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The Dictionary Says:

Valentine. (1) A sweetheart chosen on St. Valentine's Day.
(2) A letter containing professions of love or affection sent by one young person to another on St. Valentine's Day.

The first is no business of ours, but the second is, because we have some of the dearest of the kind referred to, which say what you want to say in just the right way. Don't fail to see our stock before February 14.

F. A. SIGLER.

Farmers' Institutes

THE THREE ONE-DAY MEETINGS IN THIS COUNTY

Were Successful—Timely Topics Under Discussion.

OAK GROVE.

Wednesday, Jan. 14, the first of the series of one-day farmers' institutes was held at Oak Grove, but as it came on "our busy day" we were unable to attend. However we learn that a very interesting meeting was held with 75 present by actual count, and the count is part of the business of Mr. Reynolds, the state lecturer.

HAMBURG.

The meeting, though small, was called to order by president, Frank Bickus, and the institute opened with a solo by E. N. Ball, followed by an interesting talk on "Breeding and Feeding Best Animals," by the state speaker, P. B. Reynolds, of Owosso.

After the noon recess a very interesting paper was read by Stephen Durfee, on "Home Culture for Boys." A few things among the many to teach a boy was kindness by showing kindness toward your stock—teach him order and thrift by being orderly yourself, if you are careless with your machinery you cannot expect your boy to be otherwise—teach your boy honesty by always giving full weight and measure. When you give a boy anything, stand by your bargain. Give him his work to do and see that he does it, but do not dwarf his mind and body by over work, just for your greed of gain.

The paper brought out a goodly discussion. Mr. Maltby thought we should not expect our boys to be better morally than ourselves. Rev. H. Palmer said his idea was to educate a boy up to the highest standard of a farmer, that we had a wrong idea that 'anyone' could be a farmer. Mr. Reynolds said there was nothing higher, intellectually, than a thorough farming education. If a boy was more desirous of getting an education along some other lines than farming he should not be held back, was Mr. E. Field's idea. Mr. Durfee added a thought here, and said that as the education of a boy began in the little red schoolhouse the school officers should not quibble over the pay of a teacher but get the best you can and see that they earn their money.

The question box was then opened, and the following questions were answered:—Is our Agricultural College the first importance in the education of our boys? No, the home and little red schoolhouse.

When is the best time to plant potatoes for market? As early as possible, plant deep so as not to hill, and after planting keep the soil thoroughly stirred with a drag.

The question of centralizing our school system was answered by some who were in favor and some were not. Is the telephone practical for the average farmer? Yes, and very useful. How much attention should a farmer pay to his garden and fruit? Just as much attention as he does to his other crops, and in season.

Should one pay more attention to lawn decoration than to garden and fruit? Was thought possible to have both, but garden and fruit should come first. Beautiful lawns increased the value of our homes both to our families and those who pass by.

Manures should be spread on the land as soon as a load accumulates.

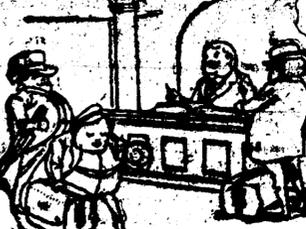
Mrs. Julia Ball then read a paper on "A Study of the rural school problem," which was filled with so many able thoughts woven together in such a manner that a sketch gleaned from

Edward A. Bowman,
DEPARTMENT STORE
HOWELL, MICHIGAN.

By April 1st or before we will be in our new store, the "Nearby Store," second door west of the National Hotel. This store, when ready will be one of the finest in the whole state for my line of business. It is to be entirely remodeled and will be shelved from floor to ceiling with balcony on both sides. The basement will be used for a salesroom. An up-to-date plate-glass front will be put in.

REMOVAL SALE BARGAINS IN EVERY DEPARTMENT.

E. A. BOWMAN.
The Busy Store.
Howell Mich.



HOVEL CAVERLY

Is the place to
Get Good Meals at Right Prices.
Try
One of our Dinners and be Convinced.

10 CT. BARN IN CONNECTION.

N. H. Caverly,
Proprietor.

Stop and Think.

Does your wagon or carriage need repairing? If so, now is the time to have it attended to while you are using your sleighs.

We do all kinds of repair work at the right prices and can give you special attention while the snow lasts.

LOCAL NEWS.

Patricolo, H. Burgess Jones, Miss Rose Reichard, Miss Rosemond Duga, Lecture course, Feb. 4, don't miss it.

Daniel Richards is again under the doctor's care.

Jim. Morgan, of Ypsilanti, was in town the first of the week.

A letter from John McIntyre gives his address as Argyle Minn.

Local ice houses are receiving attention this week—the quality is fine.

Mrs. John Teeple was a guest of Mrs. Chas. Henry, in Stockbridge, the first of the week.

Mrs. H. W. Or-foot had the misfortune to sprain her toe last Friday, which has caused her much pain.

Three counties, Shiawassee, Genesee and Oakland, will probably vote on the question of new court house, at the coming election.

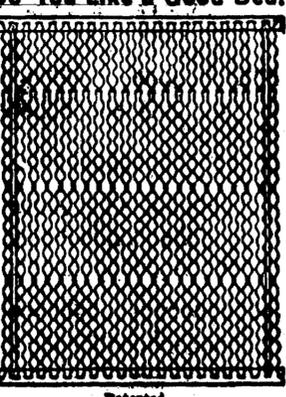
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Backus, of Marion, were guests at the home of her cousin, Mr. Goodie Dinkle, last Thursday and Friday.

A meeting to vote on increasing the capital stock of the Livingston County Mutual Telephone Co. to \$50,000. will be held in the town hall in Fowlerville Tuesday, Jan. 27, at one o'clock.

The long looked for telephone wire arrived the past week and linemen are at work wiring and installing phones. The wait for the wire has been tedious as well as an expensive one for the company but the fault was with the railroads so there is no use "kicking".

Black the Blacksmith,
ANDERSON, MICH.

Do You Like a Good Bed?



The Surprise Spring Bed

Is the best in the market, regardless of the price, but it will be sold for the present at \$2.50 and \$3.00, and guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Is not this guarantee strong enough to induce you to try it?

For sale in Pinckney by G. A. Sigler & Son.

Manufactured by the
SMITH SURPRISE SPRING BED CO.,
Lakeland, Hamburg, Mich.

Oh page 4 will be found an interesting letter from Harriman, Tenn. He asked us to think of him when the winds howl, etc. It does not need to howl Mr. Peatse, for us to think of you in your new home in Fitzgerald, Georgia,—coal up here costs a mint of money—we think often.

COMING EVENTS

CAST THEIR SHADOWS BEFORE

A reminder that the Holidays are not far away can be found in the daily arrival of a remarkably handsome assortment of Holiday Goods.

Our line of Furniture, China and Art Pieces are larger than ever

There's a showing ready for you that gives a splendid chance to see how the tide of fashion has set.

We want a chance to convince you that you can save money on every purchase made here and the saving is safe and positive. **See US Before You Buy.**

Brokaw & Wilkinson.
HOWELL, MICH.

Vick's Garden and Floral guide is now out.

Mrs. Silas Barton returned the last of last week from a visit with relatives in Ann Arbor.

Do not forget the lecture course entertainment Feb. 4. This will be one of the best on the course—every number a star.

Pinckney Hive, No. 385, L.O.T.M. will hold their installation of officers Saturday evening, Jan. 24.

Norris M. Vaughn, B. K.

Rev. G. W. Myline will preach again next Sunday at the Cong'l church in the morning, and at North Hamburg in the afternoon.

Congressman Samuel W. Smith announces that an examination for appointment to the Annapolis naval academy will be held at Pontiac in February or March.

The ladies of the second division of M. E. society, will serve a dinner at the residence of Mrs. R. E. Finch on Wednesday, Jan. 28 from 11:30 until all are served. Everybody cordially invited.

The person who took Reason's diamond glass cutter from the store are requested to return the same at once and nothing will be said about it. Otherwise they will enforce the law to the fullest extent.

Fred E. Younrd and Miss Mabelle Daley, both of Howell, were married Wednesday morning at 9:30, at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. A. Daley, the R. V. S. W. Stroh, of Coldwater, officiating.

The postponed quarterly communion services at the Methodist church will be held next Sabbath a. m. The quarterly conference will be held at 10 a. m. Monday. Services will also be held at Unadilla Sunday afternoon.

Looks like we might get more snow. Stephen Durfee and wife were in Fowlerville the last of last week to attend a jubilee at the Baptist church.

W. E. Murphy put in a new iron safe the past week. Evidently Will expects to increase his business more and more. Well, he has been advertising in the DISPATCH the past few weeks.

At the meeting of the board of health last week at Ann Arbor a resolution was adopted, recommending that the municipal and township authorities order the muzzling of all dogs at large, in view of the fact that hydrophobia is widely disseminated throughout the state.

According to an order recently promulgated by the post office department, postmasters are required to conspicuously post in the public part of their offices, the names of all patrons of all rural mail routes, together with the route to which each belongs. This is a complete change in the policy of the postoffice department in this respect for postmasters have been expressly forbidden heretofore to furnish any addresses or other information regarding patrons of their office. The order states that the information is given for the benefit of makers of directories or others who wish lists of rural route patrons.

FEED GRINDING
AT
REDUCED PRICES.

We will until further notice grind feed, cob and all, at 8c per cwt., shelled grain at 7c per cwt. Owing to the short corn crop we make this reduction to help out as much as possible.

F. M. PETERS,
Prop. Pinckney Flouring Mills.

INVENTORY.

We are busy taking an inventory preparator change in our business. No matter how busy we are however, we shall be glad to show you anything you may desire in our line from a paper of tacks to a set of bob-sleighs.

Speaking of Sleighs reminds us that now is when you need 'em, and we are headquarters for Sleighs, Cutters, Robes and Blankets.

TEEPLE & CADWELL.

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PAINFUL PERIODS



are overcome by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Miss Menard cured after doctors failed to help her.

"Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cured me after doctors had failed, and I wish other girls to know about it. During menstruation I suffered most intense pain low in the abdomen and in my limbs. At other times I had a heavy, depressed feeling which made my work seem twice as hard, and I grew pale and thin. The medicine the doctor gave me did not do me one bit of good, and I was thoroughly discouraged. The doctor wanted me to stop work, but, of course, I could not do that. I finally began to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and felt better after taking the first bottle, and after taking six bottles I was entirely cured, and am now in perfect health, and I am so grateful for it."—Miss GEORGE MENARD, 337 E. 129th St., New York City.

25000 for full trial of above letter proving genuineness cannot be produced.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cured me after doctors had failed.



THE NEXT MORNING I FEEL BRIGHT AND NEW AND MY COMPLEXION IMPROVES.

LANE'S FAMILY MEDICINE



IF YOU HAD A NECK

SORE THROAT

HAMLINS

WIZARD OIL

CURES ALL PAIN, SORENESS, SWELLING AND INFLAMMATION FROM ANY CAUSE

50 CENTS DRUGGISTS

THE NEWS OF THE WORLD

Marmion Smoot.

The Republican members of the legislature have chosen Reed Smoot, of Provo, as their nominee for United States senator to succeed Joseph L. Rawlins. The nomination is equivalent to an election.

Reed Smoot was born in Salt Lake City in January, 1862. He has been since 1888 a member of the council of the apostles of the Mormon church, and therefore is in direct line for the presidency of the church.

Previous to his candidacy for the United States senate he had never taken any important part in the political affairs of the state. Mr. Smoot served his church for nearly a year, during 1900-01, as a missionary in England, Germany, Switzerland, Italy and France, in connection with the church work.

Mr. Smoot is interested in a number of important manufacturing and mining enterprises of the state and is considered wealthy. He was married in September, 1894, and has five children. He is a monogamist.

Seventy Thousand Starving.

Telegrams from Stockholm confirm the distressing accounts of the famine in northern Sweden. About 70,000 persons are affected by the famine. The starving people are eating pine bark, which is dried, ground to powder, mixed with stewed Iceland moss and made into a kind of famine bread. Coincident with the failure of crops is the extreme scarcity of fish.

The expenditure of about \$6,300,000 will be necessary to save the population from decimation. Thus far about \$200,000 has been subscribed, of which sum over \$12,500 was sent by Swedes in the United States. This does not include the money necessary to save the breed of cattle, which alone can live through an Arctic winter, or supply seed for the spring sowings.

Finely chopped twigs of birch, willow and ash are being boiled and fed to the cattle warm, but the milk of the cattle thus fed is certain to spread typhoid fever. A repetition of the terrible famine of 1867 is threatened, when thousands died of starvation and typhoid.

Taft to Remain in Philippines.

Wm. H. Taft, who has won fame as a jurist on the United States Circuit Court bench, and whose great desire was to round out his career in the law as justice of the United States Supreme Court, has sacrificed his ambition and has chosen instead to remain in the Philippines as governor of Uncle Sam's far east domain. To Judge Taft belongs the honor of having established civil government in the Philippines after two years of the stern rule of the sword and to him was given the further honor of being the first governor of the new nation. But at this time Gov. Taft has had all the glory from these honors and his further stay in the islands is clearly at a sacrifice of a notable career at home.

Confiscated Ten Cars of Coal.

About 200 citizens of Tuscola, Ill., confiscated ten carloads of coal at the Illinois Central yards and it was distributed among the sufferers who are out of fuel. There is not a pound of coal in any of the coal yards, and when the people saw the loaded cars sidetracked here they determined to relieve the situation to some extent. Mayor Roberts threw no obstacle in the way and the board of health passed a resolution stating it was necessary for the preservation of the health of the people. Business men, bankers and prominent citizens joined in the raid, but the coal seized was paid for, a committee being appointed to collect the money and hold it for the railroad company.

New Free Coal.

The president signed the bill suspending the duty on coal Thursday. The original bill reported from the ways and means committee of the house, to the effect that all grades of foreign coal be placed on the free list for one year, passed the house by a vote of 258 to 5.

The senate passed the bill as soon as it was received from the house, with an amendment adding a section to prevent the imposition of a duty on anthracite coal after the expiration of the time provided for in the bill, granting a rebate on all coal.

Pacific Cable Goes.

The first section of the Pacific Cable Co.'s cable was completed Thursday night, when the two ends were brought together in the Molokai channel, 35 miles from Honolulu, and Hawaii is now 2,000 miles nearer the parent continent. A large crowd had gathered about the cable station there, and the announcement was received with cheers. Judge Gopfer, representing Gov. Dole, who was absent from the island, sent a message to President Roosevelt announcing the opening and extending a greeting from the citizens of Hawaii.

John D. Rockefeller has contributed \$100,000 toward a fund of \$500,000 to be raised by the Young Men's Christian Association of Brooklyn. The fund has now reached \$455,000.

The Fuel Supply.

The Reading Railroad has to have its trains guarded by policemen while in transit to prevent people suffering for fuel from taking coal.

Forty indictments have been voted by the special grand jury, which during the past week has been investigating the causes for the shortage of coal in Chicago. It is said that among the men against whom it is the intention to return indictments are many who stand high in the business and social world.

A mob, including over 200 men, women, boys and girls, seized five carloads of soft coal, which had just arrived in the Wheeling & Lake Erie railroad yards, Toledo, Saturday, consigned to the National Malleable Castings Co. and local oil men.

The Reading Railway claims cold weather reduced the number of cars of coal shipped last week.

President Mitchell, in addressing the coal commission Saturday, claimed that 3,000 miners are idle and there is a shortage of cars which restricts production.

Though Detroit has a municipal coal yard run by the mayor no coal was sold up to Saturday night. There seems to be a hitch about the weighing of small lots and suits are threatened.

Justice C. H. Webb, of Youngstown, O., decided with the Toledo courts that it was not a crime to steal coal. Eben Nichols was arrested by a railroad detective in the act of stealing fuel from a car. "The man said he stole the coal to keep his wife and family from freezing, and was dismissed."

Attorney General Sheets has filed six suits in the Ohio Supreme Court against leading coal companies. He asks that they be compelled to show why they have entered into a combine to boost the price of coal to an exorbitant and unreasonable figure, why they are misusing their charters and why they are discriminating against towns of Northern and Western Ohio in the matter of supplying coal.

Comptroller Caro rules that Grand Rapids cannot use public funds to go into the coal business, emergency or no emergency. The coal commission appointed by Mayor Palmer will go ahead as though nothing happened in trying to get coal, and are investigating Canadian sources of supply.

Corliss Wins a Hard Fight.

In the bill creating a department of commerce is a section which Representative Corliss, after a big fight on the floor of the house, succeeded in having eliminated, because the effect of it would be that Michigan and other states not only will have their powers of supervision over the insurance companies materially decreased, but will lose the states many thousands of dollars they now collect annually in taxes.

The objectionable clause reads: "It shall be the province and duty of the said bureau of insurance to exercise such control as may be provided by the law over every insurance company, society or association transacting business in the United States."

Corliss declared that the powerful insurance companies wanted this section passed and have had lobbyists in Washington working for it. The federal supervision which it was proposed to have over the insurance companies is defined in the bill in somewhat general terms, but as a federal law is paramount to the state law, the states will not have the same extensive powers to control and regulate such companies as heretofore. He cited Supreme Court decisions that insurance is not commerce, so the supervision of insurance companies would not be a proper function for the department of commerce.

Wife of a Drunkard.

The first notable case under the licensing act, which went into effect Thursday, came up in a London police court Friday, when Sir Charles Allen Lawson, the Anglo-Indian newspaper editor and writer, applied for a summons against Lady Lawson, whom he described as a habitual drunkard. The summons was granted.

The new act enables either a husband or wife to secure a separation in the case of habitual drunkenness, and allows the police to arrest an inebriate anywhere except in a private house, whether disorderly or not.

Boy Kills His Mother.

Mrs. Frank Tucker was killed at Carbondale, Ill., by her 8-year-old son, while the boy was in a fit of rage. The son then committed suicide. The mother had tried to reason with her son who was playing with a gun, and who paid no attention to her. She then started to take the weapon away from him. As she approached the boy, he drew the gun to his shoulder and killed his mother instantly. He then deliberately shot himself.

NATIONAL CAPITAL NOTES.

Rep. Warner, of Illinois, introduced a bill appropriating \$80,000 for a statue to the late Maj.-Gen. Franz Sigel, to be erected in this city.

his present whereabouts is unknown. His name will be dropped from the army list as a deserter in case he fails to report for duty within three months.

WHEN BACKS ARE BAD.

Bad backs are caused by sick kidneys. Most people who suffer from kidney pains.



Backache is the first symptom of kidney disorders.

Neglect the warning of the back, serious troubles follow.

It's only a short step to urinary derangements—diabetes, dropsy, Bright's disease.

Read how to be cured:

CASE NO. 24,612.—Mr. Joseph Calmes, foreman of the Harter mills, Fontoria, O., says: "I just as ardently recommend Dean's Kidney Pills today, and it is the month of October, 1899, as I did in the summer of 1896, when, after taking a course of the treatment, they cured me of kidney complaint and backache, which was often so acute that I was unable to sleep at night and had difficulty in remaining on my feet all day. I am still free from the lumbago or any annoyance from my kidneys, and unhesitatingly declare that I am only too pleased to re-endorse my opinions of Dean's Kidney Pills."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine which cured Mr. Calmes will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

Serious Fire in Galicia.

Lemberg, Galicia, cablegram: There was a serious fire at the oil wells of Boryslav. Twenty-seven springs were affected, twenty houses were destroyed and a girl was burned to death.

Heiress Is Married.

New York dispatch: Miss Beattie Barlow Gordon, sister of the second Mrs. Dan R. Hanna, and Morton Burr Steele, a wealthy young broker, have been married.

PREVENTS SMALLPOX.

Alabastine will not cure smallpox and other contagious diseases, once they have fastened their deadly grip upon their victims. It will do much, however, toward preventing their spread.

It is a well recognized fact that certain wall coverings do much to harbor disease germs and propagate same; that of all coverings wall paper is the most likely to hold the germs of disease for months and years.

There are well authenticated cases where smallpox, scarlet fever and other germs have lain dormant for years, and have attacked persons afterward when the paper was removed.

Kalsomine stuck on the wall with decaying glue are not much better than wall paper with its vegetable paste.

Alabastine is recommended generally by sanitarians, as a coating for walls in any style of work, as it is perfectly sanitary, is in the nature of a disinfectant, presents a perfectly hard surface, is manufactured from a cement base, and does not furnish a lodgment ground for disease germs.

Years ago these matters received but little attention, but modern scientists becoming appalled at the spread of the dread disease, smallpox, and the difficulty in stamping it out, have gone to investigating causes, and unhesitatingly say that improper wall coatings have very much to do with this.

Alabastine is recommended to be used on all infected walls, to destroy germs and to get walls once more in a healthy condition.

Victims of Plague.

Hermosillo, Mexico, special: Two deaths have occurred here, said to be due to bubonic plague. The people are greatly alarmed and all possible efforts are being made to put the city in perfect sanitary condition.

A Family can Live on It.

There's a good deal more in bread than appears on the surface. There's a much larger per centage of nutriment in selected Spring wheat of highest grade than in Winter wheat. GOLD MEDAL FLOUR is made from the best Spring wheat of Minnesota and Dakota. It is the strongest flour made. It makes more bread, better bread and more uniform bread than any other flour. The family that insists on having

WASHBURN, CROSBY'S GOLD MEDAL FLOUR

will be healthier and more vigorous than a family that is satisfied with any other kind.

WASHBURN, CROSBY CO., Minneapolis, Minn.

START A STEAM LAUNDRY in your town. Small capital required and big returns on the investment secured. Write to Paragon Machinery Co., 151 E. Division St., Chicago.

One Hundred Dollars a Box is the value H. A. Tisdole, Summerton, S. C., places on DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. He says: I had the piles for 20 years. I tried many doctors and medicines, but all failed except DeWitt's White Salve. It cured me. It is a combination of the healing properties of Witch Hazel with antiseptics and emollients; relieves and permanently cures blind, bleeding, itching, and protruding piles, sores, cuts, bruises, eczema, salt rheum and all skin diseases.

W. B. Darrow.

Fly Electrocuter.

A new apparatus has been invented for killing flies by electricity, says the London Express. It looks somewhat like a gridiron placed vertically, with a horizontal shelf hanging beneath. The gridiron is composed of wires which are connected with an electric battery, and the wires are so close together that a fly alighting can hardly fail to stand upon at least two of them at once. The wires being alternately negative and positive, the insect by the mere act of alighting upon the machine completes a circuit and is instantly killed. At intervals the horizontal shelf may be removed and the dead flies brushed off.

A Scientific Discovery.

Kodol does for the stomach that which it is unable to do for itself even when but slightly disordered or overloaded. Kodol supplies the natural juices of digestion and does the work of the stomach, relaxing the nervous tension while the inflamed muscles of that organ are allowed to rest and heal. Kodol digests what you eat and enables the stomach and digestive organs to transform all food into rich red blood.

W. B. Darrow.

Modern Colossus.

Living in Dover, England, is a man who is an amazing sight, and for the reason that he weighs not less than 733 pounds. Moreover, his relatives say that his weight increases every year. He has not been able to walk for the last eight years, and he passes his days in an immense chair, which is on wheels, and therefore can be rolled from place to place.

At night the giant is wheeled to his bed, into which he hoists himself by means of a trapeze. A traveling showman recently offered this fat man \$300 a day if he would exhibit himself, but the offer was declined. "I don't need money," said the fat man, "and I'm too fond of my family to leave them."

The nicest and pleasantest medicine I have used for indigestion and constipation is Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets says Melard F. Craig, of middle grove, N. Y. "They work like a charm and do not gripe or have any unpleasant effect." For sale by F. A. Sigler.

Well Seasoned News.

A writer in the Boston Transcript says that "far up in the icy northern wastes of Canada we have heard there lives an official of the Hudson Bay company to whom but once a year mail and provisions come. He is an ardent reader of the London Times, receiving with each annual arrival of the modern Mayflower sledge the complete edition of a year. Each morning he unfolds at breakfast a copy of the Times, just one year old upon that date. For him the Boer war has not yet closed, for him the Lucania's and the Kaiser Wilhelm's docking months ago are not yet in. We are writing him this morning asking if he has ever considered taking boarders."

New Century Comfort.

Millions are daily finding a world of comfort in Bucklin's Arnica Salve. It kills pain from burns, scalds, cuts, bruises; conquers ulcers, and fever sores; cures eruptions, salt rheum, boils and felons; removes corns and warts. Best pile cure on earth. Only 25c.

at F. A. Sigler's drug store.

FROM THE SUNNY SOUTH.

HARRIMAN, TENNESSEE.

TO THE READERS OF THE DISPATCH:

While our friends in Michigan are suffering with the cold, we are enjoying mild weather, with little snow, but with just enough cold to remind us of what the weather must be up home.

My work calls me away from home part of the time and I see much to interest a northerner. Recently I took a trip into North Carolina and also one into Georgia.

We often see the home of the old time southerner, in the mountains, with the little stick and mud chimney, and not a window in the house. Light is admitted through the open door and from the open grate, and the air—well, this is another question.

But the mountaineers are hospitable and generous and many a northern soldier found shelter in such humble cabins when escaping from Salisbury, Andersonville or other southern prisons.

The scenery through the Great Smokey and Blue Ridge mountains is grand, and Vanderbilt's country seat at Belmont, near Asheville, N. Carolina, is perhaps the finest country house in the entire state.

The climate in southern Georgia is mild and delightful. I went as far south as Fitzgerald, a town seven years of age, and of about 4,000 people. The soil about that town is sandy, though fertile, and cotton is the staple. Atlanta is the best city of the south and it reminds one of our beloved Detroit.

One can live very cheaply in southern Georgia these cold days, but the apples and other fruits of old Michigan are lacking. The weather there reminds us of southern California. When the wind howls and the snow falls, think of us.

EARL W. PEARSE.

NOTICE.

We the undersigned, do hereby agree to refund the money on a 50 cent bottle of Down's Elixir if it does not cure any cough, cold, whooping cough, or throat trouble. We also guarantee Down's Elixir to cure consumption, when used according to directions, or money back. A full dose on going to bed and small doses during the day will cure the most severe cold, and stop the most distressing cough.

W. B. Darrow.

Thrifty Russell Sage.

A solicitor for a Wall street paper had been trying for a long time to secure the signature of Russell Sage to an advertising contract at a cost of \$100 per year, but to no purpose. To show how diligently he had been working, keeping thereby to induce Mr. Sage to sign the contract, he said:

"I think, Mr. Sage, you ought to favor me with this order, for I have been after you for three years."

The old financier leaned back in his chair, thought a moment and then asked, "How long have you been trying to get this contract, did you say?"

"Three years," hopefully replied the agent.

"Then, you see," continued Mr. Sage, "I have saved just \$300."—New York Times.

Unconscious From Croup.

During a sudden and terrible attack of croup our little girl was unconscious from strangulation says A. L. Spafford, postmaster Chester Mich. and a dose of One Minute Cough Cure was administered and repeated often. It reduced the swelling and inflammation, cut the mucus and shortly the child was resting easy and speedily recovered. It cures Coughs, Colds, LaGrippe, and all Throat and Lung troubles. One Minute Cough Cure works in the throat and chest and enables the lungs to contribute pure, health-giving oxygen to the blood.

W. B. Darrow.

Farmers' Institutes

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This paper brought out many truths and shortcomings that the teachers of our schools have allowed among its pupils and the school commissioner should see to it that it was not allowed.

An instrumental solo by Mrs. Sheridan was followed by a brief talk on "The care and profit with sheep and swine." Owing to the lateness of the hour Mr. Reynolds could not do justice to the subject, and meeting closed.

PINCKNEY.

The institute at Pinckney, Friday, was not as largely attended as it should have been owing to some misunderstanding in regard to the program, so that it was not as well advertised as it might have been had we been more sure of the facts and who the state speaker was to be. The day and going was fine and there should have been 200 present at least. There was no forenoon session but in the afternoon 75 were in attendance and an interesting session was held.

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 by Pres. Backus and opened by an instrumental solo by Sidney Sprout followed by a talk on "Organization, the Farmer's Watchword," by B. P. Reynolds of Owosso. The only way to reap results was by thorough organization the same as other large enterprises have. The time has come for party lines to be thrown down and for farmers to unite on the leading matters of the day. Every township at least should be organized into one if not two clubs and every club should become a member of the county and state organizations.

Mrs. H. A. Fick of Gregory sang a solo and H. M. Padley read a paper on the "Benefit of Farmers' Clubs, or Concert of Action." The paper was full of good things and among them this: No great thing has ever been accomplished from the overthrow of Rome to the present day, but by concentration of action or organization. If other things have accomplished their ends by united effort, why not the farmer.

Music by Minnie Monks and then Mr. Reynolds took up the question of "Breeding Beef Animals." We must manage as the chief object of farming to keep up the fertility of the soil and we can do so to no better advantage than by keeping stock on the farm. As a rule we are careless in regard to the quality of stock we raise. Place your ideal high then strive to attain to it. We should breed to stock that have the best points for the beef market, and this can be done to advantage. I believe that every farmer who raises beef should have a silo. I have been in feed barns the past week where the waste of corn fodder would pay for a silo in a short time, and yet the farmer thought he was feeding very carefully. Do not make the mistake of thinking to save something by taking off the ears before putting into the silo. Again, do not cut too green. I plant the old way—in checks—and when ready for the shock, cut and till silo. Have used one fourteen years, and expect to put up another. When ready to feed we give twice per day and clover hay or other dry feed once or twice per day.

To discuss from the subject, we wish to speak about the fertilizer. We feed everything in the stable not only to save feed but as the best manner in which to save the manure. The liquid manure we run into cisterns from which we put it direct on the land or on the loads of manure, but prefer the latter course. I believe the only way to distribute manure is direct from the barn to the field and spread as it is drawn.

The talk brought out much discussion that proved interesting. This was followed by instrumental music by Sidney Sprout and then the question box. One of the questions was of much interest to the clubs around here as the members are divided on the subject. Should meals be served at club meetings? Mr. Reynolds answered, "yes, by all means and further

I would say, hold the meetings from house to house. In our club we use lap boards which are the most convenient. We have a good program and almost as profitable a time as at an institute." Several other questions were asked and answered. Owing to the lateness of the hour it was found necessary to close before the questions were all answered but all voted it a success.

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PROBATE CHANGE.

Howell, Mich., Jan. 17, 1908. Editor Pinckney Dispatch, Pinckney, Mich.

Dear Sir:— Heretofore all orders for publication sent from this office and reading "three successive weeks" have been published in four issues of the papers. The Supreme Court says that three insertions comply with the statute (except in case of hearing of claims) if the last publication is one full week before the day of hearing. Please take notice and govern yourself accordingly in publication and charges. This change may be a little hard on publishers but good for the widows and orphans and as newspaper men are always public spirited and law abiding I am sure they will cheerfully comply with the above ruling.

Yours truly, EUGENE A. STOWE, Judge of Probate.

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Herbert Spencer is quoted as saying that he has no illusions as to the popularity of philosophy. "I think it probable that if you would ask ninety-nine out of a hundred people whether they would daily take a spoonful of cod liver oil or read a chapter of my 'Principles of Psychology' they would prefer the cod liver oil," he said. The philosopher has again declared that he is broken by the burden of years and has laid his pen down forever as far as any large work is concerned.

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Shrewd Sultan.

The sultan's announcement that his autobiography, detailing all the intrigues of Christian statesmen to gain the support of Mohammedan Turkey, will not be published until after his death is probably his oriental way of insuring his life. Some secrets are dangerous, and some foreign officers have a long hand and few scruples.—New York Mail and Express.

Mrs. Johannah Soderholm of Fergus Falls, Minn. fell and dislocated her shoulder. She had a surgeon get it back in place as soon as possible but it was quite sore and pained her very much. Her son mentioned that he had seen Chamberlain's Pain Balm advertised for sprains and soreness, and she asked him to buy her a bottle of it which he did. It quickly relieved her and enabled her to sleep which she had not done for several days. The son was so much pleased with the relief it gave his mother that he has since recommended it to many others. For sale by F. A. Sigler.

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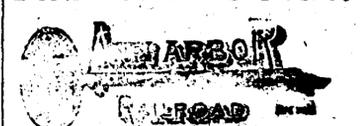
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THE NEWS OF MICHIGAN



The king of Saxony is better. His son's wife plainly needs to be...

Isn't it about time for William T. Stead to have another horrible dream?

The only thing certain in this checkered career is that he has to get a move on.

King Leopold and the czar start in with the food hope that this may be a homeless year.

Mr. Carnegie sees the necessity of unloading at a more rapid rate and has begun to dump it.

The volcanoes appear to have finally come out again against the Nicaragua canal route.

Already Sig. Marconi is sued for infringement. Envy is ever the test of success in this world.

It made Sig. Marconi dizzy to ride in an elevated train. As experienced a conductor as he is, too!

Reports to the effect that the Florida orange crop is killed may be taken with a few drops of lemon juice.

It is beginning to be suspected that the United States Steel trust is paying Schwab a good big salary just to stay away.

The new London blacklist for inebriates is likely to have a serious effect on the springs of the water wagon.

"The women of America," says Violinist Kocian, "are beautiful." Our distinguished visitor has struck the right chord.

Queen Alexandra has christened the heir of the Duke of Manchester. Wonder if she did it with a bottle of Zimmerman's beer?

For a good imitation of a street car heated by electricity sit on a moderately warm stove and put your feet in a pall of ice water.

A man who has tried them all says that the various newspaper directions for burning soft coal are chiefly useful to kindle the fire with.

There are politicians who are different men after recovering from a long and dangerous illness. But there are other kinds of politicians.

Cornelius Vanderbilt is well enough to sit up and notice that several members of the family didn't relent sufficiently to call while the crisis was on.

The crown prince of Germany is thinking of visiting the United States next year. Let him come, but Prince Henry has already skinned the cream.

Dr. Lorenz told the people of New York that they were "inspiring in appearance" and then politely refrained from going below the question of appearances.

A Polish woman in Toledo has just become the mother of four children—all at once—two boys and two girls. And her husband has been out of work all winter!

The New Jersey girl who fabbergasted her parents at dinner 'New Year's day' by announcing that she had been a bride four months is appropriately named Daisy.

Henry Clews, the New York broker, says of his brand-new grandson: "He was born bare, but I will teach him to be a bull." This sounds all right, yet lack of teaching also makes many a bull.

The Atlantic City minister who asks the blushing bride only to "honor, love and cherish" makes it unnecessary for her to save her conscience by saying "love, honor and be gay."

The addition of five cents a pound to the price of coffee will assist a great many hesitating persons in coming to the decision that coffee is an unwholesome beverage and bad for the nerves.

Marconi has another love affair on hand. This will tend further to lower him in the estimation of the young woman who flitted him a while ago, expecting that he would go into an immediate decline.

D. Prousbay Ogle is the name of a gentleman who is beginning to be heard of in New York society. He ought at least to be eligible to the class in which I. Townsend Burden and T. Sully Taylor sparred.

When the next tax roll is spread in Wayne county the Gamouse fortune...

When the next tax roll is spread in Wayne county the Gamouse fortune left by the late David Whitney, together with a number of other million dollar estates, may be taxed in the city of Detroit instead of Grosse Pointe or other suburbs. This will be the unlooked-for effect of a most innocent appearing bill...

The bill contemplates the insertion of two words, "trustees or agents," after the words, "executors or administrators," in paragraph 5 of section 3337 of the compiled laws.

The present law provides for the taxation of estates controlled by executors or administrators in the last place of residence of the deceased. In a large number of cases the law has been evaded by placing the estate in the control of trustees or agents only. In the case of the Whitely estate, the taxes are paid in Grosse Pointe township at a much lower rate than would be necessary in Detroit, where the deceased lived all his life and enjoyed the benefits of the city's fire and police protection, etc.

Prices Lower.

In the official monthly crop report Secretary of State Warner says the temperature for December was two degrees below the normal. The precipitation for the month was practically normal. Correspondents generally agree that but little damage has been done to wheat. The ground was fairly well covered with snow during the month and the crop thus protected.

The average condition of live stock in the state, comparison being with stock in good healthy, thrifty condition, is: Horses, cattle, sheep and swine, 96 per cent.

The prices of farm crops are lower than one year ago, the decline being as follows: Wheat, 12 cents; corn, 8 cents; oats, 13 cents per bushel; hay, 20 cents per ton. The prices of all kinds of live stock are higher than one year ago. Fat cattle and hogs are worth 29 cents more per hundredweight, while dressed pork is worth 63 cents per hundredweight less.

Hillsdale County Will Be "Wet."

Because they neglected to make sure they were right before they went ahead, the temperance people of Hillsdale county are up against it. They were desirous of having the local option proposition submitted to the voters at the spring election, and circulated petitions on the understanding that signatures equal in number to one-third of the vote polled by the successful candidate for governor at the last election were required. When this number was reached, they stopped canvassing, only to find when it was too late that the number of signatures required is one-third of the total vote for all candidates for governor. Consequently the people of Hillsdale county will be able to take their drinks in saloons instead of drug stores for another year at least.

Must Pay the Fee.

The Sanitary Food Co. is a concern holding a charter under the laws of South Dakota, but with headquarters and a factory at Benton Harbor. It is capitalized at \$500,000, but tried to file its articles with Secretary of State Warner at Lansing, and pay its franchise fee on but \$50,000, claiming that it should pay only on the actual property it owned in this state. Secretary Warner took a different view of the matter, however, and the company will have to pay a franchise fee on its entire capitalization of \$500,000 if it wants to do business in Michigan.

Revenue From Insurance.

The indications are that the state's revenue from life and fire insurance companies will be greater this year than ever before, the volume of business written last year having broken the record. The New York Life is the first company to file its annual statement. It collected \$958,881 in premiums in Michigan in 1902. On this it will pay a tax of 2 per cent, or \$19,177. This is an increase of \$2,533 over the tax paid last year.

MICHIGAN NEWS IN BRIEF.

Oakland county is agitating to be set aside as a separate judicial circuit. The present circuit includes Lapeer county.

Brown City's new gas elevator is ready for business and will be a great thing for the town, making it a market for farmers from all directions.

The severest snow storm of the season prevailed at Marshall Monday night. All trains were late. The thermometer registered 10 degrees below zero.

Alexander L. Pickett, dropped dead in his depot at Marquette. He was a notary public and retired farmer. He leaves a widow in comfortable circumstances.

Jan. 20, 21 and 22 Battle Creek will entertain the Michigan Engineering Society, the occasion being the twenty-fourth annual meeting of that organization.

Terrific Explosion in Greenville.

One of the most terrible accidents ever recorded in Greenville occurred Saturday morning when one of two boilers in the engine room of the Rainey refrigerator factory exploded, totally wrecking the engine room and both boilers and engine.

Added to the horror of the disaster the wreckage caught fire, and when the flames in a pile of slabs in a corner of the fire room, were extinguished, the remains of the fireman, Ira Stanton, were discovered where he was thrown by the force of the explosion. The man's face and body were literally cooked by the hot water and steam.

Engineer Price was found a few minutes later under a pile of bricks, every bone in his body being broken, and had a brick driven into his skull. Mr. Price leaves a wife and daughter, Stanton, a wife.

Edward Hammond, a machinist in the third story, had an arm and three ribs broken by flying brick.

Matthew Bailey, an older, had his head cut and was severely injured internally.

Miss Edna Lewis, an employe in the office, was slightly cut by flying brick. The boilers were insured for \$25,000. It is alleged that the cause of the explosion was low water.

AROUND THE STATE.

The Michigan Catholic has a subscriber who has paid in advance to 1919.

A wood yard has been established at Flint, where wood will be furnished to needy families.

John N. Nickerson, of Albion, bookkeeper for the Gale Mfg. Co., committed suicide by taking morphine Friday.

By order of the library board of Benton Harbor, three volumes of fiction that have been in use by the smallpox suspects at the Morton house will not be returned to the library.

The common council at Muskegon is agitating the question of having prisoners, who are sent up for vagrancy from the city courts, clean the sidewalks and do street cleaning duty.

During the past week 29 young men have enlisted in the navy and left for headquarters. A majority are from Lansing, but Eaton Rapids, Ithaca, Saginaw, Detroit, Bay City and Midland are also represented.

By the death of his brother in New York city, Elias Kingsley, 64 years of age and an inmate of the Shiawassee county house for the past 1 1/2 years, will receive a legacy which will enable him to spend the remainder of his life in comfort.

The blacksmiths of Lapeer, Dryden, Metamora, Thornville, Almont, Imlay City, Attea, Romeo, Capre, Brown City, Oxford and Leonard have formed a combine and have adopted a new scale of prices. The prices were raised 20 per cent.

Rev. Dr. Herbert, Congregational minister of Detroit, has brought suit in Jackson against the Hawks-Angus suburban line for \$30,000 because of injuries alleged to have been sustained by him when a car left the tracks in that city last winter.

A congress of the Anti-Saloon League will convene in Lansing on Feb. 9, and will continue three days. Among the prominent speakers who will take part in the program are P. A. Baker, of Columbus, O., and Col. E. P. Ritter, of Indianapolis.

The Rev. E. A. Hoffman, of Benton Harbor, is in correspondence with Andrew Carnegie for a pipe organ for his church. Carnegie has already given \$20,000 for a library, and Rev. Hoffman is confident that he will supplement this gift with an organ.

At the Aragon mine Joseph Canavera was instantly killed and Chas. Bjorkman seriously hurt. The men were blasting. There was some delay before they got away and several hours went off. Canavera was a young man and Bjorkman is a widower.

A year ago C. E. Hasse, a saloon-keeper of Mason, made a "steady," a hard-drinking man, a proposition that if he wouldn't drink anything for a year he, Hasse, would buy him a suit of clothes. Ready lived up to his agreement, and last Monday Hasse bought him the clothes.

Last year a Hastings man put a penny into a box every time he gave away a five-cent cigar. When he opened the box at the end of the year he found therein \$7 45, indicating that he had given away 745 cigars at a cost of \$37 25. He also smokes six or seven cigars a day himself.

Land Commissioner Wilder has had prepared bills empowering the commissioner to lease state swamp, state tax and homestead lands under such regulations as the state board of control of swamp lands may direct, and to lease agricultural college lands in a manner decided by the state board of agriculture; also to sell the timber on such lands under like conditions.

Frank Stout, the Huron county assessor, who has been missing since Dec. 23, has returned to his home. He cannot account for his actions, but it is said he went to Vassar and lived out a farmer. After some days in his new employment he fell from a hay-mow and hurt his nose. This痹 for a time, and his mind was suddenly restored.

Southern Michigan seems to have had the worst of the present cold spell. Correspondents report the mercury from 22 to 30 degrees below zero; the roads are blocked by immense drifts, and business and travel suspended. North of the center of the state, apparently, the storm and weather has been less severe.

Charles Yigter, while sawing wood on a power saw near Alto, let his hand get too close to the saw and the thumb and three fingers were cut off. He picked them up in the other hand and hustled to a physician, who sewed them back in their original places and told Yigter he probably would not lose the use of them, thanks to his prompt action.

Patrons of the Detroit, Plymouth & Northville electric cars, who last winter complained of cold cars, are now exposed to the opposite extreme. It is said the company now uses a live wire under the carpeting with which the seats are cushioned, and the heat is in direct proportion to the speed of the cars. When at full speed it is claimed the passengers prefer to stand.

Edward J. Elsbrenner, of Rogers City, has put himself up in a "ruffe," offering himself as a husband to the "lucky" woman who will draw the prize out of 1,000 chances at 25 cents per. The restrictions are that she must be respectable, healthy, unaccommodated and a Catholic, between 40 and 55 years of age. He is 55, has a son of 15 and an 80-acre farm.

Discussing the best briquettes, which are to be made at the factory near Capre, in which he is interested, F. W. E. Cooley said that the cost of the product will probably be \$1 to \$1 50 a ton. Briquettes will not stand exposure to rain or wet snow. But they will stand at least several months if protected against the weather. They can be kept six months in stock.

In the semi-annual debate for the choice of a University of Michigan team to meet Wisconsin, the law debate resulted as follows: Edward Sponsenhein, Chicago, first; Alfred Henry, Marion, Ind., second; E. D. Perry, Ft. Dodge, Ia., third. The lit team follows: C. E. Parry, Ann Arbor, first; J. F. Kohn, Cleveland, O., second; G. A. Malcolm, Commerce, Mich., third.

A Menominee physician, who attended John Smith, a sufferer from asthma, left some medicine bearing the directions, which were for small doses at intervals. Smith, who is a man old enough to know better, instead of following instructions, took the whole bottle at one time, and though several doctors worked over him for hours, it is doubtful if he will finally recover from the effects of the dose.

Henry C. Hamlin, the former Alpena man who was drowned while skating in Washington, D. C., Wednesday evening, was editor and proprietor of the Alpena Pioneer for 10 years previous to June, 1898, when he disposed of the plant. He served during the Spanish war as second lieutenant of Co. E, Thirty-fifth M. V. I. He had filled a position in the war department under Gen. Corbin since the close of the war. Mr. Hamlin was 46 years old.

Two deeds filed by Sarah Grewett, of Mt. Pleasant, cover 1,280 acres of land in the heart of Flint. As the land claimed was patented to Jacob Smith by congress and in three attempts to secure a title, the Supreme Court gave the defendant a clear title which was followed by forty years' adverse possession, the property owners do not take enough interest to attempt to secure an injunction preventing the recording of the deeds.

A burglar who is too careless to ever succeed in the business, visited Anson Harmon, of Saline, the other night. He stole two pocketbooks from Harmon's room as the latter slept, and taking them out on the porch of the house, went through them, took \$75 in bills from them, and then went away, leaving the pocketbooks lying there. When Harmon found them in the morning he was tickled to discover that the careless thief had overlooked one compartment in which was \$70 in Uncle Sam's good money.

The pastor of a church at Metamora also preaches at Thornville and entertains his audience with appropriate selections on the phonograph. By this method the attendance has increased at a rapid rate. After the opening prayer at a recent service, a solo was given, when to the horror of the pastor and deacons, and the delight of the young people, the machine ground out a rag time coon song instead of the "Holy City." The deacons consider it a very serious matter. The young people treat it as a joke.

The supervisor of Branch county will ask the legislature to pass a bill making the townshipships of that county liable for expenses incurred in smallpox, or other epidemics. Under the present law supervisors must pay such bills when they are indorsed by the township board of health, and it is claimed that the latter are careless and allow bills of almost any amount, "as long as the county has to pay them." It is thought that if these townshipships had to pay them, the boards would be a little more careful in indorsing bills.

Fred McCarty, known as the "Second Tracy," was captured at Muskegon by detectives in a pool room. McCarty is wanted on a charge of desertion from the U. S. navy after serving but 85 days in April, 1902. Some months ago, after he had deserted, he was captured in his room at his boarding house and asked to be allowed to step into an adjoining apartment to get his hat. He appeared a few moments later with a gun in each hand, held up the officers and effected his escape.

Hauling and Spreading Manure.

From Farmers' Review: Every good farmer economizes time during the winter months as much as possible, in hauling manure to such fields as most need fertilizing. All, however, do not use the best practical means in pulling or spreading it. The most serious mistake is in throwing it in irregular piles, and too far apart for easy handling. Too many, also, fail to break up and spread the heaps early enough in the spring. Except in hilly ground, it is preferable to spread as it is hauled out, especially if it is green manure.

Where manure is hauled at intervals in the winter and upon frozen ground, the frost will often be held under the heaps until long after the land is fit for plowing. Among the first operations in the spring, and this will apply especially to those portions of the farm and the garden that are heavily manured—is to break up the heaps so the soil beneath may become thawed as soon as the surrounding surface. If the heaps are small and close together, the necessity of breaking up the heaps is not so great, but small heaps, fairly equal distant from each other, are exceptions rather than the rule. Precise work in many things always pays.

When green and straw manure is used, to be plowed under, it does not make so much difference if it has spread some time before being plowed under. Therefore it may be roughly spread early in the season and a good harrowing will distribute it evenly enough, so it may easily be turned under. But in this long condition it is not in the best state for light soils, or those that do not require to be rendered more open; for all such soils, it is better that it be thoroughly disintegrated and decomposed by composting, and, in fact, it is better that all decomposed manures be left in heaps, so far as possible, until the land is ready for plowing. The reason is that there is less washing over, perhaps, away from the soil, rather than into it, because compost is readily soluble. Again, in composting manure for light soils, a clayey soil is best as a divisor, since it stiffens and adds stability to all sandy soils.

Our plan has always been to break up the piles of manure, with a pick, early in the spring, so as to admit air and assist in releasing the frost beneath the piles. Those who have experienced the difficulty in properly plowing the soil, when the share strikes a sub-stratum of frozen soil, beneath, will realize the importance of taking care of the manure, so the plowing may be properly accomplished, especially if one waits for manure and the frozen soil underneath to thaw out naturally. Rainy weather may set in, and perhaps prevent getting in a crop, sometimes two weeks after the proper time of seeding. Gardeners, especially, will understand this. Gardeners also understand the value of a manure spreader where compost is to be applied.—Jonathan Periam.

Do Apple Trees Exhaust the Soil?

Apple trees are not as hard on soils as many have supposed, if we will keep the soil in proper physical condition. A bulletin issued by Cornell University shows that in a single year a crop of apples will remove, for the fruit from a single acre, 13 pounds of nitrogen, 1 pound of phosphoric acid and 19 pounds of potash. The leaves on the trees which produce this crop of fruit will require 18 pounds of nitrogen, 5.2 pounds of phosphoric acid and 18.4 pounds of potash. The tree growth will require 14.4 pounds of nitrogen, 3.6 pounds of phosphoric acid and 8.3 pounds of potash. This looks to be a severe strain on the soil, yet I believe that, all things considered, apples are about half as hard on soil as corn, assuming that all of each crop is permanently removed from the soil.—Prof. C. H. Cliftler.

Misc Out of Apple Seed.

With a fine needle, draw black sewing silk through the palated end of a good fat apple seed and clip it to about the proper length for ears. Then with a sharp penknife shave a narrow strip from the under or flat-side of the seed and turn it out at the other end for the silk. Now pass the needle through a white cord and through the seed near the tail, and again through the seed, drawing it down snugly. Repeat the same at the ear end and you have a very realistic mouse.—American Boy.

Not Infrequently, the cold crop-suffers, very greatly from the presence of snow. It will pay any farmer to give this question a thorough investigation and to make arrangements this winter for drying the seed, oats, wheat, spring.

There are some boys so fond of fun that they can train down an ant to crawl through the panty leg-hole.

DOUBT



Cases of Egg-Eating. Prof. A. G. Gilbert says: It is not only in winter there is a demand for absolutely fresh eggs. There is a demand in summer also. In fact, my experience is, that it is more difficult in cities to obtain a supply of really well-flavored eggs in July than it is in January. I have "known" cases where eggs have been purchased from grocers in mid-summer, half of which were of objectionable flavor, and the other half positively bad. This is not all due to dishonesty on the part of farmers—it is not all owing to the action of people knowingly sending stale eggs to market. I will tell you one cause to which is due the development of objectionable flavor in so many summer eggs. Summer is the natural breeding season of the fowl, and eggs—where males run with the hens—are than strongly fertile. There are also a lot of broody hens about at the same time. Now, what follows when, as is usually the case, eggs are gathered late in the evening, or possibly, only once in two days? One hen lays an egg early in the morning; another follows suit later; perhaps a third or fourth or fifth comes and lays in the same nest. By this time the first egg is getting pretty well warmed up. Then a broody hen comes and occupies the nest until evening or next morning. What is the result? Foster and Balfour tell us that some development takes place in the germ of the egg within eight hours' covering. If an egg in that condition is taken to market, the cell will be ruptured in handling, and then decomposition sets in, and the flavor is ruined.

Eggs for the incubator. From Farmers' Review: In a past issue of the Farmers' Review "H. H." asked how to get enough fertile eggs to fill his incubator. He would better speak to several farmers and engage enough eggs to fill that incubator; if one will agree to pay them a few cents more per dozen than they can get at the store, they will mostly be glad to accommodate, and will bring only such as they would set themselves. Lacking this chance, go to a store that receives quite a number of eggs from farmers themselves, not hucksters, speak to the proprietor about the eggs; if he is as accommodating as the most of them are he will save a particular promising batch of eggs for you, and will allow you to cull them, too. You of course should pay a little extra for this. You would much better engage eggs of reliable farmers or send to poultry breeders for eggs, for store eggs during the late fall months are quite likely largely to be packed ones. We have bought eggs from stores to fill machines during the summer and received a good hatch, but late as November there is more risk. Don't buy eggs if a huckster to get, for they are a sort of clearing-house for doubtful eggs if they have any "queer" customers on their route. Time to set incubators? "M. L. D." should have stated what he wished to do with his hatch, then one could have answered better. As a rule any time that one has good eggs and is prepared to attend to the machine.—Emma Clearwater's.

Variations of the Milk Test. The Babcock test measures butterfat to one-tenth of a pound in the hundreds pounds of milk, and is just as accurate as an ordinary scale would be in weighing two or three pounds of sugar, says H. R. Wright. A number of the variations in milk tests are uncontrollable. If milk or cream is sour or churned when it arrives at the creamery, a proper sample cannot be taken and an accurate test cannot be made. It will pay the farmer in his test to get his milk to the creamery in good shape. If the cow is not starved, change of feed or increase in its amount will not change the per cent of butterfat, though it may increase the amount of milk and the total of fat. A study of the tables of comparison of milk tests from dairy authorities will be useful in understanding that the test of milk does vary. The first milk given by a cow in each milking is nearly all water. If you will milk the first half of the milk, and let the calf have the remainder he will get three-fourths the butterfat. In the variations of a test of a cow's milking eight successive months, it was noticed that while the test increased very rapidly near the end of her milking period, yet even in the last month one day's milk fell below the legal minimum of 2.0 per cent, although the average was 7.2 per cent. The effect of excitement on the test of milk is shown by violent fluctuations of test and results in loss of milk as well as in per cent of butterfat. Hence the value of kind treatment and comfort for the cow. It is right to insist that the creamery give you what your milk really tests, but don't be unreasonable; if the test shows only a reasonable variation.

QUEST TO DEFINE BOUNDARIES

English Officer to Fix Frontier Between Chile and Argentina. Sir Thomas Houlditch leaves England within the next few days on his mission to lay down the new frontier between Chile and the Argentine Republic. It is not a light task, but Sir Thomas already knows something of the Andes, and he has probably had more experience in mapping out boundaries than any man living. Much of his work has been on the frontiers of India, which he knows as intimately as we know our London streets. He has written a book called the "Indian Borderland," and if ever he gives us his reminiscences they should be full of agreeable accounts of travel. He was serving in India nearly forty years ago as a young officer of the Royal Engineers. The Abyssinian campaign took him to another continent, but the Afghan war took him back to the regions which he has done so much to make plain on maps. Sir Thomas is within sight of sixty, but a grand tour of mountainous South America has no terrors for him. He and his staff of engineers expect to be away several months.—London Chronicle.

A Struggle for Life. Eagle River, Mo., Jan. 15th.—Maggie E. Decker, a hardworking woman 40 years of age, whose home is here, has just gone through a thrilling battle for her life. Many another would have lain down and died, for for twelve long years she has suffered the most awful pains. She had Kidney Trouble and Rheumatism, combined with a very distressing stomach trouble. At last she got so bad that she could not sleep, for she ached all over, and was so lame that she could scarcely walk. She spent over a hundred dollars in different medicines, but only to be disappointed, for everything failed to help her. At last, however, just when she was beginning to despair of ever finding a remedy, she heard of Dodd's Kidney Pills and bought six boxes. She says: "Now I can eat well, sleep well, and am feeling splendid. God bless Dodd's Kidney Pills, for they saved my life. My troubles were many, but Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me completely. But for them I surely would have died."

How He Made Votes. Wallace Muir of Lexington, Ky., has invented a new way of electioneering. He is a candidate for city attorney, and several other young men are after the place, making it a close race. Seeing some linemen patching up wires on a telegraph pole he stopped to canvass them, but was told they had no time to talk politics, especially at such long range. Mr. Muir, who was once a fireman, shinned up the pole and took a seat on the arm with them. This "caught" the linemen, all of whom promised to vote for him.

Opposed to Automobiles. Two engineers who were sent by the Sultan of Morocco to survey the road between Fez and Mequines, with the idea of laying down a track for his autocar, were stoned by Berbers, who also pulled up the red flags placed to mark the track. "A horse," they declared, "was good enough for the Sultan's father and grandfather, and what more does he want?" The Berbers, by the way, have decided that the automobile is a special invention of the evil one.

THE HORNS OF A DILEMMA

Gastronomic Problem That Puzzled Israel Zangwill. When Israel Zangwill last visited America he was very hospitably entertained in Buffalo, where a dinner given in his honor things went along beautifully, with few evidences of Zangwillian eccentricities until coffee and cream were served. Then, as the hostess gave the signal, all the guests began to eat except Mr. Zangwill. Rather embarrassed, the hostess inquired politely if anything was wrong. "No," said Mr. Zangwill, thoughtfully, "only I was thinking if I eat my ice cream first, my coffee will get cold, but if I drink my coffee first my ice cream will get warm."

King Oscar as a Poet. King Oscar contributes an article to the Christmas publication of the Swedish Authors' union, in which he discusses his own writings in fiction and poetry. He states that he loved verse from childhood, and that as a member of the royal navy he was inspired to attempt to produce it. His majesty adds that, while the sailing ships of fifty years ago embodied more poetry than do the modern steamers, the life of the seaman has the greatest attraction for him and the sea always gives him poetic inspiration. He says he used to be very proud of his lyrical productions, but now finds they cannot be considered first class.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh That Contain Mercury.

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is tenfold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials are sold by Druggists, price 75c per bottle. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

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Babcock Favors Pact. Washington dispatch: President Roosevelt had a long conference with Representative Babcock of Wisconsin, who has just returned from Cuba. Mr. Babcock told the President that he was heartily in favor of the ratification of the pending Cuban reciprocity treaty, particularly as he regarded ratification as a good stroke of business policy for the United States.

A PASTOR WHO WAS REVERENDED BY AN EMPEROR SAVED BY PE-RUNA.



Rev. H. Stubenvoll, of Elkhorn, Wis., is pastor of the Evangelical Lutheran St. John's Church of that place. Rev. Stubenvoll is the possessor of two bibles presented to him by Emperor William of Germany. Upon the fly leaf of one of the bibles the Emperor has written in his own handwriting a text.

This honored pastor, in a recent letter to The Peruna Medicine Co., of Columbus, Ohio, says concerning their famous catarrh remedy, Peruna: **The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, Ohio.**

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WEST PUTNAM.

H. B. Gardner was in Ann Arbor Monday.

D. M. Monke was in Howell last Thursday.

Fannie Monke is visiting relatives in Detroit.

John Sweeney and wife, of Okilson, visited at Wm. Gardner's Saturday.

John Murphy, of Jackson, called on his parents here the first of the week.

Lester Bates, of Gregory, spent Sunday with his grand parents, G. W. Bates and wife.

Don't Worry.

This is easier said than done, yet it may be of some help to consider the matter. If the cause is something over which you have no control it's obvious that worrying will not help the matter in the least. On the other hand, if within your control you have only to act. When you have a cold and fear an attack of pneumonia, buy a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and use it judiciously and all cause for worry as to the outcome will quickly disappear. There is no danger of pneumonia when it is used. For sale by F. A. Sigler.

PARSHALLVILLE.

John Wolverton and wife spent Sunday with friends in Linden.

George Payne has rented his farm and bought a home in Howell where he will move in a short time.

On Friday evening of last week a company of young people from Fenton were entertained at the home of Miss Beattie Cornell.

Meetings continue every evening in the Baptist church this week. Rev. W. G. Clark, of Holly, will assist the pastor Rev. Woodin.

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NORTH LAKE.

Mrs. Robert Glenn is on the sick list.

Harvesting ice is the order of the day.

Maggie Hudson is visiting her father Wm. Hudson.

Revival meetings are in progress this week.

Agnes Hinckley is working in Chelsea for Ernest Dancer.

Installation of officers in the grange occurred last Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, of the Lyndon grange officiating.

Mrs. Henry Twamley who has been staying with her daughter, Mrs. F. A. Glenn, a few weeks, has gone to Detroit to visit her son Harry.

Iosco

Mrs. J. G. Sayles is on the sick list.

Hooping cough is raging through our town.

The grangers are steadily increasing in this locality.

Amasa Ward cut his hand severely one day last week.

E. M. Hutson will build an addition to his house this coming season.

C. O. Dutton and wife called on C. E. Dutton, of Unadilla, last Friday.

Several rods of Lamb fencing has been ordered and received by the grangers.

The small-pox quarantine has been raised and the isolated are once more at liberty.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hale, of Williamston, visited her mother, Mrs. Wm. Sharp, last week.

Many in south Iosco are attending the revival services at Plainfield, conducted by Rev. J. A. Daley.

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The startling announcement of a discovery that will surely lengthen life is made by editor O. H. Downey of Churubusco, Ind. "I wish to state," he writes, "that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption is the most infallible remedy that I have ever known for coughs, colds, and grip. It's invaluable to people with weak lungs. Having this wonderful medicine no one need dread pneumonia or consumption. Its relief is instant and cure certain. F. A. Sigler guarantees every 50c and \$1 bottle and gives trial bottles free.

GREGORY:

Lou Moore has built a new ice house.

Fred Howlett was in Jackson last Saturday.

Nell Wood visited W. H. Clark Saturday last.

George Cone visited George Judson last Sunday.

Mrs. Lamb is visiting her sister Mrs. P. P. Farnham.

Mrs. John Taylor died at her home last Friday evening.

Miss Lena Willard was in Stockbridge last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Litchfield are visiting their son, Joe Bowen.

Mrs. F. A. Daniels has returned home from New Orleans.

Mrs. H. A. Fick visited Mrs. W. Martin at Pinckney, last week.

Mrs. H. A. Fick and Jennie Daniels were in Howell Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Simson, of Grass Lake, visited at George Cone's last week.

Mrs. Worden visited her sister, Mrs. Crystal, of Stockbridge, Saturday and Sunday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Dubois and daughter Donna, visited their daughter in Pontiac, last Saturday and Sunday.

ANDERSON.

Elva Hoff is home from Howell on account of ill health.

Emmet Folkerson and Belle Bernie, of Howell, spent Sunday at Eugene Smith's.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Placeway of East Putnam, visited at his brother Samuels Tuesday.

C. A. Frost had the misfortune to have a nice cow killed on the railroad one day last week.

Max Ledwidge has given up school on account of ill health and gone to selling gas lamps.

Floyd Durkee took dinner with Fred Merrills in Iosco, Monday. He reports their son Alger sick with the whooping cough.

Several of the young people met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Roy and enjoyed a social hop, 21 numbers being sold.

Mrs. Kellogg, of Detroit, returned home Monday, after spending some time with her sister, Mrs. E. Bullis. Chas. Bullis accompanied her.

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An Important Position.

The following article was gleaned from the Daily Mining Journal of Marquette:

At a convention of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company, held in Milwaukee last week, Percy G. Teeple the company's local agent at Marquette was elected to the secretaryship of the association. Percy's name was placed at the head of the agents at work under the Murphy & Surles agency, he having produced more personal business than any other district agent.

A BAD MIX-UP.

Dr. H. F. and C. L. Sigler had a rather uncomfortable experience at Webberville Tuesday last when they had gone to perform a surgical operation on Mr. Wainwright.

Desiring to reach home at an earlier hour than possible by train, they engaged a livery to carry them across to Plainfield, but the old adage, "more haste less speed," proved true in this case as the team proceeded promptly to run away before fairly out of town and succeeded so well that in ten seconds or thereabouts, the driver and the medical men were flying through the air with greater speed than Darius Green and his flying machine.

Dr. H. F. landed on the soft side of a body of ice and made more evolutions than an acrobat in a circus, while Dr. C. L., with better judgement selected an evergreen hedge for his lighting place. Neither of the medical men were seriously hurt and the driver also came off with few bruises. The team was caught but not till the rig was badly demolished.

Additional Local.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Finch were in Howell Wednesday.

Jennie Hase returned home from Ann Arbor last Saturday.

Chas. Reason of Durand was in this place this week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wilhelm were in Howell Wednesday to attend the Daley-Yournds wedding.

The Jackson families attended the funeral of a relative, a Mrs. Taylor, near Plainfield, Tuesday.

Chas. Reason, who moved to Bannister about a year ago, has sold his place there and moved to Duand.

We learn that Claud Reason, formerly of this place, now of Durand, has secured a job on the A. A. Ry.

Joe Smith had the misfortune to drop a cake of ice on his foot one day the past week resulting in some badly smeared toes.

The ladies domino club was entertained by Mrs. W. S. Swarthout, Tuesday evening. Of course they enjoyed themselves.

We presume, by appearances, that the boys have forgotten there is an ordinance against snow-balling on the streets. The marshal did not intend to say anything unless the boys got too frisky. They have been too careless however and abused their privilege. Complaints have been made by outside parties and the marshal has requested us to warn the boys and perhaps save trouble.

About 100 letters ostensibly from an attorney for a collection agency in New York, have lately been received at the Milford postoffice addressed to various people. The letters state that the parties addressed received, a year previous, a quantity of jewelry from a New York firm and that unless a certain stated sum was remitted at once in payment, the aforesaid attorney would commence suit. The same thing has been reported from other postoffices in this and other states and postoffice inspectors have stated that the scheme is blackmail pure and simple. No notice should be taken of the letters.—Times.

Key to Human Structure.

The Paris Academie des Sciences is examining a theory to the effect that the key to human structure lies in the gland situated in the throat under the larynx. By artificially stimulating this gland it is claimed that any child can be made to grow to maximum height.

FOR THE LITTLE ONES.

How a Dog Discovered He Was Mistaken in His Friend.

When Mr. Wood, the English sculptor, was living in Rome, he had a noble Scotch deerhound named Eric. This dog formed a friendship with a fine large French dog belonging to an artist. The two used to run and leap together, and Eric would occasionally bring his friend to the studio, where he was always invited in and treated hospitably.

Sometimes the French dog would come to the studio door and wait for Eric to frolic or take a walk with him.

One day Mr. Wood was returning home from his studio, accompanied by the two dogs. Suddenly there was a great commotion. A mob of dogs had attacked the two friends, and there was a battle royal. It seemed as if the Roman canines had made a conspiracy against the foreign dogs. The conflict raged for some time, but victory was apparently declaring itself for the two when the French dog slunk away and left Eric to finish the battle alone. This the plucky Briton cheerfully did and went home in a calm and modest manner to have his wounds washed.

But the next day when the French dog called as usual at the studio nothing could induce Eric to take the smallest notice of him.

Mr. Wood coaxed and scolded and finally brought the French dog up close to Eric, patting and caressing him. All in vain. Eric would not even turn his head toward the recreant.

His behavior said plainly enough that he had been mistaken in the Frenchman's character as an officer and a gentleman. Out of consideration for their old friendship he would not turn and rend him, but he must decline all further intercourse. And this line of conduct he pursued ever afterward.—Youth's Companion.

Knew There Had Been No Fighting.

General Benjamin F. Tracy went to the civil war as colonel of the One Hundred and Ninth New York, which was organized in his home county, Tioga. In these days of peace and plenty he spends his summers near Owego, and there it was a few weeks ago that an old army friend revived this story:

A month after the regiment marched away the news of the great battle in which the One Hundred and Ninth was engaged spread through Tioga county. No one knew the details, but the report was generally believed—by all, in fact, except General Tracy's small daughter.

"There has been no big fight," she stoutly maintained.

"And why are you so certain?" asked a friend.

"I just know there has not been any because my father promised me to come home before the big battles, and he is still at the war."—New York Tribune.

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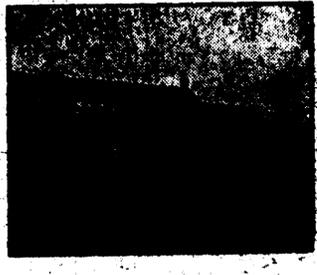
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