

THE NEWS.

WASHINGTON.

A special to the Detroit Free Press from Washington, says: The first bill of the currency act...

One firm in Kalamazoo made \$12,000 on the sale of the past season's...

Henry N. Walker, Detroit, commissioner of immigration, has sent his resignation to Governor Briggs...

Work will commence on the new postoffice building at Owosso as soon as the weather will permit.

The Englewood spring works at Kalamazoo, the largest establishment of the kind in the north...

George Sullivan, a laborer in a logging camp near L'Anse, was fatally killed the other day by a log rolling over him.

There is a rumor that the way clubbed together and will retain Messrs. Gibson, Parkison and Ashley to defend Julia Reese...

The cold snap which swept from the Northwest to Wisconsin and Michigan...

Patrols made by the Michigan State Police on the night of the 10th...

William Caspary, of the Michigan State Police, was examined on the night of the 10th...

St. Mary's Falls Ship Canal. The annual report of the work done in 1883 at the St. Mary's Falls Ship Canal...

The storm of the early part of the month was general throughout the state...

During the year 1883 the Detroit, Lansing and Grand Haven railway company...

William Mathers, whose home was a mile north of Cassville, Kent county, left his home on the 10th...

Theresa Lewis, the woman who figured so prominently in the Sophie Lewis case...

A Kalamazoo judge has just sentenced a salaried clerk to prison for a term of six months for swearing he did not keep his salaried open on Sunday.

The directors of the St. Louis, Sturgis and Battle Creek railroad elected the following board of directors...

The United States supreme court has decided the case of John D. Hanbury...

Another scene in the Jackson tragedy. Mrs. Dan. Holcomb, wife of Susan Crouch...

STATE NEWS. The seventh day adventist conference has just opened at Battle Creek...

STATE NEWS. Peter Moore's store in Gladwin, in which the village store was located...

STATE NEWS. Reform school, ranging from four to six feet in height, and from fifty to one hundred pounds in weight...

STATE NEWS. There has been no revision of the Michigan code since 1854...

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COLD WEATHER.

Even Our Southern Friends Get a Taste of Northern Temperature.

An associated press dispatch from Chicago on the 5th says: The thermometer at 5 o'clock this morning dropped to 27 below zero...

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MONTREAL'S MERRY.

An associated press dispatch from Montreal on the 31st says: The water rose 16 inches during the night...

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EGYPT'S THREAT.

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MORE ON TRAMPS.

SOME PERTINENT INQUIRIES AND ANSWERS.

Fifth Report on Tramps and Disorders.

(Official.)

Since my last report I gave one Pat Sheehan a line to the sheriff, ordering him (the sheriff) to allow the man to stay over night; conditions that he leave by 9 a. m. the next morning, and be compelled with the terms. Extreme cold his excuse.

Friday night officer Innu put in two men who were fighting, he said, and brought them to my office the next morning. I advised them to leave at once, as sham fights to get in jail, among tramps, were something which the statute did not contemplate, and if there was any law applicable to the case I thought the officers should be fined for stopping the pretended fight. In this case I advise the non-payment of any fees.

Saturday Fred Mathews came in my office and wanted to be sent to Ionia. I advised him that I was powerless to do, but did direct him where he would find plenty of work at fair wages.

Friday night about nine o'clock, two large, ugly looking fellows, came to my house and wanted to "see the Judge"; and on being told that I was not at home, whined and complained of the cold and "did not know what they would do for a place to stay over night," but after I got home I heard nothing of them until the next day, when, on making a proper diagnosis of their case, I came to the conclusion that a little of the "spirits of ferment" will have afforded them proper relief, and although the county might have been minus a clerk, and the city one supervisor, yet the board of supervisors will remember that I believe that a surplus of officers is much more to deal with than the tramps. I learn that these two men have since found employment, and have made up their mind hereafter to live an honest, industrious and useful life.

On Monday I received a letter from the supervisors of Barry county wanting me to give them our plan of managing tramps. I replied that we had no plan; that all plans for three years had failed, and now we had commenced business, and was not spending any more time on plans.

And now after one month's experience I have no doubt that the board of supervisors and common council, could they be together, would like to ask me a great many questions and hear my answers, that they might arrive at wise conclusions on this subject, I will anticipate them in this respect: Q.—Do you think this system will break up the tramp business? A.—I do, to a very great extent, at least so far as it has become a public nuisance.

Q.—What do you think is the cause of so many tramps? A.—The indelicacy of boards of supervisors in regard to bills made unnecessary for this purpose—the general popular current opinion in regard to idolizing loafers and dead beasts, under the pretense of reform and charity. The custom of multiplying officers to an unparagonable extent, and the desire of these officers to make a living out of their office. The extreme looseness in morals which prevails at the present day in regard to the criminality of using the public funds without honestly earning them. The tendency of officers to get more salary than they actually agreed to work for when they were appointed or elected. The mistaken means of noble christian women in feeding and clothing those who ought, could and would feed and clothe themselves. The false and illegal notions of superintendents of the poor about their duties and jurisdiction, and the strange and entirely modern notion among some that a jail is a kind of third-class boarding house, kept by the county, instead of a place of confinement and imprisonment.

Q.—Do you not think this plan will have a tendency to make criminals? A.—No, decidedly. For when the prevailing and popular idea shall be that a healthy man or woman shall earn what they eat, there will grow up gradually a private way of thinking that it is a shame to eat what you don't earn.

Q.—Do you think a board of supervisors would be justifiable in rejecting all such bills? A.—Almost entirely. Q.—If not all, how will they discriminate? A.—This system will furnish the board a very close way of getting at the facts.

Q.—Will not your fees be expensive to the county? A.—My fees, I suppose, will be just what the board think they ought to pay, and I don't wish them to think they ought to pay me one dollar more than I have faithfully earned.

Q.—Do not the officers and justices complain? A.—Some, but are fast becoming accustomed to the situation. Q.—Do you enjoy the business, and do you have any trouble to get along with it? A.—I have no great trouble, but I do not like it, yet still feel determined to make it a success.

Q.—Do all good citizens stand by you? A.—Universally so far as I know.

D. CHAMBER. Hangsterfer has a large force at work harvesting ice.

Dr. J. H. Conway was in the city Tuesday. Sunday he commenced the first of a series of temperance meetings in Flint, to last for two weeks.

Another very interesting article on the tramp question from the pen of D. Chamber, Esq., is published this week. It should be read by every taxpayer in the county.

The Beethoven Gesangverein elected the following officers Monday evening: President, Geo. Haller; Vice President, John Wolke; Secretary, Geo. Osine; Treasurer, Fred H. Belsor; collector, B. A. Bayer; committee, F. H. Hutzler; Musical committee, C. Haller, John Wulzeke.

Warranty Deeds.

Wm. J. Clark to Chas. W. Fulton, lot in Ypsilanti, \$800. Edwin Kent to J. Underhill and Mary Kemmel, property in Manchester, \$800. Eugene Donovan to Sarah Kingsly, 76 acres, sec. 12, Northfield. Robert H. Hardy to Eli Moore, property in Ypsilanti, \$1,100. M. Thorn to Chas. Carvin, lot in Salem, \$600. Robert Campbell to Delphine Budd, 60 acres, sec. 22, Pittsfield, \$4,000. N. E. Sutton to B. Bauer, 45 acres, sec. 27, Northfield, \$2,754. Anna Mary Stebb to Christian Lamparter, 15 acres, sec. 36, Freedom, \$1,300. Frank Cooper to Hannah M. Taylor, 65 acres, sec. 19, 20, Lima, \$4,500.

Fires During 1883.

Moses Seabolt, chief of the fire department, has furnished THE DEMOCRAT with a list of the fires in the city during 1883. The department was called out 13 times and extinguished fires that resulted in losses worthy of notice. The total loss is placed at \$9,450, which is offset by a total insurance of \$7,550. In all but four cases the loss was fully covered by insurance. The following is the record: Jan. 27.—House at corner of Hill and Main streets, insured by Mrs. E. W. Morgan, \$2,000; fully insured. Feb. 7.—Basement of court-house, \$50; insured. March 24.—Barn on Thompson street owned by John Taylor, \$500; insured. June 11.—James H. Falciphers block, Lower town, \$100. June 20.—House in sixth ward, owned by Abner Lane, \$800, insured. July 27.—House on Spring street owned by Chas. Schultz, \$2,200; insurance, \$1,200. Aug. 18.—House at No. 9, East University Avenue, \$2,500; insurance, \$2,000. Aug. 19.—Barn on North State street, owned by J. H. Tomlinson and Mrs. J. W. Boudinot, \$800; insurance, \$500. Sept. 22.—House on 13th street, occupied by A. J. Lucas, \$500; insured.

Lecture at University Hall.

Mr. Matthew Arnold is to lecture at University hall, Friday evening, January 18, on the subject of "Literature and Science." The following biographical sketch, taken from "Men of the Time," may be of interest in this connection: "Mr. Matthew Arnold is the son of the celebrated Rev. Dr. Arnold, head master of Rugby school. Born December 24, 1822, at Laleham. He was educated at Winchester, at Rugby, and at Balliol college, Oxford. He was elected scholar in 1840, won the Newdigate prize poem (on "Cromwell") in 1843, graduated with honors in 1844, and obtained a fellowship in Oriel college in 1845. In 1857 he was appointed to be professor of Poetry at Oxford—a position which he held for ten years with distinguished ability. He has now one of her Majesty's inspectors of schools. His principal works are 'Essays in Criticism,' 'Literature and Dogma,' 'God and the Bible,' 'Culture and Anarchy,' 'Poems,' 'Last Essays on Church and Religion,' 'Lesser Schools and Universities in Germany,' 'Mixed Essays,' etc.

"The university of Edinburgh conferred the degree of LL. D. on him in 1869; the university of Oxford conferred the same degree on him in the following year, and the king of Italy nominated him 'Commander of the Crown of Italy' a few years ago."

Washtenaw Fire Insurance Company.

The annual meeting of the Washtenaw County Mutual Fire Insurance Company was held at the court-house Wednesday afternoon, over 100 members being present. President H. D. Platt, of Pittsfield, presided. The annual statement of the company's business for the year ending December 31, 1883, prepared by Secretary Fairchild, shows a membership of 2,009, and property at risk to the amount of \$4,022,770, a decrease of \$82,810 from that of last year. The resources of the company are \$4,022,996 06; the liabilities, \$1,125, of which \$1,100 is for money borrowed. The total surplus is \$2,907,996 06. The total amount of dividends paid during the year, \$18,513.27; the amount paid on assessments, \$10,698.76. The losses actually paid during the year amount to \$6,297.42. Salaries and fees paid amounted to \$1,153.45, the amount for the year ending the year, amounting to \$10,860.26, and the rate was \$2.75 per \$1,000.

ANNUAL STATEMENT. The following were re-elected members of the board of directors: H. D. Platt, Pittsfield; J. W. Wing, Scio; E. M. Cole, Superior; H. Burch, Manchester; Stephen Fairchild, Ann Arbor. The old auditing committee consisted of George McDougall, G. A. Peters and Robert Campbell, who were also re-elected.

The appended summary of the business done at the Ann Arbor post office in 1883 forms an interesting exhibit. The volume of business was about the same as in 1882. The aggregate of the amount of money orders issued exceeds that of 1883 by \$1,550.90, while there is a decrease in the total amount paid on money orders. There is a decrease of \$258.90 in the receipts from the sale of stamps, postal and envelopes during the last six months of 1883 as compared with the corresponding time in 1882. As was expected, there has been a decrease in the sale of postal cards, consequent to the reduction of postage. During the last quarter of 1882 the receipts from this source were \$519.40; last year for the same period they were \$478.87. It will be seen that the reduction of postage has caused but a slight decrease in the revenue from the sale of stamps.

POSTAL DEPARTMENT. Stamps and postal sold during 1883... \$15,925.22. Envelopes sold during 1883... \$7,749.21. Water labels... \$2.24. Box rent received... \$2,624.70. Total... \$21,884.47.

REGISTRY DEPARTMENT. Number of letters and parcels registered... 1,610. Total... 1,401. RECEIPTS OF OFFICE FROM JULY 1 TO DEC. 31, 1882. Stamps, postal and envelopes... \$9,474.50. Money orders... 10,536.95. Receipts of office from July 1 to Dec. 31, 1882... \$2,016.60. Total... \$22,028.05.

These are Solid Facts.

The best blood purifier and system regulator ever placed within the reach of suffering humanity, truly is Electric Bitters. Inactivity of the liver, biliousness, jaundice, constipation, wind, flatulency, or any disease of the urinary organs, or whoever requires an appetizer, tonic or mild stimulant, will always find Electric Bitters the best and only certain cure known. They act strictly and equally on every body guaranteed to give entire satisfaction or money refunded. Sold at fifty cents a bottle by Eberbach & Son.

When a baby cries all night, do not become impatient. Be thankful that it isn't twins. GRIFFS' GYNERINE SALVE.—The best on earth can truly be said of Griff's Gynerine Salve, which is a sure cure for cuts, bruises, scalds, burns, wounds, and all other sores. It will positively cure piles, tetter and all skin eruptions. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Only 25 cents. For sale by Eberbach & Son.

As two ladies were gazing at the large black bear brought into town yesterday, one remarked: "Oh, what a nice buffalo robe his skin would make!" THE ROBBER.—Of all classes of people the professional game robbers are the most despised. He robs us of our dear friends, and our money. How different is the new game robber, Dr. Bigelow's Positive Cure, which robs graves of thousands of consumptives. This unexcelled remedy for coughs, colds and consumption, whooping cough, croup and all throat and lung diseases, subdues and conquers these troubles speedily, safely and thoroughly. Trial bottles sent at Eberbach & Son.

"I'm going to board," was what the log remarked when he saw a saw mill. THE VOICE OF THE PEOPLE.—No family dyes were ever so popular as the Diamond Dyes. They never fail. The black is far superior to logwood. The Furniture and Upholstery Dyes, Richardson & Co., Burlington Vt.

LEGAL.

Annual statement for the year ending December 31, 1883, of the condition and affairs of the Washtenaw Mutual Fire Insurance Company, located at Ann Arbor, Michigan, organized under the laws of the state of Michigan, and doing business in the county of Washtenaw, in said state.

MEMBERSHIP. Number of members December 31, of previous year... 2050. Number of members added during the present year... 186. Total... 2236. Deduct number of members withdrawn during the year... 139. Balance on hand... 2197.

RESOURCES. Loans and discounts... \$54,859.34. Bonds and mortgages... 181,769.69. U. S. 4 per cent registered bonds... 11,400.00. Overdrafts... 31.92. Revenue stamps... 110.00. Cash on hand... 1,399.92. Due from National and State banks... 87,314.16. Silver, nickels and pennies... 2,032.54. Legal tenders, bank notes and coin... 41,223.00. Total... \$384,803.90.

LIABILITIES. Capital stock... \$50,000.00. Surplus fund... 32,000.00. Undivided profits... 13,289.94. Reserve for contingencies... 1,000.00. Due depositors... 498,145.92. Total... \$883,435.90. Total available resources... \$4,022,996.06. Liabilities... \$1,125.00.

INCOME. Premium or deposit notes taken during the year... 281.00. Cash premiums received during the year... 10,608.76. Cash on hand... 73.08. Cash from membership policy fees... 143.00. Cash from interest on investments... 101.25. Cash from interest on money borrowed... 50.00. Cash from interest on National and State banks... 181.63. Received amount due on canceled policies... 6,810.00. Received amount due on assessments... 10,698.76. Total cash income... 18,513.27. Add cash balance at close preceding year... 384.27. Total receipts and income... 18,897.54.

EXPENSES. Losses actually paid during the year (of which \$687.87 occurred in prior years)... 6,297.42. Salaries and fees paid to officers and directors (schedule A)... 1,153.45. Fees received on assessments... 101.25. Amount of interest on money borrowed... 50.00. Assessments charged off as uncollectible... 45.80. Cash on hand at balance... 34.66. Total... 8,690.48.

SCHEDULE A. NAME OF OFFICER OR DIRECTOR TO WHOM PAID. AMOUNT. H. D. Platt, director... 139.80. J. W. Wing, do... 101.25. E. M. Cole, do... 60.00. Superior, do... 60.00. Stephen Fairchild, Secretary... 569.10. John Cook, Assistant... 45.80. Peter Cook, do... 21.30. G. B. Mason, do... 7.00. T. B. Goodspeed, do... 7.00. C. H. Winsor, do... 2.80. Total... 1,153.45.

SCHEDULE B. ITEMS OF "ALL OTHER EXPENSES." AMOUNT. Rent of office... \$5.00. H. D. Platt, attending state insurance association at Lansing... 157.00. Printing... 15.00. Postage... 52.63. Auditing committee for 1882... 9.27. Gas... 8.00. Telephone... 11.50. Collectors' expenses... 1.00. Refunded... 4.28. Attorney fees in Clayton case... 175.00. Stationery... 1.92. Interest on borrowed money... 465.77. Miscellaneous... 10,160.00. Borrowed money... 10,160.00. Total... 11,022.40.

MISCELLANEOUS QUESTIONS. 1. How many assessments have been made during the year? Ans.—400,000. 2. What is the amount of all the assessments made during the year? Ans.—\$2,000,000. 3. What is the rate per cent of such assessments on the property insured? Ans.—.0275 per cent. 4. How many assessments have been made on the premium or deposit notes? Ans.—none. 5. What amount was re-assessed for assessments that were not assessed? Ans.—None. 6. What amount of losses are allowed to accumulate before an assessment is levied? Ans.—All. 7. Does the company, in making an assessment, take into account the surplus fund ever the actual losses accrued?—If so, how much? Ans.—In the last assessment we valued no surplus fund. 8. What is the aggregate valuation of real property insured by this company? Ans.—\$4,022,996 06. 9. What proportion of damage or actual loss sustained on real property does the company pay? Ans.—Two-thirds. 10. What is the aggregate valuation of personal property insured by the company? Ans.—None. 11. What proportion of damage or actual loss sustained on personal property does the company pay? Ans.—Two-thirds.

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