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Means a general reduction sale. Everything in the stock is to be sold at  $\frac{1}{4}$  off from regular price. Come and see if we have anything you can use. A good opportunity to supply yourself or boy with a suit. Why? Because you can save 25c on every dollar's worth of goods bought for the next two weeks. Economy is the road to wealth. CASH ONLY. NOTHING CHARGED.

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Customers surprised and delighted with our Inventory Sale. We therefore have extended the time for two weeks longer. All the Ladies' Men's and Children's Warm Shoes going at cost.

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**Early Spring Trade!**

**New Dress Fabrics NEW PRICES**

50 Pieces Black Wool Goods open for February Sale.

40 inch all wool Serges and Henriettas, at 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ a yd.  
46 inch all wool Serges and Henriettas, at 50¢ a yd.  
40 inch pure figured Mohairs, a bargain, at 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ a yd.  
45 inch figured Granites, Serges and Momies, at 75¢ and 65¢ a yd.

Black Crepons, Rock Wool Crepons, Alligator Crepons, Dimpled Crepons.—Only large stock in Ann Arbor.

**New Colored Dress Goods**

30 pieces new Plaids, at 25¢ a yd.  
25 pieces lovely new French Plaids, at 50¢ a yd.  
40 inch wool Checks and Mixtures, the 75¢ kind, at 50¢ a yd.  
40 inch wool Serges and Henriettas, the 50¢ kind, at 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ ¢ a yd.  
46 inch French and Storm Serges, the 75¢ kind, at 50¢ a yd.

**New Spring Silks NEW PRICES**

25 pieces fancy Wash Silks, the 50¢ kind, at 35¢ a yd.  
30 pieces Swivel Taffeta Silks, the 45¢ kind, at 39¢ a yd.  
20 pieces figured Taffeta Silks, at 75¢ a yd.  
10 pieces Plaid Silks, the \$1.00 kind, at 85¢ a yd.

50 pieces new Spring Gingham, at 5¢, 8¢, and 10¢ a yd.  
Linings, all wool Rustling Moresen.

Herring bone Hair Cloth, Linen and Cotton Grass Cloth, Linen Scrim for sleeves, and Fibre Chamois.

40 pieces new Outing Flannels, at 5¢, 8¢ and 10¢ a yd.

**SCHAIER & MILLEN** Leaders of Low Prices.

## THE EASTERN STARS.

Gave the Finest Reception of the Season on Wednesday Evening.

PROMINENT MANCHESTER PIONEER DEAD.

The Wanderer Has Returned.—The Result of the Republican State Convention.—The Max Heinrich Concert.—Etc.

A Fine Concert.

Max Heinrich always delights an Ann Arbor audience. He held a very large audience in University hall last evening for nearly two hours. As is his custom, he played his own accompaniments. He was the only person who appeared on the platform. His songs covered a wide variety of music. Everyone was delighted with the music, and Max Heinrich only added to his large number of warm admirers here.

The Republican State Convention.

The republican state convention yesterday nominated Judge Joseph B. Moore, of Lapeer, for justice of the supreme court, on the seventh ballot. Judge Kinne's vote ranged from 58 to 67. According to the Detroit Tribune, but for a tactical mistake on the part of his supporters he would have received the Van Zile vote early in the balloting, in which case he would have stood a good chance of the nomination.

The regents nominated were Roger W. Butterfield, of Grand Rapids, and Charles H. Harkley, of Muskegon.

"On the Way Home."

On Monday morning last Willard S. Holmes, the fourteen year old son of A. H. Holmes, the Forest avenue liveryman, disappeared from the city. His parents supposed he had gone to school. He was seen to have a small hand-bag with him. Search for clues of his whereabouts proved in vain until on Wednesday Mr. Holmes was made happy by the receipt of the following telegram from Covington, Kentucky:

"Wire me ten dollars. Am on the way home. WILLIE."

The boy has since returned and reports that although it was warmer in Kentucky the sleeping and feeding accommodations were not as good as in Ann Arbor.

Death of a Manchester Pioneer.

Elijah G. Carr, a highly esteemed resident of Manchester, stepped on a stick of wood, recently, and fell. He was unable to rise, was carried into the house and lingered some days until death came to his relief on Wednesday afternoon. He was eighty-five years of age and was born in New York, came to Michigan in 1832, clerking in Detroit for a short time, and after a year in Ypsilanti removed to Manchester, where he assisted in building the first frame building in the village. He kept a store and a hotel. In 1845 he settled on the farm now occupied by Henry Leeson. He moved back to the village in 1865 and engaged in the mercantile business until he retired. He leaves a widow, one son and three daughters, Spencer E. Carr, of Jackson; Mrs. Wm. Burtless and Mrs. T. J. Thorn, of Manchester and Mrs. E. T. Green, of Ypsilanti. The funeral services will be held this afternoon.

The Courier Man Charmed.

The Courier should know that Alderman Walter L. Taylor of the fifth ward will be the democratic candidate for the office of city clerk.—Hausfreund und Post. How should the Courier know without being told?—Courier.

The Hausfreund und Post did not say that the Courier "should know," but that the Courier "will wissen," which, translated, means: "The Courier claims to know." The Courier man has been charmed by the bewitching smiles and winning glances of the beautiful young women who have graced his sanctum during the last 3 weeks preparing copy for to-morrow's Courier. Of course, under the circumstances he is liable to err and we forgive him. Three long weeks in happy bliss, surrounded by angels! Happy mortal! Fortunate, fortunate man!

Das Unbedeutende,  
Hier ist es gefan:  
Das Emig-Belidde  
Sieht uns hinan.

Can you translate that?—Hausfreund und Post.

The Eastern Star Reception.

The reception given by the members of the Eastern Star at Masonic Temple on Wednesday evening was one of the largest and prettiest parties given in Ann Arbor this season. The reception was entirely in charge of the ladies, they composing the membership of the committees and making all the arrangements for the affair, and the result confers considerable credit on them.

The Masonic apartments are especially adapted for large receptions and parties. The decorations for the reception Wednesday evening added much to the beauty of the rooms, each of the spacious rooms being tastefully decorated with flowers, bunting, cut flowers and plants. A canvas covered the floor in the main room, where dancing was carried on, as well as in the drill hall, two orchestras of Minnie's University orchestra furnishing the music.

The reception opened at eight o'clock, the reception committee receiving the guests in the east of the main room. The ball opened at nine o'clock with fancy polonaise and powder ball by twenty four ladies, who had been instructed in the difficult figures by Mr. Ross Granger. The dance ended with the lancers, the escorts of the ladies stepping into their places at a given signal. From that time until two o'clock a. m. dancing continued without intermission, refreshments being served to about 75 at a time, in the banquet hall.

About 150 couples were present, among them being guests from Detroit, Ypsilanti and other places in the state. The costumes worn by the ladies were unusually fine and elaborate. Taking all the arrangements into consideration the reception given by the ladies was a success and it will be sometime before another is given that will equal it.

Word of Jacobs and Hiscock.

The Velasco World from far off Texas, under date of February 16, contains the following:

"Hon. J. T. Jacobs and Mr. Charles E. Hiscock, of Ann Arbor, Mich., came down last week looking for sunshine and opportunities to make the best investments possible. The former, who already has large interests in Velasco, is a member of the United States Board of Indian Commissioners and president of the Ann Arbor school board, and was prominently mentioned as a candidate for congress at the November elections. Mr. Hiscock is cashier and a director of the Ann Arbor Savings bank, an institution with \$50,000 capital, over \$1,000,000 deposits, and \$150,000 surplus. This was the second trip these gentlemen had made, and they found many changes since their previous visit in the autumn of 1891. A real estate agent offered to buy some of Mr. Jacobs' Velasco property, and received the following answer:

"No, sir. My property is not for sale. I knew what I was doing when I bought it, and I want it now. It is not on the market. I have made a good deal of money on real estate, and never lost a dollar in my life by that kind of investment, and I am not going back on my judgment now. When I first came to Velasco I said this was a good thing and a sure thing, and I now see additional and better reasons for feeling as I did then. That's all there is about it."

"By the way, young man, I knew this country before you were born. I came down this rich coast for Uncle Sam during the civil war; but we did no harm to anybody or anything in Brazoria county. Since that time I have liked the climate and everything else so well that I would be glad if I could spend the rest of my life in Velasco; and it is not altogether improbable that I shall be here permanently at some future day."

These gentlemen left on Tuesday for Los Angeles, Cal., for a six weeks' stay, Mr. Jacobs promising to return by way of Velasco."

The Ann Arbor Railroad.

The official report of Railroad Commissioner Billings for 1894, which has just been issued, speaks in the following complimentary terms of one of Michigan's great railway systems:

"When making the annual inspection of the various roads, notes were taken as to the general condition of the property with a view to ascertain whether the physical condition of the roads was being neglected in keeping with the general shrinkage in business, and I am pleased to state, as the result of a careful and close observation that the property as a whole is

not neglected, but, on the contrary, is made better.

"Track structures are made more permanent where repairs are necessary to be made. In many cases, old trestles are being lessened by fills; stone and iron piping taking the place of wood culverts; stone abutments are substituted for bents and piling and wood bridges are replaced by iron.

"In the operating machinery the same gradual improvements are noticeable and there are but few roads which are an exception to this gradual growth.

"The most notable improvements found on any of the roads, the T. A. A. & N. M. Ry. takes the lead. Four steam shovels have been thoroughly manned and operated during the season, accomplishing almost an incredible amount of work.

"The grades have been greatly lessened and are being brought to a uniform standard.

"Many of their bridges have been shortened and iron piping used for culverts.

"It is claimed that the south half of the road will soon be in condition for one engine to haul 50 loaded cars going south.

"If the improvements are carried on next year as anticipated, finishing the work which was so well begun of reducing grades, ballasting the road with gravel, taking out the curves and shortening the road such as that contemplated north of Ann Arbor, where in will shorten the road three miles and do away with many dangerous curves, the T. A. A. & N. M. Ry. will stand among the first of the roads running in the northern part of lower Michigan.

"To do justice, perhaps I should mention that in bringing the road from its low and unsafe condition to its present standard in so short a time, and for the amount of money expended, much credit is due to the business ability of the receiver and the executive energy of his manager."

Washington Letter.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18, 1895.

No attacks ever made upon a president in either house of congress were more cowardly than those which have been and are now being made upon President Cleveland for having bought gold, which he considered necessary for the preservation of the credit of the government, upon the best obtainable terms. The attacks are cowardly because those who make them know that the president cannot fully reply to them without saying things which they are certain his patriotism will prevent his saying. There are not two men in the United States whose reputation for honesty and integrity are higher than those of Grover Cleveland and John G. Carlisle, and they have both said in the most positive terms that the contract for the issue of those bonds to purchase the needed gold was the best to be obtained. Republicans in both house and senate have stated that the bonds could have been exchanged for gold in this country upon better terms. To resort to abuse of these men is too much like adopting their methods, but they must have known when they made these statements that they were false. It is not expected that either President Cleveland or Secretary Carlisle will ever publicly say that American capitalists were appealed to, and appealed to in vain, to furnish the gold needed by the government and take bonds to pay for it. Such a statement from the president or the secretary of the treasury would have a tendency to injure the credit of the United States abroad, and it is not likely to be made no matter how much abuse may be heaped upon them. But it is none the less cowardly to take advantage of that.

Ex-Speaker Reed isn't the chipper man he was. He was forced to show his hand on the gold bond bill, which was defeated by the house, and thereby he lost the support of all the silver republicans, as a presidential candidate. He thought he had a walk-over for the nomination; now he sees defeat in sight.

The republican senators can yell "sugar trust" as loud as anybody when trying to catch votes, but when it comes to passing a bill like that for the repeal of the differential duty on sugar, which has been passed by the house and which would, while benefitting our trade with Germany and the other continental European countries, strike the pocket of the sugar trust, they at once assume the role of obstructionists. The intelligent people of this country will have no difficulty in spotting the friends of the sugar trust in the senate. The democrats

have favorably reported this bill and want it to pass; the republicans are determined to kill it without voting upon it.

The house committee on rules has a difficult task in deciding which bills shall be given the time that will not be consumed by the appropriation bills during the remaining two weeks of the session. Some important bills are being called to the attention of the committee, among them being the Nicaragua canal bill, which has been reported to the house as a substitute for the bill that passed the senate; the Pacific railroad funding bill, the free ship bill, bills for reorganization of the army and navy, bills for surveys of deep water canals, labor arbitration bill, and the bill for the amendment of the copyright laws, which has been so strongly urged by the big newspaper publishers.

Representative Springer, who retires with this congress, declares that he is not a candidate for the vacancy made by the sudden and lamented death of Hon. Isaac Pusey Gray, late U. S. minister to Mexico, and he adds that he would not accept any executive appointment that would take him out of this country, which he considers quite good enough for him. A strong effort is being made to get Senator Ransom named as minister to Mexico.

Senator Hill is making a gallant fight for his resolution, which reiterates the determination of this country to endeavor to maintain silver and gold at a parity, and declares that in the event of failure it will pay its obligations in the best money, but there is not much probability of its adoption. Mr. Hill's resolution is intended to be a compromise, and he says it should be supported by every man who is neither a believer in a single gold standard nor a single silver standard, but all the same it is strongly opposed.

Before the house voted on the gold bond bill it was thought that the bill of Senator Jones, of Arkansas, for the unlimited coinage of silver, would be voted upon and passed by the senate, but it is now considered doubtful whether any attempt will be made to push it to a vote.

The census bureau dies with congress. After the fourth of next month only a small force of clerks will be retained under the direction of the secretary of the interior to finish the work.

MET A BAD MAN IN TEXAS.

An Army Officer's Experience, Which Included a Drink of Poor Whisky.

"Only on one occasion in my life have I felt the need of a weapon," said an officer of the United States army. "I have never carried a gun, but it has sometimes occurred to me that no man ought ever to be without one. One cannot be sure but that some time the weapon would save one's life. For instance, I will relate to you a little experience of my own. It was in a wild mountain region of Texas. I was riding along a lonely path, mounted on a government mule. Not a thing did I have on my person which could have been regarded by the most impoverished citizen as of value. Whistling as I went, I approached a large rock, about which the path ran to avoid a sharp ascent. Just as I reached it a fierce looking man rose out of the bushes and cried 'Halt!'

"What could I do? Perhaps you will say that I ought to have charged upon him with my government mule, overpowered him, taken away his arms and demanded why he should thus obstruct what was the best substitute available for a public highway. I did nothing of the kind. The only reason I can allege is that I was afraid. Such a method of dealing with highwaymen does well enough in story books, but in real life it is dangerous. Accordingly I obeyed the suggestion of the bold bandit and halted. For a moment my heart jumped into my throat as I saw him thrust a hand into his hip pocket. He drew from it something and pointed it at me point blank. I perceived that the something was not a pistol; it was a bottle—a large black bottle. Said the highwayman, 'Drink!'

"I held out my hand and grasped the bottle with more than ordinary eagerness. I drank. It was the worst whisky I ever tasted, and that is saying a good deal, for I had lived in the wilds of the west for a number of years. But to me it was a grateful draft. I handed the bottle back to the highwayman, and as he went his way with a benevolent smile upon his countenance I resumed, with a thankful heart, my journey upon my government mule. I had meant to offer him that mule, but would hardly have had the nerve perhaps, for he might have regarded the proffer of such an obviously valueless gift as an insult."—Washington Star.

A large assortment of robes and blankets at low prices, at Fred Theurer's, 12 W. Liberty street.

There Is Merit

In Hood's Sarsaparilla. I know it because it has done me good. I was in a bad condition



John R. Lochary, Roxbury, Ohio.

with Sour Stomach, Heart Palpitation, Hot Flashes. Since taking Hood's Sarsaparilla I am as well as ever. I give Hood's Sarsaparilla all the credit. I took no other medicine. JOHN R. LOCHARY, Roxbury, Ohio

Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures Hood's Pills are rapidly taking the lead.

Manchester.

Walter C. Mack, of Ann Arbor, was in town on business.

Miss Mary Kurfess has been visiting with Mrs. Ogden in Clinton.

Miss Pauline Rauschenberger, of Ann Arbor, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Rauschenberger, over Sunday.

Miss Trestie Ternes, who is keeping house for her brother, Father Ternes, has been visiting relatives and friends in Detroit.

Miss Pauline Pfeiffer is visiting friends in Brooklyn.

Miss Katie Marx spent Sunday with her friends in Saline.

Mr. George Torrey, who is attending the Ann Arbor University, spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. Rev. Yokom has returned from her visit with friends in Canada.

Misses Minnie and Katie Braun, of Jackson, came home last Thursday to visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Braun.

Miss Bertha Lehn has returned home from a four weeks' visit with friends in Detroit.

Mr. August Nisle, who for the past two years has been clerking for Schairer & Millen in Ann Arbor, has accepted a position in the store of Walter C. Mack, Manchester.

Mr. Fred Steggenmeyer went to Kalamazoo last Tuesday to attend the Grand Lodge of the A. O. U. W.

School Commissioner M. J. Kavanaugh visited our public school last Tuesday.

Miss Lucy Poucher, teacher of ward school, was unable to teach the past week, being on the sick list. Miss Orta Hall taught in her place.

H. Conklin will close the dancing school with a social hop on Friday evening; a good time is anticipated by all.

Mrs. A. F. Freeman gave a recital to the parents of her music scholars last Friday evening, which was enjoyed by all who attended.

One of the best Alpha Sigma meetings was held in the school chapel last Monday evening. A very interesting program was carried out. The debate, "Resolved, That immigration should be restricted," was decided in favor of the affirmative.

Last Saturday evening our quiet town was aroused by the alarm of fire; being an uncommon alarm for the people of Manchester everyone rushed to see and help. It proved to be at the Baptist parsonage. A piece of furniture in the room caught fire by a spark escaping from the stove, and nearly everything in the room burned before the fire could be extinguished. The loss is not very heavy.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, ss. Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, county and state aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of one hundred dollars for each and every case of catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D., 1886.

A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, 75c.

Ripans Tabules prolong life. Ripans Tabules: a standard remedy.

ROYAL Baking Powder. Highest of all in leavening strength.—U. S. Government Report.

PISO'S CURE FOR GOUTS WHERE ALL ELSE FAILS. Best Gout Syrup. Tastes Good. Use in time. Sold by druggists. CONSUMPTION

Milan.

Weather warmer. Sleighing is nearly worn out and carriages run better than cutters.

Editor A. B. Smith is quite ill with la grippe.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Fuller were the recipients of a surprise party Friday evening.

Mrs. T. Barnes and son were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. Knight the first of the week.

Mr. D. Knight is in California. Will Gay is home from Wisconsin, visiting his parents for a few days.

Mr. S. Gay is seriously ill with la grippe.

The Valentine reception and dance given by the F. & A. M., last Thursday evening, was a fine affair. The committees were well chosen and everything was in perfect harmony and the evening was greatly enjoyed by all of the participants.

W. H. Whitmarsh was chosen as one of the delegates to the republican convention at Detroit this week.

Mrs. H. A. Vincent will entertain the W. C. T. U. at her residence, Feb. 21, in the afternoon.

Mrs. A. Steidle, of Delray, is visiting relatives in Milan.

The Presbyterian social at Mrs. W. E. Blackmer's, Tuesday evening, was well attended and all had an enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. Gray and Miss Lucy Dexter, of Ypsilanti, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Whitmarsh, Thursday evening.

Mr. Wm. Woolcott has returned from his business trip to Detroit.

Mrs. S. Egner will visit friends in Detroit and Pennsylvania this week.

Mr. Coan, of Wyandotte, was the guest of Mr. C. T. Sill the first of the week.

Friday Mesdames Chas. and Homer Sill were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hoyt, of Saline.

Dr. J. C. Harper has rented Mr. A. D. Jackson's residence on Front street, and will move in a few weeks.

Mrs. Geo. Minto left Friday for her home in Vernon, Mich., where she will visit her mother and sister for a few weeks.

A masquerade is billed for Feb. 22, at Gay's opera house.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Hayden are in Tecumseh.

Mr. T. Lacey is home from Toledo, quite ill, with his mother on West Main street.

There are quite a number of the Milan people ill with la grippe.

Mrs. McMahon is quite ill.

Several of the Milan people attended the Eastern Star reception at Ann Arbor, the 20th.

Four Big Successes.

Having the needed merit to more than make good all the advertising claimed for them, the following four remedies have reached a phenomenal sale: Dr. King's New Discovery, for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, each bottle guaranteed—Electric Bitters, the great remedy for the Liver, Stomach and Kidneys, Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the best in the world, and Dr. King's New Life Pills, which are a perfect pill. All these remedies are guaranteed to do just what is claimed for them and the dealer whose name is attached herewith will be glad to tell you more of them. Sold at drugstore of Eberbach Drug and Chemical Co., Ann Arbor, and Geo. J. Haussler, Manchester.

Webster.

A number of Webster people have the city fever and are preparing to rent their homes and move to the city.

George Letson, of Howell, called on his parents last week.

Alonzo Olsaver has rented his farm to J. Mast, and is getting ready to move to Dexter to live.

Mr. Hadley, of Unadilla, visited his friends here last Saturday and Sunday.

N. R. Lowe and C. Thurber took a short trip to Illinois last week.

Mrs. Willard Wilson and Ida Henry, of Whitmore Lake, called on Webster friends last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Honicker were called to Shiawassee county last week to attend the funeral of her father.

Vernon Sawyer spent Saturday in Ann Arbor.

Miss Mary and Hattie Starks gave a very pleasant party to a few friends, last Friday evening.

The Genuine Merit

Of Hood's Sarsaparilla wins friends wherever it is fairly and honestly tried. To have perfect health, you must have pure blood, and the best way to have pure blood is to take Hood's Sarsaparilla, the best blood purifier and strength builder. It expels all taint of scrofula, salt rheum and all other humors, and at the same time builds up the whole system.

Hood's PILLS are prompt and efficient. 25c.

Monthly Pains cured by Dr. Miles' Pain Pills. Dr. Miles' Nerve Plasters 25c. at all druggists. Dr. Miles' Pain Pills stop Headache.

Dexter Township.

Mr. and Mrs. Alger and family spent the Sabbath in Ann Arbor.

John Gallagher was in Ann Arbor on business last week.

Wm. Curlett and family were the guests of Pinckney friends, Sunday.

Frank and Wirt Carpenter were at the county seat on business, Friday.

John McComb and wife, of Pinckney, have been visiting his parents.

Henry Cobb, of Pinckney, spent the week in this vicinity.

Burt Hudson and family spent Sunday and Monday in the village.

Mr. Bush, of South Lyon, visited his sister the first of the week.

Mrs. J. Stanton and Mrs. T. Stanton, of Webster, spent Friday here. Mr. Elsassner was on our streets one day last week.

Leander Alley made his Detroit friends a short call, Friday.

There is talk of our village having a canning factory.

Thomas McLaughlin, of Bay City, is spending a few days with old friends.

Mrs. J. Pratt Penama is the guest of her relatives for a few weeks.

L. Hadley, of Lyndon, was the guest of his daughter the first of last week.

Misses Lulu Barton and Josie Hadley, of Unadilla, spent the past week here. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lavey are rejoicing over the advent of a daughter, born Feb. 10.

Mrs. D. Litchfield and son, of Chicago, are visiting relatives.

Willis Benton is confined to the house with rheumatism.

The many friends of Fred Lemmon will find him at the store of Wagner & Co., Ann Arbor.

Business called H. S. Holmes, of Chelsea, here Monday.

Hugh McCabe visited Northfield relatives Sunday.

Mrs. Pulver is quite sick at this writing.

Mr. Thurston and family have been entertaining friends from Ann Arbor.

T. McComb and Al. Schermerhorn were in Pinckney, Monday.

Mrs. L. D. Alley and lady friend spent Friday and Saturday with her mother in Pinckney.

Clarence Carpenter and wife entertained friends last Sunday.

An Ypsilanti firm purchased the boot and shoe stock of Chas. Standard on Monday.

F. S. Alley and wife have moved into Mr. Booth's house.

H. W. Newkirk was in Detroit on business, Wednesday.

James Armstrong is home from his Jackson visit.

L. H. Beebe, of Munith, formerly of Pinckney, died recently, at an advanced age.

Will Taylor and sister were called to Chelsea, Wednesday, to attend the funeral of their cousin, Charles Taylor.

Mrs. Kirkland was surprised by a party of her Webster friends, Saturday evening, and all had a good time.

Jay Greene and wife, of Ann Arbor, spent the last of the week here.

George Holmes and wife entertained friends, Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. M. McNally, of Ann Arbor, was the guest of her parents last week.

Geo. Hodson has rented R. C. Reeves' farm in Webster.

Theo. Haab has rented Alonzo Davis' farm in Lima, and will move there soon.

The dance at W. D. Smith's last Friday night, given by John Farrell and Rob. McNeil, was a grand affair and was attended by one hundred and six couples.

James McCabe and sister spent last week in Ypsilanti.

Henry Fleming visited his cousins in Podunk, Sunday last.

Mrs. Frank Carpenter entertained friends, Friday.

Will Rowell has returned to his home in Wayne, after several weeks' stay with his brother and other friends.

Mr. Cook and daughters made their Ann Arbor friends a visit last Wednesday.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.

When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.

When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.

When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

BUCKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price, 25 cents per box. For sale by The Eberbach Drug and Chemical Co., Ann Arbor, and Geo. J. Haussler, Manchester.

THE BELLS OF LIFE.

The birth bells are ringing a joyous chime For a white soul laid in the lap of love. A spirit flower from the fields above. To bloom for a day on the shores of time.

The wedding bells swing to their gladdest tones. Proclaiming the good that the full years bring.

In the circling band of the marriage ring. From the brazen depths of their giant throats

In the beffy of time the death bells toll The entrance to heaven, the end of earth. The death that is only a grander birth. As life's bondage falls from the passing soul.

Birth bells, marriage bells, death bells you have rung The story of life since the world was young —Rose Hartwick Thorpe in Detroit Free Press

Marvelous Results.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Dimondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist church at Rives Junction she was brought down with Pneumonia succeeding La Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption, and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." Trial bottles free at Eberbach Drug and Chemical Drug Store, and at Geo. J. Haussler's, Manchester. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00.

Valuable Instruments.

An Italian paper says that the violoncello upon which Signor Pratti plays is valued at \$2,000. It is a Ruggieri instrument. According to this same authority, all the prominent fiddlers have small fortunes invested in their violins. Ysaya has a Guaragnini worth \$1,200, and Jean Gerardy plays upon a Guarnerius, valued at \$4,000. Dr. Joachim has a large collection of valuable violins. The Stradivarius that belonged to Ernst, and said to be worth \$10,000, has come into the possession of Lady Halla.

Mosaic floors, laid with small pieces of different colored stones set in regular patterns, were known to the Egyptians 2300 B. C. In Babylon floors of this kind dated from 1100 B. C. They were common in the Athenian and Roman houses.

Many pairs of sandals have been recovered at Pompeii. The soles are fastened with nails.

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All Saints' day, Nov. 1, is said to have been begun by Pope Boniface IV about 607 and was established by Gregory IV about 830

Demosthenes paid 2 oboloi—that is, less than 1 cent—for two waxen tablets to make a memorandum.

It is said that mules fed on corn that has the smut will lose their hoofs.

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1895.

Democratic City Caucuses.

The Democratic ward caucuses for the election of delegates to the county convention will be held at 7:30 o'clock on Monday, the 26th inst.

- First ward, E. H. Norris' office..... 11
Second ward, M. Staebler's store..... 10
Third ward, Court House..... 10
Fourth ward, Fireman's Hall..... 9
Fifth ward, Engine House..... 4
Sixth ward, Engine House..... 7

Washtenaw County Democratic Convention.

The Democrats of Washtenaw County will meet in County Convention at the Court House, in the city of Ann Arbor, on Tuesday, February 26th, 1895, at 11 o'clock a. m.

- Ann Arbor City—Pittsfield..... 8
1st ward..... 11
2d ward..... 10
3d ward..... 10
4th ward..... 9
5th ward..... 5
6th ward..... 7
Ann Arbor town..... 7
Augusta..... 9
Bridgewater..... 6
Dexter..... 4
Freedom..... 6
Lodi..... 7
Lyndon..... 4
Manchester..... 12
Northfield..... 7

JOHN L. DUFFY, Secretary. ARTHUR BROWN, Chairman.

DO YOUR DUTY, DEMOCRATS.

Elsewhere will be found the call for the democratic county convention. Every party interest imperatively demands that it be a representative gathering of the democratic clans.

The republicans, encouraged by the victory of last fall, are alert and active, and determined, if possible, to not only retain the advantages then gained, but to add to them the board of supervisors and the county commissioner of schools.

Let the caucuses and the convention be inspired with the usual democratic activity and determination and enthusiasm, and it will go a long way toward victory in April.

STRONG VS. PLATT.

The powerful search light of public hope and anxiety has thus far revealed no flaws in Reform Mayor Strong, of New York. It was confidently expected that he would succumb to the machinations of the crafty boss machinist, Platt, and it has been alleged that he had agreed to conform to Platt's wishes in his principal appointments.

the appointment of certain important officials. Speaking of the efforts that have been made to bring him under the yoke, Mr. Strong says: "There were no pledges to individuals or organizations by me which could be broken."

Again recurring to the efforts of the timeservers to bring about an interview between himself and Platt he says: "I can say concerning the several statements which have been made relative to communications from me to Mr. Platt through Mr. Phillips (Platt's private secretary), that the only thing I ever told Mr. Phillips to tell Mr. Platt was that the mayor's office is open from 9:30 o'clock in the morning until 5 o'clock in the afternoon; that my residence is at 12 West Fifth-seventh street, and that no man in the world could make an appointment for me to meet Mr. Platt at any other than those two places."

He seems to be anything but a compromiser. He believes in the Jacksonian idea of taking the forces of corruption by the throat and destroying them. And no doubt this method will accomplish more for reform than all the compromises that could be concocted.

There are evidences on every hand that the real purpose of the free silver advocates in congress is beginning to dawn upon many who have hitherto given them loyal support. Their opposition to the Hill resolutions, declaring it to be the purpose of the government to pay its obligations when due in the "best" coin available, was strongly indicative of their design.

For twenty years the Republic has been the earnest, unswerving advocate of the free coinage of silver. But the Republic has sought, and still seeks, free coinage in order that the country may enjoy the protection of the double, or rather the alternative, standard, either the gold or the silver dollar being available for the measure of value as the debtor may elect.

Frederick Douglas, the foremost man of his race and a prominent figure in American public life for the last half century, is dead. His career has been a most remarkable one. Born a slave he raised himself by the sheer force of his character and ability to the proud position of leader of his race and a positive power in the history making of the most notable epoch of our nation's career.

deep earnestness and love of liberty made him a powerful champion of the cause of emancipation. The later years of his life were also devoted to the interests of the class from which he came. His living was an advantage to the cause of universal freedom.

The legislature has knocked out Detroit's breezy mayor by passing the health bill and giving it immediate effect. His honor, though considerably disfigured, claims to be still in the ring. It is unfortunate that circumstances should have been such as to have made it necessary to take the step that has been taken.

BISMARCK AND CRISPI.

The close friendship between Crispi and Bismarck, which is of 20 years' standing, is one of the most remarkable relations I know and is sufficient proof of Crispi's value.

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ASLEEP ELEVEN YEARS.

A Girl Frightened Into Slumber From Which She Has Never Awakened. There is a girl named Marguerite Bouyenva at Thennes, in the north of France, near St. Quentin, who is reported to have been asleep for the past 11 years.

McCabe Possessed of a Delusion.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 21.—The cadets in the Salvation army training garrison have revolted against the doctrines of their leader, Adjutant McCabe, who has declared that he is in every respect the peer of Jesus Christ.

Solons Received by the Governor.

SPRINGFIELD, Ills., Feb. 21.—Governor and Mrs. Altgeld gave a reception at the governor's mansion last night to the heads of state departments and officers and members of the general assembly.

Covered the Loan Twenty Times.

LONDON, Feb. 21.—The subscription lists of the new United States loan were closed after being open but two hours. It is reported that the amount to be placed here was covered twenty times.

EDUCATIONAL COLUMN.

BY M. J. CAVANAUGH, COMMISSIONER.

DISTRICT NO. 7, LODI.

This district has a nice new school house, with good furniture and good desks. The enrollment is 40. Miss Otella Becker is teacher. There is a language class in school and its progress is good.

BRIDGEWATER CENTER SCHOOL.

This school has an enrollment of 35. The school is in charge of Miss Minnie C. Randall, of Clinton. She is a graduate of the Normal school and thoroughly equipped for school work.

DISTRICT NO. 8, MANCHESTER.

The school has an enrollment of 19, and is in charge of Miss Rose E. Scull. The teacher is very careful and painstaking with the children, and is doing first-class work for them.

DISTRICT NO. 4, MANCHESTER.

The school building has been repaired, and is in much better shape now for school purposes. The school has an enrollment of 23. The scholars showed from an examination that they understood what they had gone over during the term.

SPOFFORD DISTRICT, MANCHESTER.

There are some nice pictures in this school. The school is also provided with a good dictionary and stand, which adds much to the general utility of the school.

DISTRICT NO. 9, BRIDGEWATER.

The school has enrollment of 7 and a regular attendance of 4. Miss Maud B. King is teacher. Josiah Minor, Manchester, is director.

DISTRICT NO. 5, MANCHESTER.

This school has an enrollment of 81, with Miss Mae Aylesworth as teacher. She is the holder of a second grade certificate which shows a spirit of progression on her part.

DISTRICT NO. 9, MANCHESTER.

Mr. Elmer C. Silkworth is teacher in this school. He is trying to give the district a good school and is taking special pains to aid the pupils in every possible way.

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ARGUS AUGURIES. FRIDAY, FEB. 22—Great red, white and blue edition of the Daily Courier, by the ladies of the city. FRIDAY, FEB. 22—Masked ball of Ann Arbor Rifles. FRIDAY, FEB. 22—Senior lit class oratorical contest. SATURDAY, FEB. 23—Senior law class oratorical contest. SATURDAY, FEB. 23—Senior lit reception and cap and gown swing-out in Newberry hall. SATURDAY, FEB. 23—Senior law class oratorical contest. SUNDAY, FEB. 24—Prof. M. L. D'Oore at S. C. A. P. M., on "Spiritual Astrology." SUNDAY, FEB. 24—Rev. Rulison, Bishop of Central Pennsylvania, will deliver the annual address before the S. C. A. in University hall at 8 P. M. MONDAY, FEB. 25—Commencement of lectures of Bishop Rulison before the Hobart Guild on "Conscience." The series will be continued on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings at Harris Hall, and on Sunday evening at St. Andrew's church. THURSDAY, FEB. 28—The Detroit Male Quartette, at the Baptist church, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. FRIDAY, MARCH 1—Freshman class social in Granger's hall. FRIDAY, MARCH 8—Final University contest to choose debaters to meet Northwestern.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Tobey Green is poundmaster of this city. Coasting has been very popular here this year. There is talk of the Light Infantry taking their play to Adrian. Attend the third ward caucus, Monday evening, at the court house. The republican senatorial convention will be held in Jackson, March 2. A camp of Modern Woodmen of America is being organized in this city. Attend the second ward caucus, Monday evening, at M. Staebler's store. Fraternity lodge, F. & A. M., has work on the second degree this evening. Chris. Weinmann, of Staebler's grocery, fell and broke his arm, Monday evening. The Frieze Memorial organ is in debt yet. It will take \$4,000 to finish paying for it. Be sure to attend the fifth and sixth ward caucuses at the engine houses, Monday evening. The ladies of the Trinity Lutheran church give a social in the parlors of the church this evening. The house of J. J. Parshall, on Jefferson street, recently damaged by fire, is being repaired. Representative Kempf has two more bills in the legislature amending the charter of Ann Arbor. Prof. B. M. Thompson will lecture before Unity club next Monday evening on "The English Exchequer." Mrs. Catherine Sutter, of North Main street, died last Sunday of general debility, aged eighty-three years. Rev. G. Clarkson, of Milford, lectures on "The Characteristics of the Irish People," in St. Thomas' church, next Sunday evening. The Graduate club meets at the residence of Prof. Hinsdale at 7:30 tomorrow evening. Dr. Vaughan will address the club on "Immunity." H. W. Douglas read a paper, Wednesday, before the annual meeting of the Michigan Gas association in Detroit on "The Heating Effect of Artificial Light." An auction sale of farm stock, implements and household goods will be held at the Bisbee home-stead, three and a half miles north-east of Ann Arbor, on Thursday, February 28.

Read the call for democratic county convention. David Kinsey is having his residence finely decorated. Eighty more lockers have been ordered for the gymnasium. The Ann Arbor Light Infantry will be inspected next week. Remember the democratic ward caucuses next Monday evening. First ward democratic caucus at office of E. B. Norris, Monday evening. Frank Riley paid \$4 fine and costs to Justice Pond yesterday for being drunk. Fourth ward democrats will meet in caucus at Firemen's hall, Monday evening. Judge Noah W. Cheever has been nominated for regent by the state prohibition convention. Maria F. Seeger died Wednesday at her residence on Chapin street, aged seventy-three years. About a hundred students are expected to attend the Michigan club banquet this evening. Rev. Dr. L. R. Fiske, president of Albion college, preaches in the M. E. church next Sunday. Jacob Lutz, who has been running a branch store in Saline, is back in the J. T. Jacobs Co. again. W. F. Bird read a paper this week before the Ohio State Horticultural society on the subject, "Shall We Eat Apples?" Miss Minnie Klump, of Manchester, who has been under treatment at the hospital, died Saturday, aged eighteen years. The Washtenaw County Sunday School association holds its annual meeting in the Chelsea Congregational church, March 11. The Gesang-verein Lyra will commence practicing in a week or so for the opera "Mikado" which they will give here in the near future. Morris Nash, of Dexter, has sued ex-Sheriff Brenner for \$225, the price of property sold on execution for which the sheriff was not paid. The Hausfreund-Post is booming Judge Harriman for senator and thinks his experience in the legislature of California would come in good play. Mrs. John Neumann celebrated her fifty-second birthday last evening, on which occasion she was surprised by the ladies' society of Bethlehem church. The Ann Arbor Organ company is putting in a seventy-five horse power engine. This has been made necessary by a contract with a Chicago company to furnish them 600 organs a year. Hon. A. J. Sawyer was chairman of the committee on permanent organization and order of business at the republican state convention. Capt. E. P. Allen made the speech nominating Judge Kinne. Fifty-one of the ladies' society of Bethlehem church went out to the residence of Mrs. Barbara Steeb in Pittsfield, Tuesday, and while there they were all weighed; the heaviest weighed 197 pounds and the lightest weighed 95 pounds. It cost each ten cents for the privilege of being weighed, except the heaviest and the lightest and they were obliged to pay 25 cents. The proceeds, \$5.40, went to the church building fund. W. W. Wedemeyer is the republican nominee for commissioner of schools over in Washtenaw. He is said to be a promising young man of ability, whose ambition has far outgrown his whiskers, who hopes by the trinomial "W" of his name, to supplant the present very competent and experienced incumbent of the office—Mr. Cavanaugh. We are not making brags on politics just now, especially on Washtenaw politics, with its 2,000 majority recorded for Gen. Spaulding. But we will say to you, W. W. W., that the democrats of W county ought to W up, in double quick time, for the educational good of the county.—Adrian Press. Tramps are now confined in Ann Arbor's city lock up. In the morning if they saw a certain quantity of wood, they get a breakfast. Two of them made trouble last week. They saw the wood but they wouldn't saw it. They saw the marshal and saw the saw. The marshal saw that they saw the saw and saw the wood, and saw that they didn't saw what they ought to saw, but told them he saw no way for them to get a lamb chop until they saw fit to saw the wood they saw, with the saw they saw. They saw Attorney Sawyer who saw the mayor, and the tramps were given a sausage, and the last the marshal saw of them they were headed for Saugatuck.—Adrian Press.

The two new iron stairways for University hall are being erected. A number of the members of the Y. M. C. A. will attend the meeting in Northville this evening. John Flynn was fined \$1 and \$3 costs by Justice Gibson for soliciting passengers at the depot. Asa B. Nash, of Ypsilanti, was before Justice Pond, Wednesday, for being drunk. It cost him \$5. Prof. B. M. Thompson lectures before the Unity club, Monday evening, on "The English Exchequer." The annual address before the S. C. A. will be delivered in University hall, Sunday evening, by Bishop N. S. Rulison, of Pennsylvania. Christopher T. Donnelly has purchased the Saunders' property on Ann street, between Fifth avenue and Division, and will erect a residence for himself on it. The board of public works, Wednesday evening, took another ballot on street commissioner, standing Clark 1, Weeks 1, the same as before, Mr. Clark not voting. Dr. W. F. Breakey will address the Bible class in the M. E. church next Sunday on "Healthful Physical Life Essential to the Best Mental, Moral, Social and Religious Life." A telegram was received this morning announcing the death of Mrs. T. J. Tuomey, at Kansas City. The deceased was the mother of Wm. Tuomey, of this city, J. C. Tuomey, Mary Tuomey and Mrs. E. B. Diss. Interment in Dexter. An ice track has been cleared on the river, and the owners of fast horses will have a chance to speed their horses on the smooth, clear ice. The track is three rods wide and 120 rods long. C. J. Snyder is doing the work, which is paid for by contributions from those who own fast horses and those who like to see them go.

DECADENT DIALOGUE.

How People Talk in One of William Sharp's Dramas. Mr. William Sharp, the disciple in England of Maeterlinck, has written a volume of dramatic interludes which he calls "Vistas." It may interest some readers who are not well acquainted with the decadent species of dialogue to see the following scrap taken from the "Passing of Lilith," which by some is regarded as the most typical of the "Vistas." Ulnel—Lilith, heart of beauty, wilt thou come? Lilith—I perish yonder. Ulnel—Thou canst not die. Thou art immortal. Lilith—I dreamed that I should die daily and a thousand deaths. Ulnel—Love scorneth fear. Lilith—Fear warneth love. Ulnel—Come. Lilith—Show me the portals of thy golden house. Ulnel (troubled)—What wouldst thou? Lilith—Thee. Ulnel—I must go hence. Already—If this dialogue has a tendency to bewilder the untutored and unpsychological mind, what will be the effect of this brief quotation from "The Whisperer?" The Man—Who spoke? The Whisperer—It is I. The Man—Who art thou? The Whisperer—I am of those who watch. The Man—For whom? (Silence.) The Man—For what? (Silence.) The Man—Art thou there? The Whisperer—I am here. The Man—I see thee not. Where art thou? The Whisperer—I am the rhythm of the whirling wheels and the falling hoofs, in the noise of innumerable feet and the murmur of myriad breaths. The sparrows flicker in the light of my footfall, and the high sunlight is in my eyes. This conversation, be it noted, is taking place on a crowded modern London street. Most people would prefer even Oscar Wilde as a steady diet.—Boston Traveller.

Philosophical.

Sir William Hamilton, who was appointed astronomer royal for Ireland at the age of 22 and who discovered quaternions, kept a headstrong horse, and on one occasion mounted him in Dublin just as a mathematical problem had suggested to him. The horse took a mean advantage of the rider's abstraction and "swung." "When I found it impossible to stop him," the philosopher said, "I gave him his head and returned to the problem. He ran for four miles and stood still at my gate—just as the problem was solved."—San Francisco Argonaut. A Hard Question. Modern Maid—I wish some advice. Old Lady—Certainly, my dear. What is it? Modern Maid—Shall I marry a man whose tastes are the opposite of mine and quarrel with him, or shall I marry a man whose tastes are the same as mine and get tired of him?—New York Week-ly. New Grocery. Bradford & Co., Ltd., have opened a new grocery soon in the Weinmann block, 37 East Washington street. Everything new and the best obtainable.

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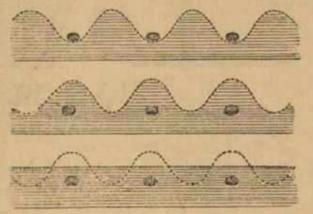
FARM AND GARDEN

CUTTING AND PLANTING POTATOES.

A Successful Grower Gives a Detailed Account of His Own Method.

Simply cutting and plastering potatoes in advance of planting will not secure satisfactory results. Since a large quantity of seed and labor are required to produce a crop of potatoes, much pains should be taken to prepare the ground and cultivate it, before and after the potatoes have grown, in the best manner possible. The potato is a deep rooted plant, and therefore the ground should be prepared deeply. The tubers are formed above the seed. These two points should always be kept prominently in mind, writes a Country Gentleman correspondent, who adds: It also loves a moist, cool soil. This indicates that conservation of moisture and shade should be secured by culture. The ground should be not only thoroughly and deeply plowed, but made fine.

A most satisfactory way, where the ground is open, is to furrow deeply with a double moldboard, as seen in the up-



ILLUSTRATING A SATISFACTORY METHOD.

per part of the figure. Cover the potatoes by reversing the furrows, as seen in the center of the figure. After the potatoes have started a scantling or light piece of timber may be chained crosswise near the front of the harrow, and two rows may be plowed down, as shown in the lower part of the figure.

In a few days the potatoes will be up and will be entirely free from weeds. This double plowing and fining and depositing of the clods and stones in the middle of the rows result not only in putting the ground in superior condition, but in saving a very large amount of after culture. The most satisfactory results that the writer ever reached have been by this method.

The Busy Bee in Early Spring.

Bees in the middle and western states begin to breed in February. In the southern states they start earlier. If the weather is mild, strong colonies will consume large quantities of their stores. In this month solid nourishment is better than liquid. The latter kind has a tendency to unduly excite the bees, causing them to fly out of their hives and perish. It also stimulates them to breeding too extensively before the proper season.

In the absence of frames of sealed honey, which are to be preferred before anything else, two kinds of artificial food can be used with safety. One of these kinds is called "Good Candy," the name originating from that of the inventor. It is made from pulverized granulated sugar and liquid honey. Put whatever quantity of pulverized sugar you may need into a suitable vessel; then add a sufficiency of extracted honey to make a dough. A pound or two of this can be laid on muslin perforated with holes and placed over the cluster. This can be renewed as often as necessary. The other kind is candy made from granulated sugar. Put into any quantity of sugar enough water to dissolve it. Then boil the sirup until it will become hard when dipped in water. This can be poured into patty pans and placed over the cluster, the pans being inverted with the sugar next the bees, says a correspondent in Farm Journal and authority for the foregoing.

Items on Pump Irrigation.

It is generally conceded, not only in theory, but it is backed up by practical application, that for low heads or for elevations not exceeding 100 feet the simple form of handling water with centrifugal pumps stands at the head, says The Irrigation Age, which calls attention to the following: In the San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys, particularly in that portion occupied by the swamp land reclamation districts, centrifugal pumping plants have been used with marked success.

The use of the very large pumps is naturally, owing to their construction, limited to comparatively low heads, and in no case thus far have any large plants been put in handling water over 30 feet. With the smaller or moderate sized centrifugal pumps 100 feet and even more is not an uncommon matter.

In southern California and Arizona many large pumping works have been installed for irrigation purposes, and it has shown that in many cases it is much cheaper in first cost and operation to put in a pumping plant than to use a gravity system. There is practical data which shows that in large tracts and where the lift does not exceed 20 to 25 feet, water can be furnished at a cost of 50 cents per acre, including all charge of operating and fixed charges of interest, taxes, depreciation, etc.

Drought Proof Fodder Plants.

Of the true grasses, Hungarian brome grass, Italian rye grasses, English rye grasses, meadow oat grass, sheeps' fescue all grow well and are not affected by drought. How they will stand a pasture test is a question not yet solved. Alfalfa does well. Red clover sown in the fall has a fair growth, but is not equal to half the growth of spring sown alfalfa. Sanfoin is a promising plant and grows rapidly throughout the driest weather. Its nutritive value is not yet determined. Lupine, the great German forage plant for sheep, is not a success, not producing as much forage as our wild lupine.—Idaho Station.

THE PASTURE GRASSES.

A Mixture of Several Varieties Gives Best Results.—Austrian Brome Grass.

Where one grass succeeds another will not, and it is essential that we should have a great variety on hand. Our list is now quite extended, and if a farmer has a piece of land that will not produce some of these varieties it must be pretty poor land indeed. One of the greatest improvements needed in this country is a proper study of grass mixtures. Grass seeds of several varieties properly mixed for each climate and soil give better results than if only one variety be sown.

Grasses that form the best mixtures so far in this country are such as the meadow foxtail, tall oat grass, meadow fescue, tall fescue. All of these are imported grasses that have become perfectly and permanently adapted to this country. Added to them are the native American and Canadian grasses—Kentucky blue, Canadian blue, red top, orchard grass and timothy. Lately the Italian and perennial rye grasses have been used largely in mixtures in this country, giving great results in most instances. As the perennial will live through a mild winter and the Italian through the severest winter, the two grasses prove of special value when mixed with less hardy varieties. Nearly all the rye grasses are cheaper, and the danger often is to make the mixture consist largely of these, very often to the detriment of the general crop. Another grass that is now coming into vogue in this country as part of pasture mixtures is the Austrian brome grass. This has been used more largely in Canada and in the northwest, where it has been found admirably adapted for pasturage on lands of light or moist descriptions. It produces a heavy, early crop and yields a good aftermath of succulent, leafy roots. So far this grass has proved a valuable acquisition.

But clovers should also enter into the composition of nearly all grass mixtures, and we have now a list of fine clovers sufficient to cover every part of the country. The most suitable varieties are: Alsike, white or Dutch; trefoil, lucern, crimson and red clover. Many of these clovers are invaluable on pasture lands, and one is no longer compelled to feel if the common clover does not succeed that it is useless to try any longer. Some of these varieties are almost sure to take hold and yield a fair crop, preparing the way often for the other varieties. It is not wise to depend upon any specific formula for mixing grass seed, but it is very evident that our pastures could be greatly improved if a more thorough study were made of the art of mixing. We must study the natures of the different grasses and then adapt each to its locality. We have passed that period when a farmer should depend upon one or two varieties of grasses for his pastures. That is just the way to run out the grass permanently.—Prairie Farmer.

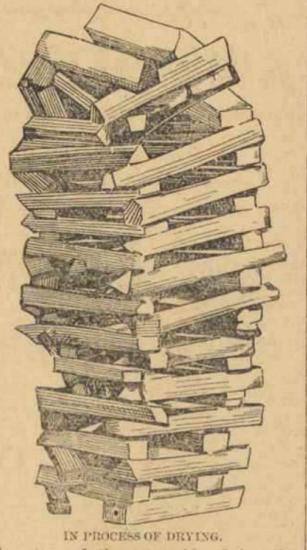
Situation of Incubators.

Success with artificial incubators depends more than the average person supposes on the situation of the machine. Country Gentlemen quotes a correspondent who insists that the machine be situated where there will be the least possible fluctuation in temperature. An incubator should never be where the sun can shine directly upon it or in direct drafts of air, both of which tend to cause variations in the temperature, and the latter of which may extinguish the lamp. A second important requisite of situation is that it be where fresh air can be constantly furnished without subjecting the machine to a draft.

To meet these two requisites it is advisable that the incubator be placed in some underground or partially underground room, like a cellar or basement. Here the temperature changes slowly. Here, too, fresh air in sufficient quantity can be admitted without causing a draft. And here also the machine can be placed out of the rays of the sun.

Drying Stove Wood.

Ohio Farmer gives an illustration of drying green stove wood in winter. It simply consists in piling the wood "cobb-house" fashion, the sticks being piled in pentagon or hexagon form, the latter being the best, the piles being built as high as one can reach. The piles may be in a double rank, with corners just touching, so as to give mutual support, and wide boards may be placed on top of each row slanting outward so as to shed the rain away from the wood. Bark may be used or the top of each pile finished with wood laid close with a rapid



IN PROCESS OF DRYING.

slope toward the outer side of the pile. Even without cover wood laid up in such piles dries very rapidly, wind, sun and air as well as frost having full chance at each stick. Piled as illustrated, all the drying forces of nature except extreme heat have full sway, and it is possible to have tolerably dry wood in March even if not split until the leisure of December.

"Light Horse Harry" In Saddle.

Feb. 25, 1871, was the date of "Light Horse Harry" Lee's noted encounter with a band of renegade loyalists at Haw, S. C. Lee's legion resembled in dress and equipment Tarleton's infamous legion of loyalists. By inducing the country folks to believe that his band had been sent by Cornwallis to re-enforce Tarleton, Lee marched unchallenged toward the camp of the latter, near the river Haw. Meeting an aid of one Colonel Pyle, who, with a detachment of genuine loyalists, was looking for Tarleton's camp, Lee kept up the deception and found out Pyle's plans. He then coolly sent the aid back to Pyle under escort of his own pseudo-loyalists to ask his chief to withdraw from the road and allow the Cornwallis' detachment to pass. Leaving one company behind, he then pushed ahead, overtaking Pyle's command, and for a signal to his followers advanced and offered "LIGHT HORSE HARRY."

ed a hand to the courteous colonel. At the same moment Pyle's men recognized the patriot legion and opened fire. The columns being parallel and at close quarters, the sabers of the legion were quicker in execution than the muskets of the loyalists. They cut down 90 of Pyle's men and wounded scores besides. Pyle ran away, but was afterward taken, and Tarleton received warning in time to move across the Haw. "Fortune, the capricious goddess, gave us Pyle and saved Tarleton," was the terse language of "Light Horse Harry" announcing his exploit at headquarters. GEORGE L. KILMER.

Hot Shot For a Privateer.

On the 27th of February, 1863, Captain Worden, the hero of the Monitor fight, destroyed a dangerous Confederate privateer in Ogeechee river. The swift blockade runner Nashville, having been hemmed in by the Union fleet, was transformed into a privateer and lay in the river above Fort McAllister. The bed of the river was lined with torpedoes to prevent Union vessels running up to destroy the Nashville before she could get to sea, where her owners hoped, she would prove another Alabama. Scouts reported that she had dropped down near the fort, awaiting a chance to slip out. Worden promptly steamed up in the Montauk to verify the report, and seeing the Nashville aground above the fort went ahead in defiance of the torpedoes and the guns of the fort. When within 1,200 yards of the privateer, he opened with shells and continued to bombard until she burst into flames and blew up. Turning back, he ran the Montauk through a gantlet of fire, both shot and shell, from the fort and batteries opposite. The iron sides of the Montauk turned the balls like water, but in contact with infernal machines no vessel is invulnerable. Near the mouth of the river she ran upon a submarine torpedo, which tore a chunk out of her hull, and she grounded, fortunately within range of companion vessels which had stood at safe distance to witness Worden's gallant exploit. GEORGE L. KILMER.

Bearding the Lion In His Den.

Feb. 28, 1864, was the date of one of Torpedo Cushing's famous exploits in Cape Fear river. In order to convince his superior that a certain plan he had matured was feasible he offered to bring the enemy's commander to breakfast on board the admiral's flagship. With 20 men in two boats he pulled past Fort Caswell and the batteries at Bald Head, in the mouth of the river, and landed at Smithfield, where the Confederate headquarters were located. Hiding his boats and their crews within 25 yards of a battery, he went with two men to the house occupied by General Hebert, passing through the main street of the town. Near the house were 1,200 enemies sleeping in their barracks. It was past midnight before the house grew still and lights were put out. Cushing left his comrades on the porch, and entering the unbolted door crept up stairs to the general's room, which had been located for him by a negro familiar with the house. With his hand on the door he was startled by a crash below and a cry from one of his men. Springing down the steps, he found that his comrades, in overconfidence, had alarmed the adjutant general, who hoisted a window and then brought it down on a Union revolver which looked him in the face. Cushing leaped into the room with a lighted taper and dragged from bed a dazed sleeper, who proved to be Hebert's chief engineer, Captain Kelley. From him he gleaned that the general, like Lord Erskine during the Battle of the Kegs, was lodging away from home.

The adjutant general had fled through a back door after encountering the revolver at the window, leaving the drowsy captain as the next best substitute for the more distinguished prisoner to grace the admiral's board next morning. The headquarters desks were rifled of papers and plans, and while the alarm cries sounded through the camp and the drums beat the long roll in the forts, Cushing and party, with Captain Kelley under guard, were in the middle of the river dropping down stream noiselessly as they came. When Hebert reached his quarters, it was to meet a messenger bringing from a flag of truce the following:

MY DEAR GENERAL—I deeply regret that you were not home when I called. I inclose my card. Very respectfully, W. B. CUSHING.

The department knew its man when Cushing was selected to sink the Albatross. GEORGE L. KILMER.

A Modern "David."

On Feb. 17, 1864, the United States sloop-of-war Housatonic was sunk in Charleston harbor by a spar torpedo thrust against her side at the water line. The deed was performed by Lieutenant George E. Dixon of the Thirty-first Alabama. It proved that the dreams of inventors from Fulton's time to the present are not wholly wild, and that torpedo boats may play a part in warfare. Dixon's craft was built of boiler iron in the shape of a cigar. Her length was 30 feet, breadth 4 and depth 6. Originally designed for submarine use, some 35 lives were sacrificed in experiments. Dixon rigged the boat to skim the top of the water and strike with a percussion torpedo.

The Housatonic was one of the finest of the wooden fleet and lay in the north channel, completely blocking that entrance to Charleston harbor. Dixon and Captain J. F. Carlsen of the artillery and Seaman Becker, Wicks, Collins, Ridgway and Simpkins of the navy volunteered to destroy her. Their little boat sneaked along the beach at night and lay hidden all day near their victim. At 9 o'clock in the evening the outlook on the Housatonic saw a speck on the water moving toward the ship. On approaching nearer the speck looked like a plank moving swiftly over the water. He sounded the cry, and all hands rushed on deck, but only in time to save their lives. The ship sank instantly up to her tops. Five men below went down in her. The plank disappeared, and the mystery was not solved until after the war, when divers cleared the channel of wrecks. They found the Housatonic, with a hole at the water line, and 100 feet away the David, which had destroyed her. The daring crew lay securely confined in the iron machine they had so skillfully guided to strike the blow. GEORGE L. KILMER.

A Champion of Warsaw.

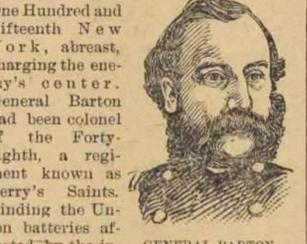
Feb. 19 and 20, 1831, the second generation of Polish patriots defeated their oppressors at Grochow, the same suburb of Warsaw where "Kosciusko fell." The insurrection of 1830-1 was led by adherents of the old champion and the revolutionary army at Grochow marshaled by one who had stood on the "rampart heights" with those "trusty warriors, few, but undismayed," when

Leagued oppression poured to northern wars Her whiskered panours and her fierce husbands.

This was Michael Radzivil, scion of the oldest and most noble line of princes in the realm. Although his family sided with the Russian czar as against the young enthusiasts of the second insurrection, Prince Radzivil took the field at the head of 60,000 patriots, deposed the czar's brother and viceroy, the tyrant Constantine, and drew up his battalions on the classic heights to defend the capital. The czar had sent the renowned Marshal Diebitsch with 120,000 Cossacks and hussars from the imperial camps to restore his brother to the throne. Radzivil defeated him at Grochow, with enormous loss. Believing that a settlement was possible, the prince then laid down his sword. GEORGE L. KILMER.

Fought Like Tigers.

Feb. 20 is the anniversary of the battle of Olustee (1864), the severest engagement of the war on the soil of Florida. General Truman Seymour landed about 7,000 men at Jacksonville to bolster up a loyal uprising with bayonets. General Finnegan, the Confederate commander, gathered forces to the number of 5,500 near Lake City to oppose the Union march inland. The lines came to sword's point about 3 p. m. in an open pine forest. Seymour's artillery began a rapid fire to confuse the enemy. Then his whole line of three brigades advanced wedgelike to the attack. A white regiment in the lead broke on tasting the enemy's steady fire. A colored regiment ordered to replace it also broke. Then the brigade of W. B. Barton moved up at double quick, the Forty-eighth, Forty-seventh and One Hundred and Fifteenth New York, abreast, charging the enemy's center. General Barton had been colonel of the Forty-eighth, a regiment known as Perry's Saints. Finding the Union batteries affected by the infantry panic, he halted the line in front of them and for more than two hours held the ranks steadfast under a double cross and direct fire from the enemy's guns and rifles. In this terrible struggle the Confederates exhausted their ammunition first, and unable to return the Union fire began to steal away to search for cartridges. Bnt Finnegan's staff officers, couriers and orderlies had formed a mounted brigade to ply between the ammunition train and the field, bringing up supplies, and in order to hold the men where they were young A. H. Colquitt, son and aid to the general commanding the center, rode along the front of his father's troops, swinging a battleflag and appealing to the men to stand. His gallantry challenged the admiration of his enemies. Barton's men also emptied their boxes, but retired to refill them and went in again. Contemporary accounts declared that the New York "brigade fought like tigers." When the Confederates made the last rush to give their baffled foe the coup de grace, the New Yorkers parried the blow, giving their comrades time to withdraw. The colonels of the three regiments fell, and over 800 rank and file were killed and wounded. GEORGE L. KILMER.



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ELI PERKINS' RIDE.

HOW AND WHEN HE LOST HIS REPUTATION FOR VERACITY.

A Thrilling Experience on One of the Coldest Nights of a Cold Winter in Iowa—A Telegram That Was Inspired by the Ambition of a Candidate For Congress.

I have traveled over the Alps when we started on wheels in Italy, were put on runners at the monasteries of St. Bernard and the next day came tumbling down into the wheatfields of Switzerland and the Rhone. Then I have jarrishad through Japan and wheelbarrowed in China. But the most exciting trip of my life was taken in our own country, out in Iowa. It was one of the coldest nights of a cold winter. I lectured for the college at Osage City, northeast from Cedar Rapids, one night, and the next night I was to be at Grinnell college, near Des Moines. I had to ride down through the central part of Iowa, on the old Iowa Central road. To do this I was compelled to drive 30 miles across the prairie, from Osage City to Mason City, in order to strike a 5 o'clock morning train for Grinnell.

Thirty miles over the prairie in a northwest storm, with the thermometer 15 degrees below zero, was a test of strength, nerve and bodily caloric. But we made the trip. Once our sleigh tipped over, and our blankets and robes blew away. It was a hurricane, and even our hot soapstone took to the wind. Once we got to circling around on that 30 mile prairie, and the driver threw up his frozen hands and screamed:

"We're lost!"

But the stars came out, and we whirled around toward the north star and struggled on. In the gray of the morning with what joy we saw the straggling lights of the little station of Mason City, now a place of 8,000 people! I remember well how I rolled out of the sleigh and tottered up to the station door. It was all dark within. I knew the morning train hadn't gone. We had won, but, oh, with what cost!

Knocking on the door, then pounding louder, the agent finally opened it.

"Has the 5 o'clock train gone south to Grinnell?" I asked, with tremulous voice.

"What?"

"Has the train gone south?"

He looked at me in amazement and said: "Gone, man! Gone? Why, she went last September. She is a summer train. But," and he looked kindly at me, "she will go again in June. If you must go on her, you can sit around here in the depot and wait."

What did I do? Why, I went right over to a log hotel and went to bed, and sleep smothered my sorrows.

Sleep! Sleep! At 10 o'clock I crawled over to the depot and opened the wires on President J. B. Grinnell of the Iowa Central. This, by the way, was the original man whom Greeley told to "go west." Grinnell went west, and it was he who founded the city of Grinnell, where I was to lecture. He built the college there. The railroad, the town, the college and the lecture course were all his. And I threw myself into his arms with this telegram:

"Please give me an engine. Get me to Grinnell tonight!"

"Any engines needing repairs at Mason City? If so, send Perkins down," came over the wire from Grinnell.

"No. 6 wants a new firebox," went the answer.

"O. K. Send 6 with Perkins. Get him here or kill him," replied Grinnell.

In 30 minutes we were off. We went bounding over the old iron rails between Ackley and Marshalltown, and how we flew! Villages became patches of maroon paint. Telegraph poles blurred like wagon spokes in the sun.

We blew the whistle, but the train beat the sound into Marshalltown, and the agent came out and looked the wrong way. We had passed the town, and the whistle was still behind.

Well, we got to Grinnell and struck the audience on the stroke of 8. President Grinnell hadn't told them about the ride. The audience thought I came on a regular train or drove over from the next station. When I tried to tell them about my trip, they only laughed. They didn't believe me. Alas! that was the day, that was the night, that I lost my reputation for veracity, and all these years I have struggled to get it back. I am a vestryman now and a member of the Young Men's Christian association, but nothing will get back my lost veracity, except perhaps this open confession, now for the first time made.

When I asked the venerable President Grinnell years afterward how he came to telegraph, "Get Perkins to Grinnell or kill him," he said:

"Well, my son, you see I was running for congress then, and I didn't have any record to run on. All I had done was to condemn land for right of way and kill immigrants on our trains. I was dying for a record to run on—one that would bring me the sympathy of the people, and it occurred—mind me," he said it slowly, "it simply occurred to me as a business man—I beg pardon for saying it," and the tears came to his eyes—"but it occurred to me if you could be killed on our train then, and the people should find it out, why, I would be nominated and unanimously elected."

Then he added, with a long sigh, "Your coming and the lecture you delivered settled me with the people—I was d-e-f-e-a-t-e-d!"—Eli Perkins in Magazine of Travel.

In the Slums. Country Boy—Where do you live? Street Gamin—I live in a tenement house.

"What sort of a house is that?"

"Well, it's a house where poor folks keeps the dishes that they expects to use if they ever have anything to cook."—Good News.

TOLD OF PRESIDENT FAURE.

The Head of the French Republic In the Days of the Commune.

M. Faure, the president of the French republic, is well known by a prominent French American resident of New Orleans, who was with M. Faure during the French commune. He describes the French president as a man of personal magnetism, of splendid executive ability and unquestioned bravery and firmness. Faure began business as a small commission merchant in hides, wool, etc., at Havre years ago. From that, by energy, economy and thrift, he prospered, and his business increased until he was one of the most extensive commission merchants in that city. He became also one of the most prominent men of the city politically, and just before the Franco-German war he was made first "adjoin" to the mayor of the city and was a staff officer of the army, although his duties did not require his presence on the battlefield. He took an active interest, of course, in the war, and it was owing to his efforts that the commissary department of the French soldiery was kept well supplied. He was also a close adviser of the officials of Havre and in every manner demonstrated great executive talent and a born leadership.

It was in 1871, during the French commune, however, that his personal bravery and ability to confront desperate emergencies were tested. While acting in the capacity of "adjoin," or adviser of the mayor at Havre, a request was made of him from the mayor of Paris for firemen and engines. The city of Paris was in flames from one end to the other, and aid was being asked everywhere in engines and firemen. Faure at once called for volunteers and urged upon them the necessity of responding to the call. He thus raised a company of firemen to go to Paris and fight the fires that were raging everywhere. Faure showed his courage and won the hearts of the firemen and people by going with the volunteers as their leader. With all the engines the city could spare they hastened to Paris, and for three days, without rest or scarcely anything to eat, fought the flames.

Faure did the duties of a fireman, and on one occasion, when one of the men was asleep from fatigue, rather than awaken him, took his place and did his work. He was in a dozen perilous positions during that three days' fight with fire, in company of his companions, and never flinched. In every instance he proved himself to be a man of determination and courage. He was first in every danger, and at the most critical times he never lost his self possession and will power, and with his volunteer firemen he did yeoman service in trying to save Paris from the embrace of the fire fiend.

The people of Havre never forgot M. Faure's valiant service on that occasion, and afterward, as a Republican, he was elected to the chamber of deputies. He served with several ministers as private secretary, and of late years has had more important connection with that branch of the government service. He has prospered in business as well as in political affairs and is said to be one of the most popular as well as one of the ablest statesmen of the French republic.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Mischievous Mme. Malibran.

No prima donna was ever more delightfully capricious, more full of mischief than the famous Mme. Malibran. At the rehearsals of "Romeo and Juliet" she could never make up her mind where she was to "die" at night. It was important for Romeo to know, but all he could get was "not sure," "don't know," "can't tell," or "it will be just as it happens, according to my humor; sometimes in one place, sometimes in another." On one occasion she chose to "die" close to the footlights, her companion, of course, being compelled to "die" beside her, and thus, when the curtain fell, a couple of footmen had to carry the pair off, one at a time, to the intense amusement of the audience.

John Templeton, the fine old Scottish tenor, was probably never so miserable as when he was cast to sing with Malibran. Very often she was displeased with his performance, and one evening she whispered to him, "You are not acting properly; make love to me better," to which, so it is said, Templeton innocently replied, "Don't you know I am a married man?" Evidently the lady did not think there was anything serious in the circumstance, for not long afterward, when in "Sonnambula" she was on her knees to Templeton as Elvino, she succeeded in making the tenor scream with suppressed laughter when he should have been singing by tickling him vigorously under the arms.—Cornhill Magazine.

Pretty Good Guess.

The New Orleans Playmate says that a teacher, in explaining to her pupils the difference between civilized and uncivilized races, insisted upon three things as requisite for civilization—food, clothing and shelter.

The next day she brought the subject up again by way of review.

"What are the three things necessary to a civilized man?" she asked.

Several of the children remembered food and clothing, but the third requisite seemed to have escaped their recollection entirely. Finally, after the question had been repeated two or three times, one little fellow lifted his hand and said:

"A wife."

Whether the teacher sent him to the head of the class we are not informed.

Women Win in South Australia.

Word has come from the president of the W. C. T. U., Mrs. Nichols of Prospect, that in Adelaide, South Australia, adult suffrage has been carried, giving the women a right to vote on the same terms as men and with no barrier to use in parliament. The bill now only awaits the queen's consent.

Mrs. Nichols says, "It is a grand victory for a hard and well fought battle of seven years."

MELTING LIKE WAX.

ALL MOUNTAINS WILL VANISH IN THE COURSE OF TIME.

Notable Elevations That Are Slowly Crumbling and Becoming Smaller—Awful Catastrophe That Befell the Village of Elm. Process of Change.

A French professor told the recent scientific congress in Rome that "all mountains will vanish off the face of the earth in course of time." We do not doubt it, for it is divinely foretold that the earth itself will disappear at the end of time. However, the Frenchman's prophecy is already in course of realization. The Ardennes, the Pyrenees and the mountains of Provence are going to pieces by degrees in our own age. The mighty Himalayas, as if weary of "rearing their forms sublime" through so many generations, nodded their heads in one place two years ago and hurled into the valleys below a mass of debris which was estimated at 800,000,000 tons. The largest locomotive on the fast trains of the Hudson River railway weighs only 62 tons. That Asiatic mountain slide, therefore, caused an avalanche equivalent to the tumble of about 13,000,000 such locomotives off a bridge 10,000 feet high. Little wonder that "the noise was terrific" and that "the natives were frightened." Masses of rock were hurled a mile away, and "many blocks of dolomitic limestone, weighing from 30 to 50 tons, were sent like cannon balls through the air."

In 1881, in the Alps, there was an immense hill fall, caused by its human undermining in order to obtain slate for school use. The mining began in 1868. In 1876 the Plattenberkoph split across its crown, and after progressive enlargements for years, which caused comment and forebodings, it fell in the year named. This catastrophe precipitated about 12,000,000 cubic yards of rock 1,475 feet downward into the valley. The debris ricocheted across the valley and rolled 325 feet up the opposite slope, where it was canted over sideways, and then poured like liquid over a horizontal plane of about 9,700,000 square feet and to a depth of from 35 to 70 feet.

One-half of the village of Elm was overwhelmed, and it was so swiftly cleft by the resistless mass that the line was sharply defined, and one house was cut in two. One hundred and fifteen people were buried. One home was left on the very verge, of which the doors were open, the fire burned, the table was set, the coffee was hot, but no living soul was left. The head of the household was saved, but his entire family, who were out looking at the mountain fall, were lost. The debris dammed up a river, for which a channel was blasted afresh. New soil was carried into the valley, and spread over the ruins where harvests now smile again, and the people go about their work as if there were no such thing as an avalanche in this humbling and crumbling world.

The process of change in earth levels in all lands is illustrated in your unpaved back yard or village street after heavy rains. Each tiny rivulet no larger than your little finger has its floods, its narrower limits where it runs in its square foot of harder soil, and is thereby pinched sideways, its sudden shallowing and widening where the soil is softer, and the panic stricken ants or be-draggled beetles are caught in their miniature world and routed as men are on a larger scale. Ten feet square of back yard may illustrate the succession of events which make seas shallower and mountains lower. The surcharged warm cloud gets a chill as it crosses the head of some dignified peak, the sudden condensation upsets the shower out of the atmosphere's myriad cell buckets, and the torrent rushes down the breasts and limbs of the mountains so swiftly that the surprised soil catches the spirit of panic and forgets to obey gravitation until it finds itself at sea and almost out of sight of shore. That transfer of earth leaves the hills thinner and deposits that which makes the river or bay or sea somewhat less deep. People live in the lowlands near their grain and fruits, and these thrive on the alluvium washed down by torrents and flood. That theft of matter makes the mountains bareheaded and puts the valley under obligation to the storms which feed the crops with plant nutrient stolen from above. Like man, the harvests lift their eyes to the hills, whence their help comes. The mountains are being carried into the sea, and man demands tribute as they pass.

The forces of nature and the elements in battle, like the gospel, are levelers. They bring down the mighty and lift up the lowly. One of these days the earth must be resurveyed. The aspirations of the hills will have been reduced; the depths of the rivers, bays and oceans will be less. Men who journey by water may return to the plans and proportions that best suited those who built the ark, and they may see that Noah knew something about shipbuilding, notwithstanding our Americans, Aurantians and Campanians. David may have had a thought of all this when he said, "The hills melted like wax at the presence of the Lord." Isaiah wrote, "The mountains flowed down at thy presence." Ezekiel said, "The mountain shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall fall." If those Alpine dwellers at Elm read their Bibles, they must have thought of these passages after they recovered from their surprise.—Northwestern Christian advocate.

Softening the Expression.

"See here, Jones, I never thought you were a liar, but I overheard you tell Miss Gordon last night that her face was a perfect dream. What d'ye say to that?"

"Well, say, she's a perfect nightmare, isn't she?"

"You're telling the truth now."

"Well, that's what I told her, only I softened the expression a little."—New York Recorder

NEED OF AN ENGAGED GIRLS' CLUB.

Difficulties of Lovemaking in the Parlor of a Boarding House.

"If you want to start a real fetching philanthropy," remarked the retired bachelor maid, "just please found a club for engaged girls that live in boarding houses. The object of course would be to provide some private, perfectly nice retreat, where said engaged girls could entertain their sweethearts. You've no idea of the need of such a place. As things are now, nearly every 'bespoke' bachelor maid in New York city is obliged to receive the dearest fellow in the world in a boarding house parlor, unless of course she is flating it, in which case the presence of the three or four other bachelor maids who are flating it with her is anything but pleasant."

"Take my own case. At the time I decided to renounce the pomps and vanities of the girl bachelor world I was living in a boarding house. I leave you to imagine the trials and tribulations that Harry and I underwent during the period of our engagement. We had absolutely no place in which to spend our precious evenings together except the public parlor, where we were liable to interruption at any moment."

"By Jove, I can't stand this!" cried Harry one evening after a tortured half hour of decorously sitting on opposite sides of the room and conversing about Shakespeare and the musical glasses. "This is worse than hades. I'll hire a hall if there's no other way."

"We finally settled it by going way up town each evening to some friends of my mother's, who kindly lent their drawing room for the purpose of our lovemaking. It was very inconvenient, however. Otherwise, though, all our courting would have had to be done after marriage. There are more cases like ours in New York city than you might suspect. It's dreadfully hard on sweethearts. Yes, if some public spirited individual wants to immortalize himself in the name of matrimony, let him or her found 'The Engaged Girls' club,' to whose house all the betrothed young people that live in boarding houses may resort. Depend upon it, it's a charity that would take. Thousands of suffering boarding house couples all over the city would rise up and call any such philanthropist most blessed indeed."—New York Sun.

ON RONCADOR ISLAND.

What Was Found by a Party in Search of Marooned Sailors.

In 1892 the gunboat Partridge was sent by the commodore to ascertain the truth or otherwise of a statement that some men were marooned on Roncador, a small coral island (300 by 200 feet) or cove in the Caribbean sea. On arriving at Roncador it was found occupied by sea birds, especially boobies, in enormous number. Some huts were also observed. On landing and entering the largest hut the following picture met the gaze of the explorers: Half sitting, half reclining, on a high trestle bed, and partially supported by a makeshift crutch, was something rigid and angular within a moldy cotton shirt and canvas trousers. Two rusty pannikins were close at hand and fragments of skeleton on the floor. These consisted of a skull, vertebrae and some long bones. On the bed were the bones of a hand, and a number of land crabs scuttled about. The floor was covered with sea birds' eggs, and many more were found packed and salted in wooden boxes. Some empty cruet bottles were found near the eggs and a box containing papers which showed him to be a Dutchman. He had served in the militia.

The medical officer was able to determine from an examination of the skeleton that it belonged to a lad under 20 years of age. In another hut was found the body of an old negro. The story is clear enough. The well built hut showed that the men had come prepared to stay awhile. The empty boxes showed that food had been at one time abundant. Then provisions ran short. The men subsisted for a time on sea birds' eggs, and water was apparently plentiful. Men cannot live long on eggs and brackish water. Scurvy must occur. This is the secret of the crutch in the cabin. Disease had crippled before it killed this young man. This explanation rests entirely on circumstantial evidence, but evidence so complete and convincing, the reasoning so sound, yet apparently so simple, as to make one exclaim on reading it, Surely this is the way of Zadig!—London News.

Dr. Newman Smythe's Discovery.

Several years ago the happy thought occurred to me that a newspaper reporter was a human being, who, like other human beings, was under the necessity of making his living by diligent work, and that he was therefore not to be treated as an enemy of mankind. Since I made that discovery I have found no class of men more quick to respond or willing to pay careful regard to the courtesies and the confidence of gentlemanly intercourse. And whenever I have myself met newspaper men fairly and frankly I have never known one of them intentionally to misrepresent or to abuse such confidence. My experience leads me to conclude that if citizens generally would help newspaper men in all legitimate inquiries the public would have less reason to complain either of inaccurate or improper news.—Hartford Courant.

Robert Burns.

It is amusing to learn that Burns, when just emerging from obscurity, jocularly anticipated that his birthday would come to be noted among other remarkable events. In a letter to his early patron, Gavin Hamilton, in 1786, he says: "For my own affairs I am in a fair way of becoming as eminent as Thomas a Kempis or John Bunyan, and you may henceforth expect to see my birthday inscribed among the wonderful events in the Poor Robin and Aberdeen Almanacs along with the Black Monday and the battle of Bothwell Bridge."—Philadelphia Ledger.

TRIED TO KILL THE FAMILY.

Bloody Work Done by a Young Man Who Was Disinherited.

PEKIN, Ills., Feb. 21.—Albert Wallace, a dissipated, reckless young man living with his sister and her husband, O. B. Bolby, twelve miles south of here, shot his sister, her husband, and a boy living with the family. The shooting was done with a double-barreled shotgun, and the wounds inflicted are thought to be fatal in the case of the husband, who is shot through the head.

The trouble leading up to the tragedy is of long duration, growing out of the disinheriting of Wallace by his father, who was killed in 1890, in favor of Mrs. Bolby. The murderer came to Pekin after the shooting and surrendered to the sheriff, who placed him in jail.

Wisconsin Legislative Notes.

MADISON, Feb. 21.—In the senate the committee on claims reported for passage the bill providing for payment of necessary traveling expenses of the labor commissioner in lieu of a contingent fund. The committee on state affairs reported adversely the bill requiring children to be vaccinated before two years old, and all persons to be vaccinated on order of the board of health. In the assembly Hanson offered a joint resolution favoring the annexation of Canada. Blake objected and the resolution was not entertained. The committee on state affairs reported the substitute of the A. R. U. blacklisting bill with a recommendation that it pass.

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

OFFICIAL.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, ANN ARBOR, FEB. 18th, 1895.

Regular session. Called to order by President Wines. Roll called. Quorum present. Absent—Ald. Allmendinger.

Ald. Manly moved that the journal of the last session of the Common Council, as printed, be corrected so as to include the following:

The Clerk and Assessor each one thousand dollars per annum, the City Attorney six hundred dollars per annum, the City Treasurer one hundred dollars per annum.

And further amended and striking out all after the word "allow" on line seventeen and including the word "office" in line twenty-one.

After the words "The Mayor and each member of the Common Council shall be paid one hundred dollars per annum," on page 157 of printed report.

Adopted.

Subject to this correction the journal of the last session was approved.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

A petition signed by Fred Harpst and 19 other free holders and residents of the sixth ward, asking for the location of an electric light on the corner of Packard and East University Avenue, was read and referred to the Committee on Lighting.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, ANN ARBOR, FEB. 18, 1895.

To the Honorable Common Council: According to the provision of the charter, I hereby appoint, subject to your approval, James W. Green to the office of Poundmaster in the City of Ann Arbor.

C. G. DARLING, Mayor.

Ald. Prettyman moved that the appointment of James W. Green as Poundmaster be confirmed.

Adopted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Committee on Police asked for further time to report in the case of Hugh Johnson.

Granted.

COMMITTEE ON BONDS.

Chairman Prettyman submitted the bond of Glen V. Mills as City Clerk with F. G. Schleicher and John Burg as sureties.

Bond accepted.

COMMITTEE ON SEWERS.

To the Honorable Common Council:

Your Committee on Sewers, to whom was referred the matter of the Fifth Ward Main Sewer, would report that after careful consideration of the same, they are of the opinion that the building of said sewer should be deferred for the present. We find that in a communication from the school board, referred to your Committee, that said board do not deem it desirable that the public school for the Fifth ward be connected with the city sewer system, and further believing that a majority of the taxpayers of said ward are not in favor of same at this time; therefore your Committee recommend that the building of said sewer be postponed until a majority of taxpayers of said ward ask for it. Respectfully submitted, ARTHUR J. KITSON, H. J. BROWN, CHRIST. MARTIN, FRANK WOOD, P. L. BODMER, C. H. MANLY.

Ald. Manly moved that the report be received and placed on file.

Adopted.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON CITY OFFICES.

To the Honorable Common Council:

Your Special Committee, to whom was referred the question of city offices, beg leave to make the following report:

We have considered the plans furnished by the City Engineer and have authorized him to draft a second set to include our recommendations.

We consider the design preferable for the following reasons: there are fewer alterations to be made, and the cost of making the necessary changes will be much less. It will give the fire department the advantage of a wide street for exit or entrance, and the use of the present walk built for that purpose at a great expense.

That if at any future time it is deemed desirable to change the location of the city offices to another building, the contemplated addition is so designed that two or even three new truck or engine rooms, with accommodations for necessary horses can be fitted up at a small expense.

It gives ample accommodations for a city lock-up, with outside light and ventilation; a thing not accomplished by the first plan. There is also provided an extra stall to be used in case of sickness among the horses of the department. A wash room for the apparatus of the department is designed immediately in connection with a tower for washing and drying hose. It is also possible, with the second plan, to drive through the building

from the rear to the front, an advantage in taking in hay, grain, etc. We therefore recommend: First that the City Engineer be instructed to complete the second plan and furnish specifications for the construction of the same. Third, that he include in his plans and estimates such alterations in the present building as will enable it to be properly heated by steam, and accommodate all necessary plumbing. That he furnish estimates for excavating under the same and for replacing the present brick partition walls with iron posts and steel joists. Respectfully submitted, L. D. WINKS, FRANK WOOD, W. L. TAYLOR, Special Committee on City Offices.

Ald. Wood moved that the Council take a recess of five minutes to consider plans submitted by the committee.

Adopted. At the expiration of the allotted time the Council was called to order by Pres. Wines.

The report of the committee was accepted and adopted.

The Clerk submitted the following bids for printing the Amended Sewer Specifications and Plumbers' Rules: Beakes & Hammond, Ann Arbor Courier and Sid W. Millard.

Ald. Martin moved that the bids be referred to the Finance Committee.

Adopted.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Ald. Brown:

Resolved, That the Board of Public Works be and are hereby ordered to defer advertising for bids for the construction of the Fifth ward sewer until further orders from the council.

Adopted.

By Ald. Manly:

Resolved, That the Board of Public Work submit to this Council at its next regular meeting a statement showing the different sizes of sewer pipe, the number of feet of each size used in the construction of the main sewer, the amount of and kind of material on hand, the amount paid engineers and assistants, the amount paid foreman, also amount paid for day labor, also the location of and the number of cross-walks built during the year 1894, the kind of material used and the cost thereof, including labor, also a full and complete inventory of all city property under their control.

The resolution prevailed as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Wagner, Bodmer, Martin, Wood, Snyder, Ferguson, Brown, Manly, Taylor, Kitson, Prettyman, Pres. Wines—12.

Nays—None.

By Ald. Wagner:

Resolved, That Charles E. Greene be allowed four hundred and fifty dollars for his services as consulting engineer on the main sewer.

Ald. Manly moved that the resolution be referred to the Finance Committee for investigation.

Ald. Prettyman moved as a substitute that the matter be referred to the City Attorney.

The substitute prevailed as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Wagner, Bodmer, Martin, Wood, Snyder, Ferguson, Brown, Manly, Taylor, Kitson, Prettyman, Pres. Wines—12.

Nays—None.

By Ald. Prettyman:

Resolved, That the Poundmaster be authorized to use the barn at his place, No. 371 Wall street, as a dog pound until further provision is made by the City Council.

Adopted.

By Ald. Ferguson:

Resolved, That twenty-five dollars are hereby appropriated from the Water Fund to employ a clerk to assist the Water Committee in preparing a report on revising the water rates.

Ald. Prettyman offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That the chairman of the Water Committee be authorized to employ such assistance in preparing a report as may be necessary.

Which prevailed as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Wagner, Bodmer, Martin, Wood, Snyder, Ferguson, Brown, Manly, Taylor, Kitson, Prettyman, Pres. Wines—12.

Nays—None.

By Ald. Wood:

Resolved, That the sum of thirty-five dollars be appropriated from the Contingent Fund for the purpose of having drafted bills ordered by this Council to be presented to the Legislature at its present session, and that a warrant for that amount be drawn to the order of the City Attorney.

Which prevailed as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Wagner, Bodmer, Martin, Wood, Snyder, Ferguson, Brown, Manly, Taylor, Kitson, Prettyman, Pres. Wines—12.

Nays—None.

Ald. Manly moved that the Council go into committee of the whole to consider the bill before the Legislature providing for a charter reincorporating cities of the third class.

Motion failed.

Ald. Wood moved that when the Council adjourn it adjourn until Monday, Feb. 25, at 8 o'clock p. m., to consider the above charter.