

Pinckney Dispatch.



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LOCAL NEWS.

The Durkee auction takes place today.

Patsy Kennedy was in Howell Monday.

Silas Barton Sr. is very low at the home of his son, Silas Jr.

Fred Fish and sister, Clella, spent Sunday with Justice Swarthout and family.

The weather has been fine for the past two weeks, but not very good for the health.

Miss Carrie Jones spent Sunday with her uncle, Justice Swarthout and family.

The grip seems very prevalent this year, although the cases are not as severe as usual.

E. D. Roche, of Howell, was the guest of friends and relatives at this place over Sunday.

The topic for the Epworth League next Sunday evening is "A Students prayer." All are welcome.

We hear that there is talk of a ladies band in this place. Not a bad idea and there is lots of talent.

The topic for the Christian Endeavor next Sunday evening, Jan. 29, is "God's Army." Everyone invited.

The Pinckney Cornet band is preparing for an entertainment in the near future. Watch for particulars.

There was no school in the high school department the first of the week owing to the sickness of Prof. Durfee.

Miss P. G. Teeple left yesterday for her home in the northern part of the state, after spending several weeks in this vicinity.

Rev. H. John McClements of Onekama, Mich., will preach at the Cong'l church next Sunday morning and at North Hamburg in the afternoon.

FOUND—Just west of honey creek, on Thursday of last week, a tie rope. Owner can have same by calling at this office and paying for the notice.

Frank Heox of Howell was in town one day last week.

Fred Campbell was on the sick list last week.—Grip.

I. S. P. Johnson was in Ann Arbor a few days last week.

The firm who were selling cloaks here last week did quite a big business.

Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Perry, of Unadilla, visited at Geo. Bland's last week.

Mrs. I. S. P. Johnson has been spending the past week with friends and relatives in Ann Arbor.

Postmaster Swarthout has been laid up with the grip the past week. Miss Mabel Swarthout has been in charge of the office.

Next Thursday, Feb. 2, is the day set for the bear to come out and look for his shadow—if he sees it, six weeks more of cold weather.

A large crowd attended the monthly tea at the home of Mrs. W. A. Carr on Wednesday evening of last week given by the Church Workers of the Cong'l church. Receipts of the evening, \$9.75.

The Maccabees will hold a meeting on Friday evening of this week for the purpose of installing their officers. One week from Friday night, Feb. 3, the Ladies and Maccabees will hold a banquet in the hall.

There was a full attendance at the Loyal Guard meeting last week; all seemed to enjoy themselves. Those who smoked, enjoyed that, and those who did not smoke ate peanuts—all furnished by the order. Come again boys.

The Aid Society of Lakin Appointment met for the first time this year at Mr. and Mrs. Bland's and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Pres., Mrs. R. Glen; Sec., Mrs. L. Love; Treas., Mrs. G. Bland. The next meeting will be held at the home of A. Stowe and wife of Marion, on Thursday, Feb. 2nd, in the forenoon, the men included.

FROM ANN ARBOR TO LANSING

Electric Line is Now Practically Assured.

WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC PEOPLE WILL FINANCE THE DEAL.

Road May Be in Running Order Within Six Months.

There is now every prospect that the proposed Lansing, Dexter & Ann Arbor electric road will be built and in running order within six months. In the past few days W. W. Churchill, of New York, and C. W. Register and O. A. Stranahan, of Chicago, engineers of Westinghouse, church, Kerr & Co., the well known engineering and constructing concern, have gone over the line of the road to obtain an idea of the probable cost.

Yesterday Dr. R. J. Shank and C. A. Mapes, of Lansing, Morris Topping, Plainfield, L. C. Chase, of Dansville, and Thomas Birkett, of Dexter, directors of the new road, met these gentlemen, and Wallace Franklin, the Michigan representative of the Westinghouse company, here. Communication by telephone was also had with the latter's offices in New York and Chicago, and, as a result it is announced that arrangements are completed for the Westinghouse company to finance the rail-road company's bonds in the east and build the road in the time mentioned. It is expected that bonds to the amount of \$1,175,000 will be issued.

The Michigan directors, six in number have subscribed \$250,000 to build the road, the operations to commence in about month. Emerson McMillin was in the city yesterday and conferred with the parties interested. It is understood that his connection with the company will be made clear when the books are floated.

The above was clipped from the Sunday Free Press. We wanted to be sure that we were right so we called in one of the directors and found out that while the above was not all true there was much encouragement in regard to the road. The main fact being that there are two concerns who are anxious of getting the contract and furnishing the funds. The directors further informed us that while the road might not be built as soon as stated in the article, it is bound to go through sooner or later. It we could get the road and an electric light plant, Pinckney would not take a back seat for and city in Michigan.

OBITUARY.

Chris J. Smith was born in the township of Putnam, Dec. 31, 1846 and died at his home in the township of Dexter, Jan. 19, 1899, after several weeks suffering, which he bore patiently, trusting in the Saviour for his reward, saying: "It matters not whether the call comes to day or next year, I am ready and waiting." The funeral was held from St. Mary's church, on Saturday, Jan. 21.

Mr. Smith was well known in this village, having spent the most of his life near here. To know him was to like him as he never had an enemy. Honest, upright and cheerful he won everyone for a friend.

The highest eulogy in which he was held was shown by the crowd who attended the funeral, over 70 persons being in the procession. As a loving brother and staunch friend he will be missed at home and wherever he was known. He leaves a sister and a brother and a host of other friends who mourn their loss.

We desire through the DISPATCH to thank the many friends who assisted us so kindly in the last illness and burial of our brother.

FOR

DRUGS,
BOOKS,

AND

SCHOOL

ALSO

SUPPLIES,

CROCKERY,

LAMPS,

AND

FANCY

ARTICLES,

CALL ON

F. A. SIGLER,

PINCKNEY, MICH.

WE CONTRACT BINDING TWINE AT 9 CENTS.

Last season we made contracts with our customers for Standard Twine at a reduced price which other dealers did not meet and as we have completed arrangements for 1899 with the Deering Harvester Co. for their Ideal Binders, Mowers and Binding Twine we are in position to save our customers money. Until further notice we will offer Standard Binding Twine at 9 CENTS PER POUND.

NOTICE—We must again call the attention of all our customers that have not settled BOOK ACCOUNTS and NOTES DUE as we must have all settled in the next 30 days. January 1, 1899.

TEEPLE & CADWELL.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28,

WE OFFER

Ladies' Felt Shoes at	1.09 and 1.29
18 prs. Men's 2.50 Shoes at	1.98
10c Plaid Suitings at	7½c
10 pieces Only Best Prints at	4½c
Ladies' Wool Hose at	20c
60 doz. Ladies' Fast Black Hose,	special value, at 10c
Men's Arctics, opera toe at	1.12
30c can Coffee for	25c
Corn Starch for	3c
Sack Salt, 3 pkg. for	10c
Sales CASH.	Produce taken in exchange.

F. G. JACKSON.

Prices must continue to

Reduce Stock.

All odd lots of Wall Paper at 5c per double roll.

Come and get
Prices on
Shoes,
We are
bound to
Sell them.



Jennis Flannels at the same low prices.

Lots of them left

Ladies' Fine Black Hose, Seamless
and fast black for 9c per pair.

Barnard & Campbell.

MICHIGAN NEWS SUMMARY.

Doings of the Week Recorded in a Brief Style.

CONCISE AND INTERESTING.

A Compilation of the Suicides in Michigan for Nine Months—Will Bring Michigan's Dead Soldiers Home from Cuba—Other Items.

131 Suicides in Nine Months.

Labor Commissioner Cox has compiled statistics of suicide in Michigan from April 18 to Dec. 31, 1898. The total number was 131, the methods employed being as follows: Hanging, 37; shooting, 29; poisoning, 29; drowning, 13; cutting throat, 16; stabbing, 3; cutting artery, 1; jumping from moving train, 1; starvation, 1; burning, 1. Of those who took poison, 1 used chloroform, 2 strychnine, 6 Paris green, 6 morphine, 3 laudanum, 5 carbolic acid and 1 rough on rats. The causes assigned for the suicide were as follows: Despondency, 30; dissipation, 18; insanity, 16; ill-health, 15; domestic trouble, 43; business troubles, 11; disappointment in love, 7; unknown, 21. Ninety-nine of the victims were males and 32 females. Thirty-three of them occurred in Detroit. Fourteen futile attempts at self-destruction were also made. The total number of suicides is 13 less than for 1897.

Deaths for the Month of December.

The total number of deaths registered in Michigan for the month of December was 2,341 or 156 more than the number for the previous month. There were 359 deaths of infants under one year of age and 121 deaths of children aged from 1 to 4 years inclusive. Important causes of death were as follows: Consumption, 215; typhoid fever, 31; measles, 2; whooping-cough, 18; pneumonia, 228; diarrheal diseases under 5 years, 32; cerebro-spinal meningitis, 29; influenza, 40; scarlet fever, 16; diphtheria and croup, 50.

To Develop Mich. Coal Fields.

Prospects are good for the development of the great coal deposits at Williamson in the near future. Only 48 feet below the surface with a good slate roof above it, lies a vein of rich coal varying from 3 to 7 feet in thickness. A 44-inch bed of excellent coal lies but 13 feet below the surface, but as there is no roof, the only way to mine it is by stripping, which is too expensive. Excellent fire clay and a mineral paint vein overlay the coal beds.

An Ex-Convict Re-Captured.

Otis Bentley, one of the four prisoners who, 18 months, escaped from the Berrien county jail at St. Joseph, by sawing the bars of the prison window, has been returned to his cell. Bentley was captured near Traverse City, and at first refused to be recognized. Afterwards he broke down and declared with tears in his eyes that he had never lived such a miserable life, and was only too glad to give himself up.

The State Banks O. K.

According to Comptroller of the Currency Dawes, the 75 national banks in the state outside of Detroit had total resources on Dec. 1 of \$50,073,650, as compared with \$48,891,020 in September; loans and discounts decreased from \$28,656,369 to \$28,322,730; reserve increased from \$9,794,026 to \$10,109,879, of which gold holdings increased from \$1,585,006 to \$1,604,397. Deposits increased from \$32,088,524 to \$33,131,658.

Lost His Hand While Cutting Feed.

While Ed Rodgers, of Emerson township, Gratiot, was cutting feed for his stock, one of his mittens was caught in the rollers of the machine and before he could stop it his hand had been clipped six times, the last cut being straight across from the junction of the thumb with the hand, necessitating amputation at the wrist joint.

Will Bring Michigan's Dead Home.

Gov. Pingree proposes to bring home the bodies of Michigan soldiers buried in Cuba, and has asked Secretary Alger what share of the expense will be borne by the general government. The governor will ask the legislature to authorize the state to stand the rest of the expense.

Another Bad E. E. Wreck.

F. & P. M. freight train No. 49 broke in two a few blocks from the station at Flint and the two sections jammed together, wrecking the whole train. The load and cars will be almost a complete loss. No one was injured.

The copper speculation fever shows no sign of abatement at Marquette.

The common council of Fowlerville has ordered the closing of all gambling rooms.

Thos. Kelly, of St. Ignace, after finishing his mid-day meal turned to leave the table and fell to the floor, dying instantly.

The 4th line of the Flint & Pere Marquette from Palms to Sand Beach will be widened to standard gauge early in the spring.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

About the quickest job of law making on record was that secured by D. D. Thorp, C. B. Warren, Samuel T. Douglas and Henry Russel, the committee appointed by the Detroit bicentenary organization to get the general law for the incorporation of exposition companies amended. McGraw engineered the bill in the senate, and Cheever and Capt. Stewart in the house, and it was given immediate effect by both bodies. The amendments give the organization power to incorporate as soon as they have \$100,000 of the \$1,000,000 capital stock subscribed. The old law required that the whole capital stock must be subscribed before they could incorporate or hold the subscribers.

The clerks who drew plums in the senate committees were: Banks, corporations, etc., C. L. Flood, Osceola county; fisheries, etc., Chas. B. Nelson, Cadillac; cities, villages, etc., George E. Cogswell, Grand Rapids; university, horticulture, etc., E. B. Green, Olivet; printing, taxation, etc., Chas. H. Smith, Petoskey; school for blind, etc., Chas. H. Watson, Crystal Falls; claims and accounts, executive business, etc., Chas. F. Halsey, Warren; agricultural college, Miss Alice Earl, Schoolcraft; judiciary, Percy Edwards, Owosso.

Rep. Chamberlain, who is one of the special committee on the Atkinson bill, introduced a resolution providing that this committee should investigate the subject of taxation, report on the value of railroad property, the amount of taxes they pay under the present systems in vogue in other states. After Chamberlain had concluded his remarks supporting the resolution, Mr. Cheever promptly moved that the resolution be tabled, which was carried by a vote of 50 to 36.

A bill authorizing the land commissioner to issue a patent to J. Q. Ferguson and wife was passed, also the one authorizing the governor to send a representative to Cuba to bring home bodies of soldiers, passed both houses.

The military committee has decided to report favorably on the bill for the payment of armory rentals during the absence of the national guard companies during the war.

The attempt to refer the Atkinson bill to the railroad committee was lost by the close vote of 43 to 43.

Julius Caesar Burrows has been elected U. S. senator to succeed himself.

STATE GOSSIP.

The Gen. Wm. Humphrey, of Adrian, is dead.

The University of Michigan now has an enrollment of 772.

Bay City is to have a hospital which will be run by the Sister of Charity.

A new electric road from Grand Rapids to Kalamazoo is being considered.

There are 200 cases of la grippe at the Michigan School for the Deaf at Flint.

The burned buildings at West Branch will be replaced by a new brick block at once.

The Catholics of St. Ignace are planning to build a fine church in honor of Fr. Marquette.

Hiram Delano, aged 79, of Harrisville, died from injuries received from a fall on the ice.

The Shiawassee Poultry association will hold its first annual show at Owosso early next month.

Six Williamston farmers have sold to local dealers \$18,000 worth of live stock in the past six weeks.

The German Lutheran school at Tawas City is closed on account of diphtheria among the pupils.

After three hours the jury in the Chas. R. Mains perjury case at Marshall returned a verdict of not guilty.

A new bridge now spans the Shiawassee river at Owosso. It is 90 feet wide, weighs 400 tons and cost \$14,000.

Farmers of Van Buren county have pledged 1,000 acres for sugar best culture for the proposed Kalamazoo factory.

Miss Ida Davis has commenced a \$10,000 breach of promise suit against C. E. Little. Both parties reside in Detroit.

Huron county sent 11 people to the insane asylum at Pontiac during 1898, an increase of three over the preceding year.

Deputy Treasurer Buhner, of Wayne county, has paid the auditor-general \$304,000, being that county's share of the state tax of 1898.

La grippe is epidemic in southwestern Michigan. In Three Rivers, 400 cases are reported. In Constantine there are at least 275 cases.

Wm. Fisher, aged 60 years, of Hastings township, was found dead in a near by stream, whether it was a case of murder or suicide is yet unknown.

Martin Siebert, of Muskegon obtained a divorce and five minutes afterwards, while he was still in the court building, he was reunited to another woman.

Secretary Alger has appointed E. E. Huyck, of Grand Ledge, commissioner to the West Indies, to prepare the bodies of soldiers for return to this country.

James B. Wise, of Ypsilanti, has filed a bill for divorce against his wife, Clara Wise, mainly on account of her alleged "austerity of temper and violent sallies of passion."

The receipts of the Hillsdale County Agricultural society were \$9,000 last year, with a net profit from the fair of \$1,559.42. The fair of 1899 will be held the first week in October.

City Attorney Butterfield, Ann Arbor, has asked for an injunction to restrain the D. Y. & A. A. Ry. from running cars faster than eight miles an hour within the city limits.

Max Goldberg, of Detroit, tried to blow out a gasoline stove in his grocery store, and the result was a fire that damaged his stock to the extent of \$3,000 and burning his neighbor's effects.

Henry S. Seage was waylaid and robbed of a small sum of money within a block of the state house, Lansing. He was struck in the face with some blunt instrument and knocked down.

It is stated that nearly all acreage for the beet sugar industry in Oakland county has been secured and the building of the factory assured. Headquarters have been established at Pontiac.

The Detroit & River St. Clair railway is surveying a line from Chesterfield to Mt. Clemens. The company uses the C. & G. T. part of the day and it is thought it wants an independent line.

Herb High and Mr. Shot disturbed the peace and quiet of Pontiac by a fist fight on the main street. Each received a pair of "shiners" before friends stepped in and separated the combatants.

A freight train broke loose at Plymouth and when the two sections came together the force was so great that two cars loaded with potatoes were badly smashed, and potatoes took a sudden drop.

Rochester has secured the big sugar beet plant to be erected by the Detroit Sugar Co. The factory which is to cost \$470,000 is to be completed by Sept. 15, and the mill will be opened for business on Oct. 1.

The arrest of W. F. Stine, of Charlotte, for contempt of court by Judge Mowery, of Vermontville, and the subsequent action commenced against the judge by Mr. Stine, still continues to attract much attention.

Postmaster Sharp, of Litchfield, mustered his forces and moved the post-office fixtures from the old building to the new in the night. When the men who opposed this change awoke they were as mad as hornets.

Gov. Pingree has appointed Dr. Howard A. Grube, of Coldwater, surgeon with the rank of major, to succeed Dr. Barber, of Saginaw, resigned. Albert H. Eber, of St. Clair, succeeds Dr. Gruber as assistant surgeon.

Maggie, the 14-year-old daughter of Fred Baker, of Birch Run, went out for a drive with her lover of 28 years, but she "never came back," and her parents, much grieved over the affair, have taken legal steps in the matter.

Edward Townsend, of Grand Rapids, has been found guilty of assault with intent to do great bodily harm less than murder. Townsend shot a young man who was trying to cut him out of his sweetheart. However the shot was not fatal.

Petitions are being circulated in Eaton county asking that another election be held on the local option proposition. The "open saloon" advocates are back of the movement and they hope to place the county back in the "wet" column.

While excavating near the banks of Bell river, two miles north of Berville, a large Indian skeleton was unearthed. The leg bone between knee and ankle measures nearly 18 inches. A number of fine specimens of flint arrowheads were found in the grave.

Chauncey Baxter, aged about 56, a well-known Branch county farmer, was found dead in his barn. He left the house in apparently good health but not returning in time for breakfast his wife went to the barn and found him dead on the floor.

Evidence of a recent robbery of the U. S. mails has just come to light at Niles. A mile east of the village, along the Michigan Central railroad tracks, a large quantity of mutilated money orders, checks, drafts and postage stamps has been discovered.

Cruelty to animals is not popular, nor is it profitable, at Big Rapids. A farmer, who tied a cow to the rear end of his wagon and then raced his horses at full speed for some distance, to the great distress of the cow, was brought before a justice and fined \$5 and costs.

Gov. Pingree is in favor of the state legislature appropriating a few thousand dollars to provide a silver or bronze badge for the volunteer soldiers and sailors in Michigan, who went to the war. He also says that the state militiamen should be paid \$1 per day.

Portland is soon to lose one of her industries, the commodore and cabinet company's factory, which has never been a paying investment will be abandoned. The company's plant is a very fine one, and the people of Portland are hoping that some other concern will rent it for manufacturing purposes.

TICKINGS OF THE TELEGRAPH

News of the Day as Told Over the Slender Wires.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN NEWS

Commissary-General Eagan Modifies the Language in His Report and Resubmits It—Cuban Soldiers Must Have Their Pay—War Ships to Foo Chow.

Regarding the Pay of Volunteers.

Comptroller of the Treasury Tracewell has modified his former decision regarding the pay of volunteer soldiers in which he holds that: "No deductions should be made by the pay department from the pay that would be due a soldier under the act of July 7, 1898, on account of any payment that may have been made under the state militia law to him by the governor or state authorities from the date of his enrollment or joining for duty the date of his acceptance to the volunteer army of the U. S. The governor or state authorities make this payment to him as a state soldier, and because congress has seen fit by the foregoing act to reimburse the governor or state for their payments is no sufficient reason for the government by indirectness to take away from the soldier what had been paid him by a state, and no sufficient reason why the act of July 7, 1898, should be evaded."

Commissary-General Eagan Apologizes.

Commissary-General Eagan has greatly modified his statement from the original one made in response to Gen. Miles' charges, wherein the objectionable language was contained. The statement, however, is withheld from the public by the commission and only the letter which accompanied it is given to the press, which in substance contradicts the charges relative to his furnishing the soldiers with "embalmed beef."

Later—The President has decided that court-martial is the only course to adopt in Gen. Eagan's case, and has so informed his cabinet.

Cubans Ask Uncle Sam for \$40,000,000.

According to Brig.-Gen. Jose Miguel Gomez, a member of the Cuban commission now in Washington, the Cuban army is sure to receive the three years' pay to which it is entitled, \$40,000,000 being advanced by the United States, with the custom houses of Cuba as security for its repayment. Brig.-Gen. Gomez is grateful for the way the commission has been received. The negotiations, it is expected, will be completed by the end of this month, when the commission will return to Cuba.

Platform Gave Way Causing Panic.

The breaking of a platform at a reception for Col. W. J. Bryan at Denver, threw 300 people into a mass and started a panic in the audience. The platform, which stood three feet above the floor, was crowded with the leading citizens of Colorado. When the crash came the people on the floor saw them sink out of sight, for the platform had broken in the middle. A number received injuries by the accident, but only one fatally as yet reported.

Floods in Ohio.

One of the worst freshets Wood Co., Ohio, has seen for years prevails south of Bowling Green. Thousands of dollars damage has been done. The oil field is involved making it impossible to care for the production. At Merrill, the Portage river is out of its banks and the country is inundated for two miles on each side. Residents were rescued from their houses in boats. The village of Mungen was nearly all under water.

Will Spain Have Revenge?

A dispatch from Paris says: News has been received that the Spanish government has begun negotiations with Aguinaldo, through the agency of certain Filipinos in Madrid, for the release of Spanish prisoners. Having begun to treat directly with the insurgents, Spain is likely to go a step further and accord them that recognition hitherto refused by any government, and thus have revenge on Uncle Sam.

French Warships to Foo Chow.

A special from Peking says: Palace reports describe increasing ill-feeling between the dowager empress and the emperor. On several occasions recently the emperor, it is claimed, disobeyed the dowager empress. Reports from Shang Tung province say the populace there is almost in a state of rebellion. The missionaries anticipate trouble. It is added that French warships have been ordered to Foo Chow.

Buried Alive.

The report that Mrs. Wilford was buried alive, at West Superior, Wis., caused Coroner Downs to secure a permit to exhume the body and have a post-mortem made. When he reached the cemetery and commenced to open the grave a mob of 150 Jews, opposed to the disinterment, compelled him to stop. He will make a new attempt when he secures reinforcements.

Dam Gave Way Causing Much Damage.

The 300-foot long bridge at Clove-land, which was recently built at a cost of \$100,000, was badly damaged by the bursting of a dam. Back of the dam which broke away was a body of water a mile and one-half long, hundreds of feet wide and in places 25 to 30 feet deep. The break in the dam allowed torrents of water to pour down on the flats below it, causing the abutments of the big bridge to crumble. Fortunately no one was killed, but some very narrow escapes are reported. It is estimated that it will cost about \$25,000 to repair the damage.

Becoming More Friendly.

Official dispatches from Iloilo indicate that the natives are disposed to be friendly although absolutely opposed to the landing of the U. S. forces without orders from Malolos, the seat of the so-called Filipino national government. Some of the officials at Iloilo are not in accord with the revolutionary government but are willing to accept an American protectorate and will go and state the case to Aguinaldo if furnished transportation by the Americans.

New Cabinet has Been Announced.

Gov.-Gen. Brooke, of Cuba, has announced the following appointments to the newly constituted cabinet of advisers to the administration: Department of government, Domingo Mendez Capote; department of finance, Pablo Desvergne; department of justice and public instruction, Jose Antonio Gonzalez Lanuza; department of agriculture, industry, commerce and public works, Adolfo Saenz Yanez.

Coasted to Their Death.

Five small boys met death in a drowning accident at South Gibson, a small country hamlet near Foster, Pa. After the morning school session the five boys got on a big sled and coasted from the roadway down a short, steep hill, at the foot of which is a mill pond. A thaw had weakened the ice and it broke under the weight of the sled permitting all to go under the ice to their doom.

Covered With Flowers.

A cable from Havana says: Mrs. Brooke, wife of the military governor of Cuba, visited the cemetery where the victims of the Maine are buried, and gave orders to the priest in charge of the cemetery to have the plot where the graves are, planted with flowers. No expense is to be spared in caring for it until the American government makes a final disposition of the bodies.

A Bad Wreck Averted.

A most daring attempt was made by three Boise, Idaho, youths to wreck the Oregon short line pay car. A heavy log chain had been tied around the track, but was fortunately discovered and removed by some section men before the pay car passed the point. A search for the fugitives resulted in the finding of three youths whose ages ranged from 16 to 18.

Under Sentence of Death.

The trial of Private Joseph Buckley, Company E, 2d Louisville volunteers, for the killing of Private John D. Hughes of the same company on Jan. 7, has been concluded at Mariano. It is understood that the finding of the court is for the death of the accused, but the verdict will not be announced until it has been reviewed in the usual way.

Committed Suicide by Strangling.

Michael Ruminski, of Pittsburg, known as the "Polish dude", who strangled his wife to death and then set fire to the body and house to cover the crime, committed suicide by the same method with a bed cord taken from his bed in the county jail. He was under sentence of death for the murder of his wife, but the date of the execution had not been fixed.

22,207 Patents Granted in '98.

Commissioner of Patents Duell furnished the following statement, summing up the report of the patent office for the calendar year 1898: During the year applications were received for 33,915 patents, and 22,207 patents were granted, including designs. Total receipts were \$1,137,734, against total expenditures of \$1,136,196.

Bad Floods in Arkansas.

Reports received from Benton, Ark., indicate that great damage has been done in Saline county by rain. The Saline river has risen 20 feet and it is expected that it will rise higher than in 1882. Thousands of cattle and hogs were drowned in the bottoms and fences are being washed away.

Will Spain Sell Her Islands?

The government on the re-assembling of the cortes will immediately ask, says La Reforma, authority to sell the Marianne (Ladrones), Caroline and the Pelew islands, since Spain is powerless to maintain a sufficient force to defend them.

Election Riot at Hungary.

A fierce election riot took place at Uj-Szent-Anna, in the county of Arad, Hungary, and it is reported that four persons were killed and sixteen injured. Troops were dispatched to the scene of the disturbance from the town of Arad.

DICK RODNEY;

Or, The Adventures of
An Eton Boy...

BY JAMES GRANT.

CHAPTER IV.—(Continued.)

On perceiving that I was awake, a hand bell was rung by the captain, and hot coffee, accompanied by the last slice of shore-bread that remained, was brought to me by Billy, the cabin-boy, and then, after a time, I was requested to state what craft that was from which I had been taken, my name, and so forth, that Mr. Hislop might enter all the particulars among the "remarks" in his log-book.

I soon satisfied them as to all this. "And where am I now?" I inquired. "Pretty far out upon the open sea, my lad," replied the captain with a smile, as he threw the end of his cheer into the empty grate.

"The open sea—still the open sea!" I reiterated with dismay, which I cared not to conceal.

"Yes; we saw the last glimpse of the rugged Start on the day before yesterday, and this morning, just an hour before picking you up, we bade goodbye to old England, for the Lizard Light was bearing—you had the dead watch, Hislop; how did it bear?"

"About twelve miles off, on the weather quarter."

"How shall I return home?"

They both laughed as I despairingly made this inquiry.

"By the way you left it, I suppose; that is by water," said Capt. Weston.

"You spoke of the Start; what is that?"

"A cape of the Channel, on the southeast coast of Devonshire, about nine miles to the southward of Dartmouth," he replied, while casting a casual glance at a chart which lay on the table.

I had thus, before being rescued so providentially, drifted more than a hundred miles from Erlesmere, and it was marvelous that the schooner had floated so far unscathed.

"Well, what is to be done now?" asked the captain. "We are bound for the West Indies, but we may put you aboard the first craft that passes us, homeward-bound; or you are free to remain, if we cannot do better for you."

I thought of my mother, my father, my two sisters; and my heart was so full of gratitude to heaven for preserving me to the end, that I might see and embrace them all again, that I had no words to reply. After a time I exclaimed:

"Home, home!—let me go home to Erlesmere!"—weeping as I spoke, for the thought of them all made me a very child again.

The captain and mate exchanged glances of inquiry.

"It's no use pipping your eye now, my lad," said the former, coming toward my berth; "but answer me quietly. You said that your name was Rodney?"

"Yes."

"And you spoke of Erlesmere; are you a son of old Dr. Rodney, the rector?"

"Do you know my father, then?" I exclaimed.

"Can't say exactly that I have the honor of being known to him; but I know of him, right well. Why, Master Rodney, I have sailed your uncle's ships many a time, and know his gloomy old office in the city, as well as the buoy at the Nore; so you are as safe and as welcome aboard the Eugenie as if in the old rectory house at home."

This was pleasant intelligence, at all events; but my earnest desire was to return—a design which was not fated to be speedily gratified.

For several days we passed only outward-bound vessels, or others which were at such a distance that the task of signaling and speaking with them would have delayed the Eugenie longer than Capt. Weston could risk. Two that passed near us, when we showed our ensign, replied by displaying the tricolor of France or the red and yellow bars of Spain; so there was nothing for me now but to remain contentedly on board the Eugenie, which was bound for Matanzas with a solid cargo of steam machinery and coal.

The master had no doubt of getting a return freight direct for London; thus six or eight months might elapse before I could return to Erlesmere.

I gradually became reconciled to the novelty of my situation; I looked forward hopefully to the time when the sorrow of those I had left behind would be alleviated, and began to enjoy to the utmost the prospect of a voyage in a spanking brig to the shores of Cuba.

CHAPTER V.

The Voyage to Cuba.

I resolved not to be an idler or lolly boy, and was allowed by Captain Weston to take my watches and share of deck duty with the rest of the crew; and at intervals I worked hard at a Spanish grammar with Marc Hislop,

who would read "Don Quixote" in the original, with a fluency that even my old tutor at Eton might have envied.

We were now clear of the Channel; and, after a hard battle with the wind and sea, we left the long roll of the mighty Atlantic.

On the third night after my rescue, we encountered dark and cloudy weather, with a strong gale, which set all the cabin afloat. My watch was over, and I had just turned in, when I heard the voice of Capt. Weston, who was on deck, shouting through his trumpet to "close reef the maintop-sail, hand the mainsail, foresail, and foretop-sail. Look alive there, lads," he added, "or as sure as my name is Sam Weston, I'll give the volt to the last man off the deck!"

This threat, so unusual in one so good-natured, together with the bel-lowing of the wind, the flapping of the wetted canvas, the rattle of the blocks and cordage, and the laboring of the brig, which was so deeply laden that every timber groaned, all gave such indications of a rough night that I sprang from my berth and proceeded to dress again in haste.

To my astonishment, at that moment I heard the hoarse rattle of the chain cable, as it rushed with a roaring sound through the iron mouth of the hawse hole; then I was sensible of a violent shock, which made the brig stagger, and tumbled me headlong against the paneled bulkhead which separated the cabin from the after-hold.

Hislop, who had been dozing on the cabin-locker in his storm jacket, started up with alarm in his face.

"Have we come to anchor?" I asked.

"Anchor in more than three hundred fathoms of water!" he exclaimed, as he rushed on deck, whither I followed, and found that a very strange incident had occurred.

In the murky obscurity of the stormy night a large Dutch lugger, in ballast apparently, and running right before the wind, with steering canvas set, came suddenly athwart us, and hooked the anchor from the cathead on our larboard bow—by some unwonted neglect it was not yet on board, nor had the cable been un-bent—with her starboard fore-rigging, and thus bore away with it, until the chain came to bear, when there was a tremendous shock.

Several feet of our bulwark were torn away, and two seamen, Tattooed Tom, and an old man-o-war's man named Roberts, were nearly swept into the sea, where, in such a night, and amid the confusion of such an incident, they would inevitably have perished un-aided.

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Then we heard a shout, mingled with a crash upon the bellowing wind, as the Dutchman's foremast snapped by the board, and then, fortunately, our anchor tumbled from his side into the sea, where it swung at the whole length of the chain cable.

We manned both windlass and capstan—got the anchor, which was drifting, roused to the cathead, hoisted it on board, unbent the cable, and stowed it in the tier; but long ere all this was done we had lost sight of our lubberly friend, who, when last seen, was tossing about like a log in the darkness, and drifting far astern of us. But for some defect in the pawls and notches of the windlass collar, I am doubtful if the chain would have run out so freely; but as to this I cannot say.

We had hard squalls and a sea that ran high until daybreak; there was lightning, too; red and dusky; it seemed at times to fill the whole horizon. We could see for an instant the black summits of the waves as they rose and fell between us and the glare; and when it passed away, all again would be obscurity and gloom.

"More canvas must be taken off the brig, sir," suggested Hislop, looking aloft and then over the side, where the foam-flecked sea whirled past us.

"Well, in with the trysail, foretop-sail, and maintop-sail," ordered Weston.

As the light of dawn stole over the angry sea, through clouds of mingled mist and rain, the gale abated, and all but the watch went below.

Calm weather and heavy rains succeeded the gale; but the Eugenie steadily kept her course, and two days after, when spanking along before a fine top-gallant breeze, we picked up a bottle, which was described by the watch, floating and bobbing in the water a few fathoms distant from the brig. She was at once hove in the wind, and Hislop went in the stern boat to bring the bottle on board.

As the most trivial incident becomes of interest on board of ship, where the daily occurrences are so few, and the circle of society so limited, considerable concern was excited by the appearance of this bottle, which seemed to have been freshly corked; and on its

being broken, we found a scrap of paper—torn apparently from a notebook—whereupon a hurried and agitated hand had pencilled this brief notice: "The Mary, clipper ship, of Boston, 20th Nov., 1861, momentarily expected to go down—pumps worn out, and the leaks gaining—Captain and first mate, with all the boats, washed away—God help us!"

"The 20th of November? It was on that night we encountered the heavy gale," said Weston.

We had been on the skirt of the tempest, as Hislop maintained, while the Yankee ship had probably suffered all the fury of it. From the main-cross-trees Capt. Weston swept the sea with his telescope, in vain, for any trace of her; so if that melancholy scrap of paper told truth, all was doubtless over long since with the Mary and her crew.

In the cabin that night a conversation on the probabilities of her destruction or escape led to a recurrence to the miraculous manner in which the unlucky Dutch schooner had floated so long with me; and I mentioned to Weston and Hislop the additional terrors I had endured by the effect of imagination, and a recollection of the strange incidents told me by Capt. Zeervogel; but they ridiculed the story of the poor man, chiefly, I thought, because "It was the yarn of a Hollander."

"Though I am a Scotchman," began Hislop—

"And come of a people naturally superstitious," suggested Weston, parenthetically—

"As all large-brained races are," retorted the mate, while filling his clay pipe with tobacco.

"Well, what were you about to say?" asked Weston. "But first fill your glass and pass over the tobacco bag."

"I was simply about to reiterate that I don't believe in ghosts, or value them any more than I do the Yankee sea serpent, a rope's end, or a piece of old junk; I never saw one, or knew a man who had seen one; but every one has heard of a man that knew another man who saw, or believed he saw, a ghost. It is at variance with the laws of nature, which are so ordered that no such erratic spirit can be."

"I don't know about that," replied Weston; "earth and water have their inhabitants, so why not the air also?"

"And why not the fire?"

"There you go, right before the wind, into the troubled sea of argument—you Scotchmen are all alike."

"Ghosts are at variance with the workings of Divine wisdom, and we all know what Jones of Nayland says thereupon."

"No, we don't," said Weston; "who the deuce was he—what port did he hail from?"

"He who cannot see the workings of a Divine wisdom in the order of the heavens, the change of the seasons, the flowing of the tides, the operation of the wind and other elements, the structure of the human body, the circulation of the blood, the instincts of beasts, and the growth of plants, is sottishly blind and unworthy the name of man."

"You hear him, Mr. Rodney," said Weston; "now he has got both his anchor and topsails a-trip; he can pay out whole speeches in this fashion, all at a breath, as fast as the chain-cable running through the hawse-pipe."

Being fresh from Eton, I was not going to let our learned Scotch mate have it all his own way, when Weston resumed:

"If you will listen you shall hear a strange story in which I bore a prominent part."

"As the ghost?" said I.

"No; but you will soon acknowledge whether or not I had cause for fear."

And after he had replenished his glass and pipe, Capt. Sam Weston began in this manner:

"About fifteen years ago I found myself at Matanzas, in Cuba, the same port we are bound for now—adrift, without a ship, and almost without a penny in my pocket, among foreigners, Spaniards and mulattoes, mestees and quadroons, black, white and yellow. I had gone there as second mate of a ship from Boston, but the tyranny of our skipper wellnigh drove me mad. During the voyage he had nearly killed three of our men for being slow in sending down the top-gallant yards on a squally night. He beat them until they were black and blue with a hand-spike, and kept them for forty-eight hours, lashed to ringbolts in the ice-scuppers, that the sea might break over them, as he said, and cure their sores."

"When I interfered to save a poor cabin boy, whom he had hung up by the heels from the main-boom, and was scourging with a heavy colt till his back was covered with blood, he produced a bowie knife and revolver, threatening to 'shoot or rip me up.'"

"Just at that moment we were passing a Spanish ship of war which was at anchor in the bay, about half a mile from us, and had the red and yellow jack of Castile and Leon flying at his gaff peak. One of the poor fellows who had been so severely beaten was then in the foretop, so I hailed him to make a signal of distress to the Spaniard."

(To be continued.)

It should be the duty and privilege of all Christian people to help their fellowmen.—Rev. R. S. Dawson, Presbyterian, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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Roses red and white and yellow litter up the carriage space— Tributes to her matchless acting—yet a tear slips down her face.

What if hundreds did applaud her— what if well she played her part? People were like driven cattle—could they read a woman's heart?

All the loves that night she'd acted—all the hates and hopes and fears Filter through her tired brain cells— come out purified as tears.

Men, my brothers; men, the workmen, when the world has used us rough Round our hearts we strap our armor— women are of softer stuff.

What to her was this night's conquest? What the flowers and success? For the modiste disappointed—never sent her satin dress.

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Well she knew that with that dress on Solomon in all his pride Couldn't hold a candle to her—ah, no wonder that she cried!

Then she smiled—for on the morrow, when the papers told her hits, She would go to that old modiste and would give the woman fits!

Concett.



Lieutenant—"What luck; every day you meet me on the way to the barracks."

Yeoman—"You are a flatterer, I fear, sir."

Lieutenant—"How a flatterer? Ah! I understand. You mean there's luck on my side too!"—Meggendorfer's Blatting.

On Tour.



Heavy Tragedian—"Do you let apartments to—ah—the profession?"

Unsophisticated Landlady—"Oh, yes, sir. Why, last week we had the performing dogs here!"—Punch.

Well Ground.



"Well, Tom, you might have returned the compliment by opening the door for me!"

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Absence of Stand Pipes on New York Buildings Blamed for Recent Fire.

If the great sky scrapers which New York has recently erected along Broadway were equipped with the standpipe, with hose connections at each floor, as is the rule in Chicago, the recent fire which destroyed the Home Insurance building in that city might easily have been controlled. Such is the verdict of fire experts in such matters who chanced to be in Chief Swenie's office one day last week and who were discussing the matter. About two years ago Matt Benner, Chief Swenie's predecessor, who, in company with his son-in-law, William Kent, commissioner of public works under Mayor Swift, manufactured the iron standpipe with fire-escape attachment, tried to introduce the device in New York. The test was made in the presence of ex-Fire Chief Bates and the insurance men, who were enthusiastic in their praise of the system. But New York said she was not in the copying business. The standpipe was a western invention anyway, and, worst of all, it was in use in Chicago. "Why," said Benner, "when I was chief of the fire department the captain of No. 13 went to New York to show them the great advantages of the sliding poles we erected from the bunkroom to the main floor in the houses, saving so much time wasted in descending the stairs. They only laughed at him and intimated he ought to be with the other lunatics 'on the island.' They adopted the poles five years later, however." Another gentleman spoke of the painful does New York had to swallow when she was forced to adopt the police patrol wagon system, introduced in Chicago under the elder Harrison. She adopted this device only when she was on the verge of insanity thinking up something that would do as well. Fire Chief Swenie some time ago got water to the top of the Masonic Temple—323 feet high—with the standpipe, and threw a horizontal stream over 100 feet. A pressure of 125 pounds was used to force the water up and 240 pounds to throw it. New York's fire destroyed structure was only about 200 feet high and New York's fire chief, Bonner, simply let the fire burn its way down to where his hose streams could do something with it. "It conformed with his published theory of handling fires in sky scrapers when they first built them," chorused the fire experts.

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Interesting Items.

Pinckney is making an investigation of the cost of electric lights with a view of lighting the village. They are a little expensive it is true, but they are well worth all the cost and we doubt if this village would go without them, even if the price was still higher.—Fowlerville Review.

As an instance of the possibilities involved in writing it "98" from force of habit, the Holly Independent tells of a man who gave his note at the beginning of a new year and inadvertently dated it with the figures of the year just gone. When time for payment arrived he was only saved from being obliged to pay a year's extra interest by the fact that reliable witnesses were present who could testify as to the time the note was given.

We clip the following from the Brief, Stockbridge. Evidently someone has been trying to worship with a \$5 bonnet in front of him: May I ask a fair question? Why don't the clergy of Stockbridge request the ladies of the congregation to remove their hats during service, so we can see the minister? It is rather hard to be compelled to twist our necks in order to catch an occasional glimpse of the speaker. A Man.

The band is now composed of 23 members and is progressing finely. The business men have raised a sum of money to pay for the instruments and will probably build a band stand on the square in the spring. The band will give open air concerts weekly during the coming summer.—Stockbridge Sun.

Adrian—A Michigan editor perpetrates the following: "Fish down in your pocket and dig up the dust, the editor is hungry and the paper 'bout to bust. We've trusted you for several months and did it with a smile, so just return the compliment and trust us for awhile. Our wife, she needs some stockings, and our lady needs a dress; Jimmie needs some breeches and so do Kate and Bess. Pud is on the hog train and Peggy sick with grief, and good, gosh almighty, can't you give a man relief? Shell out the nickles and turn loose the dimes, turn me loose and whistle and we'll all have better times; there will be few patches on the bosom of our pants, and we'll make the paper better if we get half a chance. Don't give us that old story long gone to seed, 'bout taking more papers than the family want to read, but help the printer, and he'll help you to grow, and thus escape the sulphur in the region down below.

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The Woman's Temperance Publishing Association is a house owned and controlled entirely by women and is one of the mightiest forces in the great temperance propaganda. It issues the official organ, the Union Signal, than which no paper is brighter or braver, and which goes weekly to great constituency all over the world. It issues also, Young Women, the official organ of the W. C. T. U., and the Young Crusader, devoted to the L. T. L., while its book and leaflet output mounts up annually to hundreds of millions of pages.

The Temperance Hospital was formally opened in May 1886. At first located on Cottage Grove avenue, Chicago, it is now occupying larger and more convenient quarters on Diversey avenue. Both as a hospital and sanitarium it has exceptional facilities, while its homelike rooms offer a welcome to tired workers. Its basic principle is the cure of disease without the use of alcohol as an active medicinal agent. Eminent physicians are on the staff and every effort will be made to have the National Temperance Hospital rank with the very best of our land, and even to emulate the great London Temperance hospital.

National Departments of Work. Their aims and methods. The department of organization is intended to systematize the work of National organizers; sending them out, upon consultation with Presidents, to such states and territories as are in greatest need of help, that they may increase the number of local auxiliaries, and "strengthen the things which remain" introducing our methods, emphasizing the regular payment of dues, circulating the Union Signal, and building up the local unions upon firm and strong foundations of consecrated, combined and intelligent effort.

The Young Woman's branch aims to enlist young women to form separate societies (Y W C T U.) for the purpose of making total abstinence a fashionable social custom, to the end that young men may be held to a higher standard of personal habits, and thus by a power, analogous to that which has effectually restrained their sisters, be shielded from contamination; also to teach young women the scientific and ethical reasons for total abstinence and prohibition, and to develop a new army of trained temperance workers to whom the care of the children's work may at once be intrusted, and who will eventually replace the veterans of the W C T U. The methods are, first, a social club (the Y W C T U itself) in which young gentlemen become honorary members by signing the pledge and paying the member-

ship fee; private and public entertainments; a systematic course of reading and work in Loyal Temperance legions; night schools for boys, reading rooms, kitchen gardens, etc.

Loyal temperance legions aims to instruct boys and girls in the reasonableness and duty of total abstinence from alcoholic stimulants, tobacco and profanity, by a regular course of study, scientific, ethical and governmental, systematically taught in Loyal Temperance Legions. Prizes are also offered for the best essays and debates. Instructive entertainments, exhibitions, etc., are given, through which public sentiment is molded and money made for the society. Total abstinence and prohibition principles may be also here illustrated and impressed.

Work among foreigners aims to interest all persons to whom English is not the native tongue, in gospel temperance methods and measures, and to influence them through the work of the W C T U; to introduce and circulate temperance literature; to have addresses given in their language, and, if possible, to establish newspapers; to make the vote of foreigners a temperance vote through conviction of right principles and by personal appeal and combined action.

Work among colored people is for the pursuance of all branches of work enumerated, among colored people

SILVER LAKE ITEMS.

Mrs. Sid Thurston is getting somewhat better from her severe illness of last week.

A little girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Mark Bell on Monday Jan. 16.

Mrs. D. M. Bierce spent Saturday and Sunday with her son, Frank Webb in Battle Creek; he is stationed there in the telephone business.

The farm known as the Mike Ryan farm of Dexter township has been recently sold to a man by the name of Myers and they have been taking possession the past week.

Will Thurston has hired for the coming year to Will Clark and will occupy the house known as the Crumb House.

On Thursday Geo. W. Thomas, president of the Toledo Ice Co., asked the men to see how much ice could be put in the house in one day of ten hours. The ice cakes are 22 by 28 1/2 inches and 10 1/2 inches thick and 25,000 of these cakes were put in the house in ten hours and forty minutes. These cakes weighed 200 pounds each. This is one of the most complete ice plants in the U. S. It is lighted up by electricity as nice as an opera house and when it starts up at 7 a. m. it runs until night without a stop except for dinner and the ice is placed in the house for six cents per ton.

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It's a cold day when you can see the paper freeze on the wall.

Brevity may be the soul of wit, but there's no fun in being short.

Many a man has risked acquiring a wife in order to acquire a sister.

The receiver may be as bad as the thief, but the loser feels worse than both.

Pity the poor man who must live all his days in the cold shadow of his wife's fame.

Listeners don't expect to hear any good of themselves; it's the bad of others they are after.

There's a smoldering spark of wisdom in the brain of the man who knows when to go home.

Is 't death to fall for Freedom's right? He's dead alone that lacks her light.

When a man offers you something for nothing, don't accept it unless you can afford to pay at least double its value.

Berlin correspondents state that Minister Koeller has ordered the provincial council of Sonderburg to publish an edict declaring that parents who send their children across the frontier to Danish schools shall be expelled from German territory. The educational authorities have learned that in the former Danish territory of Schleswig-Holstein many children have been sent to Denmark to be educated since the use of their own language in the schools of the duchy was abolished.

The extent to which live stock raising is becoming a southern industry is best exemplified by stating that in nine months of the present year Alabama, Louisiana and Mississippi combined have sent 1,200 cars of cattle direct to the market at St. Louis, besides those that went to people of Texas and the Indian territory; these being finished on other grounds lose their identity before coming to market. The significance of this statement requires explanation, and is given in the assertion that in years gone by a dozen cars of cattle has been a liberal yearly run to St. Louis from the three states named.

"Political banks," organized to receive—and juggle with—the funds of municipalities or states, have yielded many shameful chapters of financial history. An occurrence of another sort has just taken place in Philadelphia, where the president of such a bank, which had failed, has given his personal check for \$400,000 in order that the depositors may be paid in full. "I was the president of that bank," he told the receiver; "I am responsible for more than the amount I would have to pay as an assessment upon my holdings of stock, and I am going to pay more." The president did a creditable thing when he went beyond the law's requirements to guard the business men who had trusted him; but perhaps he felt that, since he had got into bad company—and stayed—he deserved to lose his money.

Foreign correspondents report that the industrial associations and the syndicates of Berlin have jointly agreed to call a meeting for the purpose of framing a petition to the Prussian government calling attention to the enormous damage suffered in exportation to Scandinavian countries by reason of the continued systematic expulsion from northern Schleswig of Danes, Swedes and Norwegians. The petition will ask that the policy of expulsion be speedily discontinued. Reports from throughout Germany show the urgency of this move on the part of the manufacturing and exporting interests. The Danes, especially, are severing their commercial relations with German merchants out of resentment for the eviction of their fellow-countrymen from Prussia. One firm in Brunswick has been ruined by the sharp falling off in business, and has been forced to discharge 309 employes in consequence. Similar reports come from Frankfurt, in Berlin and Nuremberg, Austrian and Italian exporters are now taking the place of the Germans, who formerly occupied the field.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

'A GREAT WOMAN,' LAST SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

From the Text, "Elisha Passed to Shunem, Where Was a Great Woman"—2 Kings, Chapter IV, Verse Number 8—Lodging a Christian Prophet.

The hotel of our time had no counterpart in any entertainment of olden time. The vast majority of travelers must then be entertained at private abodes. Here comes Elisha, a servant of the Lord, on a divine mission, and he must find shelter. A balcony overlooking the vale of Esdraelon is offered him, in a private house, and it is especially furnished for his occupancy—a chair to sit on, a table from which to eat, a candlestick, by which to read, and a bed on which to slumber, the whole establishment belonging to a great and good woman. Her husband, it seems, was a goodly man, but he was entirely overshadowed by his wife's excellences; just as now you sometimes find in a household the wife the center of dignity and influence and power, not by any arrogance or presumption, but by superior intellect and force of moral nature wielding domestic affairs and at the same time supervising all financial and business affairs. The wife's hand on the shuttle, or the banking-house, or the worldly business. You see hundreds of men who are successful only because there is a reason at home why they are successful. If a man marry a good, honest soul, he makes his fortune. If he marry a fool, the Lord help him! The wife may be the silent partner in the firm, there may be only masculine voices down on exchange, but there oftentimes comes from the home circle a potential and elevating influence. This woman of my text was the superior of her husband. He, as far as I can understand, was what we often see in our day, a man of large fortune and only a modicum of brain, intensely quiet, sitting a long while in the same place without moving hand or foot, if you say "Yes," responding "Yes;" if you say "No," responding "No"—inane, eyes half-shut, mouth wide open, maintaining his position in society only because he has a large patrimony. But his wife, my text says, was a great woman. Her name has not come down to us. She belonged to that collection of people who need no name to distinguish them. What would title of duchess, or princess, or queen—what would escutcheon or gleaming diadem be to this woman of my text, who, by her intelligence and her behavior, challenges the admiration of all ages? Long after the brilliant women of the court of Louis XV. have been forgotten, and the brilliant women who sat on the throne of Russia have been forgotten, some grandfather will put on his spectacles, and holding the book the other side the light, read to his grandchildren the story of this great woman of Shunem who was so kind and courteous and Christian to the good prophet Elisha. Yes, she was a great woman.

In the first place, she was great in her hospitalities. Uncivilized and barbarous nations have this virtue. Jupiter had the surname of the Hospitable, and he was said especially to avenge the wrongs of strangers. Homer extolled it in his verse. The Arabs are punctilious on this subject, and among some of their tribes it is not until the ninth day of tarrying that the occupant has a right to ask his guest "Who and whence art thou?" If this virtue is so honored among barbarians, how ought it to be honored among those of us who believe in the Bible, which commands us to use hospitality one toward another without grudging?

Of course I do not mean under this cover to give any idea that I approve of that vagrant class who go around from place to place, ranging their whole lifetime, perhaps under the auspices of some benevolent or philanthropic society, quartering themselves on Christian families with a great pile of trunks in the hall and carpet-bag portentous of tarrying. There is many a country parsonage that looks out week by week upon the ominous arrival of wagon with creaking wheel and lank horse and dilapidated driver, come under the auspices of some charitable institution to spend a few weeks and canvass the neighborhood. Let no such religious tramps take advantage of this beautiful virtue of Christian hospitality. Not so much the sumptuousness of your diet and the regality of your abode will impress the friend or the stranger that steps across your threshold as the warmth of your reception, the reiteration by grasp and by look and by a thousand attentions, insignificant attentions, of your earnestness of welcome. There will be high appreciation of your welcome, though you have nothing but the brazen candlestick and the plain chair to offer Elisha when he comes to Shunem. Most beautiful is this grace of hospitality when shown in the house of God. I am thankful that I have always been pastor of churches where strangers are welcome. But I have entered churches where there was no hospitality. A stranger would stand in the vestibule for a while and

then make a pilgrimage up the long aisle. No door opened to him until, flushed and excited and embarrassed, he started back again, and, coming to some half-filled pew, with apologetic air, entered it, while the occupant glared on him with a look which seemed to say, "Well, if I must, I must." Away with such accursed indelicacy from the house of God. Let every church that would maintain large Christian influence in community culture Sabbath by Sabbath this beautiful grace of Christian hospitality.

Again, this woman of my text was great in her kindness toward God's messenger. Elisha may have been a stranger in that household, but as she found out he had come on a divine mission, he was cordially welcomed. We have a great many books in our day about the hardships of ministers and the trials of Christian ministers. I wish somebody would write a book about the joys of the Christian minister, about the sympathies all around about him, about the kindness, about the genial considerations of him. Does sorrow come to our home, and is there a shadow on the cradle, there are hundreds of hands to help, and many who weary not through the night watching, and hundreds of prayers going up that God would restore the sick. Is there a burning, brimming cup of calamity placed on the pastor's table; are there not many to help him drink of that cup and who will not be comforted because he is stricken? Oh! for somebody to write a book about the rewards of the Christian ministry—about his surroundings of Christian sympathy. This woman of the text was only a type of thousands of men and women who come down from mansion and from cot to do kindness to the Lord's servants. I could tell you of something that you might think a romance. A young man graduated from New Brunswick Theological Seminary was called to a village church. He had not the means to furnish the parsonage. After three or four weeks of preaching a committee of the officers of the church waited on him and told him he looked tired and thought he had better take a vacation of a few days. The young pastor took it as an intimation that his work was done or not acceptable. He took the vacation, and at the end of a few days came back, when an old elder said: "Here is the key of the parsonage. We have been cleaning it up. You had better go up and look at it." So the young pastor took the key, went up to the parsonage, opened the door, and lo! it was carpeted, and there was the hat-rack all ready for the canes and the umbrellas and the overcoats, and on the left hand of the hall was the parlor, sofaed, chaired, pictured.

He passed on to the other side of the hall, and there was the study-table in the center of the floor with stationery upon it, book-shelves built, long ranges of new volumes far beyond the reach of the means of the young pastor, many of these volumes. The young pastor went up-stairs, and found all the sleeping apartments furnished; came down-stairs and entered the pantry, and there were the spices and the coffees and the sugars, and the groceries for six months. He went down into the cellar, and there was the coal for all the coming winter. He went into the dining-hall, and there was the table already set—the glass and the silverware. He went into the kitchen, and there were all the culinary implements and a great stove. The young pastor lifted one lid of the stove and he found the fuel all ready for ignition. Putting back the cover of the stove, he saw in another part of it a lucifer match, and all that young man had to do in starting to keep house was to strike the match.

Where are the feet that have not been blistered on the hot sands of this great Sahara? Where are the soldiers that have not bent under the burden of grief? Where is the ship sailing over glassy sea that has not after awhile been caught in a cyclone? Where is the garden of earthly comfort but trouble hath hitched up its fiery and panting team, and gone through it with burning plowshare of disaster? Under the pelting of ages of suffering the great heart of the world has burst with woe. Navigators tell us about the rivers, and the Amazon, and the Danube, and the Mississippi have been explored; but who can tell the depth or the length of the great river of sorrow, made up of tears and blood, rolling through all lands and all ages, bearing the wreck of families, and of communities, and of empires, foaming, writhing, boiling with agonies of six thousand years. Etna, Cotopaxi and Vesuvius have been described, but who has ever sketched the volcano of suffering retching up from its depths the lava and scoria, and pouring them down the sides to whelm the nations? Oh! if I could gather all the heartstrings, the broken heartstrings, into a harp, I would play on it a dirge such as was never sounded. Mythologists tell us of Gorgon and Centaur and Titan, and geologists tell us of extinct species of monsters; but greater than Gorgon or Megatherium, and not belonging to the

realm of fable, and not of an extinct species, a monster with an iron jaw and a hundred iron hoofs has walked across the nations, and history and poetry and sculpture, in their attempt to sketch it and describe it, have seemed to sweat great drops of blood. But thank God there are those who can conquer as this woman of the text conquered, and say, "It is well; though my property be gone, though my children be gone, though my home be broken up, though my health be sacrificed, it is well, it is well!" There is no storm on the sea but Christ is ready to rise in the hinder part of the ship and hush it. There is no darkness but the constellation of God's eternal love can illumine it, and through the winter comes out of the northern sky, you have sometimes seen that northern sky all ablaze with auroras which seem to say, "Come up this way; up this way are throngs of light and seas of sapphire and the splendor of an eternal heaven. Come up this way." We may, like the ships, by tempest be tossed On perilous deeps, but cannot be lost; Though Satan enrage the wind and the tide The promise assures us, the Lord will provide.

Again, this woman of my text was great in her application to domestic duties. Every picture is a home picture, whether she is entertaining an Elisha, or whether she is giving careful attention to her sick boy, or whether she is appealing for the restoration of her property. Every picture in her case is one of domesticity. Those are not disciples of this Shunemite woman who, going out to attend to outside charities, neglect the duty of home—the duty of wife, of mother, of daughter. No faithfulness in public beneficence can ever atone for domestic negligence. There has been many a mother who by indefatigable toil has reared a large family of children, equipping them for the duties of life with good manners and large intelligence and Christian principle, starting them out, who has done more for the world than many a woman whose name has sounded through all the lands and through the centuries. I remember when Kossuth was in this country, there were some ladies who got honorable reputations by presenting him very gracefully with bouquets of flowers on public occasions; but what was all that compared with the plain Hungarian mother who gave to truth and civilization and the cause of universal liberty a Kossuth? Yes, this woman of my text was great in her simplicity. When this prophet wanted to reward her for her hospitality by asking some preferment from the king, what did she say? She declined it. She said: "I dwell among my own people," as much as to say, "I am satisfied with my lot; all I want is my family and my friends around me; I dwell among my own people."

What I want to impress upon you, my hearers, is that you ought not to inventory the luxuries of life among the indispensables, and you ought not to depreciate this woman of the text, who, when offered kingly preferment, responded: "I dwell among my own people." Yea, this woman of the text was great in her piety. Just read the chapter after you go home. Faith in God, and she was not ashamed to talk about it before idolaters. Ah, woman will never appreciate what she owes to Christianity until she knows and sees the degradation of her sex under paganism and Mohammedanism. Her very birth considered a misfortune. Sold like cattle on the shambles. Slave of all work, and, at last, her body fuel for the funeral pyre of her husband. Above the shriek of the fire-worshippers in India, and above the rumbling of the Juggernauts, I hear the million-voiced groan of wronged, insulted, broken-hearted, down-trodden woman. Her tears have fallen in the Nile and Tigris, the La Plata, and on the steppes of Tartary. She has been dishonored in Turkish garden and Persian palace and Spanish Alhambra. Her little ones have been sacrificed in the Indus and the Ganges. There is not a groan, or a dungeon, or an island, or a mountain, or a river, or a lake, or a sea but could tell a story of the outrages heaped upon her. But thanks to God this glorious Christianity comes forth, and all the chains of this vassalage are snapped, and she rises from ignominy to exalted sphere and becomes the affectionate daughter, the gentle wife, the honored mother, the useful Christian. Oh! if Christianity has done so much for woman, surely woman will become its most ardent advocate and its sublimest exemplification.

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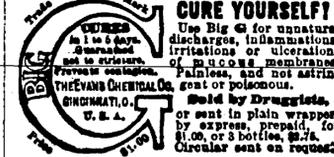
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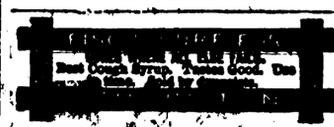
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DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

The committee on foreign commerce having the right of way in the house succeeded in passing quite a number of bills of minor importance, most of which authorized the construction of lighthouses, etc. Then the bill to grant the Pacific Cable Co. a subsidy of \$100,000 a year for 20 years for the construction and operation of a cable was called up and a very spirited debate followed. The opposition was headed by Mr. Corliss (Rep., Mich.), who advocated the construction of a government cable. No conclusion was reached at the hour of adjournment, but it is stated on reliable authority that when the bill comes up again it will receive a black eye.

Gen. Leonard Wood told the senate committee on military affairs that he estimated it would require 50,000 soldiers to be kept in Cuba. He says the climate causes so much malaria and other sickness that not over 35 to 40 per cent of the force would be capable of effectual aggressive action. In the Cuban army 60 per cent is frequently disabled.

Mr. Allen (Neb.) introduced a resolution that a committee of five senators, no more than two of whom should be members of the same political party, be appointed to make full inquiry into the conduct of the late war between the United States and Spain. Objection was made to immediate consideration of the resolution and it went over.

The naval personnel bill passed the house without division on its final passage, and the officers of the navy are now happy. By the passage of the bill the marine corps will be increased by 1,300 men and the cost of maintenance \$1,500,000.

Mr. Sullivan (Dem., Miss.) and Mr. Pasco (Dem., Fla.) discussed the pending Nicaragua canal bill, the former supporting it and the latter opposing it. The Indian appropriation bill was taken up, but its consideration was not concluded.

The inter-state commerce commission's annual report has been given to congress. It urges a revision of the law, claiming the present law is defective.

Battle at Samoa.
Advices received from Samoa say there has been fighting there over the decision of Chief Justice Chambers in favor of Malietoa Tanu, one of the candidates to the throne in succession to the late King Malietoa. It is added that the native followers of Mataafa, the rival aspirant to the kingship, were victorious. Seventy-three men were killed or wounded.

\$60,000 Fire at Chicago.
Several hundred men and women employed in a big building at Chicago were thrown into a panic by a fire which broke out on the fourth floor, and although no one was injured, many had narrow escapes. The structure was occupied by a number of makers of gentlemen's furnishing goods and hats. The loss sustained aggregates \$60,000.

A Dervish Victory.
A dispatch from Cairo says: Rumors are in circulation that the dervishes under Emir Fedil, on the Blue Nile, defeated the Egyptian forces, the 10th Soudanese battalion being entirely destroyed. It is reported that reinforcements are being hurried up to the scene and that another battle is imminent.

Small-Pox Among the Soldiers.
Private Davis, who has been on duty at Gen. Lee's headquarters, has been taken to the small-pox hospital at Havana. There are now seven small-pox patients in the hospital from the 161st Indiana, about whose camp a double patrol has been established to keep the men in and intruders out.

Attaining Great Proportions.
A special from Naples says: The eruptions of Mount Vesuvius is attaining great proportions. The flow of lava is unprecedented and streams of fire are pouring in all directions, but as yet no damage has occurred.

THE MARKETS.

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Lower Grades... 2 25	75	5 75	3 50
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Thousands of them, suffering from lingering diseases induced by life in poisonous southern camps, the result of changes of climate, or of imperfect nutrition caused by improper and badly cooked food. Sleeping on the ground has doubtless developed rheumatism in hundreds who were predisposed to the disease. In such cases the Boys of '98 may take a lesson from the experience of the

Heroes of the Civil War.

Hundreds of the Boys of '63 have testified to the efficacy of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People in driving out malaria, rheumatism and other diseases contracted during their days of hardship and privation in the army. These pills are the best tonic in the world.

As Robinson, of Mt. Sterling, Ill., is a veteran of the Civil war, having served in the 8th Pennsylvania Volunteers. He went to the war a vigorous farmer's boy and came back broken in health, a victim of sciatic rheumatism. Most of the time he was unfit for manual labor of any kind, and his sufferings were at all times intense. He says: "Nothing seemed to give me permanent relief until three years ago, when my attention was called to some of the wonderful cures effected by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I had not taken more than half a box when I noticed an improvement in my condition, and I keep on improving steadily. To them I owe my restoration to health. They are a grand remedy."—Mt. Sterling Democrat-Message.

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A Joke That Was Lost.
Both the motor and trail car were crowded with shivering people. The mercury was away down in the vicinity of Zanesville. The windows had been finely decorated by Jack Frost, and the stores were bits of Little Consolidated irony. The train reached the viaduct and the passengers pulled their caps down over their ears and took fresh grips upon the brass rails to avoid being blown into the river. At last the hollow rumble under the wheels indicated that the cars had reached the easterly division of the big bridge, and a moment later the trolley man, knowing that he had regular passengers who alighted at Water street, stuck his head into the trail car and yelled: "Water." This was too much for a stout man who had just prepared to jump into the snow drift that was heaped up along the track. "No water here," he said. It passed the water stage long ago. It's all ice now. If you'd put a few sparks of Little Consolidated heat into that stove, you might bring it back to water again, but not otherwise. Then he looked back to see whether anybody was laughing or not. The other passengers were too busy shivering to laugh, so he permitted a look of disgust to overspread his countenance and jumped muttering things about bloodless corporations that are not worth printing. —Cleveland Leader.

New Terminal Agent.
J. F. Legge has been appointed terminal agent of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad at Washington, D. C., in charge of passenger and freight stations and will assume the duties of that position on Jan. 1. Mr. Legge is an old B. and O. man, having been superintendent of the fourth and fifth divisions in years gone by and connected with the road in various other capacities. He was in charge of the Washington terminals from 1884 to 1887.

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HAMBURG.

Lionel Grisson is on the sick list. Albert De Wolfe lost a valuable horse, one day last week. Ella Crane, of Brighton, spent Sunday with friends here. Lena Cleaver visited the Brighton High School, last Monday. The Macabees will give a dance at their hall next Thursday evening. All are invited. The Ladies Aid society will meet at Mrs. Wm. Peataerleys, next Thursday afternoon. Chas. Boyce lost a valuable horse last week. The animal slipped on the ice and broke its leg. It had to be shot. Mark Rice has been engaged by the Brighton band to give a violin solo at their concert next Thursday evening. Mr. Frank Knapp and wife were agreeably surprised last Thursday evening, by a number of their friends, who took possession of their new home for a few hours to help them celebrate their first wedding anniversary. A very enjoyable time was reported.

EAST PUTNAM.

Mrs. E. D. Brown is on the list of sick ones. Mrs. J. R. Hall is recovering from the grip. Herbert Schoenhals spent Sunday at R. W. Lake's. Miss Nellie Fish left last week for Bancroft to be gone for an indefinite period. Mrs. A. Carpenter and daughter Hattie, of Chilson, spent Sunday at Fred Lake's. The young people of this place enjoyed an evening skating at Cordley's Lake on Monday evening.

MARION.

Edridge Basin has been seriously ill the past two weeks. A little son arrived at the home of Geo. Lee and wife last week. Francis Murningham has been very sick the past week, but is thought to be better at this writing. The Epworth League young people of the Center church will hold services at the county house next Sunday at 3 o'clock. The oyster supper at A. J. Van Patten's last Friday night gave a pleasant evening to all there and \$15.50 to Rev. A. G. Blood. Jim Mills and Geo. Driver Jr., have bought out the bazaar business at Stockbridge and expect to take possession in a few weeks.

PAREHALLVILLE.

Mrs. J. Townley is very low at this writing. Frank Parker, of Flint, visited relatives here over Sunday. Will Dahley spent last Saturday and Sunday with friends in Fenton. Ed Merriweather, of Detroit, visited relatives here the past week. The WCTU will meet next Friday afternoon with Mrs. H. Slover. Rev. Benson, of Hartland, will occupy the M. E. pulpit here next Sunday morning. Quarterly meeting will be held here next Sunday evening. P. E. Bancroft will be present. There will be a donation for Rev. Walker at the basement of the church next Friday evening.

ANDERSON.

H. Whipple and wife were in Howell one day last week. Isabell Elevator Co. are putting in the new phone at the station. Mrs. Isabell, of Plymouth, is visiting at the home of D. O. Smith. C. D. Bennett and wife spent Sunday at the home of James Marile. Arthur Smith commenced work for Fred Merrill on Monday of this week. Arthur May, of Unadilla, called at the home of Mrs. Durkee the first of the week. The Aid society will meet at the home of Mrs. Jas. Hoff on Wednesday of this week. Clarence Reed and sister of near Howell, visited relatives in Unadilla the first of the week. A few from here attended a social at the home of Mr. Hartford in Iosco, on Friday evening last. Mrs. J. E. Durkee will sell her personal property at public auction on Thursday of this week, (today.) Several of our young people took in the Lyceum at the Munsell school house on Thursday evening. John Gardner drew 43 full cans of milk to the Howell factory on Monday last. How is that for one load? Wm. Singleton and N. J. Durkee called on L. E. Wilson at Chubbs Corners and found him improving slowly. Mr. Whipple and wife were called to the bed-side of the latter's father, Mr. Musson, of Marion, the first of the week. Peter Fitzsimons has sold his farm and will move in the spring. His many friends in this vicinity regret to have him leave. Otis Pond, who has been very sick at the home of A. G. Wilson has so far recovered as to be able to return to his home in Iosco.

GREGORY.

Edna L. Cheever of North Adhamis has been spending a week with her sister, Mrs. B. H. Ellis. Many barn jobs and other good jobs have already come to McClear Bros., assuring them of a good season's work. Corporal, Herman Reed is getting much better and is promising an entire recovery from his long sickness. Ten weeks in the hospital at camp Mead and in Philadelphia, and as many weeks at the residence of his uncle Will Sayles in Gregory.

Advice to Consumptives

There are three great remedies that every person with weak lungs, or with consumption itself, should understand. These remedies will cure about every case in its first stages; and many of those more advanced. It is only the most advanced that are hopeless. Even these are wonderfully relieved and life itself greatly prolonged. What are these remedies? Fresh air, proper food and Scott's Emulsion of Cod-Liver Oil with Hypophosphites. Be afraid of draughts but not of fresh air. Eat nutritious food and drink plenty of milk. Do not forget that Scott's Emulsion is the oldest, the most thoroughly tested, and the highest endorsed of all remedies for weak throats, weak lungs and consumption in all its stages. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

Bird Gregory has been making many improvements in his house and has built a nice woodshed and ice house. Work has been resumed upon the new house Lawrence McClear is building in the north part of town for Mrs. Hopkins. The people of Gregory are expecting the best musical entertainment ever known to come to so small a place in the Temple Quartette, which is considered the best male quartette in America at the hall next Tuesday night.

UNADILLA.

Mabel Hartsuff is visiting at Ann Arbor. Rev. Miller visited at Dr. Du Bois' last week. Miss Richmond of Munith is visiting relatives here. Tom Budd of Stockbridge was in town on Thursday last. Miss Adaline Bunker of Munith visited her sister, Sarah last week. Howard Sweet and Will Clark of Stockbridge spent Sunday with friends here. Chas. Hartsuff has moved to Ann Arbor and will fit himself for stenographer. Congressman S. W. Smith has obtained furloughs for Will Stowe and John McClear of the 35th. Hereafter prayer-meetings will be held alternately in the two churches here. All are cordially invited. Tom Gibney is the possessor of a fine ice boat recently built by himself. The "fair sex" keep Tom busy most of the time now. Kitty Livermore went to Ypsilanti Saturday where she will visit her friend, Myra Bird. She also attended the Normal Choir concert Tuesday evening. The entertainment given by the athletic club on Wednesday evening was a success in every way. They promise us another in the near future on a larger scale and all lovers of athletics and good music will find it a treat. O. J. Bangs died Wednesday, Jan. 18, at his late residence in Unadilla, of cancer of the stomach. The deceased was 71 years of age and leaves three children to mourn his loss, Mesdames Geo. Backus and Frank Richmond and Miss Bangs.

Additional Local.

Geo. Reason Jr. was in Jackson Monday. Howell is talking of a system of sewage. Corrie Abbott has been entertaining her friend, Clara Witty, for a few days. A. D. Bennett, recently of Fowler and well known here, has secured a position as foreman of the Belding Star. K. Cobb of Dexter caught two fine pickerel weighing respectively 12 and 12 1/2 lbs in Little Portage one day last week. Work was completed at the Bennett house on Monday, the entire building being filled. It will require about two more weeks to fill the other houses. The new post offices will soon be in operation in this county. One at "Hartland" in the home of Frank B. Hartland, another "P. O. near" in the home of "Wrightville" at Wright's Chapel, Unadilla. The Putnam and Hamburg Gomer's club will meet at the home of Myer Davis on Saturday of next week. The following is the program: Recitation U. A. Bennett. Song Nettie Hall. Reading Allie Brown. Music Grace Nash, Alice Brown. Paper Fleta Hall. Recitation Fanny Robinson. Song Albert Mills.

CARE FOR YOUR PIANO.

How to Keep the Instrument in Good Order. It is well to sometimes rub the wires gently with camels or a flannel cloth, and to pass a soft muslin over the sounding board by means of a slender point which will slip between the wires and engage the cloth, which may then be carefully moved over the surface, taking off the dust. A steel crochet hook or a stout knitting needle will answer the purpose. It is advisable to keep a little camphor inside the case, for if the moth has been attracted by the felt used in various parts it will serve as a means of protection against this pest. The temperature of the room should be moderate and as even as may be. Extreme heat that is drying should always be avoided, so a piano should not stand, as is often the case, too near a fire. An instrument should be opened for a short time each day; if it is not much used this is especially desirable. Often there appears a sort of bloom upon the case, or the wood looks dingy and seems to be in need of cleaning. It is, however, very uncertain work to attempt to improve the fine finish of a piano with polish. Instead, the method recommended and used by a professional tuner is one that may be safely tested, with the certainty that it will not be the means of gathering additional dust, as oils and polishes are apt to do. Take the finest toilet soap and lukewarm water and wash a little of the piano at a time, as you would wash a baby's face, using a soft cloth and working upon a space not larger than your hand. Wipe it off with clear water and rub well with a clean polishing cloth until it is perfectly dry and well polished. The fine soap does not affect the original finish in the least, but simply remove that which obscures it, and if rubbed absolutely dry, with a brisk motion, the result is that the piano is cleaned and brightened.

Schopenhauer's Disappointment

The story is told that a friend, invited to dine with Schopenhauer at his favorite restaurant, where a number of officers were in the habit of meeting, noticed that Schopenhauer took a gold coin from his pocket before eating and laid it on the table beside him. When the meal was over the philosopher replaced the coin in his purse. Upon a question from his friend, Schopenhauer explained: "I have been dining with these officers for some time," he said, "and about two months ago I registered a silent vow to give this gold coin, of considerable value, to some worthy charity on the very first occasion upon which I should hear these gentlemen talk of anything but women, horses and the chances of promotion. You see I still have my money."

Would Create a Utopia.

An Arkansan named Dawson writes to the postmaster at Fort Smith, inclosing a circular which he wishes placed in a conspicuous place in the postoffice. Mr. Dawson has a theory for regenerating mankind by doing away with and suppressing crime. His belief is that mixed and careless marriages are responsible for crime and criminals, and that if only well-mated people marry there will be no crime, for their offspring will be incapable of committing crime. He asks all who read his circulars to urge congress to frame a law regulating marriages. He thinks if people of base morals, drunkards, gamblers, thieves and robbers be restrained from marrying there will be no crime. He would forbid the marriage of weak-minded or sickly persons. His law would also make marriage impossible for people unable to read or write, and he would require that every male have at least \$500 as a prerequisite to a license.

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