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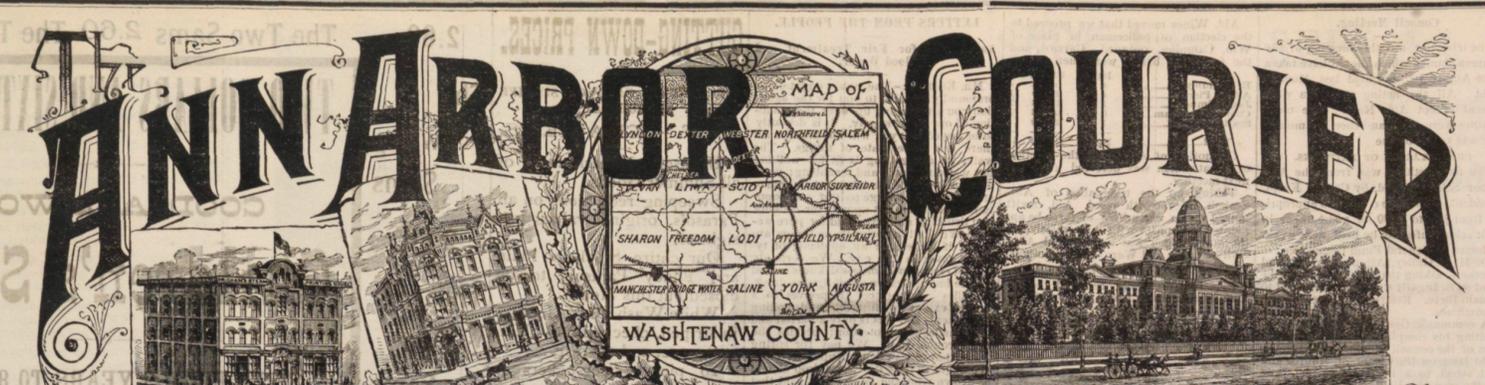
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MOTHER'S WORK. I. Baking, sewing, and brewing. Roasting, frying, and boiling. Sweeping, dusting, and cleaning.

Not the Dog's Fault. A very indignant man leading a dog stalked into Uncle Eph's house, yesterday, and said: "Eph, you black rascal, here's your dog; give me back the \$3 I paid you for it."

Giving Way to Moods. It is unphilosophical and wrong to yield to moods. They rob life of much of its enjoyment. The mind is as amenable to control as the body.

The Apple Conundrum. How many apples did Adam and Eve eat? Some say Eve ate Adam's apple. Now we figure it a little differently.

A Modern Fable. Once upon a time there dwelt near a pond an old goose, so ancient his age had reached his centenary.

Wanted. A damper to check a slight draft. The face of a note to shave. Postage stamps will do their duty without being licked.

There is a story told of a Yorkshireman, we believe, who said a goose was a foolish bird—"too much for one, but not enough for two."

To call a laundress a "bosom friend" is irony, and should be enough to impel her to cuff and take the starch out of the rude fellows who collar names.

The last report from Hawaii shows \$6.47 in the government treasury—liter Ocean.

The three R's brought Regret, Reproach and Remorse to a great political party in 1884. The three P's, when signifying Dr. Pierce's Purgative Pills, bring Peace to the mind, Preservation and Perfection of health to the body.

It is bad luck to be killed by a railroad train.—Judge.

A Generous Firm. We are informed that the proprietors, Messrs. A. P. Ordway & Co., recently sent three dozen of their reliable medicine, Sulphur Bitters, to the Catholic Home for the Aged, which is highly appreciated by the directors and inmates.

OLD SLAVEY TIMES. How a Fugitive Slave was Helped to His Freedom. A very interesting story, says the Pittsburgh Chronicle, is related by our townsman, James Reed, the jeweler, whose memory is full of all the incidents connected with the details of the Underground railroad.

County and Vicinity. In some places apples fall off the trees in great numbers. Harvest picnic at Kavanagh Lake, Aug. 17th.

LITERARY NOTE. Our neighbors over the border have within a very few years organized and equipped a large military force, and the militia includes all dwellers in the Dominion capable of bearing arms.

Real Estate Matters. Gilbert M. Smith to Minerva J. Smith, Ypsilanti, \$1,000. Jessie Lyon to Edward Robson, Saginaw, \$1,000.

Next Congress. In view of the possibility that the fifth Congress may be called together in extra session, the political complexion of the body may be of interest.

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CUT! CUT! CUT! Down go the Prices. On all summer weight goods. We do not wish to keep over until next season any Summer weight goods and propose to sell them now if the price will move them.

Men's Suits, fine cassimere, \$6.00 cut to \$4.50. Men's Suits, all wool cassimere, \$10.00 cut to \$8.50.

Men's Suits, fine, all wool, \$15.00 cut to \$12.50. Men's Suits, fine, all wool, \$18.00 cut to \$15.00.

Waterloo Baptist church and Society have sold their church property for \$250 to John Walsh of Waterloo.

The Dexter Leader man says he is "glad to publish obituaries, death notices," etc. "Very frank, to be sure, but does it not make a difference whether the notice is about one who pays his subscription in advance, one who never pays, or one who steals the paper from his neighbors?"

A new kind of bird with one wing was caught near Stony Creek recently. There was no trace of any other wing, but the bird seemed perfectly able to navigate the air with one wing—Chelsea Herald.

It took two Bay Cities to help the Chelsea boys visit their recent base ball victories of the Dexter and Ann Arbor clubs. Chateau Fair.

Washtenaw Co. will make a struggle for local option. What's Oakland Co. going to do.—Picket. Either will have a short fight, and he ought to catch 'em.

Our office thermometer has melted and run over the top.—Saline Observer. One of the Ypsilanti editors, who is a great scientist, keeps stopping over all the time.

The Sunday School Convention to be held at Unadilla is adjourned until December, and the place changed to Grand Island, Michigan.

A son of Wm. Hendee figures on a slate that is 80 years old. It descends from his great-grandfather and beats all the slates in the vicinity.—Pinckney Dispatch. That boy ought to make his mark sure.

"Don" Briggs, of Dexter, has been trying to catch fish up at Base Lake, but if our informant is correct the fish were too smart for him, and he could not catch 'em. "Don" will have a good story to tell all the same.

Stonobates with barrels got to the lake for the first time, which seems drier than usual. Grand Island, Dexter Leader, Well, North Lake water is very dry anyway, usually, but not as dry as North Lake correspondents.

Last week Archie Drury accomplished the extraordinary feat of swimming across Base Lake and returning without stopping. The distance is about two miles, and was made in 53 minutes.—Dexter Leader.

The Saline Arbeiter Verein has made arrangements for a grand picnic to be held in this village, Wednesday, Aug. 24. The grove west of the depot has been selected as the place for the exercises.—Observer.

About 25 of the members of Comstock post, G. A. R., will attend the encampment at Adrian the 30th. Commander H. J. H. has been appointed commander of the day on the third day of the encampment.—Enterprise.

Hon. Jas. Gorman opened up his whorl-tipped patch to all the women in his section, and they are happy. With thanks. Our Senator sees the handwriting of woman suffrage on the wall and is entrencing himself.

The farmer whose pastures are as dry as an old carpet, whose corn is burning up, whose potatoes have stopped growing, and who is driving his stock ten miles to water, should be looked after by Bob. Ingersoll, So. Lyon Picket.

The last pit head of getting in their work ahead of the new marriage law, is Thomas Highland and Mrs. Parks, both of Salem, and both past their three score and ten. They were united at Ann Arbor, July 29th.—So. Lyon Excelsior.

It seems about right to see the ladies taking active part in school meeting. Nineteen of them voted last Tuesday evening. As lobbyists they are a success and they well know how to represent their property.—Pinckney Dispatch. You bet.

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Liquor dealers have paid about \$200,000 taxes in Wayne county this year.

Howell is giving the world lots of gas talk just now, and is all natural, too.

"The South is for Cleveland body and soul." Yes, and Cleveland is for the South. It is mutual.

The Vernon Inter-Lake has suspended for two weeks in order to let the editor off on a vacation up north. Elong a way to do business.—Chesaning Argus.

The tendency to adopt shorter hours of labor for clerks and other employes is growing, and it ought to grow. All stores ought to close at 6 o'clock p. m.

George William Curtis admits that Mr. Cleveland's administration is not a success in a civil service reform sense. Quite astonishing that George Wm. has found it out.

The emigrant "schooner" is very seldom seen in this part of Michigan just now; but there is a "schooner" here that some people start out with before they call for ponies.

Henry M. Stanley, the African explorer is not dead, but well and pushing his expedition forward. Some politicians would give all the old boots left to be revived again as Stanley has been.

There are only two kingdoms in the world ruled over by queens—England and Spain, but there are thousands of queens right here in America who could rule a kingdom in "right peck style."

Senator Palmer and Gov. Luce are doing a heap of work just now in the way of speeches to farmers, pioneers, etc. Both have a kettle of fish to fry and are preparing a heap of bait for future angling.

Cleveland is going to "swing around the circle." History teaches us that politically it is not profitable business. Mr. A. Johnson once said: "Swing is history about to repeat itself. Perhaps." It frequently does repeat.

The Detroit Free Press don't like the "Purity of election bill," which came so near becoming a law last winter. It would have a great tendency to wipe out democratic majorities in large cities. Hence the P. P.'s tears.

The 4th annual reunion of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Association of Northwestern Michigan occurs at Reed City on the 6th, 7th and 8th of September, and the Clarion of that place invites all the boys there then to have a jolly good time.

Last week Texas voted by 70,000 majority and a little over that they "didn't want no prohibition in them." They will take "them" straight as usual. Even a three years' drought couldn't fetch Texans down to cold water.

A new theory of the final destruction of the earth is that the polar ice is penetrating the interior of the globe like a wedge, and that as soon as it reaches the furnace there will be an explosion that will split the world into pieces too small for truck patches.

Henry George will be the labor candidate for president in 1888, and his candidacy will make many a politician howl in a way not happy, and swear by George, in a manner so frank as to bring down a chair from the cast iron statues of Justice on court houses.

A thoughtful exorah advances the idea that the terrible drought of this summer is a punishment inflicted upon the people for electing a democratic president. There might be something in this were it not for the well-known circumstance that a scarcity of water is no punishment for democrats.

It is pleasing to note the general unanimity of the city press in asserting that the encampment of the state troops just closed at Island Lake has been an honor to the state. It has too often been a disgrace, and the state press will only be too glad to chronicle a change for the better. At the same time the people may thank Ex-Gov. Alger for the reform. He is the one who inaugurated it.

The Detroit papers are sending out feelers in editorials and endeavoring to work the people up to having the clinical branch of the University medical department of Ann Arbor moved to Detroit. Now, if a branch of its hospitals and its various departments and committees is necessary to a thorough acquisition of the art of medicine, it may be so. What do Ann Arbor people think of it?—Chesaning Argus.

Just what the Dutchman's boy thought when he was whipped. It is some of Maclean's dashed nonsense.

The Bourbon element of the South came near experiencing a panic last week, when the republican candidate for governor of Kentucky came so near wiping out the democratic majority in that democratic headquarter. A republican victory in Kentucky? It could never be! And the back county returns were "seen to afore they cum in," and the great danger averted.

The rapid decline of Reed the lawyer who defended the assassin Guitau, who a few days since sought to end his existence by suicide, teaches a lesson. The heinous offense of Guitau should have found no one willing to defend its perpetrator. Reed rushed in thinking the notoriety would help him, but it has ruined him instead. Young lawyers should remember Reed's fate. Notoriety is no name, nor does it bring prosperity to one's door.

We have received the Kalamazoo Telegraph's illustrated pamphlet booning edition. It is a model of neatness and beauty, and speaks volumes for the energy and grit of the proprietors of the Telegraph. There are many handsome illustrations, and the city and its attractions are well written up. But there is one fault, viz: it is too large, making it awkward to handle and undesirable to preserve. Had it been one-fourth the size with a corresponding increase in practical purposes. But the enterprise is the most laudable, and is worthy more to the city of Kalamazoo than she will ever acknowledge or ever pay for. It seems to be the task of publishers to build up cities and towns gratis.

Council Meeting.

The irregular monthly meeting of the common council which should have taken place August 1st, was held last Monday night. All the acting members were present except Ald. Herz. The usual minutes were read, and then the motion was carried by the yeas and nays.

RESOLUTIONS OF PETITIONS.

The first petition was from the Ann Arbor Schützenbund, by Conrad Krapp, president, asking the council to appropriate from \$75 to \$100 to assist them in their schutzenfest to be held next week. Referred to General Fund Committee.

Of H. E. Gidley, Albert Trumper and 28 others, asking that the gas lamp at the corner of Madison and Thompson streets be removed. Referred to General Fund Committee.

A communication from Zina P. King, reciting his compliance with the resolution of the council in raising the electric light lamp on the corner of Monroe and 12th street, to a height of 60 feet, and by the way, this light does more service than any five of the suspended lamps in the city, and presenting a receipt bill for the same. Received and placed on file.

A communication from H. W. Ashley, Gen'l Manager of the T. A. & N. M. R. R. asking the privilege of laying pipes from the Main spring in the west part of the city to their new water tank. Referred to the General Street Committee together with the city attorney.

The next document was a memorial petition bearing the names of upwards of 100 of our citizens living on both sides of the river, asking that the Board of Health take the necessary steps to relieve them of the stench arising from and the nuisance maintained by the slaughter houses, located within twenty rods of the 5th ward building. This memorial petition was turned over to the council by the Board of Health and Dr. W. F. Breakey, the Health officer of the city, accompanied it with the following communication:

HEALTH OFFICE, July 25, '87. To the Mayor and Common Council:

The Board of Health respectfully recommends that immediate action be taken by your body to remove the nuisance of slaughter houses of the city to some point farther from places of residence, of schools and other public buildings.

For several years complaints of the odors arising from the slaughter houses in this ward—particularly in the 5th ward—have been made to the Board of Health.

And for the past two or three months, complaints of this stench have come in from those who work in the shops and mills situated in the vicinity of the railroad station, and from passengers who get on and off the trains and in the school season from the teachers and scholars of the 5th ward.

There is a general feeling of the city affecting the schools and the afflictions to which they are subjected. The stench of slaughter, however legitimate, is almost insupportable if not dangerous to the health of children when carried on in such proximity to schools, that the dumb animals are driven or carried by the school cars to their death but a few rods distant, and the dead carcasses brought back to the city.

These sights, not to speak of the sounds of the innocent tender, and to hasten to make more cruel those who inflict them. Many of these complaints seem to arise from the fact that the buildings are located within twenty rods of the schools, and in some cases are located within ten rods of the schools.

The Board of Health recognizes slaughter houses as a nuisance, and it is its duty to remove them to some point farther from places of residence, of schools and other public buildings, and to secure the health and comfort of the city.

And we believe that a reasonable expenditure of public aid, if needed, to secure the removal of these buildings, is not only legitimate, but that public sentiment would commend it, as promoting public health and comfort, and accomplishing a much needed public improvement. That would make more healthful the homes of our citizens, and more attractive as a place of residence to the homes of our citizens.

The removal of these buildings would offer in their reconstruction, opportunity for such improvements as would be of great benefit to the city, and would be of great benefit to the city.

The fact that several butchers now use one building for the purpose of slaughtering, or building that might be used in connection with the business.

We recommend an amicable settlement of this matter if practicable, before a resort to this power given in the Statutes.

W. F. BREAKEY, Health Officer.

To the Mayor and Common Council, Ann Arbor.

The Board of Health also respectfully recommends the passage of an ordinance designating the places where the business of slaughtering swine, and other impure fats, and bone boiling or bone cleaning, may be carried out.

One of the most offensive nuisances with which the city is afflicted, is the slaughtering of swine, and other impure fats, and bone boiling or bone cleaning, near to the homes of our citizens.

We are not prepared to discourage the making of any necessary ingredients of soap, but do not believe it possible to carry on the business of slaughtering swine, and other impure fats, and bone boiling or bone cleaning, near to the homes of our citizens.

And as we are not sure of our authority to enforce the nuisance and pestiferous conditions we respectfully ask your body to consider under the power given in the Statutes, Sec. 279, of the Charter of the City of Ann Arbor, the removal of these buildings.

W. F. BREAKEY, Health Officer.

A recommendation in regard to emptying vaults and cesspools was also presented.

The whole matter was referred to the following committee to report at the next meeting of the council: Aldermen Hiram Wood, Ward, Martin, Mayor Smith and City Attorney Kline.

A plat and description of the proposed extension of South Second street for the benefit of the Toledo, Ann Arbor & North Michigan Railway Co., was presented by Mayor Smith and referred to the General Street Committee.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Ald. Swift, from Committee on Finance, made the report of the following figures for the month of July, of which the following is the recapitulation:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Amount. Total: \$1,494.54

Ald. Allmendinger, from the Committee on Finance reported that the committee had been unable to secure the raising of several of the electric lamps in the city to a desired height, although in the contract with the city the Thomson Edison Co. had so agreed to do, and asked that the council take some action in reference thereto.

After some discussion, Ald. Swift offered the following:

Resolved, That the Thomson-Houston Electric Company be notified to comply with the instructions of the General Fund Committee in raising and locating the street lamps within 30 days, or payment will be stopped until such changes are made.

Which was unanimously adopted.

On motion of Ald. Allmendinger the General Fund Committee was authorized to remove the gas lamp post at the corner of Madison and Thompson streets, the same being in the sidewalk.

Ald. Neikammer, from the Fire Department Committee, made the following report:

Your committee on Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of the Fire Department to organize a Hook and Ladder Company, respectfully recommends, same, said company to consist of the following persons: Harry D. Jones, Wm. Kenney, Saml. Campion, John Kenny, Wm. Kenney, Saml. MacLaren, J. Bauer and Fred Steig.

Which report was adopted.

Ald. Kearns reported to the council that the Michigan Central Railroad proposed laying a track on the south side of the freight depot, which would bring the track to the street. The matter was referred to the Street Committee.

A recess of five minutes was then taken to allow the police committee time to confer. After reconvening the common council read from Wm. Campion, resigning his position as patrolman which was accepted on motion of Ald. Ware.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

An Appeal for Fair Treatment and Good Water.

Mr. Editor:—The public ought to be profoundly grateful to you for the agitation of our water supply. It is devoted to be hoped that you will not desert until there is a better state of things. The water we are getting is fit for nothing but watering yards and scrubbing, and it is a disgrace to have it taken into a human stomach. Yet a large part of our population are dependent upon it for cooking and drinking and having food prepared for it. We should be fortunate as things are going if we escape an epidemic of typhoid fever in the city. We certainly cannot escape more or less sickness caused by the impurities we are obliged to drink. Families may protect themselves to a limited extent by filtering and boiling the water. But this is only a partial and very inadequate protection; besides the great trouble of it. We pay for spring water that we can depend upon as pure. We ought to have it. Not a drop should be drawn from the river, if it is said that none is drawn from the river only in specially dry weather when the springs are low and the amount of water used in the town is large? Yes, but that is exactly the time when the river is especially low and filthy, and when, therefore, not a drop should be taken from the river. It is said that the water company have to draw water from the river because certain persons use more than they are entitled to. But this is only a partial and very inadequate protection; besides the great trouble of it. We pay for spring water that we can depend upon as pure. We ought to have it. Not a drop should be drawn from the river, if it is said that none is drawn from the river only in specially dry weather when the springs are low and the amount of water used in the town is large? Yes, but that is exactly the time when the river is especially low and filthy, and when, therefore, not a drop should be taken from the river. 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