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FARMERS SAY NO.

U. OF M. MUST GET ALONG WITH ONE-SIXTH MILL APPROPRIATION.

Hard Times Will not Warrant Additional Outlay This Year—Prof. Thompson Argues for Additional Funds—His Talk Well Received but Gains no Converts.

Prof. B. M. Thompson read a paper before the state association of farmer's clubs at Lansing Tuesday, with reference to the support to be given the University. The association had a resolution under discussion in favor of limiting the appropriation to the one-sixth mill tax. Prof. Thompson took up the work of the University in great detail.

He said that the school system rests upon two propositions, that the elector be intelligent, and that he be qualified to earn his living. The object of the University, it was said, was to train men to enter the professions, and it was argued that the state should furnish such education free of cost because of the public service which is rendered by the men who enter the professions. The farmers were told that the average annual expense of a student at an eastern university is \$750, while at Ann Arbor is but \$300, and that 1,000 sons and daughters of Michigan farmers are to-day enjoying the privileges of these low rates of obtaining an education at the State University. Unless more space is provided for the law department, Prof. Thompson stated, law students would soon have to be turned away. There is also great necessity for a fire proof library room and additional lecture rooms, for which an outlay of \$40,000 is needed.

Prof. Thompson's paper created a strong impression, and considerable discussion. Even the leaders of the opposition to additional appropriation acknowledged the force of his arguments, and their opposition was distinctly stated to be based, not upon antagonism to the University, but upon the necessities of the times, and were not intended to create a precedent for always refusing to meet the additional needs of the institution.

In this connection we volunteer a suggestion. The farmers institutes of this year show that the farmers are discussing more than merely agricultural questions at those meetings. Questions of finance, and general national interest find important places on their programs. The offer of the services of some of the prominent members of the faculty at the various meetings, would do much to bring the farming communities into close touch with the University. Along the line of laboratory research, in the department of political economy, and perhaps in the line of entertainment from the oratorical department, a closer acquaintance with the people of the state might thus be cultivated, that would do the University much good.

New Directors.

The various state banks of the city, as required by law, elected directors last Tuesday to serve for the ensuing year. The results were as follows:—

ANN ARBOR SAVINGS.

Christian Mack, W. D. Harriman, Daniel Hiscock, W. B. Smith, Wm. Deubel, David Rinsey, L. Gruner.

FARMERS AND FANATICS.

Reuben Kempf, G. F. Allmendinger, Junius E. Beal, W. F. Breakey, D. F. Schairer, Chas. E. Greene, Ambrose Kearney, O. M. Martin, Wm. C. Stevens.

STATE SAVINGS.

Wm. J. Booth, Jas. H. Wade Wm. Arnold, N. J. Kyer, John Heinzmann, John V. Sheehan, D. A. MacLachlan, Christian Martin, V. C. Vaughan, Eugene E. Beal, D. Zimmermann, Geo. P. Glazier, E. F. Mills, John Haarer, John Koch.

The directors of the Ann Arbor Savings bank have elected the following officers: Pres., Christian Mack; Vice Pres., W. D. Harriman, Cashier, Chas. E. Hiscock, Ass't Cashier, M. J. Fritz.

Fraternity Lodge Elects.

Last Friday evening Fraternity Lodge No. 262, F. & A. M. elected the following corps of officers for next year:

W. M., F. G. Novy; S. W., H. G. Prettyman; J. W., Elmer E. Beal; Treas., C. E. Hiscock; Sec., Chas. W. Greenman; S. D., Walter T. Seabolt; J. D., Alvic A. Pearson; Tyler, Thos. Taylor.

A committee was appointed to meet with the committee appointed by Golden Rule Lodge the previous evening, and with representatives of the city, for the purpose of providing Christmas baskets for the poor of the city. \$50.00 was appropriated for that purpose.

A committee was appointed to secure an appropriate testimonial for retiring Master Davison who has served the lodge in that position for seven years

Y. W. C. A. INTERESTS.

A Friend in Need—Classes Doing Good Work.

At the Board meeting Monday night it was decided that the regular quarterly meeting of the Association (which failed to materialize in November) should not be held until the schedule time, in February. Ten new members were voted in. A joint meeting of the Board and the Entertainment Committee will arrange for the New Year's reception. This meeting is called for Friday evening, Dec. 11th at 7:30. If you are on either board or committee don't fail to be there. The general secretary reports no less than 98 calls received at the rooms during the month 35 of these were from girls wishing employment. She has made 46 calls in the interest of the Association and the invitation committee have made about 20 more. Several weeks ago word was sent to our Sunday meeting asking that some of our girls call on a young woman at the hospital. Two went there in less than an hour, and found a beautiful christian girl whose funds had not been sufficient for her emergency. Through the generosity of the association girls, and their energy in enlisting the sympathy of their friends and other organizations the trouble was lifted from the sick girl's mind, her board was paid, and she now has gone home with a warm spot in her heart for the Y. W. C. A. There is hardly a Sunday when some one does not say "This is the best meeting yet." Our class work is going on nicely, Wednesday evening being the only one when the rooms are not open. Some few have not yet paid their class fees, and it is necessary that they be paid promptly. When this month's expenses are paid the surplus in the treasury will be very small, and it is asked that the dues come in as fast as possible.

THE DEXTER M. E. CHURCH.

Its Historian Describes the Prof. Richard Hudson of Years Ago.

We clip from the Dexter Leader some items given about this church in a paper read at the reunion on Nov. 19, by R. C. Reeve, of Dexter. Religious services were established in the spring of 1830. The circuit embraced a large extent of territory, and was known as the Huron circuit. In September of that year it was changed to the Ann Arbor circuit. The church was formally organized the 15th of March, 1832, in Judge Dexter's residence which house is still standing. A building was erected in the summer of '42 and dedicated in '43. It was built by Calvin Fillmore, who was a brother of Millard Fillmore, afterwards president of the United States. The church has had forty-nine pastors in all. Among them was Prof. Richard Hudson, of the university, who served the church in 1872. Speaking of him, the historian says, "Richard Hudson the pale, red-cheeked young pastor of '72, with his frail physique, is now holding down the chair of professor of history in our great University, and tips the scales at not much less than two hundred and twenty-five pounds." The present organist first began to serve the church about forty years ago, and still carries a gold watch given her by the society over twenty-five years ago. The church has had quite a history, and has been a power for good in the community.

THE ORACLE.

The Sophomore Annual, Once More on Deck.

'99's Oracle has been issued from The Inland Press, and well sustains the reputation of this time honored annual. The book is a departure in shape from most of its predecessors, being 9 1/2 inches long, by 6 1/2 high. The cover is a neat design in black and red. The book is dedicated to the Athletic association as the guiding star of all true college spirit. The leading article is a sketch of Regent Barbour, written by Miss Gertrude Buck, and accompanied by an excellent half tone likeness of that popular official. Prof. Stanley contributes an illustrated article on the School of Music; and Prof. Geo. Rebec, an exceedingly interesting sketch of Prof. Mark Wenley. The prize story, "The Consolation of Philosophy" by J. S. Lathers, with two other stories submitted in the contest make up the fiction. Cuts, and lists of members of the various class organizations; a review of the Foot-Ball season by Capt. Senter; together with the prize drawing by Miss Bessie Dunster, representing Dean Mosher with stalwart co-ed backing, making a touchdown against the male medics, complete the book with the exception of the "grind" department, which is only perpetrated because it is expected.

Rev. W. W. Fenn.

The entertainment in Unity course last Monday evening was an enjoyable lecture by Rev. W. W. Fenn of Chicago, upon Tennyson's "Idyls of the King." The lecture was a scholarly one, and very interesting. The allegory of the poem was carefully traced, and pointed out in a graphic manner.

FREE TEXT BOOKS.

IN SUCCESSFUL OPERATION IN MICHIGAN FOR TEN YEARS.

Actually Cheaper Than the Old Plan—Children all Supplied with Books—Rich and Poor Fare Alike—Schools do Better Work—Children Kept in School Longer.

Referring again to the communication published in last week's DEMOCRAT with reference to the Free Text-Book system, THE DEMOCRAT is in receipt of a communication from the office of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction giving the experience of sixty-four school districts in the state, most of them country school districts, and they are almost unanimous in favor of the Free Text-Book system. The testimony of the school officers is that it is cheaper than the old plan, their estimates running from the mere statement of its being cheaper up to 50% cheaper; and the testimony of all but three of them is that "the system gives general satisfaction." One officer from Manistee county gave five good reasons based on their experience, why they prefer the system: "First, it is cheaper; second, all are supplied with books; third, books are uniform; fourth, it insures good attendance; and fifth, it enables the teacher to do better work." Some of the other strong arguments given, are: "that all scholars are provided with books at the beginning of school, that all have equally good books and can therefore do equally good work, and that the school officers can more easily compel the attendance of children of poor parents who are unable to procure books."

In a letter from the acting Superintendent of Schools at Saginaw, where this system has been in use for ten years past and has given the best of satisfaction, he says, in part, "the expense to the community is lessened, and more children permitted to continue their course in school than would be the case if text-books had to be bought by the parents. Despite some minor objections which may be raised, I believe it the correct way to make free schools."

In the city of Ann Arbor, where there are so many non resident students whose parents pay no taxes here, some provision would have to be made for them. This is arranged for in Detroit and other cities by having free books up to the High School only. But there are certainly a good many students whose would parents would be enabled to keep them in school longer if the books were furnished by the district, to the great advantage of both the pupils and the community.

In the country school districts of the county, unless Washtenaw county is different from any other county we have had any knowledge of, a good deal of trouble is found in supplying and maintaining a satisfactory supply of books, especially among the poorer families. In many cases, one book must do for two or three pupils, and teachers find it almost impossible to do the best work they are capable of because hampered in this way. Text-books are tools; and no workman can do as good work with poor tools as with good ones. The schools of the state that have tried this system the longest seem to be the most satisfied with its operation. One district that adopted the system in 1889 says, "It is so much one sided that it needs no argument in its favor." Another, "It gives children of poor parents an equal chance with those of more wealthy ones." The officer reporting from Saginaw to the State department says, "We have yet to hear the first complaint." The attention of school directors might well be given to this matter. A postal card to the Superintendent of Public Instruction will bring much interesting and profitable information on the subject. THE DEMOCRAT would be glad to see some of the districts of this county try the plan, and note the effect upon their schools.

THE CONTESTS.

Hot Contest for Places in the Debates and Oratorical Contest.

Prof. Trueblood is enthusiastic over the prospects for the year in the work in his department. Instead of fifteen or twenty men trying for the places as is usually the case, this year there are about sixty five. Prof. Trueblood says we never had a stronger force upon which to draw for representation. The literary societies are feeling the effect of the enthusiasm, the contestants flocking into them for preliminary training. Every student has two chances to represent the University. He may represent it once in the oratorical contest and once in a debate, but is ineligible a second time in either. This insures a maintenance of interest. Let the good work go on, as this is valuable advertisement for the University. Many of those now in the contests were drawn here by our former successes.

Captain Ferbert.

The foot ball squad last Monday evening, met and elected G. H. Ferbert as next year's captain. Ferbert is Michigan's star half back, familiarly known as "Dutch," a favorite with players and spectators alike. He is a product of the Ann Arbor High School, having played on that team with Henninger, and has been on the "Varsity" since entering college. He is a brainy player and a quiet and unassuming man on the field. The selection is extremely popular and speaks well for the team next year.

Clenadis—Arena.

This evening at eight o'clock in room G. at the High School, the Clenadis and Arena societies will hold a joint meeting. The following program will be presented:—

Musie	Misses Wise
Oration	Goff
"Chat"	Bowen
Extemp. Speech	Morse
Roll call	Hines

DEBATE.
Resolved: That a limited monarchy is the best form of government.

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THE MESSIAH.

This Masterpiece for the Fiftieth Concert in Choral Union Series.

Wednesday evening, the 16th of December, is the date of the second concert in the Choral Union series. This concert will be the fiftieth in the complete series. In looking back over the record of the past few years one is astonished at the developments which have taken place. The list of great works performed includes many of the most important in choral literature, and displays a wise catholicity of spirit. The choice of Handel's "Messiah" for this special concert has everything to commend it. A performance of the "Messiah" is, or should be, a part of the Christmas observances. The performance bids fair to be a most excellent one. The soloists are all of them worthy of the work, while the chorus is full of enthusiasm and ambition to make this occasion a memorable one. Mrs. Bishop has won her greatest successes in this work. Mrs. Cameron and Mr. Hamlin have sung it repeatedly and are to take part in some of the most important productions of the work in New York, Chicago, etc. Mr. Lamson gives the same broad forceful readings of the bass solos in the "Messiah," which make his "Elijah" unapproachable. The orchestra will contain picked musicians from Detroit and Chicago, headed by our own Mr. Zeitz, as concert master. The Frize memorial organ will also be used. The Franz version will be the additional accompaniment will be followed.

This concert while it encourages a retrospective glance at the record of the Choral Union, suggests the desirability of looking ahead at the future of the Musical Society. The Musical Society has assumed and is carrying at the present time a heavy burden of responsibility. With no capital other than the good will of the community and the reputation already won, it conducts the School of Music, the Choral Union Series, and is straining every nerve to procure an Auditorium, which shall have a large seating capacity, and facilities not alone for concerts, but for the production of Grand Opera by the great Metropolitan Opera Company, as well as by any other organization which is strictly first-class. In other words, the Musical Society hopes to make Ann Arbor the musical center, not alone of Michigan, but of this whole section.

It may be stated, in spite of financial depression, substantial progress has been made in this direction, and the prospects were never brighter for the securing of such an Auditorium than they are today. But in order that there may be a satisfactory outcome of this scheme, it is essential that there be no falling off in the apparent necessity for such a building. It will be remembered that last year no advertising was done outside and no reduced railroad rates secured.

On account of the election excitement and various other complications the number of tickets sold up to the present time does not warrant the Society in pursuing the policy of last year. Many are waiting for the Festival. In that case they will be obliged to pay as much as for the entire series, or run the chance of not being able to secure tickets. If it becomes necessary to advertise the Festival throughout the state, all tickets remaining unsold after the evening of Jan. 8th, the date of the 3d Concert, will be withdrawn from sale in Ann Arbor, and held for the persons from various parts of the state. It is impossible for the Musical Society to secure patronage from people throughout the state unless reserved seats can be guaranteed, which necessitates this statement. On the other hand, if it is seen that the sale will warrant the Society in so doing, no effort will be made to secure attendance from outside.

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THE ANNUAL MESSAGE.

Full Text of President Cleveland's Recommendations to Congress.

PRESENT RECOGNITION OF CUBA UNWISE.

Spain Asked to Grant Local Autonomy on the Island—Must Not Go to Extremes or Uncle Sam Might Interfere—Arbitration with Great Britain Announced—Financial Question Discussed at Length—Trusts Condemned—Economy Urged in Public Matters.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 7.—The following is the full text of President Cleveland's message to congress:

To the Congress of the United States: As representatives of the people in the legislative branch of their government, you have assembled at a time when the strength and excellence of our free institutions and the fitness of our citizens to enjoy popular rule have been again made manifest. A political contest involving momentous consequences, fraught with feverish apprehension and creating aggressiveness so intense as to approach bitterness and passion has been waged throughout our land and determined by the decree of free and independent suffrage, without disturbance of our tranquility or the least sign of weakness in our national structure. When we consider these incidents and contemplate the peaceful obedience and manly submission which have succeeded a heated clash of political opinions, we discover abundant evidence of a determination to abide by every verdict of the popular will and to be controlled at all times by an abiding faith in the agencies established for the direction of the affairs of their government. Thus our people exhibit a patriotic disposition which entitles them to demand of those who undertake to make and execute their laws such faithful and unselfish service in their behalf as can only be prompted by a serious appreciation of the trust and confidence which the acceptance of public duty invites.

In obedience to a constitutional requirement, I herein submit to the congress certain information concerning national affairs, with the suggestion of such legislation as in my judgment is necessary and expedient. To secure brevity and avoid tiresome narration I shall omit many details concerning matters within federal control which though by no means unimportant are more profitably discussed in departmental reports. I shall also further curtail this communication by omitting a minute recital of many minor incidents connected with our foreign relations which have heretofore found a place in executive messages but are now contained in a report of the secretary of state, which is herewith submitted.

THE TURKISH QUESTION.

At the outset of a reference to the more important matters affecting our relations with foreign powers, it would afford me satisfaction if I could assure the congress that the disturbed condition in Asiatic Turkey had during the past year assumed a less hideous and bloody aspect, and that either as a consequence of the awakening of the Turkish government to the demand of humane civilization, or as the result of decisive action on the part of the great nations having the right by treaty to interfere for the protection of those exposed to the rage of mad bigotry and cruel fanaticism, the shocking features of the situation had been mitigated.

Instead, however, of welcoming a softened disposition or protective intervention, we have been afflicted by continued and not unfrequent reports of the wanton destruction of homes and the bloody butchery of men, women and children, made martyrs to their profession of Christian faith.

PROTECTION OF AMERICANS.

While none of our citizens in Turkey have thus far been killed or wounded, though often in the midst of dreadful scenes of danger, their safety in the future is by no means assured. Our government at home and our minister at Constantinople have left nothing undone to protect our missionaries in Ottoman territory, who constitute nearly all the individuals residing there who have a right to claim our protection on the score of American citizenship.

Our efforts in this direction will not be relaxed; but the deep feeling and sympathy that have been aroused among our people ought not to so far blind their reason and judgment as to lead them to demand impossible things. The outbreaks of blind fury which lead to murder and pillage in Turkey occur suddenly and without notice, and an attempt on our part to force such a hostile presence there as might be effective for prevention or protection

would not only be resisted by the Ottoman government, but would be regarded as an interruption of their plans by the great nations who assert their exclusive right to intervene in their own time and method for the security of life and property in Turkey.

Several naval vessels are stationed in the Mediterranean as a measure of caution and to furnish all possible relief and refuge in case of emergency. We have made claims against the Turkish government for the pillage and destruction of missionary property at Harpoot and Marash during uprisings at those places. Thus far the validity of these demands has not been admitted, though our minister, prior to such outrages and in anticipation of danger, demanded protection for the persons and property of our missionary citizens in the localities mentioned, and, notwithstanding that strong evidence of actual complicity of Turkish soldiers in the work of destruction and robbery, the facts as they now appear do not permit us to doubt the justice of these claims, and nothing will be omitted to bring about their prompt settlement.

ARMENIAN REFUGEES.

A number of Armenian refugees having arrived at our ports, an order has lately been obtained from the Turkish government permitting the wives and children of such refugees to join them here. It is hoped that hereafter no obstacle will be interposed to prevent the escape of all those who seek to avoid the perils which threaten them in Turkish dominions.

WILL NOT LONG BE TOLERATED.

Our recently-appointed consul to Erzerum is at his post and discharging the duties of his office, though for some unaccountable reason his formal exequatur from the sultan has not been issued. I do not believe that the present somber prospect in Turkey will be long permitted to offend the sight of Christendom. It so mars the humane and enlightened civilization that belongs to the close of the Nineteenth century that it seems hardly possible that the earnest demand of good people throughout the Christian world for its corrective treatment will remain unanswered.

CUBAN INSURRECTION.

The insurrection in Cuba still continues with all its perplexities. It is difficult to perceive that any progress has thus far been made towards the pacification of the island, or that the situation of affairs as depicted in my last annual message has in the least improved. If Spain still holds Havana and the seaports and all the considerable towns, the insurgents still roam at will over at least two-thirds of the inland country. If the determination of Spain to put down the insurrection seems but to strengthen with the lapse of time and is evinced by her unhesitating devotion of largely increased military and naval forces to the task, there is much reason to believe that the insurgents have gained in point of numbers and character and resources, and are none the less inflexible in their resolve not to succumb without practically securing the great objects for which they took up arms.

NOT YET ENTITLED TO RECOGNITION.

If Spain has not yet re-established her authority, neither have the insurgents yet made good their title to be regarded as an independent state. Indeed, as the contest has gone on the pretense that civil government exists on the island except so far as Spain is able to maintain it, has been practically abandoned. Spain does keep on foot such a government, more or less imperfectly, in the large towns and their immediate suburbs. But, that exception being made, the entire country is either given over to anarchy or is subject to the military occupation of one or the other party. It is reported, indeed, on reliable authority that, at the demand of the commander-in-chief of the insurgent army, the putative Cuban government has now given up all attempt to exercise its functions, leaving that government confessedly (what there is the best reason for supposing it always to have been in fact) a government merely on paper.

WHY SPAIN DOES NOT WIN.

Were the Spanish armies able to meet

NEWS OF THE STATE.

MICHIGAN ITEMS THAT WILL INTEREST OUR READERS.

Some of the Important Happenings of the State Picked Up Here and There and Reported by Telegraph—Summary of Events of the Past Few Days.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 9.—The State Associations of Farmers' clubs met here Monday. Governor Rich made the address of welcome and discussed the several state institutions at some length. He is of the opinion that the present convict contract labor system is the most profitable of any yet devised, and operates with less injury. The state grants also holds its annual session the present week, and it and the farmers' clubs will make recommendations for economy in state institutions, reductions of salaries, and appropriations to business principles. Appropriations for new state institutions by the next legislature are opposed.

FUN FOR THE JUNIORS.

Have a Senior to Make Sport of at Their Annual Banquet.

Albion, Mich., Dec. 10.—The annual jubilee banquet was held Tuesday night. The seniors learned the time, but could not learn the location. Nevertheless they determined on heroic measures. Several seniors tied and gagged two juniors in their rooms in a fraternity house, leaving one hand free. One junior broke a looking glass within reach, sawed the ropes and liberated himself and companion. They raised a window and jumped to the wing below, from there to the ground and ran, pursued by the seniors. One fell and was captured. The other reached the banquet rooms and gave the alarm.

Bay City Pipe Plant Burned.

Bay City, Mich., Dec. 9.—The Michigan Pipe company's entire plant, covering about four acres, was destroyed by fire at 11:30 o'clock last night. The loss on the plant is \$75,000, and on the contents \$25,000; insurance on plant \$35,000.

Ordered to Sell the Stock.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 7.—Judge Donovan in the circuit court Saturday granted an order authorizing the receiver to sell the Mably & Co. stock in bulk to W. H. Peck & Co. of Rochester for \$160,000.

Alleged Crook Escapes from Jail.

Bay City, Mich., Dec. 8.—William Monks, aged 17, who was awaiting trial for aiding in the forgery operations of his brother Richard, who was arrested in New York last week, escaped from the county jail last evening.

MICHIGAN LABOR FEDERATION.

Enactment of Certain Laws Demanded—Election of Officers.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 5.—The Michigan State Federation of Labor Thursday demanded the enactment of laws making it a misdemeanor for employers to coerce employees by threatening to either curtail or suspend operations unless a certain candidate is elected; also to reduce the competition of convict with free labor to the minimum. A committee was appointed to confer with the State Wheelmen's league with a view to securing a law requiring that convicts be employed on roads as far as possible. Resolutions demanding free text books and favoring government ownership of railroad and telegraph lines, postal savings banks, the issuing of all money by the government direct, and making use and occupancy the sole basis of ownership of lands, were endorsed.

MICHIGAN FARMERS' CLUB.

Certain Laws They Want the Legislature to Enact.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 10.—The State Association of Farmers' clubs Tuesday elected J. T. Daniels of Clinton secretary, and F. D. Wells of Monroe secretary and treasurer, and appointed a committee to urge the next legislature to enact laws embodying the following principles: That county officials be paid salaries and the fee system be abolished, it being made a criminal offense for such officials to accept fees or other perquisites; that no state institutions be established by the next legislature, and there be a weeding out of unprofitable institutions and unbusiness-like methods; that prisons be made self-supporting; that the state university be given only the one-sixth mill tax; that no changes be made in road laws that will increase the cost of maintaining roads; that a more economical system of collecting taxes on non-resident's property be adopted; that a more equitable distribution of taxation upon real and personal property and corporate and private capital be secured.

The Mably & Co. Failure.

Detroit, Dec. 5.—Important steps were taken in a hearing before the circuit court Thursday evening towards settlements of creditor firms against Mably & Co., the embarrassed clothing company. The plan includes the purchase of the store by W. S. Peck & Co. of Syracuse, N. Y., the principal creditors for \$160,000, subject to the appeal now pending upon a question of permitting replevins. The plan is agreeable to nearly every creditor.

Found the Missing Body.

South Haven, Mich., Dec. 7.—The body of Rose Goins, the colored cabin maid whose whereabouts have been persistently sought since the burning of the steamer City of Kalamazoo Monday morning, was found by dragging the river Friday morning. The town and surrounding country had been thoroughly searched as she was said to have been seen on the dock after the fire broke out.

Farmers Evicted by High Water.

Menominee, Mich., Dec. 5.—Reports were received last evening to the effect that the water is still rising in the Menominee river above the ice gorge which has formed for eighteen miles above the head of Grand Rapids. It is stated that at several farms the people are fleeing for their lives. Barns and cellars are overflowed and much fodder and provisions destroyed.

Upper Peninsular Legislators Confer.

Ishpeming, Mich., Dec. 10.—The Upper peninsular representatives-elect to the state legislature held a meeting at the Nelson House here Tuesday evening. Those present were Representatives Billings of Marquette, Connors of Chippewa, Fullison and Smith of Houghton, Fuller of Delta and Chamberlain of Gogebic. The object of the meeting was to discuss the organization of the house and matters pertaining to the Upper peninsula generally.

It is understood that the representatives will not oppose Governor Pinckney except in cases where they deem this absolutely necessary to good legislation.

Bench Show at Grand Rapids.

Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 10.—The second annual dog show, under the auspices of the "Butterfly" Bench association, opened Tuesday afternoon, with 303 entries, divided into eighty classes. The exhibits are of a much higher class than last year, including some of the finest dogs in the country. The show of St. Bernards, setters, spaniels and terriers is pronounced the best ever seen in the west. The "Butterfly" are twelve young ladies, who support a free ward in one of the city hospitals.

Wants Those Votes Counted.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 10.—Fred A. Baker, chairman of the fusion state committee, has applied to the supreme court for a mandamus to compel the state board of canvassers to credit Charles R. Slight, candidate for governor, with all the votes apparently cast for him, but not credited because of misspelling.

Pinckney Will Have no "Flapdoodle."

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 7.—Considerable disappointment and chagrin is felt by the people of this city because of the refusal of Governor-elect Pinckney to permit any demonstration Jan. 1, arrangements for which had been going on for several weeks. He says he wants no such "flapdoodle."

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A countryman entered the office of a dealer in monuments. "I want a stone to put at the grave of my wife," he said. "About what size and price?" "I don't know. Susan was a good woman. A trifle sharp mebbe at times, but she was a good woman and never got tired of working. Just seemed to sort of fade away. She brought me a tidy sum when I married her, and now I want to put up a stone that her children and me kin be proud of."

Wants Those Votes Counted.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 10.—Fred A. Baker, chairman of the fusion state committee, has applied to the supreme court for a mandamus to compel the state board of canvassers to credit Charles R. Slight, candidate for governor, with all the votes apparently cast for him, but not credited because of misspelling.

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MICHIGAN LABOR FEDERATION.

Enactment of Certain Laws Demanded—Election of Officers.

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 5.—The Michigan State Federation of Labor Thursday demanded the enactment of laws making it a misdemeanor for employers to coerce employees by threatening to either curtail or suspend operations unless a certain candidate is elected; also to reduce the competition of convict with free labor to the minimum. A committee was appointed to confer with the State Wheelmen's league with a view to securing a law requiring that convicts be employed on roads as far as possible. Resolutions demanding free text books and favoring government ownership of railroad and telegraph lines, postal savings banks, the issuing of all money by the government direct, and making use and occupancy the sole basis of ownership of lands, were endorsed.

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A recent bulletin from the Utah station says that Utah dairymen have nothing to fear from outside competition.

It is claimed that making beet sugar is profitable in Nebraska.

There appears to be a growing demand for a larger proportion of lean meat in pork.

In finishing hogs for market it is an item to feed regularly.

Minnesota creameries turned off 27,000,000 pounds of butter in 1895.

Low places in the wheatfield should be well drained before the ground freezes.

Plow sufficient ground so that the manure made during the winter can be hauled out and scattered as fast as made.

South Dakota and Minnesota will burn corn for fuel this winter.

Cider makers in Michigan and Illinois got cider apples at their own price this year.

Estate of Hiram Arnold.

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Mortgage Sale.

DEFAULT having been made in the conditions of a mortgage executed by William L. Lord of Byron, W. Cheever, now deceased, which mortgage bears the date Feb. 24th, A. D. 1883, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Washtenaw County, Michigan, Feb. 27th, A. D. 1883 in Liber 61 of Mortgages on page 111, by which default the power of sale contained in said mortgage became operative, and no suit or proceeding in law or equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof, and the sum of four hundred and a fifty-four and fourteen hundredths dollars (\$454.14) being now claimed to be due on said mortgage, notice is therefore hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgage premises there-in described or some part thereof to-wit:

All of the following described land situated in the Township of Sylvan, in Washtenaw County, Mich. The north-east quarter (N. E. 1/4) of the south-west quarter (S. W. 1/4) of Section No. twenty-two (22), in Township No. two (2) south, in Range No. 10 east, at public vendue on Saturday, Jan. 2, 1897, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the east front door of the Court House in the city of Ann Arbor, in said County of Washtenaw, Michigan, the Place of holding the Circuit Court for said County.

Dated, Oct. 5th, A. D. 1896.

J. WILLARD BABBITT, Judge of Probate.

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THE EASTERN STAR.
Their Triumph Progressing Finely—The Cast a Good One.

What promises to be the finest amateur performance ever given in this city will be seen at the Grand Opera house next Monday night, when will be presented for the benefit of the local Chapter Order Eastern Star, Bartley Campbell's well known comedy Drama, "Fate". This play has for the past ten years served to exploit the dramatic genius of more than one now famous actress—Fanny Davenport, who first produced the play-being a notable instance of this. "Fate" is its name implies not a simple comedy, but rather, a drama, telling a heart story so common and of so great an interest that at times the naturalness of the scenes is nothing less than startling. It has been played for ten years by many of the best companies in this country and unlike most native pieces it will bear seeing more than once. The performance next Monday night promise, as has been said, to surpass any amateur work ever seen in this city. That is saying a great deal in view of the great success last year of the Comedy Club's "Scrap of Paper", but the statement is made advisedly and only after witnessing the rehearsals which have been held nightly for the past three weeks. The cast which will produce the play is made up of amateurs who have, for the greater part, been seen in this city before and as all of them have had real experience in stage work it is not too much to warrant that the production will be notably free from the stiffness which usually accompanies unprofessional efforts. Several young men well known in University circles are in the company which will produce "Fate" and their presence will tend to give an added interest to the performance. It will be seen from looking over the names below that, which are those of young ladies and gentlemen who have been very successful in affairs of the kind, that the play will be given by as strong a cast as it would be possible to find in this city. The leading part of Harry Grantly will be played by Mr. Karl E. Harriman. The good Uncle Burdette has been entrusted to the hands of Mr. Walter Boynton, and the part of James Gordon will be done by Mr. Frank Kearney. Jessup, the lawyer will be assumed by Mr. James Simonds, and the two comedy parts will be played by Chas. Bishop and Duane Wager, who will be seen as Muggs and Joe Plummer respectively. Miss Nora O'Brien will take the part of the adventuress, Blanche Sterling, and the wife, Florence Grantly will be acted by Mrs. Lizzie Greenwood. Muggs sweetheart, Sally is in the hands of Mrs. Hattie Swift-Showerman and Miss Nellie Mingay will play the maid, Mary Arnold. The reserved seat sale is now in progress at the United States Express office on West Huron street and those who have not secured their tickets are advised to do so at once as the seats are being rapidly disposed of. Admission, 25, 35, and 50 cts.

Protect the Harness.

Harnesses ought to be protected from dust and dampness when not in use—that goes without saying—but a great many people never find the time to build a regular harness closet. The following out from Farm Journal shows

A harness closet. One that can be made in half an hour's time, a short cut to something that will answer the purpose very well. The sides are burlap, supported as shown. The front is a curtain of burlap, supported by wire rings, running on a wire stretched across the top of the front. It is a simple closet, but it will protect the harnesses.

LONG ISLAND ROADS.
PROSPERITY CAME ON THE HEELS OF IMPROVEMENT.

New Industries Sprang Up, and the Value of Real Estate Doubled—System of Construction and Repair—Some Towns Own Rock Crushers and Road Rollers.

There is no section of New York state that possesses better roads than are found on Long Island, and residents of New York city and elsewhere have realized that it is a good place in which to spend the summer months, says the New York Tribune. The movement to improve the roads by macadamizing them was begun in 1892 by a number of prominent citizens, who saw that travel in winter over the dirt roads was such as to cause the most conservative to favor any plan to improve the condition of the roads. It was a frequent occurrence to see loaded trucks, business wagons, etc., stuck in the mud up to their hubs, and every effort to extricate them resulted in a deeper plunge into the mire. The gutters were frequently resorted to as a means of escape from the deep pools of water which formed after severe storms or thaws, and not infrequently lawns were cut up by this invasion of vehicles. This, however, has all been changed, vehicles bowling along the smooth, hard surface in winter as easily as if on a board floor.

The first roads to be affected by the improvements were the North Hempstead and Flushing turnpike and the Jericho turnpike. The bed of the road is made of crushed stone, which is laid to a depth of 6, 8 or 10 inches, as is desired. Covering this is a coating of sand. A steam roller packs the sand and stones, after which the top coating of fine stone is put on. This is wet by a sprinkler and rolled hard. Another coating of sand is then spread over all, and travel over the road gradually works it into the fine covering. The width of the macadam is 18 feet in the outlying sections and the full width of the street in villages. The roads are arched to the center, permitting water to drain from the surface and flow to the gutters.

The improvement of the roads has not only proved a benefit to the traveling public, but to the business places, the health of the people and to the building up of various sections. Today the villages of Rockville Center, Millburn and Freeport are thriving business towns, when up to the beginning of the work on the roads the chief industry was fishing.

In the last three years many handsome homes have been erected by well known New Yorkers and Brooklynites on the Merrick road, and many rent dwellings for a summer's sojourn in that section.

It is estimated that the increased valuation to real estate in sections through which these roads pass has been about 100 per cent, and that although the market for real estate is exceptionally dull and building operations have been at a standstill in many localities the southern and northern portions of Long Island have more than held their own.

The total amount of road bonds now outstanding in Queens county is nearly \$4,800,000. The town of Hempstead alone expended about \$600,000 for macadam roads and possesses nearly 42 miles of them, the average cost for building being about \$13,000 a mile. North Hempstead, Flushing, Jamaica and Newtown also have many miles of macadam roads. The former town recently voted to expend \$56,000 for macadam roads. It also possesses a rock crushing machine and a steam roller and is thus able to build its roads at less cost than by contracting with road builders.

The repair of the roads is systematically done by each commissioner, who receives instructions from the county engineer. When the covering becomes thin and the stone bed exposed, sand is spread over the surface, and, gradually mixing in with the powdered stone coating, places the road in perfect condition.

Keep the Road Dry.

A good road is a dry road, and no wet road ever was or ever can be good. Get rid of the water, and get it clear off the right of way. Turn it out into the adjoining fields and do not let it run long distances in the ditches. Provide for its discharge at every suitable point, and so keep the road clear and prevent the washes that otherwise are sure to follow. Construct these ditches well out at the edges of the right of way, giving all the space possible for public travel. Never leave a piece of road until you are sure that the water will run freely from its surface, for the most important maxim in road construction is that a good road must be dry.—Professor Hamilton.

The Roads of Texas.

A correspondent of The L. A. W. Bulletin, writing from Texas, says the roads and streets in the northern and eastern portions of the state are generally good, but for two months the rain made the streets, consisting of six inches of soft sand, almost impassable for pedestrians or wheelmen. The poor horses were also deserving of sympathy. Texas is now actively and intelligently advocating good roads, and a change for the better will be apparent soon, no doubt.

REPAIR OF HIGHWAYS.
There is No Economy in Spending Money on a Worthless Road.

If it be true that \$40,000,000 is spent in this country every year for road repairs, then indeed we get very little for our money. The extravagance of this bill, however, is due to the fact that so many of the roads are irreparable. They are not made right in the first place, and no amount of mending can make them right.

The indignant citizens who are wired in them at frequent intervals or whose houses are fouled in dry weather by the dust of them demand that they be bettered, but instead of getting an engineer to lay off a really good road with easy grades and proper bed and with protections and gutters the rural townspeople, thinking to save money, put the matter into the hands of some person who knows no more about roadmaking than a child, and he dumps a quantity of sand over the broken place. This sand packs down and for a little while seems to improve the highway, even though it is deeply rutted by the wagons that are carefully driven in each others' tracks in order to save the horses, but it is not long ere the rains and winds and ordinary travel have done their work, and the road needs mending worse than ever.

We would think it absurd if we spent \$20 to stanch a \$10 coat, or if we were to get a stonemason to make repairs to a cabinet, yet exactly that sort of economy is seen in many of the county districts.

Now the material for making a mile of good road where all conditions are favorable need cost only about \$50. Indeed, if a township bought the quarry outright it would cost less. Stone that has to be crushed or hauled for a distance of course comes to more, but there are many places, especially in the south and west, where \$50 will cover the expense of material for a mile of road, and the road itself, after we have added the labor and the use of the roller, can be reckoned at once that \$2,000 a mile. The road once made is there forever. It may require a new surface from time to time, but if laid off by a practical engineer who secures it by its grade and convexity against the wear and wash of rain and wind it will endure until some cataclysm changes the face of the whole country.

Result of Common Sense.

Good roads in England are not the result of teaching in the public schools or of sentimental agitation. They are a practical detail of common sense, efficient local administration. Nobody ever feels called upon here to preach the gospel of good roads. The English people have them because they pay for having them in local taxation and insist upon them being kept in order. The poorest rustic loves the country road which leads to his humble cottage. It is his pleasure ground—his rightful share in the godly heritage of a well governed country.

Bad Roads Are Dangerous.

Good roads are as essential to the prosperity of the country as the proper machinery for cultivation is to the farmer. A farm that is easily accessible by the owner of good roads is worth double to the owner what it would be otherwise. In no country are good roads so easily obtainable with so little cost as they are here, and in no state is so little attention paid to them. Little chukholes are left until they become dangerous, a plank breaks in a culvert, and it goes until some valuable animal has become crippled.—Irving (Kan.) Leader.

Roads For Winter Resorts.

The advantage of having good roads at summer resorts was never so strongly shown as during the past season. And what is true of northern summer resorts is equally true of southern winter resorts. The locality that can offer the very best roads will present a strong drawing card. People with enough money and leisure to go on extended outings will in most instances desire to do more or less riding and driving. This is particularly true of winter resorts, inasmuch as boating constitutes a small part of winter pastimes.

Build the Best.

That California is coming into line with eastern and southern states in the matter of highway improvements is an agreeable circumstance, for in this state of mountains and magnificent cross distances the wagon road will be likely to hold its own against the railroad for a great many years as the main avenue of intercommunication. On this account it ought to be as good a road as the taxpayers can afford to build.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Roads in Africa.

At Kumsa in making operations are being commenced, and before long a magnificent road will be made not merely between the Gold Coast proper and the Ashanti country, but also to the famous Moorantza capital.

Toll Roads Disappearing.

Marion county, Ind., has purchased the last toll road within its borders and made it a free highway. The road was four miles long, and the price paid was \$100 a mile.

Macadam Roads by the Nile.

The early inhabitants of the Nile valley had excellent roads, paved somewhat in the macadam style of the present day.

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A NEW MEASURING GATE.
Adapted to Everyday Use in the Ordinary Irrigation Ditch.

A new measuring gate, the invention of a Colorado man, consists simply of a sliding gate (A) in a frame (B). The gate can be secured in any position by a set screw at the top of the frame (C), or by any other suitable means. On the sides of the frame are scales (D D) to indicate fixed quantities of water in cubic feet, statutory inches or any measurement required. On the slide are fixed indicators (E E) adjusted to point to the scales on the frame, and a fixed line (F) across the face of the gate and the water line.

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FOR IRRIGATION DITCHES.

Device for Smokehouse.

The house or room that is used for smoking hams and other meat or fish is usually entered for the replenishing of the fire only at the expense of smarting eyes. It is suggested in the New York Tribune to build the fire, of coals or chips, from the woodyard in an old iron kettle and suspend it from the ceiling by a stout wire reaching nearly to the floor. Attach another wire to one side of the pot and carry it to the door. To replenish the fire simply open the door, swing the kettle to the opening and throw on the fuel, standing outside meanwhile in the pure air.

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That California is coming into line with eastern and southern states in the matter of highway improvements is an agreeable circumstance, for in this state of mountains and magnificent cross distances the wagon road will be likely to hold its own against the railroad for a great many years as the main avenue of intercommunication. On this account it ought to be as good a road as the taxpayers can afford to build.—San Francisco Chronicle.

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At Kumsa in making operations are being commenced, and before long a magnificent road will be made not merely between the Gold Coast proper and the Ashanti country, but also to the famous Moorantza capital.

Roads Disappearing.

Marion county, Ind., has purchased the last toll road within its borders and made it a free highway. The road was four miles long, and the price paid was \$100 a mile.

Macadam Roads by the Nile.

The early inhabitants of the Nile valley had excellent roads, paved somewhat in the macadam style of the present day.

SOIL MOISTURE.
Suggestions Concerning Its Conservation From the Kansas Station.

These suggestions from the Kansas experiment station are based upon the striking beneficial and lasting effects on the growth of corn and sugar beets of subsoling a fine upland loam:

Subsoil plowing, although a means of conserving moisture, does not produce it, and is therefore not a substitute for irrigation where the rainfall is too small to produce crops.

Where there is a hard, dry subsoil, subsoil plowing is to be recommended.

Where the subsoil is loose, gravelly or sandy, subsoling is probably unnecessary or may even be injurious.

Do not subsoil when the soil is very wet, either above or beneath, as there is great danger of puddling the soil, thus leaving it in worse condition than before. This is one of the reasons why it is better to subsoil in the fall than in the spring.

If the ground be subsoiled in the fall, the winter and spring rains have ample opportunity to soak in, that being the season of greatest rainfall and least evaporation.

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In government control, excluding Alaska. The balance, being by far the most valuable portion, has been reserved to be sold to new states, and to railroads, or sold at a comparatively nominal sum. The patenting of lands in execution of railroad grants has progressed steadily during the year, and since the 4th day of March, 1895, about 25,000,000 acres have thus been conveyed to these corporations.

I agree with the secretary that the remainder of our public lands should be more carefully dealt with and their alienation guarded by better economy and greater prudence.

The commission appointed from the membership of the national academy of sciences, provided for by an act of congress to formulate a plan for a forestry system, will, it is hoped, soon be prepared to present the result of thorough and intelligent examination of this important subject.

The total Indian population of the United States is 177,255, according to a census made in 1885. There are those who wish the state of New York and those comprising the five civilized tribes. Of this number there are approximately 28,000 in the school age. During the year 22,332 of these were enrolled in schools. The progress which has attended recent efforts to extend Indian school education has been such that it cannot fail to afford the utmost satisfaction to those who believe that the education of the Indian is the prime factor in the accomplishment of Indian civilization.

It may be said in general terms, that in every particular under its control the Indian under government has been most marked and improving. The secretary, the commissioner of Indian affairs and the agents having charge of the Indians to whom allotments have been made strongly urge the passage of a law prohibiting the sale of liquor to all who have taken their lands in severalty, and earnestly join in this recommendation, and venture to express the hope that the Indian may be specially protected against this greatest of evils to his well-being and advancement.

The condition of affairs among the five civilized tribes, who own the largest tract of land in the Indian territory, and who have governments of their own, has assumed such an aspect as to render it almost indispensable that the government should change in the relations of these Indians to the general government. This seems to be necessary in furtherance of their interests, as well as for the protection of non-Indian residents in their territory.

A commission organized and empowered under several recent laws is now negotiating with these lands in severalty, and the division of their common lands in severalty and are aiding in the settlement of the troublesome question of the year. The reception of their first offers of negotiation were not encouraging, but through patience and such conduct on their part as demonstrated their good intentions, and friendly interest in the interests of the tribes the prospect of success has become more promising.

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Every if only United States notes known as greenbacks were thus retired, and if payment of the treasury notes issued in payment of silver purchases under the act of March 3, 1857, were paid in gold, as demanded, could not create much disturbance, as they might from time to time when received in the treasury by redeeming them for silver, or by the issue of gradually and prudently replaced by silver coin.

The plan of issuing bonds for the purpose of redemption certainly appears to be the most effective and direct path to the needed reform.

In default of this, however, it would be a step in the right direction if currency obligations redeemable in gold, whenever so redeemed, should be canceled instead of being reissued. This operation would be a slow remedy, but it would improve present conditions.

National banks should redeem their own notes. They should be allowed to issue circulation to the par value of bonds deposited as security for their redemption, and the tax on their circulation should be reduced to one-fourth of one cent.

In considering profits for the retirement of United States notes, the treasury notes issued under the law of 1880, I am of the opinion that we have passed too much credit upon the value of the notes, and that the currency and have calculated too little upon the gold that would be taken out of circulation if invited to us by better and safer means.

Another topic in which our people heartily take an interest is the question of trusts and other huge aggregations of capital, the objects of which is to secure the monopoly of some particular branch of trade, industry or commerce, and so stifle wholesome competition.

The situation was such in December, seven months before the close of the fiscal year, that the secretary of the treasury foretold a deficiency of \$17,000,000. The great deficit was due to the fact that in business interfering, and the depression in all activities intervening since that time, resulting from causes perfectly well understood, and which are the result of our tariff law or its operation, seriously checked the imports we would have otherwise received and readily account for the deficit.

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THE AMERICAN BUFFALO.

Government Appropriation For Propagating the Species—So Far No Hybrids.

Today the American buffalo may be said to be practically extinct in the United States. Indeed the extermination of the entire species was so closely threatened that a few years ago the government made an appropriation of \$30,000 for the purpose of fitting up a reservation for the propagation of the American buffalo.

The reservation consists of a part of No Man's Land and Antelope island, the largest of the wild group of mountainous islands in the Great Salt Lake. The profits of buffalo raising are very considerable. The animal feeds cheaply and looks after himself in all sorts of weather.

Antelope island is 16 miles in length and has an average width of 4 miles, its topography being that of a broken mountain chain. The soil grows a variety of rich grasses, the bunch grass standing at the head, while next in order of abundance and nutrition is the alfalfa, a valuable forage plant brought here from California in the wool of imported sheep.

Today the small herd of buffaloes are as belligerent and untamable as when on their native prairies. The bulls keep their herds separate apart from the Herefords on the island and are hardly more socially disposed toward the Galloway cows.

Another topic in which our people heartily take an interest is the question of trusts and other huge aggregations of capital, the objects of which is to secure the monopoly of some particular branch of trade, industry or commerce, and so stifle wholesome competition.

The situation was such in December, seven months before the close of the fiscal year, that the secretary of the treasury foretold a deficiency of \$17,000,000. The great deficit was due to the fact that in business interfering, and the depression in all activities intervening since that time, resulting from causes perfectly well understood, and which are the result of our tariff law or its operation, seriously checked the imports we would have otherwise received and readily account for the deficit.

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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON XI, FOURTH QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, DEC. 13.

Memory Verses, 19-21—Golden Text, Prov. xxiii, 21—Commentary by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

"My son, if thine heart be wise, my heart shall rejoice—even mine." In listening to this father entreating his son we must think of our Heavenly Father entreating His children, for all the love of parents to children is but the faintest shadow of the love of our Father in heaven.

"Ye, my veins shall rejoice, when thy lips speak right things." The substance of our conversation indicates the condition of our heart, and if we thought of this we might be more careful of our words. The Lord looks upon the heart, and not only so, but upon the imagination of the thoughts of the heart (1 Sam. xvi, 7; 1 Chron. xxviii, 9), and perhaps this may help us to understand "the veins." Parents may well rejoice in their midst when their children speak right things.

"Let not thine heart envy sinners, but be thou in the fear of the Lord all the day long." A new heart is a heart in which God dwells; it is put in us by God Himself that He alone may occupy it. It is a new spring to our actions, words and thoughts, a new motive for everything, even God working in us those things which are pleasing in His sight. Such a heart will not envy sinners, but will rejoice in the Lord always, and abiding in His love, satisfied with His goodness, will fear to grieve Him lest it lose this fellowship, which is heaven on earth.

"For surely there is an end, or reward, and thine expectation shall not be cut off." See this repeated in chapter xxiv, 1, and Jer. xxix, 11, "I know the thoughts I think toward you," saith the Lord, "thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you an end and expectation." The expectation of the return of Christ, and the righteousness that shall be seen, and the glory that shall be revealed, is the most helpful truth which I as a redeemed soul have ever seen. Do not the words "end," "reward," "expectation," all point to it? Well has it been written, "He that hath this hope in Him, purifieth himself even as He is pure" (1 John iii, 3).

"Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart in the way." Our Lord said, "Be wise as serpents and harmless as doves" (Math. x, 16). And in Jas. iii, 17, we read of the nature of true wisdom, that it is "first pure, then peaceable, gentle and easy to be intreated, full of mercy and good fruits, without partiality, and without hypocrisy." Surely this is none other than Christ Himself, and as to the way, there is none but He. He is wisdom, and He is the way, and Christ in us is the hope of glory, the glory which rectifies our life here and purifies from all uncleanliness.

"Be not among vine bibbers; among riotous eaters of flesh." This sort of thing belongs to the wisdom of that which is sensual and devilish (Jas. iii, 15). The kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Ghost (Rom.

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THE President's message has been submitted to congress and has been pretty thoroughly discussed throughout the length and breadth of the land. We believe that a fair study of the document must commend it to the people.

A GENTLEMAN of our acquaintance while in the city recently, remarked that when he came here to school some eight or ten years ago, the streets of this city were excellent, and as soon as dry after a rain, became hard and smooth—a delight to those driving or wheeling.

FRIDAY LAST THE DEMOCRAT suggested the propriety of looking out for conventions, in order to induce them to convene in Ann Arbor. Saturday the Detroit Journal stated that the estimated attendance on conventions in Detroit next year would be 100,000, and the amount of money spent by them not less than \$1,000,000.

THE statement with reference to withdrawal of tickets for the May Festival from sale in this city, and sending some of the seats out to other Michigan points, which is contained in another column, suggests to us the propriety of doing this anyhow.

around which the musical society centers, we would advise the consideration of outsiders in the arrangement for tickets. Many of them would be glad to pay even higher prices than are charged to be assured the privilege of hearing these concerts, and it would be no more than fair to reserve a reasonable proportion of the seats for outside sale.

BROTHER LIESEMER, of the Times, for a man who rides a wheel himself, certainly has grasped as little of the intentions of the bicyclers with reference to wheeling paths and roads, as could well be done. If he would join the Bicycle Club recently formed, and attend one or two of the meetings, he would realize that the wheelmen, instead of asking the tax-payers and farmers to go down into their pockets to furnish accommodations for them, are proposing to go down into their own pockets and do that which will be a decided benefit to the farmers.

MILAN MATTERS. Lecture Course Opens Well—K. P.'s Booming—Anti-Saloon Meeting—A Pleasant Wedding.

Miss Delia Harris is very sick. Mrs. O. L. Youngs is very sick. Skating disappeared last Saturday. David Jennings' side walk is nearly finished. Mr. Edd Gay was in Ann Arbor Wednesday. Mr. O. Youngs visited Toledo Monday on business.

The Milan K. of P. Lodge, No. 188, is booming. They initiated three first degree and one second, last Tuesday night. The K. of P. are making large preparations for their ball and entertainment, which is to be held New Year's night in their hall and the opera house.

Last Tuesday night, Henry Pullen, while going the back way from Minto's clothing store to the express office, fell into a deep hole, injuring his side quite badly. He was singing, "Jesus, the Light of the World," when he went down.

School does not close until the 24th. If it was not for the new addition and several other improvements on the school house building, the pupils would be apt to think the officers of the school board needed supplementing, or rather, perhaps, supplanting.

On the 6th, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Rice, Milan, Mr. Aaron G. Culver and Mrs. Jane Holmes were married. Rev. J. P. Hutchinson of Ann Arbor and Milan officiating on the interesting occasion.

Dearborn & Co., gent's furnisners, on State street, who started in business in this city Oct. 1st, were closed up by the sheriff Wednesday morning on chattel mortgages. The mortgages were held by Kirkwood-Flora, and the International Shirt Co.

There are a few people in this world, especially in London, Paris, and other foreign parts, who are not trading with Schumacher & Miller, the druggists. To these few we would say, that if they will once give us a call we are convinced they will call again.

A Great Chance WE ARE GOING OUT OF THE SHOE BUSINESS and will offer our stock at reduction by retail until we have an opportunity to sell the entire stock and good will to someone desiring to go into business. JACOBS & ALLMAND WASHINGTON BLOCK, WASHINGTON STREET, ANN ARBOR, MICH.

A Handsome Clock makes a good Christmas present. We have some exceptional bargains to offer you: An eight-day Seth Thomas Mantel Clock, Cathedral Gong, striking every half hour, for \$5.00, \$6.00 or \$7.00, according to the size of the case. WM. ARNOLD, LEADING JEWELER

SALINE SECRETS. Church Notes—Another Fire Scare—Farmer's Club Meeting—The Drummer Boy of the Rappahannock—Incidents of the Fire.

New hymn books are being placed in the Methodist church. Mrs. Eugene Yager of Napoleon, was visiting in town last Friday. A large quantity of live poultry was shipped to Ypsilanti Monday.

Rev. D. H. Yokom of Manchester, formerly of Saline, was in town Saturday. Rev. T. B. Leith occupied the Presbyterian pulpit at Northville last Sunday. W. E. Eddy of Ypsilanti, spent several days of last week visiting relatives in town.

Arthur Wood and H. D. Platt attended the State farmers' institute at Lansing this week, in the capacity of delegates from the local organization. Clifton Basset and wife of Detroit, spent Sunday with the former's parents.

C. H. Mooney of Ann Arbor, was in town last Saturday soliciting for a plan of advertising which is claimed to be a mutual benefit to farmers and merchants alike. He contracted with Alfred Humphrey, A. L. Clark and S. H. Maher.

The regular monthly meeting of the Saline farmers' club was held last Friday at the home of L. Josenhaus. As usual a program was given. Some very practical topics were discussed, including plans whereby the farmer shall secure more recognition in the eyes of the legislature.

Evangelist Herberner delivered a lecture-sermon to men in the opera house last Sunday afternoon. The hall was nearly full. The discourse consisted of short but forcible discussions of the subjects, sabbath breaking, abuse of the church, drinking, swearing, lying, and adultery. An electric belt troop from Detroit, are occupying the opera house for a week. They are giving the people free entertainments each night and incidentally endeavoring to show them what wonders electricity can do for the human frame.

The entertainment given at the opera Monday night by Major R. H. Hendershot, the drummer boy of the Rappahannock, assisted by local talent, was a great success. The remarkable manner in which he made the drum talk was the central attraction, but a very popular feature of the program was his local jokes of which he had a great number. These were great hits.

Again last Friday night were the people of Saline unceremoniously aroused by the dreaded fire alarm. This time the fire was in the small house of Mrs. M. L. Forbes, occupied by Mrs. M. E. Gill. The bell continued to ring long after the fire was out and as usual nearly the whole town was on the spot.

"Behold what a great fire a little matter kindleth," or "what a great matter a little fire kindleth," either would apply equally well to the conflagration Friday night. As a fire, however, it cannot be regarded as a very great success, but viewed from the number of casualties it occasioned it must be regarded as a great event.

A nice assortment of Smyrna Japanese and Fur Rugs for the Holiday's. Don't forget to get one. HALLER'S FURNITURE STORE.

Suits Must Move Rapidly The prices we have fixed on them are lower than you have known them to be at this season of the year. A HEAVY PURCHASE of Men's Winter Suits about two weeks ago gives us many more than we ought to have, and to dispose of them quickly we have placed the price to a point where competition cannot reach it. BRING ALONG YOUR MONEY AND INVEST LINDENSCHMITT & APFEL

Christmas Presents Buy Something useful. Call and see the Bargains we are offering in ROCKERS, COUCHES, TABLES, DESKS, EASELS, SCREENS, PICTURES, PARLOR FURNITURE SIDE BOARDS, CHAMBER SUITS ETC., ETC. HENNE & STANGER Ann Arbor, - Michigan

BROOKS BROS. FINE BOX CALF Coin Toe, New Needle Toe, Dime Toe, Quarter Dollar Toe, Half Dollar Toe. WAHR & MILLER, THE SHOE MEN, 48 S. Main Street. The Finest Made. Nettleton's Shoes Leaders for EASE, ELEGANCE, DURABILITY.

OUR SPECIALTY FINE OVERCOATS \$12 TO \$25 FINE SUITS \$12 TO \$25 Popular Priced Clothing Fine and Medium Priced Goods Wadhams, Ryan & Reule

YPSILANTI.

LOCAL LINERS.

S. H. Dodge is having the front of his store repaired.

The house recently occupied by Geo. Amsden is being repaired.

The Ypsilanti Orchestral Society will give a concert in Wayne this evening.

The Twentieth Century Club will give a party in the Ladies' Library Saturday evening.

The Young People's Mission of the Presbyterian church held a very enjoyable meeting with Miss Hattie Swift, Monday evening.

In the future, the Ypsilanti Orchestral society will hold their rehearsals in Cleary hall Monday evenings. Visitors will not be admitted.

Miss Jackson began work in the Normal training school this week. She will teach the second grade, in place of Miss Caffee, who resigned.

The store formerly occupied by Hangsterfer, in the Beal block, is now occupied by Geo. J. Preston, with a line of gentlemen's furnishings.

The Epworth League will give a marshmallow social in the basement of the Methodist church this evening. All are invited. Admission 10 cents.

The revival meetings conducted by Rev. Frank E. Arnold at the Baptist church are being continued this week. Many conversions have resulted from the work.

Vegetable wool blankets are the latest at Lamb, Davis & Kishlar's. If you never have seen anything of the kind, just step into the store and examine them.

The improvements which were made on the outside of King's grocery a few months ago have struck in, and new shelving on the west side of the store will be the result.

A barn and some sheds belonging to W. L. Oelke, on Grove street, were set on fire last Monday evening by a cow kicking over a lamp. The sheds were burned, but the barn and contents were saved.

Dr. Boone leaves today for an extended lecturing tour. He will lecture in Boston, New York City, Philadelphia and Washington, and will spend a short time in Ohio, North Carolina and Florida.

Dr. Batwell's house was entered last Monday night and \$65 in bills stolen from his pocket book. Entrance was gained through the office door, which was unlocked with a skeleton key. No trace of the robber has been found.

Ypsilanti Lodge, No. 128, F. & A. M., elected the following officers last week: W. M., Charles Stevens; S. W., M. M. Read; J. W., George Wilson; treasurer, E. B. Newhall; secretary, F. B. Deuble; S. D., W. W. Brooks; J. D., Elmer McCollough; Tyler, William Court; stewards, Messrs. Dolson and Thompson.

Contract for opera house scenery and stage settings was let this week to Loman & Landis of Chicago; the lighting to the Central Chandelier Co. of Toledo. The directors expect to be able to open the house during holiday week, though the scenery will not be all completed before the middle of January.—Ypsilanti Commercial.

A progressive pedro party was given at S. H. Fletcher's home Friday night. The ladies' ace prize was won by Mrs. Minnie Gridley; the ladies' booby prize by Mrs. Eva Fletcher; the gentlemen's ace prize by Mr. Mont Crane, and the gentlemen's booby prize by Miss Leila Stowell, who played in place of one of the gentleman. The next meeting will be held this evening at the home of Frank Stowell.

At the council meeting Monday night the distinguished gentlemen considered the petition of the Women's League that the Hay & Todd Mfg. Co's sign be removed from their mill, and after considering it considerably, considerably laid it on the table. The ladies who originated the petition will hereafter be obliged to wear thick veils when walking in the vicinity of the objectionable picture.

A few days ago a gypsy woman boarded the electric car, headed for Ann Arbor. She carried a bag made of carpet sewed together, and firmly tied to a stick, with which she carried over her shoulder. After sitting down in the car she laid the bag across her lap, whereupon it began to move and show signs of signs of life. "What have you in your bag?" inquired one of the passengers. The woman opened the bag and produced therefrom a little gypsy baby, rosy and solemn and warm, apparently much pleased with its manner of locomotion.

Mr. J. E. Pomeroy writes some amazing stories from Hilo, Sandwich Islands, where he is spending the winter. He speaks of seeing string beans 21 inches in length, cucumbers 18 inches long and a squash as big as a washtub. He went up a mountain to see a waterfall 75 feet high, emptying into a basin 400 feet across. In this basin is a turtle over 100 years old, and weighing 2200 pounds. It is said to have been taken there and presented to a chief of the Islands more than a hundred years ago. (Come now, Pomeroy, is this the way the sand-w/hich is in the islands affects you? Ed.)

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PERSONAL.

D. C. Griffen spent Sunday in Chicago.

Miss Bessie Neat has returned from Chicago.

Wm. Densmore is spending the week in Milan.

Don Jewett of Detroit, spent Sunday in this city.

Miss Hilda Lodeman is on the sick list this week.

County Treasurer Rehffuss was in town Tuesday.

S. H. Dodge has been suffering with an attack of the grip.

Mrs. A. L. Thomas and children left Tuesday for Joliet, Ill.

Miss Margaret Van Cleve has returned from Ann Arbor.

Miss Cora Cornwell has returned from her visit in Chicago.

H. McCormick of Au Sable, visited Ypsilanti friends this week.

Mrs. Chas. T. McFarlane is the guest of Detroit friends this week.

Miss Clarence Curtis spent Sunday at St. Mary's Academy, in Windsor.

Mrs. Mansfield of New York, is visiting her niece, Mrs. H. B. Adams.

Dr. Fellows, of the Chicago University, was a Normal visitor Monday.

David Wise has been entertaining Geo. M. Woodford, of Boston, Mass.

Misses Mary and Bessie Amsden are slowly recovering from their illness.

Tom McAndrew has been walking with crutches this week, the result of a sprained ankle.

Ray Hughes, who has been attending the C. B. C., will return to his home in Tecumseh tomorrow.

Dr. Patterson is now occupying rooms which he has furnished in the Savings Bank building.

Mrs. Jessie Chamberlain, who has been visiting Mrs. Forman, returned to her home in Dundee Monday.

Mrs. Frank Simons, who has been visiting Ypsilanti friends, returned to her home in Detroit Wednesday.

Miss Low M. Sherman arrived from Hillsdale last Saturday, and will spend the rest of the winter in this city.

Dr. and Mrs. F. K. Owen have been entertaining Mrs. McCormick and children of Grand Forks, Dakota.

Miss Georgia Cheshire gave a six o'clock dinner last Friday p. m., in honor of Mrs. Frank Simons, of Detroit.

Miss Fanny Kief spent Sunday at her home in this city. She was accompanied by Miss Elsie West, of Detroit.

Miss Josephine Hemphill has recovered from her illness with diphtheria, and Mrs. R. W. Hemphill is rapidly improving.

New Order of Service.

The order of services at the Presbyterian church have been slightly changed. Following is the order of service:

MORNING.

- 1. Organ Prelude.
2. Call to Worship by the Minister.
3. Doxology, Invocation and Lord's Prayer. (the people standing.)
4. Hymn. (the people sitting.)
5. Psalm, Apostles' Creed, and Gloria. (the people standing.)
6. Anthem, by the Choir.
7. Scripture Lesson.
8. Prayer.
9. Hymn. (the people standing.)
10. The Sermon.
11. Offering.
12. Prayer.
13. Hymn and Benediction. (the people standing.)
14. The Sermon.

EVENING.

- 1. Organ Prelude.
2. Call to Worship by the Minister.
3. Evening Doxology. (the people standing.)
4. Hymn. (the people sitting.)
5. Psalm, and Gloria. (the people standing.)
6. Anthem, by the Choir.
7. Scripture Lesson.
8. Prayer.
9. Hymn. (the people standing.)
10. The Sermon.
11. Antiphona, by the Choir.
12. Hymn and Benediction. (the people standing.)

To avoid complications, it might be well for all worshippers, unfamiliar with this order of services, to go to church armed with a copy of this week's DEMOCRAT.

The mint growers of Mocrland township Muskegon Co., will make a pretty good thing out of their crop this year. The amount raised has made 40,000 pounds of the distilled oil, which sells for about \$1 a pound. One man will ship 8,000 pounds direct to Europe.

The barbers' union of Port Huron, is after the non-union shops, and caused the arrest of Harry Vinke, of Park street, for keeping his place open Sunday. A committee set a watch on the place, and when a customer entered the police were notified and the shop entered.

Union City must have a nice brand of smart fellows. The City Marshal offers a reward of \$30 for the apprehension of individuals who amuse themselves by stretching ropes across the sidewalks on dark nights. Several citizens of that place have been seriously injured by pitching headlong over the obstructions.

You Can Be Well.

When your blood is pure, rich and nourishing for nerves and muscles. The blood is the vital fluid, and when it is poor, thin and impure you must either suffer from some distressing disease or you will easily fall a victim to sudden changes exposure, or overwork. Keep your blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla and be well.

Hood's Pills are the best after-dinner pill; assist digestion, cure headache. 25 cents.

A Word to the Anti-Saloon League.

As has been stated before, an Anti-Saloon League has been formed in this city, and doubtless will do some effective work in the future. But along with this line of work, would it not be well to do something for the boys who have not yet learned to visit saloons, but who are regular frequenters of tobacco stores and cigarette stands? In nearly all places where tobacco is sold, a small back room is at the disposal of the boys, where they can play cards, teach other boys to smoke cigarettes, and raise the Old Harry according to the dictates of their own sweet wills. These places are the kindergartens of the saloons; and would it not be wise to spend some time and energy in looking after these children, and preventing them from growing up in the way they should not go? In this state there is a law prohibiting the sale of tobacco to a boy under 17 years of age. There is also another law under which any person using obscene or profane language on the public street, is liable to arrest. Yet how many times a day do we hear profanity from men on the business streets, particularly from those whose chief object in life seems to be holding down the iron railing east of Carpenter's jewelry store, or the empty boxes and barrels at the side of King's grocery. And how often can you walk through town without seeing boys under 17 years of age, more often 10 or 12, boldly smoking a cigar or cigarette? Something ought to be done about this matter, and that right speedily.

WEBSTER WHISPERS.

Meeting of the Literary Society—Christian Endeavor Entertainment Next Week—Treasurer's Appointments—Neighborhood Visitors.

Mr. Henry Cook has moved into his fine new house.

Miss Ada Latson came home from Ann Arbor to spend Sunday.

Rev. J. W. Stacey has registered at the University for some special work.

Iva McCall and family of Charlotte, visited Mr. McCall's father a few days recently.

The ladies home missionary society met last week with Mrs. Cranston. Dinner was served, and a pleasant afternoon passed.

W. W. Alexander, town treasurer, will be at the town hall every Friday this month, and at the Dexter Savings bank Saturdays, to receive taxes.

The literary society met last Saturday evening with Ed. Phelps. For an old bachelor Ed entertained them very nicely. A pleasant program was given.

The young people are practicing for an entertainment to be given Saturday evening, Dec. 19th, in the Congregational church, for the benefit of the Y. P. S. C. E.

Mrs. Byron Kenny and family and Mrs. Ira Backus, attended a surprise party given to S. O. Hadley, father of the ladies, at his home near Unadilla on Saturday last.

A White Pigeon resident has a family which is something remarkable in the way of weight. There are six of them, the father and mother, a daughter and three sons, and their average weight is 202 pounds.

Jacob Riedel and Will Seckenger had a lively runaway one day last week, and Will was considerably jarred up by being thrown out.

The stock holders of the Peoples' Bank, at their annual meeting Tuesday, elected their present officers and board of directors.

Dr. J. A. Lynch was on the road most of the time last week introducing his medicines and baking powder to the trade in new territory.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Sanford left Monday for the East. They will visit New York and Philadelphia relatives until after the holidays.

A large quantity of new chemicals and apparatus has been received at the high school, and now the chemical laboratory is as well equipped as any in this part of the state.

Our item last week regarding the new time card, announced the departure of the north bound train to Jackson at 9:42 a. m. It should be 9:32 a. m., ten minutes earlier.

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MANCHESTER MENTION.

Manchester Boomed for State Board of Pharmacy—Church Fair—Banks Re-Elect Old Officers and Directors—New High School Equipment.

Earl Chase spent Sunday with Holloway friends.

N. Schmid was a guest of Ann Arbor relatives Saturday.

Mrs. Enoch Silkworth has been quite sick the past week.

Chas. Gumper's two weeks-old daughter was buried Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Renshaw have a bran new boy. Born last Sunday.

Mrs. Wm. Koebbe and Miss Tillie Nauman visited in Jackson, Friday.

Miss Mary Holt of Tecumseh, visited friends in this vicinity a few days recently.

The dam at the Manchester Roller Mills is undergoing much needed repairs.

Will Hashley has joined the Lake Shore crew that is working at the new gravel pit.

Clara Heliker has recovered sufficiently from her recent illness to be about the house.

A blind musician accompanied by a boy was in town Monday picking up the pennies.

Webster Logan is nursing a sore hand, the result of his getting a large splinter in it.

Miss Belle Gordiner has been entertaining as her guest, Miss Rose Hineley of Toledo.

Will Kalmbach returned Monday from a week's visit with his brother Fred, at Jackson.

Mrs. Ann Calkins of Chelsea, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Jane Kingsley, at J. H. Kingsley's.

The cheese factory is now in running order, and the business in that industry began Wednesday.

John Gousser returned Monday from a two weeks' vacation, spent with friends in Jackson.

Local merchants are displaying their Christmas goods, and some creditable displays are noticed.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Bauer have reason to rejoice over the birth of a nice little girl, that arrived last Sunday.

Kimble & Schmid will probably enter into the manufacture of high furniture. They are now making tables.

The directors of the Union Savings bank have declared a 5% dividend to the shareholders, payable Jan. 1, '97.

A. F. Freeman went to Lansing Tuesday to be absent a few days on legal business in the Supreme court.

About 25 members of the Star lodge went to Brooklyn last Friday evening to do the work, and report an enjoyable time.

John P. Kirk of Ypsilanti, our newly elected prosecuting attorney, was in town on business Thursday of last week.

Ed. Kief received some large deer heads from Virginia recently which he is mounting. Elmer Cushman sent them.

We are informed that E. E. Silkworth, who has been operating a laundry at Hillsdale, has moved his plant to Reading.

Mrs. Bert Chase and son "Little Bill" of Jackson, are visiting at Grandpa Chase's, and will remain until after the holidays.

Jacob Riedel and Will Seckenger had a lively runaway one day last week, and Will was considerably jarred up by being thrown out.

The stock holders of the Peoples' Bank, at their annual meeting Tuesday, elected their present officers and board of directors.

Dr. J. A. Lynch was on the road most of the time last week introducing his medicines and baking powder to the trade in new territory.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Sanford left Monday for the East. They will visit New York and Philadelphia relatives until after the holidays.

A large quantity of new chemicals and apparatus has been received at the high school, and now the chemical laboratory is as well equipped as any in this part of the state.

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Friends of W. C. Kirchgessner, a Manchester boy employed in Peck Bros. Pharmacy, Grand Rapids, are circulating petitions throughout the state in the anticipation of getting Will on the state board of pharmacy. We wish him success.

The Royal Arch degree was conferred Wednesday evening by Meridian chapter upon a team composed of Messrs. Bert Rose, Evan Essery and Mortimer Henderschott. Visiting brothers from neighboring towns were present, and after the exercises a banquet was served.

The annual election of officers of the A. O. U. W. was held Tuesday evening and the following is the list of officers selected:—Master Workman, Howard B. Clark; forman, Ed. Braun; overseer, Wm. Kirchgessner; recorder, J. E. Blum; financier, Chas. Youngans; receiver, Wm. Koebbe; guide, Geo. L. Feldkamp; inside watch, Wm. Reichert; outside watch, Theo. Morscheausser; medical examiner, Dr. J. F. Shlinger; trustee, (3 years), Joseph Kramer; representative, C. Nauman; alternate, Geo. Nisle.

A Hale Old Man.

Our little village boasts of one of the oldest active merchants in the state, and we doubt if any neighboring hamlet can boast of as hale and hearty man as our venerable merchant, Wm. Baxter.

Mr. Baxter came to Manchester in 1837 and began a business career as landlord of the only tavern in the village, now known as the Gwinner block, opposite the Freeman House. Later he engaged in a general mercantile establishment in a frame building on the present site of the Arbeiter Hall block. When the conflagration of 1853 burned the greater portion of the town, Mr. Baxter was one of the victims of that disaster.

He immediately erected a brick structure and again engaged in business, at his present stand, and but very few days has he missed behind his counter since that time. While in his 87th year, "Uncle Billy", is at his store every day, personally superintending his business interests, and waits on his customers with as much ease and grace as a youth of 20.

CHELSEA CHAT.

A New Society Organizing—Social Events—Howard Canfield Improving—The Water Works Exhibit at the Grist Mill Fire.

Mr. Earnest Wurster of Ann Arbor, visited Henry Steinbach last Saturday night.

The X Y Z club was entertained at the home of Miss Vale Burton, last Tuesday night.

A large number of young people from here will attend the ball given by the Grass Lake people, Friday night.

Mr. F. White of Dowagiac, has been in town during the past week trying to start a fraternal lodge of the International Congress.

Cards of invitation have been issued by Fred Nehaus of Lima, to a dance at his new and elegant residence, on Wednesday, Dec. 16.

Mr. Howard Canfield, who was injured last week, is improving rapidly, notwithstanding the reports in some of the Ann Arbor papers of his death.

Mr. B. Steinbach had the bad luck to break the forward truck on his threshing engine last week, and had to quit work for a whole week during the busiest part of the season.

Last Tuesday our water works were tested with pressure from the new tank. A force of 39 lbs. to the square inch was registered, and two sets of hose were successively operated.

The following are officers of Chelsea lodge, No. 194, K. of P., elected at their meeting Wednesday evening, December 2: C. C., Geo. A. BeGole; V. C., Julius M. Klein; Bert J. Howlett; M. of W., Chauncey M. Stevens; K. of R. and S., Bert B. Turnbull; M. of F., John D. Watson; M. of E., Edgar A. Williams; M. A., Geo. W. Beckwith; I. G., Thomas Speer; O. G., Ernest E. Shaver; trustee, for three years, Harmon S. Holmes; Representative of Grand Lodge, P. C., James L. Gilbert; Alternate Representative to Grand Lodge, P. C., Hiram Lighthall.

Last Saturday afternoon the fire bell startled everybody with its rapid clanging. Now was the time to try our water works. The flour mill was on fire, but because of the wet day burned very slowly. A large crowd soon gathered at the scene of the fire and watched with impatience the brave firemen attach the hose to the pipe. Meanwhile the two chemical engines arrived and set immediately to work. As yet no water had appeared in the hose, and the firemen frantically waved their hats in despair. And still no water. Then they took the hose apart and blew the water through each section. Out came great chunks of ice, and the mystery was solved. After the test of the day before, the hose had been reeled up without emptying them, and of course, were frozen full. The chemical engine had put out the fire by this time, and the crowd adjourned up town, where it was found that one of the water pipes had burst. This was repaired during the night, after much digging. We hope that the next exhibition will be more successful.

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DARING DESPERADOES.

Hold Up a Train in the Suburbs of St. Louis.

THEIR LABOR FOR THEIR PAINS.

Although the Job Was Well Planned They Secured No Booty Because They Held Up the Wrong Train—Engineer and Fireman on the Clover Leaf Line Had a Desperate Encounter with a Vicious Tramp—May Result Fatally.

St. Louis, Dec. 10.—Six masked men held up the cannon ball, the through express on the St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern, which left this city at 8:30 o'clock Wednesday evening, at a point about five miles from the Union station, in the suburbs. They boarded the blind baggage at the Frisco crossing, two miles this side of Bates street, which is a secluded and unprotected crossing. Two of the robbers covered Engineer Green and compelled him to stop the train. Conductor Hall at once came forward to ascertain the cause of the delay, when two more of the bandits covered him and ordered him into the smoker, the first coach. While these robbers kept guard on the passenger coaches the remaining two proceeded to blow open the express car with dynamite. As it was a through car the safe contained little or no money and the robbers secured nothing after all their efforts.

Tackled the Wrong Train. Realizing that they had mistaken their train, the bandits did not tarry long and were soon fleeing to the woods close at hand. The train then proceeded and reached Iron Mountain Junction only twenty minutes late, but with scores of badly frightened tourists en route to the sunny south. The hour being early, none of the passengers had retired for the night and the tremendous noise from the dynamite explosion occurring shortly after the stopping of the train was calculated to unnerve even the most fearless. W. J. Egan, the express messenger, is authority for the statement that the Pacific Express company will not lose a dollar. His statement is corroborated by the railway officials at the general office in this city, who state that the only loss sustained by the railway company is the damage to the express car.

FATALLY CUT BY A TRAMP.

Knight of the Road Attacks an Engineer and Fireman.

Greenville, Ills., Dec. 10.—A pitched battle occurred at Sorento Wednesday night between the fireman and engineer of a through freight on the Clover Leaf line and B. I. Clemens, a tramp who was stealing a ride from Charleston. Clemens was put off by the trainmen at Sorento and he attacked Fireman Cook and the engineer with a knife, seriously wounding both. He was, after much effort, captured by the city marshal and a posse of citizens, but before submitting to arrest he cut the city marshal on the head and back, and then plunged the knife in his own body, near the region of his heart.

He was brought to Greenville and turned over to Sheriff McAllister, who, in attempting to place him in a cell, was furiously attacked by the prisoner. Deputy Sheriff Wright and a squad of citizens were summoned and he was finally subdued. A physician was then called to dress his self-inflicted wounds, but he fought desperately and would allow no one to approach him. After several hours' struggle he was bound and his wounds dressed. The prisoner fears lynching and threatens self-destruction. He is a man of powerful proportions and appears to have a fair education. He has in his possession a mechanical engineer's license and his initials, "B. I. C.," are tattooed on his left forearm. He will be held here until the March term of the circuit court. It is thought that the engineer cannot recover from his wounds.

Robber Makes a Confession.

Cedar Rapids, Ia., Dec. 10.—A young man giving the name of George Watson was arrested near Walford, Iowa county, Wednesday afternoon as one of the parties who attempted to hold up Agent Benedict at Fairfax on Monday evening. When brought to this city late Wednesday night he confessed to his part in the affair, and said the man who was killed is Frank Wolfe, lately released from the Joliet penitentiary, and who also served a term at the bridewell. The fellow admitted on close examination that Henry Schultz is his real name; that he lives at the Arlington in Chicago, and is a cook. He is about 5 ft. 10 in. tall, and says he is 21 years of age.

Death of Scar-Faced Charley.

Seneca, Mo., Dec. 10.—Scar-Faced Charley, a noted Modoc chief, is dead of consumption on the Modoc reservation in Indian territory, four miles from here. He was a member of the conference with the United States committee, General Canby and others, April 11, 1873, near the lava beds in Oregon, at which time General Canby and Dr. Thomas were killed and Mr. Meacham and other commissioners wounded. It is said that Scar-Faced Charley fired the shot that broke up the conference. The Modocs finally surrendered to General J. C. Loomis June 1, 1873.

Report of the Western Union.

New York, Dec. 10.—The report of the Western Union Telegraph company for the quarter ending Dec. 31, shows: Net revenue, \$1,600,000; decrease, \$3,416; surplus after all charges and dividends, \$164,681; decrease, \$3,229. The statement for the six months ending Dec. 31 shows: Net revenue, \$3,187,533; decrease, \$258,532; surplus, \$316,894; decrease, \$258,163; total surplus, \$1,960,588; decrease, \$61,945.

Funeral of John R. Fellows.

New York, Dec. 10.—The funeral of the late Colonel John R. Fellows took place yesterday afternoon. After private services at the family residence the casket was taken to the Church of the Intercession and the Episcopal burial service performed. The interment was in Trinity cemetery. Among those present was William C. Whitney.

Babe Choked to Death.

Missouri Valley, Ia., Dec. 10.—The little 2-year-old child of Frank Smith of this city choked to death on a meat gristle at the dinner table Wednesday.

TO RECOGNIZE CUBA.

THREE RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED IN THE SENATE.

They Are Very Vigorous in Tone and Received Marked Attention—On Motion of Allen the Dingley Tariff Bill Is Taken Up, but Being Displaced by the Immigration Bill Goes Back to the Calendar.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The reassembling of congress for the closing session of the Fifty-fourth congress, was an occasion of unusual brilliancy and interest. The opening day is always a gala affair, marking as it does the official inauguration of the social, as well as the political season in Washington, but Monday it was all the more interesting because of the long and hard fought political battle that had been waged during the recess. The weather was perfect, clear and fairly warm. The throngs who streamed up the hill to witness the opening ceremonies formed an unorganized civic pageant. Gay equippages, with a rattle of chains, drawn by prancing steeds conveyed the diplomats, the fashionables and the more prominent in official life.

These elegant turnouts moved side by side with one-horse ramshackle cabs and other nondescript two-wheelers, conveying legislators and visitors. The unnumbered thousands moved up Pennsylvania avenue on foot in street cars. The corridors and galleries were soon thronged. There were demonstrations for conspicuously prominent statesmen, and at last came the drop of the gavel and the regular ceremonies attending the opening of the session and the reception of the president's annual communication to congress.

Washington, Dec. 10.—Frye, president pro tem. of the senate, occupied the chair Wednesday in the absence of the vice president. Platt presented the report of the joint select committee of congress relative to the question of alcohol used in the arts, etc., and offered a resolution for a continuance of the committee. This cleared the way for a series of vigorous Cuban resolutions. The first offered by Cameron, was as follows:

"Resolved, By the senate and house of representatives that the independence of the republic of Cuba be and the same is hereby acknowledged by the United States of America.

"Resolved, That the United States should use its friendly offices with the government of Spain to bring to a close the war between Spain and Cuba."

The Cameron resolution went to the committee on foreign relations. Mills followed at once with the following resolution:

"Joint resolution directing the president of the United States to take possession of the island of Cuba and hold it until its inhabitants can institute such government as they may wish, and organize and arm such forces as may be necessary to protect them against invasion.

"Resolved, etc., That the president of the United States is hereby directed to take possession of the island of Cuba with the military and naval forces of the United States and hold the same until the people of Cuba can organize a government deriving its powers from the consent of the governed, and arm and equip such military and naval forces as may be necessary to secure them against foreign invasion."

The Mills resolution was referred to the foreign relations committee. Call followed with another joint resolution, as follows:

"Resolved, By the senate and house of representatives, that the United States of America recognize the republic of Cuba as a free and independent government, and accord to the people of Cuba all the rights of a sovereign and independent government in the ports and within the jurisdiction of the United States."

The Call resolution went to the table. Call announcing that he would speak on it at an early day. The three Cuban resolutions came in quick succession, each being read in full, and occasioned marked attention, owing to the directness and vigor of the language used by the three senators. After this came a flood of bills covering every phase of legislation, including an anti-trust bill, and a measure to withdraw small notes from circulation, by Shoup; for "the temporary reduction of salaries of United States officers," by Chandler.

Allen then moved to take up the Dingley tariff bill and it was carried—yeas 35, nays 21. Several Democrats and Populists voted to take up the bill. At 2 o'clock the Dingley bill was displaced by the immigration bill and went back to the calendar. Senator Allen sought to have it made the unfinished business in the morning hour of Thursday, but objection was offered.

CLEVELAND'S FINAL MESSAGE

Opposes Action in the Cuban Case and Defends the Wilson Bill.

Washington, Dec. 8.—With crowded galleries the senators and representatives of the United States came to order today at noon for the last session of the Fifty-fourth congress. In the senate there was but one order of business—the reading of the president's message, which took nearly two hours. At its conclusion the senate adjourned. In the house the message was also read and the death of ex-Speaker Crisp was announced, after which the house also adjourned.

The president's message begins with felicitating the country on the fact that a very exciting election has passed peacefully, clearly demonstrating the permanence of our institutions. He then deplores the fact that the Turk is still allowed by Europe to butcher and rob Christians, but hopes for better things in that regard and says the claims of Americans who have been despoiled by Moslems will be pushed, although the porte has not admitted their justice.

reforms before the rebels lay down their arms to make an effort to guarantee their acceptance as a finish of the war. In passing he utters the Monroe doctrine sentiment that no other government must interfere in the matter. He devotes a large portion of his message to the defense of the Wilson tariff bill, which he says will, if given a fair chance—which circumstances have so far denied it—produce all the revenue the government needs, and gives figures in support of his claim. With reference to currency reform he has one principal remedy—and that is the absolute retirement and cancellation of all government currency that can be used to deplete the treasury reserve. The best plan to do this, he believes, is to fund the notes. The message has only a paragraph of a congratulatory nature about the Venezuela case, and then covers the reports of all the departments, referring to the navy, the army, coast defense, pensions, etc. Of pensions he says he has endeavored within his sphere to protect the pension roll and make it what it should be—a roll of honor.

SUMS ASKED BY CARLISLE.

Estimates of the Secretary of the Treasury for the Fiscal Year.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Secretary Carlisle Monday transmitted to the speaker of the house of representatives the estimates of appropriations required for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1898. They are recapitulated by titles as follows, cents being omitted: Legislative establishment... \$ 4,379,820 Executive establishment... 19,865,952 Judicial establishment... 907,120 Foreign intercourse... 2,082,728 Military establishment... 24,292,636 Naval establishment... 32,434,773 Indian affairs... 7,279,525 Pensions... 141,328,580 Public works... 31,437,061 Postal service... 1,288,334 Miscellaneous... 36,344,216 Annual appropriations... 120,078,220 Total... \$ 421,718,970

The estimates for the present fiscal year amounted to \$418,091,073, and the appropriations for the present fiscal year, including deficiencies and miscellaneous items, amounted to \$432,421,605.

VENEZUELAN GOVERNMENT ACCEPTS.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Secretary Olney has just received a cablegram from Senor Andrade, the Venezuelan minister to Washington, who is now in Caracas, stating that the Venezuelan government has accepted the agreement reached by the United States and Great Britain for the arbitration of the boundary dispute and that an extra session of the Venezuelan congress has been called to consider the treaty. Thus the last obstacle to this important dispute will be removed.

MACEO REPORTED KILLED.

Members of the Cuban Junta in New York Do Not Believe It.

New York, Dec. 10.—The World's copyrighted cable from Havana says: The afternoon papers are out with extras seeming to confirm the report of the death of General Antonio Maceo and a son of General Gomez. The rumor which first reached Havana Tuesday night was that the rebel leader, having left Pinar del Rio province, was killed in Havana province in an engagement with the Spanish troops under Major Cirujeda on the Matilde estate near Punta Brava.

When attacked by Cirujeda's little band of 356 infantry and 123 cavalry, General Maceo, with from 3,000 to 4,000 followers, occupied positions under cover of a stone fence. Maceo was driven from the position by a brilliant Spanish bayonet charge. The insurgents vainly attempted to make new stands. Successive efforts to use the machetes were each time parried, until finally, upon the adjoining estate of San Claudio, they broke in disorder. The insurgents abandoned more than forty dead.

Dr. Tomas Estrada Palma and Dr. J. Castillo of the Cuban junta in New York, refuse to give credence to the report of the death of General Antonio Maceo in a recent engagement with Major Cirujeda after crossing the trocha in the western part of Cuba.

"This is the seventh time that the news of Maceo's death has been circulated with the semblance of official authority," said Dr. Castillo. Continuing the doctor said it had always been the custom to report that Maceo had fallen in conflict whenever he compelled the Spanish to retreat with heavy loss of life. If he is dead, his death will not end the contest, said Dr. Castillo, who intimated that he looked upon the report in the light of a Spanish "fake."

Jackson and Walling Must Hang.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 9.—The court of appeals has refused a new trial to Scott Jackson.

Jackson and Walling had both been convicted of the murder of Pearl Bryan, whose headless body was found near Covington, Ky., and created such a sensation.

The opinion of the court of appeals covers also the appeal of the attorneys for Alonzo Walling, who must die. The grounds for appeal were that the judge erred in the instructing; the sheriff erred in not allowing admission except by ticket and that the evidence was insufficient. Governor Bradley must now fix the date of execution.

One Editor Kills Another.

New Orleans, Dec. 10.—Julius Soule, a Mississippi editor and a member of the famous Mississippi family of that name, died Wednesday at Charity hospital in this city. He was shot Tuesday at Biloxi by John H. Miller, editor of the Biloxi Herald, and was brought here for treatment. The shooting was the result of a newspaper controversy that has been going on between the two for a month in connection with the municipal election.

Double Lynching in Missouri.

Lexington, Mo., Dec. 8.—At about 1 o'clock Monday morning a mob of Ray county farmers broke into the county jail here, secured Jesse Winner and James Nelson, held for the murder of Mrs. Winner and her two babies, and lynched them. The mob broke into the jail with little difficulty and speedily accomplished their object of meting out punishment to the alleged slayers.

John R. Fellows Dead.

New York, Dec. 8.—Colonel John R. Fellows, who has been ill for some time past died Monday at his home in this city.

NEWS CONDENSED.

Summary of Happenings All Over the Great World.

George J. Eacock has been appointed receiver for the Spring & Emerson Stationery and Printing company of Lafayette, Ind. Liabilities, \$30,000; assets, less.

To secure a claim of \$50,000 held by the defunct Sioux City National bank, the Sioux City Engine and Iron works has given a bill of sale to Receiver Brown of the former concern.

Samuel Corbett, missing from Decatur, Ills., since Nov. 4, was found dead near the Oakridge schoolhouse in Long Creek township. He was an epileptic, aged 60. It is supposed he died in a fit.

The Clinton Furniture company, retail furniture dealers at Clinton, Ia., were closed on chattel mortgages and claims by suits aggregating \$4,050.25.

Horace Harding of Stilesville, Ind., a barber, committed suicide by shooting. Harding's extreme deafness and infirmities led to the deed. He left a note to that effect to his family.

On account of the crop deficiency.

Australia requires 100,000 tons of wheat and flour from America, and half of that quantity has already been ordered.

Hyrum Jeppesen, James Christianson, Sr., and his son James were buried in a snowslide in Logan canyon, Utah. Jeppesen extricated himself but the others were killed.

While workmen were engaged in excavating for a ditch near the village of Silver Lake, Ind., they unearthed one of the finest specimens of the tusks of a mastodon ever discovered in northern Indiana. It measured seven and one-half feet in length and weighed seventy-eight pounds.

George Nungesser, a well-to-do farmer, aged 68, froze to death near Bucyrus, O. He was walking to Bucyrus and fell by the roadside.

Under the direction of Fish Commissioner Brice a large number of Pacific coast salmon are to be planted in eastern waters.

The highest vote ever cast in Nevada was 19,691, at the presidential election of 1876. This year the total vote of the state was 8,507.

The J. E. Owens Drug company of Kansas City has failed.

The bank holds notes of the firm aggregating \$11,250.

The will of Mrs. Emira Forbes of Anderson, Ind., leaves her entire estate to the Christian church of that city. It is a large sum.

It may not be generally known that the story of Enoch Arden, as it stands in the poem, is in every detail a true one. It was related to Lord Tennyson by the late Mr. Woolner, the well-known sculptor, whose widow has the manuscript of the story.

Peter Layman, a dairyman of Akron, O., drew \$525 from a bank to meet a payment on his farm. Burglars entered his house and secured the money.

On the evidence of his father, John Taylor was sentenced at Pana, Ills., to the Chester penitentiary for larceny. He broke into his father's shop and stole iron, which he sold for money to buy liquor.

Mr. Clarence Cook, in an address the other day, declared New York the ugliest city in the world.

D. W. Sheudy, a well known attorney of Rockford, Ill., and Justice of the Peace, attempted suicide by swallowing a dose of laudanum. He will recover.

The celebration of the completion of a quarter of century of King Oscar's reign will be signalized by a Scandinavian art and industrial exhibition at Stockholm during the next summer.

Madrid papers claim that the United States desires to ruin Spain's colonial power.

The porte has decided to decline payment of all claims for indemnity for massacres except those advanced by Americans.

Emperor William addressed the officers at the military school at Hanover and cautioned the soldiers to act in a more friendly manner toward civilians.

It is said that Emperor William is considering the advisability of recalling all the officers whom he loaned to the Chinese government for the purpose of instructing the Mongolian warriors in the arts of civilized warfare.

It is not unusual for the Duke of Westminster's charity bill to amount to \$100,000 a year.

Joseph Henderson was killed at Middleville, Mich., in an encounter with a savage bull.

George D. Hamill, aged 50, of Syracuse, N. Y., committed suicide at Phoenix, A. T., by taking morphine. Poor health and financial troubles drove him to the act. He was interested in mines in Yavapai county, A. T.

Four states have passed the 1,000,000 mark in their vote. New York came first, with 1,324,339; Pennsylvania second, with 1,194,463; Illinois third, with 1,089,825, and Ohio fourth, with 1,015,825.

Elijah Simons, who went with his bride from New York to visit at Merrimack, Wis., was accidentally shot and killed by a companion, Fred Van Derhoof.

The public schools of New Orleans have been compelled to close during the present month, the reason given being that, however willing the city council might be to help the schools, there are no funds available for the purpose.

M. Frederic Auguste Bartholdi has been elected president of the Societe Libre des Artistes Francais.

Governor Altgeld of Illinois has commuted to twenty years the life sentence of Henry Schwartz, who was implicated with Newton Waat in the murder of Express Messenger Kellogg on the Rock Island road between Joliet and Morris, Ills., in January, 1888.

An Indianapolis physician, after an hour's lively chase, caught a 'possum in his back yard.

James Atwood was admitted to the county farm at Mascoutah, Ills., from Centerville township. His age is 110 years.

The revolution in Uruguay has been squelched, but to keep things interesting a religious outbreak is going on in the state of Bahia, Brazil.

Sir Tatton Sykes, one of the richest barons in England, has announced through the English newspapers that he will not be responsible for any debts or engagements contracted by his wife, who has left him.

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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

[OFFICIAL.]

COUNCIL CHAMBER.

Ann Arbor, December 7th 1896.

Regular Session.

Called to order by President Hiseock.

Roll Called. Quorum Present.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

A petition signed by Christian Mack asking for payment for a portion of third Street was read and referred to the Finance Committee and City Attorney.

A petition signed by Ernest Gutekunst and Mat Luippold asking for permission to cut poplar trees in front of their premises, was read and referred to the Street Committee.

A petition signed by Charles Greiner and 38 others, asking for the location of an electric light on Wall Street was read and referred to the Lighting Committee.

A petition signed by James Boyle and 44 others asking for the lowering of the sidewalk on Detroit street was read and referred to the Sidewalk Committee.

A petition signed by Conrad Buchlow asking for a sidewalk on Felch st. was read and referred to the Sidewalk Committee.

To the Common Council:

The Board of Fire Commissioners would respectfully recommend that the salary of Charles Carroll, watchman at the Fire Department, be raised from \$15.00 to \$20 per month. Mr. Carroll is a competent man for the position and justly deserves the advance.

GLEN V. MILLS,

Clerk of the Board of Fire Commissioners.

Ald. Maynard moved that the recommendation be concurred in by this Council.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Moore, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Dell, Burke, Brown, Shadford, Rhodes, Coon, Soule, Cady, Danforth, Pres. Hiseock—15.

Nays—None.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

FINANCE.

To the Common Council.

Your Committee on Finance respectfully reports that they have had the following bills under consideration and would recommend their allowance and that warrants be ordered drawn for the same.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. Cady,

Harrison Soule,

Emmett Coon,

Committee on Finance.

CONTINGENT FUND.

Glen V Mills, salary.....\$ 83.34

Patrick O'Hearn.....\$ 34.34

Thomas D Kearney.....\$ 59.00

Charles H Manly.....\$ 8.34

Glen V Mills, postage.....\$ 2.50

Mack & Schmid, rent.....\$ 10.00

W L Davenport labor.....\$ 17.00

Mrs C A Greene, rent.....\$ 10.00

C E Cotdrey freight and drayage.....\$ 6.30

Ann Arbor Argus printing.....\$ 20.00

F G Scheitler & Co supplies.....\$ 11.95

Geo Wahr supplies.....\$ 11.95

Washtenaw Abstract Co abstract.....\$ 10.00

M Staeblel coal.....\$ 15.38

W L Telegraph Co telegram.....\$ 31.00

Postal Tel-Cable Co.....\$ 50.00

Glen V Mills, account assigned.....\$ 10.50

E A Beal Est printing.....\$ 4.00

W L Millard, printing.....\$ 11.75

Hausfreund and Post printing.....\$ 9.55

Moore & Wetmore supplies.....\$ 3.50

Robison & Co livery.....\$ 151.00

Joan F Lawrence letter.....\$ 21.13

Ann Arbor Register printing.....\$ 10.28

Indian Press printing.....\$ 19.75

Dean & Co supplies.....\$ 75.00

Henry G Wilnot Post.....\$ 1.50

Nene Williamson poster, printing.....\$ 10.50

W H Alldam trees.....\$ 3.00

B F Watts repairing clock.....\$ 1.30

W L Hiseock, printing.....\$ 2.00

D Hiseock & Son coal.....\$ 475.42

Ann Arbor T-H Electric Co lighting.....\$ 50.00

Chas H Manly copying rolls.....\$ 50.00

Total.....\$ 1132.80

STREET FUND.

Ann Arbor Savings Bank accounts assigned them:

Thomas Jones labor.....\$ 3.00

Barney Morrison.....\$ 209.64

Wm Erbman.....\$ 9.00

Charles Herman.....\$ 3.00

August Yahr.....\$ 9.00

B French.....\$ 18.20

James Mason.....\$ 8.10

J Groff.....\$ 9.00

Geo Zachman.....\$ 9.00

Clinton J Snyder.....\$ 6.54

J Hittle.....\$ 2.50

Julius Nims.....\$ 6.75

John Holland.....\$ 5.25

Lawrence Hughes.....\$ 2.10

M Heroy.....\$ 15.50

W J Randall.....\$ 14.70

T Martini.....\$ 8.25

J McHugh.....\$ 6.75

Wm Jackson.....\$ 7.50

Thomas Eagle.....\$ 5.25

Ed Ross.....\$ 3.50

C Pagle.....\$ 7.50

Emil Milser.....\$ 9.00

Ice Rowe.....\$ 10.35

Barney Mast.....\$ 10.50

Burt Hazelwood.....\$ 7.50

Wm Browe.....\$ 10.50

John Brown.....\$ 10.50

August Redies.....\$ 6.00

Frank Fay.....\$ 9.00

James H Green.....\$ 7.50

Wm Lamborn.....\$ 9.00

Geo W Coats.....\$ 9.00

F Ulrich.....\$ 9.00

M Kusterer.....\$ 9.00

Frank Olmstead.....\$ 9.00

T S Gough.....\$ 8.10

G Healy.....\$ 7.50

S T Sweet.....\$ 15.00

Elmer Thomas.....\$ 8.10

J Hesselan.....\$ 10.65

Wm Fletcher.....\$ 12.25

Wm Bury.....\$ 18.00

Albert Schwemmin.....\$ 9.00

Z Sweet labor.....\$ 31.50

George Wason.....\$ 1.35

Alexander Schluppe.....\$ 2.10

Charles Schneider.....\$ 30.00

Z Sweet.....\$ 11.40

Julius Funke, labor.....\$ 18.75

Fred G Hoffman stone.....\$ 25.75

Chas Pagel labor.....\$ 8.10

J Zeeb.....\$ 21.60

T Eagle.....\$ 8.70

Wm Browe.....\$ 8.70

Ice Rowe.....\$ 3.75

A Schwemmin.....\$ 3.45

Barney Mast.....\$ 8.10

Emil Milser.....\$ 8.10

Albert Sulster.....\$ 8.75

Michael Kusterer.....\$ 8.18

F Funk.....\$ 11.28

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Additional Ypsilanti News. "My ain't that a peach," said a small boy about the new electric car, as it passed him on the trial trip Wednesday afternoon.

Over 100 was cleared by the Light Guards from the shows which were held in Light Guard hall last week. "Can any good thing come out of Nazareth?" It appears in this case, yes.

Commencement exercises at Cleary college will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 22. About 60 students will receive diplomas. The address will be delivered by Prof. F. A. Barbour, and the music will be furnished by the Ypsilanti Orchestral Society.

The lectures on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings by I. V. Flagler were very interesting and instructive. Mr. Flagler gave numerous selections on the organ, proving easily his right to the distinction of being one of the finest organists in the country.

A good sized crowd attended the auction social at the Y. W. C. A. Wednesday evening. Each person was supplied with a bag of beans, which were to be used instead of money to buy the article which were sold at auction.

There are several more institutions in this city that should be compelled to use smoke consumers. Any one walking along Huron st. on Wednesday or Thursday would come to the conclusion that Mr. Glover's factory did not produce all the smoke which used to be complained of before the smoke consumer was put in.

Additional Ann Arbor News. W. W. Wats has disposed of his fast horse "Happy Man," to D. F. Whalen of Detroit.

The trustees of the new north side church, last night purchased from Geo. Weeks the lot on Broadway, adjoining Nelson Garlinghouse on the north. The stone for the new building will be drawn during the winter.

Ann Arbor lodge, A. O. U. W., No. 27, last evening elected the following officers for next year: Past master workman, John Armbruster; master workman, Henry Allmendinger; foreman, Wm. Jacobus; overseer, Gottlob Luick; recorder, Will Clark; financier, John Kuebler; receiver, Gottlob Schneider; guide, Gottlob Stark; inside watch, Fred Wolf; outside watch, Julius Joenke; trustees, M. Lutz, Gottlob Luick, Geo. Hall-r; representative to Grand Lodge, Gottlob Luick; alternate, John Baumgardner; physicians, Drs. Kapp, Belser and Clark.

Mrs. W. S. Perry has gone east for a holiday visit. Dr. and Mrs. Taft of Cincinnati, are visiting in the city. Attorney Stivers made his maiden speech to a jury yesterday. Fred Huntoon is local consul for the League of American Wheelmen.

Mrs. Schulz, who has been on the sick list for some time, is recovering. Miss Eda Kuebler gave a saur-kraut party at her home on Miller ave., last evening.

Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Moore, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Dell, Burke, Brown, Shadford, Rhodes, Coon, Soule, Cady, Danforth, Pres. Hiseock—15. Nays—None.

Chairman Cady presented the bill of Dr. John Lee for \$10 for medical services. Ald. Soule moved that the bill be referred to the City Attorney.

ORDINANCE. Chairman Maynard presented an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to prohibit the firing of Fire Arms, within the limits of the City of Ann Arbor which was given its first reading by title.

Ald. Coon moved that the ordinance be placed on its second reading. Adopted as follows: Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Moore, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Dell, Burke, Brown, Shadford, Rhodes, Coon, Soule, Cady, Danforth, Pres. Hiseock—15. Nays—None.

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THE DEMOCRAT

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

IN AND ABOUT THE CITY.

S. C. A. realized about \$90.00 from the Powers entertainment.

A handsome aquarium will occupy the place of honor in the new Cook House dining room.

The Knights of the Loyal Guard will meet next Thursday evening in Seyler's hall for the election of officers.

The Ann Arbor and the Detroit and Milwaukee railroads, have formed joint agencies at Ithaca, Alma and St. Louis.

Young mail carrier O'Kane now has a name belonging to himself. He was christened Sunday last as James Joseph O'Kane.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. will hold their regular monthly business meeting Monday December 14th at 3 p. m. in the room of the association.

There will be a meeting of the Graduate Club at the residence of Prof. Kelsey, No. 9 Tappan street, tomorrow evening. Dr. Wenley will read a paper on 'American Students and Scottish Universities.'

Be careful how you give subscriptions for periodicals to strangers. Mr. Stofflet found a party canvassing for Review of Reviews below wholesale price. There are plenty of resident dealers who can give you rates as low as the lowest.

The next reception to the Hobart Guild will be given Saturday, December 12th. For the remainder of the year these receptions will be for Guild members only. All young people who are attendants at St. Andrew's church are eligible to membership.

Bulletins 136, 137 and 138 of the Agricultural College experiment station are upon the following subjects:—'Fattening Lambs, a comparison of Fodders'; 'Feeding Corn Smut'; 'Pig Feeding.' They are free to farmers of the state. Write to the college for them.

An unavoidable but serious accident occurred on the Ann Arbor road last Friday. When near Elsie, the axle of a freight car broke, and threw about a dozen cars into Harmon Creek. Merchandise of all kinds was piled up, and the contents of one tank of oil in a standard tank were lost. Loss will foot up about \$10,000.

The sewing school during the past month has received aid from Mack & Schmid, E. F. Mills & Co., Schairer & Millen, Mrs. Keech, Mrs. Walker and Mr. Bradshaw. As they have 70 children to provide for they have still great need. Contributions may be handed to Miss Brown, 17 Church street, at any time.

The Knights of Pythias at their annual meeting last Friday night, elected the following officers to serve for next year:—C. C., John Lindenschmitt; V. C. C., Fred Barker; prelate, Dr. J. L. Rose; E., Henry Hesser; M. of F., M. C. Peterson; K. of R., and S., Charles Ream; M. of A., Nick Glazer; delegate, John Lindenschmitt.

Washtenaw Chapter R. A. M. last Monday evening elected the following officers for the next year:—H. P., L. C. Goodrich; K., W. H. Dorrance; Scribe, J. Fred Hoelzle; C. of H., W. E. Howe; P. S., H. G. Prettyman; Treas., C. E. Hiscock; Sec., N. D. Gates; R. A. C., Geo. L. Moore; M. 3rd. V., Elmer E. Beal; M. 2nd V., Oscar Burkhardt; M. 1st V., Robert Phillips; Sentinel, Thos. Taylor.

The next entertainment in Unity Club course will be given next Monday evening, by Mrs. Louise Hall-Walker, subject, "Constantinople." Mrs. Walker spent considerable time in Constantinople a year ago, and through her acquaintance with American and British officials enjoyed special advantages for interesting sight seeing. Her account will doubtless be very interesting.

Joe T. Jacobs Camp, Sons of Veterans, have elected the following officers for next year. There was only one member absent from the meeting: C. M. Stevens, captain; E. C. Krapf, first lieutenant; Henry Allmendinger, second lieutenant; W. O. Thomas, G. V. Coates and W. H. Krapf, camp council; G. V. Coates, delegate; James B. Saunders, jr., alternate; Major Harrison Soule, installing officer.

The twelfth annual issue of the Columbia Pad Calendar has made its appearance on the editor's desk in more pleasing form than ever before having scattered through its daily leaves many charming illustrations, with an appropriate thought or verse for each day in the year. Among the topics are bicycling, outdoor life, and good roads. The cycling fraternity, to say nothing of the general public has acquired a decidedly friendly feeling for the Columbia Calendar and its annual advent is always looked forward to with interest and pleasure. One feature of the calendar is its neat stand, so arranged that the block can either be used upon the desk or hung upon the wall. The calendar can be obtained for five two-cent stamps by addressing the Calendar Department of the Pope Manufacturing Company at Hartford, Conn.

Full council reports in another column of this issue.

The W. C. T. U. has deemed it advisable to change the two regular meetings in the month of December from the 10th and 24th, to the 17th and 31st. Thursday, Dec. 17th, at 3 p. m., the Union will meet at the Y. W. C. A. rooms over the post office. All are cordially invited.

The managers of the telephone exchanges at Ann Arbor and Jackson arranged matters last Saturday so that a party of Jacksonites enjoyed the Ann Arbor Music Co.'s recital over the long distance telephone. It proved an entire success, and was much enjoyed by our neighbors.

The board of directors of the Y. M. C. A., at their meeting last Tuesday evening, reorganized by electing C. W. Wagner, president; A. E. Mumery, vice-president; E. S. Gilmore, secretary, and Geo. L. Moore, treasurer. Other matters of importance came before the board, and some very encouraging reports were made.

On Monday of this week Welch Corps No. 218, elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Pres., Mrs. Delia B. Dean; Sen. Vice, Mrs. Mary Clark; Jun. Vice, Mrs. Maggie Slater; Sec., Mrs. Sarah A. Van Slyke; treas., Mrs. Hattie M. Doig; conductor, Mrs. Q. A. Turner; Ass't. Con., Mrs. Sarah Vosmus; Guard, Mrs. Emily Hatch; Ass't Guard, Mrs. Hattie Warner; Delegate to the state W. R. C., Miss Elizabeth Allmendinger; Alternate, Mrs. Harrison Soule.

Welch Post, No. 137, G. A. R., have elected the following officers for next year: H. P. Danforth, commander; William A. Clark, S. V. C.; Nathan Woodmansee, J. V. C.; W. F. Breaky, surgeon; James B. Saunders, adjutant; Chester S. Elmer, Q. M.; Hi Sweet, officer of the day; W. K. Childs, chaplain; Wm. H. Fisher, officer of the guard; Conrad Noll, inside guard; Joe T. Jacobs, outside guard; W. F. Breaky and Conrad Noll, delegates; Wm. A. Clark and Patrick Irwin, alternates.

SOCIETY DOINGS.

Joe T. Jacobs was in Detroit Monday.

Judge Harriman spent Saturday in Detroit.

J. Stanger did business in Urania Tuesday.

W. G. Dieterle was in Jackson on business Monday.

Miss Huson is entertaining Miss Alice Clay of Jackson.

Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Herdman gave a large reception Tuesday evening.

J. J. Buechler of Big Horn, Montana, is visiting friends and relatives in the city.

Rice Davis, who has been seriously ill for a couple of weeks, is convalescent.

Probate Register Doty will open a law office on retiring from the Probate office.

Maj. and Mrs. Pebbles of Detroit, spent Sunday with the local Salvation army.

Titus F. Hutzler and A. C. Schumacher took a day off Wednesday and went hunting.

Miss Lucy Gackle of Saline, spent Saturday and Sunday with friends in the city.

Rev. W. L. Tedrow and family are entertaining Miss L. Gormingham of Chicago.

Mrs. S. P. Johnson of Packard street, is spending the winter with relatives in Homer, N. Y.

Messrs. Rob and Phil Cochran of Toledo, visited with the family of Ald. Geo. L. Moore last week.

John P. Kirk, our next Prosecuting Attorney, was in the city Monday to attend the opening of court.

Prof. Geo. T. Winston of the University of Texas, visited the city and University a few days this week.

Herman B. Ames will speak on Washington's birthday before one of the public schools of Chicago, as a representative of the University.

I. K. Friedman, '93, has published a book, "The Lucky Number," a book of stories of the Chicago slums, which is eliciting much favorable comment.

Chas. Staeb and his brother Chris were in Saline Sunday. As Charles is driving his own horse now perhaps his young lady friends need not walk so much of the time.

Probate Judge-elect Newkirk leaves the Dexter Savings bank tomorrow. Next week he will come to this city and spend the balance of the month getting acquainted with his new duties.

Jacob Knapp of Chicago visited friends in Ann Arbor for a few days. He is on his way back from a visit to Germany, and says America at the present time is more prosperous than Germany.

Rev. M. M. Martin and family, formerly of Allegan, Mich., who have just returned from a four month's visit in Europe, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Butler. They may decide to make Ann Arbor their home.

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The board of supervisors of Kalkaska county refused to spread a tax for the soldiers' relief fund as required by law, and now the Supreme Court hands down an order instructing them forthwith to meet and comply with the law, by spreading one-tenth of one mill on each dollar of assessed valuation in the county. That is the county where the journal of the supervisors proceedings in an early day shows a resolution passed declaring a certain law then on the statute books unconstitutional. It must be that some of those old dough heads are still "in offis" over there.

The city council of Albion has passed an ordinance prohibiting all persons under 18 years of age taking part in any game of pool or billiards, or staying in any room where such games are played.

W. H. Newton of Pontiac, was awarded first and second prizes for fat sheep at the cattle show in New York city. He exhibited Oxford and Hampshire yearling wethers.

Rev. C. E. Taggart of Olivet, has accepted a call from the Congregational church at Elkpoint, South Dakota.

Whittier Memorial Service.

There will be a special "Whittier Service" next Sunday evening at the Unitarian church, commemorative of the birthday of the great Quaker poet. Whittier hymns will be sung, and there will be addresses by Judge Harriman, Rev. J. T. Sunderland, Mrs. Sunderland, and one or two others, on Whittier's life, work as an anti-slavery reformer, work in the advancement of the cause of woman, and influence as a teacher of religion.

Marriage Licenses.

Aaron G. Culver, York.....41
Jane Holmes, Milan.....28
Mathew Schaible, Norvell.....60
Lydia schlee, Lodi.....21
John Hauck, York.....25
Martha Schreen, York.....18
Conrad Bentler, Bridgewater.....31
Charlotte McCallum, ".....38

Real Estate Transfers.

Edmund Clancy & w. to Leo D. Camp, Ypsilanti.....\$ 500
John C. Wilson & w. to Mary E. Vincent, Ann Arbor.....1,200
Union Central Life Ins. Co. to Ernest Schorr, Manchester and -haron.....3,000
Wm. E. Howard & w. to M. J. Hochradel, Milan.....300
Wm H. Parker to M. A. Case, Manchester.....25
Orman Clark to C. P. and Dick Clark, decree.....
Orm n Clark to Elvira Howell et al. will.....
Herman Hutzler & w. to Jacob Zeeb, Northfield.....125
Herman Hutzler & w. to John P. and William Wagner, Northfield.....300

Epworth League Course.

Owing to business engagements in the South the lecture by Mr. J. E. Beal to be given at the M. E. Church Saturday evening in the Epworth has been postponed. Mr. J. P. Hamilton, the blind piano tuner, has been secured in his place, and will give a lecture on "What a Blind man saw in Europe." Mr. Hamilton made two trips abroad, one unattended, and one after his marriage. He is a most observing man, finding out many things that escape most people with good eyes. He tells of his experiences in an entertaining way and the lecture will be thoroughly enjoyable.

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Death of Edwin A. Dygert.

A telegram was received Friday last, announcing the death at his home in Nebraska of Edwin A. Dygert, formerly of this city. Mr. Dygert was an Ann Arbor boy, and entered the employ of the old firm of Wines and Worden. He remained with them, advancing in the establishment, until he was one of the most trusted men in their employ. After leaving that firm he moved to Nebraska, where he has since resided. He married Miss Carrie Roe of this city, who with four children survives him. He was a prominent member of the Presbyterian church of this city, and took an especially active part in the work of the Young People's society.

Death of Mrs. J. M. Smoots.

Mrs. John M. Smoots died at her home on Forest ave., this city, Sunday morning last, after a painful illness of fourteen months. Mr. and Mrs. Smoots came to this city in 1887, Mr. Smoots being connected with the Mechanical Laboratory of the University. Mrs. Smoots was an active member of the church of Christ and will be much missed in the work of its various societies. The body was taken to Detroit Monday for interment. A husband and two sons survive her, and they have the sincere sympathy of their many friends.

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