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## Commencement Exercises

The rapid flight of time brings once again the season of flowers and sunshine. Just about this time, too, there is another kind of flower which blooms throughout the land, a flower which arouses all the latent enthusiasm of the people. It is the day of graduation when young men and young women in every city, village and hamlet are launched upon life's ocean.

The class of six which were graduated from the Pinckney high school were honored by perhaps the largest gathering of interested friends which the opera house has held in some years, upon the occasion of their commencement exercises last Thursday evening.

The stage was tastefully decorated under the direction of Mrs. J. P. Doyle assisted by the Seniors. The decorations consisted of red, white and blue bunting draped in such a way as to make the large stage assume less severe proportions. The front of the stage was banked with ferns and roses. A library table on which stood a bouquet of the class flowers, American Roses, was placed in the center of the stage platform. About this were arranged rocking chairs in which the members of the class could be comfortably seated, instead of in the straight chairs which are usually used on such occasions.

The program was a very interesting one. The musical part consisting of an excellently played piano solo by Miss Sadie Harris and three pleasing vocal solos by Mrs. H. D. Brown, Miss Florence Kice and Miss Helen S. Dunne. Claude H. Kennedy delivered the salutatory in a masterly manner. Two orations, "Our Horizon" by Madge H. Cook and "The Merits of Peace" by Alger J. Hall were well received by the large audience. Duane Lavey in the Class Prophecy exposed the future of his class-mates in a style which caused much merriment. Madeleine Moran delivered the Valedictory, the highest honor which can be given to a graduate, in a fitting manner. The exercises were closed, after the presentation of diplomas by Supt. J. P. Doyle, with a few appropriate remarks by Rev. Fr. Coyle.

The class of 1915 has entered "Life" and may each member be in later years, found "Rowing, Not Drifting" in accordance with their class motto, which was emblazoned in shining letters across the front of the stage whereon their graduation exercises took place.

### \$100 Reward, \$100

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address: F. K. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by all druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

During the canning season use Parowax to seal all jars. C. G. Meyer.

## Wm. Mercer Sr.

Wm. Mercer Sr., a life long resident of Pettyville, died at his home there last Sunday morning, aged 81 years. Mr. Mercer had been in poor health for some time past. The funeral was held Tuesday, Rev. A. T. Camburn preaching the funeral sermon. Burial was made in the Placeway cemetery. Besides his aged wife, there survives six sons, George, Edward, Charles, Eugene, Frank and William Jr., and one daughter, Ella. Mr. Mercer was a kind husband and father. He will be greatly missed, not only in the home, but by a large circle of friends.

## Mrs. Margaret Kearney

Mrs. A. M. Kearney, for many years a resident of Pinckney, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Melvin in Jefferson, North Dakota, Thursday, June 24. The funeral was held in Jefferson Friday and the remains brought to Pinckney Monday for burial. Mrs. Kearney was ninety-one years of age and went to Jefferson about a year ago with her daughter. Obituary next week.

## North Hamburg

[Received too late for last week]

Miss Mary VanFleet of Howell was a guest of Mrs. B. C. Had-dock the past week.

Mrs. Kate Folts and son of Whitmore Lake were Sunday guests at the home of Jos. Stack-able.

Charles Travis and sisters Lizzie and Vina have returned to Camp Travis for the summer.

Rex Davenport of Toledo, Ohio, who has been visiting his sister, Mrs. Orville Nash, returned home Sunday. Mrs. Nash and daughter accompanied him for a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Bennett and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Rounsifer and C. M. Bennett were Sunday guests at the home of R. Bennett.

Wednesday evening, June 16, a severe storm visited this section of the county. Lightning struck one of the large barns belonging to M. A. Davis, burning it to the ground with all its contents consisting of hay, grain, beans, wool and farm machinery. The loss was partially insured. Mr. Davis will rebuild.

Rev. Ostrander's familiar voice was once more heard in the North Hamburg Church last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George VanHorn and mother and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hinkle and son Marlin visited relatives in Mason a few days the past week.

James Burroughs and wife visited his aunt, Mrs. Janet VanHorn of Marion one day last week.

J. S. Nash and wife visited her mother, Mrs. Turner of Grand Lodge a few days the last of the week.

### AN EASY, PLEASANT LAXATIVE

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## Gregory

Mrs. Sarah Williams of Lansing will make an extended visit among relatives and relatives of this place. She is in her 86th year and is remarkably active and well for a lady of that age.

John and Anna Moore motored to Rolland last Saturday.

Twenty-two members of the Laf-a-lot club met at the home of Andrew Burgess Saturday night.

A. V. Young and family of Jackson are spending a few days in this vicinity.

Rose Cone of Clinton recently visited her sister, Mrs. Higgins.

The Ladies Aid society will meet at the home of O. B. Arnold Thursday for tea.

Mrs. Harris was an over Sunday visitor in Chelsea.

Genevieve Kuhn who graduated from the Normal at Ypsilanti recently, intends teaching in Detroit the coming year.

Mrs. Messenger visited at the home of Mrs. Jane Wright Monday.

Haskell Worden and family were Gregory visitors last Friday.

S. A. Denton is on the sick list.

Last Sunday morning while waiting in the reception room at the Pinckney Sanitarium to see her daughter, Mrs. Albert Frost, who was a patient there, Mrs. Singleton of this place suffered a sudden attack of heart failure and passed away before the daughter had reached the reception room. The news was a severe shock to Mrs. Frost who was recovering from a recent operation.

## South Isco

Joe Roberts and family entertained friends from Detroit over Sunday.

Alta Bullis of Ypsilanti spent the past week with her sister, Mrs. John Roberts.

L. T. Lamborne and family visited at the home of Geo. Mowers of Pinckney Sunday.

Francis Secor of Marion visited last week at W. H. Caskey's.

The Misses Harfords of Howell spent Sunday at Geo. Harford's.

## J. Church

Graduate Optometrist, of Howell, Mich., will be in Pinckney, Saturday, July 10th, at the Smith Restaurant. Mr. Church guarantees a perfect fit. All headache caused by eye strain absolutely corrected. Consultation and examination free of charge. adv.

## Stores Closed

Our stores will be closed all day, Saturday, July 3rd.

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# GREAT LOCKOUT ON IN CHICAGO

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY THOUSAND MEN CEASE WORK ON SATURDAY.

## ARBITRATION IS REFUSED

All Day Meeting On Friday Is Attended By Representatives Of All Lines of Building Interests.

Chicago—A general lockout of Chicago's building industries was ordered Friday night after an all-day meeting of every interest in the building industry—financial, materials and contracting.

All materials manufacturers ceased work and closed down their yards, all contractors laid off men and the financial interests of the city is backing them.

The burden of the tie-up is laid by them upon the carpenters' union, which voted to refuse to arbitrate. Forty thousand men are out in this strike.

Settlement of the carpenters' strike will not relieve the situation. There are other strikes which must be settled also—those by the sheet metal workers, lathers, painters and structural ironworkers, particularly those of the painters and ironworkers.

The following were represented in the meeting Friday: Lumber interests of Chicago, common brick makers, face brick makers, lime kiln companies, sand, stone and gravel sellers, sash, door and blind manufacturers, planing mill companies, terra cotta makers, elevator operating concerns, hardwood flooring interests, banking interests, massens and builders' association, plastering contractors, carpenter contractors' association and the Building Construction Employers' association.

They appointed a committee to have active charge, meet each day and have absolute control of the situation.

The committee named will not order anything done. It will "recommend," but its recommendations will put out of work directly and indirectly fully 150,000 men, half of whom are directly concerned in the building trades.

## JITNEYS HIT BY ORDINANCE

Drastic Action of Grand Rapids Council May Put Them Out of Business.

Grand Rapids—It is believed that fully 300 jitney buses will be put out of business by ordinance that requires owners to furnish heavy liability bonds and pay \$60 a year license fee. The new law will take effect immediately.

Petitions for a referendum were turned down by the council Monday night on the grounds that many of the signers were not voters.

Jitney bus owners charge that the council was influenced in its action by a statement from street railway company officials that car service would be curtailed unless rigid laws were enacted to regulate jitneys. They also assert that the terms of the new ordinance are prohibitive in effect. An appeal to the courts is expected.

### Auto Mishap Is Fatal.

Battle Creek—While John Cronkhitte, a rural mail carrier, was driving his automobile at high speed, a tire burst and the car overturned. With Cronkhitte in the auto were his own two children and two of a neighbor's children. Arden Cronkhitte, 3 years old, was instantly killed, and Cronkhitte himself so badly injured that it is not expected he can recover. The other three children escaped with bruises.

## ITEMS OF STATE INTEREST

At the annual consignment sale of the Michigan Holstein Breeders' association, held at Howell, 104 cattle and several calves were sold. The sales amounted to \$20,050.

There were 110 persons at the seventh annual reunion of the Watson-Randall families at the fair grounds at Hillsdale Thursday, this being one of the most largely attended family reunions held during the year.

One death and heavy property damage resulted from the severe wind, rain and hail storm which swept the vicinity of Lansing Wednesday. Fred Wright, a farmer, who lived between Lansing and St. Johns, was electrocuted when he ran into a telephone wire that had been down and was tangled with the Michigan United Telephone's high tension wire.

## AMERICAN WOMAN FINDS NO PROSPECT OF PEACE



JANE ADDAMS.

London—The firm sentiment prevails in all the belligerent nations that the war must be pushed to a decisive victory, according to Miss Jane Addams, who just returned to London from a visit to the warring countries on the continent. In every country visited Miss Addams said she found the high authorities willing enough to listen to any peace proposal that might be made, but no indication was given that any movement in that direction would be of avail.

## BEAN MAGGOT HURTS CROP

M. A. C. Will Help Farmers Fight Pest Which Is Endangering Fields in Eaton County.

East Lansing—Appeals which have come to the Agricultural college from Eaton county for advice as to how best to combat the bean maggot, a pest which has attacked the Eaton county bean crop, show general alarm among farmers in that district. The maggot has already made a considerable number of fields valueless for beans this season and farmers fear that it is present throughout the county.

The maggot is the larva of a fly which deposits eggs in the ground near the beans shortly after they have been planted. The maggot attacks the bean seed and destroys it. If the pest is prevalent in Eaton county, as at present seems likely, farmers will suffer thousands of dollars damage, as the district is one of the principal bean-producing regions in the United States.

Authorities at the college have advised the farmers against reseeding the affected fields with corn, cabbage, turnips, beets, onions or seed potatoes, as the maggot, if given the opportunity, may attack these crops also.

The college intends to dispatch a field agent to the Eaton county district as soon as possible to lend farmers direct aid in controlling the pest.

## DEATHS AND BIRTHS IN MAY

Record Shows That Stark Maintains Lead Over the Dark Angel.

Lansing—There were 3,147 deaths reported to the department of state as having occurred during May.

This number corresponds to an annual death rate of 12.2 per 1,000 estimated population. A decrease of 608 deaths is noted as compared with the month preceding.

By ages there were 504 deaths of infants under one year of age; 13 deaths children from one to four years, both inclusive, and 1,028 deaths of elderly persons, 65 years and more.

Important causes of deaths were as follows: Tuberculosis of lungs, 275; typhoid fever, 16; diphtheria, and croup, 19; scarlet fever, 7; measles, 11; whooping cough, 28; pneumonia, 198; cancer, 207; violence, 172. In addition to the above there were two deaths from tetanus, and one from mumps.

There were 8,137 births reported to the department as having occurred in May. This number corresponds to an annual birth rate of 21.8 per 1,000 estimated population. An increase of 175 births is noted as compared with the month immediately preceding.

## NEWS BRIEFS.

A special election will be called July 15 to give Pontiac electors an opportunity to vote on an electric railway franchise, giving the Detroit, Pontiac & Owosso Railway Co. the right to enter the city from the west and connect with the lines of the D. U. R. Dr. O. H. Lee says it is the company's intention to build an electric line from Detroit to Grand Rapids.

# HUERTA SIEGED ON WAY TO MEXICO

FORMER DICTATOR IS TAKEN IN CUSTODY BY UNITED STATES OFFICIALS.

## RELEASED ON HEAVY BOND

General Orozco Who Was at Station to Meet His Chief Is Also Detained As "Guest of Collector Cobb."

El Paso, Tex.—General Victoriano Huerta, former provisional president of Mexico, and General Pascual Orozco, one of his former principal generals, and himself a powerful leader in Mexico, at one time, spent Sunday as involuntary "guests" of Collector of Customs Z. L. Cobb and colonel George H. Morgan, Fifteenth cavalry, commandant of Fort Bliss.

Charges of conspiring to incite a revolution against a friendly country were later filed against them. Huerta was released Sunday night on \$15,000 bond, while Orozco's bail was fixed at \$7,500 and he also was released. The railroad tickets of Huerta and his party, though it was announced that they were going to California, only read to El Paso.

United States officials Sunday night learned that quantities of ammunition had been arriving here lately for mysterious consignees, and believe it was to have been used by Huerta and his adherents. The ammunition is said to have been purchased with funds from the east.

Arriving at Newman, New Mexico, 15 miles north of El Paso, on the Rock Island, at 6:30 Sunday morning, General Huerta was asked to become the guest of Collector Cobb as the former Mexican president stepped from the train. General Orozco, who was present to meet General Huerta, received the same invitation. Orozco had arrived at Newman in the darkness of the early morning in a powerful automobile.

The collector of customs, several special agents of the United States state department, several deputy United States marshals and a squadron of cavalry arrived at the place a short time following General Orozco's arrival. The troops formed a cordon about the little station and pump-house on the prairie and, when the former Mexican dictator stepped out of the Pullman car to greet General Orozco, and General Luis Fuentes, son-in-law of General Huerta, he found himself surrounded. Graciously Collector Cobb begged the former Mexican dictator to accompany him to the city, and graciously, after a sweeping glance at the soldiers surrounding the train, General Huerta smiled, bowed and accepted.

It was announced in the federal building that Generals Huerta and Orozco were being detained as "guests of Collector Cobb" but it was admitted that a telegram had been sent to Washington for instructions. It was also admitted to be the belief that it had been the intention of Orozco to take the former provisional president of Mexico across the border, when the move was interrupted by the appearance of the American officials.

### Governor Stops Boxing in State.

Lansing—Governor Ferris sounded the death knell of boxing bouts in this state, when he sent letters Thursday to the sheriff of each of the 23 counties informing them of the law against glove contests and requesting them to see that the statute is enforced.

Ever since he vetoed the Paul bill that would have legalized 10-round bouts in Michigan, the chief executive has been making a quiet investigation of the various boxing shows held in Michigan and he has reached the conclusion that they must be stopped.

### Expect War to Last Three Years.

Rome, via Paris—Italian military authorities Sunday asserted that all the arms, ammunition and explosives factories in the kingdom were working day and night to obtain not only what will be necessary for the war this summer and coming autumn, but for the possibility of a continuance of the conflict for three years, including the supplies of arms which it will be necessary to replace.

## TELEGRAPHIC FLASHES

London—Eighty-five English merchantmen, with a total tonnage of 257,447, were lost between February 12, the date of Germany's submarine "blockade" and June 21, the admiralty announced Friday.

## MARKET QUOTATIONS

Detroit Stockyards Quarantined. Hoof and Mouth Disease.

### Live Stock.

DETROIT—Cattle: Receipts, 943; market for bulls and canners steady; all steers, \$8.25@8.50; best handy weight butcher steers, \$7.50@8; mixed steers and heifers, \$7.50@7.65; handy light butchers, \$7@7.25; light butchers, \$6.50@7; best cows, \$5.50@6.24; butcher cows, \$5@5.25; common cows, \$4.25@4.75; canners, \$3@4; best heavy bulls, \$6@6.50; bologna bulls, \$5.25@5.50.

Veal Calves: Receipts, 402; market strong; best, \$9.50@10; others, \$7@9.00.

Sheep and Lambs: Receipts, 380; market steady; best lambs, \$9.50@10.50; fair lambs, \$7.50@8; light to common lambs, \$6@6.75; yearlings, \$6.50@8; fair to good sheep, \$4.25@4.50; culls and common, \$2.50@3.

Hogs: Receipts, 3,748; about 300 brought \$7.90; bulk of sales, \$7.85.

EAST BUFFALO—Cattle—Receipts, 2,500; best dry-fed grades steady; grassers 15@25c lower; choice to prime steers, \$9@9.50; fair to good, \$8.40@8.65; plain and coarse, \$7.50@8; choice to prime handy steers, \$8.25@8.65; fair to good grassers, \$7.25@7.50; light common, \$6.50@6.75; yearlings, dried, \$8.50@9; prime fat heifers, \$7.75@8; good butchering heifers, \$7.50@7.75; light dry-fed, \$7.75@8; light grassy heifers, \$6.50@6; best fat cows, \$6.50@7; good butchering cows, \$6@6.50; cutters, \$4.50@5; canners, \$3.50@4; fancy bulls, \$6.50@7; best butchering bulls, \$6@6.25; light bulls, \$5@5.50.

Hogs—Receipts, 16,000; market 5@10c lower; heavy, \$7.90@8.10; mixed and yorkers, \$8.10@8.15; pigs, \$7.90@8.00.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 2,000; steady; top lambs, \$9.50@10; yearlings, \$7.50@8.25; wethers, \$6.50@7; ewes, \$4.50@5.75.

Calves—Receipts, 1,800; market active; tops, \$10; fair to good, \$9@9.50; grassers, \$4@6.

### Grains, Etc.

DETROIT—Wheat—Cash No. 2 red, \$1.15 1-2; July opened without change at \$1.03, lost 1-2c and advanced to \$1.04 1-2; September opened at \$1.02, declined to \$1.01 1-2 and advanced to \$1.08 1-2; cash No. 1 white, \$1.12 1-2.

Corn—Cash No. 3, 77c; No. 3 yellow, 78c; No. 4 yellow, 76 1-2c.

Oats—Standard, 50 1-2@51c; No. 3 white, 50@50 1-2c; No. 4 white, 49@50c.

Rye—Cash No. 2, 1 car at \$1.12; August, 93c.

Beans—Immediate and prompt shipment, \$3; July, \$3.05.

Cloverseed—Prime spot, \$8.10; October, \$8.50; prime alsike, \$8.50.

Timothy—Prime spot, \$3.20.

Hay—No. 1 timothy, \$18.50@19; standard timothy, \$17.50@18; No. 2 timothy, \$16.50@17; light mixed, \$17.50@18; No. 1 mixed, \$16@16.50; No. 1 clover, \$14@14.50; No. 2, clover, \$12@13; rye straw, \$8@8.50; wheat and oat straw, \$7@7.50 per ton.

Flour—In one-eighth paper sacks, per 196 pounds, jobbing lots: Best patent, \$6.30; second patent, \$6; straight, \$5.90; spring patent, \$6.60; rye flour, \$4.40 per barrel.

Feed—In 100-lb sacks, jobbing lots: Bran, \$25; standard middlings, \$29; fine middlings, \$32; coarse cornmeal, \$32; cracked corn, \$33; corn and oat chop, \$30 per ton.

### General Markets.

Raspberries—Red, \$5 per 24-pint case; black, \$4.50@4.75 per 24-quart case.

Strawberries—Shipped in \$1.25@1.50 per 16-quart case; home grown, \$3.25@3.50 per bushel.

Peaches—Southern, \$1.25 per 4-basket crate; Oklahoma, \$1@1.15 per 4-basket fat; 6-basket crates, \$1.50@1.75.

Apples—Ben Davis, \$3.50@3.75; Baldwin, \$5.75@6 per barrel; western apples, \$3@3.25 per box; new, \$2.25 per box.

New Cabbage—\$1.25@1.50 per crate. Green Corn—\$5.50 per barrel and 60c per bushel.

Lettuce—Head, \$1.25; leaf, \$45@50c per bushel.

Dressed Calves—Fancy, 11 1-2@12c per pound; common, 10@11c.

Maple Sugar—New, 14@15c per lb.; syrup, \$1@1.10 per gallon.

Colony—Florida, \$6@6.25 per crate; Michigan, 15@20c per dozen.

Onions—Texas Bermuda, \$1.25 for yellow and \$1.25 for white per crate. Old Potatoes—Oreola, 15@20c per bushel in sacks; from store, 25@30c per bushel.

# STATE NEWS IN BRIEF

Mt. Pleasant—Central State Normal college graduated a class of 106. Dr. Albion W. Small of the Chicago university delivered the address. Mt. Pleasant high school graduated a class of 21. Dr. Ernest B. Allen of Toledo, O., spoke. Sacred Heart academy graduated a class of 13, an address being given by Rev. Father Ryan of Grand Rapids. Because of the recent death of the mother superior of the Dominican Sisterhood very little display was made of the commencement exercises this year. The new science and agriculture building at the normal will be dedicated July 8. It is expected that Governor Ferris and Superintendent Keeler will make addresses.

Ypsilanti—The new Pease auditorium was formally dedicated. It was named in honor of Frederick H. Pease, former professor of music and head of the conservatory. The invocation was by Rev. Seth Deed, aged ninety-two, who offered the prayer at the dedication of the Normal college in 1852 and also at the fiftieth anniversary. The presentation was made by H. J. M. Grylls of Detroit. The speech of acceptance was made by Hon. William McCone of the state board of education. Other speakers were Hon. Lee N. Brown, mayor of the city, and former President H. L. Jones. President Charles McKenny presided.

Lansing—In an opinion given to the state railroad commission Attorney General Fellows holds that the Merrill Farmers' Elevator company of Merrill cannot force the Pere Marquette railroad to refund the cost of constructing a spur track merely because the railroad company allowed refunds to other companies for which it has constructed similar sidings.

Hastings—Thirty-eight members of Watson post, G. A. R., and Woman's Relief corps of Grand Rapids were entertained by members of Fitzgerald post and the Woman's Relief corps of Hastings. Following a dinner the following spoke: Commander C. R. Stuart of Watson post, George Burden and John Alcott and F. F. Taylor of Fitzgerald post.

Battle Creek—Mrs. Phoebe Mellen surprised the community when she started divorce proceedings against George A. Mellen, a retired farmer of considerable wealth. Mrs. Mellen is seventy years old and her husband seventy-eight years old. They have been married 58 years. The bill charges extreme cruelty, but gives no details.

Ludington—Sneak thieves have been reaping a harvest at Hamlin lake cottages and Piney Ridge resort. At Ridge hotel blankets and dishes have been stolen; from Henry Seeba's cottage household goods are missed and his boat was stolen, but recovered. H. P. Johnson reported that thieves stole about fifty dollars worth of furnishings.

Cadillac—Farmers who held their 1914 crops of potatoes for higher prices admit they are "stung." One Manton farmer disposed of 4,000 bushels for six cents a bushel. He had stored the potatoes in Manton throughout the winter and his storage charges were five cents a bushel.

Muskegon—The first Muskegon young man to be graduated from the United States Military academy at West Point in a score of years, Herman Buckma, has received his commission as second lieutenant from Secretary of War Garrison.

Cadillac—Robert Hawkins, employed by Sheriff Louis Chamberlain on his cattle ranch, was arrested on a charge of stealing a watch. Hawkins is in the Wexford county jail in custody of the complainant.

Port Huron—W. J. Atkinson pleaded not guilty in police court to a charge of securing money under false pretenses by soliciting subscriptions to a Catholic magazine without authority. He was arrested in Allegan.

Owosso—Rev. John Gerald York, pastor of the First Baptist church here for several years, has accepted a call to the East Lafayette church in Lafayette, Ind. He will take up his duties in August.

Hillsdale—Two infant bodies were found in the Schultz mill dam here. The mother is known to the Lenawee county authorities. The case is being probed for possible criminal prosecution.

Grand Rapids—Chief of Police Carroll gave the owners of Grand Rapids' 300 jitney buses 15 days in which to conform with the new drastic regulating ordinance.

Traverse City—The thirty-fourth annual picnic of the Old Settlers' association of the Grand Traverse region was held at Old Mission.

Lansing—The board of state auditors has fixed the rate of maintenance for each inmate at the epileptic farm colony at Walkington at \$3.60 a week.

Grand Rapids—Fifteen Italian young men have left here to join their colors.

# The CZAR'S SPY

The Mystery of a Silent Love

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### SYNOPSIS.

Gordon Gregg is called upon in Leghorn by Hornby, the yacht Lola's owner, and dining aboard with him and his friend, Hylton Chater, accidentally sees a torn photograph of a young girl. That night the consul's safe is robbed. The police find that Hornby is a fraud and the Lola's name a false one. Gregg visits Capt. Jack Durnford of the marines aboard his vessel. Durnford knows, but will not reveal, the mystery of the Lola. "It concerns a woman." In London Gregg is trapped nearly to his death by a former servant, Olinto. Visiting in Dumfries Gregg meets Muriel Leithcourt. Hornby appears and Muriel introduces him as Martin Woodroffe, her father's friend. Gregg finds that she is engaged to Woodroffe. Gregg sees a copy of the torn photograph on the Lola and finds that the young girl is Muriel's friend, Woodroffe disappears. Gregg discovers the body of a murdered woman in Rannoch wood. The body disappears and in its place is found the body of Olinto. Gregg talks to the police but conceals his own knowledge of the woman. Muriel calls secretly on Gregg and tells him that she is certain that a woman as well as a man has been murdered. They search Rannoch wood together, and find the body of the woman. Gregg recognizes her as Armina, Olinto's wife. Gregg tells the police, but when they go to the wood the body has disappeared. In London Gregg meets Olinto, alive and well. Falling to get any clue from Olinto, Gregg traces the young girl of the torn photograph.

### CHAPTER VIII—Continued.

"Well, the last I received only a fortnight ago. If you will wait a moment I will go and get it. It was so strange that I haven't destroyed it." And she went out, and I heard by the the frou-frou of her skirts that she was ascending the stairs.

After five minutes of breathless anxiety she rejoined me, and handing me the letter to read, said:

"It is not in her handwriting—I wonder why?"

The paper was of foreign make, with blue lines ruled in squares. Written in a hand that was evidently foreign, for the mistakes in the orthography were many, was the following curious communication:

My Dear Lydia:  
Perhaps you may never get this letter—the last I shall ever be able to send you. Indeed, I run great risks in sending it. Ah! you do not know the awful disaster that has happened to me, all the terrors and the tortures I endure. But no one can assist me, and I am now looking forward to the time when it will all be over. Do you recollect our old peaceful days in the garden at Chichester? I think of them always, always, and compare that sweet peace of the past with my own terrible sufferings of today. Ah, how I wish I might see you once again; how that I might feel your hand upon my brow, and hear your words of hope and encouragement! But happiness is now debarred from me, and I am only sinking to the grave under this slow torture of body and of soul.

"This will pass through many hands before it reaches the post. If, however, it ever does get dispatched and you receive it, will you do me one last favor—a favor to an unfortunate girl who is friendless and helpless, and who will no longer trouble the world? It is this: Take this letter to London, and call upon Mr. Martin Woodroffe at 28 Cori street, Piccadilly. Show him my letter, and tell him that I have kept my promise, and that the secret is still safe. He will understand—and also know why I cannot write this with my own hand. If he is abroad, keep it until he returns. It is all I ask of you, Lydia, and I know that if this reaches you, you will not refuse me. You have been my only friend and confidante, but I now bid you farewell, for the unknown beckons me, and from the grave I cannot write. Again farewell, and for ever.

Your loving and affectionate friend,  
ELMA.

"A very strange letter, is it not?" remarked the girl at my side. "I can't make it out. You see there is no address, but the postmark is Russian. She is evidently in Russia."

"In Finland," I said, examining the stamp and making out the post town to be Abo. "But have you been to London and executed this strange commission?"

"No. We are going up next week. I intend to call upon this person named Woodroffe."

I made no remark. He was, I knew, abroad, but I was glad at having obtained two very important clues; first, the address of the mysterious yachtman, Woodroffe, alias Hornby, and, secondly, ascertaining that the young girl I sought was somewhere in the vicinity of the town of Abo, the Finnish port on the Baltic.

"For Elma, you see, speaks in her letter of some secret, Mr. Gregg," my companion said. "She says she wishes this Mr. Woodroffe, whoever he is, to know that she has kept her promise and has not divulged it. This only bears out what I have all along suspected."

"What are your suspicions?"  
"Well, from her deep, thoughtful manner, and from certain remarks she at times made to me, I believe Elma is in possession of some great and ter-

rible secret—a secret which her uncle, Baron Oberg, is desirous of learning. I know she holds him in deadly fear—she is in terror that she may inadvertently betray to him the truth!"

### CHAPTER IX.

#### Strange Disclosures Are Made.

The strange letter of Elma Heath, combined with what Lydia Moreton had told me, aroused within me a determination to investigate the mystery. From the moment I had landed from the Lola on that hot, breathless night at Leghorn, mystery had crowded upon mystery until it was all bewildering. Had it not been for the mystery of it all—and mystery ever arouses the human curiosity—I should have given up trying to get at the truth. Yet as a man with some leisure, and knowing by that letter of Elma Heath's that she was in sore distress, I redoubled my efforts to ascertain the reason of it all.

On leaving Leghorn I had given up all hope of tracing the mysterious yachtman and had left the matter in the hands of the Italian police. But, without any effort on my own part, I seemed to have been drawn into a veritable network of strange incidents, all



"It is Not in Her Handwriting—I Wonder Why?"

of which combined to form the most complete and remarkable enigma ever presented in life.

Those September days were full of anxiety for me. Alone and unaided I was trying to solve one of the greatest of problems, plunged as I was in a veritable sea of mystery. I wanted to see Muriel Leithcourt, and to question her further regarding Elma Heath. Therefore again I left Euston and, traveling through the night, took my seat at the breakfast table at Greenlaw next morning.

Sir George, who was sitting alone—it not being my aunt's habit to appear early—welcomed me, and then in his bluff manner sniffed and exclaimed:

"Nice goings on up at Rannoch! Have you heard of them?"

"No. What?" I cried breathlessly, staring at him.

"Well, it's a very funny story, and there are a dozen different distorted versions of it," he said. "But, from what I can gather the true facts are these: About seven o'clock the night before last, as Leithcourt and his house party were dressing for dinner, a telegram arrived. Mrs. Leithcourt opened it and at once went off into hysterics, while her husband, in a breathless hurry, slipped off his evening clothes again and got into an old blue serge suit, tossed a few things into a bag, and then went along to Muriel's room to urge her to prepare for secret flight."

"Fight!" I gasped. "What, have they gone?"  
"Listen, and I'll tell you. The servants have described the whole affair down in the village, so there's no doubt about it. Leithcourt showed Muriel the telegram and urged her to fly. At

first she refused, but for her father's sake was induced to prepare to accompany him. Of course, the guests were in ignorance of all this. The brougham was ordered to be ready in the stable yard and not to go round, while Mrs. Leithcourt's maid tried to bring the lady back to her senses. Leithcourt himself, it seemed, rushed hither and thither, seizing the jewel cases of his wife and daughter and whatever valuables he could place his hand upon, while the mother and daughter were putting on their things. As he rushed down the main staircase to the library, where his check book and some ready cash were locked in the safe, he met a stranger who had just been admitted and shown into the room. Leithcourt closed the door and faced him. What afterward transpired, however, is a mystery, for two hours later, after he and the two women had escaped, leaving the house party to their own diversions, the stranger was found locked in a large cupboard and insensible. The sensation was a tremendous one. Cowan, the doctor, was called, and declared that the stranger had been drugged and was suffering from some narcotic. The servant who admitted him declared that the man had said he had an appointment with his master and that no card was necessary. He, however, gave the name of Chater."

"Chater!" I cried, starting up. "Are you certain of that name?"

"I only know what Cowan told me," was my uncle's reply. "But do you know him?"

"Not at all. Only I've heard that name before," I said. "I knew a man out in Italy of the same name. But where is the visitor now?"

"In the hospital at Dumfries. They took him there in preference to leaving him alone at Rannoch."

"Alone?"

"Of course. Everyone has left, now the host and hostess have slipped off without saying good-by. Scandalous affair, isn't it? But, my boy, you'll remember that I always said I didn't like those people. There's something mysterious about them, I feel certain. That telegram gave them warning of the visit of the man Chater, depend upon it, and for some reason they're afraid of him. It would be interesting to know what transpired between the two men in the library. And these are people who've been taken up by everybody—mere adventurers, I should call them!" And old Sir George sniffed again at thought of such scandal happening in the neighborhood. "If Gilrae must let Rannoch, then why in the name of Fortune doesn't he let it to respectable folk and not to the first fellow who answers his advertisement in the Field? It's simply disgraceful!"

"Certainly it is a most extraordinary story," I declared. "Leithcourt evidently wished to escape from his visitor, and that's why he drugged him."

"Why he poisoned him, you mean. Cowan says the fellow is poisoned, but that he'll probably recover. He is already conscious, I hear."

I resolved to call on the doctor, who happened to be well known to me, and obtain further particulars. Therefore at eleven o'clock I drove into Dumfries and entered his consulting room.

He was a spare, short, fair man, a trifle bald, and when I was shown in he welcomed me warmly, speaking with his pronounced Galloway accent.

"Well, it is a very mysterious case, Mr. Gregg," he said, after I had told him the object of my visit. "The gentleman is still at the hospital, and I have to keep him very quiet. He was poisoned without a doubt and has had a very narrow escape of his life. The police got wind of the affair and Mackenzie called to question him. But he refused to make any statement whatever, apparently treating the affair very lightly. The police, however, are mystified as to the reason of Mr. Leithcourt's sudden flight, and are very anxious to get at the bottom of the curious affair."

"Naturally. And more especially after the tragedy up in Rannoch wood a short time ago," I said.  
"That's just it," said the doctor, removing his pipe and rubbing them. "Mackenzie seems to suspect some connection between Leithcourt's sudden disappearance and that mysterious affair. It seems very evident that the telegram was a warning to Leithcourt of the man Chater's intention of calling, and that the last-named was shown in just at the moment when the fugitive was on the point of leaving."

Knowing all that I did, I was not surprised. Leithcourt had undoubtedly taken him unawares, but knights of industry never betray each other.

My next visit was to Mackenzie, for whom I had to wait nearly an hour, as he was absent in another quarter of the town.  
"Ah, Mr. Gregg!" he cried gladly, as he came in to find me seated in a chair patiently reading the newspaper. "You are the very person I wish to see. Have you heard of this strange affair at Rannoch?"

"I have," was my answer. "Has the man in the hospital made any statement yet?"

"None. He refuses point blank," answered the detective. "But my own sign is that the affair has a very close

connection with the two mysteries of the wood."

"The first mystery—that of the man—proves to be a double mystery," I said.

"How? Explain it."

"Well, the waiter Olinto Santini is alive and well in London."

"What!" he gasped, starting up. "Then he is not the person you identified him to be?"

"No. But he was masquerading as Santini—made up to resemble him, I mean, even to the mole upon his face."

"But you identified him positively?"

"When a person is dead it is very easy to mistake countenances. Death alters the countenance so very much."

"That's true," he said reflectively. "But if the man we've buried is not the Italian, then the mystery is considerably increased. Why was the real man's wife here?"

"And where has her body been concealed? That's the question."

"Again a mystery. We have made a thorough search for four days, without discovering any trace of it. Quite confidentially, I'm wondering if this man Chater knows anything. It is curious, to say the least, that the Leithcourts should have fled so hurriedly on this man's appearance. But have you actually seen Olinto Santini?"

"Yes, and have spoken with him."

"I sent up to London asking that inquiries should be made at the restaurant in Bayswater, but up to the present I have received no report."

"I have chatted with Olinto. His wife has mysteriously disappeared, but he is in ignorance that she is dead."

"There is widespread conspiracy here, depend upon it, Mr. Gregg. It will be an interesting case when we



Leithcourt Closed the Door, and Faced Him.

get to the bottom of it all. I only wish this fellow Chater would tell us the reason he called upon Leithcourt."

"What does he say?"

"Merely that he has no wish to prosecute, and that he has no statement to make."

"Can't you compel him to say something?" I asked.

"No, I can't. That's the infernal difficulty of it. If he don't choose to speak, then we must still remain in ignorance, although I feel confident that he knows something of the strange affair up in the wood."

And although I was silent, I shared the Scotch detective's belief.

The afternoon was chill and wet as I climbed the hill to Greenlaw.

The sudden disappearance of the tenants of Rannoch was, I found, on everyone's tongue in Dumfries. In the smoke room of the railway hotel three men were discussing it with many grimaces and sinister hints, and the talkative young woman behind the bar asked me my opinion of the strange goings-on up at the castle. I decided that the man who had smoked and chatted with me so affably on that hot, breathless night in the Mediterranean must remain in ignorance of my presence, or of my knowledge. Therefore I stayed for a week at Greenlaw with eyes and ears open, yet exercising care that the patient in the hospital should be unaware of my presence.

The inquiry into the death of the unidentified man in Rannoch wood had been resumed and a verdict returned of wilful murder against some person unknown, while of the second crime the public had no knowledge, for the body was not discovered. Chater, as soon as he recovered, left the hospital and went south—to London, I ascertained—leaving the police utterly in the dark and filled with suspicion of the fugitives from Rannoch.

One day I called at the castle, the front entrance of which I found closed. Gilrae, the owner, had come up from

London and discharged all the late tenant's servants, keeping on only his own. Ann Cameron, a housemaid, was one of these, and it was she whom I met when entering by the servants' hall.

On questioning her, I found her most willing to describe how she was in the corridor outside the young mistress' room when Mr. Leithcourt dashed along in breathless haste with the telegram in his hand. She heard him cry, "Look at this! Read it, Muriel. We must go. Put on your things at once, my dear. Never mind about luggage. Every minute lost is of consequence. What!" he cried a moment later. "You won't go? You'll stay here—stay here and face them? Good heavens! girl, are you mad? Don't you know what this means? It means that the secret is out—the secret is out, you hear! We must fly!"

The woman told me that she distinctly heard Miss Muriel sobbing, while her father walked up and down the room speaking rapidly in a low tone. Then he came out again and returned to his dressing room, while Miss Muriel presumably changed from her evening gown into a dark traveling dress.

"Did she say anything to you?" I inquired.

"Only that they were called away suddenly, sir. But," the domestic added, "the young lady was very pale and agitated, and we all knew that something terrible had happened. Mrs. Leithcourt gave orders that nothing was to be told to the guests, who dined alone, believing that their host and hostess had gone down to the village to see an old man who was dying. That was the story we told them, sir."

"And in the meantime the Leithcourts were in the express going to Carlisle?"

"Yes, sir. They say in Dumfries that the police telegraphed after them, but they had reached Carlisle and evidently changed there, and so got away."

By the administration of a judicious tip I was allowed to go up to Miss Muriel's room, an elegantly furnished little chamber in the front of the fine old place, with a deep old-fashioned window commanding a magnificent view across the broad Nithsdale.

The room had been tidied by the maids, but allowed to remain just as she had left it. I advanced to the window, in which was set the large dressing table with its big swing mirror and silver-topped bottles, and on gazing out saw, to my surprise, it was the only window which gave a view of that corner of Rannoch wood where the double tragedy had taken place. Indeed, any person standing at the spot would have a clear view of that one distant window while out of sight of all the rest. A light might be placed there at night as a signal, for instance; or by day a towel might be hung from the window as though to dry and yet could be plainly seen at that distance.

Another object in the room also attracted my attention—a pair of long field glasses. Had she used these to keep watch upon that spot?

I took them up and focused them upon the boundary of the wood, finding that I could distinguish everything quite plainly.

"That's where they found the man who was murdered," explained the servant, who still stood in the doorway.

"I know," I replied. "I was just trying the glasses." Then I put them down, and on turning saw upon the mantel shelf a small, bright red candle shade, which I took in my hand.

It was made, I found, to fit upon the electric table lamp.

"Miss Muriel was very fond of a red light," explained the young woman; and as I held it I wondered if that light had ever been placed upon the toilet table and the blind drawn up—whether it had ever been used as a warning of danger?

As I expressed a desire to see the young lady's boudoir, the maid Cameron took me down to the luxurious little room where, the first moment I entered, one fact struck me as peculiar. The picture of Elma Heath was no longer there. The photograph had been taken from its frame and in its place was the portrait of a broad-browed, full-bearded man in a foreign military uniform—a picture that, being soiled and faded, had evidently been placed there to fill the empty frame.

"Has the gentleman who called on the evening of Mr. Leithcourt's disappearance been back here again since he left the hospital?" I inquired as a sudden idea occurred to me.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Toluol.

Toluol is a hydrocarbon used in the manufacture of dyes and also in production of high explosives. Benzol is also a hydrocarbon, the chief raw material of the artificial dyestuffs industry and a fuel that can be used in internal-combustion engines as a substitute for gasoline. Half of the benzol output of German coke ovens was used for benzol in 1912, and at present it has almost completely replaced gasoline for automobiles in that country.

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Frank Dolan is visiting relatives in Pontiac.

A. H. Flintoft transacted business in Detroit Monday.

Mrs. W. A. Carr spent the past week with relatives in Detroit.

Myrta Hall of Williamston is visiting relatives of this place.

Mrs. J. A. Donaldson was a Jackson visitor one day last week.

Guy Teeple and family spent the first of the week with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Doyle left Monday for a ten week vacation trip.

N. Swarthout and daughter spent Thursday at H. H. Swarthout's.

C. J. Teeple spent last Wednesday and Thursday in Howell and Lansing.

Charles Henry is the owner of a new Ford touring car purchased of Flintoft & Read.

Mrs. A. Harris visited at the home of John Donohue of Gregory the past week.

Fannie Swarthout of Flint is spending a few days at the home of S. E. Swarthout.

H. A. Warner and family of Jackson spent Sunday at the home of S. G. Teeple.

W. E. Murphy and family and R. T. Read and daughter spent Wednesday in Howell.

Mrs. R. K. Elliott spent the first of the week with her sister, Mrs. E. E. Hoyt, at Clinton.

Mrs. Ed. Hoisel and daughter of Howell spent the past week at the home of her mother Mrs. Ann Brady.

Parwax at 15c per lb. is a mighty cheap way to preserve many dollars worth of fruit. C. G. Meyer. adv.

Ray Porter and wife, Grace Medaris and Henry Montry, wife and daughter of Petersburg were guests at the home of A. H. Flintoft several days last week.

Secretary of State Vaughn is preparing to submit bids for the motor car license tags for 1916. It is believed that there will be 150,000 licensed motor cars in Michigan at the end of the year. Next year's license plates will be white, with blue numerals. This year's plates have white numerals on a blue background.

It is very evident that the parcel post law is putting upon postmasters a grave responsibility. Under the rules so arbitrarily established, there is no other way that a postmaster can dispose of a bottle of whisky found in the mail, but to drink it. He cannot deliver it, nor destroy it, nor keep it in the dead letter office. What can he do with it? It is a good opportunity for postmasters.

Roy Merrill and family of Webster spent Sunday here.

Miss Gladys Carr and Clarence Brown motored to Detroit Sunday.

Last call for the Big Celebration at Howell next Saturday. ad.

Roger Carr and family spent the first of the week with relatives in Detroit.

Mrs. Stella Graham of Jackson is spending some time with relatives here.

Mrs. Margaret Black spent a few days the past week in St. Johns, Mich.

Harvey Brockway and Geo. Wimbles of Howell were Pinckney visitors Sunday.

E. E. Hoyt and family of Clinton were Pinckney visitors a couple of days last week.

Miss Nida Lasher of Howell was a guest at the home of Mrs. Emma Moran recently.

The Misses Jessie Green and Joie Devereaux are attending summer school at Ypsilanti.

Claude Monks who has been attending school in Baltimore is spending his vacation here.

Mrs. A. Bates of Leslie visited at the home of her mother, Mrs. J. A. Donaldson, the past week.

Melvin Burgess and family of Hartland spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Arvilla Placeway.

Myron Dunning and wife attended the Grieves-Smith wedding at Stockbridge today, Wednesday.

Mrs. Anna Docking returned home Monday after a three weeks visit at the home of her son, W. H. Docking.

Clara and Ruth VanWinkle of Lansing are spending several days at the home of their grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. VanWinkle.

Mrs. S. H. Carr and daughters Gladys and Dorothy spent last week with relatives in Pontiac, Redford, Detroit and Northville.

At the meeting Friday of the Livingston Mutual Telephone company officers S. E. Swarthout of Pinckney resigned as director of the company. He has been on the board for a number of years and was one of the most useful members as he had come to know much about the telephone business.—Livingston Republican.

As the result of a new law passed at the last session of the legislature, the chief of each city fire department, the president of each village and the supervisor of each township in which no fire department exists is required to report each fire after it occurs. Under the new law the state will pay 25c for each report. Since the organization of the state fire marshal's department several years ago these reports have been furnished by the fire chiefs without remuneration. Last year, 9,960 fires were reported.

When the editor approaches the average citizen in his quest for news he is invariably told that the citizen "doesn't know a thing," and that answer is about as near the truth as the nations of Europe are to effecting a prompt settlement of their differences. Everybody knows something, and most people know a lot of somethings that are worth telling and would make breezy and newy stories, but they just bottle it up in the walls of their dome and forget that it is there. Sometimes the editor is able to pry it loose word for word until he gets the story, when it would be the easiest and simplest thing in the world to let it all out in a rush. Pull the cork brother, and let out the contents of your intellectual bottle and we will pass it on to others who are thirsty for news. You know a plenty, if you only know that you know it.

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A girl must have, at least in some small degree, four qualities. There are children of fortune who have them in abundance, but as from a small palette of primary colors a great picture may be painted, just so out of a few elementary attributes quite wonderful results are possible. The four qualities of personality are:

Beauty, grace, intelligence, radiance.

Beauty may be that of face or figure, or it may be merely an effort of beauty through style, charm, or even one of the other three qualities following:

Grace includes not alone symmetry of movement, but all accomplishments in activity, such as dancing, skating, swimming, riding, and also any special gifts, such as a talent for music or acting. In other words, the girl who has the "gift of grace" is the girl who does things well.

By intelligence is meant the sympathetic, adaptable quality of mind, rather than that of the brilliant order. But the one great attribute that crowns them all—granting, of course, some gift of the other three—but without which beauty, grace, cleverness are all as apples of Sodom—is the sense of enjoyment, the gift of happiness. I don't think I can better define it than by the word radiance. And best of all, radiance is a quality that can be cultivated.

**DIDN'T FORGET THEIR MOTHER**

**Boys Who Struck Oil Decided They Would Buy the Old Woman New Ax.**

Oil had just been struck on the rough quarter section of Oklahoma farm land which for ten years had yielded only a scant living for the rugged settler, his wife and their four boys, now just about grown. While the mother busied herself with the dinner for the drillers the farmer and his sons stood near the flowing well and indulged in a discussion as to how they should spend their newly-acquired wealth.

"I'm a-going to take a trip to Chicago and Niagara Falls," the oldest boy declared.

"Reckon I kin afford that horse and buggy Jason was offering for \$200 last week." The speaker doubtless hadn't forgotten the pink-cheeked daughter of the nearest neighbor.

"Now, boys," the father expostulated. "Boys, don't be forgettin' your maw. Jes' you remember how she's elaved for all of us these years. We musn't forget to provide for her."

"Course we won't fergit maw," replied the youngest lad. "We'll provide for her—we'll git her a new ax."—Kansas City Journal.

He Knew.

"Do you know where the little boys go who don't put their Sunday school money in the plate?"

"Yes'm; to the movies."—Williams Purple Cow.

Men or women who sacrifice themselves for others may have a fight for it, but they cannot be unhappy.

**WAYS OF DUSKY ROYALTY.**

**The Scene When Abyssinia's Emperor Feasts His Army.**

The emperors of Abyssinia are in the habit of inviting the 40,000 soldiers of the Ghebi garrison to a great dinner every Sunday. At the foot of the emperor's place is the imperial box. Its tables are resplendent with European silver and glass, surrounded by unimpeachable waiters, who serve the high dignitaries and distinguished visitors with a repast of immense variety with French sauces, Italian macaroni and so on. In the vast hall one can see nothing but a compact homogeneous crowd of black faces and woolly heads, among which the high officials are in no way distinguished.

Above all is the red throne on which sat his majesty, the Negus Neghesti, under a great canopy supported by four gilded columns, with two tall candelabra lighted in front and on either side a row of Ras, Deggiah, Ligg and Ato. He ate with the fork provided by nature—viz, his five fingers—the engiera and the berberi produced in his dominions.

When he took in his hand the horn goblet full of the twenty-year-old tetch, the Ras, the Deggiah, the Ligg and the Ato closed round him and covered him with their sciammas and their mantles so that the profane eyes of the European guest might not see the "lion of the tribe of Judah" drink. They also crowded round him and covered him when, tired of any dish, he washed his hands and turned to another.—Washington Post.

**PRESENCE OF MIND.**

**It Cowed an Enraged Lion and Saved the Trainer's Life.**

At Cape Town a lion trainer was going through a performance in a cage with a full grown lion that had been lately caught.

Suddenly it was seen that the lion was putting the trainer through his paces rather than being put through itself. Softly, crouching and creeping, the big cat edged itself between the thoroughly unnerved man and the door of the den, fixing its victim with two rolling yellow orbs of flaming ferocity and sawing the empty air with its tufted tail as it crouched preparatory to springing.

Many men among the audience, used to the ways of wild beasts, saw and comprehended, but only one man possessed the knowledge and the presence of mind to avert the apparently inevitable. Pursing up his lips as though he were going to whistle, he emitted a hoarse, low, rasping hiss.

The beast heard and understood, for the sound was an exact imitation of the noise made by the giant constrictor when its huge body is coiled for the throw that never misses, that never relaxes and that no beast of the field is strong enough to withstand. Again and yet again the raucous sound rasped the stillness, and the angry brute drew back its head, its great eyes grew small and dull, the hackles rose and stiffened on its back, and it cowered, whining, on the floor of the cage.—London Saturday Review.

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# HISTORIC EVENTS OF OTHER FOURTHS

**S**URPRISING it is to discover how many important events in history have occurred on the Fourth of July. On the fourth day of July, 1754, Col. George Washington surrendered an army. It was only a small army, but a fort went with it. He experienced on this occasion his first defeat in war, at the hands of the French.

Although at that time only twenty-two years of age, he had been placed in command of a small body of troops which was marching toward Fort Duquesne. At a point on the Monongahela river, less than forty miles from his destination, he heard of the approach of a party of French and Indians, sent to intercept him. Accordingly, he fell back to the Great Meadows, fifty miles from Cumberland, and hastily erected a stockade, which he called Fort Necessity.

With the help of a friendly Indian sachem, Half King, he attacked the French in their camp at night, killing their commander, Jumonville, and taking a number of prisoners. It was the first blood shed in the French and Indian war.

A few days later Fort Necessity was attacked by 1,500 Indians and French under De Villiers, and Washington surrendered on honorable terms. This was on the morning of July 4. He marched out with his little army of 400 men, drums beating and flags flying, and he and his soldiers returned peacefully to their homes.

On the fourth day of July, 1846, the independence of California was declared.

There was at that time in California—as yet of course a part of Mexico—about two hundred Americans, nearly all of them men of exceptional vigor of body and alertness of mind. Of Mexicans there were 6,000, and the aboriginal Indian population numbered perhaps 200,000.

Capt. John C. Fremont had been sent to California on an exploring expedition a year earlier. He was on his way to Oregon when he was overtaken by an officer sent from Washington with a message ordering him to wait and to co-operate with the Pacific squadron in case of hostilities with Mexico. The message had been in writing, but the officer was obliged to destroy it while crossing Mexican territory, after committing it to memory.

Accordingly Fremont returned to California and took up his headquarters at Sutter's Fort.

A few days later, June 14, a party of fourteen Americans organized a small revolution on their own account, captured Sonoma and declared war against Mexico. Needing a flag and not daring to use that of the United States, they made one, not out of an old lady's petticoat, as has sometimes been alleged, but from a Mexican rebosa or scarf of unbleached muslin a yard wide and five feet long. Along the bottom they sewed a strip of red flannel and in the left hand corner they painted a star in red ink. The middle of the flag was occupied by a picture of a grizzly bear, beneath which were the words "California Republic."

The temporary government thus set up is known in history as the Bear Flag Republic. Its banner now ornaments the rooms of the Pioneer society in San Francisco. The grizzly bear was rather crudely drawn, and the Mexicans said it was a pig, calling the flag the pig flag.

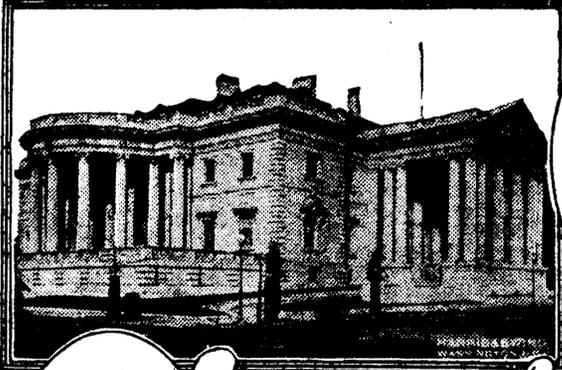
Meanwhile news had come of the outbreak of war along the Rio Grande and on July 4 Fremont called a meeting at Sonoma which formally proclaimed the independence of California. He was appointed governor.

Soon afterward there came intelligence that Commodore Sloat had arrived at Monterey (July 7) and had raised the American flag; also that by his orders Commander Montgomery of the U. S. sloop of war Fort-mouth had taken possession of San Francisco.

Sloat, having heard of the hostilities with Mexico, had sailed immediately from Manzanita for California, where he took possession of the country and raised the American flag on his own responsibility. He was none



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JOHN T. SUTTER

and destroyed. Butler reported taking 227 scalps and five prisoners, the English loss being two white men killed and eight Indians wounded.

Incredible deeds of cruelty and atrocity are said to have been committed by the Tories on this occasion, and the whole valley was left a scene of desolation. But it is not true that women and children were massacred.

On the fourth day of July, 1780, continental currency notes were worth two cents on the dollar, and, it was said, "a wagonload of paper money was required to pay for a wagonload of provisions." Nothing could well give a more vivid notion of the desperate situation of the Revolutionary cause at that period.

On the Fourth of July, 1826, Thomas Jefferson, third president of the United States and author of the Declaration of Independence, died, aged eighty-three, just fifty years from the date of that historic document. On the same day died John Adams, second president of the United States, aged ninety-one.

James Monroe also died on the Fourth of July, 1831, his age being seventy-three.

On the fourth day of July, 1848, the treaty of peace with Mexico was proclaimed at Washington. And on the same day the cornerstone of the Washington monument was laid with great pomp and ceremony. Money for building it had been subscribed by individuals, but the sum thus obtained proved so far inadequate that the structure remained a mere stump, only about one-third its present height, until 1881, when congress appropriated the amount necessary for its completion.

There was a similar and even more important ceremony in Washington on July 4, 1851, when President Fillmore initiated by the laying of a cornerstone the construction of the two great white marble wings of the capitol. There was an impressive assemblage of dignitaries and an oration was made by Daniel Webster, then secretary of state. Of special interest was the presence of a few persons who had witnessed the laying of the first cornerstone of the capitol by Washington on the eighteenth day of September, 1792.

On the fourth day of July, 1533, John Fryth, an English preacher, was burned at Smithfield for the heresy of Lutheranism.

July 4, 1450, was the day on which Jack Cade plundered the city of London or a portion thereof, beheading Baron Say and Sele and murdering several other personages of importance.

Cade had fled from England for some crime; but after serving in the French wars he went back to that country and settled in Kent under the assumed name of Aymer, marrying a lady of good position. When the men of Kent rose in rebellion, in May, 1450, he led them. The rebels made their way into London on July 2. A portion of the populace favored them, but the opposing party gained strength when Cade began to plunder and kill. He retired to Southwark, and was prevented from re-entering the city after a fierce struggle on London Bridge. Afterward he was captured, and being severely wounded, died in the cart which was conveying him to London.

July 4, 1807, was the date of the battle of Dorylaeum, a great victory of the Crusaders over the Muslims under Saladin, who had attacked them on the march.



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"Oh, mother, it was the nicest party I was ever at."

"What did you have?"

"We had cake, ice cream, fancy bonbons, caramels and—and—"

"And what else?"

"And stomach ache."

### Seeing is Believing.

"What be that air gosh dinged mersheen?" asked Uncle Abner of Pumpkinville, as he witnessed the working of a fire engine for the first time.

"Why, uncle," replied his city nephew, "that is a machine for putting out fires."

"Well, dart my pickler," exclaimed the old man, "ef I hadn't seed it with my own eyes, I never woulder believe'd that pesky leetle teakittle could hev held so much water, b'gosh!"

### Slight Confusion.

"What is the temperate zone?"

"I don't know," replied the bright little girl. "Father says it's better for us at home not to talk about war or local option."

### Proof.

"Smith is quite a convincing speaker, isn't he?"

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The growth of the crop during the past week was very satisfactory. Rain fell in many places during the early part of the week, followed by warmer weather, which has been most beneficial to the grain. Breaking and summer-fallowing were well under way, and conditions generally were most promising.

The following reports have been received by the department from the various centers: Denholm—A little rain needed in the northern part to start late grain; remainder of district plenty of moisture. Davidson—Ideal growing weather; a few farmers harrowing grain to conserve moisture by breaking crust formed since last rain. North Battleford to Prince Albert—Good growing weather; crops looking well. Slight damage near North Battleford from cutworms; recent rains beneficial. Kindersley—Crops looking fine and prospects good; plenty of moisture, with prospects of more rain. Every slough in this country is full. Prince Albert—Crops in fair condition, though cutworms and light frosts have done damage in some sections. Have had moderate quantity of rain.

Owing to prompt marketing of the harvest of 1914, the farmers were enabled to devote more time than usual to cultivation in the autumn, under conditions which were decidedly favorable, and that, combined with the opportunities for soil preparation presented by an early spring this year, has resulted in the seeding of a wheat area estimated at twenty-five per cent greater than last year. Areas sown to oats and flax may be less than last year, because of the concentration upon the cereal in greater demand for export. Wheat seeding was completed eight days earlier than the average, under almost ideal conditions.

**Alberta.**  
Prospects excellent. Abundant moisture throughout the province, following rain. Area thirty to thirty-five per cent greater. Crop generally two weeks earlier.

Attention is drawn to the fact that the land has not been in such fine condition to work for years; neither has there been as much moisture as there was last autumn. This was protected during the winter by a little more than the average snowfall, which remained on the land, not being removed by the warm chinook winds, as is usually the case. There never has been a more optimistic feeling than exists today, judging by the information received from various parts of the province. We feel justified in saying that the crop never went in under more favorable circumstances; weather splendid and land particularly well worked.

While it is true that the acreage will be greatly increased, it is pleasing to learn that, despite the high price of feed, the receipts of milk and cream at the dairies continue to keep up, and that the output of the creameries has increased in quantity.

One of the most encouraging things in last year's work was the increase of practically thirty per cent in the output of cream and butter south of Calgary.

**Manitoba.**  
Owing to the exceptionally early harvest last year and favorable fall weather, a much larger acreage of land was prepared than usual, and partly for the same reason and the prospects of high prices for all kinds of grain, farmers took more pains in the preparation of land, so that the spring opened up with 1,225,000 acres of fully prepared land above the previous year. Seeding was general by the 7th of April, some days in advance of the average. Since that time the weather has been exceptionally favorable for the sowing of wheat, and the farmers have taken full advantage of it. Much of the crop is now above the ground. There has been a very general and liberal rainfall; this will hasten the germination of the recently sown wheat, and will prevent the soil from drifting off the later sown crop. The area sown in wheat is fully 15 per cent greater than last year.

To sum up the agricultural situation generally, the Department of Agriculture says: "The area is larger than usual, the land has been well prepared, and the wheat has been sown at the right time; not so early as to run the risk of being killed off by frost, but sufficiently early to insure its ripening in the fall."—Advertisement.

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Many growers go to far more trouble than is necessary in making preparations for planting many subjects. For all plants we recommend giving the soil a coat of manure in the fall, the fresher the better.

Apply it at once several inches thick—if the soil is very poor, if good give only an inch thickness. When this thaws out rake it so that the fine particles are taken out.

Do this several times between now and spring time, so the elements are well incorporated with the soil.

Spade when the ground is in good shape—if possible, do so before freezing is over, for when spaded so the frost will penetrate it deeply, pulverizing it so it is soft and pliable, the plants will do much better.

For German Iris, plant the roots deeply; but the bulb should be covered; your ferns to be at their best next winter, should be repotted late in the summer. About two inches increase in the diameter of the pot is required. A compost can be secured from the florist or made at home.

A good garden soil mixed with barnyard or commercial fertilizer is all that is needed. Too little of the fertilizer is better than too much, which will burn the roots.

Broken bits of crockery must be placed over the hole in the bottom of the pot. Three inches of dirt is then placed over this and leveled ready for the plant.

In removing the plant from the old pot, care should be taken that the leaves are uninjured. To avoid this, strike the sides of the pot lightly but firmly with a trowel. A sharp blow on the edge should cause the soil and root to come out together. The mold is placed at once in the new pot and given a thorough wetting.

The new compost is then put in around it until the pot is filled. It must be remembered that the plant should always be placed on inch deep or in the soil. The day after repotting the plant should be kept away from the sun.

If ferns are planted in the garden, cut off all weeds to prevent competition.

ered very lightly unless planting late in the fall or very early in the spring, when they should be planted about two inches below the soil level. At other times just barely cover them.

When hoeing in the summer it is well not to draw much soil to them, as it is liable to rot them at certain times when they are more subject to this decay than others, when deeply covered with soil; and doubly so after they become larger.

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Plant them deeply so that the crowns are fully three inches below the soil level. Plant very early in the spring, just when the growth is showing or late in October.

Water well after doing it. They may be planted at almost any time if the soil is allowed to adhere to the roots and kept well dampened for at least two weeks. In fact, they should never be allowed to become dry.

Give them deep hoeing and good mulching of manure during August or September, and hoe it into the soil thoroughly.

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A hair restorer of great value. For itching scalp and dandruff. Sold in 25c and 50c bottles.

100 to \$10 A DAY easily made on commission. Write for details to J. E. BROWN, 100 to \$10 A DAY, 100 to \$10 A DAY.

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# BIG CLEARANCE SALE

## Men's and Boy's Oxfords

All \$2.00 Oxford for \$1.00
" 3.00 " " 1.50
" 3.50 " " 1.75
" 4.00 " " 2.00

This means we sell all oxfords at 1/2 off from regular price.

## Men's and Boy's

### Dress Straw Hats

\$1.00 straw hats 50c
1.50 " " 75
2.00 " " \$1.00
2.50 " " 1.25
3.00 " " 1.50

This means we sell men's and boy's straw hats at 1/2 off from regular price.

## Men's Wash Vests

Assorted colors

\$1.25 fancy vest

1.50

2.00

2.50

3.00

3.50

**all \$1.**

good values

## Hammocks

\$1.00 hammocks 50c
1.50 " " 75
2.00 " " \$1.00
2.50 " " 1.25
3.00 " " 1.50

Having purchased all interests of the Porter Clothing Company, and finding my store overstocked with goods on account of a cold backward Spring and as I am very much in need of money am going to sell the following merchandise at a greatly reduced price **For Cash.**

Never before in the past twenty-five years of my experience in selling goods have I known any merchant to offer merchandise at this price. This is no fake. We want you to come and see for yourselves. Extra help will be on hand to help supply the wants of the trade.

## Best Bargains

### Ever Mentioned Right Here

Any Man's Suit in our stock **\$10.** This does not include blue serge suits.

MEANS ALL OF OUR

\$25.00 suits to be sold at  
22.50 suits to be sold at  
20.00 suits to be sold at  
18.50 suits to be sold at  
16.50 suits to be sold at  
15.00 suits to be sold at

**\$10.**

## Men's and Boy's Stiff and Soft Hats

All \$1.00 hats 50c
" 1.50 " " 75
" 2.00 " " \$1.00
" 2.50 " " 1.25
" 3.00 " " 1.50
" 3.50 " " 1.75

## All Boy's Knee Pant Suits

50 per cent off  
Blue Serge suits not included

\$2.00 Suits \$1.00

2.50 " 1.25

3.00 " 1.50

3.50 " 1.75

4.00 " 2.00

4.50 " 2.25

5.00 " 2.50

6.00 " 3.00

## All Men's Dress Pants

25 per cent off

\$2.00 pants for \$1.50

2.50 " 1.88

3.00 " 2.50

3.50 " 2.63

4.00 " 3.00

4.50 " 3.38

5.00 " 3.75

## Mens Slip-on and Raincoats

50 per cent off

\$4.50 coats \$2.25

6.00 " 3.00

10.00 " 5.00

15.00 " 7.50

\$5.00 coats 2.50

8.00 " 4.00

12.00 " 6.00

# WILLIAM H. PORTER

HOWELL,

MICHIGAN

## Local News

Reduced prices on all ladies coats at Dancer's.

F. E. Moran of Grand Rapids spent Monday here.

Mrs. H. W. Crofoot was a Stockbridge visitor last Saturday.

Wm. Cain of Columbus, Ohio, is visiting at the home of Charles Cain.

The Misses Florence and Helen Reason spent the first of the week in Detroit.

Mrs. M. Cooley and daughter of Pontiac spent Sunday with relatives here.

W. H. Gardner of West Putnam was a Sunday visitor at the home of Roy Darwin.

Mrs. Abbot of Detroit is spending some time at the home of James Docking.

Mr. and Mrs. James Henley of Jackson spent the first of the week at the home of John Monks.

Miss Florence Hicks who has been visiting relatives here returned to her home at Parma Tuesday.

Mrs. Emma Bargees and daughter Laura left Tuesday for Bay View where they will spend the summer.

Mrs. H. S. Ewan and daughter of Carrington, N. Dakota, are visiting at the home of Mrs. D. F. Egan.

Miss Dinkel of this place and Miss Jennie Johnson of Detroit were married in Detroit, Thursday, June 21. They will make their home in Detroit.

Go up and see Dancer's 4th of July suits before you buy.

Rev. Ostrander of Flint occupied the pulpit in the Cong'l. church Sunday morning and was gladly welcomed by his many friends. He will conduct the services next Sunday morning and evening. Communion services in the morning. North Hamburg in the afternoon.

Married Tuesday morning, June 22, 1915, at Pinckney, Miss Cecelia A. Bacon, of Lyndon, and John James Bell of Dexter township. The bride was a former resident of Chelsea and is a daughter of the late James Bacon. For some time past she has made her home with Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Young of Lyndon. — Chelsea Standard.

The ladies of the Cong'l. society wish to announce to the public that they have secured a Lecture Course from the Redpath Bureau for the coming winter. The course is a more expensive one than last year altho the tickets will be only \$1.00. No one can afford to miss the opportunity of hearing some of the best talent of the bureau. Watch for further notice of dates and attractions.

Committee

## No Trespassing

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## A GOOD HOUSEHOLD SALVE

Ordinary ailments and injuries are not of themselves serious, but infection or low vitality may make them dangerous. Don't neglect a cut, sore, bruise or hurt because it's small. Blood Poison has resulted from a pin-prick or scratch. For all such ailments Bucklen's Arnica Salve is excellent. It protects and heals the hurt; is antiseptic, kills infection and prevents dangerous complications. Good for all Skin Blemishes, Pimples, Salt Rheum, Eczema. Get an original 2-ounce 25c. box from your Druggist.

## The Economy.

"Some people hold that a wife ought to receive a regular salary for her work in the home."

"Then it would be just as cheap to hire a housekeeper."—Baltimore American.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, the probate court for the county of Livingston. At a session of said court held at the probate office in the village of Howell in said county on the 23rd day of June, A. D. 1915. Present: Hon. Eugene A. Stowe, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of

SARAH M. MITCHELL, Deceased

Arthur Mitchell having filed in said court his petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to Fred A. Howlett or to some other suitable person.

It is ordered that the 23rd day of July, A. D. 1915, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing in the Pinckney Dispatch a newspaper printed and circulating in said county.

EUGENE A. STOWE,  
Judge of Probate.

## Grand Trunk Time Table

For the convenience of our readers

Trains East	Trains West
No. 46—8:34 a. m.	No. 47—9:52 a. m.
No. 48—4:44 p. m.	No. 47—7:27 p. m.

## He Removed the Danger Signal

"I suffered a 'long time with a very weak back,' writes Fred Smith, 325 Main St., Green Bay, Wis. 'A few boxes of Foley Kidney Pills completely relieved me of all soreness and pain in the back, and now I am as strong and well as ever.'"

One cannot help becoming nervous and feeling tired and worn out when the kidneys fail to filter and throw out of the system the poisonous waste matter that causes kidney troubles and bladder ailments.

Backache is one of Nature's danger signals that the kidneys are clogged up and inactive. It is often followed by rheumatism, annoying bladder or urinary disorders, puffiness swellings under the eyes, swollen ankles and painful joints.

Foley Kidney Pills get right at the source of trouble. They invigorate the kidneys to healthy action and when the kidneys properly perform their functions the poisonous waste matter is eliminated from the system.

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217 acres of good soil with clay subsoil, 135 acres under plow; mostly level; good neighbors; 50 acres of wood land; 32 acres natural pasture; will pasture 30 cows and 100 sheep; first class hay land; enough fruit for home use; house 2-story, 10 rooms, fair condition; paint and paper inside fine; barn 34x50, full basement, will do 20 cows; granary 18x24; 2-story tool house, 16x24; hog house 12x16, and many other small buildings. This farm is 5 miles from good railroad town and 5 miles from inland town with stores, churches, etc.; about 2 1/2 miles. This farm is a first-class dairy farm. For income last year was \$2,500. Owing to the ill health of owner it must be sold and if taken immediately will accept first payment of \$2000 with equity for next payment and the balance in 20 years at 6 per cent. Do not forget this is a great opportunity. Price \$45 per acre. Send for circular.  
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