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DEACON DAY, AND THE HIGHWAY-COW.

By EDWARD J. HALL.

The best of Deacon's will be his career—There's a high-sounding name for a man who has been in our midst for so long a time. He has been in our midst for so long a time. He has been in our midst for so long a time.

He used to sit on the Sabbath-day With his open Bible upon his knee, Thinking of loved ones far away, In the letter land that he longed to see—

When the Deacon went to his church in town, She watched an' waited till he went by. He never passed her without a frown, And he never cracked his whip, an' would heoller

Over his garden, round and round, Trampin' his melons into the ground, Tippin' her melons into the ground, Tippin' her melons into the ground.

"AN OLD NUISANCE." Mind, I quote those three words. They are none of mine. Only, thinking over three or four equally appropriate titles, I chose the one I use as being the oddest; and I always had a fancy for odd things. And now for my story.

It was at my aunt (by marriage) and her family found their claims to aristocracy I never could discover. My uncle had been a merchant, it is true, and one of considerable prominence in his day. I have been told, and so had been his father before him, and his father's father before him.

Now, according to all I have learned on the subject, real Simon Pure aristocrats look down upon trade even on the grandest scale, and never have anything to do with it further than once in a while marrying one of their sons or daughters to the opera two or three times enough to offset the honor.

However, our family (I venture to include myself, none of my cousins being within hearing) assumed all the airs of the "blue bloods" of the old country.

Minerva, our fourth, was equally horro-stricken at the frontony of a young book-keeper whom her brother Laurence had introduced into the family circle—a rare thing for one of her brothers to do, for, like all other men, as far as my limited experience goes, they scarcely ever thought their companions to be good enough to be the companions of their sisters—when he ventured to express his admiration for her. The young man soon after succeeded to a very handsome property, and became a great swell—a "perfect too-too," as I believe the fashionable way of expressing it now is—a kind of being after Minerva's own heart; but she was never invited to ride behind his best horses, and what was much worse, never again asked to take the head of his table.

This story commences, being then in my eighteenth year, a chance to see an one; two meeting the personal attractions of my relatives, as well as their "high-toned" natures—truth to tell, having decided democratic tendencies—I was kept in the background on all occasions.

Let it be remarked in passing that Deacon, as a naturally married, when rather an old girl, a widower in the milk business, very wholesome, however—the father of four children. At the same time Minerva, a few years younger, destined to become the wife of an elderly bachelor, something or other in a shoe manufactory. But they held their heads as high as ever, and declared they had sacrificed themselves for the family, uncle having failed for the second time—through no fault of his own, dear old man—two months before the double wedding.

That their "sacrifice" was for the good of the family I don't deny; but there still were left at home to be taken care of after their departure three old maids, a young one, and two helpless young men, who, having been brought up to do nothing, did it to perfection.

After the failure, uncle got a situation as superintendent of one of the many departments in the large establishment of the gentleman who sold "pins and needles by the paper, and lace by the yard" (he was now head of the firm, and had a pretty, lady-like wife, who was a very well off or you wouldn't be where to direct the man to carry it.)

"But," I began, in a hesitating way, utterly confused by the stranger's brusque, not to say high-handed, manner. "But no nobs," quoth the old gentleman. "I am Amos Griffin, lately from England, where I have been living for the last twenty years. Since I landed in New York, a month ago yesterday, I have been boarding at the St. Nicholas. But where's your mother?"

"I hastened to assure him that I was covered in respect to the matter. "Ah, indeed! Well then I'll go on, though it strikes me that you are rather young for the business. You have never taken a lodger before? I am glad of it, for reasons which it is not necessary to explain. You want a 'liberal equivalent' for your fine room; I am prepared to give it, and you will be the only one thing to be arranged. I should like my breakfast at eight precisely, every morning."

"But we did not propose to give breakfast." "I know you didn't; but I'll give you another 'liberal equivalent' for it. You can't be very well off or you wouldn't take a lodger; and the more liberal equivalents you can get from him, the better. Will you be kind enough to show me to my room?"

"Yes, sir," I replied, meekly, completely succumbing to the big black eyes, and strong will-power of the frail-looking old man, and totally forgetting to ask for the references insisted upon in the advertisement. Whereupon he stepped to the front door, and beckoned to the man outside, who, taking the trunk upon his back, followed him, as he followed me to the second story front room.

"Ah," said our lodger, as he entered it, "this is not bad—not at all bad." "And it wasn't," as I have said before, it was the pleasantest room in the house, and I had arranged it as prettily as I could with the means at my command. Fortunately these included a number of nice engravings and vases, and a capacious bamboo chair with a crinoid cushion, and a footstool of like color. And the fragrance of the honeysuckles that stole in at the window from the balcony, and the two or three sunbeams that had found their way through the half-closed blinds, and danced in triumph on the wall, and the half-dozen gayly bound books (mine) on the mantel, and the ivy growing round a red pot on the bracket in the corner, all combined to make the room a pleasant place indeed.

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the privilege of occupying which he was expected to pay a liberal equivalent." "I disapproved highly of the wording of this call for help, but my aunt and cousins insisted upon its being couched in these very terms, and so I was compelled to yield, inwardly convinced that it was a very bad thing to do."

But it did. The very afternoon of the morning it appeared, a carriage with a trunk strapped on behind drove up to our door. An old gentleman got out, hobbled up our steps, and rang our door-bell.

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my uncle will—I will take all the expense of outfitting the sow to the pasture myself, and no one else shall be annoyed in the least. After living beneath our roof for two years, and contributing so bountifully to our comforts—you needn't glare at me, Cleopatra; he has, for I am quite certain it is worth your while to do so. It is a little—it would be the basest ingratitude, not to say cruelly, to send him among strangers now that he most needs care and kindness."

"Are you quite through, Miss Reynolds?" asked my aunt sarcastically. "There's a young saw-bone as dozes off on myself, and no one else shall be annoyed in the least. After living beneath our roof for two years, and contributing so bountifully to our comforts—you needn't glare at me, Cleopatra; he has, for I am quite certain it is worth your while to do so. It is a little—it would be the basest ingratitude, not to say cruelly, to send him among strangers now that he most needs care and kindness."

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THE FARM. A mongrel sire of any kind of stock should never be used. If a farmer is not able to purchase a thoroughbred animal, he should get one from a breeder with him and make a joint purchase, dividing purchase price and cost of keeping. When this is done no neighborhood need be without such a pair.

Practice Workford declares that two hours' work over a hot stove is more exhausting than four hours' work out of doors, and thinks the women who in Europe do men's work in the fields are better off than the American housewife, of whose life five-sixths are spent in the kitchen. There is more truth than poetry in this.

A Maine farmer says: "Were I to plant an orchard and had two locations, one in a valley surrounded by hills except on the south side, and the other a high elevation exposed to high winds, I would choose the latter in preference to the former. The great object is to keep back the blowing as long as possible, and this can be done best in northern exposures without shelter."

In selecting an animal for breeding or fattening, the farmer should have a large heart—the part containing the lungs, chest and the larger blood vessels, all of which have an important function to perform in the process of nutrition. It is well known among cattlemen that animals with small chests do not fatten readily, and that they are remarkably susceptible to the influence of exciting causes of disease.

Official returns show how vast are the flocks of sheep owned in the Australasian colonies: The New Zealand and Australian Land Company own 300,000 sheep; Mr. Robert Campbell, 336,000 sheep; Mr. George Henry Moore, 200,000 sheep; Messrs. Magill & Co., 208,000 sheep; Messrs. Clifford & Weld, 80,000 sheep; Sir Dillon Bell, 82,000 sheep; Hon. William Robinson, 68,000 sheep; Sir Cracroft Wilson, 45,000 sheep; Mr. Kitchin, 80,000 sheep; and Mr. Allen M'Lean, 500,000 sheep.

We have heard a good deal about the golden tread of the sheep, but we must remember that it depends altogether where it treads as to whether the tread is golden or otherwise. Of course, on light land under the plow the tread of the sheep is beneficial in consolidating the land, neither is it so heavy as to parch it; in the even distribution of manure, too, the sheep is a well known and valuable agent. But it is a good cropping of sheep on newly laid grass land, or upon the best meadows, which does so much harm. Good pastures on which oxen are fed are injured by sheep, which reject the coarse grasses and pick out the finest.

Some points about potatoes that are pretty well settled, are: The natural life of a variety is from fourteen to twenty years; hence the importance and necessity of saving seed potatoes from the most vigorous, prolific, and best varieties known. A dry season does not have the effect of producing a dry quality of potatoes, but usually the reverse. A large dressing of strong guano may produce a crop of potatoes, but the quality will be inferior, and there will be a rank growth of vines that is quite susceptible to disease. Concentrated fertilizers, such as guano and chemical phosphates, will produce a rank growth of vines. Virgin soil, with little or no manure, will produce the best quality of potatoes. Seed-potatoes will not produce healthy vines if exposed to the cold, even if the cold were not sufficient to affect their outward appearance. The quality of potatoes is seriously affected by exposure to strong light for some length of time.

The Ohio Farmer says: "The best beef is young beef, reaching its greatest point of superiority at two or three years of age. The same is true of sheep and swine. A wether, for the best mutton, should be in market at two years. As a general rule, a 500-pound pig is a much better in quality and profitable than a hog that weighs 500 pounds. The point of appreciation of quickly maturing animals is being reached, though somewhat gradually, and it remains to improve the various breeds, especially the Berkshire, and carefully select those animals to breed from that come to maturity at an early age." The principle laid down in the item copied above is exactly the one which the Illinois State Board of Agriculture is now endeavoring to establish in this country through the agency of our Fat Stock Shows, and the farmers and live stock producers should one and all work to bring about the result here indicated. It has the greater advantage of profit and advantage to every way. Young stock well developed and fattened should be the motto with all producers.

Pigs and Grass. That there has been less disease among swine in this country during the past two years than for several previous years, is well known. This improved condition is the result of several causes, not the least of which is the beneficial effect of more liberty at good pasture, now much more prominent in the management of swine than it was formerly. While it is true that in the domestication of the hog his nature and habits have been greatly modified, the fact remains that in his normal or natural condition, he is a grass-eating animal, and that during the greater portion of his growth, grass food is necessary to his health.

Corn is the proper food for fattening, but not for growing. As one of our long-time friends and correspondents puts it: "The chief object of swine-raising is the weight and quality of the carcass. The value of a hog depends on his being well-fattened, and the object aimed at during his whole life is to prepare him for that event. The cost of grass-feeding, even with other feed, is merely nominal, while a hog fed on corn for a long time wears down from the sow until he is butchered at eighteen months old, can seldom pay expenses. The fattening process is, to some extent, a disease-producing process, and if too long continued is always so. But when the animal commences fattening in vigorous health, after feeding for months on green vegetable food, his health will remain firm through any reasonable time required to become fat.

ter, as do, also, the sows, with younger pigs. Following the sow to the pasture the suckling pig learns early to eat the succulent food it finds. As another puts it, they find many a thousand and ten-bits in rare grasses, weeds and roots. The exercise taken while grazing benefits dam and litter, and sharpens the appetite and promotes digestion. The pigs which have such access to grass will have more regular appetites and enlarged capacity for assimilating food. They can eat and digest more corn and meal, when allowed to run to grass, than when confined in a dry lot or pen. They will make more bone and muscle and develop greater capacity of stomach.

Kept on grass during the summer, hogs are in prime condition for fattening by the first of September, and with good teeth, good digestion and good health they will fatten rapidly on corn and by turning the grass into pork and very rapidly, bring to the farmer a better profit for the food consumed than if fed during the summer on corn. A moderate ration of corn or ground feed occasionally may be beneficial, but except it be used to fatten for the summer market, the best results are in the direction we have indicated.

Loading Hay. More science is required in properly loading hay than is generally supposed. While the loaders of hay may be ignorant of the scientific principles bearing upon their occupation, yet they are not ignorant of their practical application. The corner of the load should receive the first attention, a good large forkful at each corner, then one or more forkfuls between the corners, as the case may require, front and behind one would be sufficient, or three on the sides. It does not follow that each of the four corners is to receive its forkful before the sides are built up, but one important matter should not be neglected—that of taking off the load in the reverse order of its being loaded. In order to do this successfully the party loading the team should have a regular order or system of laying his load; then the task of taking it off will be an easy one. This suggestion will apply to the loading of hay performed with a horse fork or a hand fork. If the loader changes the corner at which he commences to load with every trip, his memory may not be able to retain the order in which he makes it an invariable rule to load either at his right or left hand, then filling in between, next covering the hind corners and filling between, finally building his off or right side and filling in the middle. In this way he will always know exactly the order in which to proceed in taking off his load with ease and rapidity. It is said that order is heaven's first law, and it might be said with a good deal of probability that the most successful order on the farm, for nowhere is order or disorder more apparent.

Cattle on the Plains. How the cattle business is conducted on the plains, very few outside of those engaged in the business there, have any definite idea. The Sidney (Neb.) Plaindealer's description of the methods followed will not be devoid of interest: "First each owner selects some brand for his herd, and every head of stock is branded and then turned out to their respective ranges. The stock thus turned loose go where they choose, sometimes remain on their range, but generally drifting here, there and everywhere over the vast prairies of western Nebraska, Wyoming and Colorado, find their own food, water and shelter. Each spring, beginning early in May, the cattle owners meet and appoint a certain time for the beginning of the round up, and on that day representatives from the cattle owners or the owners themselves assemble at an appointed place; a wagon is provided for each man, and the men, ranging from six to fifteen, put their baggage and blankets. The cook's mess box is on the back end of these horses are on the keen jump after some stray cow, calf or bull, which from the freedom they have enjoyed for a year in roaming the plains or hills are as wild as an untamed buffalo, then it is plain enough to the most unophisticated that horses are soon run down. These riding ponies are kept in a bunch by each man and are in charge, day and night, of men hired for the purpose of herding them. Grain is never fed to them, the nutritious grasses of the hills and plains furnishing abundant sustenance. The men ride the ground all over, searching every bluff and ravine in order to find all the stock, and as fast as an animal is found it is driven to a herd from which each owner cuts out those of his brand and takes them to his own herd and so on.

Every day the cattle are gathered together, all unbranded calves are branded, and this thing is kept up till the entire route previously agreed upon is the field of operations has been thoroughly scoured, and each man takes his cattle to his range.

The round-up naturally is an expensive business, extending as it does over a territory of 300 to 400 miles square. But its efficiency in proving property, and keeping cattle on the ranges where they belong makes it necessary, as long as cattle are permitted to run at large.

THE HOUSEHOLD. FLIES.—Flies may be effectually disposed of without the use of poison. Take half a teaspoonful of black pepper in powder, one teaspoonful of brown sugar, and one teaspoonful of cream. Mix them well together and place them in a room on a plate where flies are troublesome, and they will very soon disappear.

ANTS.—Red ants may be banished from a pantry or store-room by strewn the shelves with a small quantity of cloves, either whole or ground. Use the former, as not being so likely to get into the food placed upon the shelves. The cloves should be renewed occasionally, as after a time they lose their strength and efficacy.

The exigencies of trade appear to be in continual conspiracy against the health of the human family. Some sharp man once found out that it was

economic in the manufacture of tin-plate to introduce into it a small quantity of lead, and how the lower grades of tin are all adulterated in this way. This discovery is fraught with mischief, for when acid fruits come in contact with this mixture of tin and lead, they are liable to become contaminated and produce lead poisoning in those who eat them. The canning of fruit in this country is now carried on to a much greater extent than ever, and cases are frequently reported before the public in the newspapers, of injury done to families or individuals by eating fruit which has been thus preserved. For those who preserve their own fruit or vegetables, glass or earthenware vessels are absolutely safe, and much to be preferred to those made of metal.—Rural Home.

The Canning of Fruit. To the old and experienced house-keeper who has put up her fifty, sixty, or a hundred cans a year for many years and has learned to do it with little work and less worry, anything said on this subject seems a foolish waste of words; but to the novice, to whom it seems a difficult undertaking, uncertainty of success, a few suggestions may not come amiss. In the first place before you heat your rooms with the fire for canning, have the fruit looked over and every can washed with soap, the cans clean; covers, rubbers and ladle at hand, that you may avoid all hurry and confusion at the time of filling and sealing. Use only such cans as are free from rust, which have become hard or otherwise imperfect from long use. Have good fruit, good sugar, where you sweeten at all; heat enough to eject the air, and fill full, but not full enough to slop over. If any juice has been spilled or dropped on the top of the can, wipe it off carefully with a damp cloth. If after filling the fruit seems to contain air-bubbles, press a silver fork into the jar, and bring as many as possible to the surface. Wipe the rubbers and ladle with water, put on the cover, and screw it down. When you can has set half an hour or thereabouts, screw down the top again, and so continue the filling of the cans. If the top of the can be made to move no farther, the set away in a cool, dry place, and do not molest till wanted for the table.

Fuchsias. Every spot around one's home ought to be beautified. No matter if it is a house built of logs or stone or call home, you cannot make it too beautiful. If yours is a log cabin, cover it with vines, and make it the dearest and most beautiful spot on earth. Flowers have a refining influence, and are elevating to our thoughts, and should be cultivated, if only a few, by every mother in the land. They are indeed the stars of the earth.

A reader has asked me to teach her how to treat fuchsias. I dearly love this flower, and I think that they will find a place in the affections of any one who grows them. So I will begin by telling how I am doing at this season of the year. I have had them in several weeks ago I made slips of all the new growth and rooted them in sand, then I put in two-inch pots and they are growing nicely. As soon as all danger of frost is past, I shall prepare a bed close against the wall, and plant them in shade; they do not need much sun, generally they must be protected from it during the hottest part of the day. Then I will shift my plants into four-inch pots, or sooner if need be, and sink the pots in the ground. Several weeks ago I made slips of all the new growth and rooted them in sand, then I put in two-inch pots and they are growing nicely. 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JOTTINGS.

Additional look on second page. The town clock needs repairing. This is splendid harvest weather. The pipe for the sewer has arrived. Judge Morris is holding court in Monroe.

The Brighton mail has been discontinued. Geo. H. Scott will build the eye and ear ward.

The hose boys intend to have a new \$100 cart. There is no less than 35 boats on the mill pond.

Prof. Wilson will spend his vacation in this place. Farmers complain of a scarcity of harvest hands.

The late Thaddeus Burd is said to have had 11 wives. Property owners in Ypsilanti rejoice at the low taxes.

Louis Fritz commenced threshing wheat yesterday. Zenus Sweet has sold his bus team to a party in Brighton.

Take THE DEMOCRAT—the best local paper in the county. Emory Aldrich has been arrested on the charge of burglary.

The new tin on the opera house will cost Mr. Hill \$600. Rev. J. Alabaster preached in the Presbyterian church Sunday.

Eugene Helver of Saline, ships leather as far east as Boston. The late Joseph Eisele was a soldier under Napoleon Bonaparte.

B. J. Conrad was pleased with his trip to the White mountains. The work of remodeling the opera house is progressing finely.

Thirty new buildings have been put up in Milan the past few months. The funeral of the late Mrs. Deborah O. Farrand was held Saturday.

A monkey wrench and other tools were stolen from F. Wurster Monday. C. S. McOmber is talking of going into the drug business at Sioux Falls.

P. L. Page is building a frame house on Twelfth street, to cost \$1,000. Compagny A will give their annual excursion to Put-in-Bay August 5.

The contractor has commenced the work of repairing university hall. Just seven weeks from today THE DEMOCRAT will be three years old.

Balancing the railroad from this place to South Lyon will soon commence. Maud S., the famous trotter, will try to beat her best time in Chicago today.

S. Wood & Son are furnishing \$900 worth of lumber for the opera house. Justices Winegar and Frenauff seem to be doing pretty much all the business.

The Observer says E. W. Wallace will build four stores on his lots in Saline. There will be morning services only in the Presbyterian church next Sunday.

The streets about the university are being gravelled and put in tip-top shape. Jas. Arnbruster's horse was found by Z. Sweet on the South Ypsilanti road.

Wm. O'Neill was sent to jail Saturday on a 20 days' sentence for drunkenness. The president continues to improve, and is believed to be past all danger.

The examination of the boy Jas. Kennedy has been continued until August 1. Justice Winegar has sentenced Henry Allman to Ionia for 90 days for larceny.

A brother of C. H. Richmond has engaged in the hotel business in Reed City. The Zion Lutheran Sunday school picnic will be held at Relief park August 4.

The foundation for the eye and ear ward will be built by the Walker Brothers. The question of a new city hall is being agitated by a number of business men.

J. W. Hamilton has purchased 20,000 pounds of iron for the Manly & Hamilton block. A daily mail has been established between this city and Hamburg, Livingston county.

A tramp printer was before justice Winegar yesterday on the charge of vagrancy. Jas. Chase of Milan, was arrested Monday for being intoxicated. Sentence suspended.

The city band and reform club talk of giving an excursion together about August 10. Policeman Millman has recovered Mrs. E. F. Todd's gold watch. He found it in Detroit.

The Misses Goodrich left Monday for a two weeks' visit to Devil's Lake, near Hudson. Ypsilanti is making an effort for a band tournament to take place sometime in August.

All quiet in Wall street. This is something out of the usual line for the Fifth ward. Prof. Schaberle, assistant at the observatory, discovered a comet last Thursday morning.

Company A has made arrangements for an excursion to Put-in-Bay the first week in August. Another engine on the T. A. & G. T. R. R. makes six in all which the company owns.

Patrick Martin has moved an old house into his lot on Fourth street, and is fixing it up to rent. Geo. Lant Sr. has recovered a judgment against E. W. Morgan on default, for \$5,882.72.

The dedication of the new Baptist church will not take place until the last of September. Donovan Bros., of South Lyon, have purchased a large quantity of wool the past six weeks.

A well known wool buyer says there is not over 25,000 pounds to be marketed in this vicinity. Andrew Hillier is evidently anxious to return to the work-house, judging from his conduct recently.

Patrick O'Reilly has caused the arrest of Jno. Morgan, who charges him with the larceny of a shovel.

Manager Hill proposes to have on an average two entertainments a week during the theatrical season. It is proposed to pitch the reform club tent on the old fall square, and hold a meeting Sunday evening.

The juvenile band give an excursion the 27th inst. to Lakeside, stopping for a short time at Put-in-Bay. J. J. Walker, the dog fancier, shipped two bull terrier pups to Atchison, Kansas, for which he received \$30.

Seth P. Sumner has purchased of Randall Bass, 40 acres on sec 27 Pittsfield, for which he paid \$2,000. A new cornice is to be put up on the north side of the opera house and the brick wall is to be painted.

F. P. Bogardus who was in the city Saturday, took a look at the opera house and examined the drawings. E. D. Kiane, counsel for Dr. S. A. Jones, has filed his declaration against the Tramp in that libel suit.

The attention of the board of health is called to the filthy condition of the alley in the rear of the Earl block. Last Saturday a tramp stole a horse from John Finnegan, and put out with the steed for parts unknown.

Dr. A. W. Chase is out with another card in the Toledo Sunday Journal on "Conkling and the president." The society which has had rooms in the opera house block for a year or more, has been compelled to move out.

O. L. Matthews has fitted up an office over Rinsay & Scabell's grocery store, where he can be found hereafter. A Spaulding who went to Kansas City, Mo., some weeks ago, is taking a course in Spaulding's commercial college.

F. Kapp paid the costs, and the complaint charging him with keeping his saloon open July 4th was withdrawn. The democrats of Ohio have nominated a strong ticket headed by John W. Bookwater, of Springfield, for governor.

The lightning ticket seller with Bar-num's circus in one of its new shows, made a mistake of \$1.50 in his favor. The good work goes on. Bach & Abel and Wm. Alinity are added to the number who are to put down stone sidewalks.

The reform club is talking some of pitching the tent, and holding temperance meetings Sunday afternoons until fall. Aside from the local news, THE DEMOCRAT contains more reading matter every week than any other paper in the city.

Policeman Porter arrested Mary Kuebler yesterday and she will have her examination to-day as a disorderly person. Nothing has been done toward putting up a new lamp post on Detroit street, in place of the one broken some weeks ago.

The contract has not yet been let for the building of the new Uni-arrian church, although a number have figured on the job. A new purifying house is being built at the gas house. A new meter is also to be put in. The improvements will cost \$3,000.

The vigilant boys not wishing to be out done by other companies of the fire department, propose to purchase a new hose cart. Real estate business like everything else just now is very quiet, but it will probably take a boom after the heated term.

The mason work on Manly & Hamilton's cellar is about completed and will be ready for the carpenters in a few days. From a number of papers found in the possession of Alfred Birmingham, his correct name is believed to be Chas. H. Hoyt.

David Gates, living in the Fifth ward, had his hip injured and the toes of one of his feet cut off Monday by a mowing machine. As there are some 50 persons in this place who belong to the hay fever brigade, we would suggest that a society be organized.

Perhaps the assassin would object to such treatment. Yesterday was a busy day for justice Winegar. Jno. Clark, Jas. Johnson, and Theo. Patterson, tramps, demanded a jury trial, and the case is down for to-day.

Emerald Aldrich was up for burglary, and Birmingham the horse thief, was also arraigned. Chris. Bach of Chelsea, who has already served one term at Ionia for stealing sheep, was arrested Tuesday by constable Imus for the larceny of a horse belonging to Jno. Matthews. He gave bail in the sum of \$200 to appear for examination August 3.

Prof. Green, who has had a position offered him in the Boston school of technology has concluded to remain here. It is through the efforts of this professor that the department of civil engineering has been made what it is.

The electric light company will soon be ready for business. The engine and boiler have been placed in position, and a smoke stack erected. The house adjoining the old Baptist church has been purchased by the company, and will be occupied by their foreman.

Bary County Democrat: Michigan has two commotions insane asylums, and the late legislature appropriated \$300,000 for a third one. Under democratic rule only one was required. Query: Does Republicanism tend to insanity? We would prefer the editor of the Democrat to the assassin Guiteau.

Mr. Lansing B. Howard of Chicago is announced to lecture before the young men's christian association early in September. His subject will be "The private life of the King of Sam." Mr. Howard will be remembered as the associate of Col. Hunt of New Orleans, in a private mission to Siam in 1879.

It will cost you \$1.50 to take in the excursion given by the juvenile band next Wednesday—half fare to children under 12 years of age. The excursion will leave here at 7 a. m. The Chief Justice Waite will take the party from Toledo to Put-in-Bay, and Lakeside. Let everybody go and help the band along.

Since the last issue of THE DEMOCRAT, the following new names have been added to our subscription list: Wm. Copeland, Jas. W. Allen, Willard Banfield, Michael Clark, Peter A. Dignan, Wm. Foley, M. H. French, Doc Simonds, A. B. Covert, Geo. B. Dignan, Miss Ella Cummings, Jno. Keenan, Paul Siffley.

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Joseph Eisele, a respectable German citizen, past 85 years of age, and for the last 15 years a resident of this city, died Monday afternoon of old age. He was the father of Anton Eisele, this city, Willibrod Eisele, Joseph, Livingston county, and Mrs. Grace Sheffield, Dexter. The funeral was held yesterday, and was largely attended.

Paul Schall has an old summons in his possession which is numbered 160, and dated Oct. 17, 1833. It was made returnable a week later, by E. Swan, constable. The summons was against Jno. Hale and in favor of Ezekiel Crampton. The parties then resided in Oakland county, and the suit was brought to recover possession of land.

Henry Altman is another of those sweet-scented fellows who has been living by begging from house to house, and to make a long story short, he stole an arm chair, and when collared by policeman Porter, was making a bee line for the depot. He didn't take the cars until he went to Detroit on a 65 days' sentence to the work-house.

The thirtieth annual regatta of the northwestern amateur rowing association is to come off at Diamond Lake, in Cass county, two miles east of Cassopolis, July 27 and 28. The Michigan Central railroad will sell excursion tickets on above dates for one fare for the round trip. A big time may be expected as over 20 clubs will attend and take part in the regatta.

Chas. Rhoades was found dead—drunk Saturday afternoon back of the opera house. He was put on a dry and carted to jail. Monday morning justice Winegar gave him a lecture on taking too much sodding syrup, and the privilege of so doing is to be for 6 months, or leaving the city immediately. When last seen he was making tracks for the Fifth ward for his grip-sack.

Mrs. Deborah O. Farrand whose funeral was held last Saturday at the Presbyterian church, was one of the early pioneers of this county, and one of the original 17 members of the Presbyterian society. Mrs. Farrand was the wife of the late Hon. Bethel Farrand, first judge of probate of Washtenaw county, and mother of Dr. O. O. Farrand, Detroit. Her age was 87.

The members of the Detroit mutual benefit association residing in this county, organized a branch society Saturday evening, and elected officers as follows: President, O. M. Martin, Jr.; secretary, F. Pistorious; treasurer, M. Steeb; trustee, F. Pistorious; M. Steeb and Jno. Meyer, delegates, who represented the society at a meeting of the state association held in Detroit Monday.

J. M. Schaberle, Prof. Harrington's assistant, discovered a comet Thursday morning last, and communicated the fact to Prof. Swift of the Rochester observatory, who telegraphed the following Saturday: "Have called your comet. Paint with a tail. It's route is slow northwest. The prize (\$200) is yours undoubtedly." This makes the second comet discovered by Prof. Schaberle.

The Pontiac Gazette says by the first day of August the T. A. & G. T. road will be ballasted and in fine running order. Messrs. Knapp and Peobles, of South Lyon, are working hard to secure the required subscription and right of way between this point and Wixom, in order if possible to push the second division along to that point immediately. Every one here seems perfectly willing to have the road stop here.

The reform club elected the following officers last week for the six months, ending Dec. 31: President, Jno. Schumacher; vice-presidents, Chas. Boylan, Thos. Kearns, E. A. Spence; secretary, J. B. Saunders; financial secretary, Jno. Boylan; treasurer, D. J. Fisher; marshals, Wm. Campion, Chas. Hatch; sergeant-at-arms, C. Schumacher; janitor, Wm. Fisher. The club has some money in the treasury, and is running along smoothly.

One night last week two colored men wearing handkerchiefs, were seen near the residence of a Mr. Garinghouse in the town of Ann Arbor. No one knew who they were, and it is quite possible they gave some officer the slip when taking them to Ionia. That the officer did not make a fuss about it is nothing strange, as we have in mind a case played on an offender who felt so chagrined over losing his man that he never told of the escape, and it leaked out through his deputy.

The best location in the place for a city hall would be on the corner of Main and Ann streets. The property we understand can be bought cheap, and for what the old engine house and grounds adjoining would bring, and with the addition of a few thousand dollars, a building could be erected which would be an ornament to the city. Besides, a suitable place with more room for the use of the fire department is necessary, and it is only a question of time before some definite action must be taken.

Henry April, who imposed upon a number of citizens by asking alms, on the strength of a lame hand which he carried in a sling, succeeded in pocketing money enough to buy his wets. It was while under the influence of liquor that he gave himself away by a fight he got into, when he forgot all about his lameness by handling his fists like an experienced knocker. He went over the road accompanied by policeman Millman as far as the Detroit work-house, where he will sojourn until it is time to get water galuns in the fall.

Chas. H. Manly, captain of Company A has notified Adj't Gen'l Robertson in reply to a circular issued from headquarters of the commander in chief of the Michigan state militia, bearing date the 11th inst., that after due deliberation he is authorized to say, that while the company would be pleased to be chosen as one of the companies to represent the state militia at the Yorktown centennial, and willing to devote their time to the state, the members do not think they should be called upon to defray any portion of the expense and decline to accept the terms of the circular.

Thaddeus Burd, who had been engaged in draying for the past three years, was found dead in bed last Friday morning. He was about 70 years of age and formerly lived in Wayne county, near Plymouth. At one time he was quite wealthy, but on account of mismanagement lost his property and for some years was obliged to get his living by teaming. An inquest was held by coroner Clark. The post mortem was conducted by Drs. George J. T. Jacobs, Wm. Porter, D. P. Loomis, H. W. Hyatt, M. Seabell, P. B. Ingalls. As the testimony of the doctors was to the effect that Burd died from over heating himself a verdict was accordingly rendered. The deceased was a brother of the late Zenus Burd, and a relative of Mrs. Jas. Cook. The funeral was held Friday afternoon.

Jeff Davis says he is not alone opposed to the celebration here on the First of August, but other colored people have taken action against it. It may be all right in their way of thinking, but as we understand it a large majority favor the celebration, are bound to make it a success, and so wish it understood. The committee having the matter in charge say they were not aware that half a dozen of their race owned the colored people body and britches, and have given them to understand that they can dispense with their wonderful influence, and get up a celebration and have a good time no matter how much they may do to the contrary. The committee feel warranted in saying they have even at this early day received sufficient encouragement to insure a tip-top time, and expect a large crowd here on August 1.

French Gingham reduced from 37 1/2 to 32 cents, at Bach & Abel's. Wilsey's music rooms are chock full of pianos and organs, and he is offering special bargains for cash or on monthly or quarterly payments. One of his bright pianos in less than one year \$150. One seven octave square piano, rosewood case only \$85. Good organs \$30, \$40, \$75 and \$100. Ann Arbor or Brighton strings. Banjos, guitars, violins, banjos, etc., etc., cheaper than ever.

Ten pieces of handsome figured Jackonette, at 80 cents, reduced from 95 cents, at Bach & Abel's. Mrs. L. N. Fitch has moved over F. S. Buck's tobacco store, where she is prepared to wait upon her customers. Anything in the line of Switches, Puffs, Sarcinog waves, Curls, etc., also a nice assortment of Jet ornaments for the hair, can be found at her hair emporium. Combing made up in the latest styles. All orders promptly attended to. Saratoga Waves a specialty.

The great remnant sale still continues at Bach & Abel's. The Lake house at Whitmore Lake is open for the reception of guests. The hotel has been nicely fitted up, and is first class in every particular. Persons intending to visit the Lake for a week or longer, will be met at the depot in South Lyon, Ann Arbor or Brighton, and all communications addressed to Wm. Graham will be promptly attended to. Summer Dress Goods at cost, and some below cost at Bach & Abel's.

Important to travelers: Special inducements are offered you by the Burlington Route. It will pay you to read their advertisement to be found elsewhere in this issue. Bach & Abel show more styles and more than all of the other houses in the city. Concord grape vines one and two years old from \$5 to \$5 per 100. Jacob Ganzhorn.

Great bargains in Dress Goods—Bach & Abel are selling handsome dress goods at 15 cents, just marked down from 50 cents, 37 1/2 cents, and 30 cents. If you are not in need of dress goods now, it will pay you to buy and lay away for another year. Go to the ANN ARBOR NURSERY for apple trees, grape vines, and for everything else for the garden and orchard. Prices the lowest in the city. Jacob Ganzhorn, proprietor, at the head of Spring St.

HONORED AND BLEST. When a board of eminent physicians and chemists announced the discovery that by combining some well known valuable remedies, the most wonderful medicine was produced, which would cure such a wide range of diseases that most all other remedies could be dispensed with, many were skeptical; but proof of its merits by actual trial has dispelled all doubt, and to-day the discoverers of that great medicine, Hop Bitters, are honored and blessed by all its beneficiaries.—Democrat.

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