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## HON. JAMES M. ASHLEY

Paper Delivered by William N. Brown, Esq., at the Memorial Exercises in His Honor.

Address delivered on James M. Ashley at the Unitarian Church, Ann Arbor, January 10, 1897.

To speak of the departed in presence of the living is always a delicate task, but when the life spoken of is one worthy of the highest commendation and praise, the task becomes alike difficult and delicate. To the task which the courteous invitation of the pastor of this church assigns me, I bring neither excellency of speech or words of wisdom, and I should do injustice to the memory of a friend whom I honored and esteemed highly, if I attempted either eulogy, or rhetorical display, or omit one word of undeserved praise of Governor J. M. Ashley. But it is not necessary to do either, because there is enough of grand achievements in his life to merit more praise than I can bestow in this tribute to his memory. His work and what he did for the world, will be appreciated by future generations, not our own. His achievements, grand as they are, were more for the future than the present. The choicest blessings which we possess to-day, either as individuals or as a nation, are not the results of our own efforts but have been bequeathed to us by the efforts of those who have gone before, and are the most precious gifts that have been left us. But the individual, or the people who receive the achievements, glories and benefits of the generations which preceded them, without adding to them themselves, are unworthy of such gifts. Such, I take it, was the thought, the inspiration, or ambition that controlled and directed Gov. Ashley during all the years of his busy and useful public and private life. It is the expressed wish that I should speak of him in his relations to the business world, because it was in this relation that I knew, and was associated with him for a time; but I shall confine myself to one business enterprise, with which he was connected, and its relations to this city. The world is too great a subject for anybody to discuss in a few minutes. In this one connection there is enough to illustrate and emphasize the main characteristics of Gov. Ashley.

When he left PUBLIC LIFE he was poor in dollars and cents, but rich in the esteem of mankind for all time. He had consecrated his life to the cause of human freedom, in the interest of a race from whom he could not receive, and did not expect any reward, save perhaps their gratitude and appreciation for his services in their behalf; both of which, he told me, he received to the fullest extent, as the colored people did everything in their power to honor him while living, and preserve and perpetuate his memory when dead. They collected a portion of his addresses delivered on public occasions, and caused them to be bound in a beautiful souvenir volume, presenting him with twenty copies for his friends, one of which I possess. This book, to the intelligent and better educated of the colored people, is very precious, and held almost sacred.

Soon after he retired from public life, the education of his children and fitting them for lives of usefulness occupied his attention, and the place where this could be done to the best advantage, was what first turned his attention to this city. His home was in Toledo, and of course he had known of the university, and inquiry soon convinced him that Ann Arbor was the place to rear and educate his children; in this connection while looking up the advantages, opportunities and possible future of this city, both educational and from a business point, he made an

IMPORTANT DISCOVERY. On looking at the railroad map of Michigan, he saw a vast territory extending north and south across the state, a distance of over three hundred miles, rich in varied resources, and climatic conditions suited to any conditions in life; with Toledo on the south and some point on Lake Michi-

gan on the north. At the same time he learned that somebody else had also made the same discovery, and had actually begun to take advantage of the opportunity; for an examination of the railroad records at Toledo disclosed the important fact that a Railroad Co. had been organized, legally, in connection with the great Pennsylvania system, out of that city, and had secured very valuable terminal and depot privileges from the Pennsylvania Company into Toledo; had actually paid for them, and had built a few miles, northward out of the city. Ann Arbor then had only the Michigan Central as an outlet, and as few and poor accommodations as that, or any other railroad could give a community that it had, as it supposed, firmly within its grasp, with no possible hope of relief. Because the late Hon. J. F. Joy, who was then at the head of the Michigan Central management believed, and boldly asserted, that no combination of men and capital would ever be found foolish enough to undertake to build a railroad from any direction to Ann Arbor; "for," said Mr. Joy, "there is nothing to build a railroad for, but the few students who attend the university." Gov. Ashley was just the man for the occasion. His great mind grasped the advantages of the situation, and once a plan was formulated, like Napoleon, prompt and vigorous execution was sure to follow. Further inquiry disclosed the fact that the railroad which had been started out of Toledo was owned by the Pennsylvania Company, and to secure this was the first thing in order. He went at once to Philadelphia, and "Tom Scott," the greatest railroad man that the world ever produced, was then at the head of the Pennsylvania system, which under his management and control, became and is to-day the greatest and most perfect railroad system in the world. Gov. Ashley went to Mr. Scott's office in Philadelphia in the morning and met him. They had been friends when Mr. Scott was Secretary of War and Gov. Ashley was in Congress. Gov. Ashley told me he never received a warmer, or more friendly greeting in his life than on this occasion, and the entire morning was spent in talking over old times, when both were in public life; Mr. Scott laying aside his vast business demands and refusing to see anybody. When Gov. Ashley apologized for trespassing on his time, Mr. Scott remarked: "Ashley, I will not see any man while you remain in the city, if you will be my guest, and I want you to stay just as long as you can." After returning from lunch Gov. Ashley inquired about the railroad that had been started north out of Toledo. Mr. Scott said, "the whole thing, is right there in my safe;" that he never knew anything about whose crazy notion it was, only that "the stocks and bonds are right there in my safe." Gov. Ashley asked what kind of an arrangement he could make for the purchase of these bonds and stocks, amounting I think to \$300,000, and was told by Mr. Scott "any kind of an arrangement you want to." In the language of Gov. Ashley himself, this just suited him, because he had not a dollar to pay for them with. Time forbids my going into the details of this transaction, though it is very interesting. Suffice it to say, that in ten minutes Gov. Ashley had purchased the entire property, without paying a dollar down; the arrangement in brief being that a new railroad company was to be organized, extending as far as Ann Arbor, and an equal amount of the bonds of the new road given to the Pennsylvania Company for the stocks and bonds of the old company. The striking part of this whole transaction was, that the entire amount of the bonds and stocks were delivered to Gov. Ashley by Mr. Scott, simply on honor, which was just as good as his bond, and Mr. Scott knew it. Here we have the remarkable instance of a man buying a million and a half dollars worth of property, turning around and paying for it in a few days, with \$300,000 worth of the same property. Because the new road was organized and the new bonds issued and turned over to Mr. Scott before one dollar more had been spent, or a rod of additional road built. This was the agreement and both parties lived up to it. Neither of

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## OUR SCHOOLS HONORED

The World's Fair Sends a Beautiful Medal for Meritorious Work.

The Ann Arbor schools were represented at the World's Fair by four volumes of examination papers, two books of botanical specimens, drawings from all the grades, and pictures of all the buildings. The splendid exhibit brought a medal for specific merit, granted by the judges as "showing an efficient, well graded system, from the kindergarten first steps in learning, to the full preparation for the University." This is stated on a large and beautiful parchment issued by the World's Fair Commission and signed by its officers. The bronze medal, encased in an aluminum box, is three inches in diameter. On the face is "World's Columbian Exposition, in commemoration of the four hundredth anniversary of the landing of Columbus MDCCCXCII. To Public Schools." The obverse side had a full length bas relief of Columbus landing, with the date Oct. XII., MCCCXCII. The diploma will be framed and hung in Supt. Perry's room by the side of the one granted our schools by the Centennial Exposition.

## The Ann St. Lateral Sewer

A protest has been made against constructing sewers in what will be known as the Ann street lateral sewer district No. 7. It may be well to wait for a time until the people feel that they are better able to pay for their construction. But then again there is an injustice in doing that, for there is not a more thickly populated district in the entire city than is reached by this sewer. The houses are close together, and the cesspools are poisoning the earth by the filtering therein of the sewage of the dwellings. The city has constructed sewers in a portion of the city where they will not be needed for the next twenty years at least, and now a portion of the city that really needs them most, is forced to go without them. There has been some mighty big blundering somewhere by somebody. It will certainly be a hardship to a great many people to construct these sewers now, and so it will at any time, and the question quite naturally arises, will the sewers be of any benefit to our city if the thinly populated outskirts are given connection therewith while a thickly settled portion, in the very heart of the city, is denied the right and privilege? The manner of payment, dividing the cost of each assessment into four equal installments, payable yearly, relieves the great burden from the tax-payers, and when they come to look at it seriously it is not so difficult as they think for. There is another thing that is radically wrong. There is no use of having sewers unless every residence or building is compelled to connect therewith. And we are told that not over one-third of the houses on the lines of the lateral sewers already constructed have made connections. Where is the defect? Is it in the law, or in the officers who fail to enforce the law?

The school board met last night and among other business transacted voted to have a part of the basement on the south end of the High School building cleaned out for a gymnasium, at a cost of \$300, the amount paid last year for the use of the McMillan Hall gymnasium. Profs. Springer and Jocelyn agreed to give the pupils instructions in callisthenics.

The social of the M. E. church last Thursday evening was especially pleasant and well attended, many members of other denominations taking occasion to visit their M. E. brethren that evening. Mrs. Benj. Day as chairman of the committee, has the honor of the great success.

## Two New Directors Elected.

There was a good attendance of stockholders at the annual meeting of the Washtenaw Mutual Fire Insurance Co. last Wednesday. The indications early in the day were that there would be one or two changes in the board, and the indications were not amiss.

Of the retiring directors only John F. Spafard, of Manchester, was re-elected, and out of 100 votes cast he received 99. This is a compliment of no small proportions, especially when the fact is considered that he has already served ten years in that capacity.

A. R. Graves, of Ypsilanti town, was elected in place of Wm. Campbell, of Pittsfield, and Russell C. Reeves, of Dexter village, in place of Edwin Ball of Webster.

The Board of Auditors, consisting of J. W. Wing of Scio, H. W. Bassett of Ann Arbor, and A. W. Chapman of Sylvan, were re-elected for another term.

The total expenses for the year, including borrowed money, interest, etc., was \$28,262.37. The amount of money on hand Dec. 31, last, was \$98.85.

The closing year has been an unfortunate one for the company when it is judged by the past, as it has cost \$3 on each \$1000 insured. There were 42 losses from lightning, a thing that is not likely to happen again in years. For the past seven years this company's assessment has been only \$12.50 on a \$1000, which has been so cheap that a year with many losses makes a big contrast, and probably had something to do with the change made in directors.

There were 72 losses paid during the year, aggregating \$17,000. The capital stock is now \$5,232,645, a decline during the year of \$57,975.

## The Unitarians Have a Good Time

The annual parish meeting of the Unitarian society has been turned into a supper and social affair, and made quite a church event. It was held last Wednesday evening with one hundred in attendance, and was full of delightful surprises.

Prof. W. H. Pettee presided, and after the reading of a number of speeches and papers were read. Mrs. Walter Whitlark, Miss Carlotta Bullis, Miss Helen Georg, Dr. Zimmerman, and Mr. A. L. Alexander, all told of different branches of the church work, and how each was prospering. After these reports short speeches were made by Messrs. O. E. Butterfield, R. C. Barney, T. B. Henry, Geo. W. Bullis, Prof. Chas. E. Greene and Mrs. Sunderland.

Then came the surprise. Rev. J. T. Sunderland arose, and with very appropriate words, presented to each member of the board of trustees a souvenir came which he had secured while traveling in foreign lands. Peculiarly carved canes from Damascus were presented to Profs. Pettee, Greene, Judge Harriman, Messrs. Allen and Whitlark, and to Mrs. Finney and Mrs. Motley; canes having finely carved horses for a handle, were given to Messrs. Bullis and Childs, with the remark that as old soldiers they no doubt often wished they had a horse when they did not possess one; and a regular curio from the Himalayan mountains, India, to Dr. Zimmerman.

Then the tables were turned, and the trustees, through Prof. Pettee, surprised Rev. and Mrs. Sunderland by presenting them with a silver soup tureen with a gold-lined ladle. This was in honor of the couple's 25th marriage anniversary. It was a happy occasion all around.

The Best Way to Cure.

Disease is to establish health. Pure, rich blood means good health. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the One True Blood Purifier. It tones up the whole system, gives appetite and strength and causes weakness, nervousness and pain to disappear. No other medicine has such a record of wonderful cures as Hood's Sarsaparilla.

## LINENS

The Greatest of all our Great Linen Sales is this our January Sale of Linens. To anticipate your wants for present and future requirements, we would advise all who can possibly make it convenient to do so, to come in the morning. We would like to give that attention the importance of this sale demands.

LADIES! Don't miss the bargains. You will find the Green Ticket on every piece.

2 1/2 yard lengths Half Bleached Table Linen will be sold per remnant at 69c. 2 1/2 yard Remnant Silver Bleached Table Linen will be sold at 89c. 200 Ends Table Linen at 49c, 59c, 69c, 75c and 89c per remnant. 100 Ends Turkey Red Table Linen at 39c, 45c, 59c and 65c each. 15 pieces Silver Bleached Table Linen at 23c, 29c, 35c and 40c a yard. 23 pieces Fine Bleached Table Linen will be sold at 46c, 59c, 65c and 75c a yard.

Closing out a lot 25c Towels at 19c each. Closing out 15 Dozen 50c Towels at 39c each.

50 pieces Stevens' Linen Toweling at 5c a yard. Selling out a lot of Check Linen Towels at 6c each. 10 yards 17 inch Bleached Toweling for 35c.

Linen Check Toweling 7c a yard. Heavy Twill Toweling 5c a yard. 10 pieces 2 yards wide Double Damask, Extra Quality, Satin Table Linen, \$1.25 quality, for 90c, the \$1.50 quality for \$1.15 a yard, the \$2.00 quality for \$1.50 a yard. 1 piece 2 1/2 yards wide Extra Fine Heavy Satin Damask the \$2.50 quality at \$1.75 a yard.

50 dozen Bleached Linen Napkins at 49c, 59c, 75c and 98c a dozen. 75 dozen Very Fine Satin Damask Napkins, at \$1.19, 1.39, \$1.47 and \$1.75 a dozen.

25 dozen Linen Towels at 10c each. 40 dozen Large Size Linen Huck Towels at 12c each.

100 dozen Linen Towels at 9c each. 100 White Crochet Bed Spreads at 69c and 79c each. 50 White Extra Large and Fine Bed Spreads at 98c each. 75 pairs White and Gray Blankets at 49c a pair. 50 pairs Fancy Stripe Blankets at 79c a pair. Big mark down on all Fine Wool Blankets. 50 Home-Made Bed Comforters at \$1.49 each.

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JUNIUS E. BEAL Editor and Proprietor

Senator Vest thinks he shall retire from public life at the end of his term. That is what Mr. Cleveland thought when he accepted his first nomination. However, this is not a prediction, but only a reminiscence.

The House of Representatives at Lansing has shown its wisdom in "setting down on" the legislative junket. Now if the same body will insist upon a short, sharp and business session it will earn and receive the plaudits of the people.

The increased republican vote at the election last fall will make the next state convention a large one, numbering in all 1,104 delegates. Wayne county's delegation has increased from 97 to 132. Washtenaw county will be entitled to 23 instead of 19.

The republicans have one great thing to overcome this spring, and that is over-confidence. They have just won a great victory, and many of them will say: "Oh, our ticket will be elected any way; there is no use of my going to vote," while on the other hand, the ranks of the enemy will line up to a man.

The true Christian charity is that which helps a human being in distress and want. The needs of the little children of Armenia, whose parents and brothers and sisters have been slaughtered by the cruel Turks, appeal with great force to every heart. A man who could withstand that appeal, must have a hard heart indeed.

A. W. Austin, of Chesaning, on Monday last, coughed up a bullet which was shot into his lungs by a rebel at the battle of Bull Run over 35 years ago. It was a good way to commence the week he thinks, and says that "if any of the Johnnies will prove property and pay charges they can have the bullet." That was probably the most fortunate cough any man ever had.

Timely Topics is the name of a new publication launched on the sea of journalism by Henry R. Pattengill, with May I. Johnson as assistant editor. It is a neat looking journal, of convenient form, having a well-proportioned page three columns in width, and printed upon good calendar paper. It will be devoted, as its name indicates, to the general news of the day. May it meet with the greatest success.

This government can help everybody, every American citizen, by enacting and maintaining such laws as are for the greatest number. First among such laws is a protective tariff so adjusted as to afford sufficient revenue to carry on the government and protect our labor from unfair and unequal foreign competition. Right earnestly is the republican party preparing through its representatives in congress for the enactment of such a law and it will be among the first measures to be adopted under the McKinley administration.

La Grippe

If you have had the Grippe, you know its aches and pains, the fever, the chills, the cough, the depression—you know them all. The Grippe exhausts the nervous system quickly, lowers the vitality. Two things should be done at once:—the body must be strengthened, and force must be given to the nervous system. Cod-liver Oil will do the first; Hypophosphites the second. These are permanently and pleasantly combined in Scott's Emulsion. It lifts the despondency and heals the inflamed membranes of the throat and lungs. But you need not have LA GRIPPE. You can put your system in a condition unfavorable to it. You can have rich, red blood; resistive strength; steady brain and nerves. Scott's Emulsion prevents as well as cures. And whether you send or go for Scott's Emulsion, be sure you get the genuine. SCOTT & BOWNE, New York.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT—NO.

A bill to restore the barbarous law of capital punishment has been again introduced in the legislature at Lansing. The same dispatch also states that Representative Sawyer of this city favors it, and as chairman of the judiciary committee will push it through. To restore this measure is a step backward in civilization. States retaining the law are not freer from crime than are those that have discarded it, and no body of human law makers has a right to legalize murder. The fact is constantly shown that men have been hung or murdered by law who were innocent. The fact is also shown that juries are loth to convict prisoners whose punishment would be death, and as a consequence they are freed, when the people, believing in the guilt of the accused, have at times executed the mandates of Judge Lynch, to their everlasting disgrace.

It is a mystery how any Christian man can favor capital punishment, for Christ came into the world to do away with the old Jewish law of "an eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth," and Christians should be followers of and believers in the teachings of Christ.

John Brown's daughter, who is living in great distress near Petrolina, Humboldt county, Cal., recently received from some colored people \$15, which, she said, helped her a great deal.

The announcement which is now officially made, that Hon. John Sherman will be Secretary of State in President McKinley's cabinet, will carry joy to every true republican heart in the nation. Mr. Sherman is one of the great statesmen of the day, and his mature judgment will guide the Ship of State safely through all the troubled waters.

The hard-headed editor of "The Emporia Gazette" is giving the people of Kansas many good chunks of common-sense, which, if they take them to heart, will do more for the state than all the oratory of Governor Leedy about the semibarbarous foreign colonies of the east. He has just been telling them that right in his own county they have been so busy talking politics that they have forgotten all about the coal vein discovered years ago under their farms, have neglected the natural gas long ago located and let the oil, potter's clay, ochre and lead lie unused. "Kansas has developed rapidly on other people's money," he says. "And the first generation that came here could get rich by making out deeds. After breaking up in the speculation business we talked politics. Now it is time for real development. The mine, the hen, the cow, the garden patch, the orchard, the little factory, the small farm and the dinner bucket will do more for Kansas than all the statesmen."

Mistakes will happen, so the proverb teaches, and the Courier can verify the truth of the proverb. An article relative to the republican nomination for regent of the University, by the coming convention, sent in by a friend, was inserted in the Courier last week as an editorial, making it appear as the sentiments of the paper, when it should have appeared as a communication reflecting the sentiments of the one who wrote it.

The editor of the Courier differs with the sentiments therein expressed, but as the editor of a newspaper he believes in allowing the freest expression of opinion in its columns. He objects, decidedly, however, to being placed in the light of approving of all that may be said in such communications, and in this instance particularly.

Furthermore he thinks it a very grave question whether it would be wise, as a matter of policy, for the party to ignore or cast aside good republicans who would like this nomination, men who have served their party and their state well, for one who has never affiliated with the party. And especially when these republicans are men of equal ability and character with the present incumbent of the regency.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh etc. As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and is made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co., Testimonials free. Sold by Druggists, price 75c per bottle.

A YEAR BOOK FOR SCHOLARS.

The sixth annual volume of the International university catalogue, edited and published by Karl Trubner, of Strassburg, Germany, under the title "Minerva," has just appeared. It is richer in material than any of its predecessors, and superior in point of accuracy. Each successive year shows a necessity, in spite of the most severe pruning, for increase of space. Vol. I. (1891-'92) contained 359 pages; Vol. II. 827 pages and each year has shown since then an increase, until the present volume reaches 1,082 pages. There has been added this year to the material included in the publication the learned ed societies of the world and the museums of natural history and archaeology. The book becomes, therefore, in reality what its title-page proposes a "Jahrbuch der gelehrten Welt." Its index includes about 27,000 names, and by means of it is possible to locate practically every scholar or academic officer in the civilized world. The book also gives tolerably complete information regarding the revenues and expenditures, the calendars, the terms of admission, the tuition charges, the size of libraries, number of students, etc., of the different universities. For information concerning organization and foundation reference is made, in deference to the requirements of space, to the earlier volumes.

A comparison of the different volumes yields some not uninteresting facts concerning the relative growth of the different institutions in number of students; thus, for the first ten American universities, the order in the different years is as follows:

Table with columns for years (1892-'93, 1894-'95, 1893-'94, 1895-'96) and lists of universities (Harvard, Michigan, Yale, U. of Penn., etc.)

It is to be desired that a more complete account of the income of the different institutions might be given. Some of the universities withheld the data on this point, though it is difficult to understand what purpose is subserved thereby. The book is so useful and its space so precious that it would now seem proper to dispense with the seventy-five pages of advertisements which incumber and disfigure it.—N. Y. Tribune.

Gen. Grant's Two Times.

A drum corps in passing caught sight of the general, and at once struck up a then popular negro camp meeting air. Every one began to laugh, and Rawlins cried, "Good for the drummers!" "What's the fun?" inquired the general. "Why," was the reply, "they are playing 'Ain't I glad to get out ob de wilderness!'" The general smiled at the ready wit of the musicians, and said, "Well, with me a musical joke always requires explanation. I know only two tunes; one is 'Yankee Doodle,' and the other isn't."—Gen Horace Porter in the January Century

There is no message which brings more gladness to a true woman's heart than the sweet assurance that a little one is coming to bless her life and call her Mother.

But in all her loving preparations for the expected little guest, a mother is liable to forget that her own health and physical condition is the most important provision which can possibly be made for the baby's happiness. If the prospective mother is weak, nervous and anxious, this condition is bound to react on the baby's constitution. No daintiness of wardrobe will compensate for the loss of the natural, healthy vigor which a mother should bestow upon her baby.

As early as possible during gestation, the expectant mother should reinforce her to you for the good I have received from your 'Favorite Prescription.' I have used it at different times for the last five years, and always with the most gratifying results. But the greatest good received from the 'Favorite Prescription' was about four months ago, when my last baby was born. I was afflicted with 'child-bed fever.' Instead of sending after a doctor I used the 'Favorite Prescription' and was cured. A lady friend of mine was similarly afflicted and sent after the doctor and took his remedies and died. I am 27 years old, weigh 127 pounds, the mother of five children, and am enjoying the best of health."

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ONE OF THE GERMAN EMPEROR'S BOASTS.

One boast the Emperor is never weary of making in regard to his government as compared with that of the United States, namely, that the officials of the fatherland are distinguished, if not for enterprise, at least for honesty. In the main this is true, but there are exceptions. The late Chancellor Bismarck had no sooner got his imperial machinery in running order, twenty-five years ago, than he introduced as part of his government one of the most odious features of Russia, namely, the secret political police. He set aside large sums of money with which to pay informers, spies, and a class of wretches, unknown in America, called agents provocateurs. The business of these last gentlemen was to organize disturbances among Socialists, in order that the government might have an excuse for making arrests of such as the great Prime Minister was pleased to call "enemies of the empire," or such as we would call enemies to the Bismarckian policy.

The fruit which this tree has borne is very bitter. A recent trial in Berlin disclosed the painful fact that this secret police, intrusted with the most delicate of all political tasks, has been using its powers for the purpose of advancing the interests of a court clique as opposed to the constitutional government of the country. Bribery, forgery, perjury, have been used in the hopes of damaging Baron Marschall, who is head of the German Foreign Office, and a man wholly above the vulgar intrigues that flourish in the atmosphere of a court. But perhaps the saddest feature in the case is the side-light it throws upon the German press. Our own are not models of purity, but it would be difficult to name a New York paper capable of doing such dirty work as is expected of so called official and semi-official papers in the land of Schiller and Goethe. When we in America read that the German press attacks this man or praises that one, it does not mean that the editors of these different papers have reached an independent opinion in regard to their relative merits, but it too frequently does mean that they have been instructed by the political police, or some other organ of state, that they must say this, that, or the other. I doubt if in all Germany could be found three great daily newspapers equal to the Staats-Zeitung of New York; for I know that when our great New York contemporary abuses me, it does so because of its own independent bias, whereas a hundred German papers will quote an abusive paragraph from the Staats-Zeitung merely because it is sent to them by a press agent of the secret police.—Harper's Weekly.

Good Reading Cheap—

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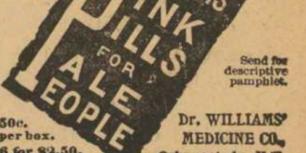


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7:30 a. m.	11:30 a. m.	2:45 p. m.	5:15 p. m.	7:15 p. m.	10:30 p. m.	11:30 p. m.	Chicago Kalamazoo Ann Arbor Ypsilanti Livonia Detroit St. Louis St. Paul Chicago	Chicago Kalamazoo Ann Arbor Ypsilanti Livonia Detroit St. Louis St. Paul Chicago

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Leave the Junction, Ann Arbor, at 7:30, 8:30, 11:30 a. m., and 1:15, 2:30, 4:30, 5:30, 7:15, 9:30 and 10:45 p. m. Leave Ypsilanti 6:30, 8:30, 11:00 a. m., and 2:45, 4:00, 5:30, 8:00, 8:30, 10:45 p. m.	Leave Junction, Ann Arbor, at 2:00, 4:30, 5:30, 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 6:30, 9:00 p. m. Leave Ypsilanti 1:30, 3:30, 5:30, 6:30, 9:00 p. m.

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No. 1, Jackson & Cincinnati Mail, 10:30 a. m. No. 2, Jackson & Toledo Express, 4:12 p. m. No. 3, Jackson & Cin. Express, 11:30 p. m.	No. 2, Cincinnati & Jackson Mail, 5:48 p. m. No. 2, Toledo & Jackson Express, 10:10 a. m. No. 6, Cin. & Jackson Express, 5:55 a. m. Daily, except Sunday.

# TOLEDO ANN ARBOR AND NORTH MICHIGAN RAILWAY.



## TIME TABLE.

NORTH.	SOUTH.
7:30 a. m.	7:30 a. m.
11:30 a. m.	11:30 a. m.
4:30 p. m.	8:52 p. m.

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## COUNTY AND VICINITY.

Francis Hill, of Milan, is the second man in that town to have his house lighted with electricity.

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Stone, who have been guests of Kalamazoo friends, have returned home to Milan.

C. M. Blackmer, of Milan, has been taking a turn with the grippe recently, but will master his unpleasant antagonist.

School Commissioner Westmeyer visited the Angustia schools last week.

Adam Fullerton and Albert H. Lewis, of Milan, have received an increase of pension.

Miss Mina Hall of Dexter, is spending the winter with Mrs. Don Briggs, of Detroit.

Rev. J. H. Girwood has presented his resignation as pastor of the Baptist church, Chelsea.

A. C. Welch has moved his grocery into the building formerly occupied by H. L. Wood & Co., Chelsea.

Henry F. Stollsteimer who lived in Lodi, died on Thursday last, and funeral services were held Sunday.

All farmers attending the institute at Chelsea, should ask questions in regard to things they do not understand.

The summer cottagers at Cavanaugh Lake are now enjoying the sport of ice boating, and having lots of fun.

Saturday, Jan. 30, at Saline, is the date and place for holding the next meeting of the county Teachers' Association.

The Chelsea Herald states that "Conrad Finkbinder had the misfortune to break his right leg in three places last week."

John Girbach, a former Ann Arbor boy, died at his home in Chelsea on Friday last. Funeral services were held on Monday forenoon.

Prof. A. D. DeWitt, principal of the Dexter schools, is a candidate for county school commissioner on the free silver democratic ticket this spring.

Saline will come into the county convention this spring with a solid delegation, asking the nomination of Prof. Wm. N. Lister as county commissioner of schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Parker of Lima township, who live some two miles south-west of Dexter village, lost their little four year old boy Saturday last, with pneumonia.

The remains of Helen Pratt, wife of Geo. E. Davis, were brought to Chelsea from South Bend, Ind., where she died Jan. 6th, and interred in the Vermont cemetery, Sylvan.

Mrs. Jessie Hoyt of Dexter village, who was stricken with paralysis some months ago, is lying very low at her home on C street, and her death is expected at any moment.

Mrs. Maria Cook, aged 84 years, of Ann Arbor town, died on Thursday evening last, and funeral services were held Saturday afternoon, from the house, with interment at Dixboro.

George, the 14 years old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Miller, of Manchester, fell through the ice while skating on the river there last Thursday, and was drowned. The body was recovered.

Rev. Mr. Hicks of Whitmore Lake, will deliver a temperance lecture at the Baptist church, Friday evening, Jan. 22, at 7:30 o'clock, after which the lodge of the Independent Order of Good Templars will be organized—Dexter Leader.

On Tuesday afternoon last, Jan. 12, Thomas O'Brien died at his home in Northfield, aged 57 years. He had been ill for a long time. He leaves a wife and two sons. Funeral services were held Thursday morning last, from St. Patrick's church, Northfield.

An Iowa farmer is said to have fattened his hogs by turning them into the orchard and allowing them to eat up the surplus apples he could not sell, his porkers bringing him \$111 after being so fattened. A good profit. The pork must have had a good flavor, and been juicy, too.

On Wednesday last Simon Henry Douglas, of Pittsfield township, died aged 66 years, 1 month. Funeral services were held Saturday at 11:30 a. m., at the home of his sister, Mrs. L. J. Ticknor, who lives on the South Ypsilanti road. The remains were interred in Forest Hill cemetery.

There is food for thought in the Jeffersonian simplicity of Ping's language. There was no putting on airs, no monkeying around a ball room, no half-dressed women, no getting drunk. It was a plain, cob pipe affair, and a credit to our potato executive.—Grass Lake News.

A fiend who calls himself "The Bounder," admits in the Kalamazoo Telegraph, that he saw ten persons in one day swap microbes by wetting a lead pencil attached to a phys-

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clan's slate. As the monster took no trouble to warn the poor victims of their danger, we say freeze him solid and drive him into the earth with a pile driver.—Grass Lake News.

The German Mutual Fire Ins. Co. for this county has chosen officers as follows: President—Jacob Richert, Seco; vice president—Jacob Knapp, Freedom; secretary—Chas. Braun, Ann Arbor; treas.—Michael Grossman, Saline; director—Matthew Seegar, Saline. The past year has been a fortunate and prosperous one for the company.

One of Reading's well-to-do farmers shipped fifty barrels of choice apples to a Chicago commission merchant recently, and last week he got returns from the consignment. He realized just 3 cents per barrel on the deal. All commission men are not dishonest, but it's our opinion that there's a lot of them that are good subjects for the penitentiary.—Reading Hustler.

The following young men each gave up a portion of his anatomy for the purpose of having the operation of skin grafting performed upon Howard Canfield, who recently lost his leg in a hay press: James Canfield, Wm. Canfield, Chas. Stapish, John Stapish and Elmer Bates. The operation was performed by Dr. G. W. Palmer and promises to be successful.—Chelsea Standard.

The Livingston County Board of Supervisors before adjourning, passed a resolution which stated that the publication of the document by the state known as "Farm Statistics," was an useless expense. Geo. W. Teeple, senator, and F. W. Allison, representative, were requested to use their influence in having the law providing for their compilation and publication repealed.

Amos Phelps, who lived about one and one-half miles south of Dexter, died on Sunday morning last, of tonsillitis, aged about 73 years. Mrs. Phelps died last August, and a brother, Benjamin Phelps, died a few weeks ago. There are four children, all of whom have reached man's estate. Mr. Phelps was the last one of his family, and one of the best known men in his section of the county.

We are indebted to some kind friend for a 32-page copy of the mid-winter Los Angeles, Cal., Times, which brags over its town in great shape. Its fervid praise of the climate of the Golden state reminds us of Bro. Hubbard of Verdi, who doesn't want to die for fear Paradise isn't up to the California standard as a right down good place to live. The Times is larger than the News but not so well edited.—Grass Lake News. Just what we were about to say ourself. Thanks.

The shipment of flour from this station has fallen off since the roller mills changed hands and during 1896 only seven full carloads were shipped. However of the full carload lots there were enough of other products shipped to make a very good showing for a dull year. Of grain there were 113 cars, of stock 77, wool 6, hay 12, apples 20, eggs 5, feathers 1, live poultry 1, celery 13, lumber 9, straw 5, household goods 6, oil 5, agricultural implements 1, and of

scrap iron 1, making in all 282 full carloads.—Manchester Enterprise.

Mrs. E. L. Negus entertained the following old people at her home Friday last, the occasion being the 83d anniversary of the birth of her father, Curran White: Daniel Tichenor, 94 years of age; F. M. Hooker, 96 years; Mrs. E. Skidmore 69 years, E. Skidmore 79 years, Mrs. T. Jewett 86 years, T. Jewett 79 years, Mrs. E. Keyes 69 years, E. Keyes 69 years, Mrs. Brown 72 years, C. White 83 years, Mrs. Stocking 78 years, Mrs. B. Arnold 75 years, Mrs. Fletcher 59 years. The total age, 988, average 76. The old people had a very enjoyable time.—Chelsea Standard.

The strange case of Henry Williams a young man 23 years old and a graduate of Hillsdale college, is attracting much attention and is a marked example for cigarette smokers. He is a son of Richard Williams of Wheatland, Hillsdale Co. He became addicted to cigarettes and following the use of three packages in one day, fell from a train. He was saved from bodily injury by the conductor, but remained unconscious for thirty hours. When he recovered consciousness his mind was blank. He did not recognize his most intimate friends and acquaintances. His father and classmate are the only persons whom he now recognizes. Neither does he know his home and former haunts. He is unable to read English, but converses when moved out of apparent lethargy. He still retains his knowledge of German and the languages, and while he cannot count more than two in his mother tongue, readily runs up figures in German. Physicians say the excessive use of cigarettes has affected his heart, and caused a blood clot at the base of his brain. He is vigorous and healthy, and the final absorption of the blood clot may restore his mental faculties. He is as completely under the care and direction of his parent as a child. When he met his brother he did not know him, and although a frequenter of Hudson he disclaimed all knowledge of the place. The young man obeys his father implicitly, but does not hear conversation carried on in his presence, or see any object until he is touched and aroused.—Hudson Gazette.

The Washtenaw agricultural association will be galvanized into life and open the gates of the fair grounds Sept. 28. It has been pretty dead, but not beyond resurrection. (No, it was only sleeping).

The council of Dexter has passed a curfew ordinance, calling in all children after 9 o'clock p. m. It is a tyrannous enactment, and cannot but disadvantageously affect the Romeo and Juliet industry of the village.

Referring to the remodeling of the Cook hotel Ann Arbor by Mr. Nowlin, the Ypsilanti man says: "It takes an Ypsilanti hotel man to redeem Ann Arbor's reputation in the matter of hotels." Thus, forever, are the inhabitants of the twin cities bitten by the bedbug of jealousy.

An Ypsilanti, who recently secured one of the Ann Arbor fire teams in a trade, was cleaning the horses the other morning, when the motor train passed the stable, and sounded the gong. One of the horses at once jumped out of the stall, knocking down his owner, and looked around for the hose cart.

A tramp at Dexter stole an umbrella, and tried to sell it. The second man he approached, was Telegraph Operator Bostwick who recognized the article as belonging to his daughter, and so informed the hobo, who called him two dashes and a liar. At this point, it is established by the testimony of the Leader, that "Mr. R. is no 'summer cool,' and if there's anything that will upset his statures repose, it's that kind of talk;" and, it further appears that after that there was a confused mixture of tramp and telegraph operator; of legs and arms, and flying coat tails, and general chaos, during which the combination gradually moved off the railroad grounds and separated—the hobo severely injured at the southern terminal of the trunk line, and Bostwick in the socket of the great toe, but will recover.

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**THE COMERS AND GOERS.**

Dr. Tom Cooley, of Boston, Mass., is visiting his home here.

H. M. Loud of Oscoda, was an Ann Arbor visitor over Sunday.

Oscar Burkhardt spent several days in Manchester last week.

Miss Mary Barry of Detroit, is a guest of Ann Arbor friends for a time.

A. F. Freeman of Manchester, was in the city Monday engaged in legal business.

Mrs. Strauss, of E. University ave., is entertaining Mrs. Riegelmann of New York.

Miss Rieca Lutz's guest, Miss Lillie Sallmon, has returned home to West Calro, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Moore are in Lima, Ohio, called there by the death of a relative.

Frank P. Glazier and Bro. Hoover of the Standard, both of Chelsea, were in the city Monday.

Miss Abbie Louise Pond, of Corunna, was the guest of friends in the city several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Berryman have been entertaining during the week, W. F. Girardin, of Wyandotte.

Prof. and Mrs. A. B. Stevens gave a reception to their friends last Friday afternoon and evening.

A happy surprise was sprung on Mr. and Mrs. Geromiller of N. Gott st., Thursday evening last.

Mrs. Lew H. Clement, of Wheeling, West Va., has been the guest of Ann Arbor friends for a few days past.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter T. Seabolt have been entertaining during the week, Miss May Stone, of Marshall.

Miss Sophia Schmid has returned from Columbus, Ohio, where she was called by the death of her brother.

Mrs. Francis Woodbridge, after a two years' absence, has returned here to reside at her home on Packard st.

Geo. Wahr and Chas. Staebler tried fishing through the ice at Bass Lake one day last week. It was a cold day.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Butler entertained a few of their friends at their home on E. William st. last Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Ryan have had as guests during the week, Mrs. Margaret Malloy and Miss Nellie Wood, of Jackson.

Among the callers at the Courier office last Wednesday, were Supervisor S. S. Bibbins, and Mr. Hewins, of Augusta.

Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, of 83 Washington st., gave a pedro party to a number of their friends last Friday evening.

Dr. Mary Wood-Allen goes to Lansing, Saturday, where she will address a series of meetings on that and the day following.

Chas. W. Wagner, of Wagner & Co., went to New York Monday, and will remain several days there looking up new styles, patterns, etc., in gent's wear.

L. C. Goodrich, W. W. and B. F. Watts, J. R. Bach and W. H. Whitmarsh, went to Saginaw yesterday to attend the grand chapter of Royal Arch Masons.

The many friends here of Miss Clara Phelps of Dexter, will learn with regret of her sad bereavement in the loss of her father who died quite suddenly on Saturday.

Dr. and Mrs. Angell have been entertaining during the week, the daughter of Geo. V. N. Lothrop of Detroit, who is now the Baroness Huehne, of St. Petersburg, Russia.

Miss Carrie L. Dicken, who teaches in the 1st ward school, was pleasantly surprised by a number of her friends, at her rooms on N. University ave., last Tuesday evening.

Representative Sawyer was home over Saturday and Sunday. He looked so innocent you would never suspect that he was the author of the bill introduced in the legislature, making the road to divorce still more easy than it now is.

The Mozart Symphony Club, of New York, will be the guests of the Y. M. C. A. Thursday evening. Public reception at the Presbyterian church from 7:30 to 10:30. Those who fail to avail themselves of this invitation will miss the greatest event of the season.

Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pill; assist digestion, prevent constipation. 25c.

**ADDITIONAL LOCAL.**

Chas. A. Dana lectures to-morrow evening at University Hall.

Gardner Lamson is to give a song recital in Detroit to-morrow evening.

The Light Infantry cleared between \$500 and \$600 by their circus. Good for them.

A number of ladies have formed a conversational French club, with Mr. Francois as instructor.

The subject of Rev. Henry Tatlock's sermon, at St. Andrew's church next Sunday morning will be "The Choice of a Profession." This is the second of a series of three sermons being delivered by Rev. Tatlock.

Mrs. Joseph Whitark has done a kind and charitable deed by sending for one of the destitute Armenians. Can not some one else give one of these people work? Address Alice Stone Blackwell, 3 Park st., Boston, Mass.

The ladies of St. Andrew's church are to give an "Experience Social" at Harris Hall in the near future. Some of the experiences are expected to be excruciatingly funny, and will be worth many times what it will cost to hear them.

Chas. H. Ludlow, formerly of this city, but for a number of years a resident of Detroit, has taken the drug store of the late John Moore, and will conduct it hereafter. He is a gentleman who will be a valuable accession to the ranks of Ann Arbor's business men.

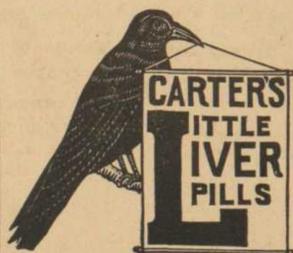
The Christian and Missionary Alliance expect Gerald F. Stevens, of Detroit, at their regular weekly meeting held at 26 Elizabeth st., cor. of Fuller, Tuesday evening Jan. 26th. Those who attended the convention at the Christian church in November, will want to come and bring their friends.

It is with the most sincere regret that the business community learned Saturday of the embarrassment of the book and stationery firm of Moore & Wetmore. These gentlemen are among the most highly esteemed of our business men, and the hard times fate which has overtaken them is to be sincerely regretted.

The dressmaking class at the Y. W. C. A. rooms taught by Miss H. J. Salzer and assisted by Miss Maud Miller, on Friday evenings, have found their work so pleasant and profitable, they will continue to meet indefinitely. They will begin lessons in garment cutting, by the best tailor system in use, one week from Friday evening. The class is still open to new members and visitors are welcome.

A copy of one of the very best hand books of general information that is published, The World's Almanac and Encyclopedia, has been placed on our desk. It is a wonder. A compact volume of statistics on all manner of subjects, and information about everything that is talked about by the people. It sells for 25 cents, and there is not a volume of any kind published that can equal it for useful knowledge.

The Ann Arbor Courier is 35 years old. Michigan may have better papers but up to this writing they have not reached our table.—Grass Lake News. The Sentinel goes to the News editor, but never reaches his table. He reads it at the post office and it is passed from hand to hand until worn out. We have been asked to send more copies, as there is always a tussle to get hold of it by Carlton's friends.—Ypsilanti Sentinel.



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**History of the Wesleyan Guild—**

A recent issue of the Ann Arbor Democrat contained the following account of the Wesleyan Guild, its aims and purposes:

"The Wesleyan Guild is the Methodist organization for the care of students entering the University from Methodist families. Some years ago Prof. Alexander Winchell in stating its objects said: 'The Wesleyan Guild is an organization existing at the University of Michigan, and having for its objects the religious and denominational care of students entering the University from Methodist families under Methodist influence. It does not seek to draw within its circle any students reaching the University with other affiliations, but every student is welcomed to all the religious, educational and social advantages which it is the indirect purpose of the Guild to afford. Nor does it propose to supersede the influence and agency of the church, but simply to enter a field beyond the reach of the usual agencies of the church, and for the attainment of ends which have risen into view with the great recent expansion of the University.'

"This Guild works along the same lines as similar societies in the other churches of the city, and aims to do for the Methodist students what the University, because it is a state institution, can not do. The Guild holds during each year a number of socials, and takes special interest in the Sunday evening services of the young people of the church, and they are in a sense under the care of the Guild.

"The first steps toward its organization were taken in 1886, and comprised simply an organization with trustees and consulting board, but they did no special work at that time in connection with the church. Soon after, it began to provide lectures, and under its auspices have been given addresses by many of the Bishops of the church, and by a number of the most prominent pastors, men of national reputation. It was incorporated in 1889 and began at once to plan for a permanent building and an outfit adequate to its needs. They now own a fine building site on the corner of State and Washington sts., opposite their church, and will eventually, and it is now hoped it will be in the not far distant future, erect a commodious building, with the equipment necessary for their work. Besides their new building they hope and expect to have an adequate endowment for a lecture fund, so as to present to the students lectures on Christian topics and matters of church history. This is one of the many influences which are working upon the students of the University to hold them in the paths of right living and right thinking, and when their equipment is complete, will be a strong influence for good among them. While the Guild is a Methodist institution, yet all the students of the University are welcome to its meetings. Its aim is to build up a stronger moral life among the student body at large. This is clearly set forth in what we have quoted from Dr. Winchell's history of the Guild. Its legal title is 'The Wesleyan Guild Corporation at the University of Michigan.'"

**Proper Work for Prisoners**

Experiment has proved the feasibility of employing prisoners on work outside the prisons, like road-making, drainage, building, farming and other operations of the sort. This will probably be found the wise way to employ them. Keep them at something useful outside. They are a permanent class, composing everywhere a definite percentage of the mass of society, and ought to be turned to the best economic use which may also be the best for their reformation. They are capable of doing a great deal of good under enlightened and scientific management, and receiving a greater measure of it than has been possible under the methods heretofore prevailing. The criminals of the State would leave a great mark on the public works of the State if their energies were permanently and systematically turned in that direction. But they must not be left idle. "That way madness lies." The crime of keeping them locked up with nothing to do would be almost as great as any of those of their own commission, which they were thus expiating.—N. Y. Tribune.

An article on INDIAN WAMPUM RECORDS, by HORATIO HALE, the anthropologist whose death in his Canadian home was recently reported is to appear in Appleton's Popular Science Monthly for February. The use of wampum as money and the recording of events by means of the patterns traced on wampum belts are two inventions which Mr. Hale treats as evidences of high intelligence.

**What About Those Books?**

The members of the Y. M. C. A. have a novel scheme on hand to add to their library. They already have a nice little nucleus, consisting largely of reference books and religious works. What they want now is some of the standard works of fiction, volumes of poems, and some up-to-date publications that will not only interest but attract the boys. There are hundreds of such books lying idle and unused in hundreds of homes in this city and the Association feel sure that people would donate them if their attention was only called to the matter. What the boys propose to do is to have a book social, to which the admission will be a book for the price of a book. As bound volumes can be bought from 15 to 25 cents each, this would not be burdensome upon any one, but on the contrary would give people an opportunity to show their interest in the great work this association is so pluckily attempting to do. It will not be necessary to bring a new book, but one or more that you have read and put aside; something bright and entertaining that the boys would like to read—you know what suits a boy or young man. Arrangements have not yet been completed for this book social but this notice is given in advance, so that our readers may be thinking it over and looking up some books to give the boys. Don't be afraid of the number and confine yourself to one. They will be glad of all you can spare.

**Musical Notes 6,000 Feet High!**

A curious musical performance is thus described by the New York Staats Zeitung:

"Mr. Theodor Hock has just returned from Berlin where he had been engaged at the Exposition. Besides he gave other concerts in his native city, and everywhere he met with the warmest reception. The last day he went up 6,000 feet in a balloon playing a cornet solo, starting with the "Star Spangled Banner," "Dixie Land," etc. While descending he played the German National Airs, but when he reached the ground he again played "Home, Sweet Home." The applause which greeted him was deafening, people from far and near having gathered to hear him. His object in going into the balloon was to be able to judge the distance his instrument might be heard. Musicians who had come to hear him said every note could be heard distinctly, the effect being wonderful at times."

Mr. Hock will appear here to-morrow, Thursday evening, at the Presbyterian Church, in the Y. M. C. A. course, using the same instrument whose notes rang out so clear in Germany. You should not miss hearing him.

**Mr. McKernan Makes a Change—**

P. McKernan, known familiarly to the people of this county as "Pat," has moved his office which he held for so many years in the court house, to W. Huron st., in company with D. Cramer. He will not enter into partnership, but simply have his office with Mr. Cramer. Mr. McKernan held the office of circuit court commissioner for this county from the time the present court house was built, up to two years ago. Then he was allowed to remain in the same office by Mr. Butterfield, who succeeded him in that position, but who preferred to hold his office with Mr. John F. Lawrence with whom he is in partnership. Mr. McKernan naturally expressed many regrets at leaving the court house where he had spent so many of the days of his life. Being a large-hearted, mild mannered man, he made friends of those with whom he came in contact, so "Pat," has the satisfaction of knowing that others regretted his going as well as himself.

**Excursion Rates to Washington—**

On account of the Presidential Inauguration Ceremonies, March 4th, the Ann Arbor R'y will sell excursion tickets for all stations to Washington and return one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be sold March 1st, 2nd and 3d, limited for return to March 8th. E. S. GILMORE, Agt.

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**Gymnasium Suits for Women—**

Mrs. Dr. Mosher, for the Women's Dean, contributes the following article in regard to the new suits worn by ladies in gymnasium work, to the U. of M. Daily:

"New appliances, like new laws, are made to meet new needs. The evolution of the gymnasium suits for women, has not been the result of fashion as much as of the needs presented by the work itself.

"When women were first formed into classes for the purpose of exercise, it was found that movement was difficult in the ordinary dress for street or house, and so a shorter one was adopted, having a loose waist and larger sleeves. Uniformity added to the picturesqueness of the group of exercisers, and soon gymnasium costumes came to be made after the same pattern and of the same material. When blouses waists became fashionable, they were found to be peculiarly suited to physical work, and soon became a part of the regulation suit. With some variations they have been worn up to the present time in most of the gymnasiums for women throughout the country.

"The short skirt answered its purpose well, as long as calisthenics and parlor exercises only were attempted, but when Dr. Sargent and others began to watch the work of the gymnasium as a process of physical education, movements were introduced which demanded a freedom of body to which the flowing skirt offered a dangerous impediment. To meet the new need the full Turkish trousers were adopted, but they were homely, and withal gave to the wearer an air of masculinity offensive to good taste. They soon gave place to the wide skirt, banded below the knee, and this to the present pattern which combines utility with grace and beauty.

"The blouse waist answered its purpose until corrective work became a prominent part of the system of body development. The blouse concealed the outlines of the trunk as completely as does the widow's veil, for the scholastic gown. This new need has been met by the introduction of the "Bodice Suit," first worn in November, when the new gymnasium for women was opened. It consists of a well shaped half waist, fastened to the skirt (permanently) by a pointed girdle or belt of the same material. It is worn over a light weight "Jersey waist" or an ordinary cambric or silk shirt waist. To this it is fastened at the shoulders by well fitted bands, which extend upward from its front and back. In this waist the outline of shoulders and trunk, as well as the scapulae can be seen by the director, and she is able, even from a distance, to detect bad postures and incorrect movements which the blouse would have concealed. Besides utility, the new waist is a garment which adds rather than detracts from the grace of the figure.

"This suit has been perfected and is presented for sale by Miss Walton, a corner of State and William sts. A pattern of it is kept at the women's gymnasium where any one can obtain it who will take the trouble to cut it out. Women already provided with suits made after the old pattern are not required to change them, but those who are obliged to purchase new ones are expected to furnish themselves with the more modern garment.

ELIZA M. MOSHER, M. D.,  
Women's Dean.

**Comic Opera at the Grand.**

"Wang" that merriest and most successful of all comic opera is again announced. "Wang" is on a special tour this season and in an entire new dress. Everything from the elephant to the little children's doll has been made and painted new for this season.

The cast with the exception of one or two small parts is identically the same as last season. Mr. Albert Hart who has played the part of "Wang" for the past two seasons has been retained for the same part again this season. Mr. Hart has proved the most wonderful success in that most famous role and it has been said by some of the best critics that Mr. Hart is even better than his predecessor.

The part of "Mataya" the Crown Prince of Siam will be in the hands of Miss Norma Kopp who achieved a great success in the same opera last season as "Gillette." Miss Kopp is the right one in the right place.

"Wang" in all its glory will be seen at the Grand Opera House for one performance only SATURDAY, JAN. 23.

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**NOTICE.**

A meeting of the stockholders of the Ann Arbor Street Railway will be held at the office of the Courier, Ann Arbor, Michigan, on Saturday, January 30, 1897, for the purpose of considering the indebtedness of this Company and the appointment of the same among the stockholders, and the closing up of the affairs of the Company.

JOHN WINTER, President.  
ANN ARBOR, MICH., Jan. 7, 1897.

**CASTORIA.**

The fac-simile signature of Dr. J. C. Ayer is on every wrapper.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES.**

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**REPORT OF THE CONDITION**

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OF ANN ARBOR, MICH.,

On JANUARY 1, 1897.

MADE AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

RESOURCES.	
Merchandise, Lumber, finished and unfinished work on hand as per inventory	\$27,067 85
Real Estate	14,500 00
Machinery and Tools	3,000 00
Book Accounts	22,505 89
Cash on hand	3,940 92
	\$69,914 57
LIABILITIES.	
Capital Stock	\$60,000 00
Surplus Fund	4,180 88
Bills Payable	3,333 69
Dividends	1,800 00
	\$69,914 57

We do hereby certify that the above statement is correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

WM. D. HARRIMAN, Notary Public.  
LEONARD GRUNER, Majority of Directors.  
MOSES SEABOLT,  
PAUL SNAUBLE

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of January, 1896.

MICHAEL J. FRITZ,

At the last regular meeting of the Directors of this Company, a dividend of three per cent was declared, payable: on and after January 10, 1897, at the office of the Ann Arbor Savings Bank.

CHARLES E. HISCOCK, Secretary.

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**ESTATE OF FRANCES RUDMAN.**

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Washtenaw, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Washtenaw, holden at the Probate Office in said County, and show cause, the 28th day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-six.

Present J. Willard Babbitt, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Frances Rudman, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Ida A. Dalton, praying that the administration of said estate be granted to herself or some other suitable person. Thereupon it is ordered, that Thursday, the 22nd day of January next, 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 holden at the Probate Office in the city of Ann Arbor in said County, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted. And it is further ordered that said 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 Courier, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

J. WILLARD BABBITT,  
JUDGE OF PROBATE.  
WM. G. DOTY, PROBATE REGISTER.

FRIENDS OF THE COURIER WHO HAVE BUSINESS AT THE PROBATE COURT, WILL PLEASE REQUEST JUDGE HARRITT TO SEND THEIR PRINTING TO THIS OFFICE.

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FARM OF 80 ACRES, in Superior Township, rent or will let on shares. H. J. BURKE, Cor. 4th and Ann Sts., Ann Arbor.

MATERIALS and new designs for all kinds of art embroidery, center pieces, sofa cushions, etc. in Delft, Jewel, or Floral patterns to order or stamped. Mrs. H. B. Harter, 28 1/2 South Fifth Ave. 3 wks.

CASH paid for Rags, Rubber, Iron and all kinds of metal. If you have any of these articles drop us a card and we will call for it. Lanaky, 22 Broadway. 45

WANTED—Black walnut logs and timber. Highest cash prices paid for same. Address Lesh, Sanders & Egbert Co., Goshen, Indiana. 51

HOUSES AND LOTS FOR SALE OR RENT.—Prices for rent from \$10 to \$30 a month in central localities. Modern improvements. Enquire of J. Q. A. Sessions, Agent. Office 26 E. Huron st.; residence 36 Williams st. 17

FOR SALE AT A BARGAIN.—A 9 room house with a 6x12 rod lot, corner of Fountain and Summit streets, Ann Arbor. Large barn, shed and shop; house contains bath hot and cold soft water, also city water and a never failing well of pure spring water. Fine garden. For price and terms apply on the premises. 4 mths, Nov. 8

CORRESPONDENTS wanted of persons having old U. S. coins for sale. Clarence C. Upham, 28 S. Park St., Detroit.

LOCAL.

The mid-winter circus ended in a blaze of glory Saturday night.

The next state G. A. R. encampment will be held at Greenville, April 7 and 8.

Services are to be held every evening this week at the Church of Christ on S. University ave.

The Presbyterian church society at its last meeting decided to create a board of deaconesses.

The annual meeting of the Ann Arbor Organ Co. is to be held at the office of the company on Jan. 26.

G. Frank Allmendinger was elected vice president of the State Millers' Association at Lansing last week.

Fred J. Dansingburg, formerly deputy county clerk, is the local editor of the Register, for a time at least.

Six Entered Apprentices were advanced to Fellow Crafts by Fraternity lodge Masons last Friday evening.

George J. Haller is in Ann Arbor again, and doing the Ann Arbor correspondence for the Detroit Evening News.

The meeting of the Board of Regents to be held here to-morrow, will be of much interest to a number of people.

A series of six social dances will be given by the ladies of the Eastern Star, commencing at Masonic Temple to-night.

Mrs. O. E. Butterfield read a very interesting paper before the Ladies Union, at the Unitarian church last Wednesday p. m.

The military boys have re-demonstrated the fact that a circus catches the crowd no matter when it comes, in summer or winter.

The old colored man known as "Grandpa Bally," who resides at the county house, is not dead as reported. He is good for the rest of the century at any rate.

The semi-annual business meeting of the Epworth League of the M. E. church will be held on Monday evening next, Jan. 25. Every member is urged to attend.

The record in the county clerk's office disclose the fact that there were 333 marriage licenses issued last year and that the supervisors reported 656 births and 485 deaths.

The medical fraternity known by the Greece-y title, Nu Sigma Alpha, initiated that palatial new dining room in the Cook House last Friday night in the banquet line.

At the annual meeting of the Congregational Society last Wednesday evening D. F. Schaefer and George W. Phelps were chosen trustees. A fine supper was enjoyed by those present.

Mr. Mario Blodiek, who is with the Mozart Symphony Club, brings harmony from the six-stringed viol de gamba, music of greater volume than that of the cello, full round notes that are pleasing to the ear and esthetically sympathetic.

There were 23 wheelmen up from Detroit Saturday evening to attend the circus.

Regular monthly social of the L. O. T. M. to-morrow evening. Supper from 5 to 8.

Chris. Donnelly accidentally let go his hold of a \$5 bill last Saturday morning, and by so doing lost sight of it forever.

The Monday evening social of last year has been reorganized at Granger's, and met for the first time this evening.

The Forest Hill Cemetery Co. has completed its election by choosing Henry S. Dean president, Fred Schmid vice president, and E. B. Pond secretary and treasurer.

Miss Ella Kelley of N. Fifth ave., died on Thursday evening last, at her home, aged 40 years. Funeral services were held from St. Thomas church Saturday morning.

Miss Nina Wagner, whose home was on W. Washington st., died on Saturday, of consumption, aged 25 years. Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon, from Bethlehem church.

The masonic dance will be given on Friday evening, Feb. 12. Mr. Nelson J. Kyer is general chairman and H. F. Miller secretary, with a long list of committees from the two blue lodges.

Miss Genevieve Mills, daughter of Hon. F. E. Mills of Pittsfield, who is a graduate of the Ann Arbor high school, has gone to Reed City to accept a position as teacher in the public schools of that place.

The fine lantern views shown at J. E. Beal's talk on Mexico last Friday evening were loaned by Rean Campbell of Chicago, the manager of the American Tourist Association, who conducts large parties through Mexico every year.

There was a large crowd present at the M. E. church last Friday evening to listen to a trip through Mexico, and to view the beautiful series of stereoscopic views of Mexican scenery, which were so admirably shown by Prof. Chute.

The members of Company A put in a good lot of hard work in their circus, and have earned every cent they have made. The performers are the ones who make the money easy; and yet, would you do the same thing they do for what they get?

Of one of the musical artists who is with the Mozart Symphony Club and who will appear here Thursday evening, the Boston Globe says: "Richard Stoelzer scored an unequivocal success with his Viola d'Amour solo. His handling of the sweet toned instrument excited the wonder of the best musicians."

At the annual meeting of the Presbyterian church society Wednesday evening, Dr. W. J. Herdman, Dr. W. H. Jackson and S. W. Clark were re-elected elders for the full term, Spencer D. Lennon to fill the vacancy caused by the death of John Moore and Horace Purfield in place of Joseph Clark, also deceased.

Bro. Liesemer, of the Daily Times, made a most effective and satisfactory speech at the meeting for the suffering Armenians last Sunday afternoon: "I will give \$25." It was a noble and generous speech, too, and was prompted by a good heart. It is not every one who can afford it, that gives.

People who take interest in tales of travel will be greatly delighted by attending the next lecture in the Epworth League course at the M. E. church Friday evening, Jan. 22. Mr. C. W. Noble will give those present an idea of "The Ups and Downs of a Bicycle Trip," and it will be overflowing with good things. Go and hear it.

The Michigan Furniture Co. met last night and chose the following directors: W. D. Harriman, L. Gruner, Moses Seabolt, Chas. E. Hiseock, Eugene E. Beal, Paul Snauble, Martin Haller. At a subsequent meeting the board organized by electing W. D. Harriman president, L. Gruner vice president, C. E. Hiseock secretary and treasurer, Paul Snauble superintendent.

N. D. Corbin, who has been a correspondent for the Detroit Free Press and the Evening News for some time, has accepted a position on the latter paper, and went to Detroit Sunday to start in. Mr. Corbin has been a hard working, persistent news hunter, and has shown an energy and ability for the work that will surely bring him success in a larger sphere of action. He has many friends here who will wish him the best of success.

Nelson J. Kyer, of the Kyer Milling Co. of this city, was honored by being chosen vice president of the Michigan Millers' Mutual Fire Ins. Co., at its annual meeting in Lansing last Wednesday. Mr. Kyer had been a director in this company for a number of years, which has grown from a small beginning to a big company, doing business in nearly every state and territory in the Union. The vice president will honor the company as well as being honored by it.

The Ann Arbor Railroad earnings in 1895 for the first week in January were \$4,056; in '96, \$17,902 and this year they were \$21,162, which shows the road is doing a good increasing business.

The Detroit Fire & Marine Insurance Co. has declared a five per cent. dividend and the Michigan F. & M. Insurance Co. a four per cent. dividend. A considerable of the stock of both companies is owned in this city.

An attempt is being made to form a wind instrument band from among the students. The especial feature seems to be a desire to have music at the Athletic field sports. Well, the boys have got wind enough, if that is an essential.

It is understood that J. D. Ryan will build an addition to his block on Washington st. It is to be three stories high and have a stairway leading to the offices on the 2d floor and hall on 3d floor. The first floor will be for store purposes.

The Mozart Symphony Club which appears here Thursday evening in the Y. M. C. A. course, is one of the best musical organizations in the United States, and people often travel hundreds of miles to hear them. This concert will be one too good to be missed.

The date of the inter-department debate has been changed to January 30. The literary students are to have the affirmative and the laws the negative, each speaker limited to 18 minutes. The prizes are \$50, \$30 and \$20. The amount being doubled.

The Frieze Concert Thursday evening, in Fraternity Memorial Hall, was one of the best in quality and point of attendance of the season. One of the attractive features was the singing by Mr. Lamson, of "Eiland; a Legend of the Chiemsee," a song written by a wealthy young German who is being recognized as a coming musician. This was its first rendition in this country.

The vesper services are unusually good this semester. Especially is this the case in the musical part of the exercises. Yet the attendance, while better than formerly, is not as great as it should be. Leaving the benefit derived from services of this nature out of the question, they should be better attended as a matter of encouragement to those who take the trouble to provide them.—U. of M. Daily.

It is a good thing for the University that the trouble about the Junior Hop has been permanently settled. Without discussing the right or wrong of either side to the dispute, both sides were equally interested in securing the good opinion of the people of the state and said people were getting greatly disgusted over the annual jangle. The Hop might better by far have been entirely dispensed with than to have had the dispute continued. The class of '98 should be commended for its good sense in this matter.

And now the common council of Monroe has passed a city ordinance making it "a misdemeanor for any person to wear a hat or any head-gear during the rendition of any performance at the armory, opera house, or at any other public meeting." Why any lady should insist upon making others uncomfortable by wearing bonnets or hats that hide the view of those in the rear of them is a psychological mystery as yet unexplained.

The announcement that Gov. Pingree has decided to appoint Sheriff Wm. Judson as warden of the state prison at Jackson, is not a surprise to Ann Arborites. It is taken as a matter of course. There is no man in Michigan to whom Mr. Pingree is more indebted for the honor of writing "Gov." before or after his name, than this same Wm. Judson, and he is deserving of any office in the gift of the governor. We are all glad of "Billie's" success.

There were about 200 people present at the Presbyterian church last Sunday afternoon. It was a stormy day and there were many other meetings at the same time, all tending to detract from the numbers. Mrs. Jennie Voorhels presided, and remarks were made by Rev. J. W. Bradshaw, Mr. E. F. Mills, Dr. Mary Wood-Allen, Mr. L. J. Liesemer, Miss Rose Wood-Allen and Rev. T. W. Young. A series of resolutions were offered by Mr. Liesemer which were adopted. Contributions for the suffering Armenians were called for, and with a most generous response, for the amount given was \$160.

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Wm. C. Gerstner having sold out his interest in the bakery and grocery on Detroit st., is now looking about the state for another location. Will is one of the sort that Ann Arbor dislikes to part with. Honest, industrious and frugal, he has many friends here.

Ernest L. Chase, whose act in attempting to kill his wife and himself some time ago, at Detroit, was noted at the time, is now in states prison at Jackson, where he has been sentenced for life. He was a son of the late Dr. A. W. Chase, the founder of Chase's Receipt Book.

The adjourned annual meeting of the Farmer's Vigilance Association of the townships of Superior, Ann Arbor and Salem, will meet in Dixboro, on Friday Jan. 29th, at 1 o'clock p. m. Everybody invited to attend. There will be some important questions up for discussion, which will interest you.

The "Matrons' Elocutionary Contest" under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. will be held Thursday evening Feb. 4th. The contestants will be Madames Chas. Worden, Hendrickson, Kapp, B. F. Schumacher, Johnson, Kibbourne, Hurry, Hess, Doig, Crozier and Emma Bower. The names of judges will be announced later.

A great many of our subscribers are taking advantage of the offer of the Twice-a-Week Free Press and the Courier, for \$1.50 a year. These three papers come out Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday, and are almost as good as a daily paper. One gets all the county news and all the news of the state and the world in this way for almost nothing.

The circuit court commissioner's room and the jury room in the court house are being connected by a door and Prosecuting Attorney Kirk and Commissioner of Schools Wedemeyer will have the use of them. Judge Babbitt will have desk room in the offices and he or Wm. Murray, a young lawyer of Milan, will be there to tend to applicants for warrants in the absence of Mr. Kirk—Daily Times.

Governor Pingree has appointed W. W. Wedemeyer of this place, as deputy Railroad Commissioner, and the same has been accepted by him. The news of this appointment is received with both pleasure and regret by Mr. Wedemeyer's friends. They are glad to have him so nicely recognized, but they also feel that the office will take him just so much farther away from his chosen profession, the foundation for which he ought to be laying now. He is a young man of too good abilities to be spoiled by office. So, although kindly meant, many of Mr. Wedemeyer's best friends feel that Gov. Pingree has not done him a kindness.

A contest debate between the Arena and Lyceum debating societies of the Ann Arbor High School will be held Friday evening, Jan. 22, in High School Hall, beginning at 7:30 o'clock sharp. The program will be as follows: Vocal solo, Gerald Brown; recitation, Ed. Lucas; music, Barry and Audette; debate, "Resolved, That the signs of the times advocate the downfall of the American Republic," affirmative, (Arena) J. Hillman, S. Lee, W. J. Antcliff; negative, (Lyceum), G. Bates, Ed. Amsden, M. W. Guy; solo, Gerald Brown; racket, Carl Williams; budget, Tumble, Audette and Barry; decision by the judges, Messrs. Jocelyn, Mays and Wedemeyer.

When the Mozart Symphony Club, which is to give a concert here to-morrow, Thursday evening, in the Y. M. C. A. Lyceum Course, appeared at New Haven, Conn., the Palladium said this of their work: "The Mozart Symphony Club gave the second of the Y. M. C. A. entertainments last night. An intelligent and music loving audience filled the Guard's Hall. The concert was out of the usual order and was a striking novelty in the musical entertainments. Besides the violin, cello and viola, a number of obsolete instruments were introduced, but it was not in these alone, however, that its excellence consisted. The concerted numbers were brilliantly played and the players were repeatedly applauded. In the overture the string quartette showed good ensemble, shading, staccato bowing and good attack."

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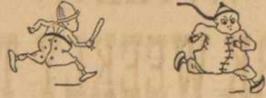
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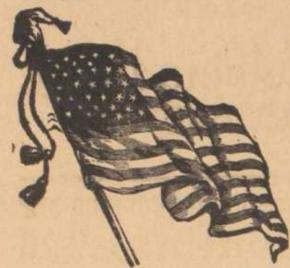
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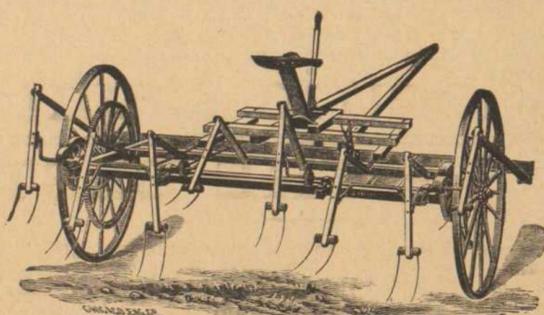
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### YPSIANTI NEWS ITEMS.

Clark C. Wortley spent last week in N. Y. City.

J. B. Colvan has gone east on a business and pleasure trip.

Ed. Doersam will be found at the Cook House, Ann Arbor, hereafter.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Covert have gone to York state for a few week's stay.

The Normal football champions have had their pictures taken in a group.

The stockholders are more than delighted with the new scenery for the new opera house.

The Presbyterian Sunday School has made an offering of \$44.50 for the starving Armenian children. A noble deed.

The motor on the big electric car burned out last Thursday, and the Packard st. car had to be substituted for a few days.

Miss Mabel D. Field of the present Normal graduating class, has secured a teacher's position in the upper peninsula.

The mother of Dr. Hueston of this city, died at her home in Pontiac last Thursday, aged 97 years, having been born in 1800. She was a nurse of the Federal soldiers in 1812.

Master Cyril Tyler is undergoing a change of voice at Ypsilanti. Although strictly forbidden he occasionally breaks out in song, in spite of all he can do to hold the notes in.

Mrs. Geo. B. Young, mother of Carl Young, the pianist, died at her home in this city, Friday afternoon. She had lived here some three years. The remains were taken to Clinton, Iowa, for burial.

Our citizens can not wait for the 1st of April to fill the vacancy caused by Justice Beach's death, but propose to hold a special election as soon as possible. There are several candidates after it.

Mrs. Marshall Pease, who is so well known as a soloist, and who sang in the Choral Union concerts at Ann Arbor several times, is to appear at a concert soon to be given at Munich, Bavaria, where she is spending the winter.

The stockholders of the opera house company met and elected the following directors: Samuel Post, Charles E. King, J. H. Lepper, Thos. McAndrew and R. W. Hemphill. Samuel Post was made president; J. H. Lepper vice president, and Charles E. King secretary and treasurer. Messrs. Colvan and Pack the retiring officers, were given a vote of thanks.—Daily Times.

At a meeting of the Light Guard held last Wednesday night the following civil officers were elected: President F. D. McKeand, vice president David R. Morford, secretary Frank Kirk, treasurer Fred L. Gallup, manager of the "Hammerstein Grand," David R. Morford. The former restrictions relative to renting Light Guard hall were withdrawn, and now the colored people can hold their dances there.

When the management of the electric line heard that the Light Guards were to be the guests of the Light Infantry at Ann Arbor last evening, a special car was placed at the disposal of the company for the transportation to and from Ann Arbor and cigars were passed around on the return trip. Company G, through Fred Green, thanked the management for its courtesy and generosity.—Daily Times.

Earl Nash, a blacksmith, has been arrested on a charge of committing a burglary at the shop of John M. Tucker a week ago last Friday night, and there is pretty conclusive circumstantial evidence against him. At the examination before Justice Childs Saturday he was bound over to the circuit court for trial, with bonds at \$500, which he could not furnish, and was consequently sent to the county jail at Ann Arbor.

Some time ago Jerome Schemmerhorn put in a claim against the Mollie Bennett estate for \$1,278 for work done. The claim was referred to a board of special commissioners composed of J. N. Childster, John L. Hunter and Tracy L. Towner, who decided against the claimant, Schemmerhorn, by his attorneys W. J. Wallace, F. J. Webb, Seth C. Randall and Frank Jones, has now appealed from the decision to the circuit court.—Daily Times.

Prof. Robert J. Stevens, a former Ypsilanti boy, now of Benton Harbor, has a wine glass that was once the great Napoleon's, a piece of the palm tree under which Columbus' priest celebrated the first mass in America, a feather from Lincoln's funeral car, a piece of the Blarney stone from Ireland, a fragment of the battlements of the old Spanish fort at St. Augustine, and (this information is furnished by the News itself) a copy of the Grass Lake News, all of which he values as rare and priceless curios.—Ypsilanti Sentinel.

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Lunch is served in the basement of the hall at noon, and everybody is requested to bring their baskets well filled:

TUESDAY—FORENOON.

Music. Invocation - Rev. Dr. Holmes. Address of Welcome.

Hon. J. S. Gorman, Chelsea. Response Conductor Van Norman. A Farmer and his Changed Condition, Russell C. Reeves, Dexter. Discussion.

led by E. A. Nordman, Lima. Small Fruits for Profit, R. M. Kellogg, Three Rivers. Discussion, led by S. L. Gage, Chelsea, and C. M. Brown, Ypsilanti.

AFTERNOON.

Clovers, Manures and Fertilizers, Jno. L. Shawver, Bellefontaine, O. Discussion.

led by M. S. Raymond, Sharon. Possibilities for the Farmer's Wife, Mrs. E. W. Crafts, Sharon. Discussion, led by G. A. Peters, Scio, and Walter Dancer, Ann Arbor. Question Box.

EVENING.

Farm Buildings, Jno. L. Shawver, Bellefontaine, O. Discussion.

led by G. Rawson, Manchester. Peach Culture, A. D. DeWitt, Dexter. Discussion.

led by Erastus Cooper, Sylvan, and Robt' Glenn, North Lake. WEDNESDAY—FORENOON.

The Eternal Fitness of Things, L. H. Ives, Mason. Discussion.

led by J. I. Nickerson, Chelsea. The Farm Dairy, H. E. Van Norman, Agr'l Col. Discussion.

led by Mrs. J. Clark, Lyndon, E. A. Croman, Grass Lake, and Mrs. Thos. Fletcher, Lima. Business meeting, election of officers for ensuing year, etc.

AFTERNOON.

Roads and Road Making, J. L. McDougal, Ypsilanti. Discussion, led by N. Pierce, Lima, and D. B. Taylor, Chelsea. Bridges and Culverts for Country Highways, Prof. H. K. Vedder, Agr'l Col. Discussion.

led by H. Heininger, Lima, and Wm. Burtless, Manchester. Question Box.

EVENING.

Home Life on the Farm, Mrs. Mary A. Mayo, Battle Creek. Discussion.

led by Mrs. Ed. Crafts, Sharon. Our Country Schools, W. W. Wedemeyer, Ann Arbor. Discussion.

led by Prof. W. N. Lister, Saline. Markets, Dr. Howard Edwards, Agricultural College. WOMAN'S SECTION—IN CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Conductor, Mrs. Mary A. Mayo, Battle Creek. Making Housework Easier, Mrs. Mary A. Mayo. Discussion, led by Mrs. D. B. Taylor. The Coming Woman, Her Position in Shaping the Legislation of the Country.

Mrs. J. S. Gorman, Chelsea. Discussion.

led by Mrs. Julia Stannard, Dexter, and Mrs. Dr. Holmes, Chelsea. Mother and Daughter, Mrs. Mary A. Mayo. Discussion.

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### Ann Arbor's Fire Department.

That Ann Arbor has one of the best equipped fire departments of any city of its size in the state is self-evident. During the year of 1896 there have been 51 calls and the comparatively small loss sustained by these fires indicates the prompt and efficient service rendered by the fire department.

The causes of the fires, as given by Chief Sibley, of the department, are as follows:

Chimney burning out, 12; cigarettes, 4; stove pipe, 2; incendiary 3, gasoline stoves 3, oil stoves 2, spontaneous combustion 2, parlor matches 2, unknown 9, and one each from combustion of chemicals, plumber's stove, careless depositing of ashes, mice carrying matches, cook stove, burning rubbish, kerosene lamps, careless heating of gasoline on cook stove, fire in grate, coal stove, and steam pipes. Only one false alarm was sent in during the year. Although there have been 51 calls during the year, there were but ten fires that caused damage to exceed \$100. The total of losses during the year, as shown by the records of the department, is \$5,829.78, which is \$6,750.02 less than last year. The amount of insurance on the property burned was \$39,025.

It might be said, in passing, that in every instance, but three, the insurance companies paid all claims in full. The department is in charge of Fred Sibley, the chief, who with eight others devote their entire time to the service. The expenses of the department were a trifle more this year than last. The amount paid out for salaries was \$5,580. Other expenses were incurred to the amount of \$1,453.45, making a total of \$7,033.45, the cost per year of the department. Perhaps this may seem like a large bill to pay for fire protection, but when we consider that they have protected property to the amount of \$40,000, from losses not amounting to \$6,000, their services cannot be over estimated. In two or three cases of the fires mentioned above, the losses would have amounted to thousands of dollars had the city been without a first class fire department. The experience of our city goes to prove that it is a good paying investment to maintain just such a fire department as we now have.—Register.

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"If any one wants to know how good Postum really is let him try it along side of the counterfeit. The original article has great merit or there would not be so many trying to imitate it."

A counterfeit is always an imitation, and only the genuine will satisfy careful buyers.

The manager of the other store referred to was for nine years located among the coffee plantations of Java as a buyer of coffee for the English army. He is reasonably supposed to be a coffee expert. Postum is used by his wife, children and himself at his own home.

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Habit rules us all, but is absolute master of the unresisting infant. A baby is a natural autocrat, recognizing no authority. It is in vain that the mother tries to induce it to sleep at the proper time or strives to hush its cries when

the desired food is not forth-coming. What she cannot accomplish, the simple power of habit can bring about without a struggle. If the child is fed at absolutely regular periods, it will be hungry then and at no other time. If, so to speak, it sleeps day-by-day by the clock, sleep it must when the hour strikes, whether it will or no. Even the stomach can be trained into the habit of digesting the maximum amount of food necessary for the full nutrition and growth of the body; and when so trained, it possesses marvellous power to carry on its accustomed work under such temporary irritation or derangement of the general system as would render a child with a weak stomach seriously if not violently ill.

The first six months of life, therefore, form the mother's golden opportunity. If she do not then lay well the foundation, the whole superstructure must betray this primary defect. Then and then only will all the elementary forces of nature be on her side. Later some elements, if not all, will be against her. If she neglect the child at first, or leave it to the untrained care of a nurse, she will, as a penalty, certainly spend many times six months during its later life in nursing it in illness or caring for it in invalidism.—*Harper's Bazar.*

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**His Beautiful Bluff—**  
A Portland man tells a good joke on himself. He said he came home from "lodge" just at daylight the other morning, and finding the wife of his bosom sound asleep, undressed with great care and tried to slip into bed without disturbing her. Just as he donned his night shirt his wife opened her eyes and asked what he was getting up so early for. He had to make the bluff good and in order to do so was obliged to dress himself again and go down town to his place of business. He paralyzed the clerks by having a fire built in the store when they came down. He is thinking up a new scheme for the next time he goes home "early."

**Some Things the Superior Did—**

The board of supervisors did some queer things at their last session Friday, one of which was to rescind the old resolution allowing the circuit judge \$100 per year for railroad expenses, he not to receive or use railroad passes during his term of office. This was a proposition from the board itself, some years ago, and Judge Kinne has always implicitly obeyed the request. A certain leader of the free silverites on the board has for a long time had this sticking in his eye or throat, and so he induced another member to offer the resolution. It was carried, but after a committee had waited upon the Judge, and had the condition of affairs explained to them, they at once very politely reported in favor of re-enacting the resolution.

Then they demanded of Ex-County Clerk Damsburg the \$100 the statute says he should have deposited when he demanded a re-count of the votes—which amount they failed to find on deposit—and as a salve to his wounds allowed him \$100 for canvassing the election returns; whatever that might have been. Another right thing they did do that was right. They allowed the probate office \$400 for clerk hire. This will go to the probate register as a piece-out for the starvation salary he was allowed at the great whittling of salaries last fall. There was a rumor about town that after the board had worked three days at \$96 a day, over a ten cent cut on one of the deputy sheriff's bills, that they would vote upon a resolution reducing their own salaries from \$3 to \$2.99 a day, with no pay for Saturdays and other days not actively in session, but no one had the courage to do it, and they all drew their pay for \$3 a day, Saturdays and Mondays included.

**Tax-Title Holders are Happy—**

Not a few owners of tax titles in Washenaw county are considerably affected by a decision of the Supreme Court handed down recently. It was in the case of Peter Murihead vs. Louis Sands and every tax title dealer and large property owner in the state has been anxiously awaiting the filing of the opinion for several months. Louis Sands, the wealthy Manistee lumberman, has been in the habit of permitting his land to be returned for taxes and then, when he got around to it, defeating the tax titles. In December, 1895, Murihead secured a tax deed of some 80 acres of land which Sands had permitted to be sold for the taxes of 1891 at the sale of 1893. Sands attacked the tax title in the Kalkaska Circuit Court, alleging numerous reasons for its invalidity, but the court decided against him, and he appealed to the Supreme Court, which affirmed the judgment.

The case is exhaustively reviewed in a unanimous opinion written by Justice Montgomery, all the questions raised being considered. In affirming the judgment the court concludes that under the tax law of 1893, tax sales can be set aside only when taxes have been paid and the sale therefore improperly made, or when property exempt from taxation has been included in the sale. This is, of course, in case that all proceedings subsequent to the confirmation of the sale have been regular. While this may work hardship in some cases, the court says that the law was devised for the purpose of requiring property owners to pay their taxes, and that the law is the result of many years of study and investigation. It is not inclined therefore, to fritter away the results obtained by the statute by making forced decisions.

Under this decision all the sales for taxes of 1891 are valid, save in the instance above mentioned. Thousands of dollars worth of property in all sections of the state are affected by this decision.

The dyspeptic carries a dreadful load on his back. It seems as if he were really made up of two men. One of them ambitious, brainy and energetic; the other sick, listless, peevish and without force. The weak man weighs the other one down. The dyspeptic may be able to do pretty good work one day, and the next day because of some little indiscretion in eating, he may be able to do nothing at all. Most cases of dyspepsia start with constipation. Constipation is the cause of nine-tenths of all human sickness. Some of its symptoms are sick and bilious headache, dizziness, sour stomach, loss of appetite, foul breath, windy belchings, heartburn, pain and distress after eating. All these are indicative of derangements of the liver, stomach and bowels, and all are caused by constipation. Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets are the quickest, easiest and most certain cure for this condition. They are not violent in action. Send 21 cents in one-cent stamps to World's Dispensary Medical Association, Buffalo, N. Y., and receive Dr. Pierce's 1008 page common sense medical adviser, illustrated.

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A discussion of TENDENCIES IN ATHLETICS FOR WOMEN will be contributed to the February Popular Science Monthly by SOPHIA RICHARDSON. The writer points out the superiority which earnestly played games have in some respects over gymnasium exercises, and shows how American college girls waste time in forcing a dulled brain through tasks that could be mastered easily and quickly with the aid of invigorating exercise.

Hamlin Garland's next paper on Grant in McCLURE'S MAGAZINE will tell the story of Grant's part in the Mexican war. It was in its way a most efficient and heroic part, and had an important influence on Grant's subsequent career. The paper will embrace recollections of Grant by men who fought by his side through the war, and two long letters written from the field by Grant himself and never before published. It will be fully illustrated.

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Boys, the world is wide. If you wish to be somebody, "pitch in." The brave always have friends. Where others have gone you can go. If the old tracks don't suit make a new one; somebody will walk in it. Success is never obtained in a country like this without effort. If you fall try it again. If it is dark, strike a light. If you are in the shade move around; for, if there is shade on one side, there is sunshine on the other. It takes longer to skin an elephant than a mouse, but then the skin is worth something.

The Ann Arbor Courier and the Milan Leader are both worried over prize fighting which has been going on in those respective cities. It was probably nothing more than some members of the U. of M. foot-ball practicing that exhilarating sport. The Courier which thinks foot ball "as she is played" is all right, should not object to a little harmless exercise like prize fighting.—Northville Record. Such a kicker as the Record man, ought not to strike at foot-ball.

A servant, newly engaged, presented to his master one morning, a pair of boots, the leg of one of which was much longer than the other. "How comes it that these boots are not of the same length?" "I raly don't know, sir; but what bothers me the most is that he pair down stairs are in the same fix."

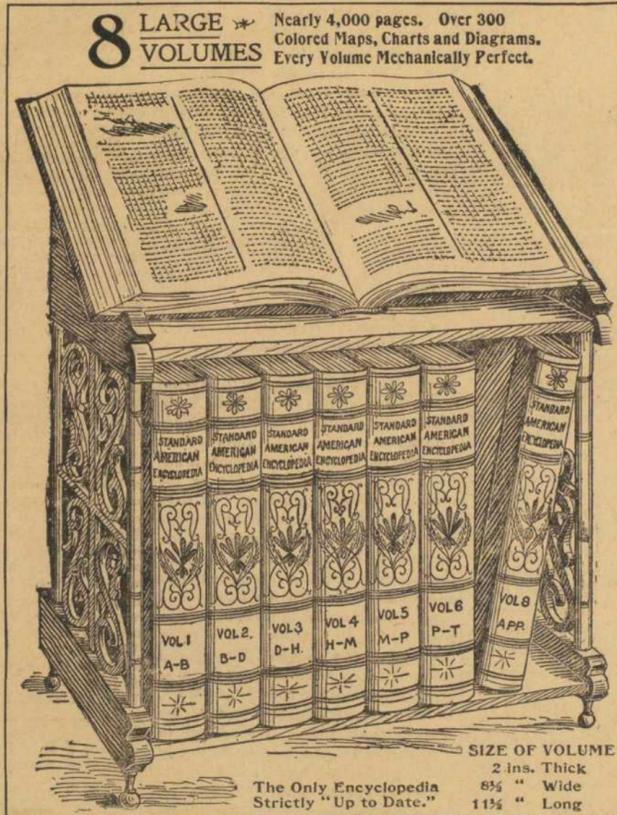
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 the parties to the transaction had the slightest idea of its vastness or importance. Gov. Ashley saw only the advantages it would be to his road when it should be extended north and Mr. Scott thought there never would be a road built any further north than Ann Arbor if it ever reached that city. This was shown by Mr. Scott saying to Gov. Ashley, that he did not consider the whole thing worth 300,000 cents, and advised him not to fool away his time with it; that he would find trying to build and run a steam commercial railroad very different from running an underground railroad, such as Ashley had been connected with. "Because," said Mr. Scott, "Every time you delivered a colored man in Canada you could declare a dividend."

Soon after this arrangement several new roads were built into Toledo, and the trackage and terminals secured by this purchase became very valuable, the income from them paying the interest on the whole indebtedness of the road as far north as Owosso, added to its very small earnings at that time.

The people of Ann Arbor had long felt the need of an additional outlet, and aided the new road in every possible manner. This enterprise never attracted any attention or scarcely noticed in rail road circles, until after it had begun to move north from this city. Then its importance began to attract attention, and never did an enterprise encounter more bitter and violent opposition than the Ann Arbor road, when once started northward. And never was a man called on to meet and overcome more difficulties than Governor Ashley at this time. All the power, the selfishness and greed of the rail roads were combined, and hurled at Governor Ashley to crush him at one blow, by destroying his enterprise, ruining his credit, blackening his good name, and driving him into bankruptcy and financial ruin. But they failed. Like Frederick the Great, if he was ever crushed or defeated, he did not know it, and kept right on just as if nothing had happened. This soon intersected every rail road in Michigan, and entered territory they had long considered their own. To crush and destroy this enterprise and its promoter was the first law of the other roads. The good name and fame of Governor Ashley was outrageously assailed. His integrity attacked in the most mean and underhanded manner, in the commercial and financial circles of New York, Boston and Philadelphia. But he triumphed over them all, and his efforts were crowned with success.

At this particular time a great emergency arose in the affairs of Governor Ashley which shows him to have been a man equal to any crisis. A new enterprise had been started to build a rail road from Lansing, in connection with the Lake Shore via of DeWitt, St. Johns, Maple Rapids, Alma, Mt. Pleasant, and north to Lake Michigan. If successful, of course this destroyed the Ann Arbor enterprise, by taking possession of the territory. To prevent this, it was necessary that the Ann Arbor road get into the territory at once, and strange to say, almost without money, and with the combined opposition of the rail roads fighting him at every point, he started in at Owosso and built north to St. Louis a distance of fifty miles. An achievement unrivaled in the history of any other man who ever undertook to build a rail road. In the meantime the Lake Shore project had been organized, and Mr. A. W. Wright, one of the largest and most influential capitalists in the State, had been interested, and the road was being built from Alma as fast as money would do it, twelve miles having been finished, and trains running, and twenty miles nearly ready for trains. When this stage was reached, the Lake Shore was then to take hold, and commence work from Lansing north, trains to be running in a few months over the entire line as far north as Mt. Pleasant, a distance of about eighty miles I think. You will pardon a personal mention of myself as I wish to make very clear this crisis in the affairs of Governor Ashley. Mr. A. W. Wright and myself were on our way to Chicago, to meet Mr. John Newall, then at the head of the Lake Shore system, and the late Hon. J. M. Turner, of Lansing, to complete the arrangement with the Lake Shore road. When we had nearly reached Chicago, we were advised of the death of Mr. W. H. Vanderbilt, and that Mr. Newall had left Chicago by special train for New York, because at this time the most important factor in the affairs of the Vanderbilts was John Newall. We reached Detroit from Chicago the next morning, and I happened to meet H. W. Ashley, whom I had often met in connection with these matters and esteemed him highly, although I was identified

with a rival or hostile interest. Mr. Ashley requested that Mr. Wright and myself go to New York and see his father and talk matters over, and to pay no attention to what the rival rail roads or interests said about him, but to go and judge for ourselves. At this time neither Mr. Wright nor myself had ever met Governor Ashley. As I was going to Washington the next day it was agreed that I should go to New York, study Governor Ashley and make up my mind what manner of man he was. That evening I went out to Lansing and while there met one of the managers of one of the great railway systems of the state, and asked him about Governor Ashley; and if this gentleman could be believed, there were few worse men outside of state prison; concluding by saying, "no man was safe in selling him a car load of iron." Were this man alive I would give his name, but he is dead and my lips are sealed. Two days later in the Ebbitt House, in Washington, I met Maj. McKinley. Here again you will pardon a personal allusion, necessary to properly explain matters. I had a very pleasant personal acquaintance with Maj. McKinley, sufficient to warrant me in asking for any information I desired, and that it was proper for him to give me, and had often done so. He represented the Canton district in Congress, which I think joins the Toledo district, that had been represented by Governor Ashley in Congress, and it occurred to me that this distinguished gentleman would know Governor Ashley. So I asked him the question, and he told me he knew him well. I then told him my object, and asked him his opinion of Governor Ashley in confidence, and he said he regarded him as "one of the grand men of this country; a man of unquestioned integrity, and above doing a mean or dishonest act if he knew it. That he did not know how well fitted he might be, for conducting great business or commercial enterprises, but any wrong that might occur, would be the result of honest mistakes, because scheming and questionable methods were entirely foreign to his character, and that any man could trust him implicitly."

Did time permit I would contrast the difference between selfish, mean, greed for money, and a generous, broad and fair view of a man's character. The next morning I met Governor Ashley at his office in New York, for the first time. After studying the man, finding out all I could about him, I came back and simply reported to Mr. A. W. Wright and the other gentleman, that instead of "a scheming, dishonest sharper," I found Governor Ashley to be one of the grand men of the world. That the motives which prompted Judas to betray his master, and for the very same object, selfish greed for money, was at the bottom of the slanders of Governor Ashley.

In the course of a few weeks, Governor Ashley was master of the situation. We sold him our enterprise and abandoned the Lake Shore project. From that hour Governor Ashley was recognized in the great financial affairs of New York, and his enterprise became a factor in the great rail road transactions of that city. The Ann Arbor road was soon completed to Lake Michigan, a distance of over three hundred miles, and it seems as if this would have satisfied the ambition of most any man. Not so with him. Just here let me relate an occurrence which is only one of a thousand that might be related. There were two men whom the Governor wished to interest in his road, and as I was familiar with the country and had the details of its resources on hand, he sent me to see one of them first. I went over to the Union Trust Co., and met this gentleman and made a truthful and correct representation of the merits of the enterprise, and concluded by saying: "Dave, you can not do better than invest your money in this enterprise." The gentleman then turned to me and he said: "Brown, do you know Gov-

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ernor Ashley real well? I said I did. Then said he: "I fully agree with you that the Governor's road will be the best piece of railroad property except the Michigan Central, in Michigan, when it is completed to Lake Michigan. But just as soon as it gets there, Ashley will either tunnel or bridge that lake, and I don't want to be in a position to have to help furnish the money to do it. It is only about a hundred miles across there and that will never stop Ashley." On my return the Governor asked me what my friend said, and I told him. He laughed heartily and said that he proposed to both tunnel and bridge the lake, but he did not know that anybody suspected it, but that it was not going to cost as much money as people would suppose. This was the first time I ever heard of what afterwards really occurred in tunneling and bridging Lake Michigan. At that time he had evidently conceived the idea of taking whole trains of freight cars across the Lake, this, no man or enterprise ever thought possible, as no man but Governor Ashley would have attempted it. So great was his confidence in what he undertook, that he never faltered or hesitated in the execution. The transporting of whole freight trains across Lake Michigan, was a novel and untried experiment. The magnitude of the undertaking would have caused most any other man to have gone at it cautiously. Not so with him, the greatness of the undertaking lent a charm to it for him. Instead of one boat to try the experiment, two were ordered, involving an outlay of half a million dollars. By this one daring and fearless experiment, involving the outlay of this sum of money, he completely revolutionized the whole question of the commerce of the north-west, and across the great lakes. It required a man with a sublime courage to do this, but he had it.

To this city he was loyal and devoted, and did everything in his power to honor and benefit it. When he organized his road the name of our city was included, and when the road had reached a stage of importance, it was named the "Ann Arbor Route." When a new engine was purchased Ann Arbor was painted upon it in large letters; when a private car was purchased its name was Ann Arbor; and finally when the time came for reorganization, and others had to assume control of the great enterprise, and a new name selected, he requested that the road be named after our city and all others dropped, and it was done. By reason of this great enterprise bearing the name of this city, its commercial and business importance is given great prominence, so that we are known in every commercial and financial center of the globe. The Ann Arbor road has brought us in closer relations with a portion of the state from which we were before completely isolated. It has opened up and made tributary to us a portion of the state with which we had before no connection. It has brought our great university into closer and more intimate relations with that portion of the state where it has always found its truest friends and ablest defenders, and thousands of students have availed themselves of the university, because of these closer and more intimate relations. It has brought many people to our city to make it their permanent home, and more will follow. And in a thousand ways that I can not take time to mention it has contributed to our prosperity. For all this honor, and all these benefits, we are indebted to Governor Ashley.

The university he regarded as one of the greatest institutions of learning in the world because of its equality to all who enter it, and its absolute freedom from caste or any catering to wealth and social position. The presidency of this institution he regarded as the highest and most honorable position any man could occupy, if he discharged the duties of this important office with ability. For the present occupant of this great

office he had a most profound regard and appreciation. He said on one occasion that President Angell would live and be remembered a thousand years after nearly every president of the United States had been forgotten. When he last visited this city, less than one year ago, he came to lecture, on the name and fame of the man with whom he had been so intimately associated, whose confidence and friendship he enjoyed to the fullest extent—Abraham Lincoln; and those of us who heard that great lecture will never forget it, and we know that no man could have spoken of another as he spoke of Abraham Lincoln, except he had sustained to him just the relations that Mr. Ashley sustained to Mr. Lincoln. At this time he was very feeble, although he seemed entirely unconscious of the fact. His son, H. W. Ashley, came with him from Toledo, and when Judge Harriman and myself met him at the depot it became a serious question in our minds, whether he would be able to appear at all before the audience, though such a thought never entered his mind. That afternoon he laid out more work for the next forenoon for both of us, than I was capable of doing, strong and healthy as I was. The next morning, knowing his aversion to riding, I had the carriage around on the side street where it could be called when wanted. We were going over to call on Judge Cooley and President and Mrs. Angell first, and he proposed to walk, indeed he rather insisted on it.

We drove over to Judge Cooley's and the meeting between these two great men was to me as sad and painful, as it was interesting and instructive. Both had been giants; both had accomplished great results in their respective fields of labor, but were now feeble, and I could not help but feel that their life's work was done, and as I had known both of them in the years of their greatest usefulness and power, could not help but ask myself the question as they sat there talking. Why do such lives have a limitation? Why do they ever end? Why do the harsh laws of nature bring feebleness to the body when within there is such a mighty force capable of doing so much for the world. But I must not dwell on this subject. As they talked over social, family, university and other pleasant and minor matters, the conversation finally turned to themselves. Gov. Ashley laid down a course of exercise for Judge Cooley to follow daily, and I know it would require the strongest athlete Ann Arbor ever had to carry it out. When the Governor had finished his suggestions on this subject, Judge Cooley, looking out of the window, said to me: "Brown whose carriage is that out there in front of the house?" Before I could answer, the Governor appreciating the keen, humorous sarcasm of the inquiry, answered, he only accepted the carriage out of courtesy to Mr. Brown; that he was going to walk, and would have done so except for Mr. Brown. As a matter of fact he could not have walked a single block. The interesting part of this incident is this: Here were two great men, both of them in a weak physical condition, one of them perfectly conscious of his condition, and as I believed very wisely preserving all the strength he had left; the other utterly unconscious of his physical weakness and regardless of the necessity for preserving himself and the strangest part of it all is, that he thought himself capable of doing just the things he told Judge Cooley to do, because there was no make believe in him; there were no false pretenses in his composition. Another simple incident will illustrate another phase of his character that I cannot refer to: There was one of the great railway corporations, and its managers, that he thought friendly to him, and doing all they could to help and befriend him. They had his confidence, and I think he often sought their advice and counsel in his troubles. I had not been on Wall street long when I discovered that this corporation and its managers were meaner than the others that were outspoken and bitter in their heartless opposition; as they were using and betraying his confidence to his detriment and injury. When I succeeded in convincing him that this was really the case, he was almost overcome, for a few seconds, and I never saw him so before. When he had recovered himself, without a word of comment, he told me this very humorous story of the parrot at the circus: "The man who stands at the entrance of the circus has a parrot, and as the crowds were pushing and crowding to get in, it was his duty to call out don't be in a hurry; take your time; plenty of room; your turn next. One day the parrot was missing from its accustomed perch by the side of its master, and when the crowds had passed into the circus, the owner started out in search of his bird. He had not gone far when his attention was drawn to about a hundred crows that were making an awful racket on one of the hill sides near by. As he approached nearer the scene he soon discovered his parrot, engaged in an awful struggle with the crows. It had already killed more than a dozen, and was saying to the others, 'Don't be in a hurry; take your time; plenty of room; your turn next.' When the parrot was rescued, by its owner polley's feather's were nearly all gone, and she was sore and injured generally. The kind master was doing all he could to relieve the

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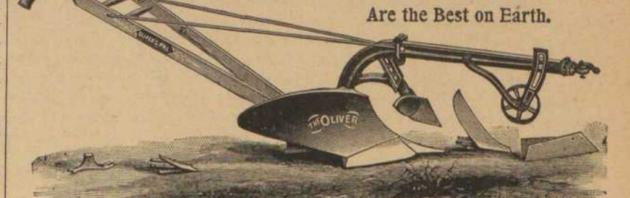
parrot of its injuries and in response to some of his sympathetic attentions polly looked up into his face and said: "well, never mind, I am still in the circus, and those crows are dead, and what are living are scared so they will never assail me again." I am like that parrot. What would have made most any other man frantic with rage and indignation at such treachery and meanness, only called forth from him a humorous story which perfectly illustrated the situation. But times forbid further mention. My friend, Judge Hrrman, this afternoon, in speaking of this useful and busy life asked me this question: "What has become of this mighty force, so capable of accomplishing so much good for the world?" I answer: "I do not know." "What has become of this bright light so recently extinguished?" asked my friend. I do not care to know. I know it lives here in the splendid monuments it has left behind, that are enduring as the coming years of distant time. It lives here in a race redeemed from bondage and oppression and elevated into the sunlight of freedom, clothed with all the blessings of independent manhood and womanhood, with life liberty and happiness guaranteed to them and their posterity for all time, by a change in the organic law of your country and mine. To the accomplishment of these great results this life contributed much, and consecrated a greater part of the years of its usefulness. It lives here in the construction of a great highway of commerce, extending from the inland waters of one great commonwealth on the south to the shores of the inland seas of another, on the north, a distance of three hundred miles; it lives in the great ships that it caused to be launched in the inland seas, revolutionizing the commerce of the great lakes; it lives in all the pleasant memories and associations that it has left behind. The people and the community which Gov. Ashley did so much to benefit and honor, would be ungrateful did they not honor his memory.

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