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LOCAL NEWS.

Quite a snow storm Tuesday night. Less than two weeks before Christmas. A fine and much needed rain the first of the week.

Mrs. W. A. Reynolds is visiting relatives in Detroit.

Reason and Shehan expect to be in their new store by next week.

Miss Iva Halsted spent the past week with home friends in Leslie.

Mrs. A. J. Wilhelm visited relatives in Iosco a couple of days last week.

C. V. VanWinkle and wife are in Lansing in attendance at the state farmers' institute.

Teepie & Cadwell are shipping wood to Jackson this week; Pinckney is a good wood market.

Ethel Graham spent Saturday and Sunday with her uncle, A. B. Green and family, at Stockbridge.

The house belonging to Mrs. H. D. Grieve, now occupied by Will Shehan is being treated to a coat of paint.

Do not forget the concert tomorrow (Friday) evening. Show the young people that you take an interest in their work.

Geo. Teepie received one day last week a pair of carrier pigeons by mail and will raise some if he has good luck. The pair is registered.

W. D. Thompson has moved into the Potterton house, formerly owned by E. A. Mann. He will remain in the village during the winter.

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church will hold a tea at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Green Wednesday evening Dec. 20, from 5 until all are served.

Miss Margaret Maloney and Miss Anna Spears left today for Indiana to visit friends. Miss Anna will also visit in Kentucky and Georgia before her return.

The social at the home of J. A. Cadwell on Friday evening was well attended and everyone enjoyed themselves. The Cong'l Sunday School was made the richer by \$3.70.

The people of this place were pained to learn last week that Walter Mann of Detroit who fell from a tree and broke his right arm, had to have it amputated above the elbow. The bone was too badly crushed to save the arm.

This is the month to pay your taxes.

W. B. Darrow has a Christmas adv. on page 5 of this issue.

Geo. Sigler was under the doctors care the first of the week.

Geo. Schoenhals of Genoa, was the guest of friends here Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Chas. Simpson visited his sister in Owosso this week.

F. E. Wright has a special adv. on page 4. Do not fail to read it.

Chas. Coe and daughter of New York are guest of F. E. Wright and family.

Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Bennett of Fowlerville spent Sunday with relatives here.

Coming, Coming, Coming, Jan. 1st 1900 Hoyt Conery. The Man about Town.

Mrs. Harriet Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Lionel Clark of Flint spent the latter part of last week and the first of this with W. A. Carr and family.

The show windows of our business places are resplendent in fancy goods for the holiday trade. Pinckney is the best town in the county to buy Xmas goods.

Do not forget that the DISPATCH makes a very desirable Christmas present to a friend who has moved away. Every week it would bring to remembrance the giver.

The K. O. T. M. society of this place hold their election of officers on Friday evening of this week which will be followed by a supper. All members are requested to be present.

Rev. E. W. Ryan D. D. will lecture in the Hamburg M. E. church Saturday evening Dec. 16 1899. Subject, "Who shall have our boys." Admission 10c. For the benefit of the Hamburg M. E. church.

A birthday quilting party was given to the friends of Miss Norma Vaughn on Saturday last, in honor of Miss Norma's tenth birthday. The little folks enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon and Norma was the recipient of several fine and useful presents.

N. G. Riley, who has been teaching a class and giving private lessons in voice culture at this place for several weeks will give a concert assisted by his class, on Friday evening of this week, at the M. E. church. Mr. Riley has met with excellent success here and the entertainment should be well attended as it will consist entirely of home talent with the exception of some selections by Mr. Riley. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

End of the Year Sale,

Sale commencing Dec. 14, closing Dec. 24, '99.

We have always given our customers a chance to buy goods under their value for the last two weeks in the year, AND WILL NOT DISAPPOINT ANY OF YOU THIS YEAR.

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All Dark Best Prints at	5c.	All Best Light Prints at	4c.
All 10c Tennis Flannel	8c.	All 7c Tennis Flannel	6c.
All 5c Tennis Flannel	4 1/2c.		

In Dress Goods.

All Dress Goods will be sold at Actual Cost.

In Underwear.

Men's heavy fleeced garments 41c. Ladies' heavy fleeced garment 41c. We have some odd sizes in Misses' and Children's underwear, in both cotton and wool, will sell 1/2 off.

Our line of Handkerchiefs, Mufflers and Ties is very good and the prices the lowest.	Ladies' \$2.50 Shoe	1.99
All \$1 Corsets at	Ladies' \$2.00 Shoe	1.62
All 50c Corsets at	All odds and ends in Ladies' Shoes	89c.
Heavy all linen Crash at 6c	Ladies' fleeced wrappers	\$1.10
" " " 7c	Ladies' best print wrappers	85c.
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In Shoes

Men's fine box calf, \$3.00 Shoe	\$2.49	Ladies' \$2.50 Shoe	1.99
Men's fine box calf \$3.00 tan shoe	2.49	Ladies' \$2.00 Shoe	1.62
Men's fine Vici kid \$3.50 Shoe	2.60	All odds and ends in Ladies' Shoes	89c.
Men's fine calf \$1.75 Shoe	1.35	Ladies' fleeced wrappers	\$1.10
Men's fine calf \$1.50 Shoe	1.20	Ladies' best print wrappers	85c.
Boy's Calf \$1.35 Shoe	1.00		
Boy's heavy calf \$1.75 Shoe	1.35		
Ladies hand-turned fine kid \$3.00	2.49		

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25c Coffee	21c
20c Coffee	17c
15c Coffee	12c
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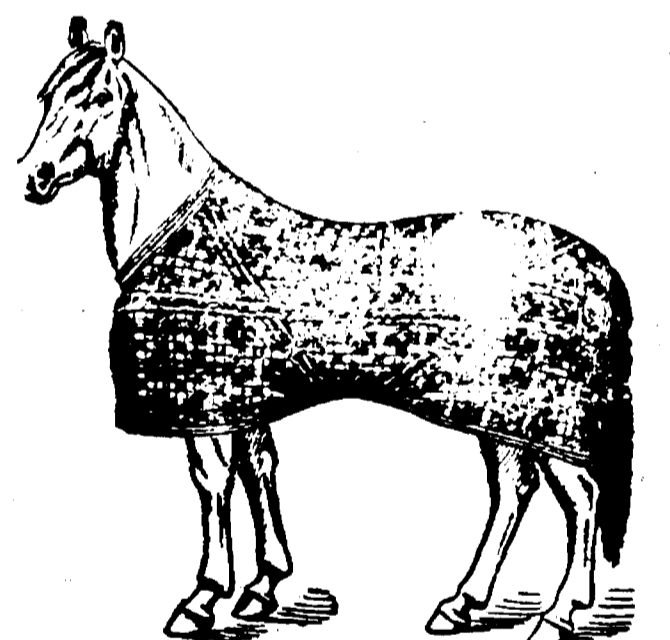
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25 pc. best Standard print at	4 1/2c per yd.
15 pc. Tennis Flannel at	4 and 4 1/2c per yd.
Ladies' Black Hose	2 pair for 13c
2000 yd best unbleached cotton at	5 1/2c
Ladies' Kid Gloves at	89c.
Childrens Kid Mittens	40c.
Bed Blankets at	49 and 59c.
Ladies' \$1.25 Fleeced Wrappers	99c
Gents' Un-Laundried Shirts	59c

Specials in Underwear
Specials in Shoes
Specials in Groceries
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KITTY'S HUSBAND

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CHAPTER XV.—(Continued.)

"Arthur St. John—alias Leslie—something else, no doubt, nowadays. He looked like a man of fifty. But I knew him; I knew him almost in a moment."

"You couldn't be sure," I said doubtfully.

Meg smiled, but did not contradict me. But the smile was eloquent—it despised my folly.

"I had gone down stairs early," Meg continued, leaning back in her chair, and pushing her hair from her brow with a nervous impatient little gesture. "It's not my way to get up early, is it? But I was restless, I couldn't sleep, and I thought I should find a novel if I went down stairs. The servants weren't moving; but there was a fire in the study. The blinds were all down, but the fire looked cosy; I went in and stood before it and warmed my toes. I dare say I was looking untidy, Kitty; I think he took me for an early housemaid; he came into the room quietly, and came up behind me, and—he kissed me, Kitty. I hadn't heard any one come in, and I nearly screamed. But as I turned my head round quickly I saw his eyes, and I knew him, and I didn't scream—I was too frightened to move or make a sound—"

"Go on, Meg."

"Then all at once John called to him from the passage. He called in a very quiet, mysterious sort of voice—impatient, too.

"'St. John,' he said, 'your sister is waiting. Come.'

"He opened the street door quietly and led some one in. They didn't come back to the study as I feared they would; they seemed to be setting out on some journey, and time seemed to be pressing. They stood for a minute speaking softly and quickly in the hall. Do you know, Kitty, whose voice I heard? It was a voice not to be mistaken—Madame Arnaud's voice. She was thanking John. She said such an

sixty or over? I looked through the chinks of the venetians and saw her go out. She had puffs of gray hair beneath her bonnet; her gown was bunched out at the sides; she looked sixty—quite. What does it all mean, Kitty? What is the mystery?"

"I cannot tell you, Meg."

"But you know? Kitty, you are trembling; what is the matter with you?"

"Nothing, Meg—nothing!" I returned hastily. "I was thinking—trying to think."

But, try as I might, my thoughts refused to shape themselves. One idea, and only one, had taken possession of my mind. John had had business matters to talk of with Madame Arnaud! It was business that had taken him there so often—business that they talked about in such lowered, confidential voices! My spirits had suddenly grown buoyant, my voice almost gay.

"Meg, stay here for a little while," I pleaded eagerly. "I want to see John all alone."

"An uncommon wish!" laughed Meg; but the soft little glance with which she looked back at me robbed the mocking speech of all its sting.

CHAPTER XVI.

John was in the breakfast-room. He was seated in an arm-chair beside the fire, his elbow on the table that stood near his head against his hand. I was standing close to him before he saw me.

"John," I said in a quick voice that I tried in vain to steady, "don't let me go away from you! I don't want to go, John!"

He sprang quickly to his feet, his face lighting up.

"Did I want you to go, Kitty?" he asked reproachfully. "Your wish to leave me has been the bitterest trouble I have ever had to bear. I needn't tell you that, need I? You know it only too well!"



"I DON'T WANT TO GO, JOHN."

odd thing, Kitty; I stored it up to tell you—that was what I came to say. You have always been jealous of Madame Arnaud—and I used to think you had reason to be jealous; but now—well, now, I am not sure."

"What was it that she said?"

"She was thanking John for having given her so much of his precious time.

"'We know,' she said, 'that every minute spent away from Kitty is a minute you begrudge. You have been very good; you have never let me feel how my affairs have bored you.'

"'They have not bored me,' said John; 'we made a compact of friendship long ago; and what is the use of friends if they are not ready to serve in time of need?'

"John is a paragon to the end! How has he been serving Madame Arnaud, Kitty? What are her 'affairs' that have been 'boring' him and taking up his time?"

"I don't know. I don't want to tell you, Meg—not now."

"You are a little contradictory, dear; but never mind, mystery is the order of the day. Do you know that Madame Arnaud came and went away in a dress and bonnet and mantle that made her look quite an old lady, an old lady of

He had taken my hands in his, but I would not let him draw me near him.

"I have been jealous, John," I said, bringing out the words in a sharp, labored way. "I have been jealous of Madame Arnaud!"

"Jealous, Kitty! Have you cared enough for me to be jealous, dear?" he asked, sadly. "You have had no need to be jealous—none! Yet it is good news to me, all the same."

"It wasn't your love for her, John, that I minded," I went on tremulously, the tears springing unbidden to my eyes. Perhaps—perhaps I did mind that, too; but that wasn't what I minded most. You had loved her first and you couldn't help if you loved her best. You hadn't seen her for so long; you didn't know how it would be when you came to see her again—you couldn't help it! And I should have tried to bear it! What I couldn't bear was your always going to see her, your having so much to say to her secretly, so confidentially—"

"Do you know," asked John gravely, what those talks were about? Listen, Kitty, and I will tell you."

"I know already. You were helping the man about whom you told me yesterday—her brother—yes, I know, John," I went on eagerly, "you will let

me stay? I said I wanted to go, but I didn't; it would break my heart to go! I'll be content, John; I'll be different and not tease you—I won't ask you to love me very much. I'll let my love be enough for both. And by-and-by, as you said, 'love may come.' You did love me—you said so—before you married me, and the love may come back again—"

John drew me toward him. He put his arm around me, and looked down at me closely, very tenderly, very wonderingly.

"Kitty, you talk in riddles, dear," he said. "You won't ask me to love you very much? What does that mean? You know, dearest—you must know—that, whether you ask or do not ask, I love you with my heart and soul."

I looked up at him in bewilderment. "You said—you said that our marriage was a mistake, John."

"It was you, Kitty, who said that."

"But I said so because I thought that you thought so, John. And you agreed with me. Oh, John, you have forgotten you did agree with me! You said that you felt the mistake and regretted it even more bitterly than I."

"For your sake, Kitty, for your sake, dear; because my love had failed so signally to make you happy. You told me that I had spoiled your life, broken your heart; that, when you had a wish, it was only a wish to die."

"I didn't wish to make your life a bondage, John."

John's eyes twinkled for a moment, and then were grave again.

"Do you mean to tell me, Kitty," he asked incredulously, "that you doubted that I loved you?"

"Do you mean that you could possibly doubt, John, that I loved you?" I retorted in the same tone of incredulity.

"It was natural enough for me to doubt," said John humbly.

"Much more natural for me," I returned, looking up at him with sparkling eyes.

I had clasped my hands upon his shoulder; I put down my cheek against them.

"I thought," I confessed, "that you had married me for kindness' sake—to provide for me, John. Every one thought so. Meg and Dora and Aunt Jane and even your sister. You yourself said that you thought of marrying me before you thought of loving me."

"Yes," admitted John; "years ago, I had some vague hope that you would give me the right one day to take care of you, to make life smoother for you. I suppose I didn't love you as long ago as that—I had only a very tender feeling for you. Love, when it came, was real enough in spite of that early thought. Don't scorn my love, Kitty, because I met it with welcome instead of rebuff."

There was not much scorn in my eyes as I raised my head and looked softly, smilingly into the gray eyes looking down at me. He kissed me; and for a minute we stood in silence.

"Kitty," he said at length, "there is something that I want to tell you. I ought to have told you long ago. It was a painful story, and I did not tell it. Come and sit down, and I will tell it now."

He drew me to the little sofa beside the fire; and there he told me the story of his first love, the story that in part I knew already.

"She gave you up because you were poor?" I asked indignantly.

"Don't blame her, Kitty! She gave me up for her brother's sake. It is more than ten years ago now that her brother forged that check of which I told you—that first check. There seemed to be nothing but utter ruin before him. Arnaud, the man that Lucia married, had money and influence. He used both on the tacit understanding that she should marry him. Her brother was saved for the time."

"Was it the only way?" I questioned.

"I think some other way might have been found. But she could not be calm and weigh chances. She was devoted to this brother. For ten long years, as she said the other night in the park, she has hoped against hope for his reformation; has tried to be brave, has tried to hope for the best. And now, at the end of the ten years, things are just where they were before, I think they are worse this time, for this time he is less repentant. He is sacrificing her whole life to him; but she does it almost without hope. She is going away with him—to South America, to banishment."

I was quiet for a moment.

"John, I have been so unjust to her," I confessed in a low tone—"so unjust to her always in my thoughts."

"She is one of the noblest women that I know!" said John.

Again we sat silent for a minute. My heart was beating fast; I longed to ask a question which I dared not ask.

"John, I won't be silly, I won't be jealous—tell me," I pleaded, "if you didn't try to love me, would you love her still—love her best, I mean?"

John answered gravely, with an air as earnest as mine.

"I respect her," he said; "I shall respect her always. I do more than respect—I admire her. But that is all! The old love was dead, Kitty, years before the new love was born!"

I was contented.—The End.

Here's the Whole Winter Problem.
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Edited by the W. C. T. U. of Pinckney.

A touching incident

I have read of a town meeting in Pennsylvania where the question of license was to be decided. As the question was about to be put, there arose from one corner of the room a miserable female, wrinkled and gaunt, and, stretching out her arms, in a shrill voice she cried: "Look upon me. You all know me, or you once did. You all know I was once the mistress of the best farm in the township. You all know I had one of the best—one of the most devoted of husbands. You all know I had five noble-hearted industrious boys. Where are they now? You all know. You all know they all lie in a row, side by side, in yonder churchyard; all—every one—filling a drunkard's grave! They were all taught to believe that temperate drinking was safe—excess alone ought to be avoided; and they never acknowledged excess. But I saw the gradual change coming over my family and prospects with dismay and horror; I felt we were all to be overwhelmed in one common ruin. I tried to ward off the blow I tried to break the spell—the delusive spell—in which the benefits of temperate drinking had involved my husband and sons. I begged, I prayed; but the odds were against me." And, with her arms flung high, and her tall form stretched to its utmost, and her voice raised to an unearthly pitch, she exclaimed: "I shall soon stand before the judgement seat of God—I shall meet you there, you false guides, and be a witness against you all."

She spoke and vanished. But when the chairman put the question, "Shall any license be granted for the sale of spiritous liquors?" the response was unanimous—"No!"

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STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Livingston
SSSS
A session of the Probate Court for said county, held at the Probate Office in the village of Howell, on Friday, the 24th day of Nov., in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine. Present: Albird M. Davis, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of
SILAS A. BARTON deceased.
On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Frank A. Barton, praying that administration of said estate may be granted to himself or some other suitable person.
Thereupon it is ordered that Tuesday, the 26th day of Dec., next, at 1 o'clock in the afternoon, at said Probate Office, be assigned for the hearing of said petition.
It is further ordered that a copy of this order be published in the PINCKNEY DISPATCH, a newspaper printed and circulating in said county, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.
ALBIRD M. DAVIS,
Judge of Probate.
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CONTINUED.

Perhaps just a word of explanation before the beginning of these letters will make them more readily understood.

In August 1897 my husband, Mr. Carlin and my brother Bailey Smith left San Francisco for Dawson city intending to go by boat the entire distance. The boat called the North Fork—on which they took passage was very heavily loaded besides taking in tow a smaller boat called the Mare Island to carry the passengers up the Yukon. The boat made very slow progress and by the time they reached St. Michaels Island the season was so far advanced they could proceed no further as ice was already forming on the Yukon. Some of the passengers—Mr. Carlin included—returned to the states to spend the winter and go in over the Pass in the spring, while others remained on the boat in the canal, and it is of their life from then until the present time that is described in these letters.

Dec. 13th 1897.

Now I will write you of our winter life. After we were settled we went to work stacking up wood to keep us warm during the winter. We were not able to get to Stewart island, a distance of twelve miles, where we were going to put up wood. The ice and cold weather prevented our getting over. We have now about four hours sun, from a little after ten until about two-thirty, about 18 hours darkness 6 hours light. The sun does not get high enough to make a respectable sun rise. The moon is a surprise. This month at full moon it rose a little east of north, circles high in the heavens comes back and sets about in the same place. It rose about 3:30 in the afternoon and set about 12 o'clock the next day noon. If we were a little further north it would not set to us at all, but circle around, all the time in sight. The sun next June will take the place of the moon and we will have all day light and no dark. The beauties of our cold, clear nights, the sun sets, the northern lights, cannot be described or painted. I have witnessed the northern lights here on some evenings that were the grandest sights I ever saw. On a clear cold night they come out in all their glory, a great arch spans the heavens in the north, then columns shoot up to the Zenith unroll like a great curtain and move along the sky. Sometimes the curtain appears to lay in folds, the lower part in bright brilliant colors of the rainbow, dancing up and down, shooting across the sky, unrolling and rolling up like great white curtains. The sight is worth coming to Alaska. The winter so far has not been severe, the coldest 14 degrees below zero during the night. Has not been a day but what we could get out and work. Our work has been getting wood and ice for the boat, just enough to give us a little exercise, about 3 hours a day. We get up about day-light, 9, breakfast at 10, dinner at 4, lunch at 10 again, and go to bed any time up to 2 o'clock in the morning; a very lazy life, but under the circumstances we could do nothing else. We have considerable reading matter among us, there being about 30 aboard the boat

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now. Then with games, dancing singing and visiting with the boys on the Str. Healey (here in winter quarters) we manage very well to wear away the time. Three of us sunk a shaft here on the low ground to see the nature of the soil and if possible to find something, but the hope of finding gold was not very strong. We went down 50 ft. 40 ft. was frozen. The next ten soft with no frost after 45. We exploded the theory that one could not get through frost in Alaska. The fifty feet was through muck with no change. We found plenty of shells, layers of ice, and evidence of made ground from overflows. At 50 ft. we got through muck into a fine black sand, and were hopeful some of reaching gravel possibly, but low! the next morning we had ten feet of water. We took out the water but could make no headway so had to abandon our hopes and hard work of over a month. We did not regret the work as it put us in fine trim, giving us good appetites, good muscle and in fine spirits. This climate is healthy—I never felt better. Have not had even a cold—which was quiet common in the rainy seasons of Washington. We are a mile from the sea, and it is a sight to go out there and walk over the ice. It is piled and gorged on the shore in places higher than our boat and for two or three miles out you can see great hills of ice which was piled up by the action of the tide while freezing. It will be a grand sight in the spring to see it go out. I would like to be at the mouth of the Yukon river and see the ice come down and pile on the bar and sand spits. Two parties started out from the boat to prospect in the foot hills near by. The first could get no further than the hills, the snow being too deep for sledding and traveling; they returned after a week out. The second met with a disastrous accident. In digging into the ground they tapped a gas reservoir; the gas ignited from a fire near by, exploded, knocked the men down and burned them badly, burned up their outfit nearly. They walked in, a distance of twelve miles in the cold, which perhaps was the most soothing antidote they could find.

St. Michaels is quiet lively this winter—instead of being shut up with perhaps a white man or two to trade with the Indians, there are over 100 there, working for the trading companies who are preparing for a big season next year. New Companies are getting on the grounds, several new boats will be built to carry the rush of people next season. Alaska will have a future and times will be good here for many years. What it needs is transportation—small steamers to take the miners up the smaller rivers running into the Yukon. The Yukon is longer than the Mississippi having half a dozen or more tributaries from 500 to 1,000 miles long. The country is larger

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than all the states east of the Mississippi, and but little prospected away from the Yukon. An Indian carrier came down from Dawson last week (1800 miles) with a dog team, sent down to report the rival of three boats of the North American Trading Co. at Dawson with 600 tons of provisions. This means there is no starvation at Dawson. News came down that mine owners were paying \$25.00 per day for men who had a grub stake to work in the mines. See what we are missing. If we had reached Dawson with our provisions every man, no doubt, could have had work as they all have a year's supply of provisions. This long winter at those wages means we could make \$5,000 by May. Well we are far from them. But the news is good; it shows the riches of the mines and means that Dawson will be a great place next year.

Continued Next Week

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.....connection from Detroit 9 44 a m
No. 29 Passenger, Pontiac to Jackson, 6:45 p. m.
No. 29 has through coach from Detroit to Jaxon.
No. 43 Mixed, Lenox to Jackson
.....connection from Detroit 4 45 p m
EASTBOUND
No. 30 Passenger to Pontiac and Detroit 5 15 p m
No. 28 Passenger, Jaxon to Detroit, 9:16 a. m.
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The Outlook.
Advices from London show that the Argentine is becoming a close competitor with us in furnishing beef to that market.

There appears to have been a bad failure of clover in some sections of the country. It will be well to make up for the loss by summer seeding. It is a serious loss to the soil when the clover crop fails.

There is likely to be a demand for our potatoes in Cuba. This will affect only the markets of the eastern cities. Many eggs are already being sent to Havana, but the lack of transportation facilities in the way of refrigeration is against the egg trade. The eggs are apt to become like the canned meat sent to the soldiers during the war, rather malodorous.

Texas now sends strawberries to Chicago, an indication that its farmer intend to grow something besides cotton and steers.

There will be plenty of fresh eggs next winter—fresh from ice houses. Of forty-five carloads entering Chicago in one day, the greater part went into cold storage.

Potatoes from Scotland and Germany were brought into eastern markets and knocked down prices for old stock late in spring, and also affecting southern shipments. Indications point to a large domestic crop and moderate prices through the entire season.

The hay crop is light in many sections and prices are likely to be higher than last year. It is said that those who have contracted to furnish the government bid lower than the hay can be purchased in the market.

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WEST PUTNAM.

Robt. Kelly was in Howell Saturday.

Lincoln Smith is papering for Mrs. D. M. Monks' this week.

Wm. White and wife, of Marion called on S. E. Barton last Thursday.

Miss Kate Ruen was entertained by Miss Nellie Gardner last Friday.

Robert Kelly is the owner of a fine driving horse, purchased from parties near Howell.

Clifford and Tracy Tripp visited the Gardner Bros., Will H. and Glenn, the first of the week.

Several from here attended a meeting of the Anderson Farmers' Club at James Marble's last Saturday.

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WAR NOTES.

Aguinaldo, according to the inhabitants of Santa Cruz and other towns through which the Americans passed, say he and his refugee army have gone into the mountains. Gen. Young is still in pursuit and hopes to find the insurgent leader in Benguet mountain pass and capture him there. Gen. Young's command was met by a brass band at the outskirts of Santa Cruz and he and his officers were escorted to houses where rest and refreshments were tendered them.

After a week's absence in the interior of Luzon, Gen. Young has been heard from. He reports having arrived at Vigan on the evening of the 5th, after an engagement with the enemy at Narbacan, whom he drove to the eastward into San Quentin Canyon with a loss of one killed and 12 wounded. The enemy left 25 dead in the trenches, besides a few rifles, several thousand rounds of small ammunition and 40 shrapnel. His troops are now engaged in pressing the enemy back.

It is learned that the Filipinos deserted an almost impregnable position at Tagudin 36 hours previous to Gen. Young's arrival. There were 600 rebels strongly entrenched under command of Gen. Tino, which could have slaughtered a whole brigade while they were crossing the river. In fact 100 well-decided troops could have withstood a very strong attack without serious loss.

Gen. Gregorio Del Pilar, commanding Aguinaldo's bodyguard, was killed by Maj. Peyton C. March's battalion of the 33d infantry, in a fight 18 miles northwest of Cervantes, Dec. 3. In addition to this death 70 other Filipinos were also killed or badly wounded. The American loss was one killed and six wounded. Maj. March is still in pursuit of the enemy.

It is reported that the Filipino commander, Gen. Alejandrino, with his staff, has surrendered to Gen. MacArthur, and there is also a rumor that Alejandrino is at Aguilar suffering from a wound received in a fight between insurgents and bandits and that he will be given an opportunity to surrender and will be properly cared for.

A force of insurgents estimated at 800, attacked the American garrison of 200 at Vigan, province of South Ilocos. The American loss was eight killed and many wounded. After very hard fighting the Filipinos were driven off and through the mountains, leaving 35 dead. Col. Bisbee reinforced the garrison.

Eighteen hundred soldiers have been ordered to return home from Cuba. This will leave only 8,000 soldiers on the island and this number will be reduced from time to time. The ordering home of the troops is a preliminary step towards establishing a civil government.

Orders have been issued for the remaining four companies of the 40th infantry, now at the Presidio, San Francisco, to embark on the transport Sherman, which sailed for the Philippines on the 6th.

Augustus C. Ledyard, son of Henry B. Ledyard, of Detroit, was killed in an uprising of native police in a town on the island of Negros on Dec. 9. Mr. Ledyard was lieutenant of the 5th infantry.

A force of 100 insurgents attacked a wagon train escorted by 30 men of the 10th infantry on the 9th near Baliuag. A sharp engagement followed. The Filipinos lost 18 in killed and 9 captured.

The records of the treasury of the so-called Filipino government, together with a quantity of paper money and Nordenfeldt, was found at Mangatarem recently.

The hospital ship Relief, which recently arrived at Manila from Vigan, brought 272 sick soldiers and 232 Spanish prisoners.

TRANSVAAL WAR ITEMS.

The hottest bombardment of the siege took place at Ladysmith on Nov. 20. The Boers got a new big gun in position on Lombard's kop, completely commanding the town, and shelled the British camp that day and the day following, planting shells with accuracy in the camp of the Gordon Highlanders and the Manchester regiment, where there were many narrow escapes. On the 2d the enemy resumed the bombardment, doing some very effective shooting. Several of the British guns were shattered by the Boer big gun.

The Boer war office has received the list of casualties during the sortie from Kimberley, November 28, as follows: Killed: Maj. Scott-Turner, of the Black Watch; Lieut. C. W. Wright of the Kimberley Light Horse, and 20 non-commissioned officers and men; wounded: Capt. Walleck, Lieuts. Clifford and Watson and 28 non-commissioned officers and men.

It is said the real reason for Consul Macrum's being relieved is that he is a warm Boer sympathizer and refused to look after British interests.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK

OUR GREAT STATE RELATED IN A BRIEF FORM.

Reindel's Slayer, Henry Hamberger, of Detroit, a Former Employee of the Murdered Man, has Confessed All—Hearing Set for Dec. 15.

December Crop Report.
The December crop report issued from the office of the secretary of state on the 8th does not describe the condition of wheat as very flattering. The report says:

The condition of wheat, as compared with an average, is 80 in the state, 74 in the southern counties, 87 in the central counties, and 96 in the northern counties. A large majority of the correspondents report wheat as being badly damaged by the fly; a few report the condition good. Late sown wheat, in many instances, is as badly infested as that sown early, which is probably due to the warm, dry weather of November. Some fields are being plowed up for other crops; other fields are being pastured by sheep. Taken as a whole, the crop is seriously damaged, with little prospect for its recovery, eventually. The total number of bushels of wheat reported marketed by farmers in November at the flouring mills is 502,347, and at the elevators 166,307, or a total of 668,656 bushels. Of this whole amount 538,170 bushels were marketed in the southern four counties, 95,874 in the central counties and 34,612 bushels in the northern counties. The total number of bushels of wheat reported marketed in the four months, August-November, is 2,981,403, which is 4,849,163 bushels less than reported marketed in the same months last year. At 48 mills and elevators from which reports have been received there was no wheat marketed in November. The total amount of wheat shipped by railroads from the various stations, as reported for October, is 171,914 bushels. The condition of live stock throughout the state is good. In some counties considerable stock is being fed for market, while in other sections very little is being fattened on account of the price of hay. The condition of horses, cattle and sheep in the state, is 96, and of swine 97. In most parts of the state fall pasture has been good. While it has been too dry in some parts of the state for pasture to grow, the condition for the state being 87, yet in the main all kinds of stock have done fairly well.

Found \$1,000 Worth of Plunder.

Judge Bateman of the probate court, of Centerville, on the 5th, ordered that the residence of Mrs. Annie Deline, at Mendon, be searched to ascertain if she had any property to pay for keeping her at the asylum for the insane. The officer found the house completely filled with plunder, which she is alleged to have stolen during the past dozen years. There were 500 napkins, 50 sheets, half a ton of soap, scores of lace curtains, silverware and bric-a-brac of all descriptions and a valuable shotgun, the goods amounting in value to more than \$1,000. The cellar was also filled with stove wood. Mrs. Deline had lived as a hermit and had never made use of the stolen articles. Mendon people are greatly surprised at the result of the search.

University Improvements.

During the past 10 years permanent improvements amounting to \$327,000 have been made at the University of Michigan. The several improvements and the cost of each are as follows: Two new hospitals, \$130,000; enlargement of dental building, \$7,000; enlargement of law building, \$25,000; new recitation building, \$20,000; heating plant, \$56,000; new roof on museum, \$5,000; gymnasiums, \$120,000; dormitory at hospitals, \$20,000; two sun rooms at hospitals, \$4,000; new law building, \$35,000; additions to library building, \$20,000; new roof on main building, \$15,000; electric lighting plant on campus, \$25,000; electric lighting plant at hospital, \$5,000.

Hamberger Has Confessed.

Henry Hamberger, the young man arrested on the charge of murdering John M. Reindel at his place of business in Detroit on the evening of the 2d, confessed all on the afternoon of the 8th. During his incarceration he had refused to eat anything, and this together with the occasional sweet box questioning caused him to weaken and he admitted all. The only reason for committing the awful deed was for the want of money, according to the boy's own statement. After the confession a detective found \$27.00 stowed away in a box in the barn at the Hamberger residence where the boy said he had hid it. Hamberger will be granted a hearing on the 15th.

Sickness in Michigan.

Reports to the state board of health show that rheumatism, neuralgia, bronchitis, tonsillitis and influenza, in the order named, caused the most sickness in Michigan during the past week. Consumption was reported at 216 places; typhoid fever, 75; scarlet fever, 70; measles, 36; diphtheria, 28; whooping cough, 25; smallpox, 7, and cerebrospinal meningitis at 2.

Coldwater was visited by a \$4,000-fire on the 5th.

The Hotel Dewey at Harbor Springs was destroyed by fire on the 10th. Loss, \$15,000.

STATE GOSSIP.

A foot of snow fell at St. Joseph on the 4th.

A beet sugar factory to cost \$300,000 will be built at Battle Creek by Chicago capitalists.

The common council of Saginaw will try the Pingree potato patch scheme next summer.

Nickel-in-the-slot machines, stall saloons, poker joints, etc., at Charlotte must go, according to a mandate of the council.

Although he has 17 children, Wilson West, of Williamston, has seen but three of them. He was stricken blind 50 years ago, at the age of 26.

Wm. C. Poole, aged 22, of Detroit, the somnambulist, who walked out of a third story window on the 7th, died of his injuries the following day.

The owners of the Shaker farm, near Eau Claire, raised over 100 carloads of sugar beets on 102 acres. This is the champion beet farm of the state.

Mrs. Paulina Baker, of Holly, is the possessor of a Bible 300 years old. It was printed in London in 1600 and brought to this country some years later.

Representative farmers in the vicinity of Kalamazoo agree that the chances for a good wheat crop in that county are poor because of the ravages of the Hessian fly.

School teachers are a scarce article in Tuscola county at present, and the school commissioner has to hustle whenever there is a vacancy from one cause or another.

Cheboygan county farmers are complaining that the water in their wells is lower than it has been at any time the past year, and they have to haul water for their stock.

Alex. Simpson, of Wyandotte, is not what would be called a handsome man, but he has two wives according to the verdict of the jury. He is now awaiting his sentence on the charge of bigamy.

Tuscola county farmers who have beans for sale are making a good thing out of them at present. There are numerous buyers around the county offering as much as \$1.75 per bushel for them.

Pontiac's new bridge, the construction of which has blocked traffic on the main street of the city for several months past, has finally been completed, and the citizens are correspondingly elated.

During the month of October Cass City shipped \$19,000 worth of live stock; had 400 as much stock and 50 carloads of sugar beets, while Kinde, Huron county, shipped \$25,000 worth of stock and 54 carloads of sugar beets.

The jury in the case of Wm. Finnegan, of Ann Arbor, vs. the Michigan Central returned a verdict for the plaintiff for \$1,000 on the 6th. Mr. Finnegan sued the company on account of the death of his 15-year-old son.

The electric railway between Detroit and Pontiac via Farmington is all completed except about one mile of the steel. A regular schedule service will probably be the Christmas present of the people living along the line of the road.

Between dogs which are killing numerous sheep, and thieves stealing cows, farmers around Willow are having a hard time now-a-days. The same medicine—large doses of lead administered with a shotgun—is good for both afflictions.

Henry Lacey, a marine engineer and a brother of James Lacey, of Farmington, committed suicide at the home of his brother on the 4th by hanging himself from a beam in the barn. Religious insanity is supposed to have been the cause.

Holly will have another manufacturing industry in a short time, in the shape of a handle factory. Work on the construction of the buildings will be begun immediately and pushed rapidly to completion. Local capital is behind the venture.

There is no doubt that the beet sugar manufacturers of the state will still adhere to their determination to institute legal proceedings to compel the state to pay them a bounty of one cent per pound on all sugar manufactured during the seven years succeeding 1897, when the general bounty law was passed.

CASUALTIES.

Quincy, Mass.—Fire in the car sheds of the Quincy & Boston Street Railway company destroyed the sheds, an office building and eighteen box cars. The loss is estimated at \$60,000.

Salem, Ind.—The public school building was totally destroyed by fire. The probable cause was defective heating apparatus. The building was valued at \$20,000 and insured.

Cadillac, Mich.—The Cadillac Stave and Heading company's mill was consumed by fire. Insured for \$8,500, which covers the loss.

Scottsville, Ky.—The large planing mill of Love, Boyd & Co. was destroyed by fire. Loss estimated at \$10,000, partly covered.

Pottstown, Pa.—The powder works of James S. Miller, near Sunnyside, were wrecked by an explosion. Three men were killed and several others injured.

CONGRESS ASSEMBLES.

Congressman Roberts, of Utah, Not Given the Oath—Both Houses Adjourn.

The opening of the 56th congress at noon on Dec. 4 attracted that widespread attention which always attaches to the annual assembling of the national lawmakers. There was added interest in the event this year, for the many far-reaching questions awaiting consideration gave unusual importance to the return of congress.

In accordance with the time honored custom, the oldest member of the house in point of service, Mr. Harmer, of Pennsylvania, administered the oath to the speaker, David B. Henderson, of Iowa. The speaker then announced that the oath would be administered to the members by states. As the names of the members were called they appeared at the bar in groups of about a dozen and there with raised hands were sworn in by the speaker.

When the name of Brigham H. Roberts was reached in the house roll call the Utah member-elect proceeded alone to the area in front of the speaker's desk and awaited the administration of the oath. At the same time Rep. Taylor, of Ohio, secured recognition and, amidst breathless interest, protested against the swearing of Roberts, on the ground of his being a polygamist and not a properly naturalized American citizen. Mr. Taylor spoke calmly and dispassionately, and at the close offered the following resolution for the appointment of a special committee to investigate the Roberts case:

Whereas, It is charged that Brigham H. Roberts, a representative to the 56th congress from the state of Utah, is ineligible to a seat in the house of representatives; and

Whereas, Such a charge is made through a member of the house, on his responsibility as such member, and on the basis, as he asserts, of public records, affidavits and papers evidencing such ineligibility;

Resolved, That the question of the prima facie rights of Brigham H. Roberts to be sworn in as a representative be referred to a special committee of nine members of the house, to be appointed by the speaker, and until such committee shall report upon and the house decide such question and right, the said Brigham H. Roberts shall not be sworn in nor be permitted to occupy a seat in this house; and said committee shall have power to send for persons and papers and examine witnesses on oath in relation to the subject matter of this resolution.

Officers of the house are as follows: Clerk McDowell, of Pennsylvania, Sergeant-at-Arms Casen, of Wisconsin, Doorkeeper Glenn, of New York, and Postmaster McElroy, of Ohio.

In the shadow of the recent death of its president, Vice-President Hobart, the senate convened at noon on the 4th in the first session of the 56th congress. After the usual routine of business, customary on the opening day, Mr. Sewell, of New Jersey, then announced the death of Vice-President Hobart and offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the senate has received with the deepest regret information of the death of Garrett Augustus Hobart, late vice-president of the United States.

Resolved, That the business of the senate be suspended in order that the distinguished public services of the deceased and the virtues of his private character may be fittingly commemorated.

Resolved, That the secretary of the senate be instructed to communicate these resolutions to the house of representatives.

As a further mark of respect the senate and house both adjourned.

CONGRESSIONAL NOTES.

Another sorrow had fallen upon the senate before it convened on the 5th. It was the death of Senator-elect Hayward, of Nebraska. While he was not officially a member of the body, he was in every other sense regarded as such.

Senator Teller, who represents the free silver Republican group in the senate, says that he thinks it will require three or four months to pass the financial bill. He said Democrats and free silver men would not attempt obstructive methods, but would go on record in speeches. Others believe the bill will be passed within 60 days.

The rush of bills in the house of representatives on the 4th was the greatest in the memory of house officials, the total being 861 bills public and private and 30 resolutions.

The financial bill drafted by a special committee of Republican members was introduced in the house by Rep. Overstreet, of Indiana, on the 4th and accorded the distinction of being bill No. 1 on the records of the house.

Sen. Chandler on the 6th introduced bills applying the customs and internal revenue laws of the United States to the islands of Cuba and Porto Rico after Jan. 1, 1900. Goods between the islands and the United States are to be exchanged as between the states.

Nearly 800 bills and joint resolutions, several important concurrent resolutions and petitions numbering hundreds, were presented to the senate on the 6th. A majority of the bills were old stagers. A few were of national interest and importance.

Mr. Aldrich had the honor of introducing the first measure in the senate. It was the financial bill drawn by the senate committee on finance, of which Mr. Aldrich is chairman, and probably was the most important measure introduced on the 6th.

It is a long time since any measure for a public improvement on the Great Lakes has occasioned so widespread interest as is caused by the bill which Hon. John B. Corliss, congressman from Detroit, introduced on the 9th for the construction of a dam across the Niagara river. The purpose of this dam is to raise and control the level of Lake Erie and Detroit river, Lake St. Clair, St. Clair river and to a limited extent of Lake Huron. The bill is based upon the findings and recommendation of the board of distinguished engineers appointed by the President in 1897 to investigate the project of constructing a deep waterway from the Great Lakes to tide water.

In the senate on the 7th Mr. Harris introduced a joint resolution providing for the limitation of the time a President shall be elected to one term of six years and making the terms of members of the house four years. He also introduced a bill for the granting of pensions to persons who served in the confederate service and afterward in the army and navy of the United States.

Mr. Roberts, the mormon representative, despite the adoption of the Taylor resolution, which in terms deprives him of his seat during the pendency of his case, was in the hall throughout the session on the 7th and occupied the seat he selected on the opening day.

The senate in executive session on the 7th confirmed the following appointments: Joseph W. Fifer, of Illinois, to be a commissioner of interstate commerce; Frederick W. Wines, of Illinois, to be assistant director of the census.

Congressman Weeks has introduced a public bill to fix the term of service of the surfmen in the life-saving service on the lakes and rivers at 10 months out of the year, closing the stations only during January and February, and fixing the compensation at \$70 per month.

Rep. Corliss in speaking of his Pacific cable bill, says he will get it through if he don't accomplish another thing at this session.

THE NEWS CONDENSED

Albion Methodists raised \$2,510 and cleared their church from debt.

Tom Sharkey has offered to train Corbett for his fight with Jeffries and the ex-champion has accepted the offer.

Nearly \$2,000,000 worth of property was destroyed by fire in the heart of the business section of Philadelphia on the 29th.

Frank Erne, of Buffalo, and Jack O'Brien, of New York, fought 25 rounds at the Coney Island Sporting club on the evening of the 4th, and at the end of the bout, Referee Geo. Siler declared the fight a draw.

Deputy Game Wardens Bennett and Atkinson seized a quantity of venison at the Michigan Central depot, Bay City, on the 27th, shipped from the north without a license tag attached. It was consigned to Plymouth and Oxford.

A train of 14 refrigerator cars, containing salt pork intended for the British army in South Africa, was wrecked near Kenilworth, Ill., on the Milwaukee division of the Chicago & North-western railroad on the 3d. The cars were completely demolished, but it is believed the greater part of the pork can be saved.

In a fire at Philadelphia, Pa., on the 10th, two persons lost their lives and \$25,000 worth of property was destroyed.

The powder works of James S. Miller, near Sunnyside, Pa., were completely wrecked by an explosion on the 7th and three men were killed and several others injured.

A syndicate headed by Tom L. and Albert Johnson, the street car magnates of Cleveland, will build a street railroad in Honolulu and on Oahu island, on which the capital of the Hawaiian islands is situated. Electric lines will not only be built within the city limits but suburban lines will be constructed leading to the different points of interest and business near the city.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.			
	Cattle	Sheep	Hogs
New York—			
Best grades.....	4 50	20 50	10 00
Lower grades.....	3 50	18 50	9 50
Chicago—			
Best grades.....	5 00	20 00	10 00
Lower grades.....	4 50	19 00	9 50
Detroit—			
Best grades.....	3 75	18 00	10 00
Lower grades.....	3 50	17 00	9 50
Buffalo—			
Best grades.....	4 00	19 00	10 00
Lower grades.....	3 50	18 00	9 50
Cincinnati—			
Best grades.....	4 00	19 00	10 00
Lower grades.....	3 50	18 00	9 50
Pittsburg—			
Best grades.....	4 00	19 00	10 00
Lower grades.....	3 50	18 00	9 50

GRAIN, ETC.			
	Wheat.	Corn.	Oats.
New York	74@75	20@21	10@11
Chicago	72@73	19@20	9@10
Detroit	72@73	19@20	9@10
Toledo	71@72	18@19	9@10
Cincinnati	70@71	18@19	9@10
Pittsburg	70@71	18@19	9@10
Buffalo	70@71	18@19	9@10
*Detroit—Hay, No. 1 Timothy, \$11 50 per ton. Potatoes, 80c per bu. Live Poultry, spring chickens, 70c per lb; fowls, 60c; turkeys, 15c; ducks, 10c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 10c per dozen. Butter, best dairy, 11c per lb; creamery, 10c.			

AT HOME AND ABROAD

A SUMMARY OF THE NEWS FOR THE WEEK BY WIRE.

The Kentucky Board of Elections Officially Announces That the Republican State Ticket was Elected—Kentucky Negro Murderer Burned at the Stake.

The Mexicans and Indians Fight.
Information from Ortiz, state of Sonora, Mex., states that Marshal Terhune, an expert mining engineer, who has been in the mines in the Yaqui country for some months past, has arrived at Ortiz. He announces that since Nov. 18 the Yaqui Indians and the Mexican military forces have had several engagements, attended with loss of life and a number of wounded. The first of these engagements was on the above date, just north of Cocori and during the engagement there were 48 Indians and five soldiers killed outright. In addition thereto there were 25 soldiers wounded and something over 100 squaws and Indian children captured by the military forces. These prisoners will be sent to Guayamas by the military authorities to be held as hostages. The place where this engagement took place is on the Yaqui river, just at the entrance to the mountains. This section of the country is very heavily wooded and hence the engagement was conducted on the usual guerrilla warfare order.

The Maine Dead.
Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Allen has received a letter from Capt. J. G. Green, commandant of the naval station at Havana, saying that contracts have been executed for exhuming the remains of the dead of the battleship Maine, buried in Colon cemetery, and saying also that they can be removed to the United States at any time after Dec. 15. The battleship Texas, which will be used for the transportation of these remains, is now on her way from Brunswick, Ga. to Hampton Roads, where she will coal and provision and then start for Havana. These remains are to be brought to Washington and reinterred in the national cemetery at Arlington, with full military honors.

Ready to Fight all Nations.
The Figaro publishes an interview on the 10th with M. Lockroy, former French minister of marine, in the course of which he says: "The British navy is twice as strong as ours. It is able to oppose simultaneously the navies of France and the triple alliance. Everywhere French fleets are stationed they are confronted by twice or thrice their strength. France must have cables. Great Britain's ports are all connected and the British are ready for war tomorrow, if necessary, with every nation on the globe."

32 Killed in a Mine Explosion.
About noon on the 9th the quiet coal mining village of Carbonado, Wash., was stunned with the first report of a terrific subterranean explosion in the mine of the Carbon Hill Coal company, the tunnels of which run for miles under the town. The victims of the horror now number 32 dead and 5 injured. Two men were rescued the following day after being entombed for 18 hours. The disaster was the result of a fire damp explosion.

Big Fire at Reading.
One of the most appalling fires that has ever visited Reading, Pa., occurred on the 7th when the extensive hosiery mill of Nolde & Horst Co., took fire, destroying the plant, causing the death of one person, Miss Louisa Clay, and injuring 57 other employees of the company. Of the 57 persons who were injured, 30 are seriously hurt. The remainder of the 57 had hands or faces burned, limbs bruised, or otherwise injured.

Burned at the Stake.
Dick Coleman, the Negro murderer of Mrs. Lashbrook, was taken from the officers at Maysville, Ky., by a mob of 1,000 men on the 6th and burned at the stake. The mob, led by the husband of the Negro's victim, dragged the shrieking criminal through the principal streets of the town, of 8,000 inhabitants, bound him to a small tree, set fire to brush and tow about him, and stood guard until he was dead.

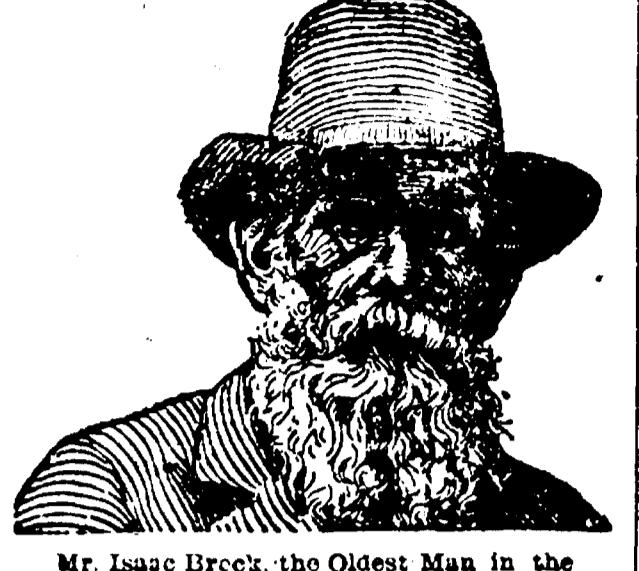
Taylor Elected Governor.
The Kentucky state board of elections on the 8th gave out their official findings that W. S. Taylor for governor and the rest of the Republican ticket have been elected on the face of the returns. Certificates of election were ordered issued to each candidate thereon. Taylor will be inaugurated on the 12th.

France Made a Demand on China.
The French government has formally demanded the degradation of the viceroy of Canton because the order to execute the Chinese magistrate who was responsible for the murder of two French officers at Montao has not been carried out. The Tsung-Li-Yamen will probably refuse.

At last a jury in the Mrs. Marie Butterfield Sanderson murder trial was secured on the 7th.

OLDEST MAN IN AMERICA

Tells How He Escaped the Terrors of Many Winters by Using Peruna.



Mr. Isaac Brock, the Oldest Man in the United States.

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Isaac Brock.
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Silk manufactures were established in Europe in A. D. 530.

A Bargain in Guitars.
All music lovers will be interested in the "ad" of John M. Smyth Co. shown in another part of this paper, in which they offer an elegant guitar for \$2.65. The firm is thoroughly reliable. Get their catalogue of everything to eat, wear and use.

Track Tanks for Freight Engines.
The use of track tanks by which locomotives of high speed passenger trains may take water without stopping is almost universal on the larger Eastern roads, where fast expresses are the rule. The B. & O. R. R. has a number between Washington and Philadelphia and intends to equip the entire Main Line in the future. This decision was recently arrived at through the use of passenger locomotives, equipped with water scoops, on fast freight trains. It was found that much time was saved, danger from stopping, being reduced to a minimum and cost of running lessened. The extra stops for water take much time and the wear and tear on equipment is no small matter. If the experiment on this part of the road proves successful, track tanks will be installed on every division between Baltimore and Chicago. As a starter, the 50 new Vaucain compound engines recently ordered will be fitted with water scoops.

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The father of Oliver Cromwell was a country gentleman of small means.
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At 8c, 10c, 12c, 15c, and 18c, per pound.
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10 lbs Rolled Oats for.....25c.
4 lbs best Crackers for.....25c.
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" " Corn.....8c.
" " Peas.....8c.
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BRIC-A-BRAC.

New York has 800 millionaires.
Lima, Peru, is without umbrellas.
Half a century ago nails were slowly wrought one at a time with hammer and anvil.

An alleged new Raphael picture has been discovered at the exhibition of Sacred Art at Como.

It is estimated that the consumption of beer in the entire world amounts to \$1,080,000,000 per annum.

The Cleveland street railroad strike cost Ohio \$25,000 for transportation and maintenance of the Militia.

Many a law prohibits Baltimore policeman from doing mechanical work for the department or for hire.

Rats recently operated the striking mechanism of the disused Flushing, L. I. town clock for several hours.

The total value of sea fish landed in Ireland in 1898 was \$1,962,935, an increase of over \$70,000 on the previous year.

Santa Cruz, Cal., is perhaps the only municipality in which water is furnished free to inhabitants for domestic purposes.

The Street Railway Journal estimates the life of iron poles for overhead wires at 33 years, and wooden poles at 11 years.

The names of Indianapolis milk dealers who use formaldehyde will be published in the newspapers by the City Sanitarian.

There is a project on foot in Geneva O., to erect a library in memory of the father of artistic penmanship, Platt R. Spencer.

Tunnyfish, a rather neglected fish in England, has in Portugal the glory of being made a subject of special study by the King.

The total value of the lumber annually manufactured in the Northwest, including Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, is \$80,000,000.

The health authorities of Bavaria examined last year 55,437 samples of food and drink, and made complaints in 17.9 per cent of all cases.

The British Government has given permission for the Prime Minister of Uganda to visit England, and he will remain in London for three months.

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UNADILLA.

Lon Lane of Chelsea Sundayed under the parental roof.

Old Mrs. Pickell is very sick at the home of her son Irving.

A. C. Watson was in Chelsea on business last Monday and Tuesday.

Don Harris is home from his work for Geo. Younglove in Marion.

Earnest Pickell is quiet sick with scarlet fever and a number around town have been exposed.

Mrs. Lime Barton and son Elmer attended the funeral of Mrs. Thomas Wilburn in Chelsea Saturday.

There was no preaching in the M. E. church last Sunday eve the Elder having gone away for a visit.

Mr. Will and Edd Sharp from near Williamston visited at R. Barnums the fore part of the week.

Class No. 3 of the S. S. with W. B. Collins as teacher went to Chelsea Thursday to have their pictures taken.

Quite a number from this way attended the reading circle at the Anderson school house last Saturday afternoon.

The Ladies Aid society of the Presbyterian church will give a Pan Cake social in their hall Wednesday eve Dec. 20.

There was quite an excitement in our town last Thursday night caused by the mill dam breaking away but was repaired before much damage was done.

The following is the program for the Unadilla Farmers' Club to be held at the home of Ryal Barnum's, Saturday Dec. 16, commencing at 10 a. m. sharp:
Singing by.....Quartett.
Prayer by.....Rev. Whitfield.
Recitation by.....Florence Richmond.

Paper, "The Voice of the People."
Rev. J. J. Beatty
Discussion, led by.....Rev. E. B. Ellis.
Singing.....Mr. and Mrs. Laverock.
Paper.....W. B. Collins.
Discussion led by.....Ryal Barnum.
Recitation.....Roy Stowe.
Duett.....Kittie Livermore, Minnie Mills.
Recitation.....Jennie Harris.
Question Box conducted by.....Z. Hartsuff.
Music.

MORE LOCAL.

Ten pages this week.

Warren Goodrich killed a large blue-racer on Friday last, Dec. 8.

Ed. T. Kearney, of Jackson Neb., was a guest of his mother the first of the week.

Tickets for the concert, Friday evening, for sale by Misses Mabel and Lucy Swarthroat.

Mrs. Harriet Clark has been visiting her sister Mrs. D. D. Carr for a couple of weeks.

This is the week of Christmas advertising so do not fail to read every one in the paper.

Edward Bowers, who has been working in Jackson several weeks is spending a few days at his home here.

The wind of Monday night upset the sheds on the race track, belonging to Tuomey, Teeple and Swarthroat.

We run a Supplement this week to accommodate advertisers and news. The advertisement of McComb & Co., Howell, appear on supplement.

F. E. Wright has rented the store now occupied by Reason & Shehan and will move there in the near future. He issued removal sale bills the first of the week.

Everyone who will be requested to meet tonight (Thursday) at the home of Mrs. L. Colby, to drill for a chorus to assist at the Concert at the M. E. church, Friday evening.

The pupils of school district No. 8, will give a Christmas entertainment in connection with Christmas tree, on Friday evening, Dec. 22, at the new Town Hall, Dexter Township. Admission 10 cents.

I would like to trade a single harness for pole wood. JOE SYKES.

Notice to Tax Payers

The Townships Tax Roll is now in my hands for the Collection of Taxes—I will be at the Pinckney Ex. Bank during business hours to receive the same.

R. H. Teeple, Twp. Treasurer.

Is Baby Too Thin?

If so, there must be some trouble with its food. Well babies are plump; only the sick are thin. Are you sure the food is all right? Children can't help but grow; they must grow if their food nourishes them. Perhaps a mistake was made in the past and as a result the digestion is weakened. If that is so, don't give the baby a lot of medicine; just use your every-day common sense and help nature a little, and the way to do it is to add half a teaspoonful of

SCOTT'S EMULSION

to the baby's food three or four times a day. The gain will begin the very first day you give it. It seems to correct the digestion and gets the baby started right again. If the baby is nursing but does not thrive, then the mother should take the emulsion. It will have a good effect both upon the mother and child. Twenty-five years proves this fact.

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Save Worry and Time and Money

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cuffs, Umbrellas, Hosiery, Underwear, Dressing Sacks,
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Lace curtains, Toilet Articles, Jewelry, Perfumery **And a
Thousand Other** good and useful articles. Can't
begin to tell you. Come and see.

Yours respectfully,

L. H. FIELD.

Jackson, Mich.

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ANDERSON FARMERS CLUB.

The Anderson Farmers' club met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Marble, Saturday, Dec. 9. A large company was present and after dinner was served, president F. W. Allison, called the meeting to order. Prayer was offered by C. M. Wood, and after a piece of music the business of the meeting was transacted.

Mr. Wood gave a report, from the committee, which was appointed at the last meeting, to make arrangements for a one day institute, to be held in Pinckney. Mr. Wood said, in his report, that in all probability an institute would be held sometime in Jan., and it was quite likely that Prof. Delos Fall, of Albion, would be the evening speaker. Miss Ethel Durkee then favored the audience with a vocal solo, after which Miss Gladys Daley highly entertained the company with an instrumental solo. Miss Agnes Greiner then read an excellent paper on "Ideals." Miss Greiner treated her subject in a masterly manner. She said many good things; a few of the thoughts being these:—An ideal is a necessity to the highest attainment in life; that our ideals should be lofty, and our mind bent upon its realization; strength of character is a necessity; and that the purest character is apt to be developed in the country. Lucius E. Wilson then sang a solo, which was followed by an instrumental solo by Kate Ruen.

Miss Mollie Wilson then read a paper upon the subject "Housekeeping and Housekeepers upon the Farm." Some of the ideas which she presented are these: Housekeeping is not an exciting occupation, simply prosaic, but not monotonous—unless we make it so; many enjoyments are to be found upon the farm, and the greatest drawback is the lack of time for advancement; but persistent effort often achieves what seems impossible; the woman of today living upon a farm may be a cultured, talented, well informed lady; and that housekeeping should be viewed in the light of dignified instead of servile labor. Mrs. A. A. Stowe in some remarks upon this paper, thought, that with enough determination and will that it was possible to develop the mind and yet be a housekeeper. This was followed by an instrumental solo by Miss Edith Wood, after which Miss Minnie Monks also rendered an instrumental solo. Miss Nellie Gardner then sang a solo, and the program was closed with an instrumental solo by Miss Josephine Harris.

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OUR POPULATION.

WHAT WILL BE SHOWN BY THE NEXT CENSUS.

It is Believed That a Grand Total of Nearly Ninety Millions Will Appear—These are Magnificent and Alluring Figures.

With the appointment of the commissioner of the census of 1900 speculation begins as to the population the enumerators will find in the country when they finish their work next year. As usual large figures are being made and a great increase is claimed over the population given in 1890. One estimate now going around is based on the guesses of the governors as to the population of the different States and territories January 1, 1899. The total on that date is placed at 77,983,363, and, adding the proportionate increase between now and June, 1899, it is claimed that the United States proper will have in 1900 about 80,250,000. Adding the estimated population of Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Philippine Islands and a grand total of 89,250,000 is found.

This is a magnificent and alluring figure. If realized it would show a growth of nearly threefold since 1860, or forty years. It is extremely doubtful, however, if any such total is reached. The addition of 9,000,000 for the population of Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Philippines is probably not too large. It gives 1,000,000 less people to the Philippine Islands than many good authorities claim, and it would not be surprising if the total additions to the population of this country made by the war with Spain would aggregate 10,000,000. But the estimate of 80,250,000 as the population of the United States proper in 1900 is undoubtedly too large by several millions. It would mean an increase of 37,400,000 since 1890, or about twenty-seven per cent., a much larger increase than was shown by the last census.

Such an increase is improbable. There is no evidence to show that the country has grown at a more rapid rate since 1890 than it did during the decade between 1880 and 1890. The growth which it was expected the census of the latter year would show was not realized. Expectation had been based on the percentage of increase between 1870 and 1880. But the large

CHRISTMAS!

Merry Xmas is almost here and everybody is looking for a present for some friend. The times are such that they want to buy the best they can get for the least money and here is where they can get it. We shall have everything for old and young. We have a complete line of

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- Large books, cheap at 25c, for .15
- Books with 200 and 250 pages, 20c and .25
- Peck's Bad Boy, with red covers, worth 25c, our price .15
- Better books, 50c, 75c and 1.00
- Autograph albums, 3c, 5c, 10c, 15c, 20c and .25
- Celluloid goods at about one-half their value.
- Photograph albums 35c and .75
- Musical album, plays two tunes .50
- Work boxes, Glove boxes, Manicure sets and Toilet cases at prices that will astonish the closest buyers. We advise you to call early and get the first selections as they are always the best.
- Handkerchiefs and Glove boxes, two in a set .40
- Toilet Cases .60
- Shaving Cases .125
- Cuff and Collar boxes, 45c 1.10
- Dolls of every description from 1c to 3.00
- China limb dolls, 3, 5, 10 and 15c
- Washable dolls, with hair, 10 and 15
- Kid body dolls 15, 25, 40 and 45
- Sleeping dolls .50, 75, and 1.00
- Sleds 22, 40, 45, 69 and 85

We also have a large assortment of Chinaware in Teacups and Saucers, Mustache cups and saucers, Salad dishes, Cake and Bread plates, Fruit dishes, Child's dishes, Water sets, Vases, Everything from the cheapest to the best.

- China cups and saucers 10c to .55
- Bread and milk sets .20
- Mustache cup and saucer, 17c to .55
- Mugs from 5c to .25
- Shaving mugs .10
- Salad dishes, 20c to .75
- Bread plates, 22c to 1.00
- Water sets, 80c to 1.50
- Pictures and Easels very cheap
- Vases 5c, 8c, 10c and .35
- We have some nice musical clocks 3.25
- Eight day Seth Thomas clocks, one hour or one-half hour strike, marbled, these are beauties. 5.00

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We have a full supply and at prices that cannot be duplicated.

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- Yard No. 1 ribbon .1c
- Children's combination suits .20c
- Paper pin .1c
- Set dress stays .1c
- Crochet hooks, in bone or steel .4c
- Ink, per bottle .2c
- Tablets, 2, 3, 4, and .5c
- Men's and boys' gloves and mittens at about one half their value.
- Boy's faced and fleeced-lined gloves 20c

DRY GOODS.

Our Dry Goods department is filled to its utmost capacity with bargain after bargain that is impossible for us to quote prices for want of space but we give just a sample:

- A Good 10c quality Shirting at 5c
- Canton Flannel, Heavy, 4c
- Prints, one lot going at 3c
- Towels, 5, 10, 15 and 25c
- Crash Toweling, 4, 8 and 10c
- Saxony Yarn per skein, 5c

Remember this is only a few of our many bargains and we invite you to come early and thus avoid the rush. You will greatly assist us by jotting down what you want and it will aid you when you come to buy. It is always our aim to please. These Xmas goods and prices far excel anything we have ever been able to show in the way of cheapness and quality.

McCOMB & CO.

Second door west of McPhersons shoe store,

HOWELL, MICH.

increase shown in the latter year it is now acknowledged, was due to the defective census of 1870. The more accurate census of 1880 gave a large increase over the previous census and created the popular dissatisfaction with the census of 1890. But no facts have since come to light to show that the last enumeration was not full, accurate and complete. Every census made by States during the past eight years has tended to prove the correctness of the census of 1890.

Some light is thrown on the size of the population which will be found in the country in June, 1900, by the State censuses taken in 1895. The following table gives the returns from nine of these States:

States	1890.	1895.
Massachusetts	2,238,943	2,495,346
Rhode Island	345,506	384,758
New Jersey	1,444,933	1,672,942
Michigan	2,093,889	2,241,454
Wisconsin	1,686,880	1,931,905
Iowa	1,911,896	2,058,069
Minnesota	1,301,826	1,574,910
Kansas	1,427,096	1,334,668
Oregon	313,767	362,767

It will be seen by this table that Minnesota and Wisconsin are the only Western States which made large gains between 1890 and 1895. The first State gains about twenty per cent, and the latter about fifteen per cent. Michigan's census was taken in 1894, but its gain is only seven per cent., and Iowa's is about the same. Kansas loses and Oregon gains about eleven per cent. The most surprising gain made is in New Jersey and Massachusetts. The former State increased about fifteen per cent. between 1890 and 1895 and the latter State over eleven per cent. in the same time. Rhode Island also showed an increase of eleven per cent. in its population. The average growth in these nine States in the five years from 1890 to 1895 was about ten per cent. If it is the same between 1895 and 1900 the average per cent. of growth over the United States proper would be twenty per cent. for the decade between 1890 and 1900, or an increase of about 12,500,000. This added to the 62,622,250 population in 1890 would indicate a population of about 75,000,000. Adding 9,000,000 for Hawaii, Porto Rico and the Philippine Islands and a total population of 84,000,000 appears, or 5,000,000 less than the sanguine predictions.

This will probably be the extent of the growth in population the next census will disclose. The real surprise the enumeration will make to the country will probably be the discovery that the East, South and middle West have grown more rapidly than the trans-Mississippi States. The percentage of gain in the latter, with the exception of one or two States, will probably be found to have fallen off. This is not a discouraging fact, and it will not be surprising if the same tendency is shown in the censuses of 1910 and 1920. The far West will have to wait until the waste places in the East and South are filled up.

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During this sale we are bound to reduce our too large stock, and to thoroughly clean up all odds and ends that have accumulated.

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A search for the choicest assortment of the latest and most fashionable dress fabrics has secured the complete line we show. These from the cheap suitings that retail from 10c to 15c to the dressy Crepons will receive their share of slashing.

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All 25c Dress Goods at.....21c
All \$1.00 Dress Goods at.....82c
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Our Strong Point.

And that's Hosiery and Underwear. Comparison with goods bought elsewhere has convinced us as well as many others that it's no exaggeration to state that we have the strongest line in the county.

Are especially strong in Fleece Wear, and still have a complete line of sizes.

Ladies' Hose, 10c kind, worth 12½c.
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Article No. 6---

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All odds and ends at cost.

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Article No. 8---

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