.40 a.m.

WEEKEND UND.	LY.	AP.
Pontiac Detroit—Gd. Rapids and Intermediate Sta.	10.00 p.m.	10.44 a.m.
Pontiac Lenox Detroit and Intermediate Sta.	10.00 a.m.	11.10 p.m.
Mich. Air Line Div. Saginaw and Intermediate Sta.	10.40 a.m.	11.10 p.m.
D. & M. DIVISION LEAVE PONTIAC		

WEEKEND UND.	LY.	AP.
Saginaw Gd. Rapids and Gd. Haven	10.00 a.m.	11.10 p.m.
Gd. Rapids Gd. Haven Chicago	11.00 p.m.	11.10 p.m.
Saginaw Gd. Rapids Battle Creek	11.00 p.m.	11.10 p.m.
Chicago and Intermediate Sta.	11.00 p.m.	11.10 p.m.
Gd. Rapids Gd. Haven Muskegon	11.10 a.m.	11.10 p.m.

WEEKEND UND.	LY.	AP.
Detroit East and Canada	11.00 a.m.	11.10 p.m.
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Some of the Veterans.

If Abraham Lincoln had lived until Feb. 12 he would have been 88 years old, having been born within a few months of Mr. Gladstone, who was 88 in December. Pope Leo has just passed 87 and Mr. Morrill, the "father of the senate," will reach that age in April. Among the other well-known contemporaries of the martyred president who are yet living are Cassius M. Clay and ex-Secretary of the Navy R. W. Thompson, while Francis William Newman, James Martineau, ex-Senator Bradbury of Maine and Gen. Neal Dow also survive, though born earlier than he.—Providence Journal.

Absent-Mindedness.

A young man was sitting in a Colliery car the other night busy with his paper. Mechanically he fished a half dollar out of his pocket and handed it to the conductor when the latter came along, saying: "Give me a new hand." "A what?" the conductor asked. "Oh," said the young man, blushing, "I mean give me some tickets."—Cleveland Leader.

had been wounded while his regiment was in retreat, but he did not say it that way. "I received my wound," he said, "while marching rapidly in front of the enemy."—Argonaut.

Style in Opera.

Maude—Which style do you prefer in the opera—German, Italian or French? Ethel—Oh, French by all means. There was a lovely one in front of me last week—green velvet, with black-and-white ostrich tip combined with lace and pink roses.—Harper's Bazar.

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Republicans Win.

The campaign just ended by the spring election was unusually spirited throughout the state, and while the vote polled was not extraordinary it was quite generally larger than was expected. Party lines were not closely drawn except in a few local instances where the financial question was still a cause for political difference. The returns from townships to the county seats were very slow in coming in, but it was early apparent that Charles D. Long had been re-elected to the state supreme court bench, and the figures shown in later returns give him a plurality of about 50,000. William J. Cocker and Charles D. Lawton were elected regents of the University of Michigan by a smaller margin, by pluralities of about 40,000.

The constitutional amendments did not receive the same amount of attention that the candidates did and consequently the vote on them was not so large, but they were safely carried.

While the Republicans are able to rejoice over their candidates being elected the Silver-Democrat-Populist ticket made a showing in some counties which appear to greatly please the leaders of the fusionists. For instance in Saginaw county Yapple received a plurality of about 1,200; in Ingham 500; St. Joseph 750; Calhoun 750; Arenac 200; Branch 200; Gratiot 100; and several other counties are claimed by small margins.

On the other hand it is shown that for the total vote polled and for the issues at stake the Republicans can be well contented with their victory, for, it is claimed, had the vote been as large as last fall and the percentage of votes to the parties the same as is given in these returns the Republican victory would be still more apparent.

The National Democrats in some localities voted conscientiously for their ticket without any prospect of victory, and in Washtenaw county Regent Barbour received a plurality on that ticket of over 1,000.

The most notable local contests were the mayoralty election in Detroit and the special contest for the seat in the house of representatives belonging to the Second district of Saginaw county. In Detroit, Gov. Pingree having been ousted from the mayor's chair and a special election called by the supreme court, the Republicans placed before the people Capt. A. E. Stewart, a well-known vessel man and a member of the present state legislature. In opposition Wm. Maybury, a lawyer and an ex-congressman, was entered by the Democrats. The Pingree power was behind Capt. Stewart, while the Democrats (both Silver and National), Populists and disgruntled Republicans backed Maybury. The campaign was short and hot and the result very close, the face of the returns showing Mr. Maybury to be elected by a majority of 491 votes. It is said that the Republicans are not satisfied and will contest Mr. Maybury's claim to the mayoralty.

The contest in Saginaw county was caused by Kerr, Democrat, having been declared elected last fall by four votes, over Baird, Republican. A special committee of the house of representatives investigated and recommended that Kerr be unseated and Baird seated, but the house preferred a special election, which has resulted in Kerr being elected, this time by a majority large enough to give him the seat beyond question.

Prisoners Escape From Ionia.

Gideon Batherick, who was sentenced to the Ionia reformatory from Pontiac, May 16, 1903, for manslaughter, has escaped. He killed his father who, when the son interfered in a fight between the husband and wife, turned on this son and attacked him. Batherick has had charge of the greenhouse and flower gardens. Convict Irving Zimmerman, who was sent up for burglary from Montcalm county, escaped by aiding between some cars when the keeper went indoors for a moment and made off over the country. Both convicts would have been released in 1904.

President Angell as Minister to Turkey.

There is strong probability that President James B. Angell, of the U. of M., may be nominated by President McKinley as the American minister to Turkey. Senator Burrows called at the White House and expressed to the President the deep satisfaction that it would give the people of Michigan to have President Angell selected, and also conveyed the approval of Senator McMillan and himself of the proposed selection.

Ocean County Town Scattered.

The village of New Era, Ocean county, had a narrow escape from destruction by fire. The Hotel New Era, the general stores of O. A. Brown and Martin Vandoren and the New Era livery barn and icehouse were totally destroyed. Loss, \$5,000.

POLITICAL FAN FOR PHYSICIANS.

Congressman Meek, of the Eleventh Michigan district, has discovered that instead of, as has been generally supposed, all the pension examiners of Michigan coming under the civil service regulations under Cleveland's recent ruling, it covers only those at Detroit, Grand Rapids, East Saginaw, Lansing, Ionia, Kalamazoo, White Cloud, Flint and Owosso. Consequently all the other boards in the state are political spoils, which any reputable physician in active practice, who gets the endorsement of his congressman, may capture without any red tape.

THE TWO PENINSULAS.

A case of smallpox is reported from Blissfield township, Lenawee county.

Plans are being prepared for extending the G. & I. railroad to Lake City.

The Calumet & Hecla copper mine has declared another \$5 dividend, making \$40 since April 30, 1894.

Work has been begun to connect Pontiac with Detroit by electric railway, via the Birmingham route.

August Zarnowski, while driving into Port Huron, was thrown against a curbstone and instantly killed. He was trying a new horse.

Simon Becker was found at his home at Lake Odessa hanging to a beam. He leaves a widow and several children. No cause is given for the act.

John Klein, bookkeeper for A. B. Perkins & Co., of New Baltimore, has been sentenced to one year in Ionia for forging the firm's name to checks.

The body of a new born baby boy was discovered in the lake at Mosherville. It had evidently been thrown in the water alive for the purpose of drowning.

Mrs. Frank Peck, living two miles north of Lamont, committed suicide by drowning. She first tried Paris green, but the poison was taken from her by her husband.

Michigan has captured another good office under the McKinley administration—Gen. O. L. Spaulding having been appointed assistant secretary of the treasury.

The dwelling of Warren Brooks, north of St. Louis, burned to the ground with all its contents, without insurance. The family only saved the clothes on their backs. Loss \$2,000.

A sneak thief entered W. H. Hall's residence at Ypsilanti and secured a vest containing over \$100 in cash, a check for a small amount and a gold watch and chain worth \$150. No clue.

The Michigan supreme court has affirmed the conviction of Woodruff Parmelee, who is serving a life sentence at Jackson for the murder of Julia Curtiss, his sweetheart, at Traverse City.

George West, of Alpine township, Kent county, drove upon an embankment near the Alpine church, tipped over, and in the fall broke his neck. He leaves a widow and five children in Germany.

Experiments in beet culture will be made in Saginaw county under supervision of A. W. H. Landers, an expert. Over 200 farmers have applied for seed. Mr. Landers plans to build a refinery at Saginaw.

The example of the Metropolitan Iron Co. in raising wages 10 per cent at Ironwood, will be followed, it is said, by all the mines on the Menominee and Gogebic ranges, putting a stop to the talk of strikes.

Fred Mosher, aged 21, was killed by the cars on the Air line at Homer. He jumped from a train going 20 miles an hour. He was evidently struck on the head by the cars, as his skull was cracked near the base of the brain.

Fr. Casimer Skory, the Gaylord priest, whom both factions of the disrupted Bay City Polish church say would be satisfactory, was born in 1864, in Prussian Poland. He came to Bay City when about 11 years old, with his parents.

A well-dressed stranger worked off about 40 counterfeit silver dollars on street railway conductors at Saginaw in one evening. The fraud was not detected for several hours. Frank Alexander, of Bay City, was arrested on suspicion.

Richard M. Hoar, of Houghton, who failed last week, has tendered his resignation to the common council as mayor. His liabilities continue to grow and have now reached \$111,000. Creditors do not expect to realize much more than 50 cents on the dollar.

The Michigan Academy of Science the third annual meeting at Ann Arbor. A large number of prominent scientists attended, including about 50 members of the academy from outside the city. Prof. Volney M. Spaulding, of Ann Arbor, was elected president; Prof. W. B. Barrows, of Agricultural college, secretary; and Prof. W. H. Magoon, of Hillsdale, treasurer.

The Metropolitan Iron & Lumber Co. announce an increase of 10 per cent in the wage scale in their mines at Ironwood. This increase affects about 1,000 men working in the Morris, East Norrie and Pabst mines. The company also announces that they will increase their forces by the addition of 300 men. While the wages are still very low there will be plenty of work this summer.

MICHIGAN'S LEGISLATURE.

This is a specimen of the proceedings a week-end session of the Senate. Twenty members present. Senator Loomis read the twenty-third Psalm; and repeated the Lord's prayer; a resolution passed authorizing payment of a bill of \$12.50 for mineral water used in the Senate during March; Senator Barnum given leave of absence for one week by a unanimous vote; adjourned for four days. The House accomplished something more than this, but there were many evidences of a feverish haste to get through the business on hand and get away. Bills passed by the House: Authorizing street railway companies to do a suburban express business and to carry the same through cities between 8 p. m. and 8 a. m. without permission of common councils; and to carry in the day time, under such regulations as common councils may prescribe; authorizing the governing bodies of religious societies to receive up to \$30,000, by gift or bequest, when the same is to be invested and the income derived therefrom applied to the payment of the salaries of clergy, provided none of the money is loaned on real estate at more than half the value of the realty; prohibiting circuit judges or their law partners from practicing law in the state; giving state factory inspectors power to inspect elevators and requiring all factories to furnish proper wash rooms and dressing rooms for employees. Gov. Pingree sent in a message vetoing the Flint charter bill. He said that he had received petitions aggregating 1,600 names of electors of Flint asking him not to sign the bill and it seemed to him to show plainly the need of a home rule bill such as is embodied in the Lusk-Gordon bill now before the legislature.

Now that the spring election is over some of the members are promising that the legislature will awaken from its trance and do public business. It is asserted that the holding back in final action upon such important matters as liquor laws, railroad bills, anti-trust bills, etc., will be ended at once and the work of lawmaking proceeded with. The house gave evidence, after the election adjournment had ended, of an intention to work. The members did not meet until 9 p. m., but instead of making the session a mere matter of form they went right into committee of the whole and began work on the general order, but no bills were finally disposed of. The Senate also did some work in committee of the whole.

Work! Well, if the legislature don't soon do better than they have started out since election they will not be very likely to get down to work this summer. The Senators started in to play circus the first thing. The desk of Senator Thompson, of Wayne, was elaborately decorated with flowers and as he took his seat he was applauded—presumably for his part in helping to elect Mayor Maybury, of Detroit, and thus turn down Gov. Pingree. Then a resolution was sent to the clerk's desk praying that the anniversary of the spring election be a perpetual holiday to be known as Maybury day. Another resolution requested the president of the Senate to recognize Mr. Thompson's "acute attack of joyous exuberance contracted on account of the late election in the city of Detroit, and appoint him chairman of the committee of the whole for the afternoon session, and then excuse him from active duty for the remainder of the week." The Senate resembled a country school room during recess as Mr. Thompson was installed in the chair and then they settled down a little—and agreed to a bill to allow the catching of chubs and minnows with nets in Les Cheneaux channel. During the day the Senate passed the following bills: Providing that applicants do not have to study two years in an attorney's office to become eligible to admission to the bar; providing a salary of \$300 for the treasurer of the board of control of the home for feeble-minded. The House spent almost the entire day in committee of the whole and agreed to several measures, among the most important being the Green inheritance tax bill which provides a tax of 5 per cent upon the market value of all property, personal and real, over \$5,000 in amount, bequeathed by will, whether by resident or non-resident of the state, or transferred in contemplation of death, except in cases where the property goes to father, mother, husband, wife, child, brother, sister, wife or widow of a son or husband of a daughter, in which case no tax is assessed upon the inheritance. The probate judge is made arbiter in all cases. The House passed the following: Authorizing the village of Sand Beach to issue bonds for water works; empowering judges of probate in certain cases to license executors, administrators and guardians to borrow money by mortgaging or pledging the estates of deceased persons for the purpose of paying debts, legacies, making repairs to or completing buildings; providing for the appointment of guardians for persons who are habitual drunkards by the use of liquor, narcotics or noxious drugs, and permitting superintendents of the poor, supervisors or aldermen to make complaints of such to the probate judge; providing that in bigamy cases husband and wife can testify without consent of each other.

THE TELEGRAPH.

TALES TOLD THROUGH THE MEDIUM.

King George's Escape and Threats; Insults—Prevents a Unanimity Among the Powers in the Proposal to Blockade Greece Ports.

Balk in the Blockade of Greece Ports. An Athens dispatch says. A serious hitch has occurred. France has not agreed to the blockade of the gulf at Athens. The admirals were discussing the details and suddenly the whole matter is again adjourned for several days, while M. Hanotaux produces his mysterious plan. The French foreign minister has assured King George that there is no immediate prospect of a blockade, and has begged him not to take action. Nobody here has the slightest notion of what the hitch is.

Denmark will Help Greece. Copenhagen: The consultations between the members of the Danish royal family have resulted in a resolution to uphold the present dynasty in Greece. The dowager casarina will remain here until the end of the month. A special cipher telegraphic service has been established between Copenhagen and St. Petersburg and it is believed that the casarina has succeeded in inducing the czar to support King George as being consonant with the interests of Russia.

Moslems Mutilate Dead Christians. Canes: As the result of a fight here six Christians were killed and 11 wounded. The bodies of the dead were savagely mutilated by Mussulmans. The garrison of Canes was under arms all night long and the town was strictly patrolled because of fears of incendiarism.

King George Still Threatens War. London: A dispatch from Vienna says it is no secret that King George has formally stated to the powers that a declaration of war against Turkey will immediately follow an extension of the blockade to the Greek coast. This fact cannot be left out of consideration. It is believed in some quarters that if the Gulf of Athens is blockaded, popular excitement will compel the king to declare war, even if his own judgement and that of the cabinet were opposed. This has been a leading cause of the delay in securing a unanimous agreement between the powers.

Gen. Rivera, Maceo's Successor Captured. Havana: A force of Spanish troops under Gen. Hernandez Velasco left San Cristobal, Pinar del Rio province, and at Perico Pozo encountered a small insurgent force entrenched, under command of Gen. Ruis Rivera, the successor of the late Gen. Maceo. The insurgents opened fire and the Spanish infantry moved upon the trenches under cover of the artillery, and one company of cavalry galloped forward, capturing the trenches and seizing as prisoners five men who lay there wounded. Col. Bacallao, on learning that Rivera was one of the wounded, hurried to the trenches and begged the soldiers not to kill him. Rivera was taken into the presence of Gen. Velasco. The larger portion of the insurgents escaped.

Railroad Men Have a Meeting. Special trains from every direction carried railroad men into Grand Rapids to attend a general railroad meeting. President C. M. Heald and Vice-President W. R. Shelby, of the C. & W. M. and the G. & I. railroads respectively, had platform seats, also the superintendents, chief engineers and superintendents of the roads entering the city and Grand Masters Sargeant of the brotherhood of locomotive firemen, Garretson of the conductors, Second Vice-Master Dodge of the trainmen, and Grand Chief Arthur, of the locomotive engineers. After a welcome by Mayor Snow speeches were made by President Heald and the heads of the various orders. The meeting was for the purpose of promoting a better feeling between the different orders and also between the men and the railroad managers.

Mississippi Floods Continue.

The breaking of the levees of the Mississippi river below Memphis has caused fearful destruction, loss of live stock and property and much suffering on both the Mississippi and the Arkansas sides of the river. It is estimated that fully 10,000 people are homeless in the delta in the neighborhood of Greenville, Miss., alone, to say nothing of the hundreds of refugees who are flocking to the higher points along the river and who are daily being picked up by the relief boats which keep continually churning the watery waste, which is 40 miles wide at some points, for their errands of mercy. Three hundred towns are reported to be wholly or in part submerged, entailing tremendous loss.

President McKinley has definitely decided to send a special commissioner to Cuba.

William McGlinchy, of Flint, while attempting to drive a heavy load of wood through a gateway, was crushed by the load falling upon him.

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CHAPTER XIII. (Continued.)

Having no money at one time, I was compelled to make a longer stay than I intended at a new gold-field, where I fell in with a mate after my own mind. We sunk a shaft, and got more gold than I had ever possessed. My share of a fortnight's work was two hundred and seventy ounces. I didn't like to keep so much gold about me, nor did my mate, so we gave it into the charge of a man named Richard Fairley, who had opened a deposit bank. My mate took the gold to him, and brought back the receipt. I never set eyes on the man. He didn't act fairly to us, for one fine morning he made himself scarce, and I and my mate, and a lot of others, had to whistle for our gold—and then it didn't come. We vowed death to him if he ever crossed our path; and I got a description of him from my mate; a short, thin scoundrel, with iron-gray hair on his face, hanging almost from his eyes—to hide his villainy I suggested. However, we got more gold, and I saved over a hundred ounces, which I was not fool enough this time to part with.

Well, we had pretty nigh worked out this claim, when I had a dream—not of my wife and child; no, of my old mother. It seemed to me that she was dying before my eyes, and when I woke, and found, thank God! that I had been dreaming, the last sound I heard from her poor old lips, "Oh, Ames, my son, my son!" came to me with mournful significance. She had been a good mother to me, and I had but ill repaid her by leaving her in her old age with no provision (as I now remembered for the first time, God forgives me), after these many years. I awoke in the dark, and I lay awake thinking until the sun rose; and in the darkness of that night I saw my duty clear before me. I resolved to go home, make the old woman comfortable (all my unjust and bitter feelings toward her had melted away), and then come back again, if necessary, and renew my search. You may say that I might have sent money home, and that that would have answered the purpose. So I might have done; but I thought that by going home I might perchance hear news of my wife and child. I had not written a line to my mother all these long years. Not that she could have read it, but she would have got a neighbor to read it for her; and it occurred to me all of a sudden that in my haste and hot-headedness I had neglected the chance that might have restored to my arms those who were so precious to me.

I astonished my mate in the morning when I told him I was going home. No inducement that he could offer was strong enough to hold me back, and that very day I was on my road to Melbourne, with my gold in a belt, buckled round my waist. When I reached Melbourne I was in no difficulty about a ship. Hobson's Bay was full of homeward-bound craft, and after running my eyes over the names, I selected The Rising Sun, a twelve-hundred-ton clipper, then lying off Sandridge, and to sail in a few days. How often have I thought that a special destiny must have led me to select that ship out of the large number that were advertised for London! I don't believe, as some believe, that our lives are ruled by chance.

CHAPTER XIV.

THE Rising Sun was a passenger ship, and was to take home, besides passengers, a cargo of wool, hides, and gold. I thought I might as well save passage money; I had no mind to set up as a fine gentleman, and if I had shipped as a saloon passenger, as I might have done, having a few hundred pounds by me, I should not have been able to keep my hands off the ropes. Knowing that London-bound sailors were hard to get, I went to the shipping office, and told them I was once more an able-bodied seaman like me among the crew. They took any cattle in those days, then were so loath to leave the gold field. So these I was once more, at my old trade. I was soon at work, and set to with a will, and with a lighter heart than had beat in my body for many a long day past; though, mind you, I was not the man I had been before the great grief of my life had broken upon me. But I was glad to think that in a few months I should see my old mother again, and that I might be in my power to bring comfort to her troubled spirits; for the most I thought of my last interview with

her, the former grew the conviction that I had deeply wronged and wounded her. Not that I ever believed for one moment that my wife was false to me. No, no; I clung to that anchor of faith in her love and truth. It kept me from stranding on the rock of utter disbelief in human goodness.

At the appointed time we sailed out of Port Phillip Bay, with a fair wind. Nearly all the passengers came aboard the last day, and I saw but little of them, having enough else to do. We had aboard a hundred and sixteen souls, all told, made up in the following manner: Passengers, sixty-one men, eleven women, eighteen children; crew, twenty-six.

For the first two or three days all went well, but trouble was marching upon us. We got into light easterly winds; about that time, also, the weather got slightly foggy. Scarcely any of the passengers were about as yet; the majority of them were below with sea sickness, and not one of the women had put in an appearance on deck. The fog beginning to increase, and continuing to do so, a sharp lookout for land was kept. We had been out now ten days, and I observed that the skipper was getting anxious. Neither was I easy in my mind. We were in the vicinity of dangerous rocks, not laid down as yet in the charts, and the fog, growing thicker and thicker, made our position more perilous. For myself, I had no fear of death, but a heavy weight was on my mind with respect to my old mother at home; and the desire to see her once more, and make amends to her for my harshness, grew stronger because of the danger we were in.

It was at this time that I made the acquaintance of two of our passengers; they were children, a boy and a girl. I was standing near the lookout, straining my eyes to the eastward, where we supposed rocks to be, when, looking down, I saw those children by my side. They were about the same age, nine years old maybe. I placed my hand on the boy's head, and, stooping, gazed at the little fellow. He returned my look frankly.

"Well, my man," said I, "and what may your name be?"

"Bob," said he.

His voice startled me, and I gazed more searchingly at him. A beautiful face was his, with fair, curling hair and bright blue eyes, that made mine dim, and caused my heart to beat more quickly. All the old memories flowed back upon me like a strong tide; and but that I felt such a supposition would be akin to madness, I might have encouraged the thought that by some miracle my own son was standing by my side.

"And yours, my little maid?" I said to the girl.

"Pearl," she answered, in a voice clear as a bell, and which to my fancy resembled Bob's.

"Then," said I, with a strange palpitation, "Bob and Pearl are brother and sister."

"Oh, no," they both replied in one breath.

"But you ought to be," said I, kneeling by them, so that my face might be on a level with theirs. "Bob has blue eyes, and so has Pearl; and you have light hair, too, both of you."

They stood with their arms round each other's waists, Bob being the shyer of the two. We prattled together for as many minutes as I could spare from my duties, and I learned that they were in no wise related. Both their mothers were on the ship, they told me.

"I haven't seen them on deck," said I.

"Oh, no," said Pearl; "they have been ill, and are not well yet. I hate the sea—I hate it!" And the little maid stamped her foot, and tears came into her eyes.

"And you, Bob?" I asked. "Do you hate the sea?"

"I'm fond of it," said Bob, "and I want Pearl to like it, but she won't. She says she wishes there wasn't any sea in the world. That's foolish, isn't it? But I wish it wasn't so dark."

Stronger and stronger grew the spell upon me.

"Would you like to be a sailor, Bob?"

"I should," he replied, "if it wasn't so dark."

I kissed the bright little fellow, and he kissed me. Wrapped up as I was in him, I saw that Pearl was hurt because I did not offer to kiss her. I would have kissed her then, but she kept me off.

"No," she said, petulantly, "you love Bob best."

I had no time for farther parley. I rose to my feet, and, taking the children by the hand, told them it was not safe for them to be on deck, and that they must go below.

"We crept up," whispered Bob, sleepily, "without anybody knowing. Pearl was frightened, and I didn't want to come, till I made her. But then Pearl's a girl, and I'm a little man—so mother says."

The whole of that day no figure but the figure of Bob was in my mind, and I indulged in the maddest speculations. If my boy lived, he would be of the same age as this little fellow; and Robert was my father's name. I should have asked Bob further questions about his mother, but that I was afraid to shatter the unreasonable hope which a wild fancy had engendered. I saw no more of him or Pearl during that day, and when next I saw him—Ah, me, let me not think of it. I must tell my story straight.

The weather got worse instead of better, and at night—it was four bells in the first watch—"Land" was called. I was in the watch below at the time, and we were summoned on deck at once. The course we were steering was east by north, wind being northwest. Orders were at once given to square away the yards, to clear the vessel for the land, and then for about half an hour we hove away southeast, and after that hauled up again to the eastward. In less than forty minutes, however, we beheld the treacherous rocks straight ahead of us. As I saw the white waves—whiter because of the darkness which surrounded us—dashing against them, I had no shadow of doubt that we were lost. Pitch dark it was, but a sailor can see rocks without a light to guide him—for the matter of that, I believe he can smell them—and it does not need a sailor's eye to see the white foam from a raging sea dashed from an iron bound shore back into the black waters. Many's the time I have seen the spotless spray leaping up the sides of the rocks that line the foreign shores, and curling back again in beautiful showers, laughing in the sun-sparkles that filled them with light, and made them look like millions of living silver stars; but then the days were fine, and the sun was shining. It was different now. There was no sun and no moon, and the swell of the sea toward the shore came to my ears like the sound of muffled drums.

The task we had before us now was to prevent The Rising Sun from setting bodily toward the land; but the task was too much for us, and though we worked with a will we could not avoid our fate. The vessel hardly had steered away, and the heavy southwest swell was driving her nearer and nearer to the black rocks. By midnight she had become perfectly unmanageable; and all the passengers, being now alarmed and aware of their peril, were on deck, keeping their feet as well as they could. I looked out on the lee beam, and saw the land, like a fog bank, creeping nearer and nearer to us. In the midst of my duties I had striven hard, but without success, to discover Bob and Pearl, and it was while I was thinking of the land with a feeling of agony that a woman's voice, falling on my ear, sent a shock through me which curdled my blood.

"Hush, my child—hush!" were the spoken words; and it was my wife who uttered them to my boy.

Dumb with a fearful joy and amazement I turned toward the voice, when The Rising Sun came crash against a sharp, jutting rock, and, if you will believe it, carried part of it away. In the midst of the cries of despair that accompanied the crash, I myself called out: "Mabel! Mabel! give me my boy!" But my voice only added to the general terror and confusion, and before we had time to recover ourselves, the ship lurched on to another point of rock, which carried away her spanker-boom and rudder. And now, dark as it was before, it grew darker. Ay, it was like the Egyptian darkness, for it could almost be felt, and The Rising Sun seemed to be slowly cutting her way through it, as if it were a substance. The two points of rock which the vessel had struck formed the entrance to a huge water cave, and into this cave we were now fatally working our way. This accounted for the increasing darkness, for above us and before us were savage rocks, from the walls of which the thick slime was crawling down to the sea. This much I know, and this much I saw, but I was mercifully spared from the conscious knowledge of a great deal of the agony and terror of that awful night. The mizen-top-gallant mast coming down with tremendous force, I was struck prone to the deck by it, and for a time I partially lost my senses.

TO BE CONTINUED.

Too Much Realism.

There has come of late a change over the spirit of the novel. Its noble side have, in far too many instances, been vitiated by shameful realism. From a beautiful, fertilizing channel it has been turned into a noisome and noxious sewer. Its standards of right and wrong have been abused. It is villainy that is now triumphant and honesty that is crushed. It is vice that is now honored and virtue that is sneered at and insulted. The sane and healthy view of life no longer attracts the writer; neither is it made attractive for the reader.—Rabbi Joseph Koppel.

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MARSHALLVILLE.

Dr. Merriman has moved in Mrs. Norberts house.

Dr. R. W. Cooper of Detroit was in town on business Saturday.

W. N. Phillips and wife of Ypsilanti called on friends here Sunday.

Mrs. C. M. Smith and son, Lawrence spent Sunday with friends in Bancroft.

Chas. Howell has traded his blacksmith property for the Laird farm near Bennetts bridge.

The funeral services of Mrs. George Vorhies of Hartland were held Sunday from the M. E. church at that place Rev. F. I. Walker officiating. Mrs. Vorhies was highly respected by all who knew her. The family have the sympathy of a large circle of friends.

PLAINFIELD.

W. J. Black and family, of Pinckney, spent Sunday at W. Ishams.

E. L. Topping has the material on the ground to erect a new Page Lawn fence in front of his residence.

Paul VanKeuren is sick with measles. He took them at Howell while attending teachers examination.

Quite a number from this place attended the plays given by the Lyceum Theater Co., at Gregory the past week.

Mrs. W. H. Foster passed through another operation last Wednesday, and is improving as well as can be expected.

S. G. Topping & Son shipped over 4000 doz. of eggs last week. They took in 400 doz. Saturday afternoon at their store.

P. O. VanKeuren and family have moved to Hamburg where he will work a farm this summer. We understand Bert Washburn will occupy his house in this place.

PETTESVILLE.

Mrs. James Van Horn is on the sick list.

The spring term of school commenced Monday with Lela Spaulding as teacher.

Joseph Blades has taken possession of his new home purchased of John Mancer.

Weltha Green commenced the spring term of school in the Cordley district Monday.

John Hodgeman and family of South Lyon called on James Nash's family Thursday.

Mrs. Jacob Kice visited her daughter in Howell Tuesday and Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Geo Wright and daughter, of Iosco, visited relatives near here the last of last week.

William Peters was kicked on the head by a horse Sunday night but was able to be about Sunday morning.

J. D. VanFleet and wife, and Miss Mary VanFleet attended the funeral of Mr. Drewery, at Howell, Tuesday last.

Council Proceedings.

Regular. Apr. 5 '97
Council convened and called to order by Pres. C. L. Sigler.

Present: Trustees, Murphy, Wright, Jackson, Brown and Grimes. Absent: Reason.

Moved and carried that council adjourn until Monday, evening Apr. 12.

Special, Apr. 12.

Council convened and called to order by Pres. Sigler.

Present: Trustees, Reason, Murphy, Jackson, Wright, Brown and Grimes.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Comr's report read and accepted.

Sidewalk committees report read and accepted.

Bill of Teeple & Cadwells for \$8.93 for oil presented. Motion made and carried that it be accepted as read.

E. R. Brown presented bill for side walk labor of \$2.50; motion made and carried that an order be drawn to pay the same.

Bill for street labor presented by John Mortenson for 63c.; motion made and carried that an order be drawn to pay the same.

Bill of S. Grimes presented for street labor and sidewalk, \$6.50, accepted and an order drawn to pay the same.

Teeple & Cadwell bill for nails, 69c., accepted.

Cartage of lumber, D. Grieve, 35c., accepted.

Bill for side walk lumber, \$6.35, T. Read, accepted.

P. Monroe bill for tramp care, 25c., accepted.

Bill presented by Francis Carr for March lamp-lighting and matches, \$7.65, accepted.

P. Monroe's bill for March marsh service, \$8.25, accepted.

The following appointments were made by the Pres.:

Park Committee; Trustees, Wright and Jackson.

Health officer, Dr. H. F. Sigler.

Village Attorney, W. A. Carr.

Street Commissioner, Alford Monks.

The appointment of marshal left over for one month.

Trustees; Brown, Grimes and Reason were appointed to oversee the making of necessary repairs on the council room and building.

Moved and carried that the clerk purchase a Village Roll book.

Motion made and carried that F. L. Andrews be allowed the printing of the council proceedings for the ensuing year under the same conditions as last year.

Motion made and carried that a book be purchased for the recording of the Street Coms'r reports.

Council Adjourned.

R. H. TEEPLE, Clerk.

For Sale.

The American Banner oats for seed, at 35 cents per bushel. Last year I sowed 10 bu., which I received from Ohio, on 4 1/2 acres of ground and harvested 200 bu. A No. 1 oats.

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Additional Local.

Born, to Lloyd Teeple and wife, on Wednesday last, a boy.

Wm. Brown, formerly a resident of this place, died at the place and was brought here for burial last Sunday.

The Epworth League will hold a short business meeting Thursday night after prayer meeting. All members and officers are requested to be present as there is business to be done.

The Columbian Dramatic Club are billed to play "Shamrock and Rose" at Stockbridge, Apr. 23. We can assure the people at that place that they will have a rare treat.

There are several from here talking of visiting San Francisco, Cal., during the world's C. E. convention this summer. The rates will never be cheaper than at that time.

An electric car at Ann Arbor "re-appeared" a fish wagon last week, knocking the venerable fisherman off the perch. The old gentleman carped a good deal about the horned-dace of a motorman being such a bullhead as to not ring the bell and the car driver says he did but the wall-eyed pike was as deaf as a mullet and it was a wonder that he was not laid out as stiff as a frozen shad.—Adrain Press. To bad for the poor sucker won't it.

PROBATE ORDER.—State of Michigan, County of Livingston, ss.—At a session of the Probate Court for said County, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Howell, on Monday the 12th day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Present, Alford M. Davis, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the Estate of Daniel F. Webb, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of George W. Teeple, praying that a certain instrument now on file in this Court, purporting to be the last Will and Testament of said deceased, may be admitted to probate.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Friday, the seventh day of May next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be assigned for the hearing of said petition.

It is further ordered, that a copy of this order be published in the Pinckney Dispatch, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

ALFRED M. DAVIS, Judge of Probate.

PROBATE ORDER.—State of Michigan, County of Livingston, ss.—At a session of the Probate Court for said County, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Howell, on Tuesday the 13 day of April, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Present, Alford M. Davis, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the Estate of Albert S. Noble, deceased.

Now comes Frank A. Barton, administrator of said Estate, and represents to this Court that he is ready to render his final account in said Estate.

Thereupon, it is ordered that Monday, the 10th day of May next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be assigned for the hearing of said account.

And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published in the Pinckney Dispatch, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

ALFRED M. DAVIS, Judge of Probate.

ABOUT MAHOGANY.

For Every Tree Felled Two Others Are Planted to Keep Up the Supply.

It will undoubtedly be news to many that the vast mahogany forests of Nicaragua are controlled in Boston. The cutting and shipping of the immense exports from that country is of a great enterprise in itself, to say nothing of bringing it here and manufacturing it into lumber. One steamer plies regularly between this port and Central America engaged in this trade. At present she is on her way out from this port. Five hundred thousand to 700,000 feet is her usual cargo. While the steamer is now on her way to the lumber ports, there are somewhere on the seas bound to Boston four schooners laden with mahogany logs. Their cargoes are each about 250,000 to 300,000 feet. Employed in Nicaragua and the United States of Colombia by Mr. Emory are from 1,000 to 1,500 native workmen and lumbermen. There are under American bosses. The trees from which mahogany furniture is made vary in age and size. When cut they range in age from twenty-five to thirty years, and some of them are even seventy-five years old. They average twenty-five inches or more in diameter and run as large as forty inches and even more. For every mahogany tree that is cut two others are planted, and thus the forests are practically inexhaustible.

From the time that the tree is felled to the hour that it is dumped off the steamer at the Chelsea docks is an eventful life for the mahogany log. The tree is cut into the proper lengths and then comes the tedious journey to the coast, where it is taken on board the vessels bound for this port. The greater part of the cutting is done during the dry season, which in the United States of Colombia begins about the 1st of December. The natives of this country seem to make better loggers and are better adapted to lumbering than the Nicaraguans. In Nicaragua the season is more irregular and for lumbering is less to be depended upon. After the tree is cut it is hauled to the nearest waterway and rafted to the coast. The logs are hauled by teams of oxen from one to six miles in Nicaragua, but often the distance is very much greater, the journey sometimes taking two days. The roads consist of paths through the forest that are

worn more than swamps and morasses, through which the oxen and horses flounder along. Only animals trained to this kind of work would ever make any progress, and American boats would wallow about perfectly helpless.

Edna Anderson.

Edna Anderson is best known to the English-speaking world by his charming fairy tales, but in his native Denmark he is also famed as dramatist, novelist and poet. The son of a poor shoemaker, he was born at Odense in 1805, and was adopted some time after his father's death by the widow of the poet Bunkedod. His early history rather resembles a chapter of misfortunes; he was rejected at Copenhagen theater because he was too lean; and no sooner had he commenced his studies as a singer than his voice began to fail. Afterward he was more successful, and in 1828 was placed in an advanced school at the public expense. By this time he had already published a number of poems, one of which, "The Dying Child," has been translated into the language of Greenland, and he continued to produce a number of works almost down to the date of his death. Anderson's books have been translated into more than one language.

On his seventieth birthday his friends presented him with a volume of his stories rendered in English at his own tongue. Besides being in the receipt of a public an-

nulty, he was presented with the Grand Cross of the Dannebrog Order by the King of Denmark. He died in 1875.

The Women Landlord.

Women make very good landlords, but beware of the woman who owns only one house. She regards it as the apple of her eye. She lives near to keep it under surveillance. Whether she goes out on an errand or takes her constitutional, her steps lead by her house. At a glance she can tell the condition of the shutters, the front door and the area. Her accustomed eye knows every scratch and she is prepared to resist to the utmost any proposition to renew the shutters or to paint the front door. She regards her tenant as her natural enemy, and cannot understand why she may not enter her own property whenever she has a mind. She is cheerfully prompt on rent day; too prompt, for she does not take delay with grace. When a woman has a second house, say the agents, her character is ameliorated. And as her knowledge of affairs broadens she does not differ materially from other landlords.—New York Journal.

The Use of Money.

Righteously gotten wealth is a legitimate and honorable possession; if it ministers only to display, it becomes a yoke and a burden; if it pampers the children and shuts them away from their fellows, it is a failure.—Rev. W. D. Faunce.

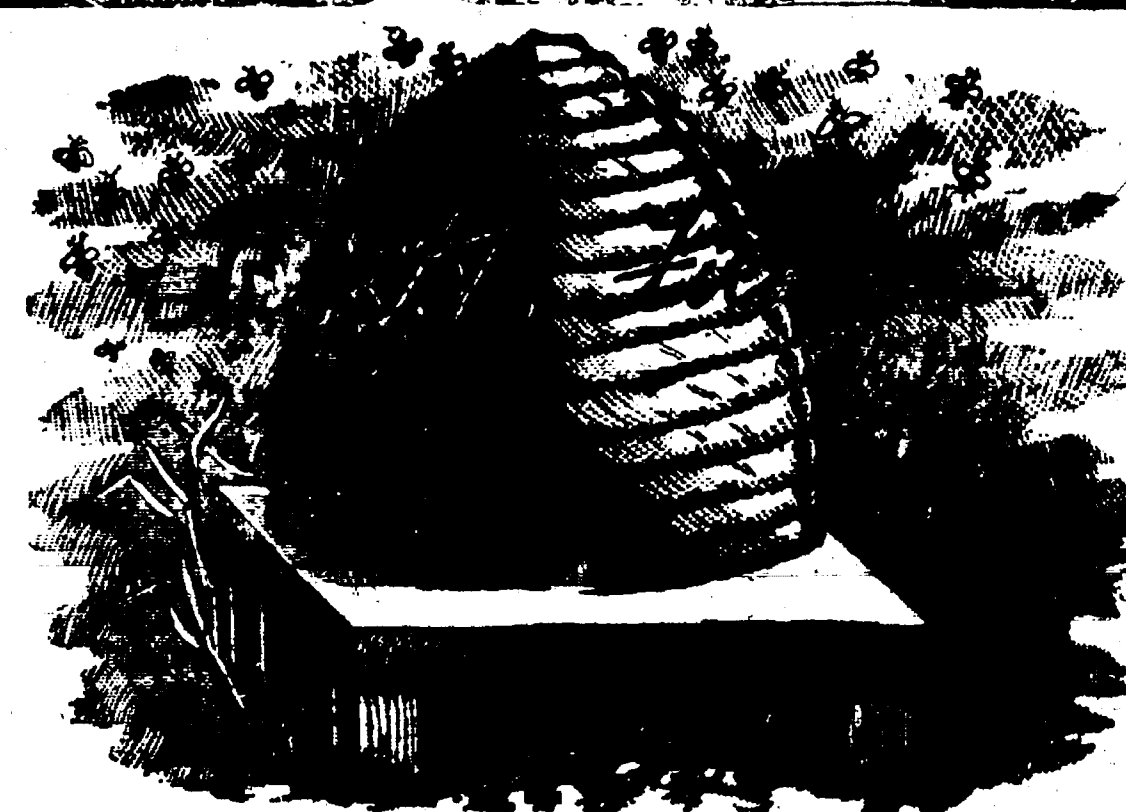
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