

NEWS IN REVIEW

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Snow, sleet, wind and cold—winter at its time.

Slacks, goggles and astos on the street every day.

The January term of court is in session at Howell.

Miss Lois Moran commenced teaching in the Meigs district east of town Monday.

A receiver is asked for to settle on the matters pertaining to the South Lyon creamery.

Mr. E. Dickerson of Salem visited his wife at the sanitarium here the first of the week.

Next Monday, Jan. 19 is the date of the annual meeting of the Mutual telephone company at Howell.

Mrs. John O'Gunnery and Miss Catherine Harr of Detroit spent several days the past week with Mrs. Sweetman.

A neighbor of young people from this place attended a party at Gentry last Friday night. They report a good time.

February is usually the coldest month of the winter. We hope this year will be an exception—December has been plenty cold enough thank you.

Several from here attended the annual meeting of the Mutual fire insurance company at Howell Monday. We understand the matter of lightning rods was not brought up.

Handy Number 1 Drain is to be let to the lowest responsible bidder at the residence of Willard Wallace in the township of Handy on Friday of this week. Notice of letting was published in the Democrat.

Bernard Lynch has opened his blacksmith shop again at the old stand just south of the hotel and will be glad to see his former patrons and as many new ones as possible. Mr. Lynch as a blacksmith is well known and needs no introduction.

New Year's day was a beautiful day and warm enough so that it started the snow, making some slush and bearing the roads down to the ice bed-making it very slippery again and pedestrians had a hard time of it Sunday, most of them keeping the middle of the road. Sunday evening a few inches of snow fell.

The LOTMM will hold a special meeting for practice Saturday p. m. at 8:30. All members are requested to be present. B. K.

Elected Officers.

The Knights of the Modern Maccabees at their annual election elected the following officers:

Com.—C. V. VanWinkle
Lieut. Com.—G. L. Teeple
Report Keeper—E. P. Martenson
Finance Keeper—F. G. Jackson
Chaplain—Rev. A. G. Gates
Physician—Dr. H. F. Sigler
Sergt.—B. W. Lake
M. A.—E. B. Cook
1st G.—E. E. Finch
2nd G.—F. A. Eisele
Picket—P. W. Conway
Sentinel—C. L. Campbell

Road Convention

The county road institute for the counties of Clinton, Eaton, Livingston, Ingham and Shiawassee will be held in council room at Lansing, Michigan on Jan. 14.

A representative from the state highway department and other speakers if practicable will be in attendance to render any assistance possible to those interested in road building. County road commissioners and township highway commissioners are entitled under provisions of section 5 chapter V. act 289 of 1907 to receive \$1000 expense for the trip to Lansing and back to attend road work.

Obituary

Death on Monday, Dec. 27, 1909, resulting from the accident of fire, Mrs. Elizabeth Benson (nee Mearns), nee Mearns, a resident of Pinckney, Michigan. Her demise was due to cancer, from which she had suffered patiently for many many months following an operation in September.

Elizabeth Mearns was born October 15, 1861, in Baxter Hill township, Ingham county, and when but a child moved with her parents to Pinckney. She was a devoted member of the Roman Catholic church, having embraced at the baptismal font the religion of her people for many generations. She lived an amiable, exemplary, and happy life and brought up her children in the fear and love of God. She was widely known throughout Livingston and adjoining counties and was highly respected on account of her many admirable qualities of mind and heart.

She is survived by a loving husband and seven children; four sons, Maurice, Eugene, Walter, and Clarence, and three daughters, Mrs. John Bane of Whitmore Lake, Florence and Helen who reside at home.

Mrs. Benson's death leaves a void in Pinckney and vicinity which may not soon again be filled. She will be especially missed in St. Mary's parish, where she has always been active in church affairs.

The funeral services were held at St. Mary's church on Dec. 30, before a large number of relatives and friends of the deceased. A solemn high mass of requiem was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Cammford, the pastor, assisted by Fathers Thornton of Howell and Sharp of Williamston, after which all that was mortal of our loved and lost was laid reverently at rest in St. Mary's cemetery. Six brothers acted as pall bearers.

CARD OF THANKS

The family of the late Mrs. Floyd Benson wish to extend their sincere thanks to the many relatives and friends for their kindness and sympathy during the sad bereavement of wife and mother.

The board of Supervisors of this county are holding their annual session at Howell this week.

Ford, the cartoonist, appeared at the opera house Tuesday evening as a number of the lecture course. Much has been said of his work but none too much. He only is he one of the best of cartoon artists but has an ever ready flow of wit and humor that keeps an audience interested every moment of the time and yet back of it all there is a moral lesson that no one can fail to see.

School Notes

Miss Viola Peters spent the holiday vacation with relatives in Jackson.

Maurice Darrow was absent Monday on account of a sore throat.

Several of Miss Green's pupils do not attend now. She had 46 pupils but now only 42.

Gregory Devereaux has taken charge of the Grammar room, Miss Hinchey having resigned. "Bob" was a member of the P. H. S. class of 1909.

Miss Helen Feber of Detroit visited Miss Veronica Brogan Monday afternoon.

Business is going on as usual now, after a delightful vacation.

Miss Mae Teeple visited in Lansing during the vacation.

Several changes have taken place in the program of the district during the past few weeks. The Christmas play changed from the old one to the new one. The Christmas play was given at the school on Dec. 27.



KEEPING LIFE CHEAP
requires a lot of things. Only quality goods will keep you from being cheap.

YOU WANT DRUGGISTS' SUNDRIES
Such as bay rum, witch hazel, soap, nailbrush tooth brushes, and other things. Come in and see our stock and buy what you want.

This Drug Store sells Sundries Cheap



GROCERIES
The Place to get them Fresh
The place the

J. C. DINKEL & CO.

BOWMAN'S
Every item bought for this season is on sale.
All goods marked in plain figures.
The balcony contains the toys.
The basement is devoted to China glassware, crockery, lamps, etc.

Do not fail to come in and see us when in Howell. Every clerk will welcome you.

E. A. BOWMAN
Howell's Busy Store

NOTICE
Get Ready For
Men's Taps
Ladies' Taps
Children's Taps from 5 to 10 years

I can repair your Rubber Boots and Overboots
Single Harnesses yoked and cased \$1.00
Light double Harnesses 2.00
Also repaired at reasonable prices
All Work Guaranteed First-Class

W. B. Darrow
First door south of Hotel
Pinckney, Michigan

Important Notice.

We request that every one of our customers, who has not settled 1909 accounts, to do so as we must have the money or notes to January 15, 1910.

Receipts Yearly

Pinckney Dispatch.

FRANK L. ANDREWS, Publisher.

PINCKNEY, MICHIGAN

FOOTBALL PERILS FOR UNFIT.

Yale, Harvard, Princeton, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Minnesota and institutions of like rank are not represented in the season's list of dead and the critically injured at football. Of the big teams in the country that at West Point, lost Cadet Byrne, who died of his hurts, and that at Annapolis saw Cadet Wilson disabled by fractured vertebrae. Cadet Byrne received his fatal injury when he returned to the game in a weakened condition after having been retired for a slighter hurt, says New York World. From the rolls of the football dead and of those critically hurt it can be seen that the majority of victims came from high school teams and from amateur elevens of irregular training. We read of one death from lung trouble due to exposure on the field, of another from overexertion and of a student of Dickinson seminary in Pennsylvania who was prostrated by strychnine taken to stimulate his heart action during a contest. All these facts support the contention of those unwavering advocates of the game who contend that the supreme perils of football are chiefly for the unfit. Perhaps it is true that the direct road to a saving reform in football lies in a more rigid regard for physical fitness among players than in much tinkering with the rules.

The multiplicity of flying devices leads inevitably to discussion as to the advisability of establishing rules for regulating aerial navigation. One genius has suggested that certain strata be designated as routes for certain classes of airships, though just how these routes are to be marked or "buoyed" is not explained. But a complication difficult of adjustment, may arise if the contention of some lawyers is correct. This is that under the common law, which comes from England and in turn was based on the old Roman code, a property owner owns the air above his head with no limit to height. The English-speaking countries, therefore, would make a trespasser who flies above a certain identified and caught the flying man could be punished accordingly. All these things are conjectures, of course. Still, it is evident that if travel by the air route shall ever become general there will be many legal points to be considered.

It sounds like older and not better times to hear of orders for the pursuit of pirates. The British ship Rowanmore reported that she was attacked by a piratical schooner in Bahaman waters, and the United States government has directed that the revenue cutter Freedom shall proceed from Galveston to the Bahamas in search of the pirate on the seas. Other cutters will join the Freedom and, adds the dispatch, "for the first time in many years American armed vessels will search for pirates." This smacks more of the times of the buccaners and the black flag with skull and crossbones flung out by sailing vessels directed by skillful though wicked navigators than of the days of steam, wireless telegraphy and other modern improvements. But a fleet of modern revenue cutters would make short work of any pirate craft that offered resistance.

Every time that we make up our mind that there's no such thing as pirate gold buried hither and yon, something occurs to change our belief and to get us all on edge again, says Boston Herald. The recent severe storm along the coast of Yucatan is said to have uncovered thousands of last century English and Spanish coins buried by the old pirate Lafitte, and again into our soul comes that old boyhood unrest and belief that if we started out with a proper digging outfit and a reliable map we could unearth treasure galore. When people find a pot of gold why in the name of Captain Kidd can't they keep still about it and let us tend to our blissful knitting?

There is no longer the slightest doubt that China is well on the road to civilization of the modern brand—the most civilized civilization that can possibly be imagined. And the impetus comes from the West. The Chinese are developing a liking for two first-class institutions—phonographs and automobiles. The popularity of the former is said to be really

STATE REJECTS INTERSTATE RULE

RAILROAD BOARD HOLDS IT HAS SOLE JURISDICTION IN DEMURRAGE MATTERS.

WILL CAUSE LITIGATION

Shippers Ask Commission to Ignore Uniform Plan of National Association—Independent Order of Foresters Buy Home at Saginaw.

Through an opinion, which was rendered by the state railroad commission, there is a great possibility that the state will become embroiled with the interstate commerce commission in a matter which may have its final hearing in the supreme court of the United States.

The railroad commission has taken exception to the claim of the interstate commerce commission to have jurisdiction over demurrage. In drafting the rules, the railroad commission ignored the rulings of the interstate body and mentioned that demurrage rates in this state must be filed and approved only by the Michigan railroad commission.

In its opinion the commission holds that demurrage matters are purely local and no part of the rate can be determined, because they arise from conditions incident to circumstances under which deliveries are made, and those circumstances under the control of the consignor or consignee.

The railroad commission has received letters from at least 100 shippers in various parts of the state, asking that the resolutions relative to uniform demurrage be ignored. They also ask the railroad commission to promulgate rules suited to the Michigan shippers.

"I am inclined to think that the rules we have adopted have paved the way for a long series of litigations in the supreme court of the United States," said Chairman C. L. Glasgow. "The interstate commerce commission is sure to take exception to our action and will contest the matter in court."

Foresters Buy Home.

The Independent Order of Foresters of eastern Michigan, which jurisdiction extends from Saginaw to Marquette, announced the purchase of the old Marshall house property, the business district, at the corner of Germania and Franklin streets, Saginaw. The property was owned by Nelson Olson, of Grand Haven, and the deal was conducted by Supreme Chief Ranger E. G. Stevenson, of Detroit. The hotel is a substantial structure of three stories, with a frontage of 136 feet on Germania street and 81 feet on Franklin. The supreme lodge will spend \$20,000 in improving it and in converting it into a home for the order which will be one of the best in the state.

To Develop North Counties.

"Neither this city nor Saginaw is in this movement for philanthropic purposes. We are in it for what we can get out of it, and we believe there is no better way to get something than by helping to develop the northern counties."

This was the declaration of Mayor Evans at the meeting of representatives of the northeastern counties of Michigan held in Bay City. The gathering was for the purpose of adopting a constitution for the Northeastern Michigan Development association, and some of the men representing the smaller counties of the district were inclined to object to giving the larger counties a greater representation in the affairs of the association.

Wreck on P. M. Costs Two Lives.

On a curve in a blinding snowstorm at Traverse City the rear end of Pere Marquette logging train No. 201 struck snowplow No. 6, instantly killing George W. Phelps, conductor of the snowplow, and Arthur Kennicot, a section man.

W. W. Drew, trainmaster of the Petoskey division, was seriously hurt about the head, arms and legs, but despite his injuries ran and stumbled a mile through the storm to a farm house and telephoned for aid. When the relief train arrived he was directing the clearing away of the debris in order to get at the bodies of Phelps and Kennicot, which were buried under tons of wreckage.

Wireless to be Taxed.

Geo. Lord, of the state tax commission, announced that wireless telegraph companies will be assessed under the amended ad valorem taxation act. Secretary Lord states there are two companies doing business in the state, and while he does not expect that either of them have much property to assess, yet they are included under the terms of the act for assessment by the commission.

Tuberculosis Society Incorporated.

The Michigan State Association for the Prevention and Relief of Tuberculosis, whose principal office will be in Ann Arbor, has filed its articles of incorporation with County Clerk Miller at Ann Arbor.

The 30 trustees elected are all well known men and women, whose interest in this disease and in means for conquering it have brought them into great prominence in this state.

STATE BRIEFS.

The annual farmers' institute of Ionia county will be held in Mt Pleasant January 18-19.

J. D. Spitzer, formerly a Detroit newspaper man, now editor of the Ishpeming Record, slipped and fell on an icy sidewalk and broke a leg.

The Buick Motor Co. expects to have three big new plants ready for occupancy within 60 days. This will make 14 factories of the firm in Flint.

Jackson relatives of Dr. Frederick A. Cook, arctic explorer, deny emphatically he is in that city, and laugh at the report he is on his way there.

The Baldwin Locomotive Works has delivered 12 new mogul engines to the Pere Marquette, to be placed on the Saginaw run to relieve freight congestion. The 12 engines cost \$180,000.

The Reo Automobile works, at Lansing, plan to increase their business about one-third the coming year. They intend to build 10,000 cars, and it is expected that business will reach the \$12,000,000 mark.

With the typical incantations and rites of their race two Chicago Chinamen, Lee Sing and Joe Lee, prepared for shipment to China the bones of Wing Lee, a Flint Celestial who died there 15 years ago.

Rep. Charles E. Townsend arrived in Port Huron Friday noon, and was met by a delegation of Elks. He was tendered a banquet at the Harrington house, and acted as toastmaster at the Elks' watch meeting.

At their meeting, the three local I. O. O. F. lodges of Lansing passed a resolution asking for the removal of Police Justice Fraser, because of his request that no Oddfellows be drawn for a jury a short time ago.

Thinking that her father, Louis Sawtelle, is somewhere in Michigan, Mrs. Etta Hubbard, of Pasadena, Cal., has asked the Lansing police to institute a search for him. Sawtelle has been missing several years.

Three Muskegon, firemen risked their lives when they fought a fire in a big launch at a local dock. The fire was under the false bottom of the boat and directly above a tank containing 160 gallons of gasoline.

Fred Clench, proprietor of a saloon in Port Huron, was sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 or serve 90 days in the Detroit workhouse. Clench was convicted of keeping open on Sunday and selling liquor to an Indian.

William C. Durant, head of the General Motors Co. has presented

The secretary of state has received three local acts, passed by the boards of supervisors under the act which provides for county home rule. Clark county has a measure which prohibits the killing of deer there until 1915.

Elmer Grimmer, of the Grimmer Land Co. of Marinette, purchased a tract of tax homestead lands in Schoolcraft county from the state land commission at a consideration of \$17,500. This is the largest deal recorded in several years.

W. H. Zimmerman, formerly superintendent of the Michigan Power Co. Lansing, has been appointed consulting engineer on the board for the control of water and electric power in the state. This office was created by the last legislature.

A Hillsdale coroner's jury has decided that the wreck of a Lake Shore passenger train, which resulted in the death of Engineer James Knapp, was caused by the carelessness of a dispatcher, and the failure of the block system to work properly.

E. F. Sherman, whose elevator was destroyed by fire at Allegan last summer, caused by a spark from a passing Lake Shore train, and who recently brought a suit against the company for \$25,000 damages, was awarded \$7,500 by a jury Tuesday.

Of the several dozen loads of coal seized and weighed by order of the police within the past few days at Lansing, just one was found incorrect and this weighed 25 pounds more than the bill called for. The police say that all dealers here are honest.

A drop of 20 degrees in seven hours sent the mercury tumbling to 9 degrees below zero at Saginaw Wednesday night. Ice dealers are jubilant over the clear shimmering sheen of the Saginaw river. Trains on all roads are late and many telegraph wires were snapped by the cold.

Demands of the street car employees organization, for the uniting of the Jackson-Lansing branch of the M. U. R., were rejected by the company at a meeting at Jackson. The matter has been taken up by the men and the grievance committee will place the facts before the local union. A strike may result.

Declaring that the mail order houses, and particularly those in Chicago, are in a fair way to ruin the country, by destroying the cities and villages, the Michigan Knights of the Grip, in their convention at Lansing, declared war on the firms that sell their goods through the medium of Uncle Sam's postoffice department.

NEW YEAR'S DAY WITH PRESIDENT

RICH AND POOR WITH PRESIDENT TAFT A HAPPY NEW YEAR AT ANNUAL REGISTRATION.

CUSTOM POPULAR VOGUE

Officials, Diplomats, Aristocracy and Plain People Mingle in Throngs at Annual Event in Washington.

The event which from almost the first days of the republic has distinguished the celebration of the advent of the new year in Washington, the president's reception at the White House, took on a new interest as the first public reception planned for the administration of William H. Taft.

Every New Year's day the White House doors swing open to all the world and during the appointed hours for the reception of citizens, the poor and humble receive the clasp of the chief executive on equal footing with the rich and aristocratic. The public reception, of course, is always preceded by an hour or more of formality in the famed blue room when the president greets the members of the cabinet, the diplomats, the senators and representatives, the high officials of the government, the officers of the army and navy and members of the various veteran organizations, etc.

Some idea of the magnitude to which the new year's reception at the White House has grown can be had from the fact that Theodore Roosevelt, during the last two or three years of his term, attained a high-water mark of shaking hands with more than 8,000 men and women. The reception is always scheduled to close at 1:30 p. m., but Roosevelt usually stood at his post until the last citizen in the line reaching from the impressive old colonial portico of the White House far down Pennsylvania avenue, had had an opportunity to come in. This year's reception was planned along the same line as those of the Roosevelt administration.

Cold May Nip Oranges.

The extreme cold wave now prevailing throughout the south, extending as far as Miami, Fla., while it falls far below cold weather records for that section, is nevertheless causing considerable damage among the orange growers and truck gardeners. Freezing weather was recorded throughout the south as far as Jupiter, Fla. At Tampa, the thermometer registered at its minimum, 28 degrees. Records of cold weather in the south show that in 1895 the temperature at Tallahassee, Fla., was 5 degrees below zero, so that the present cold snap now here approaches that of 14 years ago.

Gives Yale 30 Acres.

Mrs. Russell Sage is to make Yale university one of the largest and most important gifts which it has received in its history. The sum of \$650,000 is offered for the purpose of meeting the entire cost of securing the beautiful 30-acre park at the head of Hill House avenue, known as the Sachem Wood estate, or Hill House property, at New Haven, Ct.

Colds Kill Six at Pittsburg.

Half a dozen persons dead from exposure, manufacturing plants compelled to suspend, trains from 30 minutes to two hours late, the mercury registering from 1 to 5 degrees below zero and much suffering, are the results of the cold wave that struck Pittsburg Wednesday night.

Mrs. Harriman Gives Great Park.

Mrs. E. H. Harriman has offered to the state of New York for the purpose of a great public park a tract of 10,000 acres, part of the famous Harriman estate at Arden. Unofficial announcement of the gift has been made by friends of Mrs. Harriman.

Taft at Wedding of Niece.

With the president of the United States as a guest, Miss Louise W. Taft, his niece, was married to George H. Snowden, of Seattle, at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Taft, in West Forty-eighth street, New York city.

Negro Elks Barred.

Negroes are restrained from using the ritual, password, pin and colors of the Elks, by a decision of the appellate division of the supreme court, filed at White Plains, N. Y.

The internal revenue collections for Peoria, Ill., district during 1910 amounted to \$29,367,539. This is an increase of \$1,433,956 more than 1908.

For the first time in its history the state of New Hampshire observed New Year's day as a legal holiday, January 1 having been so designated by the last legislature.

The death rate in 1909 was the lowest in the history of New York, according to the figures given out by Health Commissioner Darrington. It fell from the lowest previous figure, 16.62 in 1908, to 16.23.

WIRELETS.

The sea is filled with wireless telegraph stations. The year of four wireless telegraph stations and 12 wireless telegraph stations.

There are 522 wireless telegraph stations in the world. The population of the world is 1,600,000,000. The wireless telegraph stations are just made public.

A canvass of the private practitioners in Montreal shows that there are over 1,000 wireless telegraph stations in addition to the 522 stations in the world.

At a special meeting of the board of directors of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co. it was decided to give free insurance to all employees in the service of the company.

Figures compiled by manufacturers for the year show commerce of St. Louis for 1909 exceeded in value \$1,000,000,000, the estimates running between that figure and \$1,200,000,000.

The marine department has received over a hundred applications for positions in the new Canadian navy clubbing several British army reservists. Mostly young men, will be engaged.

A wireless electric light run by current shipped from the producing plant over other waves, will supplant all the present methods of lighting within 20 years, according to Nikola Tesla, the inventor.

Ninety million dollars was the contribution of the forests to the exports of the United States during the fiscal year of 1908, an increase of twenty-fold since 1851, according to a government report.

All their social engagements for the immediate future have been cancelled by the secretary of state and Mrs. Knox on account of the death in Pittsburg of Mrs. Knox's brother, Frank B. Smith, president of the Crutcher Steel Co.

The Lehigh Valley Railroad Co. ratified an agreement with its conductors for the year 1910, the principal feature of which is the reduction of the working day from 12 to 10 hours. The same arrangement was made with the engineers of the road last week.

The old war museum, where President Lincoln had his office when he was riding the circuit as an attorney in Danville, Ill., burned Wednesday. The museum contained many valuable relics, among them a number of shells. These exploded during the fire.

An increase in customs receipts of \$30,748,720 and in internal revenue of \$8,412,000 during the first six months of the fiscal year 1910, as compared with the corresponding period of the fiscal year 1909, is the showing of the operations of the treasury, according to figures which lack one or two days of being complete.

Several hundred thousand operatives in mills and factories of Massachusetts and Rhode Island began work Saturday on a shorter schedule of working hours in consequence of the new 56-hour laws passed by the last two state legislatures becoming effective. While the new statute applies to only women and minors, the manufacturers find it impossible to separate the departments so that the men can work longer than the women and children, and therefore have brought all their operatives under the new schedule.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit—Cattle—Medium and common grades, 10c to 15c higher; good grades, slow; best steers and heifers, \$5.50@6.50; steers and heifers, \$5.00@6.00; 1,200 lbs. steers and heifers, \$4.50@5.50; 1,000 lbs. steers and heifers, \$4.00@5.00; 800 lbs. steers and heifers, \$3.50@4.50; choice fat cows, \$4.50; good fat cows, \$3.50@4.50; common cows, \$2.50@3.50; canners, \$2.50@3.50; choice heavy bulls, \$4.25@4.75; fair to good bulldogs, \$4.00@4.25; stock bulls, \$3.50@3.70; choice feeding steers, \$3.00 to \$4.50; fair feeding steers, \$2.00 to \$3.00; choice stockers, \$5.00 to \$7.00; fair stock, \$4.00 to \$5.00; \$3.50@3.75; fair heifers, \$3.25@3.50; milkers, large, young, medium age, \$4.00@5.00; common milkers, \$2.00@3.50.

Veal calves—Market strong at 25c to 50c higher than last week; best, \$9.75; others, \$5 to \$8.75; milch cows and springers steady.

Sheep and lambs—Market steady, 20c to 25c higher than last week; best lambs, \$7.50@8.00; fair to good, \$6.75@7.50; light to common lambs, \$6.00@7.00; yearlings, \$6.50@7.00; fair to good, \$4.50@5.50; culis and com, \$3.50@4.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 2,693; market at 30c higher than last week; prices: Light to good butchers, \$8.00@8.50; pigs, \$5.40@5.50; light, \$5.40@5.50; stags, 1-3 off.

East Buffalo—Cattle—Good common cows and stockers, \$4.50@5.50; lower; bulls lower; fresh cows, \$4.50@5.50; springers, \$2 per head lower; best sport steers, \$6.50@7.50; best shipping steers, \$5.40@6.50; best 1,100 to 1,200 lb shipping steers, \$5.50@6.15; medium 1,050 to 1,150-lb steers, \$5.25@5.50; light butchers steers, \$4.75@5.50; best fat cows, \$4.50@5.50; a few extra shag higher; fair to good, \$3.50@4.50; trimmers, \$2.50@2.75; best fat heifers, \$5.25; fair to good, \$4.25@4.50; common, \$3.50@3.75; feeders, \$4.25@4.50; stockers, \$3.25@4.50; bulls, \$3.25@4.50; fresh cows and springers, \$4.50@5.50; fair to good, \$3.00@4.00; common, \$2.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 70 cars; active and higher at \$5.80; few, \$5.90; closed steady. Sheep and Receipts, 70 cars; active; best lambs, \$6.50@7.50; fair to good, \$5.50@6.50; yearlings, \$6.75@7.40; wethers, \$5.50@6.50; ewes, \$5.25@5.75; calves, \$5.50@6.50; fair to good, \$4.50@5.50; heavy, \$4.50@5.50.

Detroit—Wheat—Cash No. 2 red \$1.24 3/4; May opened 1-4c up to \$1.27 1/4 and advanced to \$1.27 3/4; July opened at \$1.04 3/4 and advanced to \$1.05 1/2; No. 1 white, \$1.24 1/4.

Corn—Cash No. 2, 63 1/2c; No. 3 yellow, 2 cars at \$1.12c; No. 4 yellow, car at 62c.

Oats—Standard to arrive, 2 cars at 47 1/2c.

Rye—Cash No. 1, 76c.

Flour—Cash, \$2.05; January, \$2.07.

Cloverseed—Prime spot, \$1.55; March \$2.05; sample, 25 bags at \$2.50; 14 at \$3; prime alike, \$7.85; sample alike 5 bags at \$7.25.

Canada's trade with the United States increased \$30,000,000 last year.

DeWitt's Little Early Risers — the safe sure gentle easy little liver pills. Be sure to get DeWitt's Carbolic Witch Hazel Salve the original. All ways refuse substitutes and imitations. The original DeWitt's Carbolic Witch Hazel Salve is good for anything a salve is good for, but it is especially good for piles. Sold by all dealers.

You can get bargains in almost anything right now except coal and snow shovels.

Making Life Safer.

Everywhere life is being made more safe through the work of Dr. Kings New Life pills in constipation, biliousness, dyspepsia, indigestion, liver troubles, kidney diseases and bowel disorders. They are easy but sure, and perfectly build up the health. 25c at F. A. Siglers.

A worlds fair is to be held at The Hague in 1913 to celebrate the opening of the palace of peace.

A Wretched Mistake

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Saved at Deaths Door

The door of death seemed ready to open for Murray W. Ayers of Transit Bridge, N. Y. when his life was wonderfully saved. "I was in a dreadful condition" he writes, "my skin was almost yellow; eyes sunken; tongue coated; emaciated from losing 40 lbs., growing weaker daily. Virulent liver trouble pulling me down to death in spite of doctors. Then that matchless medicine—Electric Bitters—cured me. I regained my 40 pounds lost and now am well and strong." For all stomach, liver and kidney troubles they're supreme. 50c at F. A. Siglers.

A Cincinnati milkman has been arrested for selling his customers 96 per cent water. What could the 4 per cent have been? Skimmed milk.

A Wild Blizzard Raging

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LOCAL NEWS

January 25 29 inclusive are the dates for the Livingston county poultry show at Howell.

The Fowlerville Fair association find they have \$3000 in the treasury since their exhibit last fall. This is a good showing.

A suit has been started at Saginaw to test the legality of voting machines. It will doubtless be taken to the supreme court so as to get a ruling.—Ex.

By the end of the brief minute taken to read this paragraph the nations of the civilized world will have struck three million matches. This is the average for every minute of the twenty-four hours of the day.

An exchange gives some good advice when it says: "When a man playfully points a gun or pistol at you, knock him down. Do not be particular what you knock him down with, only see that he is thoroughly down. If a coroners inquest is held, let it be held on the other fellow. He will not be missed."

In the early history of Michigan, fur bearing animals were plenty and many pioneers eaked out a living by hunting and trapping. It may surprise some to know that it pays as well or better at the present time to hunt and trap as it did then. All kinds of fur at present brings the best price ever known.

If the market on butter and eggs is correct as stated by some of our exchanges, Howell merchants can not make money faster than send representatives to those villages and purchase all butter and eggs the merchants have. The prices as quoted are four cents less per pound on butter and three cents per dozen on eggs than paid in Howell.—Democrat. That don't mean us as we have not even had the nerve to quote prices.

Notice to Taxpayers.

The tax roll for the township of Putnam is now in his hands and I am ready to receive taxes at any time at the store of Murphy & Roche.

BERT ROOPE,
Town. Treas.

Do you use Baking Powder? Don't fail to get a copy of "The Cook's Book"—a fine collection of special recipes by Mrs. Janet McKenzie Hill, the noted authority. Free to users of K C Baking Powder. Send the certificate from a 25 cent can of K C Baking Powder and this notice to Jaques Mfg. Co., Chicago. If you haven't tried K C Baking Powder, order from your grocer now. You will be more than pleased and delighted with "The Cook's Book."

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Nine months ago Louis Paulhan, the young French aviator, was earning \$15 a week as a mechanic, now he is getting the princely salary of \$24,000 a month.

Now that Mr. Peary has given us a bona fide picture of the pole we discover that it is about as big as the snow man out in the front yard. Wonder who drew the picture?

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New Sugar Melts.
If we drop a lump of sugar into a cup of tea we find it takes a considerable time to melt if allowed to remain at the bottom of the vessel, but if we hold it up in the spoon near the surface of the liquid it dissolves much more rapidly. This is owing to the sugar as it melts rendering the portion of the tea containing it heavier. The sweetened part, therefore, descends, leaving the sugar constantly in contact with unsweetened or only partially sweetened tea—in fact, a continual circulation of fluid is promoted until the whole is dissolved. When the sugar is placed or permitted to lie at the bottom of the cup it dissolves until the layer of fluid next it is thoroughly sweetened or saturated, when it practically ceases to dissolve any further. The sweetened and heavier stratum above it acting for a considerable time until the law of diffusion comes gradually into play, like an impervious covering, in keeping back the lighter, unsweetened fluid above; hence the reason also why stirring, in breaking up the saturated layer and allowing access to the unsweetened portion, is so effectual in bringing about the uniform sweetening of tea. Life is not infrequently sweetened by the same stirring up process.

Practical Considerations.
"My family tree"—began the titled editor.
"I'm tired of hearing about family trees," answered Mr. Cumrox. "In the part of the country I came from a man's industry and consequence are measured by the size of the family wood piles."—Washington Star.

After Old Masters.
Young Wife—This dish, dearest, is in original composition of my own. Husband—Well, I should rather, my pet, that you could cook after the old masters. Meggendorfer Blatter.

Answered.
"Maggie Minister to crofter's wife)—Well, Kirstie, how's your husband today? Kirstie—He's just like yersel'. He has plenty to do, but he winna dae it.—London Answers.

His Affliction.
She—Your brother is a writer, isn't he? He—Yes. She—What does he write for? He—Goodness only knows. I guess it's a disease.—Judge.

Starved For Bread.
Hungry! To what lengths will it drive men! Here is a passage from "Force," a tale of Napoleon's days describing how ten veteran Hussars under a young officer, after two days without food, fought like beasts for a loaf of bread stolen from a woodman.
"He trembled with covetousness, but he did not move. He was starving, but he was an officer."
"The foremost rider speared the loaf up with his saber, quitted it and began to eat. The others quickly closed in on him. He was gripped from behind and half strangled. The bread fell into the mud. The men then began to fight in bitter earnest, and their sabers dashed dimly in the falling rain. One of them reeled under a saber stroke and fell back on his horse."
"He (the officer) swung himself in the melee and was thrown from his horse. As he crawled along the mud out of the way of the trampling hooft he put his hand on the bread. His fears at once vanished. He bent over his prize, hiding it from view of the struggling soldiers, and lowered his head and got the loaf under his teeth and ate it."

Almost Human.
"Oh, George," tearfully exclaimed his wife, meeting him at the door, "that parrot you brought home the other day."
"What's the matter with him?" asked Mr. Ferguson.
"I don't know. He won't tell me. When I ask him what the trouble is he just swears dreadfully."—Exchange.

A Bright Boy.
"The gentlemen who came to see daddy said I was one of the most intelligent children they ever saw," said Little Jack.
"Indeed!" said the proud mother. "Did you recite 'Little Drops of Water for them?'"
"No. I refused."—London Mail.

A Suggested Improvement.
Mrs. Feedem (to star boarder)—Could you suggest any improvement in my menu? Boarder—Well, you might make the experiment of transferring the respective qualities of the coffee and the butter.—Baltimore American.

Death is but the dropping of the flower that the fruit may swell.—Becher.

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THE WAITER WHO SERVED WITHOUT PAY

By MINNIE S. CARTER.
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A man calling himself Giovanni walked into an Italian restaurant in New York and, addressing the proprietor, Antonio Mancini, asked for employment as a waiter. Being told that the force of waiters was complete, he said that he would work for nothing until a vacancy occurred.

Soon after Giovanni's employment the custom of the establishment dropped off, and the proprietor, instead of filling waiters' vacancies, began to discharge those he had. He told Giovanni that there was no hope for him to secure pay and he was welcome to leave as soon as he liked. To this Giovanni replied that he was making a living from the tips he received and this was far better than nothing.

But the attendance at the restaurant continued to decrease. Mancini, who was an excellent cook, went himself into the kitchen and even invented new dishes with the most delectable flavorings, hoping to regain the clientele he had lost. But it was of no avail. His old customers did not come back to him, and new ones were not to be attracted. He was paying a high rental, and his expenses in other respects were enormous. One day he called his few remaining employees to his office and said to them:

"I am expecting the sheriff to levy on what remains here. Until recently I was making money. Indeed, I possessed \$20,000. I was about to sell out my business and return to our beloved Italy to spend a comfortable old age. Instead of that I am a beggar in a foreign land. Go and secure new places. As for me, I know not what to do."

All expressed sorrow for their employer and went away, except Giovanni. He stood alone with Mancini after the others had departed.

"Why do you remain?" asked the restaurateur.

"To tell you the cause of your misfortune," said Giovanni, "I was spoken that arrested his employer's earnest attention. He looked at Giovanni for an explanation.

"You wonder, signor," said the latter, "why I, to whom you have never paid a cent, have stood by you to the last."

"I do."

"I am not only a countryman of yours, but I came from the same district as you, the lake region of Italy."

"Oh!"

"I was a smuggler engaged in running dutiable goods across Lake Como to a region where it was easy to dispose of them. You know that the lake is patrolled by the customs officers and there is great risk in carrying goods across. Indeed, it is practically impossible to do so without detection. Well, I divided my profits with them, and they took care not to see me. In this way I gained enough to pay for a farm and was about to purchase one, marry the girl I loved and turn farmer when a misfortune occurred to me. A customs officer I had been bribing made it his business to see me while smuggling. I was arrested and imprisoned."

Mancini sat spellbound by the story, every moment growing paler. Giovanni kept his eye fixed on him intently.

"While in jail," he resumed, "I was put into a cell with an old smuggler. He was ill, and I nursed him. Dying, he made me his heir. Where do you suppose his fortune was deposited?"

"Go on."

"You remember the point formed by the junction of Lakes Como and Lecchi?"

"I was born on it."

"There, across the lake, one can see Monte Crocione and on a crag near by the little church of San Martino."

"I was married there," groaned Mancini.

"And not far from San Martino is a hole in the rock. From across the lake it looks only large enough to contain a big bowlder. It would hold a church."

"I have been in it."

"The fortune I inherited was there. The smuggler had turned all his profits into diamonds and hidden them in the cave. I brought them to America in the shape of bills of exchange."

"And have you your inheritance?"

"No, I have every cent of it. And why have I, a rich man, been working here without pay? To ruin the customs officer who betrayed me and who married my daughter. I have caused the falling off of your business by circulating false stories of what food you have served to your guests."

"You have taken a terrible revenge. But you are rich, and I will have damages under the law."



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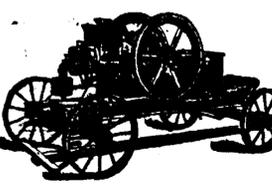
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"On what evidence?" Mancini was silent.

"Besides, where is my fortune? No one knows. We Italians, especially we who have been smugglers and revenue officers, know how to cover our tracks."

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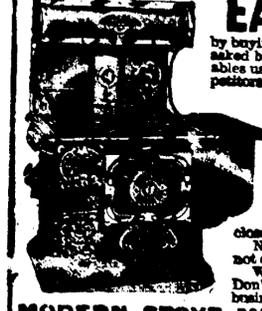
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Boston.—Several months ago William A. Beaudette, a prominent builder of Worcester, received a call in his office one morning from a young man, who applied for a job. Asked what he could do, Charles Schmidt (this is the wizard's name), said that he had done a little carpentering. He was hired at \$1.50 a day as a helper.

Beaudette had several houses in process of construction and Schmidt was assigned to one of the carpentering crews. He went to work as one of the ordinary laborers and gave perfect satisfaction, although he did not claim to be an expert workman.

One day, several weeks after he had gone to work, Schmidt was on the top floor of one of the new houses. A carpenter who was at work near him, in trying to pull a spike with his hammer, broke off the head. The spike was driven two-thirds its length into a heavy beam. The carpenter tried every way to pull the spike out and failed. Schmidt, noticing his fellow workman's predicament, came over.

"What's the trouble?" he asked. "Can't you pull it out?"

"No," said the workman, "nor any one else."

"That's easy," said Schmidt, and getting down on his hands and knees, he seized the spike in his teeth, humped up his back and gave a tug. Out came the spike.

This was the first time, according to Schmidt, that he ever exercised this power outside of his own house. The carpenter, dumfounded, rushed downstairs with his story. To prove that the other man was not stretching the truth Schmidt had to do it again.

At once he was the hero of the job. For the amusement of his fellow workmen Schmidt pulled spikes with his teeth. He bit them in halves. Every kind of test was invented to try his ability. So far, although these tests have continued almost daily.

Schmidt, who is still drawing his \$1.50 a day as a carpenter, will allow any one to take a sledge hammer and drive three of the heaviest spikes to



He pulled the Spike in His Teeth.

...to a beam. The spikes were driven in close together so that they met the heads of them all together. He then gets down on his hands and knees, braces himself, and pulls the spikes in his teeth, and, as if for a spring, he begins to pull. The muscles of his jaws and neck bulge out in big knots.

One day at a test of his back muscles, and incidentally the quality of his skull, he had two or three carpenters lift a 50-pound stone and balance it on the top of his head. Following his instructions, one of the carpenters took a sledge hammer and brought it down several times on the big granite block.

"Harder," yelled Schmidt; "harder—give it to 'er good."

Swinging it over his head the carpenter brought the sledge down with a bang that sent sparks flying. Such was the force of the impact that the rock split and fell with a crash to the floor in two pieces. Schmidt apparently none the worse, went back to work with the rest of the men.

Increased Price of Elk Teeth.

During the last five years the value of elk teeth has more than tripled, said a western traveler at the Fredonia, Kan., fair. The fair could get any number of fine specimens in Idaho, Montana, Washington and bordering states for \$2.50 apiece. Now you will pay from \$7.50 to \$10, and they are hard to get for even that. The Apache, Sioux, Comanche and Chippewa Indians used to have dozens of them in their possession and traded them for trinkets. But the redskins got wise to their value, and you can buy them from a regular dealer cheaper now than from the Indian. The passing of the elk and the great demand made by the members of the Elk lodge for teeth for emblems have boosted the price.

The traveler related an incident of an Oklahoman who bought a robe covered with elk teeth from a Wichita Indian for \$100. He cut off the teeth and cleaned up \$2,200 on the deal.

Happiness in marriage would be more prevalent if a man would handle his wife as tenderly and carefully as he does an old briar pipe.

A Lesson in Geometry.

"Looking you always like the driver your party when we take a conveyance," said the driver of the hotel coach.

"I do," admitted the hero of the scene.

"How do you expect to support a wife? Give him the answer," he hereafter. — Louisville, Ky., Nov. 10.

The Novice.
Old Lawyer (to young partner)—Did you draw up old Messinger's will? Young Partner—Yes, sir, and so tight that all the relatives in the world cannot break it.

Old Lawyer (with some disgust)—The next time there is a will to be drawn up, I'll do it myself. — New York Sun.

And Mother Objects.
Eddie—Do you have morning prayers at your house?
Freddie—We have some kind of a service when father gets in.

Occasionally we meet people who spend half their time telling what they are going to do and the other half explaining why they didn't do it.

Knowledge Enough.

At the moment of their fall Adam and Eve, being innocent, were used to doing things in an unconscious manner.

That is to say, they didn't Fletcherize.

With the result that they failed of getting the full effect of the apple—all the proteins and carbohydrates.

However, in their blind, blundering way, they attained to enough knowledge of good and evil to make them terrible bores to themselves forever after, and to all their descendants likewise unto the present generation.—Puck.

His Business.
"You see that man across the street? Well, you can always get cut rates from him for his work."

"What is it?"
"Trimming trees and hedges." — Baltimore American.

Where Pepps Won Fame.
"Who was this fellow Pepps, and what is his claim to fame?"

"His claim to fame is well founded, my friend. He's the man who kept a diary for more than a year."

Interesting Information.

In an interview published in the Kieler Neueste Nachrichten, Grand Admiral von Koster said many interesting things about his visit to New York, among them the following: "In the absence of President Taft, who was away on a trip to the Mexican frontier, the place of honor was taken by the vice-president of the United States, Secretary of State Sherman of New York."

Graphic Variations.
"Civilization," remarked the cannibal king, "promotes some strange ideas."

"To whom do you especially refer?" inquired the missionary.
"Among you the ultimate consumer is regarded with sympathy. Here he is considered very lucky."

Mistakes Will Happen.
Lady (to her sister, a doctor)—There—I cooked a meal for the first time to-day and I made a mess of it.
"Well, dear, never mind; it's nothing. I lost my first patient."

If you see a fault in others, think of two of your own, and do not add a third one by your hasty judgment.

Don't Weep At The Ice House.

Some people swell up on "emotion" brewed from absolute untruth.

It's an old trick of the leaders of the Labor Trust to twist facts and make the "sympathetic ones" weep at the ice house." (That's part of the tale further on.)

Gompers et al sneer at, spit upon and defy our courts, seeking sympathy by falsely telling the people the courts were trying to deprive them of free speech and free press.

Men can speak freely and print opinions freely in this country and no court will object, but they cannot be allowed to print matter as part of a criminal conspiracy to injure and ruin other citizens.

Gompers and his trust associates started out to ruin the Bucks Stove Co., drive its hundreds of workmen out of work and destroy the value of the plant without regard to the fact that hard earned money of men who worked, had been invested there.

The conspirators were told by the courts to stop these vicious "trust" methods, (efforts to break the firm that won't come under trust rule), but instead of stopping they "dare" the courts to punish them and demand new laws to protect them in such destructive and tyrannical acts as they may desire to do. * * * The reason Gompers and his band persisted in trying to ruin the Bucks Stove Works was because the stove company insisted on the right to keep some old employees at work when "de union" ordered them discharged and some of "de gang" put on.

Now let us reverse the conditions and have a look.

Suppose the company had ordered the union to dismiss certain men from their union, and the demand being refused, should institute a boycott against that union, publish its name in an "unfair list," instruct other manufacturers all over the United States not to buy the labor of that union, have committees call at stores and threaten to boycott if the merchants sold anything made by that union. Picket the factories where members work and slug them on the way home, blow up their houses and wreck the works, and even murder a few members of the boycotted union to teach them they must obey the orders of "organized Capital?"

It would certainly be fair for the company to do these things if lawful for the Labor Trust to do them.

In such a case, under our laws the boycotted union could apply to our courts and the courts would order the company to cease boycotting and trying to ruin these union men. Suppose thereupon the company should sneer at the court and in open defiance continue the unlawful acts in a persistent, carefully laid out plan, purposely intended to ruin the union and force its members into poverty. What a howl would go up from the union demanding that the courts protect them and punish their law-breaking oppressors. Then they would praise the courts and go on earning a living protected from ruin and happy in the knowledge that the people's courts could defend them.

How could any of us receive protection from law-breakers unless the courts have power to, and do punish such men?

The court is placed in position where it must do one thing or the other—punish men who persist in defying its peace orders or go out of service, let anarchy reign, and the more powerful destroy the weaker.

Peaceful citizens sustain the courts as their defenders, whereas thieves, forgers, burglars, crooks of all kinds and violent members of labor unions, hate them and threaten violence if their members are punished for breaking the law. They want the courts to let them go free and at the same time demand punishment for other men "outside de union" when they break the law. * * * Notice the above reference to "violent" members of labor unions. The great majority of the "unheard" union men are peaceable,

upright citizens. The noisy, violent ones get into office and the leaders of the great Labor Trust know how to mass this kind of men, in labor conventions and thus carry out the leaders' schemes, frequently abhorrent to the rank and file: so it was at the late Toronto convention.

The paid delegates would applaud and "resolute" as Gompers wanted, but now and then some of the real workmen insist on being heard, sometimes at the risk of their lives.

Delegate Egan is reported to have said at the Toronto convention: "If the officers of the federation would only adhere to the law we would think a lot more of them."

The Grand Council of the Provincial Workmen's Ass'n of Canada has declared in favor of severing all connections with unions in the U. S., saying "any union having its seat of Gov't in America, and pretending to be international in its scope, must fight industrial battles according to American methods. Said methods have consequences which are abhorrent to the law-abiding people of Canada involving hunger, misery, riot, bloodshed and murder, all of which might be termed as a result of the practical war now in progress in our fair provinces and directed by foreign emissaries of the United Miners of America."

That is an honest Canadian view of our infamous "Labor Trust."

A few days ago the daily papers printed the following:

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, D. C., Nov. 10.—Characterizing the attitude of Samuel Gompers, John Mitchell and Frank Morrison of the American Federation of Labor in the contempt proceedings in the courts of the District of Columbia, in connection with the Bucks Stove and range company, as "a willful, premeditated violation of the law," Simon Burns, general master workman of the general assembly, Knights of Labor, has voiced a severe condemnation of these three leaders. Mr. Burns expressed his confidence in courts in general and in those of the District of Columbia in particular.

APPROVED BY DELEGATES.
This rebuke by Burns was in his annual report to the general assembly of his organization. He received the hearty approval of the delegates who heard it read at their annual meeting in this city.

"There is no trust or combination of capital in the world," said Mr. Burns, "that violates laws oftener than do the trust labor organizations, which resort to more dishonest, unfair and dishonorable methods toward their competitors than any trust or combinations in the country."

Mr. Burns said the action of "these so-called leaders" would be harmful for years to come whenever attempts were made to obtain labor legislation.

"The Labor Digest," a reputable workman's paper, says, as part of an article entitled "The beginning of the end of Gompersism, many organizations becoming tired of the rule-or-ruin policies which have been enforced by the president of the A. F. of L."

"That he has maintained his leadership for so long a time in the face of his stubborn clinging to policies which the more thoughtful workmen have seen for years must be abandoned, has been on account partly of the sentimental feeling on the part of the organizations that he ought not to be deposed, and the unwillingness of the men who were mentioned for the place, to accept a nomination in opposition to him. In addition to this, there is no denying the shrewdness of the leader of the A. F. of L., and his political sagacity, which has enabled him to keep a firm grip on the machinery of the organization, and to have his faithful henchmen in the positions where they could do him the most good whenever their services might be needed."

Further than this, he has never failed, at the last conventions, to have some resolution to spring on the convention at the psychological moment, which would place him in the light of a martyr to the cause of untruth, and

excite a wave of sympathetic enthusiasm for him, which would carry the delegates off their feet, and result in his re-election.

"That his long leadership, and this apparent impossibility to fill his place has gone to his head, and made him imagine that he is much greater a man than he really is, is undoubtedly the case, and accounts for the tactics he has adopted in dealing with questions before congress, where he has unnecessarily antagonized men to whom organized labor must look for recognition of their demands, and where labor measures are often opposed on account of this very antagonism, which would otherwise receive support.

"There is no doubt but what organized labor in this country would be much stronger with a leader who was more in touch with conditions as they actually exist, and who would bring to the front the new policies which organized labor must adopt if it expects to even maintain its present standard, to say nothing of making future progress."

We quote portions of another article, a reprint from the same labor paper: "Organized labor, through its leaders, must recognize the mistakes of the past if they expect to perpetuate their organizations or to develop the movement which they lead. No movement, no organization, no nation can develop beyond the intellects which guide these organizations, and if the leaders are dominated by a selfish motive the organization will become tinged with a spirit of selfishness, which has never appealed to mankind in any walk of life at any time since history began.

"It can be said in extenuation of certain leaders of organized labor that the precarious position which they occupy as leaders has had a tendency to cause them to lose sight of the object behind the organization. The natural instinct in man for power and position is in no small measure responsible for the mistakes of the leaders, not necessarily in labor unions alone, but in every branch of society. This desire for power and leadership and personal aggrandisement causes men who have been earnest and sincere in their efforts in the start to deteriorate into mere politicians whose every act and utterance is tinged with the desire to cater to the baser passions of the working majority in the societies or organizations and this is undoubtedly true when applied to the present leaders of the Federation of Labor. We mention the Federation of Labor particularly in this article, because that organization is the only organization of labor which has yet found itself in direct opposition to the laws of the land. There are other organizations of labor whose leaders have made mistakes, but they have always kept themselves and their organizations within the bounds of the law and respected the rights of every other man in considering the rights of themselves and their constituency; whereas, the motto of the Federation is just the reverse, and unless the leaders conform themselves and their organization in accordance with the laws of the land, the leaders and the organization itself must be disintegrated and pass into history, for in America the common sense of mankind is developed to a greater extent than in any other nation on the earth, and the people, who are the court of last resort in this country, will never allow any system to develop in this country which does not meet with the approval of the majority of the citizens of the country.

"This must have forced itself upon the leaders of the Federation by this time. If it has not, the leaders must be eliminated. The organization which they head has done many meritorious things in times past and the people are always ready and willing to acknowledge the benefits which their efforts have brought to their constituency as a whole, but at the present time labor organizations in general, and the Federation of Labor in particular, stand before the bar of public opinion, having been convicted of selfishness and a disposition to rule all the people of the country in the interest of the few. The people are patient and waiting to

see if the object lesson which they have been forced to give to these leaders is going to be recognized and if they are going to conform themselves and their future work and actions in accordance thereto."

Let the people remember that comment, "The Federation of Labor in particular stands before the bar of public opinion having been convicted of selfishness and a disposition to rule all the people of the country in the interest of the few."

The great 90 per cent of Americans do not take kindly to the acts of tyranny of these trust leaders openly demanding that all people bow down to the rules of the Labor Trust and we are treated to the humiliating spectacle of our Congress and even the Chief Executive entertaining these convicted law-breakers and traitors with consideration to their demands that they be allowed to continue their plan of domination over the affairs of the people.

The workers of America have come to know the truth about these "martyrs sacrificing themselves in the noble cause of labor" but it's only a hysterical ones who swell up and over the aforesaid "heroes," reminding one of the two romantic elderly maids who, weeping copiously, were discovered by the old janitor at Mt. Vernon.

"What is it all you ladies?"
Taking the handkerchief from one swollen red eye, between sobs she said: "Why we have so long revered the memory of George Washington that we feel it a privilege to come here and weep at his tomb."

"Yas'm, yas'm, yo' shore has a desire to express yo' sympathy but yo' are overflowin' at de wrong spot, yo' is weepin' at de ice house."

Don't get maudlin about law-breakers who must be punished if the very existence of our people is to be maintained.

If you have any surplus sympathy it can be extended to the honest ones who continue to earn food wages, and are frequently hurt and sometimes killed before the courts can intervene to protect them.

Now the Labor Trust leaders demand of Congress that the courts be stripped of power to issue injunctions to prevent them from assaulting or perhaps murdering men who dare earn a living when ordered by the Labor Trust to quit work.

Don't "weep at the Ice House" and don't permit any set of law-breakers to bully our courts, if your voice and vote can prevent. Be sure and write your Representatives and Senators in Congress asking them not to vote for any measure to prevent the courts from protecting homes, property and persons from attack by paid agents of this great Labor Trust.

Let every reader write, and write now.

Don't sit silent and allow the organized and paid men of this great trust to force Congress to believe they represent the great masses of the American people. Let your voice and let your representatives know that you do not want to live under new laws which will strip the Labor Trust leaders of the right to tell you when to work, when to stop, when to buy, when to vote for! How much you shall pay per month in fees to the Labor Trust! etc., etc., etc.

This power is now being demanded by the passage of laws in Congress. Tell your Senators and Representatives plainly that you don't want them to vote for any measure that will allow any set of men either representing Capital or Labor to govern and dictate to the common people, who prefer to be free to go and come, work or not, and vote for whom they please.

Every man's liberty will disappear when the leaders of the great Labor Trust or any other trust can rule through a mob over people and mass their forces to prevent our sports from attacking protection.

"There's a Reason."
C. W. POST, Battle Creek, Mich.

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Splendid Assortment Of New Goods

Don't Fail

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Kitchen Ware, Ladies' and Gents' Furnishings, Notions of all Kinds

Visit the Bargain Table Wednesday of each week

All Goods Guaranteed as Represented

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Howell, Michigan
Next to Johnsons Drug Store

Doubtful Prize.

A fullback in a football team once had the misfortune to put the ball through his own goal. This regrettable error lost his side the game, and he suffered agonies of self reproach on the long journey home.

"I'm no more use than a chocolate footballer," he said to his sweetheart, who had traveled many miles to see him play. "A slip of a boy from school would have shaped better than I did."

"Now, George, I won't let you say such hard things about yourself!" declared his loyal sweetheart. "You've been how popular you are. I heard the gentleman praising you up to the skies this afternoon."

"Never!" emphatically exclaimed the incredulous player.

"Oh, but it's quite true!" she said proudly. "He said you'd brought his club the best luck they'd had for ages, and he really wished you were playing again."

"The best Baking Powder at any price" is the verdict of those who try K C Baking Powder. Pure and wholesome. Saves you 30 cents on a pound can.

Business Pointers.

WANTED.

To buy 1000 bushels of clover seed. ARMSTRONG & BARROW, Howell.

FOR SALE

Good Cutter. Cheap. Inquire at the Elevator.

Rip-saw was left in some place in this village. Will the finder please notify the editor of the DISPATCH.

FOR SALE.

A number of full blood Shropshire Rams. GLENBROOK STOCK FARM. 43¢

WANTED—A good reliable man to buy poultry, eggs and veal. H. L. Williams, Howell, Mich.

FOR SALE.

The corner lot east of my residence in the village of Pinckney. Inquire of 401f Mrs. Addie POTTERTON

TO RENT.

Seven rooms of my residence in Pinckney, partly furnished if desired. I wish to rent for a year and room there. Those who will be interested with family if desired. Mrs. Addie POTTERTON 1f

NOTICE

The Stockbridge Elevator Co., Anderson will buy your Beans, Grain, Hay, Straw and Seeds. Send bill to me here. W. H. CASKEY 381f

NOTICE !

Having rented the Perry Blunt Shoe shop and purchased all his stock of leather and tools am better prepared to do Boot and Shoe repairing and also harness repairing on short notice, all work strictly first class. Gasoline stoves cleaned. H. KNICKERBOCKER

Local Correspondents

SOUTH MARION.

Miss Ella Black of Pinckney is visiting at C. Brogan's.

Albert Dinkle of Detroit visited his parents here the past week.

Miss Edna Abbott spent the holiday vacation with her people here.

Misses Beulah and Florence Burgess visited in Gregory last week.

Mrs. R. M. Glenn visited her son Dr. Glenn of Fowlerville one day last week.

Peter Harris of Big Rapids visited friends and relatives in this vicinity last week.

Miss Helen Fohey of Detroit spent the last of the week with Miss Veronica Brogan.

SOUTH GREGORY.

Dr. Wright is sick with lagripp.

Bangs Richmond has tonsillitis.

Dan McCorney entertained his parents Xmas.

LOTMM meeting Jan 13. A good attendance is desired.

Mr. Spaulding and family visited in Perry Xmas. They started in a sleigh but had to get a buggy before they got there.

Mr. Alf Taylor returned from Gaylord Monday morning where he had been to attend the funeral of his brother George.

While Mrs. L. R. Williams was coming out of a store in Gregory, she slipped and fell on some ice, bruising her arm quite badly. It was lucky no bones were broken.

Wright fell in the same way but did not receive any in-

WEST MARION.

Geo. Bullis sold eight loads of fat lambs last Friday.

P. H. Smith and wife entertained friends from North Lake and Iosco New Years day.

The New Years dinner at Geo. Millers was attended by about 125. It was enjoyed very much by all. The society presented Rev. Saigeon a very fine satchel.

ANDERSON.

A. G. Wilson and wife are spending the week in Howell.

Miss Gertrude Hoff returned to her school in Howell Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Gilchrist of Pinckney spent Friday at Mr. Books.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Book and Miss Gladys Pool spent New Years at Peter Pools in Marion.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Fortman of Stockbridge visited at Fred Mackinders from Saturday till Monday.

WEST PUTNAM.

D. M. Monks went to Howell last week.

Bessie Murphy returned to Ypsilanti last week.

H. B. Gardner was in Howell Monday on business.

Fanny Monks and Nellie Gardner were in Howell last week.

Patrick Murphy transacted business in Detroit during the week.

Henry Harris and wife of Cripple Creek, Colo., have been visiting John Harris.

Will Conner who has been visiting his parents here returned to his home in Lapeer Monday.

Mr. P. Kennedy had his house damaged by fire Sunday evening. The fire originated from a stove while the family were asleep. The loss is covered by insurance.

IN PLAIN ATTIRE.

By BERTHA STONE.

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The train rumbled out of the station, rattled on the rails through the environs of the city and was steaming out over hill and dale when a slam of the door warned the passengers that the conductor was coming. Every man instinctively felt for his ticket.

A little man rather shabbily dressed went through all his pockets successively without finding what he wanted. He continued his search till the conductor reached him, when he said: "Conductor, I have either been relieved of or have lost my pocketbook with all my money and my ticket in it. If you will pass me I'll see to it at the end of the journey that you receive the fare."

The conductor looked coldly at the shabby man and replied: "I must have your fare."

"But I haven't got it."

"Then you'll have to get off."

He pulled the bell cord. The passenger arose from his seat and was moving slowly to the door when the conductor gave him a succession of pushes to hurry him. The ejected passenger alighted in mud and stood looking after the train as it pulled away from him. The day was bleak, with mingled snow and rain. The ejected passenger walked on the track till he came to a road crossing it, which he followed, at last reaching a farmhouse wet to the skin. There he was kindly received, given hot drinks and put to bed. In the night he awoke with a chill, followed by a fever, and in the morning had developed a serious case of pneumonia. For several weeks he was nursed by the farmer's family, under whose tender care he recovered. Before leaving, having received funds, he offered them compensation, which they declined.

A few days after his departure he entered the general offices of the A. D. and P. railway and asked to see the president. He was required to state his business. He wrote on a slip of paper his message, stating that he had been put off a train of the road on account of having lost his money and ticket. The president wrote on the slip "Referred to general passenger agent." The visitor saw the general passenger agent, who told him that the conductor had only done his duty.

"You mean," said the applicant for redress, "that a railroad is a mechanical contrivance, those who run it are bits of mechanism, and there is no heart in it?"

"You've stated the proposition about right," replied the passenger agent.

"In other words, might makes right?"

"We couldn't run the road to a profit if we passed people over it without pay."

"I'm glad to have the matter explained," said the visitor. "Good morning!"

The incident was forgotten by the railroad officials, and the system went on working with the precision of a steam engine.

The A. D. and P. railway received freight and passengers from one main line and delivered them to another, repeating the process vice versa. It was consequently independent and thriving, for it was essential to both its feeders. Suddenly the stock began to act like the float of a fish line, indicating that something was going on below the surface. Then the price commenced to fluctuate. Now it would sink gradually, then suddenly jump up several points. These fluctuations continued for several months, then A. D. and P. stock ceased to attract any attention whatever.

On the first Wednesday in January occurred the annual meeting of the directors. The officers were waiting for the formalities to be disposed of before settling down to their work and their salaries for another term. Suddenly word was flashed through the building as if by telegraph that a block of stock amounting to fifty-five hundredths of the whole had been voted, changing a majority of the directors. Every man rushed to the room where the meeting was in session. The door stood open, and in the excitement of the moment all crowded in. A little man shuffled past them and, standing beside the long table around which the directors were seated, thus addressed them: "Gentlemen, I hold a majority of the stock of this road and therefore am in control."

"Great Scott!" exclaimed the general passenger agent. "It's the man who was put off the train."

The speaker continued: "I am a stranger to your city and your ways, having resided all my life in the far west. When coming here I found myself on the A. D. and P. road. Having neither money nor ticket, I was put off the train on a cold day, contracted disease and came near dying. I was informed by the officers of the road that it was a mechanical system set to run in a certain way and without any heart. Having some means and influential connections in the west and noticing the value of the A. D. and P. road as a connecting link, I have

bought the control for myself and my scheme. I do not intend to run it on principles of justice. I don't intend to run it at all. It will be turned over to its feeders—for a price. I was admitted to me by an officer of the road that might make right. I have the resignation of every officer from the president down, the same to take effect at once."

A block of the stock bought on a tip—by the farmer who had sheltered the speculator netted the purchaser a small fortune, which was afterward increased to a big one.

INSURANCE LONG IN FORCE

First Introduced When Sea Voyages Were Accompanied by Many Perils.

The practice of insuring originated from marine insurance for merchants sending goods by sea in early times usually accompanied the ship themselves, and were liable to capture by Moorish or Turkish pirates. With a view to providing the necessary ransom to secure their release it became customary before embarking to pay an agreed premium to certain individuals called underwriters who were willing to guarantee payment of the ransom in the event of the merchant being captured. From this beginning the practice was gradually extended to insuring the lives, first of mariners and then of other persons.

In 1574 Queen Elizabeth granted a patent to Richard Chandler under which he established a Chamber of Insurance in London with the object of regulating all contracts of insurance, but this Chamber, with probably all its records, was destroyed by the great fire of 1666. The earliest recorded life policy was issued in June 18, 1583, and provided that if a certain William Gybbons, should die within 12 months the underwriters would pay £225 6s. 8d., the premium being at the rate of 8 per cent.

Meanness to a Blind Man.

A man with dark glasses over his eyes touched the conductor on the shoulder as the car neared Euclid avenue and East Fifty-fifth street.

"Parade me," the man said, "but if you're the conductor I want to ask a favor. I'm blind, and I want you to lead me over to the curb when the car stops, if you'll be so good."

"Not that I minded the little bother of doing that for him," remarked the conductor when he got back on his car, "but 'tain't right to let a blind man go around all alone like that at night trying to find his way around in the dark."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

The machinery has arrived for the new cheese factory and is being installed this week and it is expected that the factory will be ready to receive its first installment of milk next Monday morning.—Fowlerville Review.

This is the first week of the new year and many of our subscriptions expire. Will you please be prompt in renewing or asking that we discontinue the paper. The law does not allow us to send the paper more than a year without pay or a request from the patron to continue the same.

Most housekeepers are using K C Baking Powder these days. A single trial shows it to be a great improvement over the old-style Baking Powders and a fine economy in any household. K C costs less,—works better.

All the news for \$1.00 per year.

Stockholders Meeting

The eighth annual meeting of the stockholders of the Livingston county Mutual Telephone company will be held at the court house in the village of Howell January 10, 1910, at twelve o'clock standard time, and will, without adjournment, elect officers and transact any business which may legally come before the meeting.

J. E. Fuller, Pres.
F. H. Lutz, Secy.

A One Week Course.

A beautiful calendar, issued by the Michigan Agricultural College has been received at this office. It gives a number of pictures of buildings, campus scenes, laboratories etc. To those who have known the college for many years, it brings vividly to mind the great progress made by this institution in recent years. The latest departure is to offer busy farmers courses one week in length. This year during the week beginning Feb. 14th will be given instruction in corn and other farm crops. Every man who grows crops can receive one week of the most thorough and practical instruction. The following week which has been formerly the week of the round up institute, will be devoted to fruit culture, soils, crops, fertilizers, etc. The week beginning Feb. 22nd will be turned over to the dairy men of the state. This will be a great week for the men interested in this branch of farming. The next and last of the one week courses will be devoted to those who are interested in swine. Speakers from abroad will assist in making these four weeks the greatest opportunity ever offered the farmers of Michigan. One may remain for one week or the four weeks, just as he chooses. Every farmer who has a desire to improve his farm and its earning capacity should not let slip by this great opportunity.

"A Fly is as Untamable as a Hyena."



To advertise successfully may not be easy but it is not half so difficult as the taming of a fly. So far as this community is concerned the advertising problem is simple. Here is the plan:

Secure space in these columns. Write ads that are plain and straightforward. Change them often. Keep at it persistently.

To Whom it May Concern

Having decided to discontinue farming I am offering for sale

A nice lot of Clydesdale Brood Mares

Registered Clydesdale Stallion, 7 years old

A number of Clydesdale Colts and Fillies

From 6 months to 3 1/2 years old

About 40 Head of Short-Horn Cattle, all ages

including a number of nice young Bulls

ranging from 6 to 15 months old, colors red and roan

Come and see what I have

T. Birkett.