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DEMOCRATIC STATE TICKET.

- GOVERNOR—JOHN W. BEGOLE. Lieutenant Governor—EUGENE PRINGLE. Secretary of State—A. J. SHAKESPEARE. State Treasurer—EDWARD KASTNER. Auditor General—JAMES BLAIR. Commissioner of the State Land Office—JOHN F. VANDERVAETER. Attorney General—TIMOTHY K. TARNSEY. Superintendent of Public Instruction—DAVID PARSONS. Member of the State Board of Education—CLARK F. HALL.

DEMOCRATIC CONGRESSIONAL CONVENTION.

A democratic congressional convention for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Representative in Congress for the Second Congressional District of Michigan, and transacting such other business as may properly come before it, will be held in the city of Adrian, on Thursday, September 14, 1882, at 12 o'clock in the forenoon. The several counties composing the district will be entitled to delegates in the convention as follows: Hillsdale, 16; Lenawee, 24; Monroe, 14; Washtenaw, 20.

JOHN STRONG, W. H. TALLMAN, W. C. CLEVELAND, Committee.

WITH this number THE DEMOCRAT closes its fourth volume. It is well known that the paper was started to supply a long felt want in the community. The people appreciate a live newspaper, and it is on this account that THE DEMOCRAT has met with such signal success. During the past two months the paper has donned a new dress, and during the coming year we propose to make other improvements. As in the past THE DEMOCRAT will float the banner of democracy. We have now no axes to grind, but will work for the success of the party.

THE following from the Philadelphia Record shows plainly one feature of the superiority of free trade over protection: "Wages in England have advanced since the adoption of free trade in 1846 nearly fifty per cent. The wages paid in Great Britain are sixty per cent. higher than in Germany, France, Spain and other countries where trade is fettered by protective tariff. Nothing operates in this country to prevent a reduction of wages to the European standard except the cheapness of land and the rivalry of employment in unprotected industries. The factory hands in New England are not much better paid than in Old England."

Without any delay the Hon. John F. Lawrence, of Ann Arbor, presented the name of the Hon. A. J. Sawyer in a clear, full and able speech. "There are some men," said he, "born with such gifts that they take prominence over all others. They have the capability to grasp a situation or state of affairs and maintain their position to the admiration of the world. Such men we call great." Mr. Lawrence proceeded to say that none of the candidates were pre-eminent in this degree; that there was no particularly great man among them to whom they could all point and say that the office of congressman belonged to him. He did not say this disparagingly, but believed that facts were wanted and truth would win. "Since the admission of the state into the Union," said Mr. Lawrence, "Washtenaw county has never been represented in the halls of congress, except, perhaps, by Bradley F. Granger, in 1861. Hence it seems fitting and proper that the claims of Washtenaw county should be recognized by the convention. The county of Washtenaw is one of the states of Michigan.

"It is the third county in wealth in the state, the second in the district in population, and yields a power and influence in the state at large. We of Washtenaw remember that the Hon. Henry Waldron represented the county of Hillsdale for twelve years in congress; that the Hon. Fernando C. Beaman represented the county of Lenawee for twelve years, and that the Hon. Edwin Willis has been the congressman from Monroe county for six years. Therefore it seems to me just and reasonable that the claims of Washtenaw county should be recognized by this convention.

"It gives me pleasure, gentlemen of the convention, to present to your consideration the name of the Hon. Andrew J. Sawyer, of Ann Arbor. He is a lawyer by profession, a gentleman of unblemished private life, a lawyer of eminence and standing, an advocate of unquestioned power, a political speaker of a certain persuasive eloquence that enchains the attention of his hearers. He is a republican from 'turret to foundation stone.' He has always been found in the ranks of the republican party, manfully and gallantly maintaining its cause, and whomsoever Mr. Chairman, this convention may see fit to nominate, they will find the Hon. A. J. Sawyer armed and equipped with his lance in rest, charging the ranks of the enemies." [Applause loud and long continued.] [Post and Tribune.

ENGLISH SPARROWS. Several years ago some of the eastern cities—more particularly New York and Brooklyn—were much troubled with the canker worm on the shade trees, and in such great numbers were they produced that they hung suspended from the trees to the great terror of the ladies passing, and fell upon the sidewalks, rendering them filthy and almost impassable.

They were a great nuisance, and knowing ones set themselves at work to find a remedy. It was suggested that in England the sparrows fed upon these worms, and as nature, when left to herself, produced parasites and enemies to keep down the over production of any species, so nature in this instance might be assisted by colonizing the sparrows, who the natural enemy of the canker worm. Our native bird, although invited to the feast, had refused to partake.

The sparrows were imported; those who were instrumental in bringing them did not think, or perhaps care to think, whether the sparrows might not in turn become as great and a more widely spread nuisance than the worms, and that some natural enemy might not be necessary to prevent the over production of the sparrows. The question then was sparrows or worms. It is said a young lady in Cleveland enquired of a young gentleman which he would rather have the sparrows or the worms. He replied that he never had the sparrows and could not tell.

Experiments showed that the sparrows would not destroy the canker worm in a country where there was so much food for them, and no benefit was derived from their importation.

But the sparrows remain, and until over production of the species arises they

will confine themselves to cities and villages, but if the time arrives when the numbers are too great for sustenance in the cities, then they will spread into the country, to the destruction of its fruits and grains. Having no natural enemy here as they have in England, there will be no limit to their increase except the limit of food.

Dr. Elliot Cones, a noted naturalist, seeing the evil ahead, advises that means should be used to keep the number within limits, and that even the boys should be encouraged to destroy them. On the contrary the excessive human burrowing, represented in Mr. Burg, protests against the destruction of these little creatures of God, not reflecting that nature herself provides carnivorous birds and animals to keep down over production. Nature's balance of production and destruction keeps our own birds, whether songsters or others, within reasonable limits, and it is observed by naturalists in England that the enemies of the sparrows keep their numbers reduced so that they are not more plenty one year than another.

In Michigan it is made a misdemeanor by statute to destroy them at any season of the year. This provision ought to be repealed. The reasons why they should be protected are few; why they should be destroyed there are many. It is asserted upon some proof that they drive away the song birds, that they destroy fruits and grains. In cities they are a nuisance; they build their nests under the cornices, are filthy in the yards, and render the cistern water impure. With present experience we think the Cleveland young man would have greatly preferred the worms.

What is to be done? The English sparrow hawk might be imported and our own small hawks encouraged, but would they confine themselves to sparrows and let our little harmless birds alone? It might be difficult to raise poultry in the country. The first step to be taken is to repeal the statute giving sparrows protection, and some way will be devised for the mitigation of the evil.

Business Matters.

Koch & Haller have secured the services of the best upholsterers who have been employed in the establishment of C. R. Mahley, of Detroit. They can fill any order from the cheapest Raw Silk Suit to the finest Plush Suit, on short notice, always guaranteeing first class work.

Egypt is a country of magnificent ruins, ancient and modern. Student Tables, student Chairs, good Bed Room Sets cheap at Koch & Haller's, 52 North Main street and 4 West Liberty street.

The reduction of the public debt for July was \$14,000,000.

For the largest assortment in Camp Chairs, and Camp Hookers, go to Koch & Haller's 52 South Main street, Ann Arbor. Sugar paid last year \$50,000,000 revenue to the government. Anything in the line of Music Books, Instruments, and Trimmings can be bought at the oldest and most reliable Music Store in the city. Please call and see who bargains will be offered at No. 11 Opera House Block, Main street. Yours truly, J. R. SAGE.

FOR SALE—Fifty thousand brick at \$3 per thousand, or 80 cents per hundred. Inquire of Henry Leisner of Saline.

A governmental revenue of \$440,000,000 is expected this year.

M. M. Green's stallion, Mambrino Jewell, will make the season at the stable lately owned by P. Irwin.

A yellow fever invasion is feared across the border of Texas.

Imus pays cash for live chickens.

IMPORTANT TO TRAVELERS.—Special Inducements are offered you by the BURLINGTON ROUTE. It will pay you to read their advertising matter found elsewhere in this issue.

New York city consumes 200,000 watermelons a week.

Persons desiring to visit Whitmore Lake or Hamburg, or those having packages for either of the above places, should leave orders at C. E. Holmes' drug store.

Kn Ingersoll's Long Branch cottage is known by the residents of the place as the "Happy Family" cage.

WANTED—A young girl to do house work and take care of children. Enquire at this office.

The outstanding United States currency is \$362,463,804.

"By asking too much we may lose the little we had before." Kidney-Wort is nothing but a fair trial. This gives it, fears no loss of faith in its virtues. A lady writes from Oregon: "For thirty years I have been afflicted with kidney complaint. Two packages of Kidney-Wort have done me more good than all the medicine and doctors I have had before. I believe it is a sure cure."

Algerine war declared by the United States, 1815, March 3d.

READ THIS MINISTERIALS—Homer, Ill., June 1, 1874.—Mr. A. Kiefer.—My Dear Sir: I have been afflicted for the last four years with derangement of the Liver, causing Dyspepsia, Headache, Nausea, and general derangement of the whole system. I have tried a great many preparations, but found no relief until I tried one bottle of your Taraxine, which has permanently cured me. I also found it to be good for the Ague. I commend it to every sufferer with derangement of the liver. Very truly yours, REV. THOMAS WITLOCK. For sale by Eberbach & Son.

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A California paper has found an apology for Mormonism, in the fact that it does not throw the burden of supporting a husband on one woman.

WOMAN'S TRUE FRIEND.—A friend in need is a friend indeed. This one can deny, especially when assistance is rendered when one is sorely afflicted with disease, more particularly those complaints and ailments common to our female population. Every woman should know that Electric Bitters are woman's true friend, and will positively restore her to health, even when all other remedies fail. A single trial always proves our assertion. They are pleasant to the taste and only cost fifty cents a bottle. Sold by H. S. Brown & Co.

The English tradesmen, taken as a class, are much more extensive advertisers than their American cousins, and understand the American better.

JOY, JOY TO THE WORLD.—If you meet a man who looks as if he had lost all his teeth, had a hollow, hollow, hollow, and business destroyed, just make up your mind that he either has dyspepsia or his liver is out of order. The best thing you can do for such a woe-begone individual is to advise him to go to Eberbach & Son's drug store and get a bottle of Dr. Jones' Red Clover Tonic, which will cure him without fail. Also an infallible remedy for pimples and blotches on the face. Only fifty cents a bottle.

Germany declines to land troops in Egypt.

It seems impossible that a remedy made of such common, simple plants as Hops, Buchu, Mandrake, Dandelion, etc., should make so many and such great cures as Hop Bitters do; but when old and young, rich and poor, pastor and doctor, lawyer and editor, all testify to having been cured by them, you must believe and try them yourself, and doubt no longer.

"BUCURIPATRA."—New, quick, complete cure 4 days. Urinary affections, smarting, frequent or difficult urination, kidney diseases. \$1 at druggists. Mich. depot, James E. Davis & Co., Detroit, Mich.

New York is the costliest port in the world. It costs a 1,000-ton ship \$800 to enter and leave the harbor.

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Abstracts of Titles on Real Estate. I HAVE a complete compilation of the Official Records of Washtenaw County to which all Tax Titles, Executions, any incumbrances and all other matters of record are referred. This is shown by my books. Office, in the office of the secretary of the Washtenaw Mutual Insurance Co., No. 100 North Main street, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Commissioner's Notice. STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Washtenaw. As the undersigned having been appointed by the probate court of said county, executor of the estate of Hiram Arnold, late of said county, deceased, hereby give notice that he will receive and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against said estate, on or before the 15th day of September next, at ten o'clock a. m., of each of said days, to-wit: on the 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st of said month of September next, at the probate office of said county, in the city of Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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Estate of Hiram Arnold. In the matter of the estate of Hiram Arnold, deceased, executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, come into court and represent that they are now prepared to render their first account as such executor of said estate.

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RAILROADS. MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD. TIME TABLE, MAY 14th 1882.

Table with columns: STATIONS, Mail, Express, Freight, etc. Rows include Detroit, Ann Arbor, Jackson, etc.

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Table with columns: LEAVE, STATIONS, MAIL, EXP. Rows include Ypsilanti, Lansing, etc.

Way Freight goes west Monday, Wednesday and Friday; east Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. W. H. CANNIFF, Superintendent.

F. & A. M.  
ANN ARBOR COMMANDERY NO. 19, K. T.  
Regular convocation at Masonic Hall on  
Monday evening of each month at 8 o'clock.  
W. D. HARRISMAN, E. C.  
W. A. TOLBERT, Recorder.

WASHINGTON CHAPTER, 6, R. A. M.  
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GOLDEN RULE LODGE NO. 292, F. & A. M.  
Regular meetings at Masonic Hall, Thurs-  
day evenings on or before the full of the moon.  
DEWITT C. FALK, W. M.  
N. D. GATES, Sec'y.

FRATERNITY LODGE, No. 392, F. & A. M.  
Regular meetings on Wednesday, before the  
full moon in each month. Special meetings  
for work until further notice on each Wednesday  
evening at 7:12 o'clock at Masonic Hall on South  
Main street, Ann Arbor.

W. D. HARRISMAN, W. M.  
W. F. STUBBS, Sec'y.

### Ann Arbor Democrat.

THURSDAY MORNING, AUGUST 31, 1892

Friends of the Democrat, who have business  
at the Probate Court, will please request Judge  
Harrisman to send their printing to this office.

### JOTTINGS.

Additional call on second page.  
Willets got left.  
Newton MacMillen is out again.  
J. E. Beal is in Cincinnati, Ohio.  
Farmers have commenced picking hops.  
Council meeting next Monday evening.  
Sheriff Wallace will not rebuild at present.  
Steve Moore is going to try his luck in Dakota.  
J. Fred Schlander is engaged in bot-  
tling beer.  
A. J. Straw, of Jeffersonville, Ind., is  
in the city.  
E. B. Abel has gone to New York to  
purchase goods.  
Ex-supervisor Olcott, of Augusta, was  
in the city Friday.  
Annual school meeting next Monday  
at the court house.  
E. D. Kinne was in Flint Friday on  
professional business.  
The court yard would have made a  
fine pasture last week.  
Miss Anna Froot is visiting relatives  
and friends in Wayne.  
The public schools opened up Monday  
with a large attendance.  
It is many years since mosquitoes were  
so thick on Main street.  
Harvey Kelley and wife have been visit-  
ing friends in the city.  
Prosecuting attorney Whitman is tak-  
ing it easy at the sea shore.  
Herbert Swanson and Miss Clara Con-  
over were married last week.  
The German Lutheran church in Man-  
chester is nearing completion.  
C. H. Richmond is a member of the  
democratic state central committee.  
G. W. Halford attended the congres-  
sional convention in Adrian Friday.  
Luther Benson is running for congress  
in Indiana on the democratic ticket.  
George Barrett, of Chicago, Ill., is visit-  
ing relatives and friends in this city.  
Jerry Foster is putting down tar walks  
around the fourth ward school building.  
Miss Rilla Mead, of Ann Arbor town,  
is visiting her uncle, R. R. Day, of Chi-  
cago.  
The Ann Arbor base ball club will play  
the Ypsilanti boys to-morrow at Ypsi-  
lanti.  
A pair of gold rimmed spectacles  
awaits an owner at Wm. McIntyre's  
store.  
Some 75 persons took in the excursion  
over the Toledo road, from this place  
Friday.  
W. K. Boies has been nominated by  
the republicans for congressman in this  
district.  
A. J. Buehoz, wife and son Henry re-  
turned Tuesday night from a trip around  
the lakes.  
The farmers' picnic at Whitmore Lake  
Saturday was well patronized by the  
grangers.  
Geo. Henderson will be examined to-  
morrow for indecently assaulting two  
little girls.  
Paul Trenton and Willard Stewart are  
serving a jail sentence of 30 days for  
wife beating.  
Charles Teats, of Indianapolis, formerly  
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public interest it is his duty to avow  
them. It is his duty to allow a hearing  
on all sides, but, after all, the public are  
the judges, and the editor is but the  
moderator or chairman before whom the  
discussion takes place." The article then  
lays out the work of the new editors

REVISITED.  
In the silent hour of the midnight  
When the drowsy world was still;  
While the golden beams of sunlight  
Shine upon the dew-drenched hill.  
I stood where the moonbeams quiver,  
As the musical waters flow,  
On banks of ferns and flowering ivy  
Where we parted years ago.  
I remember the tall trees' shadows  
Made darker the river's shade,  
As it wound through the hazel meadows  
And the willows' drooping head,  
And I thought of those days of gladness  
When we wandered long ago,  
With never a thought of leaving  
Where the musical waters flow.  
Days that were free from trouble  
And clear as a bright June day,  
Yet transient as any bubble  
That kisses the shore to die,  
Thus love with the years forever  
Far out of our lives will lie,  
While the waves of this same old river  
Drift on and out to sea.

### LILY'S CHOICE.

A solitary figure, with few lines of comeliness or grace, John Holloway sat upon the meadow gate, looking off into the distance. His face was whistling sofly, and yet he seemed to be in a deep reverie, for his great tender eyes had a far-away expression in their brown depths as he gazed out over the sunlit meadows where the blood red clover and the golden buttercups swayed under the soft, caressing breeze. Suddenly an imperious voice broke the silence.

"Mr. Holloway, please let me take down the bars. I'm in a hurry and can't do the shortest way."  
The young man started; he had not heard her approach, and there beside him stood the very object of his thoughts.

Ah, clover blooms and buttercups, paled over your charms now! A little, graceful figure in the daintiest and simplest dresses, and yet her face was so fresh and girlish, with velvety, peach tinted cheeks and eyes as blue as freshly gathered violets. Such was Lily Lawrence, the prettiest girl—so the popular verdict ran—in all the country round. A flush rose to John's sun-browned face as he quickly rose and began to take down the bars.

"Out for a walk, Miss Lily?"  
"Yes, very briefly."  
"So you are fond of quiet strolls? I am, too."

Lily drew herself up and looked at the presumptuous speaker.  
"Really, Mr. Holloway, I don't see what it is to you—"

Then she stopped. She did not mean to be rude, but truly she thought to herself, it was high time she should show this young man that his openly expressed admiration was exceedingly distasteful to her. It had been going on for some time, and everyone, even Lily herself, had come to see that the sun rose and set for John Holloway where she was.

"He must be intensely stupid not to know how utterly indifferent I am to him," she thought.  
John was not stupid. He understood the unfinished sentence, and as he drew back without another word, to let her pass Lily saw that he did and a shame-faced, compunctious look stole into her eyes. For from the richest to the poorest, everyone acknowledged John Holloway's noble sterling character.

Lily walked slowly along the road, but she determined to turn back an apology for her rudeness, until a man brought her face to face with some one whose handsome eyes met her own with such a glad welcome that all other thoughts were for the time driven completely away.

It was Richard Blake, the most admired and courted young man in the village.  
"Ah, good afternoon, Miss Lawrence! I was hoping I would meet you."  
And the way black looks were bared to the breeze as Richard courteously lifted his hat and walked on beside her.

"What a contrast to John Holloway. And the contrast was great in many other ways than Lily thought. But the girl was but young to read character and that Richard Blake was very handsome and elegant none could deny—a lover of whom anyone might be justly proud."

When Lily's house was reached, and with another graceful bow Richard had left her, she did not go directly into the house, but lingered awhile among the flowers that filled their little garden. Her thoughts were very busy. She knew that she had behaved very unkindly to her old friend, and her mind went back to the first time she had met him. It was at a picnic, and she had fallen and sprained her ankle. She remembered how the great fellow, so much stronger than his mates, had persisted in carrying her all the long distance back to her home. Since that he had shown in more than a hundred ways what she was to him, and knowing his noble nature perhaps her heart would have gone out to him before this if Richard Blake had not come back from college.

But he had, and Lily fancied his gay, debonaire manners, and his entertaining conversation, and like many another young girl had begun to take for true, heart-deep love that liking which all have for things pleasant to the sight.

And so she shook off her reproachful feelings and went into the house.  
"Why, mother dear, what is the matter? Crying, and I out enjoying myself! Tell me what it is, dear. Let me share your trouble."

Mrs. Lawrence lifted a face smiling through her tears.  
"Yes, crying, Lily darling, but not from grief. Sit down here beside me, and let me show you what a load has been lifted from my mind this morning. Lily, I did not tell you, but some time ago Mr. Burton, the lawyer, came to me and informed me that the holder of the mortgage was in need of money, and intended to foreclose, unless the mortgage was paid in full when he should demand it. Now, child, you know the trouble that has been weighing upon me, for I knew that it would be almost impossible for me to raise the sum necessary, and that we must leave the dear old home that we had loved so well. And now this very morning, Mr. Burton came and told me that a kind friend hearing of the intended foreclosure, has paid the amount in full."

"Who is it that helped you mother?"  
"That is the strangest part of it, Lily. Mr. Burton said he had strictly promised not to tell the name of my benefactor. As to who it can be, I have no idea."

But though she did not say so, Lily had; and when later, in her usual impulsive way she told John Holloway how sorry she was that she had been so rude to him, and then asked him frankly whether he was not the kind friend who had come so opportunely to her mother's relief, his manner confirmed her suspicions.

It is said that "gratitude is neighbor to love," and whether that be true or not, it is certain that from that time the many young farmer was often in Lily's thoughts, while Richard Blake

was just as steadily losing ground. But John of course did not know it. He was not one to wear his heart upon his sleeve, and at length, after a hard struggle, had decided to abandon his hopeless suit and leave the field to that rival, who evidently was the favored one. Lily noticed the difference, but womanlike she did not appear to care, and so the months went by as of old, the same, until, through the crisis came.  
The village in which our heroine lived was just on the shores of a little bay, and many were the pleasure parties that enjoyed a trip over its limpid waters.  
One afternoon Richard Blake obtained Mrs. Lawrence's consent, invited Lily to take a sail.

When they reached the beach who should be waiting in readiness to manage the sail boat but John Holloway!  
"Hello, Holloway, you are turning in to boatman?" exclaimed Blake in astonishment.  
Lifting his cap to Lily, John answered:  
"Not exactly; but Joe came to me in great distress; but he had promised not to disappoint you, and knowing I could manage a boat he asked me to take his place. Joe has done me many a good turn and so I could not refuse him," he added, wrongfully interpreting the little flush that had risen in Lily's face as she listened; and he said, too, that it was your sister who was to be your companion. Else I should not have come, and I should not for the world be a mar sport."

"The bitterness in his tone touched a like chord in Lily's heart. For some little time back she had been slowly but surely learning a lesson—the difference between real worth and mere glitter; and now her heart sank, as she saw, or thought she saw, how completely her conduct had driven another man, who looked towards her from John's mind, and that she had thrown away her own happiness.  
"Well, Holloway, I'm sure I'm much obliged. It's very kind of you," was Blake's reply.  
And the two young men soon had the little craft in readiness for their freight.

John had seen John's liking for Lily, but his vanity had not been alarmed, for he knew by experience the power of his dark eyes, and Lily Lawrence was like any other young lady, if she were ten times prettier. So he reasoned.  
They floated lightly over the blue water, anchoring after while under a bluff, and dropping their lines to fish. Lily chatted gaily in her own fascinating way, and never had she seemed more loquacious than when she was with the little Richard Blake's eyes, while poor John who had thought of late that he had driven her image from his mind, felt the old charm creeping over him again stronger than ever before; and he hid his pain manfully, and kept his part in the lively conversation.

"Time crept on, and just as they decided to return, to their dismay the heavens suddenly clouded over, and a peal of thunder brought them to their feet in alarm. Squalls were not common upon the bay, but one was evidently upon them, and John saw the great danger. A moment and they were dashing at a mad rate over the waves, while overhead the awful darkness gathered more ominously all the while, and they saw and then vivid flashes of lightning seemed to envelop them on all sides.

Suddenly there was a blinding glare, then a terrific flash, and half the mast dropped into the seething water. For an instant John was almost stunned; then his first thought was Lily. Where was she? A second more and he caught the gleam of yellow curls in the heavy waves among the dark, swirling tops of the trees about her head, and he sprang and dragged her over the bow.  
He sprang to Blake's side.  
"If she is to be yours, it is your own fault to save her! Quick, or it will be too late! Your chance will be gone!"  
But Blake still cowered tremblingly where he was, unheeding the peril of the one he professed to love.

An instant more and John was struggling among the waves; for a few seconds a awful suspense while the waves were tugging savagely at him; then, weak, almost fainting, he crept back into the boat with Lily's insensible form clasped close to his brave heart. He had saved her!

Then, still in imminent danger, they remained clinging to the dismantled boat, weak, and unable to swim, and the equal lifted, and a welcome hand from the shore against which help was near at hand.  
Lily came to herself at last, to find that John was holding her fast, with her face close to his own.  
In an instant the memory of what had passed came back to her. She did not draw away, but raised her lustrous eyes to his, and with his own thoughts; then the cold cheek pressed itself closer against his own, while her arms wound themselves softly around his neck.

"John—dear John!" was all she said.  
And John knew that with the greatest peril the great blessing of his life had come to him; while Richard Blake, looking on in pale, sorrowing face commended himself to the mercy of colored persons that he had not been prophetic when he had said, "Your chance will be gone."

Interesting Census Figures.  
The census bulletin 1880 shows the total population of the United States at 50,152,898, of which 43,404,576 are white, and 6,748,322 are colored. The colored population of persons that 100,000 whites is 15,153, against 14,528 in 1870. The greatest proportion of colored to white is in South Carolina, where three-fifths of the whole population are colored. In Texas and West Virginia the colored population is about half to three-fifths colored; in Alabama, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, North Carolina and Virginia the colored form one-third to half the total; in Arkansas and Tennessee, a fourth to a third. The least proportion among the former slave states is in West Virginia, where there are but 4,355 to 100,000 whites, and in Missouri, where there are but 7,168. Outside of the former slave States, the colored negroes is very small. Between 1870 and 1880, in the United States as a whole, there has been a gain of 625 colored on an assumed basis of 100,000 whites. 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