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**Up-To-Date Bazaar.**

Moon Building, next to Postoffice,  
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**LOCAL NEWS.**

News on every page.

Leo Fohey was in Howell Saturday.

Matt Brady is still very sick at this writing.

E. P. Campbell visited the county seat Monday.

Fred Hause was in Howell the first of the week.

Bert Wellman, of Howell, was in town Tuesday.

Geo. Reason Jr. and wife were in Jackson, Tuesday.

Dr. H. F. Sigler was in Jackson on business Tuesday.

W. J. Black is able to resume work after a three weeks illness.

Thos. Read spent last week hunting with his brother near Bath.

Robt. Russel, of Bellevue, spent Sunday with relatives in Marion.

Putnam reports 350 children and draws \$350.00 primary school fund.

Fruit has been injured by the fine weather of the past few weeks.

Frank Larue and wife were the guests of F. Moran and family Sunday.

Mrs. Anson Briggs of Howell is spending a few weeks with relatives here.

Laverne and Emma Reason spent the last of last week with relatives in Howell.

S. G. Teeple handed us some dandelions which he picked in his yard the 21st of Nov.

Vice President, Garret A. Hobart, died early Tuesday morning after a lingering illness.

Will Wright and family have moved into their new home in the eastern part of town.

The Misses Boyie & Halstead, milliners, have a space of interest to our lady friends, on page 5.

J. W. Harris and wife started Tuesday for Aspen Colorado to spend a few weeks with their son there.

Miss Maude Richmond returned to her school work this week, after a three weeks absence on account of sickness.

Do not fail to read the advertisements in the DISPATCH every week, and when buying goods mention where you saw the 'adv'.

N. G. Riley, one of Detroit's most popular vocalists, is here organizing a class in voice culture and singing. We hope our musical people here will grasp the opportunity.

Sam Wallace visited friends in Carleton last week.

Mrs. J. A. Cadwell visitet her sister, in Chelsea, Monday.

H. W. Crofoot was in Detroit on business the past week.

Henry Cobb spent the past week with friends in Stockbridge.

Nelson DeCamp and wife of Vevay, are visiting at J. A. Cadwell's.

Mrs. F. A. Sigler and daughter Mabel, were in Howell last Friday.

J. A. Cadwell was in Three Rivers on business the first of the week.

Mrs. S. Wallace visited friends in Stockbridge last Thursday and Friday.

Mesdames J. J. Teeple and Franc Grimes visited Stockbridge friends Friday.

Messers W. R. Covert and F. L. Andrews were in Plainfield on business Tuesday.

Mesdames, Amos Winegar and Ora Beach, of Howell, visited at the home of Geo. Green, Friday.

The donation at Geo. Bland's on Tuesday evening resulted in an all round good time and a purse of \$22.

Mrs. Thompson of the Dexter Leader, and Mrs. Clark of Dexter were pleasant callers at this office last Saturday.

Mrs. Henry Rollison, of Howell, and sister Miss Davis, of Brighton, were guests of Mrs. M. Nash, the first of the week.

Percy Swarthout and bride returned Tuesday from a short wedding trip and are receiving the congratulations of a host of friends.

On Wednesday afternoon of next week the school at this place will have thanksgiving exercises in the main room, to which all are invited.

N. G. Riley, of Detroit, favored the people at St. Mary's church with a solo, Sunday morning, and at the M. E. church in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Wright of Pontiac and Mrs. Sarah Wright and daughter, of N. Y. were guests at the home of F. E. Wright the past week.

Our subscription list is growing at a rapid rate and many more will become subscribers as soon as they find out that we are publishing all the NEWS.

C. L. Bowman is fitting up the basement of his building on the corner of Main and Mill Streets and will open a new meat market there on Saturday Dec. 2.

Who could ask for more delightful weather than the people of Michigan have enjoyed the past six weeks. It has been the redemption of wheat in this vicinity.

Mack Martin left Wednesday for Kansas where he will work for C. B. Eaman on his ranch. Lyle Martin has gone from Kansas to Arizona to take charge of a large ranch there.

The L. O. T. M. of this place tendered a reception to the Dexter hive, last Saturday. A banquet was served at noon to about 25 guests. The day was one enjoyed by both guests and entertainers.

Isaac King who died recently in White Oak, was a member of the Maccabees of Pinckney and on Saturday last C. L. Grimes as representative of the order turned over to the widow a check for the face of the policy.

**RECEPTION AND SURPRISE.**

On Monday evening the officers of the Epworth League tendered a reception to the members at the M. E. parsonage. The members and friends in general took the same opportunity to give the pastor a good surprise which ended up in a severe pounding. The parsonage was crowded to the doors over one hundred being present. After partaking of coffee, cake, etc. furnished by the League, all departed for home feeling better for their having been present. The work of Rev. Simpson and wife in our village seems to be much appreciated.

**A "SURPRISE STORE" IN PINCKNEY**

E. A. Bowman of the "Surprise Store" Howell, will open a store in the Bowman block on Saturday of next week, Dec. 2. He will put in a full line of goods and not a branch as some may suppose. Look out for his adv. next week.

Mr. Bowman is a good business man and is constantly reaching out after new business. A few weeks ago he secured a space in the DISPATCH and found it paid so well that he concluded to start a store here. The stock he carries is not a "cheap" stock but good goods CHEAP.

**School** Has Commenced

**Books** Must be Had

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**All Kinds of Pencils  
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Cheap Good and Best.**

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OAK  
STOVES  
ARE THE  
BEST.**

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- Gents' Tennis Night Robes 40c 75c and \$1.00
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- Mens' Duck Coats at \$1, \$1.50 and \$2
- Men's and Boys' Winter Caps at 25c, 50c, 75c and \$1

Men's Felts and Rubbers,  
Men's Socks and Rubbers,  
Boys' Socks and Rubbers,

In Best Goods  
at  
Low Prices.

**Saturday, Nov. 25:**

- Odds and Ends in Underwear at cost.
- Low prices on Shoes,
- A few yards Good Print at 4c
- 10 bars of Lenox Soap, 25c

**F. G. JACKSON.**

**Specials for  
This Week:**

**Come and Buy Prints  
THIS WEEK.**

**Come and Buy Cotton  
THIS WEEK.**

**Come and Buy Dry Goods  
THIS WEEK.**

**Come and Buy Shoes  
THIS WEEK.**

**THE PRICES WILL SELL THEM.**

**COME AND BUY GROCERIES**

**Saturday, Nov. 25:**

- Best Crackers 5 1/2c
- 25c Coffee for 19c
- 9 Bars of Lenox Soap for 25c
- 9 Bars of Jackson Soap for 25c

**W. W. Barnard.**

# MICHIGAN NEWS SUMMARY.

Doings of the Week Recorded in a Brief Style.

CONCISE AND INTERESTING.

**A Grand Jury is Listening to Complaints Entered Against Alleged Fraudulent Legislation by the Last Legislature—A Newaygo Man Kidnapped.**

**Grand Jury in Ingham County.**  
Judge Person, of the Ingham circuit court, has summoned a grand jury to convene in Lansing, Thursday morning, Nov. 16, but what for and what matters he is to lay before the jury-men, for their consideration, is a closely guarded secret. The judge has held several conferences with Prosecuting Attorney Tuttle, the past few days, and has posted him as to his duties in connection with the matters he wants investigated, but not a word has leaked out as to their nature or magnitude. Grand juries are a very uncommon article in Ingham county, the necessity for calling one having arisen but two or three times in the history of the county. The last one was called to investigate the alleged fraud in connection with the vote cast for state officers in 1893, when state Treasurer Hambitzer, Secretary of State Joachim and Attorney-General Ellis were indicted. The latter was acquitted at the subsequent trial, and after dragging along for nearly two years, all the cases were nolle prossed. It is thought that the present grand jury has been called for the purpose of investigating into the influences that promoted certain legislation by the last legislature.

**Kidnaped and Beaten.**  
Farn Crawford, of Sheridan township, Newaygo county, a worthy citizen, is alleged to have been decoyed from home on the evening of the 15th by Frank Downing and his wife, living near Kalamazoo, who, it is said, took Crawford under pretext of a guide, drove to an unfrequented spot, when Downing tried to chloroform Crawford, who jumped from the carriage. Downing is charged with firing six shots at him, but one taking effect. He then caught Crawford and is said to have pummeled him most to death, forcing him to admit that he had assaulted his wife before marriage. He then, it is alleged, bound Crawford and drove to Fremont, telling the officer he had a prisoner. Downing was arrested and brought to Newaygo. The case is shrouded in mystery.

**Washtenaw's Assessed Valuation.**  
The register of deeds and county treasurer have completed and forwarded to the state tax commission the required report as to the assessed valuation of property transferred in Washtenaw county during the year ending 1890, 1894 and 1898. During the year ending July 1, 1899, there were 610 transfers in Washtenaw real estate, aggregating \$840,726. The assessed value of the property thus transferred was \$727,689, indicating that the real estate in that county is assessed at 87 per cent of its cash value.

**They Want to Appoint Their Own Man.**  
Pursuant to the action of the state in appointing a tare official to protect the farmers and growers of sugar beets at the Wolverine beet sugar factory at Benton Harbor, trouble appears inevitable, as the Wolverine company claims the state has nothing to do with the matter and refuses to admit the state official, Wm. Quinlan, to the establishment. The manufacturers claim the right to appoint the tare man.

**2,428 Deaths in the State in October.**  
The state board of health's report for October shows that 12.1 out of every thousand persons died during the month, a falling off in the total of 305 over the reports for the same period last year. Of the total, 2,428, just 381 were children one year old or less, 165 between one and four years and 656 over 65 years. Consumption led by carrying off 146, with pneumonia second at 139.

**Emmet County Without a Jail.**  
The Emmet county jail burned recently and now when a prisoner is arrested they chain him to a tree on the city lot. One of the local papers claims that even this is preferable, from the prisoners standpoint, to being confined in a ramshackle old hovel which used to be dignified by the name of jail before the flames swept it off the landscape.

**Poisoned by Eating Cheese.**  
Three children of John Crispell, aged 13 and younger, residing a few miles north of Holland, were poisoned on the 12th by ptomaine poisoning in cheese. The grocer who sold it cut open a new cheese and took a piece home, one of his own children narrowly escaping death. One of Crispell's children is still seriously ill and may die.

An epidemic of scarlet fever is reported at Bay City.

Ground has been broken for a fine new schoolhouse at Omer.

The project of building a new city hall next year is being agitated at Kalamazoo.

## STATE GOSSIP.

Benton Harbor is to have two new state banks.

Turner has been connected with Maple Ridge and Prescott by a private telephone line.

Chicken thieves have commenced their annual crusade against the roosts in the vicinity of Royal Oak.

U'by is to have a condensed milk factory next spring. The buildings are now in course of erection.

Another case of smallpox is reported at Carrollton. It is feared that another epidemic is about to break out.

Durand has disposed of her \$30,000 waterworks bonds to a Chicago firm, receiving \$2,000 premium therefor.

Lumbering operations in Gladwin county are on a more extensive scale this year than for many seasons past.

Flint poultry fanciers have organized an association for the purpose of giving a poultry show the coming winter.

Petitions are now being circulated in Tuscola county for the purpose of having an election on the question of local option.

August Lessien, a wealthy insane farmer of Grand Haven, was found dead in his cell on the morning of the 12th inst.

The complexion of the common council at Port Huron was not changed by the recent election. It still has a Republican majority.

On the 15th a Holly firm shipped 45,000 pounds of wool to Philadelphia. It is probably the largest shipment ever made in Oakland county.

Three Rivers will be entitled to the free mail delivery service next year, as the gross receipts of the local postoffice have passed the \$10,000 mark.

An operation performed on Jellibad Jolison, of Kalamazoo, showed the lungs to be lined with a stone-like substance nearly an inch thick, and hard as iron.

Traverse City is to have a new factory the first of the year for the manufacture of hardwood novelty articles, etc., that will employ between 40 and 50 hands.

The registration in the law department of the University of Michigan has past the 800 mark. This is the largest enrollment in the history of the department.

Marquette's county clerk has issued 1,023 deer licenses this season and could issue more if he had them. The secretary of state reports that he has no more to give out.

In former years the county clerk at Houghton has sold less than 100 deer hunters' licenses, but this year he has already disposed of 400, and the season is only fairly started.

Experts believe there is oil in St. Clair county and have leased several thousand acres of land in the townships of St. Clair, Cottrellville and China, and will soon put down test wells.

Emerson A. Holmes, proprietor of the Cross Roads Weekly, got six cents damages from the 25 Metamora citizens he sued for libel. Judge Smith directed the jury to bring in the verdict.

By the breaking in two of a freight train on the F. & P. M., near Milford on the 14th, 10 cars were badly damaged and several were landed in the mill pond. No one was injured.

Negotiations are now in progress looking toward the establishment in Cadillac of a logging tool factory, and if the citizens will raise \$7,000 a canning factory will also locate there.

Battle Creek will sue the county for \$2,000, the amount of the smallpox bill which the Calhoun county superintendents of the poor turned down, allowing but \$3,000 of the \$5,000 spent.

Albert Bade, Gus Shuman and Frank Dorow, a gang of hay pressers at Imlay City, pressed 80 tons of hay in five days recently. They say they can beat any gang of hay pressers in the county.

Burglars entered the house of S. W. Reed at Big Rapids on the night of the 14th and stole \$1,165 in cold cash. He was awakened, but before he got down stairs the thieves had fled.

The physician who has been attending smallpox cases at Chase, Lake county, has been attacked by the disease himself. This makes the sixth case in the village. All have been mild.

The ministers of Flint are protesting against the practice which requires them to officiate gratuitously at funerals of persons who never had any use for churches of ministers while living.

Mutton seems to be considered very valuable in Oakland county. A farmer near Orchard Lake lost 25 sheep, which got on the railroad track and were killed, and has asked the railroad company to pay him \$1,350 damages.

Men are so scarce in Berrien county that sugar beet growers cannot get enough help to secure their crop. One big nursery concern there raised the wages of its employees recently in order to hold them.

Jewett Pease, of Comstock township, Kalamazoo county, has raised some sugar beets this year that are corkers. On one patch the beets are from five to ten pounds each in weight, and will go over 30 tons to the acre.

Someone who is fond of turkey for Thanksgiving dinner and believe in taking time by the forelock visited the hencoop of a Sherwood farmer the other night and abducted 25 fine specimens of the great American bird.

An epidemic of influenza is killing many horses near Calumet, and causing much fear. Many of the draught horses belonging to the mining companies are affected and their loss is great at a time when they are in great demand.

Someone very fond of turkey, and who is determined not to be without one Thanksgiving visited the turkey roosts of three farmers near Gaines the other night and carried off 28 of the birds. They also took 35 chickens for good measure.

Chester Beardslee, of near Oxford, thinks he is "some punkins" when it comes to raising potatoes. He harvested 2,800 bushels, not counting the little ones, from 11 acres of ground, or 250 bushels to the acre, and claims the championship belt.

Charles R. Mains, the Battle Creek lawyer, who was recently disbarred by the supreme court, is out with a very bitter attack on Judge Clement Smith. His says his case is by no means dead and that he will take it to the United States supreme court.

Corunna has a bread war started by a new baker in town named Hayes. He has cut the price to three cents a loaf and another baker has gone him one better by offering the same price and a rebate of one cent when the paper sack is returned.

Allegan county claims credit for sending more deer hunters to the northern part of the state than any other county in southern or central Michigan. The county clerk issued 134 licenses this season, and nearly all who secured them have gone to the deer country.

Twenty-four cases of appendicitis were received at the university hospital of the University of Michigan during the year ending June 30, 1899. Twenty-two of the patients were operated upon and two treated without operation. All but two of the patients recovered.

Mrs. Cornelius Brouwer, of Muskegon, has been accustomed to deposit her savings in the leaves of a large family Bible. She did this until she had accumulated \$55. The other day she went down town and when she returned she found that a thief had visited her home and stolen all her money.

The body of Peter Frank, an aged farmer residing about seven miles southwest of White Pigeon, just across the Indiana line, was found on the 10th by a neighbor, lying in the brush near Pigeon river on the Michigan side of the line. A coroner's jury was summoned from Mottville, who came to the decision that death was caused by apoplexy.

Commissioner General of Education Harris, of Washington, in his annual report to the secretary of the interior, says the common school statistics for 1897-'98 show the pupils enrolled in the public schools of Michigan to number 496,025, and the number of teachers 15,673. The value of school property is \$18,138,589. The total expenditures for school purposes was \$6,281,003.

Frank Taylor, of Mayfield, returned from the upper peninsula on the 15th, having cut short his hunting trip. While hunting deer on Nov. 14 he heard a shot and felt a shock which nearly threw him. After recovering his equilibrium, he took an inventory and found a large bullet hole through his hat and a groove cut along his scalp where the bullet passed. He was evidently taken for a deer.

The Ann Arbor railroad had a small accident on the morning of the 10th on a sharp curve one mile east of Cope-mish. Four cars and a caboose broke loose from an extra freight going east and came back with considerable speed until they met another freight that had come to a standstill. Two cars loaded with ore were reduced to kindling and the caboose left beyond repairs while a new engine lost its pilot. Nobody was hurt.

## The President at Work on His Message.

President McKinley expects to complete his message to congress within the next few days. He has outlined the salient points of it to the members of his cabinet, and a practical agreement has been reached as to all questions of policy. The determination to retain the Philippines, it is said, is expressed with the utmost clearness, so that congress may have no doubt as to the position of the administration in regard to the matter. According to present intentions the President will leave the question of civil government in Cuba for the consideration of congress, but will recommend immediate attention to the necessity for a stable territorial government of some kind for Porto Rico and Hawaii.

Chicago building contractors will fight labor unions.

The village of Port Essington, B. C., was wiped out by fire on the 15th.

George Dove, a half-breed Indian of near Oil City, Ky., returned home from work the other day and found his wife and Albert James in a compromising position. Without a word Dove sharpened his ax, waylaid James and completely severed his head from his body.

## TRANSVAAL WAR ITEMS.

Col. Gough, at Orange river, reports that during the reconnaissance of 15 miles to a point nine miles west of Belmont on Nov. 10, the officers of the patrol first came on a Boer position taken upon a great semicircular ridge, standing out into a plateau. They endeavored to make the Boers develop their strength by demonstrating with two squadrons of the 9th Lancers and a field battery on the left wing, with one and one-half companies of mounted infantry on the right wing and with artillery in the middle of the plateau out of the infantry fire. After a demonstration lasting three hours Col. Gough withdrew his force and returned to camp. How many were killed was not mentioned in the dispatch, but it is said the wounded were immediately sent by rail to Orange river after the engagement.

The fear of a native uprising was referred to as making for peace between Great Britain and the Transvaal. Censuses in South Africa are not as accurate as in some other parts of the world, but the latest figures show that in Cape Colony the population is 376,812 white and 1,148,926 colored; in Natal, 44,415 white and 459,288 colored; in Rhodesia, 13,000 white and 500,000 colored; in Bechuanaland, 3,254 white and 7,471 colored; in Basutoland, 578 white and 218,326 colored; in the Transvaal, 300,000 white and 649,560 colored; in Swaziland, no white and 60,000 colored, and in the Orange Free State, 77,716 white and 129,787 colored. Thus there are nearly four times as many blacks as whites in South Africa as a whole.

A missionary, a native but a reliable man, who arrived at Estcourt on the 15th from Ladysmith, reports that a big fight took place there on Friday, Nov. 10. He says that volunteers went out in the early morning and drew the enemy from their positions onto a flat, where the regular troops, under Gen. Sir George White, outmaneuvered them by outflanking the Boers, administering a crushing defeat and inflicting great loss. More than 200 Kaffirs, the missionary says, were employed by the Boers to bury their dead, and the two trains, each drawn by two engines, carry away the wounded.

Misfortune steadfastly pursues British employment of armored trains, the fascination for which has given the Boers their first and latest victories. On the last occasion the British seem to have walked into a deliberate trap, with the result that, according to the best accounts, 90 men are either killed, wounded or missing. Of these the Fusiliers claim 50 and Durban infantry 40. It is believed that few escaped and that the others are prisoners in the hands of the Boers.

A special dispatch from Durban, Natal, dated Nov. 9, says: Native runners who have just arrived here from the Drakemburg district report that the Boers suffered a severe defeat at Ladysmith this morning. The Boer guns were silenced after four hours' fighting, during which the Boer losses were heavy. No details have been received.

President Kruger has threatened to shoot six British officers, whom he holds as prisoners, in event an alleged Boer spy is executed at the hands of the British. It is hardly thought he will dare do this, as it would be a direct violation of the elementary rules of civilized warfare.

A dispatch from Cape Town announces the arrival there of the troopships Armenean and Nubin, with a total of 12,802 reinforcements for the British. Also that the troopship Oriental, with 75 officers and 1,218 men, has arrived.

The total British reinforcements that have arrived in South Africa since Nov. 10 are 19,000 men, chiefly infantry, nearly 13,000 horses and mules, three batteries of field artillery, and a number of quick firing Maxim guns.

The British admiralty has engaged the fast steamers Gaul, Norman, Donne Castle and Avondale Castle to embark the greater part of the 5th division of 10,000 troops at Southampton for the Cape.

It is reported that the long range bombardment of Ladysmith by the Boers with heavy guns continue daily, but without serious damage.

## THE MARKETS.

### LIVE STOCK.

New York	Cattle	Sheep	Lambs	Hogs
Best grades	\$4.50@5.80	\$4.00	\$5.25	\$4.70
Lower grades	3.50@4.50	2.50	4.00	4.15
Chicago				
Best grades	5.00@6.00	4.75	5.40	4.85
Lower grades	4.00@5.75	3.75	4.00	3.90
Detroit				
Best grades	3.75@4.60	4.30	4.75	4.10
Lower grades	2.50@3.75	3.75	4.60	3.95
Buffalo				
Best grades	3.85@4.25	4.15	5.00	4.35
Lower grades	3.00@3.60	3.90	4.65	3.80
Cincinnati				
Best grades	5.30@5.65	5.90	5.00	4.25
Lower grades	3.90@4.75	3.60	4.25	4.00
Pittsburg				
Best grades	5.00@6.00	4.20	5.00	4.40
Lower grades	4.30@4.90	3.75	4.85	4.15

### GRAIN, ETC.

New York	Wheat	Corn	Oats
	No. 2 red	No. 2 mix	No. 2 white
Chicago	72@74	30@32	21@23
Detroit	74@74	34@34	22@23
Toledo	68@68	34@34	22@23
Cincinnati	70@70	32@32	22@23
Pittsburg	76@76	32@32	30@30
Buffalo	75@75	32@32	30@30
Detroit—Hay, No. 1 Timothy	\$11.50 per ton		
Potatoes, 80c per bu.			
Live Poultry, spring chickens, 7c per lb.			
Eggs, strictly fresh, 10c per dozen.			
Butter, best dairy, 30c per lb; creamery, 25c.			

**How to Avoid Colds During Winter.**  
"This idea that many people have, that winter is an unhealthy season, is all wrong. Winter is just as healthful as summer, if people will take care of themselves. If you want to go through the winter without a cold, observe these few simple rules:  
"Don't overheat your house, and don't stop all ventilation. Sleep in a cool room, but keep warmly covered. Always take off your outdoor wraps when you come in the house, and always put them on when you go out. And, lastly, just as long as there is snow on the ground, don't go out without your rubbers. This last rule is the most important of all, for two colds out of three come from wet feet."  
The Independent.

## ARE WOMEN TO WEAR WIGS?

**Fashion's Latest Decree from Paris Caused by Baldness.**  
From the Pittsburg Dispatch: It is with pain and dismay that we learn from an alleged scientific comment on the course of the fashions that we are approaching an era of feminine wigs. The assertion is backed by a report of wigs worn by the smart women of Paris, but the explanation of the coming misfortune in the line of coiffures credits it to a more obvious relation of cause and effect than can be generally discovered in feminine fashions. The explanation is briefly that in the past fashions crimping-irons and curling-tongs to produce wavy and romantic locks damaged the vitality of the hair. Then the pompadour roll strained it back until nature proceeded to revenge herself by producing nice little bare spots on the heads of fashionable women. After which, when the coming fashionable effect requires more hair than the feminine head is able to furnish, recourse must be had to the hair of commerce. If fashion calls for wigs, wigs will be worn. We can set that down as settled by the testimony of the centuries as to feminine fidelity to the fashions. Nevertheless, we would urge upon the better half of society to take this scientific fashionable prediction in the light of a warning rather than a chart. Dear ladies, preserve your hair. If you must wear wigs you will still be the mistresses of masculine affections.

**Catarrh Cannot Be Cured**  
with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.  
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.  
Sold by druggists, price 75c.  
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

**Amateur Theatricals.**  
New York Journal: Mabel (the heroine)—Oh, dear! The curtain will rise in five minutes. Are you sure you will know your lines? Jack (the hero)—All except the part where I kiss you. I think we'd better rehearse that once more.

**Sewing Machines for \$14.25.**  
The advertisement of the John M. Smyth Co., which appears in another part of this paper, should be of interest to everyone. The price quoted is extremely low, but the John M. Smyth Co. are thoroughly reliable and anyone dealing with them can be assured that they will do as they advertise. The house is one of the largest in the country and enjoys an enviable reputation. Get their catalogue of everything to eat, wear and use.

The colder the weather the faster the coal in the cellar seems to melt.

**Immense Gold Deposit.**  
Henry A. Salzer, manager of the famous John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., as also president of the Idaho Gold Coin Mining & Milling Co., of the Seven Devil District, Idaho, is in great luck. They have recently struck an immense deposit of gold ore on their properties. As a result the stock of this company doubled in price in twenty-four hours. Quite a number of the Salzer Seed Co. patrons are interested in this mine with Mr. Salzer.

London restaurants have 950,000 dinners and lunches daily.

**Active Agents Wanted**  
In every county for our Gas Lamp. Makes its own gas. Better light than electricity or Walsbach city gas. Cheaper than kerosene. Retail \$5. Big money maker. Standard Lamp Co., "Dept. A," Chicago.

Of every 1,000 sailors 84 have rheumatism every year.  
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# KITTY'S HUSBAND

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## CHAPTER XII.—(Continued.)

They were walking still, but I heard no more. I rose quickly, and began to move away mechanically toward home. I put back my veil and bared my face to the keen October air; I felt stifled; the October evening night might have been a sultry August noonday; there seemed to be no air at all; I could not breathe.

They had re-kindled the fire in my absence, and made the room look home-like. Its home-like air seemed like bitterest satire. I sat in the warm, bright light and waited for John to come.

It was late before he came. I had not thought how I should meet him. I had sat for two hours waiting for him, and had thought of nothing. Even when John came toward me and spoke to me, I had no thought in my mind of what I was to say. My heart was sick with despair. Out of my passionate despair I should speak presently. And my passionate words were not likely to be wise words.

"Why did you wait up for me, Kitty?" he said gently, in a tired tone, "I am late. You shouldn't have waited for me."

I looked at him without a word, then rose and moved across the room, away from him. Parting the curtains before the window, I stood looking out into the dimmer light of the outer world. Still standing so, my face turned away, I spoke to him. My voice startled even me—it was so passionless, so cold and steady.

"John, I want to go away from you," I said.

John crossed the room without answering a word. He took my two cold hands in his, and I let them rest there passively. He looked down at me gravely with a glance that was at first a little stern, but almost at once grew very gentle.

"Kitty, you're in earnest!" he ex-

claimed. "My dear, tell me what you mean."

My hands still rested in his. I was still looking up at him. But for a moment I could find no more words at my command.

"I have not made you happy!" John said in a tone of deep, bitter conviction and self-reproach. "I have tried. I have failed."

"It was my fault," I returned, speaking steadily in the same dull, passionless, even way. "Perhaps it was your fault, too. You shouldn't have married me. You knew—you must have known—that I should be wretched."

"Kitty! Kitty!"

"It was a mistake. Only a mistake! You thought you would make me happy. You did it for the best. Why did you, John—why did you?"

My eyes were tearless as they looked up into his. All the tears I had had to shed I had shed hours ago. Never, I felt, as long as I lived, should I cry again. I felt numb and still. Even my reproach came in a stony voice that seemed to have no emotion in it.

"Yes, we have made a mistake, Kitty," said John, sighing deeply. "I, as you say, should have known. But I did not know! Well, we have faced the mistake; perhaps it was wiser faced. Now let us begin anew. Life

cannot be what it might have been; but let us make the best of it, Kitty—by-and-by, dear, love may come."

I drew my hands away with a sharp, sudden gesture. He spoke of love, not as though it had been weak and had failed him, but as though it had never been.

"It will not come," I cried. "Love does not come with bidding, only weariness."

He stood in silence looking gravely at me, with a gravity far more stern than gentle. I knew that he agreed with me; he urged no word of protest, no word of hope. For one long minute we stood silent, facing one another.

"What are we to do, Kitty?" he said at last, coldly yet patiently. "I leave our future in your hands."

"The future may be so long!" I said bitterly. "I shall live for many years. I am so strong—so strong! Nothing ever happens to me; I shall live for years and years and years!"

"Kitty, child, you break my heart when you talk like that!" cried John hoarsely.

I laughed a hard, sullen little laugh, the sound of which made me shiver, and then suddenly made me wish to cry. For the first time my voice trembled, grew passionate.

"I wish I could break your heart!" I cried. "I wish it—oh, I wish it! You have broken mine and you do not care!"

John bore my passionate, pitiless reproaches without a word. He made no attempt to soothe me or caress me. He stood looking at me sorrowfully, very gravely, with something of anger and something of pity in his glance.

"Let me go, John—let me go!" I cried.

"Go where, Kitty?" he asked forbearingly.

"Anywhere."

"Anywhere from me?"

"Anywhere where I shall not see you, John; where I may try, try hard to forget you, and to forget how miserable I am."

He waited for a moment that his words might be calm and yet carry force with them.

"Kitty, you talk like a child," he said. "I can't let you go away from me. We cannot forget one another. For husband and wife, dear, forgetting is not possible!"

We stood a little apart, looking straight at one another, our faces resolute, our wills resisting one another.

"You will not let me go?" I asked.

"I will not let you go," said John. Then suddenly he sighed, and his tone grew gentle again.

"I will not let you go, Kitty," he added, "for your sake, not for mine. You do not know what a young wife, who leaves her home, has to bear—how she is spoken of, what is thought of her. Though our marriage may have been a mistake, the mistake is made, we cannot escape from it. I regret it, Kitty, as deeply as you do. But, regret as we may, you are still my wife. And I will not have my wife misjudged, lightly spoken of."

Even at that moment, though I had pleaded to be allowed to go, pleaded passionately to be set free, I was glad that he refused my prayer. Even

though he did not love me, even though it was only torture to be with him and to know that his love was not mine, still I was glad that he kept me bound.

"Everything else that you ask me," he said slowly and steadily, "I will grant. I will do what you will. You shall live your own life; you shall be as free as though you had carried out your own wild wish and had escaped from me."

I was silent.

"I will not see you more than I can help," he continued in the same cold steady tone. "You shall be free, as free as I can make you. I promise. Are you satisfied?"

"Yes," I said faintly. And he turned without another word and left me.

## CHAPTER XIII.

"My dear Kate," said Aunt Jane, untying her bonnet-string as though she meant her call to be a long one, and looking at me slowly from top to toe disapprovingly, I have no desire whatever to interfere with you. Your affairs are no longer any business of mine, and I refrain offering you my opinion. I only ask you one question—why, whenever I come, is John always out?"

Aunt Jane waited, but I did not offer to answer her question.

"I call in the morning," she continued—"he is at his office; that, of course, is as it should be. But I call about luncheon-time; he is lurching at his club, and perhaps you are not aware, Kate, that luncheon at a club is an expensive luxury. Saves time? Nonsense! A bus saves time, and is cheaper. I call in the afternoon—late in the afternoon, toward dusk—John is at the office still. I call in the evening and John is out again. I have no wish to pry—John's affairs are his own—but I know as a fact that he has not spent an evening at home for the past five days. Twice he dined at the club. Twice he dined with his sister and Madam Arnaud. One night, who knows where he dined? Now, Kate, why is it?"

I had lost my old fear of Aunt Jane. I replied calmly enough.

"I don't want to talk about myself and John," I said.

"Very naturally not," returned Aunt Jane with severity. "You know as well as I do that, if John dines out on five consecutive nights, it is you who are to blame. You drive him away from home. You have a cough, Kate; you should cure that cough; men dislike a cough exceedingly."

I smiled; I could not help it. For Aunt Jane to preach wifely duties of self-abnegation was too humorous.

"When John comes in, Kate, do you meet him with a pleasant smile? Do you lay aside your work to attend to him? Do you try to converse with him on topics of interest to him?"

In spite of my heavy spirits, I smiled again. I was thinking of the cold welcomes that Uncle Richard was wont to receive; she guessed something of my thought perhaps.

"Yours is not an ordinary marriage," she added in her coldest tone. "You have to remember John's goodness to you."

"I remember it—constantly."

Aunt Jane regarded me with an unfriendly scrutiny.

"You have a house of your own," she continued, "and servants of your own. You dress well—indeed, I may say extravagantly; you have everything that heart can desire."

"Everything," I said, looking dully at her with a blank glance. "I am one of the very happiest of people. She still eyed me suspiciously.

"If he had not married you, what would have become of you? Do you ever think of that?" she demanded in an admonishing tone.

"I am thinking of it always. Don't be afraid, Aunt Jane; I realize John's kindness more often and more fully than you can possibly do!"

"Kate, you are excited—hysterical. And you cough constantly. What is the matter with you?"

"Nothing. A little cold."

"You have a hectic spot of color in each cheek. Have you seen a doctor?"

"No."

"I shall advise John to send for one. One visit may set you right, and save a heavy bill later on. Your health, Kate, is a most important matter; an ailing wife wears out the patience of the most patient husband. What does John think of that cough of yours?"

"He does not know I have it."

"Does not know!"

My face grew hot as I made my confession.

"I see very little of John," I said, trying to speak simply. "And I am not always coughing. Don't talk to him about it. I won't have a doctor, not even if you speak to John."

Aunt Jane let the subject drop. I thought I should have had my way—a thought that spoke ill for my discernment. Aunt Jane met John as he returned home, bade him walk back with her and listen to her. Before an hour had passed a doctor was attending me. It was decreed that I should go to bed, and that I should stay there for a week. Would I have Aunt Jane or one of the girls come and nurse me? (To be continued.)

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THURSDAY, NOV. 23, 1899.

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All the world's a stage and all the people thereon would rather play than work.

The well-read man isn't always the pink of perfection.

Too many people perform their work after the style of machines.

If you can't get what you want be satisfied with what you can get.

Poverty may be useful at times, but it is never in the ornamental class.

Clothes do not make the man, but they sometimes make a monkey of him.

Men sometimes denounce gossip, but not until they have listened to every word of it.

It matters little if you are ignorant, for you will meet people daily who know it all.

The average girl never turns up her nose at the man who knows enough to turn down the gas.

An elaborate tombstone and a contested will is about the only notoriety wealth brings to some men.

The feathers do not make the song bird, but many a man has made a goose of himself with a single quill.

An epigram is a lot of words fitted together in such a peculiar manner that their lack of meaning is concealed by the brilliant effect produced.

The opening of the school year has been attended by few reports of hazing, the barbarous method of welcoming freshmen that long prevailed in many leading colleges and universities.

"Electricity as we know it" is just a hundred years old. In 1799, the Italian scientist Volta gave definite form to the method of producing the current; and it is from his name that we have the term "volt-meter" to describe the instrument which measures the force of the current, and "volt" as the unit of that measurement. We know several persons who would like to wait around and see what developments along this line may be reached by the end of another century.

American commercial alertness seems to have taken away the breath of those British merchants and commercial bodies that have been watching the progress of the Philadelphia commercial congress. The complete collection of foreign samples gathered for the use of the home manufacturers has filled their minds with astonishment, and they are now urging the British board of trade to adopt similar measures. The British merchant must exhibit more activity and less indifference than he hitherto has done if he expects to regain any of the business taken away from him by the United States through superior enterprise.

According to telegraphic reports from Austin, Tex., at no time in its history has Texas ever had so many drouths as during the past summer and this fall. Every section of the state from the Panhandle to the gulf has been visited by a drouth. The outlook in most of the larger cities of central Texas is anything but promising. Dallas, Fort Worth, Waco, Austin and one or two other larger cities of the state are at present in the throes of a water famine. From points along the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railroad from the Indian Territory down to Bastrop comes the announcement that there is a distressing scarcity of water. Reports from the ranges say that cattle are dying for want of water and as there is little promise of any heavy rains before December the situation is grave.

Before the passengers of the stranded steamer "Paris" separated, last spring, they presented to the officers and crew resolutions of thanks for the wonderful discipline, courage and unflinching helpfulness they had shown. After this had been voted, Baron Oppenheim, one of the wealthiest Jews of Europe, rose to his feet. The resolutions, he observed, included the captain, the under-officers, the stewards, cooks and crew; but of the one to whom each directly owed his safety—of God—he had heard no mention. They were folk of many beliefs, gathered there. He would not even call for a spoken prayer, but he suggested that they bow their heads there in silent thanksgiving to the common Protector of them all. One is forcibly reminded of another shipwreck, nearly nineteen hundred years ago, when a Hebrew of the Hebrews, one Paul by name, gathered the Gentile soldiers and sailors about him to give thanks to the Ruler of the seas.

## TALMAGE'S SERMON.

### "MANY ROOMS IN HEAVEN," SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

From John Chapter XIV, Verse 2, as follows:—"In My Father's House Are Many Rooms"—A Bottle of Medicine That Is a Cure-All.

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Here is a bottle of medicine that is a cure-all. The disciples were sad, and Christ offered heaven as an alternative, a stimulant and a tonic. He shows them that their sorrows are only a dark background of a bright picture of coming felicity. He lets them know that though now they live on the lowlands, they shall yet have a house on the uplands. Nearly all the Bible descriptions of heaven may be figurative. I am not positive that in all heaven there is a literal crown or harp or pearly gate or throne or chariot. They may be only used to illustrate the glories of the place, but how well they do it! The favorite symbol by which the Bible presents celestial happiness is a house. Paul, who never owned a house, although he lived one for two years in Italy, speaks of heaven as a "house not made with hands," and Christ in our text, the translation of which is a little changed, so as to give the more accurate meaning, says: "In my Father's house are many rooms."

This divinely authorized comparison of heaven to a great homestead of large accommodations I propose to carry out. In some healthy neighborhood a man builds a very commodious habitation. He must have room for all his children. The rooms come to be called after the different members of the family. That is mother's room; that is George's room; that is Henry's room; that is Flora's room; that is Mary's room, and the house is all occupied. But time goes by, and the sons go out into the world, and build their own homes; and the daughters are married, or have talents enough singly to go out and do a good work in the world. After a while the father and mother are almost alone in the big house, and seated by the evening stand, they say: "Well, our family is no larger now than when we started together forty years ago." But time goes still further by, and some of the children are unfortunate, and return to the old homestead to live, and the grandchildren come with them, and perhaps great-grandchildren, and again the house is full.

Millennia ago God built on the hills of heaven a great homestead for a family innumerable, yet to be. At first he lived alone in that great house, but after awhile it was occupied by a very large family, cherubic, seraphic, angelic. The eternities passed on, and many of the inhabitants became wayward and left, never to return, and many of the apartments were vacated. I refer to the fallen angels. Now these apartments are filling up again. There are arrivals at the old homestead of God's children every day, and the day will come when there will be no unoccupied room in all the house.

As you and I expect to enter it and make there eternal residence, I thought you would like to get some more particulars about the many-roomed homestead. "In my Father's house are many rooms." You see, the place is to be apportioned off into apartments. We shall love all who are in heaven, but there are some very good people whom we would not want to live with in the same room. They may be better than we are, but they are of a divergent temperament. We would like to meet with them on the golden streets, and worship with them in the temple, and walk with them on the river banks, but I am glad to say that we shall live in different apartments. "In my Father's house are many rooms." You see, heaven will be so large that if one wants an entire room to himself or herself, it can be afforded.

An ingenious statistician, taking the statement made in Revelation, twenty-first chapter, that the heavenly Jerusalem was measured and found to be twelve thousand furlongs, and that the length and height and breadth of it are equal, says that would make heaven in size 948 sextillion, 988 quintillion cubic feet; and then reserving a certain portion for the court of heaven and the streets, and estimating that the world may last a hundred thousand years, he ciphers out that there are over five trillion rooms, each room seventeen feet long, sixteen feet wide, fifteen feet high. But I have no faith in the accuracy of that calculation. He makes the rooms too small. From all I can read, the rooms will be palatial, and those who have not had enough room in this world will have plenty of room at the last. The fact is, that most people in this world are crowded, and though out on a vast prairie or in a mountain district people may have more room than they want, in most cases it is house built close to house, and the streets are crowded, and the eradic is crowded by other cradles, and the graves crowded in the cemetery by other graves, and one of the richest luxuries of many people in getting out

of this world will be the gaining of unhindered and uncrowded room. And I should not wonder if, instead of the room that the statistician ciphered out as only seventeen feet by sixteen, it should be larger than any of the rooms at Berlin, St. James, or Winter Palace, "In my Father's house are many rooms."

Carrying out still further the symbolism of the text, let us join hands and go up to this majestic homestead and see for ourselves. As we ascend the golden steps an invisible guardman swings open the front door, and we are ushered to the right into the reception room of the old homestead. That is the place where we first meet the welcome of heaven. There must be a place where the departed spirit enters and a place in which it confronts the inhabitants celestial. The reception room of the newly arrived from this world—what scenes it must have witnessed since the first guest arrived, the victim of the first fratricide, plous Abel! In that room Christ lovingly greets all new-comers. He redeemed them, and he has the right to the first embrace on arrival. What a minute when the ascended spirit first sees the Lord! Better than all we ever read about him, or talked about him, or sang about him in all the churches and through all our earthly lifetimes, will it be, just for one second to see him. The most rapturous idea we ever had of him on sacramental days or at the height of some great revival, or under the uplifted baton of an orator are a bankruptcy of thought compared with the first flash of his appearance in that reception room. At that moment when you confront each other, Christ looking upon you, and you looking upon Christ, there will be an ecstatic thrill and surging of emotion that beggars all description. Look! They need no introduction. Long ago Christ chose that repentant sinner, and that repentant sinner chose Christ. Mightiest moment of an immortal history—the first kiss of heaven! Jesus and the soul. The soul and Jesus.

But now into that reception room pour the glorified kinsfolk. Enough of earthly retention to let you know them, but without their wounds or their sickness or their troubles. See what heaven has done for them! So radiant, so gleeful, so transportingly lovely! They call you by name; they greet you with an ardor proportioned to the anguish of your parting and the length of your separation. Father! Mother! That is your child. Sisters! Brothers! Friends! I wish you joy. For years apart, together again in the reception room of the old Homestead. You see, they will know you are coming. There are so many immortals filling all the spaces between here and heaven that news like that flies like lightning. They will be there in an instant, though they were in some other world on errand from God, a signal would be thrown that would fetch them. Though you might at first feel dazed and overawed at their supernal splendor, all that feeling will be gone at their first touch of heavenly salutation, and we will say, "Oh, my lost boy!" "Oh, my lost companion!" "Oh, my lost friend, are we here together?" What scenes in that reception room of the old homestead have been witnessed! There met Joseph and Jacob, finding it a brighter room than anything they saw in Pharaoh's palace; David and the little child for whom he once fasted and wept; Mary and Lazarus after the heartbreak of Bethany; Timothy and grandmother Lois; Isabella Graham and her sailor son; Alfred and George Cookman, the mystery of the sea at last made manifest; Luther and Magdalene, the daughter he bemoaned; John Howard and the prisoners whom he gossiped; and multitudes without number who, once so weary and so sad, parted on earth but gloriously met in heaven. Among all the rooms of that house there is no one that more enraptures my soul than that reception room. "In my Father's house are many rooms."

Another room in our Father's house is the music room. St. John and other Bible-writers talk so much about the music of heaven that there must be music there, perhaps not such as on earth was thrummed from trembling string or evoked by touch of ivory key, but if not that, then something better. There are so many Christian harpists and Christian composers and Christian organists and Christian chorists and Christian hymnologists that have gone up from earth, there must be for them some place of especial delectation. Shall we have music in this world of discords, and no music in the land of complete harmony? I cannot give you the notes of the first bar of the new song that is sung in heaven. I cannot imagine either the solo or the doxology. But heaven means music, and can mean nothing else. Occasionally that music has escaped the gate. Dr. Fuller, dying at Beaufort, S. C., said: "Do you not hear?" "Hear what?" exclaimed the bystanders. "The music! Lift me up! Open the windows!" In that music room of our Father's house, you will some day meet the old masters, Mozart and Handel and Mendelssohn and Beethoven and Doddridge, whose sacred poetry was as remarkable as

his sacred prose; and James Montgomery, and William Cowper, at last got rid of his spiritual melancholy; and Bishop Heber, who sang of "Greenland's icy mountains and India's coral strand;" and Dr. Raffles, who wrote of "High in yonder realms of light;" and Isaac Watts, who went to visit Sir Thomas Abney and wife for a week, but proved himself so agreeable a guest that they made him stay thirty-six years; and side by side Augustus Toplady, who has got over his dislikes for Methodists, and Charles Wesley, freed from his dislike for Calvinists; and George W. Bethune, as sweet as a song maker as he was great as a preacher and the author of The Village Hymns; and many who wrote in verse or song, in church or by eventide cradle; and many who were passionately fond of music but could make none themselves. The poorest singer there more than any earthly prima donna, and the poorest players there more than any earthly Gottschalk. Oh, that music room, the headquarters of cadence and rhythm, symphony and chant, psalm and antiphon!

Another room in our Father's house will be the family room. It may correspond somewhat with the family room on earth. At morning and evening, you know, that is the place we now meet. Though every member of the household have a separate room, in the family room they all gather, and joys and sorrows and experiences of all styles are there rehearsed. Sacred room in all our dwellings! whether it be luxurious with ottomans and divans, and books in Russian lids standing in mahogany case, or there be only a few plain chairs and a cradle. So the family room on high will be the place where the kins-folk assemble and talk over the family experiences of earth, the weddings the births, the burials, the festal days of Christmas and Thanksgiving reunion. Will the children departed remain children there? Will the aged remain aged there? Oh no; everything is perfect there. The child will go ahead to glorified maturity, and the aged will go back to glorified maturity. The rising sun of the one will rise to meridian, and the descending sun of the other will return to meridian. However much we love our children on earth we would consider it a domestic disaster if they stayed children, and so we rejoice at their growth here. And when we meet in the family room of our Father's house, we will be glad that they have grandly and gloriously matured; while our parents, who were aged and infirm here, we shall be glad to find restored to the most agile and vigorous immortality there. If forty or forty-five or fifty years be the apex of physical and mental life on earth, then the heavenly childhood will advance to that, and the heavenly old age will retreat to that. When we join them in that family room we shall have much to tell them. We shall want to know of them, right away, such things as these: Did you see us in this or that or the other struggle? Did you know when we lost our property, and sympathize with us? Did you know we had that awful sickness? Were you hovering anywhere around us when we plunged into that memorable accident? Did you know of our backsliding? Did you know of that moral victory? Were you pleased when we started for heaven? Did you celebrate the hour of our conversion? And then, whether they know it or not, we will tell them all. But they will have more to tell us than we to tell them. Ten years on earth may be very eventful, but what must be the biography of ten years in heaven? They will have to tell us the story of coronations, story of news from all immensity, story of conquerors and hierarchs, story of wrecked or ransomed planets, story of angelic victory over diabolic revolts, of extinguished suns, of obliterated constellations, of new galaxies kindled and swung, of stranded comets, of worlds on fire, and story of Jehovah's majestic reign. If in that family room of our Father's house we have so much to tell them of what we have passed through since we parted, how much more thrilling and arousing that which they have to tell us of what they have passed through since we parted. Surely that family room will be one of the most favored rooms in all our Father's house. What long lingering there, for we shall never again be in a hurry! "Let me open a window," said a humble Christian self up in a dark room, and refused of the death of her child, had shut herself to Lady Raffles, who, because to see anyone. "You have been many days in this dark room. Are you not ashamed to grieve in this manner, when you ought to be thanking God for having given you the most beautiful child that ever was seen, and instead of leaving him in this world till he should be worn with trouble, has not God taken him to heaven in all his beauty? Leave off weeping, and let me open a window." So today I am trying to open upon the darkness of earthly separation the windows and doors and rooms of the heavenly homestead. "In my Father's house are many rooms."

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"Ah, must I say goodbye, goodbye?  
Is this to be the end—  
To meet in future and to greet  
Each other but as 'friend'?"

"Ah, must I say goodbye, goodbye?  
And must I haste away,  
Nor come again to claim your heart—  
Your heart and hand some day?"

"Ah, must I say goodbye, goodbye?  
And must I leave you here,  
And wander far from you who are  
So dear, sweetheart, so dear?"

"Ah, must I say goodbye, goodbye,  
Ere you have learned to know  
The secret that I long to tell,  
Dear heart, before I go?"

He fell below her window—he sang  
no more of love—  
Some brute had hurled a pitcher  
down from the flat above.

S. E. Kiser in Chicago Times-Herald.



**The Only Significance.**  
Percy—I dreamt last night that you and I were married! What is that a sign of?  
Ethel—Why, that is a sign you were dreaming!—Puck.

**A Collision.**  
Sam Sparks—Brudder, doan' yo' advise ebry member to walk in der narner paf?  
Brudder Sassafras—Coase Ah do, boy; what ob it?  
Sam Sparks—Nuffin', brudder; only Ah wonders what is gwine to happen when some ob our stout membahs meet on de narner paf comin' from opposite directions.

**A Cruel Joke.**  
Sandy Pikes—Billey, de wickedness of dis world is appallin'.  
Billy Coalgate—What's de matter, now, pard?  
Sandy Pikes—Why, I went over an' asked dat lady fer a quarter to get me hair trimmed.  
Billy Coalgate—What did she say?  
Sandy Pikes—Asked me if I'd have it trimmed wid ribbon or lace.

**None from Him.**  
"My friend," said the caller, "on behalf of our society I am soliciting 25-cent subscriptions to enable us to wage war on the cigarette evil, and I felt sure we could rely on you in the battle to the death."  
"Yes, I'll give no quarter," replied the business man, promptly. "Good day, sir."—Philadelphia Record.

**Tactless.**  
May—Isn't it a perfect duck of a bathing suit?  
Clara—Yes; it never seems to get wet.



**A Questionable Height.**  
Little Eli—How tall is I, ma?  
Mother—About four feet.  
Little Eli—Yo feet, er mine?

**Love and Thrift.**  
From the Chicago Tribune: "I have come, Rachel," he said, tenderly, "to ask you for this little hand. Not that one—this one."  
And he reached for the one that had the rings on it.

**Breaking It Gently.**  
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She—Very well, but who will you get engaged to?—New York World

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## FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE

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

RELIABLE AND INTERESTING.

**Something of the Hardships of War From a New Point of View—Philadelphia Citizens Protest Against the Liberty Bell Going on Junketing Trips.**

**Serious News From Japan.**

Advices received by the Oriental Steamship St. Irene indicate that the Japanese government is taking a great interest in the South African war. Upon the recommendation of the general staff of the Japanese army, an officer will be sent to the scene of hostilities for the purpose of gaining a practical knowledge of the strength and tactics of the Boer army. This move on the part of the Japanese, according to the Kobe Chronicle, is indispensable for the reason that Japan may be forced to rely upon the assistance of the British army at a distant date. The Russian minister in Seoul has created considerable stir in the diplomatic circles of Japan by making a demand to have the spheres of influence of the respective powers in Korea defined and has made a proposition to this effect to the ministers of various powers, through Germany's representative. Japan strongly opposes the movement and it is claimed in official circles that Russia has evolved a plan to counteract Japan's influence in Korea.

**Legs Supplied to 37 Soldiers.**

The government is engaged in the artificial limb business on a large scale, being under obligation to furnish these helps to every soldier who loses leg or arm in the service. During the last fiscal year there were provided by Surgeon-General Sternberg 27 artificial legs, four arms, one foot and 149 other appliances for disabled soldiers, including the fitting of 1,088 trusses. Provision hospital treated during the year 1,356 soldiers, and the hospital at Hot Springs, Ark., 187. These figures show something of the hardships of war service from a new point of view. The number of medical officers in the army at the breaking out of the Spanish war was 192. On the 30th of last June there were 393 assistant surgeons, 95 from civil life. During the Spanish war, and up to July 31, this year, 1,563 female nurses were employed by the government. About 300 are now in the service.

**The Liberty Bell.**

The city of Philadelphia is becoming weary of repeated requests to send the old liberty bell junketing across the country from one point to another, to help in the observance of this, that or the other day, and there are signs that the end is in sight of this kind of performance. The latest request comes from Boston, which thinks it cannot properly observe the 125th anniversary of the battle of Bunker Hill without having the old liberty bell on hand. The liberty bell is by all odds the most precious relic of the republic, and if the practice of sending it hither and thither on the request of cities and program committees is to be indulged in without restraint, there will come a day when the bell will be destroyed.

**300 Killed or Wounded in Venezuela.**

Gen. Paredes, a former commander in the army of ex-President Andrade, who had refused the demand made upon him by Gen. Cipriano Castro and the de facto authorities to surrender the town of Porto Cabello, Venezuela, even when this was re-enforced by the request of the British, the French, German and Dutch commanders, surrendered on the morning of the 12th. The aspect of the city is one of ruin and devastation and it is estimated that upwards of 300 persons were killed and wounded during the fight. Dr. Braisted, of the United States cruiser Detroit, and the other surgeons of the various warships in the harbor, are ministering to the wants of the wounded.

**Fire on the Ocean.**

The Hamburg-American steamer Patria, which left New York, Nov. 4, for Hamburg, was destroyed by fire on the 14th while at sea. All the passengers were rescued and taken to Dover. The Russian steamer Ceres sighted the Patria, showing signals of distress and demanding immediate help, about 12 miles from North Hinder lightship. Putting on full steam, the Ceres soon reached the Patria and sending a boat learned that Capt. Frohlich was in urgent need of assistance. The boats were got out and with great difficulty all the Patria's passengers, numbering 150, were transferred to the Ceres, which proceeded for Dover, where she arrived just before midnight.

**Hawaiian School System.**

The active encouragement of education in our new colonial possessions is urged, and the present educational system in Hawaii commended in the annual report of the commissioner of education for the fiscal year just closed. The Hawaiian school system is described as remarkable for its completeness, and it is pointed out that out of a total population of 109,020 in 1896, the school enrollment was 24,000.

## WAR NOTES.

The landing of American troops at San Fabian recently was the most spectacular affair of the kind since Gen. Shafter's disembarkation at Balquira. The co-operation of the troops and the navy was complete. The gunboats maintained a terrific bombardment for an hour, while the troops rushed waist-deep through the surf, under a heavy but badly aimed rifle fire from the insurgent trenches, and charged right and left, pouring volley after volley at the fleeing rebels. Forty Filipinos were captured, mostly non-commissioned officers. Several dead and five wounded insurgents were found in a building which had suffered considerably from the bombardment. The town was well fortified. The sand dunes were riveted with bamboo 20 feet thick, which afforded a fine cover.

A special from Washington says that on behalf of Admiral Dewey and his officers and men, Washington attorneys have asked the court of claims to find that the amount of bounty money due them is \$382,800. The decision of the court will establish a precedent which will effect the amount of bounty to be distributed among the officers and men of the North Atlantic fleet, which destroyed the squadron of Admiral Cervera. If the finding of the court is in accordance with the request Admiral Dewey's share of the bounty will be \$19,194.

Mail advices received at the war department show that the Filipino insurgents have adopted a new method of interference with the military telegraph system. This is done by attaching a fine copper wire to the line, running it down the pole or through the foliage of a tree to the ground, where it is attached to a piece of iron driven into the earth. This effectively cuts off communication and is not easily discovered when once accomplished.

The transport Siam, with 400 horses for service in the Philippines, ran into a typhoon on Sept. 17, losing three horses. On Oct. 1 another typhoon was encountered near Guam island which was very severe, the boat being blown 1,000 miles out of her course. The storm lasted four days and 350 horses were killed. Thousands of sharks followed the vessel, being attracted by the stench and the possibilities of a feast.

Gen. MacArthur, Lawton and Wheaton, who have been engaged in trying to trap Aguinaldo, were again given the slip, according to the following: Col. Bell's regiment and a small force of cavalry entered Tariae, the supposed headquarters of Aguinaldo, on the 12th, without opposition. Where he and his army and the so-called government has fled is a mystery.

Lieut. Johnson with troop M, 3d cavalry, captured 12 barrels containing the wardrobe of Aguinaldo's wife, some personal effects, the records of the secretary of war and much commissary and medical supplies at San Nicholas on the 15th. Senora Aguinaldo probably escaped over the divide, but the secretary of war is thought to be inside the lines.

During the engagement near San Jacinto on Nov. 12, Maj. John A. Logan, while leading his battalion in action, was killed. He was a son of the late Gen. John A. Logan, of Illinois. A widow, two children and his mother survive him. His wife and children are at present residing at Youngstown, O.

According to the annual report of the paymaster-general, it cost \$13,983,174 to maintain in commission the ships in active service in the navy last year. For construction of ships and purchase of ready-built ships \$9,964,456 was expended, while \$6,754,974 was absorbed in repairs to ships.

A dispatch from Manila says seven Americans were killed and 15 wounded in Gen. Wheaton's attack on the town of Salinda, on the 14th, which was stubbornly defended. After a heavy fire the Americans charged and stormed the works. Seventy-seven dead Filipinos were counted in the trenches.

Aguinaldo's secretary and nearly half a battalion of 400 bolomen, together with a large amount of insurgent property was captured by Col. Hayes in the vicinity of Carranglan on the 13th. The party were engaged in transporting Aguinaldo's property over the mountains when captured.

During Gen. MacArthur's advance on the 12th he overtook a large number of deserters of the enemy, who turned over to him some 30 rifles, and reported that the insurgents in that section were short of provisions.

The U. S. cruiser Charleston, which had been patrolling the northern coast of Luzon, was wrecked on a reef off the northwest coast on Nov. 7. All on board were saved.

The 43d U. S. infantry regiment, 1,350 men, embarked on the Meade at Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., on the 14th for Manila. The Logan will sail on the 20th, carrying the 41st infantry.

**Xmas Boxes for Soldiers.**

Christmas boxes for soldiers in Cuba and Porto Rico must not weigh over 20 pounds apiece and must be delivered to Maj. F. B. Jones, Pier 22, Columbia Stores, Brooklyn, prior to Dec. 15. These boxes will go south on the government army transports free and will be delivered to the soldiers through the transportation facilities of the commissariat.

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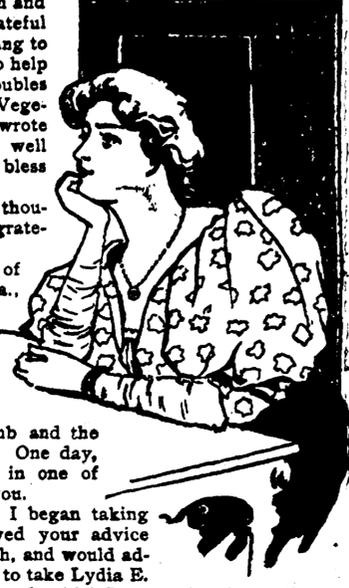
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This week we offer a special bargain for the ladies in our shoe department. Ladies' Fine Vici Kid Shoes, made to sell at \$2.50 and \$3.00, we will sell while they last for only **\$1.98**. You will be surprised when you see them—such Fine, Stylish Shoes at so low price. Ladies' Winter Tan Shoes, heavy soles, just the thing for school wear. Made to sell at \$3.00, our price only **\$1.98**.

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 Men's Box Grain, leather lines, three soles.....\$2.00  
 Men's Seal Waterproof Shoes, three soles, worth \$3.00, only \$2.50  
 Men's Box Calf Shoes at \$2.50, \$3.00 and.....\$3.50  
 Men's Winter Tan Shoes at \$2.50 and.....\$3.50  
 Men's Fine Enamel and Patent Leather Shoes, just received

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 10 lbs Rolled Oats for.....25c.  
 4 lbs best Crackers for.....25c.  
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### WEST PUTNAM.

Kirk VanWinkle began teaching in district number 3 last Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk VanWinkle commenced keeping house last week.

John Commisky has been teaching in the Sprout district since the 13th. The people of that district are to be congratulated on securing so competent a teacher.

T. C. Cooper and R. Baker are working on the residence of D. Monks. The former is embellishing it with a coat of paint and the latter is doing the carpenter work.

For staple and fancy Millinery call at Mrs. C. E. Marston's, Howell, Mich. 447

### UNADILLA.

Wirt Ives of Chelsea spent Sunday with friends in this place.

Born to Bert Hartuff and wife Tuesday Nov. 14, a daughter.

Wm. Pyper and wife spent Tuesday with friends near Munith.

John Watson and wife visited under the parental roof last Thursday.

Mrs. Nancy Wade of Dansville is spending a few days with Janet Webb.

Lon Clark and wife of Stockbridge, visited her parents here last Saturday.

Anson Grimes from near Munith visited at Wm. Pypers last Monday and Tuesday.

Messrs. Haynes and Eckhart from near Eaton Rapids visited at Wm. Laverock's last week.

Richard McKinder went to Lansing last Friday to see about attending the College there this winter.

A few of the members of the Presbyterian church met and straightened up the foundation of their hall last Friday.

A few of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hartsuff met and enjoyed a pleasant time with them Friday evening last.

Sol Signal from Fowlerville was here last Friday and finished taking up the remains of his wife and children who were buried here.

Will Hill, Wife and two children from near Mulliken, Eaton Co., spent the last of last week and the fore part of this with friends here.

The friends and relatives of Geo. Marshall and wife gave them a pleasant surprise last Saturday to remind them they had been married 15 years. After spending a pleasant day they went away, leaving a fine rocker, two fancy plates, a set of silver knives and forks and butter knife.

A farmer near Brighton was fined \$2 and costs last week for tying turkeys legs together to bring to market.

The vault of the Brooklyn bank was blown open Tuesday morning and about \$2,000 secured by the robbers. The bank building was a wreck.

Nov. 29, one day only, Starks gives his regular \$1.50 and \$3 photos for 50c and \$1.

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to hire a married man to work on the farm, by the year. House furnished.

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Horses' tails are protected from mud and rain in wet weather by a newly designed cover, consisting of a tubular sack of rubber or other waterproof material.

Two hundred and forty-eight people have been killed by trolley cars within the limits of the old city of Brooklyn since the introduction of the electric cars.

In the centre of the plaza in Lima is a pretty bronze fountain that was erected in 1578, a gift from some noble Spaniard, and is probably the oldest fountain in America.

The number of failures from all causes in automatic block signals as compared with the total number of movements of each signal does not exceed more than one in 30,000.

Stockholm, Sweden, has probably the largest number of telephones for its population of any city in Europe. There are 23,000 telephones to less than 300,000 inhabitants.

The great army of Smiths in the United States is well represented in the Peerage of England. No less than six Paris' daughters have acquired the surname of Smith by marriage.

George Miller, proprietor of the famous "101" ranch in the Ponca reservation, near White Eagle, Ok., is said to be the most extensive watermelon grower in the world.

In Syria a skilled laborer is paid from 50 cents to \$1 a day. With the exception of a few silk factories, operated by French merchants, there are no larger enterprises whatever.

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Babies and children need proper food, rarely ever medicine. If they do not thrive on their food something is wrong. They need a little help to get their digestive machinery working properly.

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All these are better than we can now buy for these prices, and you will find Saturday a good Towel Day for you with us.

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# MICHIGAN NEWS SUMMARY.

## Doings of the Week Recorded in a Brief Style.

### CONCISE AND INTERESTING.

#### A Holland Drunkard Killed His Wife and Tried to End His Own Existence—Safe Cracker Got \$2,000 at Brooklyn—Other Items.

#### Murder and Suicide at Stockbridge.

The village of Stockbridge is greatly excited by a double tragedy that occurred there on the afternoon of the 23d. Frank and George Bailey, two brothers conducting a bicycle and jewelry repair shop, are the victims. George was shot from the rear by Frank just as he was entering the room, the bullet from a 32-caliber rifle entering the back of his neck, coming out at the mouth. Frank was killed by a bullet from the same gun, which entered between the eyes, coming out at the back of the head. A letter was found on Frank's body written to his sister in Detroit telling her that he feared something was going to happen to himself and George and requesting that they be buried in Dexter or Stockbridge, for he owned a lot in both places. No reason is given in the letter why the deed was done. When found, Frank was just breathing his last. It is thought that insanity was the cause of the tragedy, for Frank had been under a doctor's care for some time in this complaint. He also stated in his letter that he had not been in his right mind for some time. Both parties were well and favorably known.

#### Murder and Suicide at Holland.

At noon on the 21st Alex Crawford, of Holland, shot and killed his wife and then sent a bullet through his own brain. Crawford was a worthless, hard drinking man of 40 years, and as he did not support his wife she refused to live with him. Mrs. Crawford, who was a respected woman of 38 years, earned her own living by dressmaking. On the day of the tragedy Crawford met her by appointment at a friend's house to settle some matter of contention. Calling her to the door he caught hold of her and a terrible struggle ensued. He fired a 38-caliber revolver twice without inflicting a scratch on the struggling woman, but the third time placed the weapon close to her left temple and fired, and his victim sank to the ground. Without hesitation he turned the revolver on himself and dropped beside his victim. Mrs. Crawford lived 20 minutes, and the perpetrator of the crime has no chance of recovery.

#### Robbers Made a Good haul at Brooklyn.

The safe in the Exchange Savings bank at Brooklyn was blown open by burglars early on the morning of the 21st, and over \$2,000 in currency stolen. The job was the work of three men. Entrance to the bank building was made by breaking the transom window over the front door. This transom is a little more than six feet from the sidewalk and it is supposed that one of the men stood upon the shoulders of the other two men while he broke out the glass, and then crawled inside and tore off the bolts which fastened the door, admitting his companions. The institution is protected by a burglar insurance and will lose nothing.

#### Remarkable Surgical Operation.

The 5-year-old son of Wm. Sutherland, of Kalamazoo, has successfully undergone a very unusual surgical operation. The little fellow was known to be suffering from some intestinal trouble, and the knife revealed two large cancers, half on the small intestine and half on the large intestine and appendix. About a foot and a half of the bowels were removed and the ends joined with a button. The moment the little fellow came out from under the chloroform he jumped up crying "Oh, how hungry I am." The patient is improving rapidly and no signs of discouraging symptoms are apparent.

#### Are Pushing the Work.

The tracklayers on the extension of the Lowell & Hastings railroad from Lowell to Greenville have gotten as far as Belding, and the work is going along at such a rate that it is expected that the first train can be run over the road by December 1. The opening of the new line means much to Belding, which has heretofore had no railroad connection with the outside world except a little stub from the main line of the Detroit, Grand Rapids & Western.

#### Killed Three Deer in Less Than a Minute.

Cash Centela, the 12-year-old son of a Polish farmer of near Alpena, distinguished himself on the 16th by killing three large buck deer in less time than a minute, and would have killed a doe inside of the minute's time he had not run out of shells. He was stationed on a runway and as the bucks came bounding along he dropped all three. Each of the bucks weighed over 300 pounds. The doe was subsequently shot by Centela's brother.

#### Ex-Patrolman James J. Spillane, of Detroit, committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor about midnight on the 19th.

## STATE NEWS.

Dogs are killing sheep at a good rate in the vicinity of Niles.

Port Huron Democrats are after the next state convention.

Tawas City was scorched to the extent of \$10,000 on the 22d.

Van Buren's local option law is to be tested in the supreme court.

Farmers around Ridgeway complain of the Hessian fly in their wheat.

The Galt house, an old land mark at Niles, was reduced to ashes on the 19th.

Claud North, of Homer, got 90 days at the Detroit house of correction for stealing \$15.

By the explosion of a lamp \$5,000 worth of property at Ann Arbor was destroyed on the 19th.

Alpena is to have a new factory which will manufacture starch, bluing and other grocery staples.

Northville has secured a linoleum and curtain shade factory. The company is capitalized at \$50,000.

John Page, aged 78; of Hillsdale, was sentenced to six years at Ionia on the 21st for burning a barn in 1898.

The Tamarack Mining company will build a miners' hospital at Calumet next summer which will cost \$25,000.

Many farmers living in the neighborhood of New Hudson, Oakland county, are plowing for their spring crops.

The school population of Eaton county is 8,441. Charlotte leads with 957. Oneida has 852 and Sunfield 630.

Chas. G. Cavanaugh, of St. Ignace, who was editor and publisher of the St. Ignace News for 18 years, is dead.

Grand Rapids Hollanders have raised \$950 for the Boer Red Cross fund in the Transvaal, and expect to make it \$1,000 or better.

A hoop mill at East Tawas was destroyed by fire on the evening of the 21st, entailing a loss of \$20,000, with only \$2,000 insurance.

Kalamazoo's street fair was a financial success. All premiums and expenses have been paid and there is a snug sum in the treasury.

Wallace Witchell, of Escanaba, fell into a vat of boiling water at the Escanaba Woodenware Co. and was instantly killed on the 18th.

The continued springlike weather is a fine thing for farmers to finish their husking, as the crop is unusually heavy in most sections of the state.

The soil around Three Rivers must be very poor. One fruit grower near there has spent \$7,000 for fertilizers for his land in the past four years.

A flouring mill will soon be in operation again at Lake Odessa, a new mill having been built on the site of the one that was burned last winter.

Northville is to have a bell foundry again, a company having been organized and the buildings, patterns, etc., of the old bell company purchased.

There have been a number of cases of appendicitis in Morenci the past three months. No less than 18 cases—three of them fatal—have been reported.

Contrary to the announced made last spring that the state treasury would be "busted" about this date, there is in reality \$761,377.64 to the credit of the several funds.

Surveyors are now at work laying out a route for the extension of the South Haven & Eastern railroad from Lawton, the present eastern terminus, to Schoolcraft.

Minnie Palmer, aged 12, of Berrien county, got a judgment of \$5,000 against Sylvester Parks on the charge of assault and battery. Parks is 75 years of age and is wealthy.

The apple evaporators at Bloomingdale have closed their season's business. During the last three months they have paid out over \$15,000 to farmers for apples and to their employees.

Allegan may get a pickle factory before next season, which would be a good thing for farmers of that vicinity, furnishing them a market for all the cucumbers they might grow.

C. R. Ferguson, of Almont, raised 20 acres of chicory this year by way of experiment, and got nearly \$1,500 for the crop. It went over 12 tons to the acre, and brought \$6 per ton.

A lady in Oakland township is the mother of twins—a girl and a boy. She has named the boy Henry and the girl Etta, and when she speaks of them collectively she calls them Henrietta.

Before the recent rains the farmers were averse to driving on the new stone road recently made into Capac, but since then they now are glad to use it, and it is the making of a fine road bed.

The long-continued warm weather has practically ruined the apples of farmers around Belding, and now their potatoes are beginning to rot in the pits where they have been placed for the winter.

Thomas Goedert, convicted in circuit court at Menominee of assaulting Mrs. Mares, an aged lady residing on a farm in Menominee county, has been sentenced to 25 years in the branch prison at Marquette.

During the month of October 98 samples of food products were analyzed by the state pure food commissioner. Forty-three samples were proved pure and 49 adulterated. There are 13 cases brought by the commissioner for violating the pure food laws now pending.

Hershey has 400 inhabitants and claims to have more professional men than any other town of its size in Michigan, namely, seven ministers of the gospel, four doctors, three lawyers, all of whom are making a living.

Mrs. Emma Jameson, of Grand Rapids, who has been suing Robt. Ramsey, the Portland bridge contractor, for \$10,000 for an alleged breach of promise, has lost her suit. It is thought the case will go to the supreme court.

The electric railway which is to run between Rochester and Orion will, if some unforeseen delay does not occur, be in operation by the first of the new year. The roadbed is now graded to within less than six miles of Orion.

Ottawa county boasts of two centenarian residents, both women. Mrs. Ostrosser, of Port Sheldon, the elder of the two, has 108 years to her credit, and Mrs. Sylvia Duram, of near Coopersville, is a good second at 103 years.

Chas. R. Mains, the attorney recently barred from practice in this state, has started a suit for \$200,000 against nine persons, whom he claims have either individually or collectively ruined the business of the Homer Steel Fence Co.

An old law seldom used was enforced at Brighton the other day when a farmer was brought before a justice on a charge of cruelty to turkeys, 12 of which he had tied by the legs so they could not run away. He was fined \$2 and costs.

Iosco county residents want a grand jury to investigate charges against officers of the defunct State Savings bank of East Tawas, officers of a building loan association and a county official, against whom serious charges are floating around.

The chances are good for the location at Bellaire of a canning factory which will give employment to 150 hands during the summer season, besides providing a market for the tomatoes, beans, apples and other products of the farmers in the vicinity.

Calhoun county farmers seem to be alive to the benefits of rural free delivery of mail, as petitions are being circulated in a number of townships asking that the service be established. Nearly every farmer who is applied to signs the petitions.

Corunna has a bread war started by a new baker in town named Hayes. He has cut the price to three cents a loaf and another baker has gone him one better by offering the same price and a rebate of one cent when the paper sack is returned.

A movement has been started in Gratiot county to agitate for submission at the spring election of the question of local option for the county. The petitions requesting such submission must be signed by at least one-third of the voters in the county.

James Harwood, while hunting in the hills 12 miles south of St. Joseph, shot and killed a large panther. The animal had been in the vicinity for years, and it is believed that Albert Croll, who disappeared a few years ago, was killed by the brute.

Frank Tilton is the name of a painter and paperhanger at Allegan who doesn't have to bother with a ladder when doing inside work. He stands six feet eight inches in his bare feet, and his extreme height is a great convenience to him in his trade.

At the Michigan State Sunday School convention, which closed at Battle Creek on the 16th, Kalamazoo county won the prize banner contest; Grand Traverse second, Hillsdale third, Calhoun fourth and Gratiot fifth. Wayne county led in amounts pledged.

Big Rapids grocers are having a price-cutting war, and the residents of the city are showing their appreciation of the state of affairs by investing all their surplus funds in staple groceries, many of which are being sold at less than they usually cost the grocers.

The American Writing Paper company, a New Jersey corporation, with a capital stock of \$25,000,000, filed articles of incorporation with Secretary of State Stearns on the 22d. It cost the company the snug sum of \$12,500 for the privilege of doing business in Michigan.

The proposition of the Kalamazoo Electric Co. to take the city electric lighting plant off their hands and furnish the city with lights, furnished from the Allegan dam dynamos, has been discussed sometime by the city council of Kalamazoo, and will probably submit the matter to the people at the spring election.

Charles Sheldon, of St. Johns, has a pet fox which he thought was about the cutest little pet that ever meandered down the highway—until he got loose and depopulated several hencoops in the neighborhood and he had to foot the bill for damages presented by the owners of the deceased fowls. Now the fox isn't so cute but what he would sell it for 30 cents.

At the October session of the Calhoun county board of supervisors a committee of three was appointed to investigate the accounts of the superintendent of the poor. The committee was in session nearly two weeks, and as a consequence it was deemed expedient to call a special session of the board. This was done and a number of discrepancies were found in the way of overdrafts and duplicate bills, which brings the total shortage up to nearly \$1,200.

## FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

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

#### RELIABLE AND INTERESTING.

#### The Yaqui Indians of Mexico Will Lay Down Their Arms if the Land Granted Them Under the Original Treaty is Restored to Them.

#### Will Quit Fighting if Land is Restored.

A delegation of Yaqui Indian squaws recently arrived at Ortiz, Mex., on the way to Guayamas. They are the bearers of a message from the chiefs of the tribes to President Diaz, which they expect to forward through the military officer in command at Guayamas. In this message the Indians offer to lay down their arms provided the conditions existing when the recent outbreak occurred are restored. This means that the land awarded to the Indians under the original treaty of peace be given back to them. The squaws say the Indians refuse to negotiate for peace through Gen. Torres because he kills all Yaqui prisoners who fall into his hands.

#### Wholesale Slaughter at Chicago.

A wholesale slaughter of human beings was committed at Chicago on Nov. 17, when Cornelius Corcoran shot and killed three of his children and fatally wounded the fourth and then killed himself. A few days before Corcoran administered laudanum to his five children. He claimed the poison was given them by mistake and was not molested by the authorities. One of the children, however, dying from the effects of the poison the day previous to the shooting. The man was insane.

#### Now the Property of the Admiral's Son.

Admiral Dewey transferred the deed to the house and lot in Washington, which was presented to him by popular subscription, to his wife on the 20th. The following day Mrs. Dewey transferred the property to the admiral's son, George Goodwin Dewey. This round-about way was taken in order to make the transfer hold good, it being the wish of the admiral and his wife that a proper succession to the property be made. The admiral will occupy it so long as he lives.

#### The Treaty Killed.

A special from Tallahatchee, I. T., says: The Cherokee council on the 23d by a vote of 16 to 22 declined to extend the time for congress to ratify the late Cherokee agreement. This kills the treaty for all time to come and leaves the Cherokees at the mercy of the Curtis bill in all its details. An attempt will be made to create a new treaty commission, but no hope is entertained that such a measure will be successful.

#### Democratic Campaign Opened.

The Democratic national campaign for 1900 was practically inaugurated on the 20th when the members of the national Democratic executive committee met in secret session in Chicago. The campaign for 1900 will doubtless be directed from Chicago as in 1896. However a big delegation from Milwaukee, Kansas City and Cincinnati was present and proclaimed the advantages of their respective cities.

## BRIEF NEWS PARAGRAPHS.

The executive committee of the Republican National league will meet in Washington, Dec. 12, to fix up the time and place for its convention in 1900.

Lady Salisbury, wife of the premier of England, who had been in ill-health for a long time past, suffering a second stroke of paralysis in July last, died on the 20th.

Ten thousand smuggled pearls of all sizes, some imitation and some genuine gems, were seized by the customs officials in New York city on the 20th. The value of the entire lot is estimated at \$50,000.

A dispatch from Sydney, N. S. W., says that a disastrous civil war has broken out in the British possessions of New Guinea, 11 villages having been obliterated, with a heavy slaughter of the inhabitants.

Six men were killed and four seriously, if not fatally injured in an accident on the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railroad at Humboldt, 20 miles west of Sioux Falls, S. D., on the evening of the 19th.

The Union stock yards and allied interests have on foot a plan to hold in Chicago about next November an international live stock exposition which, to that industry, will be what the world's fair was to all industries.

Five congressmen, Bailey, Curtis, Bowersock and Miller have declared against the seating of Roberts, of Utah. Miller says the people of Utah have not kept faith with the United States in that they have violated the pledge given that polygamy should cease.

The St. Charles hotel and six other buildings at Wagoner, I. T., were destroyed by fire on the 19th. The hotel was filled with guests, and there were several narrow escapes. One guest, a Fort Smith traveling man named Whiteside, was burned to death. Two others, names unknown, are missing.

## WAR NOTES.

Thirty insurgents under a major escaped from Bayombong on the 19th about 10 minutes before the Americans entered. Others, it is said, threw their guns into the river and now play the role of Amigos. Many Spanish prisoners escaped from the Filipinos and are at Bayombong, among them former governors or the provinces of Parlac and Zambales. There is also quite a large colony of former insurgent officers collected at that point, including Maj. Ortiz, who acted as interpreter for the Filipino commission, headed by Gen. Alejandrino, which visited Manila in September. Ortiz has donned the Amigo clothing and announces that he has abandoned the insurrection. The Spaniards say that the new insurgent capital is Benguet, and that the American prisoners are at Camitin. They report having seen Lieut. Gilmore and his party in the north.

Officers and soldiers arriving at Cabañatuan from Gen. Lawton's force describe the campaign as one of great hardships. Many men dropping out sick were left at various towns without adequate supplies and attendance, some of them making their way back across the terrible roads. A number of the soldiers and horses have died, and even some of the officers are marching on, half-naked, their clothes having been torn to pieces in getting through the jungles. Some of them are reduced almost to breech-clouts, and hundreds are barefooted, their shoes being worn out, and all are living on any sort of provisions. Bread is rare and carabao meat and bananas are the chief staples.

The whereabouts of Gens. Lawton and Young is becoming as mysterious as Aguinaldo's. The belief is beginning to grow at Manila that Gen. Lawton has struck the trail of the insurgent "government" and is pursuing the ministers into the Binquina mountains. It has been his ambition to capture the Filipino leaders and he and Gen. Young believe that a cavalry brigade, living on the country, could run them down to any part of the island. One vague report brought by Spanish prisoners is that Aguinaldo and others were nearly surrounded by Americans soon after the insurgent chief left Parlac, but he escaped through the lines in peasant's clothes.

There has been a revival of insurgent activity south of Manila, particularly in Cavite province. At Imus on the 19th the Filipinos fired a smooth-bore cannon, but this was soon silenced by the American artillery. In the course of the morning Maj. Cowles with a battalion of the 4th infantry and two guns scattered the enemy from the districts around Imus and in the direction of Perez das Marinas. The Americans could not pursue the retreating insurgents because their ammunition was exhausted. The Filipinos were under the command of Gen. Mariano Trias.

The American occupation of the country between Manila and Dagupan is proceeding with a rush. Gen. MacArthur is now in the vicinity of Dagupan, which place Gens. Wheaton or Lawton will probably occupy. The railroad is practically intact beyond Bamban, except for a space five miles to the north and the rails for that portion have been discovered. Large quantities of rolling stock have, however, been destroyed. Gen. MacArthur is moving his troops by train and the roads within Gen. Lawton's territory are becoming passable.

Two columns, one from Imus and the other from Bacoor, converged on the Zapote bridge on the 19th where they found a deserted Filipino camp. Two troops of the 4th cavalry, four companies of the 4th infantry and two guns of Capt. Riley's battery proceeded to Anaboo, south of Imus, and came upon the enemy entrenched at that point. They scattered the Filipinos, but as the latter was subsequently reinforced, the Americans returned to Imus under fire, seven of our men being wounded. Our scouts found 15 dead insurgents at Anaboo.

The navy department has about concluded arrangements for bringing to this country the bodies of the 166 sailors of the Maine now interred in Colon cemetery, Havana. It is proposed to assign a warship to this duty between December and February next. The bodies will be brought to Washington and interred in Arlington national cemetery with suitable honors.

Capt. Leonhaeuser recently accomplished one of the best coups of the war. Reaching O'Donnell by a night march from Capas, on Nov. 18, he surprised the insurgent force, numbering 200, and captured all of them, with their arms, 10,000 rounds of ammunition and four tons of subsistence. One Filipino was killed, but there were no American casualties.

The wreckers working on the sunken Spanish armored cruiser, Almirante Oquendo, on the 21st discovered a chest containing \$19,999 in Spanish gold, which the Cendoya Co., the firm employing the divers, will retain. The estimated amount the wrecking companies have thus far found aboard Spanish wrecks is \$500,000.

A solid silver loving cup was received at Tompkinsville, Staten Island, on the 22d, for Rear Admiral Winfield Scott Schley. It came from the citizens of St. Louis, and was sent out to the admiral's flagship, the Chicago, which is lying off the government anchorage.

# KITTY'S HUSBAND

By Author of "Hetty," Etc.

## CHAPTER XIII.—(Continued.)

After much opposition on my part and quiet, steady determination on John's, Meg was sent for. She was not a very attentive, but she was a very cheery nurse. She forgot my medicine one hour, and gave me a double dose cheerily the next, and laughed gaily at her own mistakes. And in spite of her mistakes, I got well quickly.

But, long after I was well, Meg continued to stay on with me.

"You have nicer dinners than we have at home," she would confess with sweetest candor, "and your chairs are softer. And I feel that I am doing an act of benevolence in staying. I save you and John from eternal tete-a-tete. Now confess, Kitty, that you are duly grateful."

I was silent.

"Silence means confession," Meg declared.

She stayed through almost all November with us. Whenever she spoke of going John gravely interposed and begged her to remain; and she remained willingly. Sometimes I wished ungratefully that she would go and leave me alone; but John seemed to have more fear than I of those tete-a-tete talks from which she saved us.

Yet, one day, it struck me that John, too, was growing tired of her long visit. Meg was late in coming down stairs; he and I were alone for a minute at breakfast. He held his paper, but he was not reading it; presently he put it down. Glancing across at him, I was pained to see how worried and anxious he was looking.

"Meg is staying all this week, Kitty?" he asked me suddenly as he caught my questioning glance.

"Yes, she is," I said; and he took up his paper again with a little sigh.

"I think not," said John. "Tell me whose it is."

"I am very sorry. I cannot tell you. It is a private correspondent."

Meg said no more. She relinquished the letter meekly, and John took it unopened into his study and did not appear again.

## CHAPTER XIV.

It was a cold, boisterous day, but I had shopping to do, and was out alone all the afternoon. I came in to find Meg sitting pensively before the fire, her hair untidy, her morning dress unchanged, her elbows on her knees, her chin on her hands. She was looking before her into the fire with a far-away gaze, and started when I entered the room; she looked round at me, her eyes laughing, and yet with something of mingled melancholy in their depths.

"Why, what are you doing, Meg?" I asked.

"Thinking, dear—an uncommon thing," answered she; and she shook back her hair, rippling, pretty hair, and seemed as though she would shake away her thoughts with the same impatient gesture. "I've seen a ghost," she said. "The vision has been haunting me all day. Don't I look like it? I've seen the ghost of an old love, Kitty."

She spoke lightly, scoffingly, and yet there was an undercurrent of deeper meaning in her tone. I knelt down upon the rug beside her chair, and she put her elbows once more upon her knees and her chin upon her hands, and again looked musingly into the fire before her.

"You didn't know I had an old love?" she said, still in a scoffing tone. "You didn't know that I went about the world with the smallest possible fraction of a heart, did you, Kitty?"

"No, not as young as I," she said drily. He must have left school ten years before. He had left college. He had left the bar—I think perhaps he had left half a dozen other professions which he never mentioned. Oh, yes, Kitty, he was in every way a hero, old enough, tall enough, dark enough, wicked enough, I dare say!"

"You were in love with him, Meg?"

"I thought I was, dear. One can imagine most things when one is sixteen, or a little over."

"How did it end, Meg?"

"It didn't end. He left a note one day with the golden haired lady, asking me to go for a walk with him by the Serpentine. I left a note in answer to say that I would come. I went; but he forgot the appointment. He never wrote to me any more. I have not seen him or heard of him from that time to this. I have often been very glad."

It was hard to know what to say. I sat looking at her thoughtfully.

"The letter that came for John this morning was from him?" I asked.

"Yes—I am sure of it," said Meg.

She rose from her seat, humming a scrap of a song.

"I shall go and dress now," she said. "When one tells one's love stories one should always tell them in picturesque dishabille. Did I look sufficiently love-lorn? Did I amuse you, Kitty? Well, I am tired of looking ugly; I shall go and dress."

She went away, still humming, up the stairs, and I sat reflecting on all that she had said. Was Meg laughing, or was she in earnest. I did not know. So deep was I in thought that I did not hear the door open, did not hear John enter.

"Kitty," he said in a quick tone, less calm and steady than was his wont, "I want to speak to you. Come into the study with me; I want to speak to you alone."

"Meg has gone upstairs," I observed, rising obediently, however to follow him.

He closed the study door behind us, and drew forward a chair toward the fire for me. It was weeks since I had sat alone thus in John's study with him. I looked around the room. It somehow looked more dreary than it had been wont to look. The dust lay thickly on the chimney piece and writing table; there were no flowers anywhere; the hearth looked dirty; the fire burnt dull and low, and John himself had changed since I had sat there with him last. He looked sadder, older.

"Kitty," he said, standing before me, one elbow on the chimney-piece, and looking down at me. "I am going to entrust you with an important secret."

He waited. I looked gravely at him, and did not answer.

"I feel sure that I can trust you."

"Yes," I replied simply, "you can trust me."

(To be continued.)



I DON'T SEE WHY I SHOULDN'T TELL YOU.

and it again struck me that he did not read it.

Meg came down stairs, gaily humming as she came. As she passed through the hall the postman arrived, and she brought in the letters, looking carefully in a perfectly open way at each one. Suddenly the smile faded from her face; she glanced quickly at John with a half-questioning, half-startled look.

John rose and put out his hand to take the letters. He was more eager than usual to obtain them. Meg gave them to him slowly, one by one.

"Only three," she said. "One from Madame Arnaud. One from a person who ought to go back to copy-books—"

John took the letters she held out to him. She still retained the third. "Let me have the other, Meg," he said in a tone of tired forbearance.

She put the letter down upon the table, but she was still holding it.

"Whose writing is that?" she asked.

John's face puzzled me. He was evidently striving against a sharp, impatient answer. He was anxious to obtain possession of the letter, and anxious that Meg should not any longer examine it. Meg, too, was graver than her wont as she stood looking doubtfully, first at him, then again at the handwriting on the envelope.

"I know that writing," she said half-angrily.

On the whole, I got on very well. One enjoys the world better without a heart than with one, I think. Pretty bonnets are more satisfactory than lovers."

"Meg," I said, looking closely and curiously at her. "I don't understand you—I don't understand a bit what you are meaning."

"Nor I," said Meg, with an odd little laugh that was half a sigh. "A person who has seen a ghost may be allowed to be half-witted for half a day. I saw a ghost at breakfast-time this morning. I took it in from the postman at the door. It is residing now in John's study, I suppose. And, if it were not for an old-fashioned idea of honor, I would go and rifle John's study and try to find it."

"Are you talking about the letters, Meg, that you took this morning?"

"Oh, wise Kitty! About one of those letters. Yes."

I looked at her in perplexity. For many minutes she did not speak again.

"I have a score of love-letters all in that same handwriting," she said at last, turning her head to smile at me—"the only love letters I ever had, or ever shall have. Preserve me from having any more."

She clasped her hands behind her head and laughed.

"It was such a foolish affair, so childish, so silly," she added, with a lingering regret in her scornful tone. "I thought I had forgotten all about it!"

"Tell me about it, Meg."

"Tell you about it, Kitty? Thank you, dear, I would rather not."

I did not urge her any further. With her hands clasped behind her head, she sat looking before her. Presently she turned and looked musingly at me.

"I don't see why I shouldn't tell you," she said. "It may amuse you. Poor little Kitty! Life is dull enough for you; you want a glimpse of comedy now and then to make you smile. Well, smile at this. When I was sixteen, Kitty, I lost my heart. I had a lover—my only lover—laugh, dear."

"I don't want to laugh, Meg."

"Don't you? Is the story so tragic? I assure you it's comic, too. I used to play truant from school in order to go for walks with him. Was that comic or tragic or only improper?"

"Who was he, Meg?"

"His name doesn't matter, dear. He, at all events, thought that it didn't matter. He called himself Arthur Leslie. I found out afterwards that the rest of the world called him Arthur St. John."

"That was Madame Arnaud's name," I said vaguely.

"He was related in some way, I think, to Madame Arnaud. It was from him that I first heard of her; we were talking about the theater, and he told me her story, though not quite as I have heard it since. I don't know why I am telling you all this. I don't know why I am thinking of it. I ought to be ashamed to remember such a silly episode. I used to write letters on pages of my exercise-books and leave them for him at a pastry cook's. He used to leave his letters for me every day at the same place, and a young lady with golden ringlets would hand them to me with an adulated smile. The same young lady is at the same pastry cook's still. I never go through that street—"

Meg's lips were trembling a little though her eyes were laughing at me.

"How long is this ago?" I asked.

"Oh, a century ago! When I was sixteen, nearly four years ago."

"And no one knew?"

"No one. Only the golden haired lady who sold us jam-puffs and lemonade and ices."

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## TRANSVAAL WAR ITEMS.

Callers at the United States embassy in London on the 21st were informed that the United States was no longer able to forward messages or secure information regarding the British prisoners, President Kruger having refused the request to permit Consul Macrum to transmit a list of British prisoners. Though Mr. Macrum apparently still remains the nominal agent of Great Britain, he is practically deprived of all powers pertaining to the position.

A dispatch from Estcourt dated Nov. 20th says a hard-fought battle took place at Ladysmith on the 15th lasting from daybreak until 2 o'clock in the afternoon, in which many Boers were killed and many taken prisoners. Another battle took place on the 16th which is described as the heaviest yet fought. The number of Boers killed is estimated at a number of hundreds, while the British losses were comparatively small.

A severe battle was fought at Belmont on the 23d. Gen. Methuen, of the British army, claims a complete victory. The British losses were 58 killed, 158 wounded and 10 missing. The Boer casualties are known to have been heavy and 40 were made prisoners. It is also reported that the Dutch in the Broken Nail district continue to rise, and a body of armed Dutch have already joined the Burghers in the field.

The British transport Kildonan Castle, said to be the largest transport in the world, which left Southampton, Nov. 4, with 3,000 men, their kits, weapons, machine guns, ammunition, balloons, pontoons, wagons, etc., arrived at Cape Town on the 22d. About 35,000 of Gen. Buller's army corps have now arrived.

Gen. Snyman, who is outside of Mafeking, reports heavy fighting on the afternoon of the 20th. The British bravely fired on the French cannon and Boer forts. The Boers replied, bombarding the British forts with good effect. The loss of the British is unknown. One Boer was wounded.

The Boer commando from Rouville, 450 strong, entered Aliwal North on the 13th and hoisted the flags of both republics in the market square, proclaiming the district republican territory. The Britishers were given 14 days' notice to quit.

Sir Alfred Milner, governor of Cape Colony and British high commissioner, has issued a proclamation declaring that the Boer proclamation annexing territory, impressing men or seizing goods are null and void, and should not be obeyed.

A British dispatch from Estcourt, dated Nov. 19, reports everything quiet. The Boers are encamped six miles away, and the British are confident that their forces are sufficiently strong to repulse an attack.

The military authorities have given permission to the Canadian contingent, on its arrival at Cape Town to march through the city, which will be beautifully decorated and the day will be observed as a holiday.

The official returns of the Transvaal casualties since the outbreak of the war show that 90 men have been killed and 200 wounded, of whom a number have recovered and returned to the front.

President Kruger has refused the American consul at Pretoria permission to take charge of money sent by England to procure comforts for the British prisoners of war.

The Irish Transvaal committee has appealed for funds to enable it to send an ambulance to the Irish brigade in the Boer service.

Martial law has been proclaimed in many towns in Cape Colony by the governor, owing to the presence of so many Boers.

On the 18th 50 British prisoners, including men of the Royal Fusiliers and several blue jackets, were taken to Pretoria.

The Boers have cut the telegraph wires between Durban and Estcourt, making it impossible to get direct communication.

Smallpox has broken out in the 48th regiment (colored) at San Francisco.

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There is a Class of People Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over one-fourth as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cents and 25 cents per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

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Best grades	4.25	4.00	4.00	4.30
Lower grades	3.75	3.50	3.50	4.00
Chicago	4.00	3.75	3.75	4.00
Best grades	4.00	3.75	3.75	4.00
Lower grades	3.50	3.25	3.25	3.75
Detroit	3.75	3.50	3.50	3.90
Best grades	3.75	3.50	3.50	3.90
Lower grades	3.25	3.00	3.00	3.75
Buffalo	3.50	3.25	3.25	3.80
Best grades	3.50	3.25	3.25	3.80
Lower grades	3.00	2.75	2.75	3.50
Cincinnati	3.50	3.25	3.25	3.80
Best grades	3.50	3.25	3.25	3.80
Lower grades	3.00	2.75	2.75	3.50
Pittsburg	3.50	3.25	3.25	3.80
Best grades	3.50	3.25	3.25	3.80
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GRAIN, ETC.			
	Wheat	Corn	Oats
New York	72c	30c	24c
Chicago	71c	29c	23c
Detroit	69c	28c	22c
Toledo	68c	27c	21c
Cincinnati	71c	29c	23c
Pittsburg	71c	29c	23c
Buffalo	70c	28c	22c

Detroit—Hay No. 1 Timothy, \$11.50 per ton. Potatoes, 35c per lb. Live Poultry, spring chickens, 75c per lb. fowls, 64c, turkeys, 8c; ducks, 7c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 10c per dozen. Butter, best dairy 20c per lb. creamery, 35c.