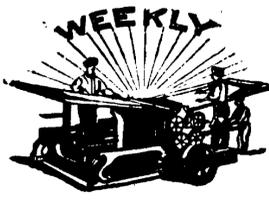


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ROBBERY AT ANDERSON.

William Sprout's Store Broken Into and Pillaged.

Robbers Only Made Small Haul.

Three Men Arrested and Held for Trial.

On Thursday night, July 13, while all honest people were asleep, the store and postoffice kept by Wm. A. Sprout, of Anderson, just west of this place, was broken into and three pairs of shoes, three pairs of socks, about \$2.00 in change—mostly pennies—enough candy, salmon, peaches and cookies to make a good lunch, were taken.

The thieves secured a small steel bar at the blacksmith shop and tried to open the front door and after breaking a lock or two gave that up and went to the back window which they broke and there made an entrance, breaking into the postoffice first so as to give Uncle Sam a hand in the deal.

After securing their booty, they went to the Ry. track and ate a lunch, changing their old shoes for new; this afterward proved a bad move on their part as the new shoes left tracks which were plainly discernable, and they were tracked to Chelsea by L. W. Whited and Fred Sprout who caused their arrest.

The three men were brought to Howell and held for examination which was held here Monday, they being brought back. Plenty of evidence was given against them and they were bound over to August 31, when the circuit court convenes.

They gave their names as, Jas. H. Murphy, Ind.; Frank Cavanaugh, Toledo; and Frank Miller, Ft. Wayne.

Two good revolvers, some cartridges and a pint bottle about half full of powder, was found hid near where they were arrested; also two sacks containing \$1.35 in pennies, and four ladies' watch chains. The money left in the till outside the postoffice was all in pennies, and Mr. Sprout testified that there was somewhere between \$1.25 and \$1.50 but could not remember just how many.

One or two of the men were seen around Pinckney Thursday, and one at least, boarded the freight—on the truss rod—the evening of the robbery.

They are evidently the ones wanted not only for this offense, but several others in and about the county.

LOCAL NEWS.

Corn in this locality is looking excellent, and promises a big crop.

Have you seen the new sign? It tells where the DISPATCH office is.

Rev. Simpson was in Detroit and Mt. Clemens on business last week.

L. A. Tanner, of Detroit, was a guest of W. S. Swarthout and family, over Sunday.

Mrs. Edward VanFleet, of Detroit, was a guest of the VanFleet families the past week.

Miss Carrie Erwin, of Pinckney, and Dr. Erwin, of Howell, spent Sunday with relatives in Mason.

Miss Edith and Master Morley Vaughn are spending a couple of weeks with their uncle, James Vaughn in Danville.

While in Jackson last week we purchased about 200 pounds of new type and added it to our already complete outfit. We added several cases of new faces of job type also.

J. J. Teeple reports a fine time at the hardware-merchant's meeting in Detroit, last week. The banquet, session and a moonlight trip on the river made the meeting a pleasurable one.

R. Frank Erwin spent Sunday with relatives in Jackson.

F. J. Wright was in Durand the first of the week, on business.

Miss Lillie McIntyre is spending the week with relatives in Jackson.

New Pianos are heard in the homes of Geo. W. Teeple and F. A. Sigler.

Miss Margaret VanFleet of Detroit, visited relatives here the past week.

Miss Mitti Maybury of Chattanooga, Tenn., is the guest of Mrs. M. C. Green. Jay Allen, of Chicago, made a visit among old friends here the past week.

R. H. Erwin took a flying trip to Howell, Tuesday morning, on business.

Samuel Wallace has moved his family in the rooms over Darrow's drug store.

M. E. Cranston of Leslie, was the guest of Miss Iva Halstead the first of the week.

There is an interesting report on page five, of the Michigan State Board of Health.

The Epworth League will serve ice cream in the opera house, Saturday evening, July 29.

The regular meeting of the Loyal Guards was postponed until Wednesday evening next, July 26.

Paul and Norma Curlett returned to their home in Dexter, Sunday, after spending several days with relatives here.

Will Murphy and W. W. Barnard have each added a fine piece of furniture in the shape of a display coffee stand to their store.

Earl Mann received a telegram on Saturday last to accept a job in a brass and iron works. He started Monday for Detroit.

A. B. Green, who has for 40 years worn whiskers, had them cut off the past week and his best friends hardly knew him.

Floyd Reason, who has been buying wool here for two years, shipped it to eastern parties this week. Mr. Read sold his also.

We understand that Thos. Read has purchased the corner lot on Main and Pearl street, of John Martin. This is one of the most desirable building spots in Pinckney.

Alex McIntyre had the misfortune to have a fine spring's calf drown in a barrel set in the ground, on Sunday. The calf evidently went to drink and either fell in or was hooked in by other cattle.

We like to publish all the news and have it fresh, so please help us out by handing in any items you may have, anytime before Wednesday noon. Do not wait until the paper is published and then wonder why such and such items were not in the paper.

If nobody knew you, you couldn't sell a dollar's worth of goods. If a few people know you, you'll sell a few goods. The more people there are who know you and your goods, the more you will sell. Tell the people who you are through our columns.

Mrs. J. J. Teeple was called to Kalamazoo, Monday, to attend the funeral of her uncle, Philo Goddard. Mr. Goddard died suddenly of paralysis. He was 80 years old and one of the pioneers of Kalamazoo county. His wife died very suddenly at the home of J. J. Teeple two years ago while on a visit here. Mr. Goddard visited at this place only a few weeks ago.

A New Threshing Machine.

Albert Reason has just received a new threshing machine with a Farmer Friend straw stacker attachment. The straw is taken by the force of wind through an 18-inch pipe and carried to any part of the stack, carrying all dust with it. The attachment, with one man will build any stack. It will soon be in operation in this vicinity.

AMONG OUR SISTER VILLAGES.

Washtenaw county has granted 32 divorces in the past six months.

Quite a large party of Ann Arborites sailed for Europe last Saturday.

An Owosso alderman is working to have all gambling places in that city closed.

The prospects are that there will be an excellent crop of apples at Northfield this year.

The Stockbridge Brief celebrated its third birthday, last week. It is a lively youngster.

The Flat Rock News is engaged in a controversy with the Christian Scientists of that place.

At Caro men are earning from \$1.50 to \$3 per day in the sugar beet fields. These are good wages.

Rev. W. A. Service of the Presbyterian church, Howell, preached in Marshall last Sunday morning.

Asphalt pavement will take the place of cobble stone in Pontiac. Two streets are to be paved with the asphalt this season.

The Stockbridge Sun suggests that an extra session of the legislator be called to do away with the cannon fire cracker for 4th of July celebrations.

A new union depot will be built at Durand and the Grand Trunk will make division headquarters there. This will make quite an addition to the junction city.

John Dill, of Leslie, was arrested last week and paid a fine of \$25 and costs, for aiding two boys to fight. Erwin Dauchy will be tried this week on the same charge.

The game and fish warden has been hustling things over at the county seat. Several arrests have been made and the persons had to come down with fines and costs.

Ypsilanti saloonists thought they could run with open doors on July 4th, and now all of them will have to show causes for disobeying the law. The mayor is after 'em.

Leslie is talking of putting in a system of waterworks. With the flowing wells that are there it would be an easy matter to secure plenty of water for the water work's supply.

The Webberville and Stockbridge ball teams are at war, and evidently will be until settled by games. They would make three interesting games. Why not have the third one played in Pinckney.

The corner stone of a new M. E. church at Chelsea was laid on Wednesday of last week with impressive services. The stone is of red granite and came from Lima township, Washtenaw county. The new church is to take the place of the one burned Jan. 8.

A. R. Welch has just perfected a flash light pistol which is one of the neatest arrangements for the taking of flash light pictures that is on the market. He has been working on it for years and has at last gotten it in shape to put on the market.—Chelsea Standard.

Martin Schultz, the Genoa farmer who burned his barns on Tuesday, June 27, and since that time has been confined in the county jail, was examined before Judge Davis, Tuesday and was adjudged insane. He will be taken to the asylum at Pontiac as soon as there is a vacancy.—Herald.

Mort Mortenson and wife of Howell were in town Tuesday.

Edson Mann was bitten by a dog on Monday but as the dog was not mad no serious results are feared.

Saturday's Journal contained the picture of Mrs. Hannah Pierce of Genesee county, who was one of the pioneers of that county. She is the mother of Rev. N. W. Pierce of this place.

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MICHIGAN NEWS SUMMARY.

Doings of the Week Recorded in a Brief Style.

CONCISE AND INTERESTING.

One of Pontiac's Largest and Busiest Factories has Been Completely Destroyed by Fire—A Bank at Niles Forcibly Closed Its Doors.

Crop Report.

The Michigan crop report for July gives the number of acres of wheat on the ground, as reported by supervisors this spring, at 1,908,947, 95 per cent of this total acreage being based on actual reports, and five per cent being a careful estimate taken from the farm statistics of 1908. The average estimated yield is eight bushels per acre in the southern counties, where three-fourths of the crop is raised, eight in the central counties, 11 in the northern counties and eight for the state. The total number of bushels reported marketed by farmers in June is 820,442 bushels, and the total for the 11 months August-June, 16,857,151, or 765,510 less than for the same month last year. The condition of corn in the southern counties is 89; in the central, 83; in the northern, 87; and for the state, 87. The condition of oats in the southern counties is 93; in the central, 90; in the northern, 97; and for the state, 93. The acreage of beans planted, as compared with 1898, is 84 per cent, and the condition is 91. The condition of potatoes is 86 in the southern counties, 94 in the central, 103 in the northern, and 90 for the state. The prospect for an average crop of the various kinds of fruit in the state is: Apples, 51 per cent; peaches, 6; pears, 28; plums, 42; grapes, 76. Thirty-seven per cent of the orchards in the state are cultivated, and the condition of trees of last year's setting is 76 per cent.

A Very Clever Game.

Here is the very latest game gotten up by promissory note swindlers and worked in southwestern Michigan. A well dressed man of clerical appearance drives up to a farmhouse and asks permission to stay for the night. Before the family and their guest retire for the night a man and woman stop at the house and inquire the way to the nearest minister, saying they wish to get married. The guest says he is a clergyman and offers his services. A "marriage certificate" is filled out after the ceremony has been gone through with, and the farmer and his wife are asked to sign it as witnesses. They do so, and a few weeks afterward the certificate turns up as a promissory note for several hundred dollars which has been sold to some bank which proceeds to collect.

Disastrous Fire at Pontiac.

The most disastrous fire which has ever visited Pontiac occurred shortly after 9 o'clock on the evening of the 10th in the factory of the Pontiac spring and wagon works. The fire started in the engine room and was discovered by the watchman while on his rounds. The local fire department responded promptly to an alarm, but were entirely unable to cope with a fire of such magnitude. The building which was valued at \$20,000 and the stock at between \$30,000 and \$40,000 was entirely destroyed. The insurance was less than \$10,000. The works was one of the busiest of the Pontiac factories and its loss is a blow to the city as well as the owners, and 75 men are thrown out of employment.

Bank to Close Its Doors.

The doors of the Citizens' National bank of Niles, were closed on the 8th by National Bank Examiner Joseph W. Selden, who was appointed temporary receiver of the bank by the comptroller of the currency. The cause of the failure of the bank is poor loans which have been made, to meet which the comptroller levied an assessment upon the capital stock of the bank. The stockholders failed to meet this assessment, and the receiver was appointed in consequence. The last statement of the Citizens' National bank showed loans and discounts amounting to \$169,509; surplus, \$10,000; capital, \$50,000. An effort will be made to reopen shortly.

Indians Looking After Their Cash.

A band of 20 Pottawatome Indians west to Kalamazoo recently from southwestern Michigan to make affidavits to establish claims for money which had once been granted them by the courts but was either mislaid or misappropriated. The lands for which they were to receive pay were 49 sections near Niles, 16 near Mendon and 21 around Schoolcraft. The money, \$160,000, it is claimed was paid according to an old census roll, consequently 262 members of the tribe received no pay and 273 received the money.

There is a great demand for labor around the docks at Port Huron. Men are wanted every day and cannot be hired.

The case of Three Rivers has been numbered and will have three signs and a city directory, the first one published.

A Bad Case of Hydrophobia.

Mrs. John Edgett, living three miles east of Lakeville, began to develop symptoms of hydrophobia on the 12th and the following morning she was raging mad. Mrs. Edgett is but 13 years old and has been married less than a year. Some time after her marriage she was bitten by a little "whiffet" dog, but experienced no pain or evil effects from the bite. The first noticed of this terrible malady was the queer action of Mrs. Edgett on the above date. She had harnessed herself to a rig, taken the bits in her mouth and had drawn the buggy about a quarter of a mile. Several neighbors took her home and locked her in the barn, where she began to eat hay in a ravenous manner. Doctors pronounce it a clear case of hydrophobia. The patient barks, spits and foams at the mouth, and her suffering is terrible to witness. The physicians have strapped her on a bed, in which position she will probably remain until death comes to relieve her of her terrible agony.

Will Have to be Settled in the Courts.

The Michigan Sugar Co., of Bay City, maintains that the bounty law of 1897 is constitutional, but Atty.-Gen. Oren says it is not. Two weeks ago, Land Commissioner French issued a certificate showing that \$24,000 was due for sugar manufactured in January and February of this year. Dix referred the matter to the attorney-general for an opinion as to his right to draw a warrant for the payment of the amount from the general fund. The attorney-general has concluded that the expense is not a general expense of the state government on which the legislature can predicate a tax under section 1, article 14, of the constitution, which says that "The legislature shall provide for an annual tax, sufficient with other resources, to pay the estimated expenses of the state government, the interest of the state debt, and such deficiency as may occur in the resources." This squarely raises the question as to the constitutionality of the law.

For a National Filter.

The fact that in the near future a filtering plant to cost \$30,000 will be a necessity at Lake Gogua, the source of Battle Creek's water supply, has caused a novel suggestion. In the lake, near pumping station, is Ward's island, composed of sand and gravel. The suggested experiment is that a reservoir be dug in the center of this island, and the water be allowed to filter naturally through the sand from the lake, which process, it is claimed, would purify it, and save the expense of the proposed plant.

STATE GOSSIP.

Port Huron is talking of a street fair. Blissfield is to have an electric light plant which will cost \$10,000.

Northville people are talking about holding a street fair this fall.

A new electric line from Adrian to Toledo is practically assured.

The beet sugar crop in St. Joseph county is estimated at 15 tons to the acre.

A new grain elevator with a capacity of 20,000 bushels is being erected at Homer.

Grand Rapids now has a population of 100,000 according to the new city directory.

The Ypsilanti & Saline electric road will probably not be in full operation until Sept. 1.

The celery crop around Kalamazoo this year promises to exceed any of previous years.

A fine gypsum mine is said to have been struck by Joe Clotkey one mile east of Tarsar.

The overflowing of the Muskegon river has caused great damage to celery beds. One man estimates his loss at \$3,000.

Burglars wrecked the slot machines in the Lake View hotel bar rooms at St. Joseph on the 9th and secured about \$20.

Gladstone county is having a boom in farming lands. One man sold 960 acres recently to prospective settlers from Detroit and Three Rivers.

While the wheat crop now being harvested in Hillsdale county is the lightest in years, the yield of oats will be enormous, with corn a close second.

Twice every six months burglars visit Brighton. This time M. Ryan's general store was raided and a large amount of merchandise taken. No clue.

The McVoy Mining Co. has been organized at Carney with a capital stock of \$50,000. The company will conduct explorations for copper near that village.

Linden is experiencing a small building boom. A new bank building and several new dwellings are in course of construction and more are being anticipated.

The owner of the big peach orchard on the island in Coldwater lake will reap no harvest this year, as 350 trees have been killed and the rest will not bear fruit.

The demand for iron ore is very heavy and during the past 30 days, 33 idle mines have been started up near Ishpeming, giving employment to 2,000 men.

The huckleberry bushes in Calhoun county are yielding a large crop.

The firm of Clayton & Lambert, of Ypsilanti, manufacturers of plumbers' supplies, are moving their plant to Detroit. With them eight families and 20 men will go.

The street car fight at Kalamazoo is ended, the company having accepted the city's terms relative to the laying of grooved rails and paying its share of the paving tax.

The big marsh just north of Chesaning will be drained and reclaimed. Promoters of the scheme expect to get fancy prices for the land when it is placed on the market.

One day recently 20 children from the state public schools at Coldwater were sent to homes in different parts of the state. This number exceeded that of any day in the history of the school.

Burglars forced open the till in the office of the C. & W. M. at Bellaire during the ticket agent's absence and secured a 25-cent lead quarter, the balance of the receipts were in the agent's pockets.

The Standard Novelty Co., of Port Huron, of which W. F. Davidson is the head, has purchased 56 machines and will commence the manufacture of all kinds of working clothes for mechanics. They will employ about 50 hands.

An explosion of gases in Muskegon lake, caused an upheaval of about two acres of the lake's bottom. M. and H. Iverson were in a boat over the spot at the time and their craft was tossed about like a feather. The lake was 25 feet deep at the spot.

State Treasurer Steel has been advised that eight peddlers have been arrested in Clinton county for failure to take out peddlers' licenses. The question of the constitutionality of the present peddlers' license law, which has long been a mooted one, will now be settled.

The saloons of Grand Rapids ran wide open on the Fourth and now the anti-saloon league has made complaint against 145 saloonists for violation of the state law. This is the most sweeping raid ever made on the liquor interest and there is much excitement among them.

Three children in a copper country family were lying in one bed during a recent thunderstorm when a bolt of lightning came into the room by way of the chimney, struck one of the little ones on the breast and killed her instantly. Neither of the other two was injured in the feat.

The body of James Bradt, of Mendon, better known as the chumpion pleater and wood chopper of Michigan, was found in an out-of-the-way place recently. He was a typical down-east Yankee, nearly 70 years old, and lived a secluded life. He was toothless, but held a record of using a pie in 44 seconds.

A grand jury in Lapeer county has begun an enquiry into the wrecking of The Cross Roads Weekly office in Metamora last April. The judge in charging the jury said: "The destruction of one's property is an attempt to make one leave a community who is following a lawful pursuit is intolerable in Lapeer county."

Plainwell expects a boom in the near future. The damming of the Kalamazoo river at that place is said to be assured and 2,300 horse power will be developed. A large paper mill will be built, it is said, and other factories are expected to follow. Electricity will be supplied to neighboring towns. Eastern capitalists are interested.

A lady of Riley township who does not care to have her name mentioned was told that a cup of gasoline added to the water in which soiled garments were to be boiled would prove a magical agent in the removal of dirt and stains. She tried it, and landed in an adjoining room minus a portion of her hair and eyebrows, and with numerous burns upon her face and arms.

A large molehill fell near the northwestern line of the village of Allegan on the morning of the 10th. It was a mineral substance resembling light gray sandstone, about 20 inches long, and 10 inches through, and was red hot. It made a hole two feet deep, where it struck, and burst into many pieces. It was heard and seen by many and hundreds have visited the place.

While out hunting last March Henry Beebe, of near Crawford, Isabella county, ran a silver gray fox into a hollow log and shot her. When he split the log open he found nine young silver gray foxes, one of which had been killed when he shot the mother. He bagged the entire litter, and now has eight silver gray foxes for pets and a fine prospect for making a fortune out of them. Silver gray fox pelts sell for between \$85 and \$100.

A Swedish resident of Ludington was surprised the other day to receive a letter from his native country inclosing a money order for 53 crowns, or about \$14 in United States money. Sixteen years ago when he was still a resident of Sweden, he had loaned the amount to a neighbor to save the latter the loss of his land. The man was not able to repay his benefactor when the latter came to America several years ago, but promised to do so as soon as he was able.

FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE

By Telegraph Giving a Brief Resume of the Week's Events.

RELIABLE AND INTERESTING.

A Big Four Train Killed Six Members of a Columbus Family and Injured the Seventh—The School Teachers' Train Collided With a Freight.

Six Members in One Family Killed.

All but one of the seven members of the family of Wm. Reinhard, of Columbus, O., were killed and the remaining one was badly injured by a big four passenger train on the 9th. Mr. and Mrs. Reinhard and their five children were out for an afternoon drive in a surrey. They approached the railroad crossing just as the west-bound passenger train came along. The vehicle was knocked into splinters and Mr. and Mrs. Reinhard and two of their sons were killed outright and two others were so badly injured that they died after being removed to a hospital. The fifth son sustained a fractured collar bone and other lesser injuries, but it is believed he will recover. The horse, which was attached to the surrey, was literally ground to pieces. The crossing has long been considered a dangerous one, the view of in-coming trains being obscured by a high fence around the fair grounds. The train was running at a high speed.

Statement of Exports.

The monthly statement of the exports for June, 1899, of domestic breadstuffs, provisions, cotton and mineral oils, issued by the bureau of statistics, shows as follows: Breadstuffs, \$91,781,057, decrease as compared with June, 1898, about \$9,231,000; cotton, 48,073,706, increase \$347,000; cattle and hogs, \$2,444,446, decrease \$156,000; provisions, \$151,58,628, increase \$2,205,000; mineral oils, \$5,481,991, increase \$509,000; total, \$51,037,749, net decrease, \$6,215,000. For the last month the statement is as follows: Breadstuffs, \$263,655,108, against \$274,706,060 last year; cattle and hogs, \$28,605,079, last year \$36,010,482; provisions, \$161,618,773, last year \$158,000,561; cotton, \$208,743,969, last year \$229,910,477; mineral oils, \$55,317,289, last year \$55,171,000. Total, \$718,940,210, last year \$804,818,581.

Liberalism Fretted Conservatives' Fall.

The recent double liberal victory at the Oklahoma election in England is taken in conjunction with other recent bye-elections and votes in the house of commons as being most humiliating to the imperialists and there are signs in many directions that the liberal unionists are asking themselves why they are sitting on the Tory benches and supporting measures exemplifying the old and discarded devices of conservatism. The liberals are exulting and even go to the extent of predicting an early dissolution. It is rumored that the recent cabinet meeting was stormy and that many differences developed, but so long as the ministry can adjust its differences it is probable that a dissolution will not occur before the autumn of 1900.

Special Teachers' Train Wrecked.

A Burlington special train of nine coaches on the way from St. Louis to Los Angeles, loaded with teachers going to attend the National Education association convention at Los Angeles, crashed into a freight train within 200 yards of the depot at Newman, Stanislaus county, Cal., on the 19th, and five women were killed and 18 passengers injured. The only passenger coach that left the track was the one following the engine, whence all the fatalities occurred.

Swelling New Population.

Altogether complete returns to the bureau of immigration of the treasury department of immigrants arriving in the United States for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1899, show an increase of \$2,579 over the fiscal year ended June 30, 1898. The returns yet to be received will not change the figures materially. The number of immigrants arriving in 1899 was 311,878, as against 228,299 for the previous year, immigration for 1898 was the smallest for 10 years.

A Rich Gold Find.

News of the discovery of rich beach diggings at Wreck bay, five miles from Ucluelot on the west coast of Vancouver island has been received. With the crudest appliances \$9 a day is being washed out. One prospector took a pan to the beach and washed out \$2.50. Great excitement prevails and farmers are abandoning their farms to engage in gold washing.

TELEGRAPHIC BITS.

It is estimated that the loss in Texas by the recent flood will reach fully \$10,000,000.

During the past fiscal year 1,493 vessels of 320,876 tons, gross, were built in the United States.

Over a quarter of a million of people have already perished in consequence of the famine in Russia.

Germany's exports to the United States for the quarter ending June last were \$21,000,000, as compared with \$24,500,000 for the corresponding quarter last year.

WAR NOTES.

The following was received from Gen. Otis. Two regiments were secured. Will enlist about 1,000. You can appoint 11 second lieutenants for 2d and 3d regiments, 10 for 4th and 5th. All other officers filled. Regimental staffs, and 2d Philippine United States Veteran Infantry. Adjt.-Gen. Corbin called Gen. Otis that these designations could not be allowed for the Philippine regiments, and in order to save confusion they would be called the 36th and 37th United States Volunteer Infantry.

Under command of Capt. McGraw three troops of the 4th cavalry and the gunboat Napidan, commanded by Lieut. Earsen, had an engagement with a detachment of 500 Filipinos at Mantlupa, on the south shore of the lake. The Napidan shelled the rebels and a party of 135 Americans landed, and by a sharp running fight succeeded in driving the rebels to the hills. Two of the cavalrymen were wounded, and the bodies of 10 insurgents were found. It is estimated that the enemy's loss was 35.

Gen. Leonard Wood, the military governor of the Philippines, who has just reached Santiago from the U. S. finds the yellow fever situation more serious than he had anticipated. He at once had his headquarters removed to Songo, 20 miles north of the railroad, a point about 1,000 feet above the sea level. All the administrative departments, except the sanitary and a few immune clerks on the quartermaster's and commissary staffs, were also removed to Songo.

The attorney-general has rendered an opinion in which he holds, in effect, that the Havana street railway franchise, known as the Torre concession, on the evidence submitted, is superior to all others, and is such as entitles its owners to be permitted at their own risk, under the permission of the municipal authorities, to proceed with the work of construction without the infraction of the military authorities.

Capt. R. S. Borns in charge of the army recruiting bureau at Chicago expressed the opinion that the new 38th regiment of infantry volunteers being recruited in Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan and mobilized at Fort Sheridan, would be full by Aug. 15 and ready to sail for the Philippines by Sept. 20.

Andrew Fuller, Julian Baker and Edwin Campbell, American civilian clerks in the quartermaster's department at Cienfuegos, who were implicated in the recent affair there between the Americans and Cubans, have been ordered to return to the United States by the first transport.

In order to replenish the stock on the island of Cuba, it has been decided to admit free of duty 50,000 head of breeding cattle. The question of commencing rations for the needy Cubans into draught cattle and agricultural implements was brought up but no decision was reached.

Gen. Leonard Wood, in command of the department of Santiago, is issued general order No. 34 on the 12th establishing absolute quarantine. All officers of the government and employees are forbidden to enter the city, with the exception of those belonging to the department.

The war department announces that the customs receipts at the port of Havana for June were \$1,012,880. The total receipts for six months of 1899 are, to be exact, \$5,146,830. The monthly average for six months is \$857,805.

The orders issued last summer which allowed 40 cents a day per man for soldiers undergoing hospital treatment, have been revoked and an order issued allowing 30 cents per day per man from the subsistence of the army.

It is the intention of the war department to supply the American troops with dynamite guns to be used in the fall campaign against the Filipinos.

Alarms Fanned in Guatemala.

Mail advices from Guatemala confirm the reports of an approaching crisis in the Central American republic. That the dissatisfaction will lead to a revolution against the administration of President Cabrera seems hardly likely in view of the fact that there is no money in the country to organize anything approaching a formidable insurrection. Uprisings in the cities are, however, expected, and while they may not result in Cabrera's downfall, they will cause great loss in invested capital. It is by no means unlikely that foreign governments, especially the United States and Germany, and possibly Great Britain, may be called upon to interfere, if they have not been requested to do so already.

Admiral Dewey arrived at Saen on the 13th in very good health.

August Becker, the stock yards butcher of Chicago, was found guilty of the murder of his first wife. His punishment was fixed at death. The jury was out only 30 minutes. Becker showed apparent indifference.

The Rev. Mr. D'Arcy, of Boston, met with good success on his recent visit to the United States in raising money to build an American church in Berlin. The fund now amounts to \$7000. Work on the church begins in the fall.

On Admiral Dewey's arrival in Wash-

INSTANCES OF

BY ROBIN GREY

CHAPTER VI.

From the drawing room as they ascended the stairs came a pleasant clatter of teacups, and when they entered they found the family assembled. Mary was pouring out tea; Dr. Stelling, wonderful to relate, had found time to join the cosy circle; Mrs. Stelling sat with her usual pile of clothing for the poor beside her. There was a cheerful little family chorus.

"Oh, here you are!" "Well?" "Well? What have you done, Madge?"

"A cup of tea first, in mercy!" cried Marguerite, sinking on to the hearth rug and tossing aside her hat.

Five o'clock tea is the time for chatting. All Marguerite's adventures were related, with comments and annotations from Bernard.

"And so Mr. Martineau will let me know when he finds the will," she concluded. "And now I must tell you the bright suggestion which Bruno has just made. One does occasionally get flashes of inspiration, even from a great bear."

"Do you want a flash of hot tea on your nose?" demanded Bernard, who was towering above her.

She laughingly averted her face, holding up her little hands.

The suggestion of advertising in the local papers met with general approval and it was decided that Bernard should insert the advertisement without consulting Mr. Martineau.

"By the way," he said, "what sort of a fellow is Martineau? Laurie used to know a Martineau—a tall fellow with a fair complexion, and slow way of talking."

"Yes, that is very like this man," said Marguerite. "He was nice to talk to. He gave you the idea that he possessed a great deal of character, but I was sometimes not sure whether he

face. He stared at the paper as if stupefied, then uttered a smothered cry.

"My boy!" exclaimed his mother, looking up.

The color had left his face now—he was pale indeed.

"It must be a hoax—it can't be true," he said, hurriedly, as if he did not know what he was saying. Springing from his seat, he strode to the window, stood there a minute, reading the communication once more straight through. Then the paper fell from his fingers; he turned, leaned his arms on the window frame, and rested his head on them. Mary picked up the letter, and Marguerite read it over her shoulder:

"Lincoln's Inn, Tuesday.

"Bernard Selwyn Stelling, Esq.:

"Sir—We have to announce to you the death of Miss Letitia Clara Selwyn of Selwyn Court, Hants, on the 8th inst., and to inform you that, with the exception of several legacies to old friends and servants, you inherit the whole of her personal and landed property, and all her money, invested in securities which represent an annual income of about twenty thousand pounds, together with the estate and house of Selwyn Court, the whole being bequeathed to you on the sole condition that you add the surname of Selwyn Stelling Selwyn.

"We have the honor, sir, to remain, your obedient servants,

"Blade & Skinner, Solicitors."

The silence in the drawing room lasted for many minutes. At last Bernard roused himself.

"What a coward I am," he said, with a laugh, "to be so upset! Mary, give me that paper. Pater, do you think it's a genuine thing?"

"It certainly seems so," answered the doctor, glancing at the paper. "I remember now that Blade & Skinner

little room to cry. She had swiftly realized what this change would mean. Twenty thousand a year!

"It is cruel," she cried. "One thousand would have more than contented him—have made him rich! But this—this—it lifts him out of our reach altogether! I know it—I feel it. At first he will be unchanged—he will lead us all with presents, he will share his good fortune so generously with us. But afterwards there will come a time when he will look upon all the beautiful distinguished women who will smile upon him, and he will think in bitter sadness—I am bound in honor to Marguerite—poor, nameless, homeless Marguerite!" He will wonder whether all his grand friends will visit his obscure wife. Wife—oh, that dreadful word! Am I a wife already? It hardly matters now, for I will never be Bernard's. No; that money—that fatal money—means our last good-bye. I will say nothing to him. I would not grieve him—not for worlds. But I feel better now that I have realized it."

She sat up, pushed back her hair, and rested her clasped hands on her knee.

"Why did I go to the lawyer's today?" she sighed. "If I had only waited a few short hours I might have kept my money in my pocket. What does it matter to me who I am? I only know that I shall never be Bernard's wife!"

CHAPTER VII.

When the door closed upon Marguerite Lilbourne, as she left the lawyer's office in Lance Lane, Valdaene Martineau walked up to it and turned the key in the lock. Then he went back to the table, sank down in the large armchair, leaned his arms on the blotting paper which covered the desk, and dropped his head upon them.

What was there in Marguerite's artless narrative that could have so deeply shaken the habitual composure of this man of the world?

The bowed head did not stir for upwards of half an hour. Valdaene Martineau was alone in the company of a thousand evil thoughts, the phantoms of a discreditable past.

Presently he raised his head, the powerful hand which lay on the desk was clinched, and through his set lips came one word:

"Traitor!"

He pushed back his chair, and began to pace the room as if rest were impossible to him.

"That she should have come to me of all men in the world!" he said aloud. "Talk of poetical justice—talk of the irony of fate! Ye gods, that she should come to me for her rights!"

There was a pause. He went to the window and gazed blankly out, then struck the woodwork with a force that shook it.

"I can't do it," he muttered between his clenched teeth—"no man could do it! But I'll have my revenge on him," he cried, with a sudden inspiration, and, darting back to the desk, he seized a pen and began to write:

Sir—Three years and six months ago, when I was a penniless adventurer, you tempted me, and I fell. It may be as well that I recall to your mind the exact terms of the conspiracy. You informed me that you had a niece— orphan daughter of your only sister. This child was heiress to an enormous fortune, and you were her sole guardian. By the terms of her father's will you were to have entire control over her during her minority, and if she married against your wish before she attained the age of 21, the whole of her money came to you. Your suggestion to me was that I should go through the form of marriage with your niece, apparently without your sanction, in order to enable you to claim the money due to you in that case. You represented to me that your niece was mad—hopelessly out of her mind—and that on that account I should do her no harm by going through this form, as nobody else would ever be likely to marry her. There could be, you represented, no difficulty in the matter, as the young lady in question was to all appearance quite sane and perfectly docile and submissive. At the church door my part of the contract was to cease. You undertook to provide for her future; all I had to do was to go through the marriage ceremony. For this service you offered me a bribe that dazzled me. I was half mad with difficulties, penniless, in debt. I urged, however, that the step you wished me to take would hamper my future, as I could ask no other woman to be my wife so long as this poor girl lived. This was just what you wanted—to secure my secrecy; so long as I kept secret the fact of the conspiracy, you kept secret the fact of my marriage. I was to sign a false name in the register, and there would be nothing to witness against me—nothing to damage my future career.

(To be continued.)

AFTER 102 YEARS

Leet's "Spoilation Claim" of \$9,000 is Ordered to be Paid to the Heirs.

Judge Durfee, of Detroit, has disposed of a claim that has been pending for many years against the United States government and had its origin 102 years ago. In 1797 one Gideon Leet followed the business of shipping merchant at one of the ports on the Atlantic coast, and was the owner of a half interest in the brig Matilda. On one of her voyages and while laden with a valuable cargo of sugar and rum, the Matilda was captured by a French privateer. The crew were given a leaky boat and two days' provision and sent afloat. By good fortune they made a landing somewhere, but the exact spot is not known, and reached their way home. They made known to Mr. Leet the circumstances of the capture and he filed a claim with congress for the value of his half-interest in the vessel and cargo, which he placed at \$9,000. This was presented to the French government, along with a number of other "spoliation claims," and adjustment was indefinitely postponed. When the present state of Louisiana was ceded to the United States by France, the former country's claim against the latter were wiped off the books, but the government of the United States assumed the "spoliation claims." Gideon Leet's claim bobbed up in congress after this, but was relegated to the dust of a pigeon-hole. Then Mr. Leet dropped it and came to Michigan and settled on Grosse Isle, where he died, intestate, in 1826. Judge Durfee in settling the claim made an order that the amount allowed by congress should be divided among the executors or administrators of the estates of Gideon Leet's six children.

Wants the Duty on Sugar Increased.

It is now announced that the real object of the government in sending the reciprocity delegates to Ottawa, after completing the negotiations at Washington, is to endeavor to secure the imposition by the Dominion government of countervailing duties on European beet sugar. With a view to extending the trade relations between Canada and the British West Indies, which never, very considerably, had been steadily declining of late years as that between the United States and the islands increased, the Dominion parliament recently made some material customs reductions in their favor. Among these was a reduction of 20 per cent in the duty on cane sugar from the West Indies. So long as the United States maintains a countervailing duty against European beet sugar and admits the West Indian cane product on the present favorable terms, so long must the trade go there. The idea, therefore, is to induce the Canadians either to impose countervailing duties on European sugars or to remove the duty altogether on that of the West Indies.

Yellow fever is raging at Panama. A total of 47 cases with 20 deaths was the record for June.

BASE BALL.

Below we publish the number of games of ball played by the Western and National Leagues, giving the number of games won and lost, together with the percentage of each club to date. Thursday, July 15th.

WESTERN LEAGUE STANDING.

Clubs	Games Played	Won	Lost	Per Cent.
Minneapolis	69	40	29	.580
Indianapolis	68	37	31	.544
Columbus	67	35	32	.522
Detroit	65	35	30	.515
St. Paul	65	33	32	.485
Kansas City	69	32	37	.464
Milwaukee	69	32	37	.464
Buffalo	68	28	40	.419

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDING.

Clubs	Games Played	Won	Lost	Per Cent.
Brooklyn	71	50	21	.706
Philadelphia	71	44	27	.620
Boston	73	45	28	.616
Chicago	70	43	27	.614
St. Louis	73	43	30	.587
Baltimore	69	39	30	.565
Cincinnati	71	38	33	.537
Pittsburg	72	35	37	.486
New York	72	32	40	.444
Louisville	72	28	44	.389
Washington	74	25	49	.338
Cleveland	71	12	59	.169

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

	New York	Cattle	Sheep	Lambs	Hogs
Best grades	\$1.90 to 1.10	\$1.00	\$7.00	\$7.00	\$1.00
Lower grades	\$1.60 to 1.10	3.00	5.00	5.00	4.25

Chicago

Best grades	5.15 to 5.75	5.00	6.90	4.00
Lower grades	4.50 to 5.10	2.00	5.00	3.50

Detroit

Best grades	4.25 to 5.00	3.00	6.50	4.00
Lower grades	3.50 to 4.75	2.50	4.50	3.30

Buffalo

Best grades	4.10 to 4.90	4.00	6.50	4.15
Lower grades	3.25 to 4.30	3.00	4.50	3.60

Cleveland

Best grades	4.15 to 5.00	4.00	6.75	4.05
Lower grades	3.75 to 4.25	3.25	6.50	3.25

Cincinnati

Best grades	5.00 to 5.75	5.25	6.80	3.85
Lower grades	4.75 to 5.25	3.25	6.00	3.35

Pittsburg

Best grades	5.25 to 5.50	4.80	6.50	4.15
Lower grades	4.50 to 5.25	4.00	4.40	3.40

GRAIN, ETC.

	Wheat	Corn	Oats
	No. 2 red	No. 2 mix	No. 2 white
New York	\$1.25 to 1.30	\$1.00 to 1.10	\$1.00 to 1.10
Chicago	1.15 to 1.20	90 to 100	80 to 90
Detroit	1.10 to 1.15	85 to 95	75 to 85
Toledo	1.05 to 1.10	80 to 90	70 to 80
Cincinnati	1.00 to 1.05	75 to 85	65 to 75
Cleveland	95 to 100	70 to 80	60 to 70
Pittsburg	90 to 95	65 to 75	55 to 65
Buffalo	85 to 90	60 to 70	50 to 60

Detroit—Hay No. 1 Timothy, \$10.00 per ton. Potatoes, 8c per bu. Live Poultry, spring chickens, 8c per lb; fowls, 8c; turkeys, 8c; ducks, 7c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 15c per doz. Butter, best dairy, 15c per lb; creamery, 15c.

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Many people are but shadows of their former selves, due to neglect of health. Look out for the blood, the fountain of life, the actual substance, keep that pure by regular use of Hood's Sarsaparilla and robust health will be the result. Be sure to get only Hood's, because



UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME.

We call attention of our readers to the advertisement of Notre Dame University, Notre Dame, Indiana, one of the great educational institutions of the West, which appears in another column of this paper. Those of our readers who may have occasion to look up a college for their sons during the coming year would do well to correspond with the President who will send them a catalogue free of charge, as well as all particulars regarding terms, courses of studies, etc.

There is a thorough preparatory school in connection with the University in which students of all grades will have every opportunity of preparing themselves for higher studies. The Commercial Course intended for young men preparing for business may be finished in one or two years according to the ability of the student. St. Edward's hall, for boys under thirteen, is an unique department of the institution. The higher courses are thorough in every respect and students will find every opportunity of perfecting themselves in any line of work they may choose to select. Thoroughness in class-work, exactness in the care of students, and devotion to the best interests of all, are the distinguishing characteristics of Notre Dame University.

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The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad is about to make a radical change in its method of running dining cars and it is expected that the new plan will meet with popular approval. On and after the first of June, all meals, except dinners, will be served on the "a la carte" plan. Hitherto on the main line, all service was at the uniform rate of one dollar per meal. Two new dining cars are being built and will be in service by July 1, so that all through trains will be provided with first-class dining cars.

The Place for Your Daughters.

St. Mary's Academy at Notre Dame, Indiana, ranks first among the educational institutions for girls. Young women from all parts of the United States are found in its classes. The faculty have just issued a catalogue that contains much valuable data. Parents desirous of sending their daughters to the best institution should send for this catalogue before deciding on sending them elsewhere. It is under the supervision of the Sisters of the Holy Cross and is located at Notre Dame, far from the excitement of even village life, and right among the beautiful scenes of the Creator's handiwork.

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Under Twine History.

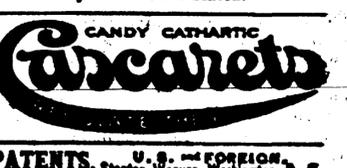
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"IT MUST BE A HOAX—IT CAN'T BE TRUE."

was laughing at me or not. The latter part of the time I think he really was interested.

"Talking of Laurie—I beg his pardon, Viscount Thornheath," said Mary, "there's another letter from him for you on the mantelpiece, Bernard."

"Oh, Bruno, it's to entreat you to go! You must go!" cried Marguerite.

"Hand it to me, there's a good passer," said Bernard.

"Here's a business-like document as well," observed the doctor, with his spectacles on, as he took another envelope from the mantelpiece.

"Oh, take it away—I know it's a bill—it makes me feel faint!" said Bernard, feebly.

"Why, to whom do you owe money at Lincoln's Inn?" demanded the doctor, turning over the blue envelope.

"Messrs. Blade and Skinner, solicitors. Who are they, Bernard?"

"Never heard of them. Give it to me," said Bernard.

The doctor tossed over the letter. It named Bernard, and alligned on Marguerite's lap. Without promission of what was to come, she lifted it, and laid it on Bernard's knee.

He was absorbed in the viscount's letter; but in a minute or two he gave it to Marguerite, and casually opened the blue envelope.

Marguerite, who was watching him, saw a burning flush spread over his

were Miss Selwyn's solicitors. It must be genuine."

"I always said she would do something for you, Bernard, my darling!" said his mother, the tears rolling down her cheeks.

"Mother—my beloved old mater, don't cry," pleaded Bernard, now himself again. "It was a knock-down kind of announcement, wasn't it? But I took it like a fool! There is no need to cry. If this letter be true, this is your last week in this dingy hole! A fortnight more sees us—where? In El Dorado, I think."

The reaction had come.

"Marguerite"—he caught her in his arms—"do you hear? Do you understand what has happened to me? Twenty thousand a year! I simply can't believe it." He released her and went over to his mother again. "Oh, they'll discover a later will, or something!" he cried. "I shall wake up to find that this is all a delusion. It can't be true! Madge, do you remember what we talked of as we came home today?"

"Yes, Bruno," she said, tremblingly; her head was reeling with the shock of the news. The words of the letter seemed burnt on her brain. She forced her quivering lips into smiles of congratulation, but could hardly command her voice; and she stole away at the earliest opportunity into her own

What the Minister said.

Jingo—"What did the minister say when the plate came up?" Hingeo—"He said he wouldn't mind so much if the buttons were all alike."—Syracuse Herald.

Pinckney Dispatch.

F. L. ANDREWS - EDITOR.

THURSDAY, JULY 20, 1899.

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Council Proceedings.

For The Village of Pinckney.

Special. May 24 '99.

Council convened and called to order by pres., McIntyre.

Present; trustees, Richards, Bowman, Johnson, Sykes, Thompson and Monks.

The saloon bonds of Albert Reason, with Floyd Reason and Frank Reason as sureties, was accepted.

Street committee was authorized to sell new road scraper.

Adjourned. R. H. Teeple Cl'k.

Regular. June 5, 1899.

Council called to order by pres., McIntyre.

Present; Richards, Johnson, Sykes, Thompson and Monks.

Absent; Bowman.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

The following Hy. Comr. report read and accepted:

John Monks, self and team labor,	\$28.67
Alf. Monks, wagon	.25
J. Bowers,	1.25
J. Mortenson,	5.25
L. W. Hoff,	2.75
S. Grimes,	4.37
Mark Swarthout, self & team	5.00
T. Turner,	5.00
J. Cating,	1.87
I. S. P. Johnson,	5.00
Robt. Culhane,	2.75
Frank Bowers,	2.75
F. D. Johnson,	3.00
Jeff Parker,	3.00
W. A. Carr,	3.75
E. R. Brown,	.62
H. D. Grieve, dray'g	.35
A. E. Brown, rep. scraper	.25
T. Read, lumber & side-walk timber,	84.56
Reason & Shehan, nails,	2.95
B. Lynch, repairing pick,	.35
Total,	\$163.74

The following contingent bills were presented and accepted:

S. Grimes, rep. walk,	.50
G. A. Sigler, filing saw,	1.25
Reason & Shehan, oil and burner,	5.67
Reason & Shehan,	4.27
A. E. Brown, services,	2.16
D. Richards, board of review,	4.00
S. Sykes, paint scraper	4.75
F. Carr, lighting and matches,	8.65
F. H. Smith, care of tramp,	.75
W. E. Murphy, tramp feeding,	.18
Total	\$32.18

The following resolution was presented:

Be it resolved by the Common Council of the Village of Pinckney, that the sum of \$1.25 be levied against each \$1000 valuation of taxable property of said village, for a contingent fund; and further, that sum of \$.75 valuation of the taxable property of said village as a high-way fund. Also that a poll or per capita tax be levied against each and every male resident, of said village, between the ages of 21 and 50 years, liable thereto.

Motion made and carried that the Council proceedings be printed in the DISPATCH as per committee report, \$10 per year, abridged.

Regular. July 3, 1899.

Council convened and called to order by pres. McIntyre.

Present, trustees, Richards, Bowman, Thompson, Johnson and Sykes. Absent, Monks.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Street Com'r report presented and accepted, as follows:—

Robt. Tiplady, team & labor,	\$ 2.50
John Monks,	27.70
H. E. Angel,	3.12
R. Culhane,	5.25
M. Lavey,	2.25
Sam Walker,	1.00
M. Wilson,	3.12
T. Turner,	4.12
S. Grimes,	7.25
D. Grieve,	1.85
Lee Hoff,	3.25
Ed Cook,	.62
Jeff Parker, team and labor,	2.50
J. Cating,	1.25
E. L. Tompson,	2.50
A. Monks,	2.50
T. Read, side-walk timber,	74.45
Total,	\$145.23

The contingent bills were presented and accepted as follows:—

A. E. Brown, marshal service,	\$ 1.67
Francis Carr, lighting and matches,	8.10
Geo. W. Reason, wood,	2.13
W. A. Carr, making roll, etc.,	20.00
Total,	\$31.90

Adjourned. R. H. Teeple, clerk.

Spain's Greatest Need

Mr. R. P. Oliva of Barcelona, Spain spends his winters at Aikne, S. C. Weak nerves had caused severe pains in the back of his head. On using Electric Bitters, America's greatest blood and nerve remedy, all pain soon left him. He says this grand medicine is what his country needs. All America knows that it cures liver and kidney trouble, purifies the blood, tones up the stomach, strengthens the nerves puts vim, vigor and new life into every muscle, nerve and organ of the body. If weak, tired, or ailing you need it. Every bottle guaranteed, only 50. Sold by F. A. Sigler, druggist.

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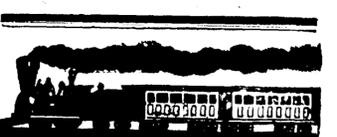
Persons troubled with diarrhea will be interested in the experience of Mr. W. M. Bush, clerk of Hotel Dorrance, Providence, R. I. He says: "For several years I have been almost a constant sufferer from diarrhea, the frequent attacks completely prostrating me and rendering me unfit for my duties at this hotel. About two years ago a traveling salesman kindly gave me a small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Much to my surprise and delight its effects were immediate. Whenever I felt symptoms of the disease I would fortify myself against the attack with a few doses of this valuable remedy. The result has been very satisfactory and almost complete relief from the affliction." For sale by F. A. Sigler

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W. C. T. U.
Edited by the W. C. T. U. of Pinckney.

Concluded.

The accuracy of aim which distinguished our American gunners in the recent war with Spain, was mostly due to the fact that no rations of liquors were allowed on board our ships. The Spaniards, on the contrary, were furnished with double rations of grog during the time of naval engagement.

Experiments made in the British army to ascertain the effects of alcohol upon the physical endurance of the troops have resulted in the banishment by the British war department of spirits, wine and malt liquors from the officers' mess table as well as from the regimental canteen, and from the generals in command down to the drummer boys and camp followers, liquid refreshments have been confined to "tea and oatmeal water." In the Soudan campaign the Englishman had to go without his beer and the Scotchman without his whisky, but the power of endurance of the troops more than fulfilled all expectations. "Thanks to total abstinence," says the report, "the men were able to make forced marches of the most extraordinary character across the burning desert and under a blazing sun, the heat of whose rays can only be appreciated by those who have lived under the equator. The Soudan is famed for its deadly climate, which either kills or prematurely ages the majority of white folks who penetrate beyond its frontiers. Yet in spite of this there has never been a campaign where there has been so little sickness, where so few men have been compelled to fall out, even on the longest marches, and where the troops have been got into such magnificent physical and moral training that they would actually cover thirty miles of sand with empty water-bottles, without slaking their thirst once from the beginning to end of the march, at the close of which they would still find themselves sufficiently fresh and vigorous to win a hard-fought victory, such as that at Atbara under Sir Herbert Kitchener."

Dr. Farrington closes his paper with a strong appeal to the medical profession, urging the doctors to be as active in hastening the passing of alcohol from the list of medical remedies, as their ancestors were in placing it there.

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Interesting Items.

An exchange gives this good advice: "Sprinkle lime in your stock tank and not a particle of scum will form on the water. When the lime loses its strength, scum begins to form, which may be twice during the season, wash out the tank and repeat the dose. It is cheap, and only harmless, but wholesome, and keeps the water sweet and saves live stock.

It is reported that the government has adopted a new form of money order which will be put into use the first of September next and postmasters are instructed not to order more of the old kind than they need up to that date. The new order will be similar to a bank draft and the purchaser will be given a receipt for his money when he buys it. It will be much simpler in form and easier for postmasters to make out.

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We clip the following from the Livingston Herald, and shows how some people look at the news paper business:—

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This may be so in some case but we think that the newspaper business rightly tended to and taken care of, is as good as any other business. The office will not run itself, however, but must be worked like any other trade; and when death comes it will find the editor laid in a casket and plenty of friends to mourn their loss.

A NARROW ESCAPE

Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough settled in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four doctors gave me up saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God I am saved and now a well and healthy woman. Trial bottles free at F. A. Sigler's drug store. Regular size 50c and \$1, guaranteed or price refunded.

The Livingston County Association of Farmers' Clubs will hold a meeting at Howell on Saturday, August 5th, and the program committee is at work arranging for interesting sessions both forenoon and afternoon.

Capt. William Astor Chanler, Congressman from New York, is the president of The New York Star, which is giving away a Forty Dollar Bicycle daily, as offered by their advertisement in another column. Hon. Amos J. Cummings, M. C., Col. Asa Bird Gardner, district attorney of New York, ex Governor Hoop of Texas, and Col. Fred Feigle, of New York, are among the well known names in their board of directors.

Regular Meeting of the State Board of Health.

The Michigan State board of Health met in regular session at the Capitol at Lansing July 14-15. The members present were Hon. Frank Wells, president, of Lansing; Prof. Delos Fall, of Albion; Dr. Fred R. Belknap, of Niles; Judge Aaron V. McAlvay of Manistee; Dr. D. A. McLachlan of Detroit; and secretary Henry B. Baker.

The secretary presented a letter from John F. McKinlay, secretary of the board of health of Detroit, asking the board to assist in the proceedings against the physicians of Detroit for failing to report the existence of consumption. He also presented a letter from prosecuting attorney of Wayne county asking that he supply evidence relative to the contagiousness of consumption. The secretary was authorized to present evidence and go to Detroit if necessary.

Prof. Fall made a report relative to his investigation at Hastings on the sanitary conditions in that city. He stated that old wells were being used for cesspools and there is a question of influence on the water supply. Prof. Fall was made a committee to continue the investigation and advise with the health officials at Hastings.

A statement was presented relative to the distribution of the pamphlet "Michigan a Summer Resort State" to editors and others in the states southward, made apparent that, on account of the distribution of this publication, the summer resorts of Michigan are being patronized more than heretofore.

Relative to the examination of the plans, specifications and sites for two proposed new buildings at the Pontiac Asylum for Insane, when they are ready, the Board will visit Pontiac for that purpose.

Dr. McLachlan suggested the appointment of an advisory council to consist of prominent persons in different parts of the state, to aid the Board in the accomplishment of its purposes.

The secretary called attention to the fact that small-pox was widespread throughout the United States, and at the end of June there were many cases in Indiana, it being present in 22 counties. The danger from the spread of this disease seems to be great, and the Board believed that every effort should be made to prevent its spread when introduced into Michigan. The disease in other localities is comparatively mild, but a mild case of small pox is liable at any time to cause severe cases. Then again the disease is more prevalent and the mortality is much greater in the winter. The Board believed that this occasion to be vaccinated and thus make themselves proof against contracting the disease. Successful vaccination is an absolute prevention, and all those not having been successfully vaccinated within the past five years should be as soon as practicable with reliable virus. With reliable virus there is practically no danger from vaccination. The Board authorized the publication of a Teachers' Sanitary Bulletin, on the Restriction and Prevention of small pox, Vaccination and Re-Vaccination.

The secretary was authorized to collect information relative to the isolation or non-isolation of consumptives at various state asylums for the insane with a view to compiling the data for comprehensive study and subsequent conference with the officials who control those institutions.

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Love may be blind, but it dictates a lot of fool letters that sooner or later get the writers into trouble.

A Beer war would give Alfred Austin a chance to change his pace and break into some unique dialect verse.

There are a few self-sacrificing men in politics, but they don't even succeed in getting their names in the newspapers.

It begins to look as if the peace conference at The Hague will be an elaborate performance of "Much Ado About Nothing."

Widow Jack declines to marry her husband's brother. Perhaps she expects to do a little better than Jacks the next hand.

If the march of improvement keeps up its lick they'll soon be changing the name of a sister southern city to Auto-Mobile, Ark.

A physician has supplied a West Virginia man with a set of calves' brains. This sort of thing may have the effect of bolstering up the Populist cause in spots.

The city of New York tried the experiment of vacation schools last summer with such gratifying results that much larger provisions have been made for the present season. Thirty of the great school buildings with their recreation grounds will be open for eight weeks, from 8 a. m. till 6 p. m. for the accommodation of a succession of classes, so that the aggregate attendance of children may reach a hundred thousand. No text-books will be used; the exercises will be chiefly industrial or manual; and there will be plenty of play. A law permitting vacation schools has been adopted in Illinois.

"Jubilacion" is the convenient euphuism for a Spanish custom which has had a protracted existence in Cuba. It signifies the receipt of a salary for services which should be performed, but are not—the recipient hiring a substitute to do the work for which he himself is paid. A professor of the Havana University, whose salary was six thousand dollars a year, has been living in Spain for the past seventeen years, while his duties in Cuba were performed by another few pitifully small pay. It is said that nearly all the professors of Havana University thus "farm out" their chairs. A recent decree of the United States authorities, however, has abolished this dishonest practice, and henceforth salaries will be paid only to those who earn them.

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TALMAGE'S SERMON.

THE SIN OF GOSSIP. LAST SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

"Fall of Envy, Murder, Deceit, Maligant, Whispers"—Romans, Chapter 1, Verse 29—The Fire of a Hellish Spirit.

(Copyright 1898 by Louis Kloppsch.) Paul was here calling the 1000 roll of the world's villainy, and he puts in the midst of this roll those persons known in all cities and communities and places as whisperers. They are so called because they generally speak under voice and in a confidential way, their hand to the side of their mouth acting as a funnel to keep the precious information from wandering into the wrong ear. They speak softly, not because they have lack of lung force, or because they are overpowered with the spirit of gentleness, but because they want to escape the consequences of defamation. If no one hears but the person whispered unto and the offender be arraigned, he can deny the whole thing, for whisperers are always first-class liars!

Some people whisper because they are hoarse from a cold, or because they wish to convey some useful information without disturbing others; but the creatures photographed by the apostle in my text give muffled utterance from sinister and depraved motive, and sometimes you can only hear the sibilant sound as the letter "S" drops from the tongue into the listening ear, use brief hiss of the serpent as it projects its venom.

Whisperers are masculine and feminine, with a tendency to majority on the sides of those who are called "the lords of creation." Whisperers are heard at every window of bank cashier, and are heard in all counting-rooms as well as in sewing societies and at meetings of asylum directors and managers. They are the worst foes of society; responsible for miseries innumerable; they are the scavengers of the world, driving their cart through every community; and today, I hold up for your holy anathema and execration these whisperers.

From the frequency with which Paul speaks of them under different titles, I conclude that he must have suffered somewhat from them. His personal presence was very defective, and that made him, perhaps, the target of their ridicule. And beside that, he was a bachelor, persisting in his celibacy down into the sixties, indeed, all the way through, and some having failed in their matrimonial designs upon him, the little missionary was put under the raking fire of these whisperers. He was no doubt a rare morsel for their scandalization; and he cannot keep his patience any longer and he lays hold of these miscreants of the tongue and gives them a very hard setting down in my text among the scoundrelly and the murderous. "Envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers."

The law of libel makes quick and stout grip of open slander. If I should in a plain way, calling you by name, charge you with fraud, or theft, or murder, or uncleanness, tomorrow morning I might have peremptory documents served on me, and I would have to pay in dollars and cents for the damage I had done your character. But these creatures spoken of in my text are so small that they escape the fine-tooth comb of the law. They go on, and they go on, escaping the judges and the juries and the penitentiaries. The district attorney cannot find them, the sheriff cannot find them, the grand jury cannot find them. Shut them off from one route of peridy and they start on another. You cannot by the force of moral sentiment persuade them to desist. You might as well read the Ten Commandments to a flock of crows, expecting them to retreat under the force of moral sentiment. They are to be found every where, these whisperers. I think their paradise is a covetous village of about one or two thousand people where everybody knows everybody. But they also are to be found in large quantities in all our cities.

They have a prying disposition. They look into the basement windows at the tables of their neighbors, and can tell just what they have morning and night to eat. They can see as far through a keyhole as other people can see with a door wide open. They can hear conversation on the opposite side of the room. Indeed, the world to them is a whispering gallery. They always put the worst construction on everything.

Some morning a wife descends into the street, her eyes damp with tears, and that is a stimulus to the tattler and is enough to set up a business for three or four weeks. "I guess that husband and wife don't live happily together. I wonder if he hasn't been abusing her? It's outrageous. He ought to be disciplined. He ought to be brought up before the church. I'll go right over to my neighbors and I'll let them know about this matter." She rushes in all out of breath to a neighbor's house and says: "O! Mrs. Allard, have you heard the dreadful news?

Why, our neighbor, poor thing, came down off the steps in a flood of tears. That brute of a husband has been abusing her. Well, it's just as I expected. I saw him the other afternoon very smiling and very gracious to some one who smiled back, and I thought then I would just go up to him and tell him he had better go home and look after his wife and family, who probably at that very time were upstairs crying their eyes out. O! Mrs. Allard, do have your husband go over and put an end to this trouble. It's simply outrageous that our neighborhood should be disturbed in this way. It's awful."

The fact is that one man or woman set on fire of this hellish spirit will keep a whole neighborhood aboil. It does not require any very great brain. The chief requisition is that the woman have a small family or no family at all, because, if she have a large family, then she would have to stay at home and look after them. It is very important that she be single, or have no children at all, and then she can attend to all the secrets of the neighborhood all the time. A woman with a large family makes a very poor whisperer.

It is astonishing how these whisperers gather up everything. They know everything that happens. There are telephone and telegraph wires reaching from their ears to all the houses in the neighborhood. They have no taste for healthy news, but for the scraps and peelings thrown out of the scullery into the back yard they have great avidity. On the day when there is a new scandal in the newspapers, they have no time to go abroad. On the day when there are four or five columns of delightful private letters published in a divorce case, she stays at home and reads and reads. No time for her Bible that day, but toward night, perhaps, she may find time to run out a little while and see whether there are any new developments.

Satan does not have to keep a very sharp lookout for his evil dominion in that neighborhood. He has let out to her the whole contract. She gets husbands and wives into a quarrel, and brothers and sisters into antagonism, and she disgusts the pastor with the flock and the flock with the pastor, and she makes neighbors, who before were kindly disposed toward each other, over suspicious and critical, so when one of the neighbors passes by in a carriage, they hiss through their teeth and say: "Ah, we could all keep carriages if we never paid our debts!"

When two or three whisperers get together they stir a caldron of trouble, which makes me think of the three witches of Macbeth dancing around a boiling caldron in a dark cave: Double, double, toil and trouble, Fire burn and caldron bubble, Fillet of a fenny snake In the caldron boil and bake; Eye of newt, and toe of frog, Wool of bat, and tongue of dog, Adder's fork, and blind worm's sting, Lizard's leg, and owl's wing For a charm of powerful trouble, Like a hell-bell both bubble, Double, double, toil and trouble, Fire burn and caldron bubble, Scale of dragon, tooth of wolf, Witches' mummy; maw and gulf Of the ravin'd salt-sea shark; Make the gruel thick and stark; Add thereto a tiger's chaudron For the ingredients of our caldron, Double, double, toil and trouble, Fire burn and caldron bubble. Cool it with a baboon's blood; Then the charm is firm and good.

I would only change Shakespeare in this, that, where he puts the word "witch" I would put the word "whisperer." Ah, what a caldron! Did you ever get a taste of it? I have more respect for the poor wail of the street that goes down under the gaslight, with no home and no God—for she deceives no one as to what she is—than I have for these hags of respectable society who cover up their tiger claws with a fine shawl, and boil the hell of their heart with a diamond breast-pin!

The work of masculine whisperers is chiefly seen in the embarrassment of business. Now, I suppose, there are hundreds of men here who at some time have been in business trouble. I will undertake to say that in nine cases out of ten it was the result of some whisperer's work. The whisperer uttered some suspicion in regard to your credit. You sold your horse and carriage because you had no use for them, and the whisperer said: "Sold his horse and carriage because he had to sell them. The fact that he sold his horse and carriage shows he is going down in business."

One of your friends gets embarrassed and you are a little involved with him. The whisperer says: "I wonder if he can stand under all this pressure? I think he is going down. I think he will have to give up." You borrow money out of a bank and a director whispers outside about it, and after a while the suspicion gets fairly started, and it leaps from one whisperer's lips to another whisperer's lips, until all the people you owe want their money and want it right away, and the business circles come around you like a pack of wolves, and though you had

assets four times more than were necessary to meet your liabilities, crash! went everything. Whisperers! Oh, how much business men have suffered. Are any of you given to this habit of whispering about others? Let me persuade you to desist. Mount Taurus was a great place for eagles, and cranes would fly along that way, and they would cackle so loud that the eagles would know of their coming, and they would pounce upon them and destroy them. It is said that the old cranes found this out, and before they started on their flight they would always have a stone in their mouth so they could not cackle, and then they would fly in perfect safety. O! my friends, be as wise as the old cranes and avoid the folly of the young cranes. Do not cackle.

If there are people here who are whispered about, if there are people here who are slandered, if there are people here who are accused in any circle of life, let me say for your encouragement that these whisperers soon run out. They may do a little damage for a while, but after awhile their dejection becomes a eulogy and people understand them just as well as though some one chucked all over their overcoat or their shawl these words: "Here goes a whisperer. Room for the loper. Room!" You go ahead and do your duty and God will take care of your reputation. How dare you distrust him? You have committed to him your souls. Can you not trust him with your reputation? Get down on your knees before God and settle the whole matter there. That man whom God takes care of is well sheltered.

Let me charge you, my friends, to make right and holy use of the tongue. It is loose at one end and can swing either way, but it is fastened at the other end to the floor of your mouth, and that makes you responsible for the way it wags. Xanthus, the philosopher, told his servant that on the morrow he was going to have some friends to dine, and told him to get the best thing he could find in the market. The philosopher and his guests set down the next day at the table. They had nothing but tongue—four or five courses of tongue—tongue cooked in this way, and tongue cooked in that way, and the philosopher lost his patience and said to his servant, "Didn't I tell you to get the best thing in the market?" He said: "I did get the best thing in the market. Isn't the tongue the organ of sociability, the organ of eloquence, the organ of kindness, the organ of worship?"

Then Xanthus said: "Tomorrow I want you to get the worst thing in the market." And on the morrow the philosopher sat at the table, and there was nothing there but tongue—four or five courses of tongue—tongue in this shape and tongue in that shape—and the philosopher again lost his patience and said: "Didn't I tell you to get the worst thing in the market?" The servant replied: "I did; for isn't the tongue the organ of blasphemy, the organ of defamation, the organ of lying?"

Oh, my friends, employ the tongue which God so wonderfully created as the organ of taste, the organ of deglutition, the organ of articulation, to make others happy, and in the service of God. If you whisper, whisper good—encouragement to the fallen and hope to the lost. Ah, my friends, the time will soon come when we will all whisper. The voice will be enfeebled in the last sickness, and though that voice could laugh and shout and sing and halloo until the forest echoes answered, it will be so feeble then we can only whisper consolation to those whom we leave behind, and only whisper our hope of heaven.

While I speak this very moment there are hundreds whispering their last utterances. Oh, when that solemn hour comes to you and to me, as come soon it will, may it be found that we did our best to serve Christ, and to cheer our comrades in the earthly struggle, and that we consecrated not only our hand but our tongue to God. So that the shadows that fall around our dying pillows shall not be the evening twilight of a glittering night, but the morning twilight of an everlasting day.

This morning, at half-past four o'clock, I looked out of my window, and the stars were very dim. I looked out a few moments after, and the stars were almost invisible. I looked out an hour or two afterward. Not a star was to be seen. What was the matter with the stars? Had they melted into darkness? No. They had melted into the glorious light of a Sabbath morn.

"Ringer" in a Running Race. From the Chicago Post: "What's the matter?" demanded the crowd when there seemed to be a hitch in the proceedings at the athletic carnival. "We have just discovered a 'ringer' in the long-distance running race," answered the manager. "His experience is such that he outclasses them all." "Who is he?" was the cry. "A Fillippo in disguise," was the reply.

The average exports of gold from the ports of South Africa amount now to about \$40,000 (\$2,092,595) each week.

OUR BUDGET OF FUN.

SOME GOOD JOKES ORIGINAL AND SELECTED.

A variety of jokes, riddles and original and selected humor and wit from the best of the witty sagacity.

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Not gwine ter meeth' dis mornin', Drer Henderson? "Cyarn' do it, parson. Got ter hos over some corn, jist planted." "But cyarn' do corn wait?" "Not so well as de-Lord can."

One Who Escaped. "Your father, I think, was a literary man," remarked the passenger sitting on the end of the car seat. "I knew him pretty well, being somewhat in the same line of work myself." "Possibly, sir," stily replied the passenger who was occupying two seats. "Literature with him, however, was merely an avocation and not a vocation. He didn't have to follow it, as some people do. When he got tired of it he laid down the pen." "Laid down the pen, did he?" rejoined the other. "I notice he seems to have let one of the passengers out." Chicago Tribune.

Apropos of Summer. Husband—My dear, I want to ask one favor before you go off on that long visit. Wife—A thousand, my love. What is it? "Don't try to put the house in order before you leave." "It isn't hard work." "Perhaps not, but think of the expense of telegraphing to you every time I want to find anything."—Pearson's Weekly.

One of Those Questions. They had been talking about the insurance on the church, when the little one suddenly broke into the conversation. "The church is God's house, isn't it?" she asked. "Yes, dear," replied the mother. "And does he get the insurance if it burns down?" was the next question.—Chicago Post.

Had to Stick to the Figures. "Why are Brown's gas bills so much lighter than his neighbors' bills?" asked the manager of the company. "Does he burn so much less gas?" "No," replied the meter-inspector, "but the suspicious scoundrel always goes to the meter with me and jots down the figures himself."—Chicago Post.



A Certainty. "Well, old fellow, are you going to the organ recital in the saloon tonight?" "No, thank you; I'm having an organ recital in my head."



Occasionally our correspondents send us matter about some little neighborhood troubles and we wish to say that such items, we care not who sends them, cannot find a place in our columns. We are publishing NEWS not feuds.

[EDITOR.]

EAST PUTNAM

Grace Lake visited in Ann Arbor recently.

Fred Lake and wife spent Sunday at Island lake.

Florence Andrews of Pinckney, spent Monday with friends here.

Fred and Nellie Fish called on friends in Hamburg last Sunday.

Arthur Schoenhals and wife of Hamburg, visited at Chas. Brown's Sunday.

Miss Kate Brown is visiting with D. M. Hodgeman and wife at Oak Grove.

Mrs. W. H. Placeway, with Miss Lola and Master Brayton Placeway, visited the first of the week with Frank Boylan and wife of So. Lyon.

SILVER LAKE AND BIRKETT.

Lots of campers at both lakes at present.

Harvesting is nearly done in this vicinity although put back by wet weather.

Mabel Streight is visiting in Grand Rapids.

John Myres Sr. lost a good cow a few days ago.

Mr. Bierce and family have moved into one of T. Birkett's houses at Dover.

Mrs. Chas. Bell is visiting near Petoskey while her husband is in Ypsilanti at work.

Mrs. Wirt Newkirk and children of Dexter, are visiting her father, T. Birkett, for a few days.

Some of our neighbors attended the funeral of a fourteen-year-old girl of Tom Murray, who died at her home near Silver lake July 9, of consumption of the bowels.

Farmers, do not throw down the wisp of hay you used to spray your potatoes with. One man near Silver lake lost three good cows this spring by their eating the same after it had lain all winter.

Birtha Myers wishes the people of the neighborhood to understand that she only picked whortleberries in Mr. Clark's swamp as she was told she might by Mrs. C. and she did not pick any in Mrs. Bell's swamp as she was accused. People should not be too hasty.

UNADILLA FARMER'S CLUB.

The Unadilla Farmer's Club, under the management of the ladies, met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Howlett, last Saturday p. m., and the success of the meeting settles forever one of two problems; either the mental capacity of the sexes are equal, or else Unadilla ladies are intellectually superior to the average.

Owing to the rainy weather many who were expected to take part on the program, were absent, but there was no lack of substitutes, a good lengthy program consisting of papers, declamations and music was well rendered. Over one hundred were present, and a good time was enjoyed by all.

The next meeting will be held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Arnold, Saturday afternoon, August 19. Cor. Secy.

—We were already to attend this meeting and were much disappointed that the worst storm of the day came just as we were ready to start. We will try to attend the next meeting. [Editor.]

WEST PUTNAM.

Vera Isham is on the sick list.

Patrick Murphy is home from Jackson this week.

Wm. Gardner was in Howell on business, last Friday.

Mr. Chapman, of Gilman, Ill., is visiting at S. E. Bartons.

Several campers from Ann Arbor are located at Paterson lake.

GREGORY.

Dora Bullis has returned from a visit at her brother's in Lansing.

Mrs. D. H. Denton and sisters, Mesdames Bullis and Brown, are entertaining a sister from N. Y. state.

A little girl came to the home of Lawrence McClear and wife Saturday but did not live through the day.

There is to be a social at the home of Samuel Placeway, Friday evening of this week to which all are invited.

There was quite an excitement in town Sunday night caused by A. L. Pierce taking poison evidently with the intent to create a little notoriety for himself and, in the hope of scaring a girl for whom he had a strong passion, falsely called love, to accede to his desire and run away with him.

The young man came here from Williamston last year and Fred Fish kindly allowed him to keep his shop open while he was necessarily absent and gave him the proceeds of the barber shop; this he took advantage of cutting rates and then starting a competing shop. He lured a young girl to run away with him on Monday evening but failed. After taking the poison he went immediately to the doctor and told him, which shows his object. He has returned to Williamston.

Notice to Wheelmen.

We, the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 25ct. bottle of Henry & Johnson's Arnica and Oil Liniment, if it fails to cure bumps, bruises, scratches, chafes, cuts, strains blisters, sore muscles, sunburn chapped hands or face, pimples, freckles, or any other ailments requiring an external application. Lady riders are especially pleased with Arnica and oil Liniment, it is clean and nice to use. Twenty-five cents a bottle; one three times as large for 50 cents.

F. A. Sigler,
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UNADILLA.

Alma Grimes visited in Stockbridge, last Monday.

Bert Hadley spent last Sunday under the parental roof.

Remember the ice cream social at the hall Saturday night.

Wm. Pyper and wife called on friends at North Lake, Sunday.

Pat Clark, of Stockbridge, visited at R. Barnums, last Sunday.

Helen Clinton, of Jackson, is visiting her friend, Inez Marshall, at this place.

Bernice Allyn, who has been dangerously ill with pneumonia, is somewhat better.

Chas. Harsuff, wife and daughter, returned to their home in Ann Arbor, Tuesday, after a three weeks visit under the parental roof.

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There will be a ball game here Saturday, July 22, between Stockbridge and Unadilla.

Herman Reed will work for a Mr. Bickart, near Howell, until his school commences here in the fall.

Clare Brazee, of Tecumseh, is canvassing the town this week with a book, entitled, "Our Elder Brother."

Mesdames, Lime Barton and Bert Bullis visited at the home of Mr. Drew, in Iosco, the first of the week.

Mr. Laverock, the miller, arrived here last week; also a car load of lumber and two water wheels for the new mill.

Mrs. James Sullivan, who has been visiting relatives here for the past five weeks, went to Lyndon Tuesday, and from there will return to her home in Columbus, Ohio.

ANDERSON.

Earnest Moore is on the sick list.

E. Afflick Sundayed with relative here.

Isaac Pangborn lies very sick at his home near this place.

Minnie Hoff spent first of the week with Pinckney friends.

A. G. Wilson and Mr. Capin were at the county seat Monday.

Jas. Birnie is now at work for the Isabel Elevator Co., at this place.

Little Kenneth Black has been very sick the past week, but is now on the gain.

Mrs. Frank Chapman is spending a few days at the home of her mother near Fowlerville.

M. C. Ruen and L. C. Smith, of Pinckney, shook hands with Anderson friends the first of the week.

Mrs. E. W. Martin, of this place, has been very sick at the home of her daughter in Garden City, Kan.

Mrs. Byron Nixon and two daughters, of Hillsdale, are visiting at the home of Mrs. J. E. Durkee.

The Misses Wood, of Worster, Mass., and Sadie Scofield, of Detroit, are guests at the home of their uncle, Chas. Wood.

A party was given last Wednesday evening in honor of Malinda Roy, at her home, it being her birth day anniversary. A large number of young people were in attendance, and good time is reported.

A sad accident occurred at this place, on Tuesday forenoon of this week. Mrs. John Birnie, while drawing water from the cistern had the misfortune to fall in. The family were all away from home and it was not known how long she had been there, but it was supposed to be about two hours, as she was seen at ten o'clock. She was not found until her husband came to his dinner. Although nearly gone, with hard work and careful attention by the family and friends she was revived, and under the care of Dr. Sigler hopes are entertained for her recovery.

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Following is the program for the Putnam and Hamburg Farmer's Club which meets at Mr. H. Harringtons July 29:—

- Music, Ladies' Quartett.
- Paper, Nora Fohey.
- Reading, Mrs. W. H. Placeway.
- Solo,
- Paper, Myrta Hall
- Recitation, Iva Placeway.
- Music,
- Reading, Kate Brown.

WIRE WALKING AT NIAGARA.

The Adventurous Blondin Has Had Many Imitators.

Wire-walking exploits form a considerable feature in the history of adventures at Niagara Falls. They began with the feat of Blondin, the famous French rope-walker, who threw a cable across the chasm in the summer of 1859 and made his first trip across on June 30th of that year. He had been refused permission to stretch the wire from Goat Island to the Canadian side—the newspapers denouncing him as a fool and a fraud—and was compelled to run it to a private pleasure ground on the Canadian side, the work, moreover, having to be done during the night to avoid interference from the cautious residents.

Not many people witnessed Blondin's first crossing, the impression having been general that the man was insane or would fall at the last moment. When he had accomplished the feat, the utmost amazement was expressed, which, however, was again turned to incredulity when he announced that he would cross the wire again, and this time with a man on his back—Darry Colcourt, Blondin's business manager, a man weighing one hundred and fifty-five pounds. The feat was successfully accomplished on the afternoon of August 17, 1859, amid roars of applause from the multitude that looked on.

On August 24th in the same year, Blondin crossed on the rope chained hand and foot, and on his return carried with him a cooking stove on which he made an omelette.

In the summer of the following year he had the cable removed to a point below the suspension bridge, and immediately over the whirlpool rapids, where he gave several further exhibitions, one being on August 2, 1860, when the Prince of Wales and the governor-general of Canada looked on. Before Blondin started, the Prince, having looked at the wire and the rapids, became nervous, went to Blondin and begged him not to make the attempt. But the rope-walker smiled, said it was not so dangerous as it looked, and soon went across with Colcourt on his back.

There have been many imitators of Blondin. In 1873 an Italian named Bellini stretched a wire from opposite the ferry landing to Prospect Park, and three times he jumped from the middle of the cable into the river and swam to shore.

Steve Peer, a celebrated American wire-walker, repeated Blondin's feat on June 22, 1887 in connection with the Queen's Jubilee celebration on the Canadian side. He crossed in nineteen

minutes. A few nights afterward Peer, while intoxicated, determined, as it is supposed, to repeat the performance, and unknown to any one went out and climbed on the wire with the result that next morning he was found lying dead on the rocks below.

An exhibition of wire-walking that attracted considerable attention at that time was that of S. J. Dixon, a Toronto photographer, who used the same cable that had been used by Peer. This amateur rope-walker, thirty-eight years of age, had practiced almost daily for some weeks on a wire stretched sixty feet above the water of Toronto Bay, before he essayed the tremendous adventure which made Blondin so famous. This he undertook dressed in tights and moccasins, and carrying a pole twenty-two and a half feet long, weighing thirty pounds.

He showed no uneasiness or nervousness, although slight unsteadiness of the long cable caused him to pause frequently to regain the balance that he momentarily lost.

When he reached the center of the gorge, this amateur lay down on his back on the wire, with his balancing pole under him. Two hundred and fifty feet below ran the furious rapids, ready to devour him should he make a misstep.

He did a number of other daring feats as he neared the other end of the wire, and finally touched soft on the American side thirteen minutes after he started. A few minutes later he reappeared with a hoop around his ankles, and in this way walked out on the wire about two hundred yards.

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