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Phoenix Lodge, F. & A. M., Celebrated That Event.

AGED PIONEER DEAD

Jesse P. Gillett, a Well Known Resident of Sharon.

Prof. A. D. DeWitt, the Democratic Candidate for County School Commissioner. — A Brief Sketch of His Life.

Monday was a veritable Masonic day in Ypsilanti, and it was characterized by the presence of the largest body of Masons that has ever gathered at one time in that city. The occasion was the 50th anniversary of the institution of Phoenix Lodge, No. 13, F. & A. M. Masons were present from Milan, Saline, Dexter, Chelsea and Belleville, and other surrounding towns, together with over 100 members of the craft from Ann Arbor. During the afternoon and evening the third degree was worked three times on as many different candidates. At 2 o'clock Phoenix Lodge worked the degree on W. L. Fuller, at 4 o'clock Frank Creech had the degree conferred on him by Ypsilanti Lodge, and at 8 o'clock Fraternity Lodge, No. 262, of Ann Arbor, did their finest work in putting the finishing touches on Bert Comstock's blue lodge initiation, before a lodge room filled with 249 members of the craft.

Speaking of the work of Fraternity Lodge the Ypsilanti editor of the Washington Evening Times said: "It goes without saying to those who witnessed the conferring of the degrees upon the three candidates that Fraternity Lodge excelled in magnificence, impressiveness and dramatic presentation of the work. Their exemplification was perfect and it is doubtful if there is a lodge in the country that can excel our neighbors and brothers in the character of the work to be done in the third degree. It created a lasting impression on all who witnessed it and lent an encouraging influence for Masonry in this city. They had a candidate to work upon who was perfection and all to be desired, and found that he could fight as well as pray, and pray as well as fight."

One of the pleasantest hours of the evening was that spent in Light Guard hall where 251 hungry Masons were regaled with an excellent supper served by the ladies of Ypsilanti Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star. The menu was fine and the service of the ladies was equal to the menu.

After supper Past Master L. C. Goodrich, of Ann Arbor, was called to the chair as toastmaster, and for nearly an hour toasts and speeches were made in a happy strain by Bros. W. H. Gnequin, of Ypsilanti, L. D. Wines, of Ann Arbor, C. L. Stevens, of Ypsilanti, H. Wirt Newkirk, of Dexter, W. L. Pack, of Ypsilanti, W. M. Ward, of Chelsea, M. M. Read, of Ypsilanti, F. G. Novy, of Ann Arbor, and Rev. Wm. Gardam, of Ypsilanti.

DEATH OF JESSE P. GILLETT.

An Aged Pioneer of Washtenaw County Is No More.

Uncle Jesse P. Gillett, one of the oldest pioneers of Sharon township, died Friday, of general debility, at the home of his daughter Mrs. Van Ness, in Marshall, which had been his home for the past 10 years, aged 82 years.

Mr. Gillett was one of a family of six children, four brothers and two sisters, who came with their parents Amasa and Esther Dunn Gillett to Michigan from Ontario, N. Y., and located in Sharon in 1833. Two of the brothers John K. and Daniel D., became Methodist ministers, but all are now dead. His two sisters Sarah and Altha E., married respectively Wm. Bowers and John J. Robison, of Sharon.

His remains were brought to the home of Wm. Bowers in Sharon, where the funeral services were held Monday, Rev. D. H. Yokom, of Manchester, preaching the sermon. The remains were followed to their last resting place in the Gillett cemetery, close to his old home in Sharon, by a large number of his old friends and relatives.

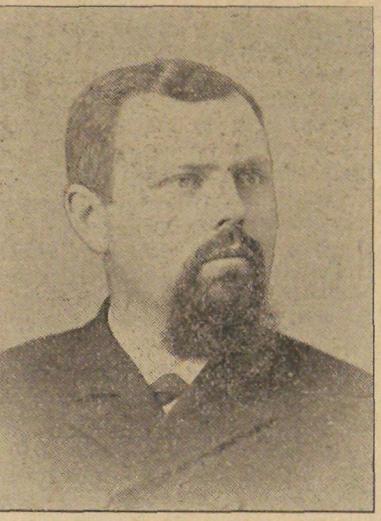
Death of a Well Known Character.

John Forth, for 40 years past a well known character in the rural districts of this county, and who was perhaps better known as "John the Fourth," died in Northfield on Saturday, at the age of about 70 years. He has traveled around on foot through the farming sections all those years with his little kit of tools cleaning and mending watches and clocks, taking his meals and sleeping at farmer's houses wherever he chanced to be. It is not known that he was ever married. He was a very devout Catholic and was always a faithful attendant at the services of his church. He has been known to walk as great a distance as 15 miles to attend a Catholic funeral. He was a man of very temperate habits and neither smoked, chewed, drank or swore. He was much respected by those who knew him.

PROF. ALTON D. DEWITT.

The Democratic Candidate for County Commissioner of Schools.

Prof. Alton D. DeWitt, whose portrait is here given, is the democratic nominee for county commissioner of schools. He is 40 years of age and has resided in this county for the past eight years. He has had 16 years' experience in school work and is at present principal of the high school of Dexter, a position which he has held for the past three years, to the satisfaction of the patrons of the school. He is a graduate of Hutson's Commercial College of Cleveland, Ohio, and of the Flint, Mich., high school. He received a life certificate as a teacher at the Michigan State Normal School at Ypsilanti, in



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1885 and took the degree of Bachelor of Pedagogy at the same school in 1892, finishing the six years' course. It will be seen that he is well equipped for the position to which he aspires and that he has spent years in securing an education for his life work, that of teaching. Mr. DeWitt is not a master of the politicians' arts of securing votes, and for that reason and to more emphatically emphasize the divorce of schools and politics he should be given the hearty support of the friends of the common schools.

Independent Order of Foresters. The eleventh annual convention of the Michigan High Court, Independent Order of Foresters, met in Port Huron Tuesday and Wednesday with the largest attendance in the history of the high court. All of the 231 courts in this state were represented and the delegates were a very representative class of citizens. The report of the officers showed the order to be in a prosperous condition in this state, as is also the order as a whole.

The report of High Secretary John Chambers showed the present membership in this state to be 10,850, a net increase during the past 12 months of 1,750. Nineteen courts were instituted during the year, four suspended and one consolidated, making the number now in existence 231. The total number of applications considered during the year was 3,112 and the number accepted 2,850; the total number approved being 34 more than in any previous year. The number of deaths during the year was 37 and the amount paid to beneficiaries \$47,500. The receipts of the high court during the year for dues and supplies were \$9,406.44; disbursements, \$9,646.84; balance on hand, \$3,157.85.

Had Three Trials.

The third trial of the young men charged with disturbing a religious meeting in the town of Augusta, came on before Justice Pond on Friday. One of them, Claude Pool, failed to put in an appearance, and his bond was declared forfeited and he was ordered to be rearrested.

Of the other four, Lee Rose, Theodore Burgess, and Chester Hall were found guilty.

A fine of \$5 each and costs \$45

each was entered up against them, in default of the payment of which they were committed to jail.

Harvey Rose was acquitted.

On Monday Claude Pool, who jumped his bail bond, was brought to the city by his bondsmen and placed in jail.

Theodore Burgess has appealed the case against him to the circuit court and is now out on bail.

Wants Her Alimony.

Susan A. Dean, of Grand Ledge, who has been recently divorced from Thomas Jenson, he being confined in the state prison, has brought suit in the circuit court to have certain property belonging to Jenson and which is situated in the village of Chelsea, sold in order that she may obtain the \$300 permanent alimony granted by the decree of divorce and a \$50 attorney's fee. She claims that Jenson transferred the property in question in order to defraud her of her rights and she wants the transfer set aside.

To Tax the Bachelors.

Representative Donovan, of Bay, has introduced a bill at Lansing to punish the men that remain single by making them pay a tax. This bill provides that when a man reaches the age of 35 and has not taken unto himself a wife, he shall pay a tax of \$25, and \$5 additional for each year after that. If the bachelor victim can stand this cumulative system of taxation until 45, he will pay \$75 for that year, and then he will be permitted to go on in his bachelorhood free from further taxation.

AFTER THE SALOONS

The Anti-Saloon League Files Charges With the Mayor.

THEIR MAIN CHARGE

Selling Liquor to a Minor Who Attempts Suicide.

He is a Married Man.—Other Charges Are That Saloons Keep Open Illegally.—Affidavits in Support of the Charges.

The latter part of last week Mayor Walker received a petition from a committee of the Anti-Saloon League of Ann Arbor, calling his attention to the fact that the provisions of the general liquor law of this state were being frequently and constantly violated, and especially that there were repeated violations of section 13 of said act forbidding the sale of intoxicating liquors to minors, and also of section 17 of said act requiring all saloons to be closed on Sundays, on election days and legal holidays, and on each week day night from and after the hour of 9 o'clock until 7 o'clock of the morning of the succeeding day, etc."

The committee had also annexed to their petition in support of its assertions the affidavit of one Wm. A. Wheeler, who stated that he was 20 years of age, married, and that his family consisted of his wife, her four years old child by a former husband, and her sister. He further stated that Feb. 8th, he purchased whiskey and wine at several different saloons which made him so intoxicated and despondent that he took a large dose of chloroform so that his life was endangered and was only saved by the earnest efforts of Drs. Simon N. Yutzy and C. K. Labuis, who were called in to treat him. The affidavits of Drs. Yutzy and Labuis affirming his statements, are also given. The affidavits of Perry F. Trowbridge, Prof. V. M. Spalding, Rev. J. T. Sunderland, Irving R. Edwards and Irving M. Goodwin, setting forth that a large number of the saloons in Ann Arbor violate the provisions of the state law in regard to the hour of opening and closing saloons, are also attached to the petition.

The committee also requested that the mayor, as the chief executive officer of the city, would see that the provisions of the statute were enforced, giving as their reason therefor that "they believe it is a much better policy to have the laws enforced by the constituted authorities, who are elected and appointed for that purpose by the people of our city, rather than by the action of individual citizens, and they hope that the officers of the city will perform this very necessary duty and obviate the necessity of prosecutions for that purpose being carried on by individual citizens independent of the constituted authorities."

The petition is dated Feb. 18, 1897, and is signed by W. S. Perry, W. N. Brown, J. T. Sunderland, V. M. Spalding, W. W. Beman and N. W. Cheever.

Under the direction of Mayor Walker the city police have been busy during the week investigating the charges made by the League.

At a meeting of the ordinance committee of the common council held yesterday afternoon, the city attorney was instructed to draft an ordinance regulating the sale of liquor in this city. Among other provisions it will provide that the saloons shall be allowed to keep open until 10 p.m. standard time. That the proprietors shall in all respects keep the law as fixed by the state legislature, and in case of a violation of such law the cases may be brought before the justices of the peace and be disposed of by them instead of being carried into the circuit court and adjourned from time to time as is now the case.

Celebrated Her 93d Anniversary.

On Friday, a large number of relatives assembled at the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Hicks, of Ann Arbor town, to celebrate the 93d birthday anniversary of Mrs. H. B. Wright, mother of Mrs. Hicks. Mrs. Wright was taken by surprise, but entertained her guests most graciously. She was made the recipient of a beautiful chair and rug and other gifts. A poem was read, refreshments served and a day spent long to be remembered. Those present were Mrs. Watson Geer, Mr. and Mrs. Philo Galpin, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Galpin, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Galpin, Mrs. and Mrs. Thomas Geer, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Geer, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Geer, of Superior; Mrs. Joseph Pray, of Whitmore Lake; Mr. Stephen Geer, of Oakland county; Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Lewis, of Ypsilanti; Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hiscock, of Ann Arbor; Mr. and Mrs. T. J. De Forest and daughter, of Ann Arbor; Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Sutton, of Northfield; Mrs. Burbank and daughter, Mr. Fred Hicks, Miss P. A. Wheelock, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Hicks, Miss Grace Hicks, Emma W. Littlejohn, of Ypsilanti and others.

Now, who does Bro. Pond mean when he penned those last few words? Was it S—t, or S—r, or M—d, or N—s, or D—n, or G—z, or who was it, anyhow, Pond?

MICHIGAN G. A. R.

Adjutant Pond Makes a Report as to Its Condition.

Col. Pond, Assistant Adjutant General of the Michigan Department, G. A. R., has forwarded to national headquarters his report of the condition of the department for the six months ending December 31 last. The number of posts in the department at that date was 382, and number of members 16,096. The amount expended for relief during the last calendar year was \$3,001.00. There was a balance of \$9,330.16 in the general post fund and \$2,307.80 in the relief fund. The losses for the entire year were as follows: By death, 343; transfers, 314; honorable discharge, 99; suspensions, 1,306. Five posts surrendered their charters. Six new posts were organized and nine revived. The gains included 578 new members, 260 by transfer and 1,308 by reinstatement of suspended members.

Every post in the department is in good standing, having made all reports as required. This condition has not been attained before in a number of years, and is largely due to Col. Pond's activity. Naturally Col. Pond is greatly pleased with the result of his labors. In addition to his other duties, he has nearly completed systematizing the records of the office.

Deaths of Three Aged Women. Three deaths of aged and highly respected women of Ypsilanti, have occurred in as many days.

Mrs. Phoebe Jane Lytle, of Summit st., left home Saturday morning for a visit with her son in Grand Rapids. She was in good health apparently as ever, but within an hour of the time of her arrival in Grand Rapids she died, the immediate cause of the demise being apoplexy of the heart. The deceased was 67 years of age and had been a resident of this city for the past 10 years, having moved here from Leeland station, where the previous quarter of a century of her life had been spent. She leaves three sons and two daughters. The funeral was held at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Edna Hinman died Sunday at her late residence, 109 Park st., at the age of 80 years. The deceased was a consistent member of the Presbyterian church. The funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Sarah Bryant died Tuesday at her home on Cheery Hill, at the age of 68 years. The funeral was held Wednesday. —Times.

Marriage Licenses.

3229. August Waidelich, 23, Ann Arbor; Addie Minkley, 18, same.

3230. Vincent Critenden, 28, Ann Arbor; Olga B. Laubengayer, 26, same.

3231. Elvia Clair Derrickson, 23, Ann Arbor; Elizabeth Gilbert Robinson, 18, Battle Creek.

3232. Karl E. Gauss, 23 Ann Arbor; Anna Henrietta Wehner, 20, same.

3233. John M. Kotts, 25, Sharon; Hattie E. Gieseke, 21, same.

3234. Suppressed.

3235. Joshua Grant Leland, 27, Kirkwood, Mo.; Jennie Lou Campbell, 22, Sharon.

3236. Andrew McHenry, 21,

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WASHTENAWISMS.

All the ice houses at Hamburg Junction have been filled with ice.

Toledo parties are buying beans at Hamburg paying 40 and 50 cents per bushel for them.

The Mooreville Maccabees are making preparations for their annual anniversary celebration.

A recent donation at Unadilla for the benefit of Rev. H. B. Dunning, pastor of the Presbyterian church, netted \$32.45.

A donation at the Baptist church, Chelsea, Wednesday evening of last week, netted \$54.10 for the pastor, Rev. J. H. Girdwood.

The members of the Saline fire company will put on a play at the opera house, March 6, the cast of which will be taken by local talent.

A number of Hamburg ladies will in the near future, endeavor to elevate humanity by indulging in a female "nigger show."—Oakland Excelsior.

Miss Josephine Davidson, of Ann Arbor, assisted by Chelsea talent, gave a dialect entertainment at the Baptist church in that village, Tuesday evening, which was well attended.

Thomas Wilson, of Milan, was 91 years old Thursday of last week. He still enjoys good physical health and is able to walk out a good deal on fine days.

Rev. J. Ward Stone, of Milan, has accepted the pastorate of the First Baptist church of Aurelius, Ingham county, a church of more than two hundred members, and begins work at once.

Hamburg seems destined to boom despite the removal of its railroad residents. It is reported that four families are anxious to move into the village, but cannot owing to scarcity of houses.—Oakland Excelsior.

The "free seat offering" of the Chelsea M. E. society, will be held at the church this evening. Supper will be served and a fine program has been prepared for the occasion which, will be a pleasant and sociable event.

The young friends of Miss Carrie Baries, of Lima, stole a march on her Monday evening of last week, and gave her a surprise party in honor of her 19th birthday. A most enjoyable evening's fun was the result.

The seniors of the Chelsea high school gave a box social at the home of Miss May Wood, in Lima, Monday evening, which was attended by nearly every member of the class and was a bright and pleasing social event.

A meeting of Lafayette Grange was held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Burk, of Lima, yesterday, at which the creamery question was further discussed, also the question "Should the law providing for the collection of farm statistics be repealed."

The oldest daughter of Mrs. Mary E. Newton, of Whittaker, died in Grand Rapids, the first part of last week, and the remains were brought back to Whittaker for interment, the funeral services being held at the Congregational church, Wednesday of last week.

A donation was held at the Congregational church, Chelsea, Wednesday evening, for the benefit of Rev. J. S. Edmonds and family. A musical program by the choir of the church, assisted by the Misses Alta Beach and White, of Ann Arbor, was rendered during the evening. The donation netted a nice sum.

The Masonic lodge in Saline and the Davenport building in which its rooms are located, had a narrow escape from a serious fire Tuesday night of last week. Wm. Brainard, the tyler of the lodge, went up that evening to get things in readiness for the meeting. He had only kerosene oil enough to fill the small lamps, and after filling them went and had the can refilled, out of which he filled the larger lamps. He lit a few of the small ones, but left the larger ones until a little later. In the mean time he prepared the wood and kindlings in the front stove and to start the fire quickly poured from can a small quantity of its contents on the kindlings, and after putting away the can lit the contents of the stove, which instantly exploded, proving to the innocent tyler that his newly purchased kerosene oil was no more than gasoline.

The quantity in the stove being only a few spoonfuls no serious results followed, but had he fired up the two big lamps, which contained more than half a gallon, he would doubtless have been badly burned and the fire company had a chance to put in some fine practice work.—Saline Observer.

The charter election in the villages in this county will be held Monday, March 8.

William Drake will have charge of his mother's farm in Sylvan, the coming season.

Orren Parker, of Dexter, is drawing the lumber for a big barn which will be erected in the spring.

Mrs. George Simmonds, of Chelsea, slipped on the veranda of her home Friday week and broke her leg.

Mrs. Thomas Bogg, of Dexter, suffered a stroke of paralysis Saturday week, and her condition is considered critical.

The members of the Webster Literary Club will meet at the home of Miss Kate Smith, in that town, this evening and "trip the light fantastic."

Herbert K. Burrell, George Scotty and J. E. Warner will be candidates for nomination on the republican ticket for treasurer of Ypsilanti town this spring.

Herman Meyer died at his home in Sharon, Wednesday of last week, of liver complaint. The funeral services were held at Emanuel's church, Manchester, on Friday.

Will Westfall has rented the Conklin farm in Bridgewater and will move there next month. Henry Calhoun of the same township has rented his farm to William Schneiring.

Prof. Joshua G. Leland, of the Kirkwood, Mo., military academy, and Miss Jennie Lou Campbell, were married Monday at the home of the bride's parents in Sharon.

The Ypsilanti city council at its last meeting endorsed the proposed amendment to the city charter, extending the mayor's term to two years, but defeated the other amendments.

The Manchester Enterprise says its editor has talked with a good many men who raise celery and it finds that the acreage to be planted this season will be greater than it has ever been before.

Deputy Game Warden Rose has been on the lookout for violators of the fish laws. Some people have an idea that they can spear fish through the ice whenever they choose, but they better look a little out.—Manchester Enterprise.

Glen C. Lawrence, of Ypsilanti, who recently moved there from Lansing and bought the old Andrew Clark place one mile west of Ypsilanti, has been appointed to a clerkship in the Port Huron custom house.

Phoenix Lodge, No. 13, F. & A. M., of Ypsilanti, celebrated its 50th anniversary Monday, and Masons from Ann Arbor, Milan, Saline and other places helped the brethren celebrate the event in a most fitting manner.

George Reade, sr., of North Lake, dropped a croissant saw on his leg and inflicted only a slight wound, to which he paid but little attention. Before he got through with it inflammation set in and he had a very serious time before the inflammation was allayed.

The Ann Arbor railroad don't know Pettysville any more. So far as they are concerned it is a Pompeii of two or three centuries ago. Some enterprising or curious individual may come along in a thousand years and try to locate and dig it out.—Milan Leader.

The officers of the Mooreville Baptist Sunday school for the ensuing year are: Superintendent, J. D. Forsythe; assistant superintendent, J. H. Boyden; secretary, James Boyden, jr.; treasurer, W. L. Clark; organist, C. M. Fuller; chorister, M. A. Stoddard.

T. VanGiesen & Son, of Bridgewater, sold several merino ram lambs to A. A. Wood, of Saline, delivering them Tuesday of last week. Mr. Wood will make a shipment either to Australia or South Africa, and these lambs will be included in the shipment.—Clinton Local.

Subscription papers for shares of stock in the proposed creamery at Saline are being circulated. But "unless those who expect to reap some good from the enterprise are willing to come to the front and help it along, the project will fall through and the old style hard work and low prices will be the outcome," says the Saline Observer.

Miss Minnie Randall, who teaches in the Allen district, Bridgewater, has received a library of 40 volumes, including Chambers' encyclopedia, which the school has been able to purchase with the proceeds of its exhibitions and subscriptions. The scholars are to be commended for their energy and perseverance.

Mr. Sebastian Gehring, of Freedom, and Miss Grace Dickerson, of Bridgewater, were married at St. Francis' church, in Freedom, Thursday of last week, by Rev. Fr. Heidenrich. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Charles Dickerson, which was attended by the relatives and friends of the newly wedded couple.

S. Clark, a machinist in the Scharf tag, label and box factory at Ypsilanti, was badly scalded Monday morning. He was sitting in front of the heater in the engine room when suddenly the door blew open, letting a large amount of boiling water and steam out upon him. He was badly scalded about both legs, hands, shoulders, neck and face, but while the wounds are painful they will not disfigure him.

The officers of St. Mary's Sodality of St. Mary's church, Chelsea, for the ensuing year are: Prefect, Miss Varina Beissell; first assistant, Miss Mary Miller; second assistant, Miss Anna Beissell; secretary, Miss Alice Muller; treasurer, Miss Katharine Miller; organist, Miss Mary Clark; reader, Miss Anna McKune; sacristan, Miss Ida Keusch; marshal, Miss Jennie Gordon and Miss Agnes Wade.

Several changes are to be made this spring among those who live on rented farms in the town of Bridgewater. Mr.

Sweet will move to the Halliday farm which, for several years has been worked by Jake Rentschler; Will Westphal will work the Conklin place, while Henry Calhoun has rented his farm to Will Schneiring, and will move to Manchester in April. Hebron Fellows will occupy the house soon to be vacated by Mrs. Helen Dickerson, and Jasper Arnold, one of Wm. Hanke's houses.

Geo. Hammond, who has been sick for over four weeks with bronchitis and asthma, is able to be out again.

Adrian Press Items.
 Chelsea's nerves and cords are strained in an effort to found a butter and ice foundry in the village.

A temperance play at Ransom, failed last week, for the lack of a "full" audience. Friends of the cause regret this.

Saline is so overrun by life insurance agents that it is as much as a man's life is worth to go out on the street among them.

Feller, over in Saline rises up in the Free Press and kicks for six days school a week, and 12 hours a day. Boys, you have been aching all the term to pelt some deserving subject to death with snow balls. There's your man.

The Manchester Enterprise states that it has proof that salted butter weighs less than fresh butter, and claims that farmers who oversalt their butter, fool themselves. If this is true, no farmer who lets a 250 pound barrel of salt drop on his toes, need hobble into this office for sympathy, as the salt actually weighs less than nothing.

A tramp at Ann Arbor attempted to whip the fire department, to whom he applied for aid, and was directed to Superintendent Mason. Charles Edwards at that moment carelessly yawned, and his outstretched hand, which was closed, came in contact with the eye of the tramp, who fell down, and was given 12 days in jail almost before he recovered consciousness.

The statute provides that for sentences up to and including three years, the prisoner is entitled to 75 days each year for good behavior, so our readers can easily figure out how much over two years Bishop will serve, provided he is a good prisoner.—Ann Arbor Argus.

He may prove a good prisoner, but he was a very "bad actor," and it is thought that the judge took that into consideration in fixing his sentence.

The small boy who goes to school with the buttons on his clothes, his face and hands clean, his hair neatly brushed and a pocket handkerchief in his pocket, has left a mother at home that takes pride in her boy.—Dexter Leader.

And the mother, whose small boy has not come home at night with half the buttons off, his pants ripped in vital places, his hair like a porcupine's back, and snow or mud all over him, and says he either licked the other kid or got licked, has a son whose future will be a humiliating failure.

It was a pretty story about McKinley and Alger years ago, saying to each other, that if either became president, the other would be called into the cabinet.

Now comes the story, that once on a time, so runs a narrative in the Ann Arbor Argus, Gen. Fred Maynard, introduced McKinley to an audience,

with the remark that he was about to present a man, who would some day be president of the United States, whereupon Mack put his hand on his shoulder and said, "Should I ever be president, you shall be one of my cabinet."

On the strength of that remark, Maynard is now expecting a call. Should he get in, on this lightly made promise by a convict at work, "I beg your pardon, governor," said the man; and thereupon Uncle Josiah took from inside of his tile hat, a blank pardon, asked the prisoner's name, filled it in, and the fellow walked forth, a free man.

It was a pretty story about McKinley and Alger years ago, saying to each other, that if either became president, the other would be called into the cabinet.

"Why," said the ordinary, "when a man drops dead, or is killed by an engine, or blown up with dynamite, you simply impanel a jury and sit on him and then render a verdict."

"That's jest what I done two hours ago," said the coroner, "an the citizens ain't kickin'."

"Kickin' about what?"
 "The man what I sot 'em."
 "Well?"

"Well, you see, hit 'uz this away: He drapped by the railroad that an ironed out, 'Boys, I'm dead!'"

"Well?"

"I wuz standin' within three feet of him, an as he hollered them words I jumped him."

"Jumped him?"

"I meau set on him, jest like the coroners air required by law, an, as I weigh right smart, he kep' purty quiet after I landed."

"But he was dead before you reached him, wasn't he?"

"Thar's whar the question comes in. Ain't but one thing erbout it that's shore an certain, an that is he wuz dead when I got up!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Catarrh in the Head

Is a dangerous disease. It may lead directly to consumption. Catarrh is caused by impure blood, and the true way to cure it is by purifying the blood. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures catarrh because it removes the cause of it by purifying the blood. Thousands testify that they have been cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla.

PILGRIM.

An inspector of schools was one day examining a class of village school children, and he asked them what was meant by a pilgrim. A boy answered, "A man what travels from one place to another." The inspector, with elaborate patience, hoping to elucidate intelligence, said: "Well, but I am a man who travels from one place to another. Am I a pilgrim?" Whereupon the boy promptly exclaimed, "Oh, but please, sir, I meant a good man!" I may mention that no one enjoyed that cheerful jest more than the inspector himself. It made him merry for days.—New York Advertiser.

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The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eructions 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.

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Dr. Miles' Heart Cure is sold on guarantee that first bottle benefits, or money refunded.

The Late Wait Peck, of Sharon.

Wait Peck, son of Gideon and Sybil Bristol Peck, was born in Sharon, Conn., Oct. 12, 1807, and was one of a family of five sons and three daughters. At 16 years of age he commenced his apprenticeship to the mason's trade and served four years. He then worked at it for two years in New York city. His father died Nov. 20, 1825, and in 1831 he came to Michigan, riding on the first strip of railroad in America from Schenectady to Albany, the cars being drawn by horses. He bought 160 acres of land in the town of Sharon from the government, the patent bearing the signature of Andrew Jackson, and it was his home until he died there Feb. 6.

He was married in the east to Harriet Mills, Jan. 10, 1833, and returned to Michigan the same year. His eldest son, Virgil Peck, was the first white child born in Sharon township. Of seven children born of this marriage four are now living: Virgil, of Grass Lake; Mrs. A. V. Robinson, of Ann Arbor; Mrs. A. J. Robinson, of Sharon, and Mrs. F. O. Boardman, of Adrian. Mrs. Harriett Mills Peck died April 23, 1854. Mr. Peck was married a second time Oct. 7, 1856 to Mrs. Lucinda North, nee Webster. Of this marriage there is one daughter, Flora May, now Mrs. W. B. North, of Kalamazoo.

When a young man he embraced religion which to him meant very much, being a man of positive convictions. He ever lived to convince his friends that religion was to him worth the having. His was a consistent religious life in the eyes of all his neighbors. He held positions of honor and trust in the church and was for 40 years a class leader at the Gillett church.

In 1833 he went to Kalamazoo to live with his daughter, Mrs. W. B. North. From that time until his death he spent most of the time there, although making long visits on his farm and with his children at Grass Lake and Ann Arbor during the summer months. He came to his old home in Sharon, June last, from which he was borne to the cemetery.

He received the kindest attention from his ever patient and devoted wife and daughter and their family. He was confined to his bed seven weeks and died Saturday evening, Feb. 6, 1897, at 9 o'clock, in his 90th year.

His funeral, which was from the house, was largely attended. His children and many relatives were present to comfort the sorrowing mother.—Manchester Enterprise.

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Constant Employment.

A witty retort is credited to a well known writer and critic, to whom a friend spoke of a young author whose literary efforts are not received with the enthusiasm which he feels them to merit.

"He tells me he is confident of winning fame for himself before long," said the critic's friend, who had lately met the young author, "and in the meantime he revenges himself upon his unfavorable reviewers by laughing at them."

"I envy him," said the critic, heaving a mock sigh. "He must be by all odds the merriest man in this part of the country if he does that."

The Round-Up Meeting.

The Argus is in receipt of a program of the round-up farmers' institute which is to be held this year at St. Louis, Gratiot county, beginning Tuesday afternoon, March 2, and continuing till Friday afternoon, March 5. It is a very strong program and should be of wonderful profit to those that can attend. While every subject is of interest, and will be discussed by experts, special attention is called to the following:

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National Legislature.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The Senate Tuesday resumed consideration of the Indian appropriation bill. After much debate the provision opening to entry the Uncompahgre Indian reservation in Utah, on which are gilsonite deposits, was adopted.

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Next Thursday, March 4, is inauguration day, the beginning of that era of confidence and prosperity which is to dawn upon this nation, according to the promises made by the republican prophets prior to the election last fall.

The republican state convention served notice on the gold democrats that their votes were only wanted for the national election and that absolutely no reward will be given them. If they get into the republican party it must be by swallowing their tariff doctrine and going in by the back door.

Judge Long has drawn \$70,000 from the state treasury in ten years as judge of the supreme court. He has also drawn large sums for a deserved pension from the national government. His pension for wounds will continue, but how long must the state continue to pension him at the rate of \$7,000 a year. Will the voters this year say ten years longer?

In speaking of the coming election, a prominent Dexter business man said to The Leader: "If the republicans (of Dexter) will give Prof. DeWitt the same hearty support that the democrats gave Judge Newkirk, he can be easily elected. He is in every respect as worthy to be elected, and his election would not only put a good man in office but be a credit to Dexter. Here is a chance to exemplify the doctrine of reciprocity. 'One good turn deserves another.'"

The Washtenaw Evening Times sarcastically remarks:

"The people of Jackson are eagerly anticipating the arrival in that city of our Mr. Judson. Between the democrats, populists, silver republicans, orthodox republicans, and Cleveland mugwumps, the situation in Jackson county is badly mixed, and it requires the master hand of a Judson to reduce things to that pleasing order which will insure the election of republican candidates with 'machine' like regularity."

A bill has been introduced by Representative Sawyer to amend the charter of the city of Ann Arbor. This is in face of the fact that the council has unanimously decided that the charter does not need amending this year, that a committee appointed by the president of the council from the aldermen and citizens including the mayor have unanimously so decided and that two committees appointed by two meetings of the citizens called by a man who is urging a change, one of them being his own appointees, have also practically decided adversely to a change. The introduction of the bill does not necessarily mean that Mr. Sawyer is for it, but it does mean that an opportunity is placed in the hands of interested parties to make a change without the consent of any of the city authorities.

Without saying a word against Mr. Lyster, the republican nominee for commissioner of the county schools, the Argus desires to urge its readers to a full consideration of the fact that Mr. Lyster is engaged in other business, that of a druggist, while Mr. DeWitt, the democratic candidate, has only the business of school teaching at which he has been engaged for 16 years. The county school commissioner should devote his whole time to superintending the county schools. This is as necessary as that the city superintendent of schools should devote his whole time to his school work. Mr. DeWitt will do this. Add to this the fact that Mr. DeWitt is not a politician. He has no natural attitude for politics and there would be absolutely no mixing of schools and politics were he elected.

The Free Press took a rather untenable stand editorially the other day, when after praising up Yaple's many good qualities, as a man and a judge and indicating that they thought him in point of ability the superior of his opponent, as well as an honest man, they announce that they cannot support him because he was nominated by a convention which adopted a free silver platform. Now the coinage question cannot come before a judge of the state supreme court. It is entirely a national question with which our state judges have nothing to do. An independent paper, such as we judge the Free Press claims to be, does not assume to adopt all the principles of a party, when they support a candidate of that party for some office in which the national principles are not at stake. If independent

papers did so assume, they would be precluded from supporting any candidates whatever, or at once become party papers. If Yaple is the best man for judge, and we think he is, he should have the support of every intelligent, independent voter.

BITTER TASTE.

It Aids in the Detection of Unwholesome Food.

Daniel Webster, in the famous White trial in Salem, Mass., years ago, declared that "murder will out." This maxim has been found applicable to many other things besides murder. Housewives know it to be true when there is alum in baking powder. A bitterness in the bread at once betrays the alum's presence.

It can't conceal its true nature. The alum bitterness "will out," and because it will, physicians, who understand the harmful effect of alum on the system, are at a loss to know why people continue to buy baking powders containing it. All baking powders sold for 25 cents a pound and less contain alum. There is surely no economy in using these cheap powders. For a pure cream of tartar powder, as Dr. Price's was shown to be at the World's Fair, goes so much farther and gives so much better results, there is no doubt of its being more economical in the long run.

The Nancy Hanks Gold Mine.

At the Grand opera house, next Wednesday, March 3, "The Nancy Hanks," an original comedy farce from the pen of Frank Tannehill, Jr., will be given its first production in this city and from the excellent reports which have preceded it from Chicago, where it only recently closed a three weeks' engagement, it is safe to predict a performance of more than ordinary merit. The title suggests race horses but such is entirely foreign to the comedy, it being the name of a salted gold mine. A Frenchman who is unfortunate in having lots of money comes to America, and, falling into the hands of some needy speculators, is sold "The Nancy Hanks Gold Mine," in which he invests all his money. Like other mines of history, all the wealth in it turns out to be what he has put in it, and he awakes to find himself a pauper. At a loss what to do he accepts the offer of a new acquaintance, an actor, to start with him a school of acting, and from this time on his troubles come as thick as can be imagined. They are superintended by bad business in the school. A number of love affairs (both the poor Frenchmen's and others) that won't run smooth, a rich but meddling aunt of his partner's, who is said to be a character modeled exactly after the famous Hetty Green, and any number of other matters that would drive a man distracted in real life, but are of such a nature that they afford continual amusement to the audience.

The Martinetti-Tannehill Company which will present "The Nancy Hanks," promises to make considerable stir in the dramatic field. It includes the name of Ignace Martinetti, the best character comedian before the public. His great hit, a ZouZou in "Trilby" will be recalled with pleasure. Frank Tannehill, Jr., who divides the honors with Martinetti, is an actor and comedian of sterling merit. Anna Boyd, last seen here as the widow in "A Trip to Chinatown," is another. Others of equal fame are Carrie Radcliffe, last season leading lady for Stuart Robson, Lillian Florence Wickes, Mrs. Frank A. Tannehill, Riva Gibson, E. S. Morey, George T. Welch and that famous old man, Clayton E. White.

School of Music Professors Abroad.

The Kalamazoo Telegraph of February 18 contains a long report and criticism of a concert given in that city on the night previous. Prof. Alberto Jonas, of the University School of Music, was the chief performer. Among other highly complimentary things the critic says of him: "He compelled his hearers to recognize his exalted position among artists and they agree with the opinions of the best critics that Jonas has not a superior among American pianists except perhaps Josephine;" "Aside from a brilliant technique and a super-exquisite touch, Mr. Jonas' playing is characterized by intelligent feeling;" "A really wonderful performance."

The Detroit Free Press of Saturday says: "The song recital by Gardner S. Lamson, of Ann Arbor, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Chittenden last evening, was as delightful as the two recitals that preceded it. It was most acceptable because Mr. Lamson has a pleasing baritone, a dramatic delivery and an intelligent manner of interpreting compositions varied in character. This third recital was well attended and Mr. Lamson's efforts met with the warmest approval. He is an artist in every sense of the word, and deserving of the success that attends his efforts."

The Bell Ringers.

The entertainment given by the Royal Hand Bell Ringers, in the Y. M. C. A. lyceum course, at the Presbyterian church, Tuesday evening, was perhaps the most enjoyable number in the whole course. Although the bell ringers were here last year they have so altered and added to their program that there was no sameness about it and those who heard them last year could enjoy this year's performance equally well. They have also this year added to their program some old glees and recitations which afforded much amusement. Encores were frequent and the response to them was liberal. The body of the church and the gallery were both filled with the audience, among whom were a large number of children.—Michigan Forester.

Baltimore Oysters at BESIMER'S.

AROUND THE STATE.

Grand Haven is to have a night school.

Saginaw had 11 anti-saloon sermons in as many different churches Sunday.

Saginaw sportsmen offer a reward of \$25 for evidence that will convict a violator of the game laws.

The West Bay City charter revision committee has decided to incorporate a curfew clause in the new charter.

There are 200 men in Port Huron who served as soldiers in the German army and they propose to form an organization.

E. J. Kelton has established a \$500 scholarship in the Alma college as a memorial to his son, Harry, who died a year ago.

Several boats have been loaded with cedar at Alpena and are ready to sail at the opening of navigation, which is expected to be early this spring.

Fishermen on Saginaw bay claim to have discovered that the young whitefish planted by the fish commissioners are quickly eaten by the lake herring.

Zion Lodge No. 1, Free and Accepted Masons, Detroit, is 133 years old today. The anniversary will be celebrated with a banquet and ball tonight.

E. H. Powers, a plumber of Niles, is said to have inherited a fortune of \$182,400 from his brother-in-law, M. Sabore, who died recently at Valencia, Spain.

Since Jan. 11 the Detroit post of the Salvation Army has assisted 4,460 poor families and has distributed over \$80,000 worth of clothing among nearly 25,000 people.

The store of the Holland Tea Company at Holland City, has been closed to satisfy a claim of \$8,000 held by Philip Tannis, father of Paul Tannis, the manager.

The largest woodenware factory in the United States is to be erected at Gaylord, by Salling & Hanson, a lumbering firm which already has large interests up in that section.

Louis Sands, the Manistee lumberman, took advantage of the break in prices caused by the collapse of the steel trust, and ordered 300 tons of rails to be used on a new logging road.

Thomas C. Ripley, who came to the Saginaw valley in 1856, and settled on the banks of the Tittibawassee river, died recently, aged 90 years. He was elected to congress from a New York district in 1846.

John Procock of Bad Axe, accidentally wounded himself in the leg with a pitchfork, and before the wound healed, a cat dug her claws into it. The claws caused blood poisoning, and the victim is likely to die from the effects.

Medler & Rogers, a leading dry goods firm of Alma, has been forced to assign on account of indebtedness on original stock to the amount of \$5,000. Frank E. Pollasky, the principal creditor, took possession of the stock and will close it out.

J. B. Simley of the Galesburg Enterprise, who quarreled with the Typographical Union and viciously denounced the Kalamazoo charity ball, is in hard luck. He was forced to make peace with the union and now he has mortgaged his plant to secure his creditors.

Ida Houston, a Kalamazoo girl aged 15, attempted to commit suicide with a revolver because her father would not allow her to attend a country dance. She will live but it is thought the bullet severed both of her optic nerves and she will be blind.

Henry Baldwin, of Traverse City, went on a spree, told his friends that he was having his last "good time," and then committed suicide by taking opium. He was single but leaves considerable property to his mother and a brother and sister, who live in Wichita, Kan.

The state ticket nominated by the republican convention at Detroit, Tuesday, is Charles D. Long, of Lansing, for justice of the supreme court, and William J. Cooker, of Adrian, and Charles D. Lawton, of Lawton, for representatives of the university.

Food Commissioner Grosvenor reports that during the past month his inspectors have been at work in Lansing, Climax, Galesburg, Scotts, Olivet, Bellevue, Grand Rapids and Sparta. Ten samples of food products were analyzed and six found to be adulterated. These were one sample each of buckwheat flour, pepper and syrup, and three of vinegar.

The Caro council passed an ordinance granting to certain parties an exclusive franchise for the use of the principal streets of the village for electric or steam cars for 30 years. The franchise was granted at the same session the subject was first brought up, and without discussion, and the citizens are suspicious that the haste was due to evil influences.

If the Baby Is Cutting Teeth, Be sure and use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's SOOTHING SYRUP, for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhea. Twenty-five cents a bottle.

Are Prompt in Their Payments.

The Independent Order of Foresters made a record in Port Huron Monday, Feb. 1, for the prompt payment of a beneficiary claim in the case of Fred H. Bathey, killed in the tunnel Friday afternoon. Mr. Bathey was obligated in the order only a couple of days before he met his death. On Thursday last the papers were sent to the head office at Toronto. His medical examination was approved Friday morning and he was killed Friday afternoon. Saturday morning the proofs of death were made out and Monday evening, four hours after the funeral, the widow was paid \$3,000, the amount of the policy.—Michigan Forester.

Baltimore Oysters at BESIMER'S.

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A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.

40 Years the Standard.**Milan.**

Mrs. Flora Guy is quite ill.

Robert Ingersoll is quite ill.

Mrs. Willard Halstead is quite ill.

Mrs. J. Steidle is entertaining guests from Ohio.

Mrs. May Robison has returned to her home in Detroit.

M. C. Debenham is entertaining his father, from Petoskey.

The wind is drying up the mud at a great rate this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Hinkley are visiting friends at Belleville.

The Masonic reception and ball Friday evening was quite a success.

Prof. Dennison and wife, of Dundee, spent Sunday with Milan friends.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at Mrs. H. Vincent's tomorrow afternoon.

Conary, the impersonator, will be at the opera house, Wednesday evening.

Rev. R. N. Bouck is holding revival meetings at the Milan Baptist church.

Attorney Wm. Murray is in the prosecuting attorney's office at Ann Arbor.

Mrs. M. Hack and Mrs. E. Blackmer are visiting friends in Trenton for a few days.

Otto Bennett, of Ann Arbor, will build a modern house on his lot on County st.

Mrs. Wm. Woolcott and daughter have returned from a protracted visit at Maple Grove.

Wood Clark is selling out his goods preparatory to going out of the dry goods business.

Miss Grace Debenham gave a party in honor of her guest from Peru, Ind., Monday evening.

Chas. Taylor will commence delivering goods for Wm. Needham & Son Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Whitmarsh and family entertained guests from Ann Arbor over Sunday.

Mr. Watkins, of Detroit, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sill and family over Sunday.

Editor A. B. Smith and wife attended the reception at the Hotel Cadillac at Detroit this week.

Webb Blackmer will commence delivering goods for S. T. Blackmer & Hitchcock Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Minto, of Fowlerville, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Minto the first of the week.

There were 30 candidates for baptism Monday evening who were immersed in the baptistry at the Milan Baptist church. They were all from Mooreville, and came out under Rev. Mr. Berry's preaching at the three weeks' revival meetings. The service was very impressive and was witnessed by several hundred people.

Farmers' Institute "Round Up."

For the Michigan Farmers' Institute "Round Up" at St. Louis, Mich., March 2 to 5, the Ann Arbor railroad will sell excursion tickets from all its stations to St. Louis and return at one and one-third fare for the round trip on the certificate plan.

Emery.

Miss Edith Rawden visited her father and sister this week.

Will Smith's sisters from Detroit visited him over Sunday.

The auction sale at Savage's Tuesday was quite well attended.

Josh Laraway reports good sales of wire fence for spring delivery.

E. Leland and family attended the Leland-Campbell wedding at Manchester, Monday.

HOW TO FIND OUT.

Fill a bottle or common glass with urine and let it stand for twenty-four hours; a sediment or settling indicates a diseased condition of the kidneys. When urine stains linen it is positive evidence of kidney trouble. Too frequent desire to urinate or pain in the back, is also convincing proof that the kidneys and bladder are out of order.

WHAT TO DO.

There is comfort in the knowledge so often expressed, that Dr. Kilmer's Swamp Root, the great kidney remedy fulfills every wish in relieving pain in the back, kidneys, liver, bladder and every part of the urinary passages. It corrects inability to hold urine and scalding pain in passing it, or bad effect following use of liquor, wine or beer, and overcomes that unpleasant necessity of being compelled to get up many times during the night to urinate. The mild and the extraordinary effect of Swamp-Root is soon realized. It stands the highest for its wonderful cures of the most distressing cases. If you need a medicine you should have the best. Sold by druggists, price fifty cents and one dollar. For sample bottle and pamphlet, both sent by mail, mention the Argus and send your full post-office address to Dr. Kilmer & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. The proprietors of this paper guarantee the genuineness of this offer.

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A SHORT STORY.

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Friends of the Argus who have business in the Probate Office are asked to request Judge Newkirk to send the advertising necessary to the probating of estates with which they are connected to the Argus office.

LOCAL BREVIETIES.

There was an old woman who always was tired. She lived in a house where no help was hired. Her last words on earth were, "Dear friends, I am going. Where sweeping ain't done, nor churning, nor sewing; And everything there will be just to my wishes. For where they don't eat, there's no washing of dishes; And though there the anthems are constantly ringing, I having no voice, will get out of the singing. Don't mourn for me now, don't mourn for me never, For I'm going to do nothing forever and ever." —FROM AN OLD NEWSPAPER.

The March term of the circuit court opens next Monday, March 1, with 75 cases on the docket.

The Degree of Honor, No. 55, A. O. U. W., give a social and dance at A. O. U. W. lodge room this evening.

Dr. and Mrs. Walter L. Moore are receiving the congratulations of their friends on the birth of a bright baby boy.

The nationality socials at Trinity Lutheran church, Thursday and Friday of last week were well attended and pleasant events.

The annual meeting of the Charitable Union will be held on Thursday afternoon, March 4, at 3 o'clock in Harris hall. M. W. D'Ooge, secretary.

The following new telephones have just been put in: Dr. D. D. Zimmerman, residence, 233, three rings; W. J. Booth, residence, 233, two rings.

J. T. Jacobs Camp, No. 90, S. of V., has rented for its own use, the hall over Cutting, Reyer & Co.'s stores, formerly occupied by the I. O. O. F.

Chris. Brenner has again been appointed local agent of the Deering Harvester Co. Wm. Walsh will also hold down his old job as traveling agent for the same compay.

The brick work on the addition at the rear of J. D. Ryan's block, corner S. Main and W. Washington sts., is being pushed rapidly forward by Koch Bros., the contractors.

H. G. Prettyman did the catering at the junior hop Friday night and Charles F. Stabler did the decorating. It is needless to say that both contracts were completed to "the queen's taste."

There are twelve pensioners left of the war of 1812. All of these have reached the age of 90, and two are of the age of 104. The government is going to advance their pensions from \$12 to \$30 a month.

The 20 Ann Arbor people who attended the Maccabee party at Dexter Friday evening say it was one of the jolliest they ever were at. The music of the Chequamegons was highly prais ed by all.

Wm. H. Murray, formerly of Milan, a graduate of the law department U. of M., has opened up an office for the practice of law in Ann Arbor. He is located in the court house with the prosecuting attorney.

Miss Clara A. Avery, of Detroit, who is very prominent in the art circles of that city, will deliver the next lecture in the Unity Club course, on Monday evening, March 1. Her subject will be, "Requisites to the enjoyment of art."

An exchange gives the following advice: "Drink less—breathe more; eat less—chew more; ride less—walk more; clothe less—bathe more; worry less—work more; waste less—give more; write less—read more; preach less—practice more."

Mrs. Eliza R. Sunderland read a paper Saturday afternoon before the Woman's Club of Battle Creek, on "Life in Germany as I saw it." Sunday morning she preached in the Independent Congregational church, and in the evening gave an illustrated lecture in the same church on "Rome."

Next Sunday evening there will be a song service at the Unitarian church. A fine musical program will be rendered by the quartette, Mr. George, Mr. Dickie, Miss George and Mrs. Kempf, assisted by Miss Flora Koch and Miss Frances Taylor. Miss Marion Smith, organist. A short address will be given by Rev. A. G. Jennings, of Toledo, who exchanges pulpits with Mr. Sunderland.

Hobart Guild will give its last reception before Lent tomorrow evening in Harris hall.

At the recent meeting of the board of regents the committee on buildings and grounds was authorized to have a new boiler placed in the university hospital boiler house.

City Clerk Mills has been ordered to file with Representative A. J. Sawyer, at Lansing, a certified copy of the proceedings of the common council relative to charter amendments.

Senator Campbell, of this district, introduced a bill at Lansing Tuesday to enable the city of Ann Arbor to bond itself for \$100,000 for the erection of art galleries at the university.

Col. J. E. Tyrrell has appointed Dr. W. B. Watts, of Jackson, chief surgeon of the First regiment, M. N. G., with the rank of major, and Dr. C. W. D. Colby, of Jackson, assistant surgeon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Andres celebrated their wooden wedding anniversary at their home, 14 Cedar st., north side, on Tuesday evening. A party of about 20 of their friends and neighbors were present.

A large number attended the oyster supper given by the ladies of the north side, for the benefit of the building fund of the new church, on Monday. The neat sum of \$25.45 was added to the treasury as the result.

The 10th annual convention of the Washtenaw County Sunday School Association will be held in this city March 17 and 18. Every Sunday school in the county should have sufficient interest in it to be represented.

Representative Sawyer has a bill in the legislature to have salaries of justices of the peace fixed by statute as follows: In townships from \$10 to \$300 per year; in villages from \$25 to \$500; in cities from \$100 to \$3,000.

At the meeting of the Modern Woodmen on Monday evening Enoch Sears, V. G. of the camp, was presented with a gold watch charm of special design as a memento of his good services for the benefit of the camp and the order.

The prize of \$25 offered by Gov. Pingree to the law student who could find the most inoperative and dead letter laws in the compilation of Michigan statutes has been awarded to Theodore L. Jacobs, class of '98. He found 130.

On Sunday morning, March 7, the Modern Woodmen and Royal Neighbors will attend the Trinity Lutheran church in a body and listen to a sermon to be delivered by Rev. W. L. Tedrow, in honor of the second anniversary of the order in this city.

The board of regents has decided that the requirements for admittance in the law department shall be the same as those of the literary department, taking effect in 1900. Ultimately, it is expected there will be but one examining board for all departments.

The Wesleyan Guild will at once begin to receive benefits from the "Henry Martin Loud Lectureship" recently established. Dr. John Potts, of Victoria college at Toronto will open the course March 14, and Bishop Fowler will lecture April 4th. Dr. Townsend, of Washington, will also come later.

C. F. Watkins, who pitched for the university baseball team last year, has been engaged by Manager Atkinson to coach the nine during the coming season. "Watty" is back at the university to take the medical course. He is barred from playing on the team through having played with a professional team last summer.

The wife of one Antonio Singer, of Howell, who was recently treated at the hospital for severe injuries to his spine, caused by falling off his wagon while drunk, has brought suit for \$6,000 damages against F. R. Smock, a Howell saloonkeeper, and his boudies Wm. J. Miller and T. J. McKeever.

Wm. Hurst, colored, was before Justice Pond, Tuesday, on a charge of petty larceny. He was sentenced to pay a fine of \$3 and costs, which he agreed to do. Hurst committed the larceny last December and skipped to Canada to avoid arrest. He returned to Ann Arbor Monday and was at once arrested.

The Agricultural college will ask the state for \$11,000 this year, an increase of \$1,000, so that an electric lighting plant may be built. The proceeds from the sale of the Agricultural college lands yield an annual revenue of about \$40,000. It gets \$23,000 this year in cash from the government for general expenses, and \$15,000 for experiments.

One day recently Rocco Desderide, of E. Ann st., found a tarantula and a quantity of eggs on a bunch of bananas. The spider was in a torpid state and both it and the eggs were given to Dr. John Boylan. The eggs have now been hatched out and the doctor has a lively brood of tarantulas on his hands. He intends to kill them in a few days.

Tomorrow evening a whist contest will take place in the parlors of the American house, between eight ladies and eight gentlemen of Toledo and a like number of people from Ypsilanti. The Toledo people will come here on the 4:30 p. m. train on the Ann Arbor road and will return home at 8:35 p. m., the match being played between trains.

Speaking of Prof. Llewellyn L. Renwick's recital at the M. E. church, Ypsilanti last week, the Times says: "The organ recital at the Methodist church, given by Llewellyn Renwick, drew a fair sized crowd. He gave five numbers which were liberally applauded. Mr. Renwick was assisted by Miss Jennie Farnham and Miss Alta Beach, who each furnished a solo, and they were obliged to respond to encores. Mr. Ross Spence also played a violin solo which was enthusiastically received and he and Mr. Renwick appeared in a dust for violin and organ."

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Williams, Monday night, a baby girl.

The 19th annual encampment of the department of Michigan, G. A. R., will be held in Greenville, April 7 and 8.

The next entertainment in the Y. M. C. A. course will be a lecture by John B. De Motte at the Presbyterian church, Tuesday, March 30.

Saturday evening of next week, March 6, the Comedy Club will present the play "The Private Secretary" at the Grand opera house.

Mr. Fred C. Raab and Miss Lizzie Lee were married at the parsonage of Zion Lutheran church, Tuesday evening, by Rev. A. L. Nicklas.

Arbor Tent, K. O. T. M., will visit Wolverine Tent, at Ypsilanti, Wednesday night. The Ann Arbor degree team will work the initiatory degree under the new ritual.

The circuit court docket for the March term contains 78 cases, of which 21 are criminal, 30 issues of fact, 2 impanclement, 10 chancery first class, 15 chancery fourth class.

A reception will be held in the School of Music tomorrow evening for the purpose of making the members of the choral union better acquainted with each other. All will be welcome.

The probate judges of the state will have a meeting in Lansing the second week of next month for the purpose of forming a state organization. Judge H. Wirt Newkirk will be one of those present.

The eleventh lecture in the Unity Club course was that of Judge Harriman Monday evening, on "Goldsmith and his friends." It was fairly well attended and was a most admirable address.

Ann Arbor Commandery, No. 13, K. T., is drilling every Tuesday night now, in anticipation of the annual visit of the grand eminent commander, E. D. Wheeler, which takes place next month.

The Ann Arbor Light Infantry talks of giving a military ball Easter Monday, April 19, and has appointed Capt. Granger and Lieuts. Armstrong and Walters a committee to consider the advisability of such a proceeding.

Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of the Lenten season. Easter Sunday falls on April 18. Services will be held on Wednesday in St. Andrew's Episcopal, St. Thomas Catholic, Zion Lutheran, and Bethel Evangelical churches.

In 1870 the property of the United States was valued, according to the census of that year, at \$24,000,000,000 in gold. In 1890 that property had increased to \$65,000,000,000, a gain of \$41,000,000,000 in 20 years, or more than \$2,000,000,000 a year.

A certain deputy sheriff of this city attended the republican state convention in Detroit, Tuesday, and ate such a hearty dinner at a restaurant that the proprietor seriously thought about going into bankruptcy after the deputy had got through with his meal.

The Burns' anniversary entertainment to be given in University hall this evening, will be one of the finest concerts that has been given in Ann Arbor in many a day. The low price of the tickets, 25 cents, and the object for which it is given, the woman's gym, should ensure a full house.

Capt. Johnson, of the Salvation Army, says there is great need among certain poor people in the city for articles of clothing. If anyone has any partly worn out clothing to give away, and will let him know of it by letter or otherwise, he will call and get it, or call on Salyer's wagons as they pass your doors.

The general deficiency bill as reported to congress from the appropriations committee provides for the payment of the overtime claims of the following Ypsilanti post office employees: William B. Eddy, \$199.10; Samuel H. Fletcher, \$145.27; Walter L. Fuller, \$145.27; William H. Scovill, \$28.66; William R. Shier, \$145.27.

The U. of M. Male Quartet has been secured to furnish the music at the Congregational church next Sunday evening, and a very choice program is assured. The quartets are as follows:

"Gloria Patri," Taylor; "O Saving Victim," Gonnod; "Come unto Me," Flemming; "Lead, Kindly Light," Buck; "Father, Hear Thy Children," Barnby.

The sewer committee of the common council is in session today at the council room hearing the arguments for and against the proposed sewer in the Fourth ward. Although the sewer would run through one of the most thickly populated sections of the city and one which really most needs a sewer, it is said that about three-fourths of the residents are opposed to it.

H. J. Allmand has made a proposition to the board of public works to furnish the city with all the shade trees it may need at \$4 each. His offer seems to be a very fair one as he agrees to provide a load of black dirt for each, attend to the mulching and watering for the season and to stand one-fourth of the loss by the trees dying. The proposition has been referred to President Smith and Ald. Burke.

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BLONDIN IS NO MORE.

The Greatest of Tight-Rope Walkers Passes Away.

PERFORMED WHEN 4 YEARS OF AGE

Aug. 19, 1859, He Crossed Niagara Falls on a Tight Rope Carrying a Man Upon His Back—Altogether He Crossed the Falls 400 Times, Receiving Numerous Medals and Being Made a Chevalier by Queen Isabella of Spain.

London, Feb. 23.—Blondin, the rope walker, is dead. M. Charles Blondin, greatest of tight rope walkers, was a Frenchman, whose real name was Jean Francois Gravé. He was born in Hesdin, near Calais, France, Feb. 28, 1824, the son of a gymnast, and began rope walking when 4 years old. At 27 he had a considerable reputation in France, where Ravel saw him and induced him to come to America with his troupe. Blondin had been performing in this country four years before he conceived and carried out the great feat that made him famous and fortune, and has never been outdone, that of walking across Niagara Falls on a rope carrying on his back a man as heavy as himself.

Longest Walk on a Tight Rope.

This was accomplished Aug. 19, 1859, and Blondin's companion in this perilous adventure was Henry M. Colcord, who later became an artist and a resident of Chicago. This walk over the falls, 400 yards, was the longest ever made on a tight rope. The first journey across was made on the 30th of June, 1859, and he continued the journeys during that and the following year. The rope was about three inches in thickness, made entirely of hemp, and its adjustment in place was, in its way, an engineering feat. The rope cost over £1,000, and remained in position for nearly two years. Special trains were run on the railroads, including the New York Central and the Great Western and Grand Trunk of Canada, while enormous stands on either side of the falls were crammed with people. Blondin continued giving exhibitions until 1860, when he crossed over on stilts, before the Prince of Wales, then making a tour through America and Canada.

Performed Gymnastic Feats.

He walked across enveloped in a sack made of blankets, wheeled a barrow across, turned somersaults, cooked a dinner, and carried a man over on his back. He would perform gymnastic feats while suspended over the river, and often stood on his head on the rope. In carrying Colcord across the falls Blondin ran other risks than those apparent, for unscrupulous men, who had bet large sums he would not succeed, pulled the guy ropes and nearly threw him off his balance several times. Blondin became the rage and in his last two seasons he made \$400,000. He traveled around the world, giving 4,000 performances before he settled down to the life of a country gentleman in England, at South Ealing, and he named his residence Niagara House. He was never able to relinquish altogether the delights of rope walking, however. He returned to America in 1888 to give exhibitions with the Kiralfys.

Performed at 68 Years of Age.

In 1892, when 68 years old, he gave public exhibitions in England on a rope 180 feet long and eighty feet from the ground, performing nearly all his old feats, walking backward and blindfolded, cooking an omelet, carrying his son on his back, and riding across on a bicycle. He never used a net and never fell, and never had but one accident. While performing at Crystal Palace, England, the rope was swung violently through the mistake of his assistant, and he lost his footing, but caught the rope by his feet as he was falling. Blondin crossed Niagara 400 times in all, received numerous medals, and was made a chevalier by Queen Isabella of Spain. For many years his terms were \$500 a performance and he left a large estate.

PACIFIC ROADS BILL GOES OVER.

House Committee Abandons Attempt to Bring the Measure Up.

Washington, Feb. 23.—Members of the house committee on Pacific railways have practically decided to abandon the attempt to bring up in the house this session the bill for the establishment of a commission to settle the debts of the Pacific roads to the government.

When application was made to the committee on rules for a day to consider the bill, the committee wanted assurances that the opponents of the plan in the senate would not make the action of the house, if it passed the bill, a waste of time by filibustering against the measure. No such assurances could be given, and there probably will be no more effort to bring up the bill.

Freight Handlers on Strike.

Ludington, Mich., Feb. 23.—The freight handlers of the Flint and Pere Marquette dock struck Monday night for a restoration of their pay to 20 cents per hour. Those opposed to working longer at the old rate of 15 cents compelled others to join their ranks, and four steamers remained at the dock until Tuesday morning, when a force of men brought from Saginaw by special train began the discharge of their cargoes under the protection of the sheriff and a force of deputies. The strikers number about 400.

Decided in Favor of Ottawa.

Springfield, Ills., Feb. 23.—By the close vote of 66 to 62 the house Tuesday afternoon voted in favor of locating the supreme court at Ottawa, instead of Springfield, in case the consolidation scheme goes through. The defeat of Springfield was a great surprise and is regarded as an ill omen by the supporters of the consolidation bill.

Terrible Explosion of Dynamite.

Murray, Ky., Feb. 23.—A terrible explosion of dynamite at a gravel pit killed five negro laborers and wounded as many more.

TO BAR YOUNG'S STATUE.
Resolution Offered to Prevent Its Being Placed in Statuary Hall.

Washington, Feb. 23.—The dispatches from Utah indicating that a proposition is on foot for placing in Statuary hall a statue of Brigham Young caused considerable stir here, and have resulted in the introduction of a resolution by Congressman Barrett, which provides that statues intended for positions in Statuary hall must be accepted by congress before being placed in position.

Under the present arrangement they are placed in position and accepted afterward. The only exception to this rule is in the case of the statue of Marquette, which was placed in position a year ago, and has not yet been accepted by the house. The resolution for its acceptance passed the senate, and is now pending before the house committee on library, but will hardly be acted upon in the present congress.

Under the provisions of the present law any state may send to the Capitol two statues of men who were its citizens, and who were distinguished for military or civic service, and it is the duty of the architect of the Capitol to have them placed in position where they must remain until some adverse legislation had ordered its removal.

FAR REACHING ORDER.

President Cleveland Creates Public Forest Reserves.

Washington, Feb. 23.—President Cleveland has just issued thirteen executive orders, far reaching in their effect. On the recommendation of Secretary Francis and a forestry commission of the National Academy of Sciences (appointed by Professor Wolcott Gibbs, president of the academy), the president has signed and promulgated thirteen proclamations, establishing as many additional forest reservations, containing an aggregate area of 21,379,840 acres.

The reservations are as follows: In the Black hills of South Dakota, 967,630 acres; Big Horn country, in central Wyoming, 1,198,080 acres; Teton reserve, adjoining Yellowstone park, 829,440 acres; Flathead reserve, northern Montana, 1,328,400 acres; Lewis and Clarke reserves, in Montana, 2,426,080 acres; Priest River reserve, Idaho, 645,120 acres; Bitter Root reserve, in Idaho and Montana, 3,456,000 acres; Washington reserve, in Washington, 3,540,240 acres; Olympic reserve, Washington, 2,188,280 acres; Mount Ranier reserve, Washington, 2,234,880 acres; Stanislaus reserve, California, 691,200 acres; San Jacinto reserve, southern California, 737,280 acres; Uintah reserve, northern Utah.

May Establish a Steamship Line.

St. Louis, Feb. 23.—Venezuelan Consul Herman Meinhard is authority for the statement that the Illinois Central railroad, through its general freight and passenger agent, George E. Lary, is considering the establishment of a steamship line between New Orleans and Venezuelan ports. The proposed line would form a part of the regular Illinois Central system. Consul Meinhard and Mr. Lary have accumulated a mass of figures in reference to the project. Big Four interests and other large concerns in the Mississippi valley are said to be interested in the project.

Burdock Blood Bitters never fails to cure all impurities of the blood, from a common pimple to the worst scrofula sore.

The Whaling Industry.

The trials and tribulations of the whaling industry defy the meager justice which the resources of a single paragraph affords. A volume might cover the subject. The difficulty about whaling is the uncertainty of whales. These mammals decline to be regulated by any signal service reporter and refuse in their migrations to respect precedent or the ambitions of the arctic oil works. The consequence is a skipper may cruise the northern latitudes, trying conclusions with icebergs and polar bears, endangering life and limb in a mangy old tub, encountering the perils of storm, wave and Eskimo, and all without finding a spout or capturing a yard of whalebone. I listened recently to the mournful reminiscences of Captain Green, a hardy mariner of much experience, who after many years of laboring at the oil industry retired to a raisin ranch at Fresno. Owing to the decline of raisins, however, he took to the ocean again, equipped a vessel and sailed into the latitudes of winter. There he found an antique steam whaler, the Reindeer, and for two long and weary years they have kept each other company in the close-knit sisterhood of misfortune. Once during the second year they sighted a whale, and Captain Green encompassed its capture. A bowhead it was, and no great prize. Tiring of cold, salt and ill luck, the twain decided at last to go south for rest and provisions. They started together, when something broke on the Reindeer, and she was condemned to delay until the damage might be repaired. How the gallant skipper cursed the misfortune which detained him among the icebergs! How he railed at fate! Two days later a school of whales hove in sight. The captain and crew dashed upon them and in four hours had killed dozen giants, which meant at ruling prices at least \$60,000 worth of whalebones. However, it often happens in the arctic, as in the world, that the darkest moment of misfortune is the dusk that preceded the advent of prosperity.—San Francisco Wave.

For Females—Apoline-Chapoteaut Capsules relieve all painful irregularities and those distressing symptoms so prevalent with the sex. \$1.00 of all druggists.

Economy.

Little Dick—Papa, didn't you tell mamma we must economize?

Papa—I did, my son.

Little Dick—Well, I was thinkin' that mebby if you'd get me a pony I wouldn't wear out so many shoes.—Good News.

CASTORIA.

The fac-simile signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher* is on every wrapper.

BECOMING INDIANS.

CLAIM THAT AMERICANS ARE DEVELOPING ON THAT LINE.

Increasing Resemblance In Faces to the Aboriginal Type—A Study of Heads, With Especial Attention to the Residents of Pennsylvania.

It is an extraordinary question in anthropological science which has been propounded popularly of late. The influence of environment upon the race resident in the United States must in the course of four centuries produce certain marked and undeniable physical results. It is not generally acknowledged by American anthropologists that there is a tendency of reversion to the type indigenous to the soil. But foreign students of race, with more perspective, have offered interesting food for reflection. A writer in the Chicago Times-Herald, commenting on the assertion of the French authors that on this continent the American white man has varied toward the Indian type, offers a supporting study which is curiously fascinating—possibly vastly important.

First, the familiar faces of the caricaturists' creation are called in as witnesses. The Yankee and the sot—large and loose-limbed—of these pictures are types, even as the stout, full-faced John Bull is a type found in another environment. Both American favorites of the cartoonist have high cheek bones and usually excellent straight noses. These witnesses are not, of course, scientifically admissible. The faces given us by the caricature makers are impressions, not testimony.

Scientific, however, is the study offered of the Pennsylvania Germans—a happy, thrifty, frugal people, who have been subjected to American conditions for nearly two centuries, with very little intermingling with other races, much less than the English people in New England or in Virginia.

It is true that the pervasive and beguiling Irish have intermarried somewhat with these old Pennsylvania settlers, but in the main it is a very exclusive, pure blooded Palatinate stock. Data have been secured relative to a large number of school children and to adult males from 25 to 50 years of age, and many copies of portraits of original settlers. It appears that stature increases and that other important generalizations may be made, tentatively of course. The increase of finger reach is marked, and the head measures are important.

"The anthropologist places considerable value upon certain proportions or relations between measures," says the student of the subject. "Thus the length of the head and the breadth of the head, when compared, give numerical expression, which is called the cephalic index. To find it the length is divided into the breadth and the result multiplied by 100. A head one-half as wide as it is long would have an index of 50; one three-fourths as wide as long would have an index of 75; one as wide as it was long would have an index of 100. There is no race whose head is normally so wide as to have an index of 100 or so narrow as to have one of 50. The higher the index, of course, the broader and sounder the head; the lower the index, the longer and narrower the head. Germans generally are notably round headed. Topinard gives for some people of Lorraine the index of 83.3. The average index of 100 Pennsylvania Germans is 81.9, which is notably less and narrower. The heads of our northern and eastern Indians are still longer and narrower. We cannot at present make a further comparison with profit. What we have already said may prove erroneous when we learn the actual Palatinate type. We assume now that the Palatinate Germans were of medium stature, light haired, blue or light eyed, round headed, with a finger reach of 1,043. We find that the Pennsylvania German children are dark in hair and eyes, that the men are probably of increased stature, that heads appear to be lengthening, that arm reach appears to be increasing. In all these respects the Pennsylvania German varies from the assumed Palatinate type and in the direction of the Indian. If our assumption proves valid, we may claim that our evidence shows change, which, if continued, may form an Indian type from the German."

All this, it must be noted, is absolutely distinct from any of the reasons for discussing the tendency of Americans to revert to original types from the infiltration of the red Indian blood itself in the veins of the white race. From the days of the old French and Indian wars fireside tales of New England intermixtures of that sort have been common enough. A recent novel has expressed the country knowledge in New England that there is an occasional "streak" from ancestry that approached New England from the west as well as that which approached it from the east across the Atlantic. In the western states and territories the great numbers of half breeds whose descendants find their way into the life of cities brings to bear a curious and unreckoned force in the development of the fiber and sinew of the race in North America.—Boston Transcript.

Salt a Luxury In Africa.

The greatest of all luxuries in central Africa is salt. To say that a man eats salt with his victuals is the same as saying that he is a rich man. Mungo Park says, "The long continued use of vegetable food creates so painful a longing for salt that no words can sufficiently describe it."—Chicago Tribune.

Elizabeth Stuart Phelps relates that once, when Longfellow was visiting her at her Gloucester home, she pointed out to him the reef of Norman's Woe and was surprised to find that, although he had wrecked the schooner Hesperus on it, he had never before seen it.

From Venice to Washington is a distance of 3,833 miles.



\$100 Reward will be paid for the arrest and conviction of any one detected refilling our bottles.

Mortgage Sale.

DEFALKT HAVING BEEN MADE IN THE CONDITIONS OF A CERTAIN MORTGAGE MADE BY NETTIE C. WISE TO THE ANN ARBOR SAVINGS ASSOCIATION, DATED JULY 22, A. D. 1894, AND RECORDED IN THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTER OF DEEDS FOR THE COUNTY OF WAYNE, ON THE 23RD DAY OF JULY, 1894, IN THE 10TH DAY OF AUGUST, A. D. 1895, IN LIPPS' BOOK OF MORTGAGES ON PAGE 162, ON WHICH MORTGAGE THERE IS CLAIMED TO BE DUE AT THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE THE SUM OF FOURTEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY-SEVEN DOLLARS AND FIFTEEN CENTS, AND AN ATTORNEY'S FEES OF TWENTY-FIVE DOLLARS PROVIDED FOR IN THE MORTGAGE, AND NO SUIT OR PROCESSION FOR THE SAME SECURED BY SAID MORTGAGE.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage or in any instrument in writing made in connection therewith, given to the Ann Arbor Savings Association, dated July 22, A. D. 1894, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Wayne, on the 23rd day of July, 1894, in the 10th day of August, A. D. 1895, in Lips' Book of Mortgages on page 162, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of fourteen hundred and ninety-seven dollars and fifteen cents, and an attorney's fees of twenty-five dollars provided for in the mortgage, and no suit or proceeding for the same secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage or in any instrument in writing made in connection therewith, given to the Ann Arbor Savings Association, dated July 22, A. D. 1894, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Wayne, on the 23rd day of July, 1894, in the 10th day of August, A. D. 1895, in Lips' Book of Mortgages on page 162, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of fourteen hundred and ninety-seven dollars and fifteen cents, and an attorney's fees of twenty-five dollars provided for in the mortgage, and no suit or proceeding for the same secured by said mortgage or any part thereof.

Dated, Ann Arbor, February 15, A. D. 1897.

H. W. NEWKIRK, Attorney for mortgagor.

Dated, January 27, 1897.

Notice to Creditors.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF Washtenaw, ss. Notice is hereby given, that by an order of the Probate Court for the County of Washtenaw, made on the 15th day of February, A. D. 1897, six months from that date were allowed to creditors to present their claims against the estate of Patrick Ryan, deceased, who died on the 1st day of December, 1896, in the sum of \$1,000.00, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said Probate Court, at the Probate Office in the city of Ann Arbor, for examination and allowance, on or before the 14th day of May and on the 14th day of August next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each of said days.

Dated, Ann Arbor, February 15, A. D. 1897.

H. W. NEWKIRK, Judge of Probate.

* Special attention given to the insurance of dwellings, schools, churches and public buildings.

terms of three and five years

Photographed from life.

REVIVO RESTORES VITALITY.

Made a Well Man of Me.

1st Day.

15th Day.

Made In Germany.

Apparently one of the chief results of the idiotic "made in Germany" act is to render importers of foreign goods specially anxious to pass themselves off as British manufacturers, says London Truth. Here is a good example: The label round a matchbox extensively sold in London and the provinces bears a sort of trademark in the shape of a sailor's head, with the legend "England's heroes" and the following inscription in red and black letters:

"Manufactured by Martin Harris & Co., Ltd., Stratford, London, E."

"Support English Workpeople only by using English made matches."

This covers three sides of the box.

The fourth is covered by a piece of sanded paper to strike the matches on.

Remove this paper and you find underneath the further and still more interesting notification, "Printed in Germany."

How He Answered Them.

A well known artist received not long ago a circular letter from a business house engaged in the sale of California dried fruit, inviting him to compete for a prize to be given for the best design to be used in advertising their wares.

GOT THE BACKACHE?

If You Have, Here's the Way to Rid Yourself of the Weariness and Pain Attending It.

Some people suffer with headaches, many people are worn out and weary all the time, many more people have lame back and backache. Few people understand the real cause of their aches, and fewer yet know how easily they can find a cure. Just a word of explanation before we prove that what we say is true. The back is the key-note of the kidneys. It aches; that's a sign that the kidneys are not working properly; it is lame; another sign, the kidneys are out of order. The kidneys, you know, are the filters of the blood, but filters sometimes get clogged up. This means in their case that the blood courses through the entire system impregnated with poisonous uric acid, bringing on many a disorder which, if neglected, means disease perhaps incurable. And now about the cure:—Don't take our word for it; read what others say:

Mr. David C. Oaks is proprietor of the well known hardware and paint shop at 220 East Main Street, Kalamazoo. Mr. Oaks has suffered a great deal from kidney ailments; he described his condition and cure as follows: "I had a bad, lame back, which I suppose was caused by my kidneys; was confined to my bed during bad attacks. I might say, from time to time, I have been in that condition for years. The urinary organism was affected, urine being scanty, highly colored, and difficult in passage. I was in a bad shape when I got a box of Doan's Kidney Pills, about which I had heard. I have used now two boxes of them, and the pills have removed all the pain and trouble. There was a marked improvement right from the first, and it has continued right along. Doan's Kidney Pills are the right thing in the right place."

For sale by all dealers — price, 50 cents. Mailed by Foster Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name, Doan's, and take no other.

Estate of Thomas Stewart.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF Washtenaw, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Washtenaw, held at the Probate Office in the City of Ann Arbor, on Saturday, the 30th day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Present, H. Wirt Newark, Judge of Probate,

In the matter of the estate of Thomas Stewart, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition duly verified of Samuel Stewart, praying that he may be licensed to sell the real estate whereof said deceased died seized.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Saturday, the 27th day of February, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that the heirs-at-law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be held at the Probate Office in the city of Ann Arbor, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And further, it is ordered, that the petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the ANN ARBOR ARGUS, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

H. WIRT NEWKIRK,
(A true copy.) Judge of Probate.
P. J. LEHMAN, Probate Register

Estate of Michael, Mary, Thomas and Thresa Agin.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF Washtenaw, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the county of Washtenaw, held at the Probate Office in the City of Ann Arbor, on Thursday, the 29th day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Present, H. Wirt Newark, Judge of Probate,

In the matter of the estate of Michael, Mary, Thomas and Thresa Agin, minors.

Thomas Murray and John Harris, the guardians of said minors, and their attorney and represent that they are now prepared to render their final account as such guardians.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Friday, the 26th day of February, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for examining and allowing such account, and that the next of kin of said wards and all other persons interested in said estate are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be held at the Probate Office in the city of Ann Arbor, and show cause, if any there be, why the said account should not be allowed. And it is further ordered that Saturday, the 27th day of February, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that the heirs-at-law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be held at the Probate Office in the city of Ann Arbor, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And further, it is ordered, that the petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the ANN ARBOR ARGUS, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

H. WIRT NEWKIRK,
(A true copy.) Judge of Probate.
P. J. LEHMAN, Probate Register

Estate of Jacob Kern.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF Washtenaw, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Washtenaw, held at the Probate Office in the City of Ann Arbor, on Monday, the 15th day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Present, H. Wirt Newark, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Jacob Kern, deceased.

Frederick J. Kern, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, comes into court and represents that he is now prepared to render his final account as such executor.

Thereupon it is ordered that Saturday, the 23d day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for examining and allowing such account, and that the devisees, legatees and heirs at law of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be held at the Probate Office in the City of Ann Arbor, and show cause, if any there be, why the said account should not be allowed. And it is further ordered that said executor give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said account and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the ANN ARBOR ARGUS, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

H. WIRT NEWKIRK,
(A true copy.) Judge of Probate.
P. J. LEHMAN, Probate Register

Estate of Edward H. Clark.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF Washtenaw, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Washtenaw, held at the Probate Office in the City of Ann Arbor, on Tuesday, the 4th day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

Present, H. Wirt Newark, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Edward H. Clark, deceased.

Frederick J. Kern, the executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, comes into court and represents that he is now prepared to render his final account as such executor.

Thereupon it is ordered that Saturday, the 23d day of March next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for examining and allowing such account, and that the devisees, legatees and heirs at law of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be held at the Probate Office in the City of Ann Arbor, and show cause, if any there be, why the said account should not be allowed. And it is further ordered that said executor give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said account and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the ANN ARBOR ARGUS, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

H. WIRT NEWKIRK,
(A true copy.) Judge of Probate.
P. J. LEHMAN, Probate Register

RIVERS ON A RAMPAGE.

High Waters Working Destruction in Various Sections.

MANY MILLS HAVE TO SHUT DOWN.

The Flood in the Monongahela and Allegheny Valleys Promises To Be Greater Than Any Since 1891.—The Cheat River a Regular Torrent.—At Cincinnati the Ohio Is Rising at the Rate of Four Inches an Hour—Reports Elsewhere.

Pittsburg, Feb. 23.—The continued rains along the Monongahela and Allegheny valleys promises to cause a flood here greater than any since 1891. At noon the marks showed 26 feet of water in the channel and rising at the rate of 9 inches an hour. Dispatches from all points at the headwaters report the rivers still rising and old rivermen predict from 28 to 30 feet here by nightfall. The low lands in this city, south of Pittsburg and Allegheny, are already under several feet of water and the residents are moving to higher ground. All the mills along the Monongahela and Allegheny rivers have been forced to close down, and the tracks of the Pittsburg and Lake Erie, Pittsburgh and Western and Pittsburg, McKeesport and Youghiogheny railroads are submerged.

Cheat River Raging.

At Morgantown, W. Va., the water is 29 feet and rising 2 inches an hour. It is now within 18 inches of the flood of last July and 6 feet below the great flood of 1888, when the water was the highest ever known. Cheat river is a raging torrent. It rained all night but is growing colder. At Brownsville, Pa., the guage is 40 feet and rising 3 inches an hour. The damage already done in Pittsburg and vicinity will reach many thousands of dollars. So far no fatalities have been reported.

At McKeepsport the rapid rise in the Monongahela and Youghiogheny rivers has compelled many people to move their household goods by means of boats. The city waterworks, Dyes & Woods' rolling mill, the National Rolling mill, Gannon's planing mill, and all the coal yards are submerged. The greatest damage done was at the Woods mill, and the loss to finished product is placed at \$25,000.

Fires Could Not Be Drawn.

Word from Glassport, just above McKeepsport, says the water rose so rapidly that the fire could not be drawn from the furnaces of the United Coke, Gas and Chemical company's plant, and as these furnaces are now partly under water they will be very badly damaged, if not ruined completely. The loss at that plant will run away up into the thousands.

At 2 o'clock Tuesday afternoon the Market street marks in this city showed nearly 27 feet of water and still rising rapidly. During the night the Monongahela rose 14 feet or more than 1 foot an hour. This beats all records. Great excitement and activity prevails along the river fronts and business has practically been suspended, while the storekeepers and clerks are engaged in saving goods.

Unauthentic Portraits of Franklin.

It seems the height of absurdity to look upon the so called "Summer Portrait of Franklin at Twenty," belonging to Harvard university, as an authentic portrait. Where did Franklin, who was grubbing for funds to carry him home at the time this picture is supposed to have been painted, get the money for the "purple and fine linen" in which he is arrayed, let alone to pay the artist for his work? Aside from Franklin's circumstances being against its authenticity, his "Autobiography" is silent upon so important a subject as this portrait, and its history is purely mythical.

Another picture that has no better claim to be considered a likeness of Benjamin Franklin hangs in the Metropolitan Museum of Art and was painted by Stephen Elmer, an English still life painter. There is nothing to show that it was given the name of Franklin until 1824, when a plate engraved by Ryder and published in 1782, as "The Politician," was relettered and issued with the name of Franklin.

The last picture to be mentioned in this expurgatorial list is of the first importance as a work of art. It was painted by Thomas Gainsborough and is in the collection of the Marquis of Lansdowne, but it is clearly not Benjamin Franklin. It is, in my opinion, the portrait of Governor William Franklin.—Charles Henry Hart in McClure's Magazine.

Died of His Injuries.

St. Louis, Feb. 23.—Word has been received here that John R. Boyd, president of the Boyd Lumber company of St. Louis, which has large mills at Neelyville, Ark., has died at that place. Mr. Boyd was caught in the mill machinery and horribly crushed. Mr. Boyd was reputed a millionaire. His life was insured for \$50,000.

SONG.

I would that my love were a lily fair
And I would that I were a sunbeam bold,
Still to be dressing her flowery hair
All day long with my airy gold.

Or would that she were the dew that lies
In th' rose and I the rose tree were,
To fold my red leaves over her eyes
And make my sweetness a part of her.

Would I were a breeze that is where it will
And she a leaf in some lonely place.
How I would cling to her, sing to her,
She gathered me up in her green embrace.

Or would that she were a fawn so gay
And I within some lowly bed
Where off her silvery feet would stray
And dimple the turf above me spread.

Nay, leave th' sunbeam that's his
And leave the lily her airy gold.
And give me my maiden, just as she is,
To kiss and sing to, to keep and hold!
—New York Ledger.

A LAD WITHOUT GUILTY.

How Grant Impressed His Comrades as a West Point Cadet.

SOMETHING ABOUT BEETLES

Their Strange Habits, Instincts and Means of Getting Food.

You are all familiar with the common black beetle known as the tumblebug, and perhaps may have seen it rolling a ball with its hind legs pushing it backward. The ball contains the egg of the beetle, and the creature is taking it to a place of safety.

A green beetle spotted with white is called the tiger beetle. He is a clever fellow and very cunning in his manner of securing his prey. He will dig a hole a foot in depth and then crawl to the top and form himself into a bridge across the chasm, burying his head in such a manner as to appear like something inanimate, but he will be on the alert for the unwary creature that makes an attempt to cross on his back. In an instant the bridge will give way and the prey will be precipitated into the hole. The beetle will follow and quickly dispatch the game, when he will return, reform the bridge and alure another victim.

Old fashioned furniture is often completely ruined by the larvae of a beetle called the anobium. A peculiar sound like the ticking of a clock is made by these beetles when they call to each other, the noise being made by striking the jaws against their resting place, and often in old houses filled with old furniture the superstitions, when they hear this peculiar sound, imagine the place to be haunted.

Another beetle is found in dark celars, where it thrives upon dust and trash. It is so difficult to exterminate it that it is looked upon as something uncanny, and the ignorant regard its presence as an ill omen.

The sacred beetle of Egypt is not unlike our own common beetle, and the female lays her egg in the same way, wrapped in a substance which is to protect it and furnish food. She rolls it up into a ball with her fore legs, sometimes carrying it a long distance upon her head; digs a hole in the earth, deposits her egg laden ball, covers it up, and leaves it to attain its perfect development.

The sexton beetle is a curious creature. He has a thick body and powerful limbs and a most acute sense of smell. No sooner does a small animal die than the sextons gather about the body and begin to put earth upon it. In a few hours the dead animal has been covered and the beetles have laid their eggs in the carcass, which is to nourish the larvae.

A remarkable creature is the bombardier beetle, and it is provided with a strange means of defense. It lives in a community under stones, and when disturbed discharges a fluid of a very penetrating odor, much like gas, which explodes as it comes in contact with the air and passes into vapor. Eighteen explosions can be made in succession by one bombardier, and while these are being thrown off like a volley of artillery the beetle effects its escape. The fluid is like nitric acid to the taste. It causes a sharp pain if placed upon the tongue and leaves a yellowish stain.—Our Animal Friends.

TWO CLASSES OF READERS.

Those Who Like Dickens and Those Who Adore Thackeray.

"About 15 years ago readers used to be divided roughly into two classes—those who 'liked Dickens' and those who 'adored Thackeray,'" writes the critic Droch in *The Ladies' Home Journal*. "Each class used to view the other with more or less contempt. Of the two the Thackeray people felt themselves considerably superior to the Dickens people. There were not so many of them, for one thing, and that in itself gave them a feeling of exclusiveness (something like the attitude assumed by George Meredith's admirers of the present day). But Thackeray's complete works for \$39 rapidly abolished the aristocracy. Artificial barriers do not long count for much with a great writer."

"You doubt very soon found out that in certain moods there was nothing more satisfying to you than 'Pendennis,' and at another time the best novel that you ever read was 'David Copperfield.'

I have no doubt that in the long run deep in your heart you will cherish a finer affection for the one than the other.

That is a matter of temperament and your surroundings. The one you like best fits best into your life as you are making it. You will discover that a change of scene or occupation often brings you into sympathy with a writer whom you never before appreciated.

A great sorrow will sometimes reveal George Eliot to you; a little journey in England will show you new beauties in Trollope; a wave of war feeling in Europe and people begin rereading Tolstoi's 'War and Peace.'"

—G. Renaud in *Popular Science Monthly*.

HE GOT THE MILK.

A Story Showing the Sympathy and Simplicity of Professor Child.

Twenty years ago the writer, with her 3-year-old child, was on her way to Washington in midwinter. Instead of reaching that beautiful city early in the morning, as was expected, the train was stalled in the night by a terrible blizzard. After the height of the storm was over it took hours to dig away the heavy snow that buried, not only the rails, but the whole world apparently. Slowly and laboriously the locomotive crept on, and we were still 200 miles from Washington when the church clock struck 8 in a village where we halted. Men jumped up to see if there were time to get a cup of coffee; nervous and anxious women clamored for tea and I cried with the rest, "Oh, if only I could get a glass of milk for my little girl!" "Impossible," said the brakeman, who was passing through the car; "we shan't be here but a minute."

Paying no heed to his words, a gentleman of striking appearance, whose fine face and head I had been silently studying, hurriedly left the car and disappeared upon the snowy platform. "He'll get left," sneered the brakeman.

The train moved on, feeling its way through the huge white banks on both sides. The gentleman had evidently been traveling alone, for no one seemed anxious because he did not come back. The cars were hardly in full swing, however, when he jumped aboard, a little out of breath, dusted with snow, but self possessed and calm, holding carefully a tall glass of milk, which he gave to the wee girl beside me. My stammered thanks for such unexpected kindness from an unknown traveler he brushed away with a wave of his hand. "But the glass?" I insisted, knowing it could not be returned, as we were now thundering onward. "Is yours, madam," he replied, settling himself into his seat, paying no more attention to us. But later in the course of the dreary forenoon he motioned to the little lass to come to him, which she willingly did. He lifted her to his side, and with his arm round her she cuddled up against him, and for two hours he whispered stories to her ear, so low that no one else could hear, but the delight of which was reflected in her dancing eyes and smiling lips.

At Baltimore the stranger disappeared, and a gentleman across the passage from us leaned over and said, "Do you know who has been entertaining your child so charmingly, as indeed only he could?" "I haven't the faintest idea," "Professor Francis J. Child."

So many years have flown since then that the little lass herself writes stories now—perhaps faraway echoes of those she heard that wintry day when Professor Child made summer in her heart, but the tall, thick depot tumbler still stands on the high shelf of the cupboard, too sacred for any use, save as a memento of the kindly chivalry of a great man to a little child.—Atlantic's Contributors' Club.

Homing Pigeons.

When pigeons were to be sent back and forth, it has been usual to keep two sets, with their respective homes at either end of the course, and when they have reached their homes to carry them back to the places from which they are to be dispatched. An ingenious process has been devised to overcome this difficulty and cause the birds to fly with equal certainty in both directions. Pigeons, for example, whose home is in Paris are confined for several days at St. Denis and fed there at a stated hour every day with some favorite food which they will not eat at their real home. They become in the course of time familiar with their new home

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PERSONAL.

Ben O'Neil is visiting friends in Wyandotte.

Mrs. C. Eberhardt is visiting friends in Buchanan.

Attorney J. C. Smith is dangerously ill at the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Pond are visiting friends in Owosso.

Prof. H. C. Adams and family will spend the summer in Europe.

Mrs. W. J. Herdman has gone to Washington, D. C., for a brief visit.

Moses Seabolt has been elected a director of the Bay City Gas Light Co.

Miss Josephine Clute, of Dundee, is visiting Miss Abbie Wilson, of 9 N. State st.

Miss Chritsina Baur, of Bridgewater, has been visiting Mrs. Fiegel on S. Fifth ave.

Miss Emma Loeffler has just returned from a week's visit with her uncle in Dexter.

Wm. Birkett, of Petoskey, visited his brother, Thomas Birkett, of Dexter town, last week.

D. B. Cheever, of Chicago, spent Sunday and Monday with his mother, Mrs. H. S. Cheever.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Steinkohl, of Manchester, visited W. G. Dieterle and family over Sunday.

Mrs. Charles Millen entertained a number of lady friends Monday afternoon at a 6 o'clock tea.

Miss Susie Smith, of Jackson, who had been visiting Miss Minnie Drake, returned home Monday.

Mrs. Clarence Dixon, who has been seriously ill with inflammation of the bowels, is much improved.

Mrs. Jennie Totten, of Jerome, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Geo. Johnson, has returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Sheehan entertained the whist club at their home, on E. Huron st., Tuesday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Belser spent Sunday and Monday in Niles and Chicago, returning home Tuesday.

Mrs. Luther Holland, of Saginaw, e. s., is visiting Mrs. George M. Stevens, 106 E. University ave., for a few days.

Mrs. C. S. Millen gave a pleasant reception to her lady friends at her home on Lawrence st., Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. J. E. Travis gave a 6 o'clock dinner Monday afternoon, in honor of some friends of her son, De Hull Travis.

L. L. James, of Dexter, was made a noble of the Mystic Shrine at the meeting of Moslem temple in Detroit, Friday night.

Most of the delegates from this city to the state convention of the Y. M. C. A., at Owosso, left for that place yesterday.

W. H. Butler attended the session of the High Court of Foresters in Port Huron this week as delegate from the local court.

Dr. A. C. Nichols and W. H. Butler will take the ceremonies incidental to inauguration day at Washington, D. C., next Thursday.

James A. LeRoy, principal of the Pontiac high school, attended the junior hop Friday evening and called on friends in the city.

Mrs. T. J. Wremppelmeier, of San Francisco, Cal., is visiting Mrs. Mary E. Loomis for a few days and will then leave for Detroit to visit friends.

Mrs. J. D. Cameron and son, Roy, of Indianapolis, Ind., who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Alber, of S. Ashley st., have returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Kyer gave a 6 o'clock dinner Thursday evening of last week, in honor of their son's wife, Mrs. Henry Kyer, of Seattle, Wash.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cox, of Petrolia, Ont., are visiting their daughters, Mrs. Daniel Pierce and Mrs. Fred Klingler, and granddaughter, Mrs. Henry Schulz, of this city.

We understand that Mr. and Mrs. Henry Scofield, who moved to Ann Arbor last fall, will return to their farm south-east of this village in the spring. They have been keeping a boarding house in the university city.—Clinton Local.

Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Frueauff returned Monday night from Bethlehem, Pa., where they had been attending the funeral of Mr. Frueauff's mother. They were the guests of Mrs. Augusta Hutzell during their brief stay in this city, leaving for home Tuesday morning.

Hon. E. B. Jewett, mayor of Buffalo, Mrs. Jewett, daughter of the late Hon. George Danforth, of this city, Mrs. Fannie Palmer Buckingham, daughter of the late Hon. Olney Hawkins, and

Mrs. K. L. B. Moloney, of Detroit, were the guests of Mrs. J. W. Maynard yesterday.

Mayor Harlon D. Wells, of Ypsilanti, and Miss Violet Marie Riggs, of Belleville, are to be married at the residence of the bride's father Loren Riggs, in Belleville, Tuesday afternoon next. They will take a wedding trip to Washington, D. C., and witness the inauguration of President-elect McKinley.

Howard Canfield, of Chelsea, who lost his leg through getting it crushed in a hay press recently, was in Ann Arbor visiting friends the latter part of last week. He has not yet got used to using his crutches and says that he hopes he will not have to get used to it either. As soon as his leg heals up well enough Mr. Canfield will have an artificial limb fitted to the stump.

PROBATE COURT NOTES.

Saturday, Feb. 27.—The petition for license to sell real estate belonging to the Thomas Stewart estate will be heard. The final account of the administrator in the Andrew Birk estate will be rendered.

Monday, March 1, is the last day for the hearing of claims in the several estates of Joseph Lanz, John George Laubengayer, Henry Todd and Rebecca Todd, Jacob Knapp, administrator of the Elizabeth Speth estate, will render his final account on this day.

Tuesday, March 2.—The final accounts of the administrators in the estates of Hattie Pattison and Susan Patterson will be heard.

Thursday, March 4.—Is the day of hearing the petition for the probate of the will of the late Caroline R. Wilkins, deceased.

Friday, March 5.—Hearing of petition for license to sell realty belonging to the John Jacob Laubengayer estate.

Private Mailing Cards.

On the first day of July next the bill permitting the printing and use of private mailing cards with a one cent stamp affixed will go into effect. The progressive business man will have his own advertisement conspicuously displayed, and the printing of millions of cards will make work for the printer.

The bill is apportioned by the post office department, as it tends to popularize postal cards, besides effecting a saving to the government of the difference between the cost of the cards and the stamps.

Wanted—1,000 Yards of Stone.

The City of Ann Arbor will purchase 1,000 yards of stone for the crusher, to be delivered at the city yard located on S. Main street, at the Ann Arbor railroad crossing. The city will pay at the rate of (forty) 40 cents per yard. No stone will be received of greater diameter than seven inches.

GLEN V. MILLS,
City Clerk.

Man and the Mammoth.

A remarkable discovery was made a few years ago in the sandstone rock at the Nevada state prison. The "find" was considered wonderful not only from a geological standpoint, but from an ethnological point of view also.

While the convicts at the institution were unearthing some huge blocks of stone they uncovered some peculiar indentations in one of the slabs. Closer investigation proved that these queer marks were the tracks of some gigantic beast of antediluvian time—perhaps a mastodon or a mammoth.

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THE UNIVERSITY TAX.

Little Reason Why Farmers Should be Opposed to the U. of M.

The tax that the legislature of the state has seen fit to lay upon Michigan residents for the support of the university has never been objected to by any class but the farmer. From the cities there has never been heard a word against the levy made upon property for the support of the great educational institution the state has fostered since 1837. It appears that in considering the amount of money raised by the sixth of a mill tax the farmer imagines he pays the whole of it instead of 16 cents upon each thousand dollars assessed valuation put against his name on the tax rolls of his county. To relieve the mental anguish the farmer is passing through at the present time, The Journal has worked at the tax books of Washtenaw county in its efforts to find out just how much many farmers in the district annually pay toward the support of the university, and moreover in what way, other than that of being part owners of the great school, they are themselves financially benefited by being permitted to assist in the support of the institution.

The largest amount paid annually by any farmer in this county, which may be considered typical, for the support of the University of Michigan, is that paid by the Boyden estate, which is called upon to spend for this purpose the sum of \$3.30. A farmer whose property is assessed at \$25,000 is unusually rich, but the case cited is only an extreme. The great majority of the farmers in this county are assessed in amounts from \$1,000 to \$10,000, and pay, therefore, to the university amounts varying from 16 cents to \$1.60 annual.

For further data as to the amount actually paid by farmers in this county the following list is offered. The names are those of farmers taken indiscriminately from the tax rolls of the county and following their pages is noted the actual amounts each pays annually toward the support of the university. They are all farmers well known hereabouts. Many of them are antagonistic toward the institution on account of the burden of its tax and quite as many of them are not, and would be willing to pay twice the tax rather than see the institution in any way crippled: Edwin Ball, Webster, \$1.45; Jacob Blum, Bridgewater, \$1.35; Philip Blum, Lyndon, \$1.45; Wm. Dansingburg, Augusta, 84 cents; John Fiegel, Freedman, \$1.35; Albert Graves, Ypsilanti, 67 cents; George Gill, Superior, \$1.25; Wm. Hall, Sharon, \$1.15; John Hunter, Ypsilanti, \$1.59; Gideon Hoyt, Lodi, 66 cents; John Huehl, Freedom, \$1.35; Jacob Knapp, Freedom, \$1.46; Emery Leland, Northfield, \$1.41; John McDougall, Superior, 49 cents; George McDougall, Superior, 66 cents; Amos McIntyre, York, 99 cents; Robert McColl, Webster, \$1.52; Phil Murray, Salem, 50 cents; E. A. Nordman, Lima, \$1.06.

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The explanation of the safety of Europeans among these fellows, even where the police were absent, is probably to be found in the tentative character of the Turk's violations of right and of law. In doing what is wrong he always begins an abject coward, gaining courage with impunity. The mere fact that a European would walk straight through a crowd of the bludgeon men, jostling against them in an unconcerned manner, convinced them that for some reason he was not a safe man to attack. In some cases Armenians walked safely through the mobs on the street simply by pushing their way with a determined air. In every case where an Armenian ran from them, or even hesitated on meeting them, his only chance of life was gone. The tentative character of Turkish aggressions is not sufficiently borne in mind. At the beginning of a wrong even a sultan will draw back when he sees that his course is resented by one whom he knows to have the right and believes to have the force to do so.—Yvan Troshine in Scribner's.

Grant's Demerits as a Cadet.

Grant's page of demerits at West Point shows scarcely a single mark for any real offense against good conduct. They are mainly "lates" and negligences. He was "late at church," "late at parade," "late at drill." He was a growing boy and a little sluggish of a morning no doubt. Once he sat down on his post between 5 and 6 in the morning. For this he received eight demerits.