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THE DEBATE.

LAWYERS WIN IN THE INTER-DEPARTMENT CONTEST.

Lits However Have Two of the Chicago Debaters—Senator Palmer Presides—A Strong Contest Throughout—Sketch of the Winners.

The inter-department debate at University Hall last Saturday evening, was admittedly the strongest held here for a number of years. The question had been so thoroughly studied for weeks, and gone over so often in the preliminary debates, that the speakers came onto the platform full of the subject, and entered into the contest with evident zest.

Ex-Senator Thos. W. Palmer presided, and as he always does, he put the audience in a pleased and receptive frame of mind from the first.

The debate was closely followed throughout by the audience, and the speakers were warmly applauded. W. M. Chandler was rated very high by the judges and won first place and the \$50 testimonial with 14 points. J. S. Lathers and T. X. Carmody followed with 26 and 27 points respectively, and took the \$30 and \$20 testimonials. These three men will represent the University in the contest with Chicago, with C. F. Abbott, who with 31 points marked fourth, as alternate. The evenness of the debate will be seen from the fact that aside from Mr. Chandler who was ranked very high by the judges, only nine points separated the five contestants. Mr. Chandler's high rank gives the debate to the Law as a department by 11 points, even though they secure only one representative at Chicago.

After the close of the debate Prof. Trueblood announced that the faculty committee had chosen the negative side of the question for Michigan to debate at Chicago. As the debates here have been won by representatives of both sides, and our final contestants prepared for different sides of the question, it will be seen that there is less advantage in that than would at first have been supposed.

A short sketch of the men who are to uphold the honor of Michigan against Chicago, may not be disinteresting at this time.

W. M. Chandler hails from Dallas, Texas. His literary education was gained at Tulane University, New Orleans, where he took high honors in oratory and was University Medalist. His health failing him, he did not graduate, but went abroad and spent a year in study at Berlin and Heidelberg. On his return to this country he studied law for a time at the University of Virginia, entering the senior class here last fall. Mr. Chandler has done a great deal of political speaking, and has also attained an enviable reputation on the lecture platform, his lecture, "Rambles and Reveries in Europe," being received with great favor wherever delivered.

J. Stuart Lathers, who took second place, is a Michigan boy. His home is at Inkster, Monroe county. He is a graduate of the state Normal at Ypsilanti, being a member of the class of '93. He was junior class orator at Normal, and won the oratorical contest in his senior year. Since entering the University he has been actively interested in oratorical matters. He has done considerable political speaking for the prohibition party, and in 1896 won the championship of the Inter-Collegiate Prohibition association, the contest being held in this city.

T. X. Carmody, the third member of our team, is also a Michigan boy, his home being at Watervliet, Mich. Mr. Carmody did part of his preparatory work in the Northern Indiana Normal School, at Valparaiso, Ind., and finished in the Ann Arbor High School. He has been a member of the Alpha Nu society since entering college, and one of its most active members. He has also taken great interest in the oratorical association, and took the part of Casca in the excellent presentation of "Julius Caesar" given by the Dramatic club last year. He went through the preliminary debates last year, and reached the place of alternate in the contest with Chicago. His persistence is rewarded this year by a place in the regular team.

Dents At War.

Justice Gibson found it necessary on Saturday last, to hold court in the Circuit Court room, to accommodate the crowd that wished to hear of Mitchell the dental student, arrested for larceny. The complainant, Wm. Bush, the local agent for Calkins & Co., dealers in dental supplies, of Detroit, alleged that young Mitchell who is a senior dental student had stolen from him a "right angle" or drill, valued at \$6. Mitchell claimed that the drill was not borrowed. Almost all the dental students were on hand to hear the suit and there were many witnesses on both sides. The testimony produced was largely hearsay and many of the boys insisted that the suit was little more than a contest between the two dental fraternities. Mr. Mitchell has since brought suit against Mr. Bush for slander.

Secretary Benz Leaves.

John E. Benz, who has been general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for some months, left the city last evening. He will go to Winona, Minn., to complete his theological studies, and there enter the ministry of the German M. E. church. Mr. Benz made many friends while in the city, and they unite in wishing him success in his life work. Rumor has it that he will not try to go it alone much longer.

Given to Detroit Poor.

After the oratorical contest Saturday night, the treasurer of the association offered to refund to ex-Senator T. W. Palmer the amount of his expenses from Detroit to Ann Arbor, but the senator declined to accept it. "Send me the money to the poor of Detroit," he said. The money will therefore be forwarded to Detroit, to be given to the poor.

THE LIFE OF AN "AD."

But You Must Advertise—They Can't Read "Ads" You Never Print.

New York World: "You can never tell when an advertisement is dead." The speaker was one of the largest advertisers in this country, a man whose name is known everywhere in connection with a "cure" of which he is the proprietor. He was discussing the general subject of advertising with some friends in an up-town cafe.

"Now you would say that a newspaper advertisement would certainly cease to be useful when the newspaper had been cast aside into the rubbish heap, but I'll tell you a little story to show that so long as the paper exists and the type on it can be read its advertising power remains. There walked into my office three weeks ago a woman who was afflicted with the ills that I cure, and who wanted to take a course of treatment. She came from away up in Erie county and said she was prepared to stay here in town and give me a full opportunity to demonstrate myself. Needless to say, I cured her, got \$150 of her good money, and sent her home rejoicing, but that is another story. I asked this woman, as I ask all my patients, how she had happened to come to me. She said she had read one of my advertisements. I asked her in what publication. She said she did not know. Her husband, she said, was in the employ of a carpet house, his business being fitting and putting down carpets. He was taking up an old carpet in a Buffalo home in order to replace it with a new one. Under the old carpet there was a layer of newspapers which he gathered up and cast aside. He happened to glance at one and his eye fell on the name of the disease from which his wife suffered, it being printed in display type there. He read the advertisement, which was mine, tore the piece from the paper, put it in his pocket, and took it home for his wife to read. She had it in her pocketbook and gave it to me. It was old and yellow, and there was nothing on it to tell from what newspaper it had been torn. But it demonstrates that you can never tell when an advertisement is dead."

PAY DAY DANGEROUS.

Two of Uncle Sam's Boys Will be Cautious Hereafter on Pay Day.

Somebody must have been watching the boys at the post office draw their pay last Saturday, and hankered after a share of it without the trouble of tramping the streets for thirty days with a big pack of mail. They tried to break into Will Baxter's house but were frightened away. James O'Kane had more trouble. Mr. O'Kane lives out in the suburbs, and when nearing his house he was struck over the neck and shoulders by some person who came upon him from behind. Luckily he was not knocked clear down, but turning around the fellow started to run, for James knows everybody in town, and the assailant evidently feared he would be recognized. Whether or not he will be afraid to draw his pay next month remains to be seen, but we are confident he will look around for the man who walks up behind him after dark.

Council Proceedings.

At the Council meeting Monday evening the committee on revising the charter gave its report, suggesting among others the following changes: That the mayor be elected for two years instead of one; that an office of poor master with a salary of \$150 per year be created instead of leaving this matter in charge of the marshal; that the sewer tax be made payable in four equal annual payments, the first to be paid when the sewer is completed; that the clerk's salary be raised from \$600 to a sum not exceeding \$800. All of which was voted down, and the charter will remain as it is. The chief recommended that three new horses be purchased for the use of the fire department in place of the three now possessed. This also was voted down. The election of Frank Joslyn as Justice of the Peace for the east side, was confirmed.

Municipal Club.

The Municipal Club held a meeting at McMillan Hall, Wednesday evening. A moderate attendance gave a little more interest than usual to the proceedings. The time was given up to a discussion of ways and means for enforcing the liquor laws. It was thought useless to make any attempt to enforce the state law as to closing, as the council would at once extend the time by ordinance to 10 o'clock, the time now supposed to be observed.

The proposed five mile law was discussed and developed quite a division of sentiment, as did also the question as to whether or not the club as an organization should take active steps toward enforcing the law.

The club adjourned for one week, when plans will be formed as to the action to be taken in the spring campaign.

Four Interesting Lectures.

Beginning with last Sunday evening a series of four lectures will be given in St. Luke's church by the following persons: Jan. 31, Prin. R. G. Boone; Feb. 7, Prof. Daniel Putnam; Feb. 14, Prof. A. Lodeman; Feb. 21, Prof. David Eugene Smith. The first of the series was given by Dr. Boone last Sunday evening, on the subject, "The Teacher and the Preacher," and was a most able and scholarly address. The subject of the lecture next Sunday evening will be "What Authority Has the Church in the State?" The public is cordially invited to attend these lectures.

Prof. Wenley Honored.

Prof. R. M. Wenley, and through him the University, has been honored in the request to edit the section on the philosophy of religion for the "Dictionary of Philosophy and Psychology," now being prepared by MacMillan & Co. The work is being prepared by the leading scholars of the country. Prof. Mark Baldwin of Princeton is the general editor, and Prof. Wenley will work conjointly with Prof. Ormond of Princeton.

HARUGARI.

GERMANIA LODGE WILL BUILD ITSELF A PERMANENT HOME.

Plans Adopted for a \$7000 Building—Chas. A. Sauer of This City Architect—A Welcome Improvement in the Second Ward—Description of the Building.

Germania Lodge No. 476, D. O. H., is Ann Arbor's representative in the Deutscher Order Harugari, the largest German beneficiary organization in the country. This organization has lodges all over the country, and Ann Arbor's lodge stands high among them.

Besides the beneficiary feature of the organization, it is in a large degree a social organization. Many of the lodges have fine homes and club rooms. Bowling alleys and other forms of entertainment are provided, and much attention is given to music.

For a long time Germania Lodge has felt the necessity of such a home, and steps have now been taken to secure it. A fine lot has been purchased on the corner of West Williams and Second streets, just South of the Ann Arbor Mfg. Co's. plant. Plans were asked for from different architects, and five were submitted to the committee. After a careful study of all, the plans of Arch-



NEW HARUGARI HALL.

itect Chas. A. Sauer of this city were accepted. It is a matter of congratulation that a home architect has been able to meet strong competition and secure the award.

The building will be of frame 48 x 100 feet, facing on Second street. It will be three stories and basement high, and will be finished throughout in Georgia pine. The basement will contain on the south side two cellars for the store rooms, the boiler room, and a hall way, or landing. The north side of the basement will be given up to the bowling alley, which will extend the entire length of the building, with two alleys.

The west front of the first floor is given up to two fine store rooms, with a handsome double entrance. Back of these and running through the building north and south, is a hall through which entrance is had to the stage and auditorium on the floor above. Back of this hall are the dining room and meeting room, large light rooms about 22 feet square, which can be thrown into one large dining room when occasion requires. Back of the dining room, on the north side of the building is the kitchen, which will be fitted up with all modern conveniences in that line.

The main entrance for the society will be on Williams street, at the southeast corner of the building. Through a lobby, entrance is had into a handsome reception hall, which opens into the general meeting room. From this hall the basement is reached, and a winding stairway leads into a similar hall on the floor above. On this floor is located the bar room on the north side of the building, the ladies parlors, on the south side, and the main audience and ball room, all opening into this hall.

The audience room will be 46 x 56 feet, and will seat comfortably about 600 people. There will be a good stage 14 x 28 feet, with good dressing rooms on either side.

From the hall on this floor a stairway leads to the east end of the floor above, where is situated the entrance to the gallery, and the lodge room, 24 x 35 feet in size.

Check rooms and toilet rooms are provided for in proper places throughout the building. Architect Sauer has made provision for every want of the society, and the building when finished, will be one of the most complete and convenient buildings possessed by any similar society in the state. It will be a decided improvement to that part of the city, and one that will afford many opportunities for social enjoyment to the society and its friends.

CLENADIS ENTERTAINMENT.

A Very Pleasant Evening with the Phonograph.

Saturday evening, Feb. 6, there will be an interesting entertainment in High School Hall, under the auspices of the Clenadis Literary society. The entertainment will consist of phonograph numbers, giving selections from the U. S. Marine Band, Gilmore's Band, recitations, songs, etc. One of the most pleasing numbers will be "Nearer My God to Thee," as played by Trinity chimes. Admission, ten cents. Come and help them along.

They're Watching Us.

It has leaked out that the new university band at Ann Arbor will give their first concert on the 22d of February. As their playing will scare woodchucks out of their holes, the proposed outrage on the birthday of Washington will be prevented if possible. The attention of the legislature has been called to the matter.

Ann Arbor society has gone daft over a babyish fad. At social meets a slit is cut in a suspended sheet through which the girls one by one thrust their noses. A callow squire on the other side then walks up and guesses whose protuberance it is. If he guesses right he and the nose start out to supper, and usually the balance of the girl goes with them. —Grass Lake News.

Don't be taken in by a young woman who is going about the state soliciting aid to send an old lady to a home for the aged. She is a fraud and the old lady a myth. She has worked several towns in this vicinity and has succeeded in working charitable people out of several dollars. —Homer Vidette.

Y. W. C. A. NOTES.

More Bibles Wanted—Record of Attendance.

Seventeen new members. "Posy" can't stand up any more, but she'll take your contributions just as gracefully.

The elocution class has brought about \$25 into the treasury this quarter. Two new pupils since the entertainment.

Send us more bibles.

Next Sunday Miss Crippen takes the second lesson in "The New Testament Story," begun by Prof. Coler last Sunday. Bring your bibles. Definite announcement will be made of further plans for this work.

Attendance at rooms, including classes, committees, New Year's day and Sunday meetings, 2,000; afternoon callers, 300; lunches taken, 100; situations secured, 22; classes held, 60.

If you have not taken one of those envelopes from Detroit, ask the General Secretary about it right away.

Miss Salyer has organized a dress-making class in the Ypsilanti Y. W. C. A.

"If the girls would have bibles of their own, with good plain print, they'd want to join a Bible class just to use them." That is what Miss Porter says and she carries hers down to the rooms every Sunday to show what kind of a one the girls need. Look at it next Sunday and take her advice, and join the new class.

Our library is being used. We have the Ladies Home Journal, Union Signal, Baptist Union, Interior, Epworth Herald, and other regular publications, besides some very good books.

Mrs. Pardon closed her work with the Physical Culture class last week, as she will not be in the city. Arrangements have been made to have the work continue, with a change of evening, under the direction of Miss MacMonagle.

Sunday Evening Lectures on India.

Rev. J. T. Sunderland will begin next Sunday a series of three evening lectures on his recent trip to India, illustrated with stereoscopic views, as follows:

February 7.—From Ann Arbor to India. Glimpses of scenes on the way, Niagara, the Hudson, New York, London, Berlin, Prague, Vienna, Brindisi, the Mediterranean, the Suez Canal, the Red Sea, etc.

February 14.—Delhi and Agra, the Splendid Capitals of the Great Moghul Empire. Perhaps the most wonderful ruins in the world.

February 21.—Benares, the "Sacred City" of India. Its Temples, Shrines, Palaces, Pilgrims, and Religious Life.

Caledonian Society.

The Washtenaw County Caledonian society will give their annual entertainment in University Hall Friday evening, Feb. 26, and have kindly offered to give the proceeds to the woman's gymnasium. The program will be if possible better than usual. Harold Jarvis of Detroit, will sing; Alexander Gray, late of Edinburgh, Scotland, will play the bagpipes; Prof. Stanley will play a Scotch medley on the big organ; Scotch dances will be danced and Prof. Wenley will deliver the chief address. Other interesting features are promised and will be announced later on.

High School Athletics.

This evening at High School Hall there will be given a benefit entertainment for the High School Athletic Association. Music will be furnished by the High School Mandolin Club. Mr. J. E. Beal will tell of his trip to Mexico. Specially interesting parts are the Mexican method of courting, and the Spanish bull fights. His talk will be illustrated by views which will be shown by Prof. H. N. Chute. The lantern used is one of the best in the state and the views are exceptionally fine. Admission 10 cents. Entertainment begins at 8 o'clock.

Humane Society.

The Ann Arbor Humane Society has elected the following officers for next year: President, J. J. Goodyear; vice-president, 1st ward, J. H. Wade; 2d, Christian Martin; 3d, A. R. Peterson; 4th, Dr. J. N. Martin; 5th, W. B. Moore; 6th, Evert H. Scott; 7th, A. B. Stevens; secretary, B. A. Finney; treasurer, Anna B. Bach; committee on legislation, Rev. A. Ten Brook, M. C. Peterson, N. W. Cheever, W. N. Brown; committee on education, Rev. A. Ten Brook, W. N. Brown, Mrs. J. Voorheis, Mrs. C. G. Plympton.

Found The Trouble.

Peter Whitman of Butler, Ind., visited relatives and old friends here Tuesday, on his way home from Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti. At Ann Arbor, he had an X ray photo taken of his broken arm at Dr. Herdman's office, showing exactly why his arm is useless, the bone after having been set, got misplaced and did not knit together. It is now over three years since the horrible accident at Kingsbury, Ill., where Mr. Whitman was injured while an engineer on the Wabash.—Milan Leader.

Oratorical Contests.

The dates for the class oratorical contests have been set as follows: Sophomore literary, Feb. 20; junior law, Feb. 23; first year law, Feb. 24; junior literary, Feb. 26; senior law, Feb. 27; senior literary, March 1. Forty-two entries have been received in all. The winners in these contests will meet for the contest to choose a Northern Oratorical League orator March 19. There are over 40 contestants, and Prof. Trueblood says the average of the orations so far submitted is very high.

Samuel Parker III.

Samuel Parker of Lima, one of the most prominent farmers of the county, suffered a stroke of paralysis on Saturday last. On account of Mr. Parker's advanced age, great fears were entertained for his recovery, but he is doing very nicely at present.

MURDER.

JAMES RICHARDS FOULLY SLAIN IN HIS LONELY HOME.

Deceased a Recluse—Supposed to Have Money Concealed in the House—Fought Desperately—Small Amount Secured—No Clue as to the Murderers.

James Richards an old man who lived by himself near Dixboro, was attacked by two men, Saturday afternoon, and received injuries from which he died. Before he died he gave a good description of the men, and the officers are working on the case, but so far without success.

Richards knocked that two men came to his door, knotted and demanded admission. He refused to let them in, and they at once proceeded to break down the door. Richards had no means of defense, except a pitchfork, which he used with such good effect that they were compelled to shoot him. After disposing of Richards, they proceeded to search the premises for money, which he was supposed to have concealed, this being the cause of the attack. It seems, however, that Richards had been robbed once before, and profiting by that experience, he had taken his money to the bank, where he had some \$1,200 on deposit. The robbers found only about \$60 in the house.

Richards was not discovered until Sunday afternoon, and the neighbors, when they did find him, did not come to the city and report to the officers until Monday, so that much valuable time was lost in searching for the perpetrators of the crime. Every effort is now being made by the officers to discover them, but there is little prospect of success.

Richards had lived the life of a recluse for many years. He has no relatives in this country, but is said to have a daughter living in England.

On Thursday afternoon Coroner Ball held an inquest at Martin's undertaking rooms. Five witnesses were examined, but nothing was learned more than has already been related.

The jury returned its verdict as follows:

"That James Richards came to his death at the house of Frank Dures in the township of Superior, on the first day of February, 1897, about 7:30 a. m., from the effect of a pistol shot received sometime during the night of January 30, 1897, at his home on his farm in the township of Superior; said shot being fired by some one unknown to the jury and for the purpose of robbery."

Y. M. C. A.

Third Anniversary Services at The Bethlehem Church.

The beautiful new German Bethlehem church on S. Fourth ave., was crowded Sunday evening by the friends of the Young Men's Christian Association, who came to attend the third anniversary exercises. Rev. Dr. McElroy of the First M. E. church delivered the address, a strong impressive talk. His subject was "Foundations of Sapphire," and showed the essentials of a strong manly character in a most attractive manner. Dr. McElroy showed that he knows young men, and is in touch and sympathy with them; and his address made a strong impression on the large audience. The choir of the church assisted by Mr. Jonathan Stanger and Master Freddy Daly furnished the music.

Rev. John Neumann, the pastor of Bethlehem church added a few words in German.

The Y. M. C. A. is daily taking a stronger hold upon the people of this city. The work is being carried on quietly and persistently, and the people are seeing and appreciating it more and more. It is earnestly hoped that the Association may be able in the not far distant future to erect a building suitable for its needs. Their present aim and hope is to raise a fund sufficient to purchase the site. Bear them in mind when you have any money to give. Their work is right here for our boys, and counts directly for the good of our city by the influence it exerts upon those boys.

The board of directors met at the home of President Wagner, Tuesday evening. The principal business was the canvassing of the general secretary question. Several applicants are under consideration, but no appointment was made.

Richard Flynn was appointed temporary secretary pending permanent appointment.

A number of new games have been added to the rooms during the past month.

The next number in the Lyceum Course is the famous Bell Ringers, Feb. 23d. Don't forget the date, they are the star attraction of the year.

Vocal Recital.

Prof. Lamson's pupils will give a vocal recital Monday afternoon next at 4:30, at Frieze Memorial Hall. The following program will be presented:

1. Bright Star of Night.....Spohr
2. (a) An Idle Poet.....Cowan
- (b) To a Flower.....Esther R. Solis
3. Rosemonde.....E. Answorth
4. By the Waters of Babylon.....Howell
5. Emma G. McAllister.....Tosti
- (a) Serenade.....Kjerulf
- (b) Afar in the Wood.....Frederick Dansingburg
6. (a) My Lullaby.....Neidlinger
- (b) The Children's Story.....Meyer-Helmond
- (c) Love Me, If I Live.....Cowan
7. The Happy Three.....Roedel
8. (a) The Maiden's Lament.....C. Belmont Webster
- (b) The Wanderer's Night Song.....Schubert
- (c) Hark, Hark, the Lark.....Clara J. Jacobs
9. O, That We Two Were Maying.....Conrad
10. Lovely Spring.....Cowan

One of Our Girls.

Miss Emma Eaton, of Iowa City, Iowa, who distinguished herself by taking the two years' law course at Ann Arbor University in one year, paying her way entirely by her stenographic work, is at present assisting Chancellor McClain, of the Iowa State University, in writing a book on criminal law.—Woman's Column.

THE SMOKER.

Company "A's" Entertainment a Success—A Veteran Corps.

Company A, M. N. G., better known as the Light Infantry, has grown so used to making a success of everything that it is not to be wondered at that they made a success of their "stag party," Monday night. About 10 o'clock the boys and their friends sat down to the bountiful laden tables. After the good things to eat had been disposed of, cigars and pipes were passed, and soon it took a man with a foot ball fame to push his way through the smoke. The audience grew enthusiastic when the band struck up a march, and everybody fell in for a few turns around the hall. Ex-Capt. Hisecock presided over the literary feast. Co. A has a number of members and ex-members who can furnish a full evening's entertainment at short notice, and they did their part to perfection. Perhaps the star performance of the evening was the singing by James R. Bach of the "Flowers of Killarney," with an unmistakably Teutonic twang that brought down the house. Col. Dean, Capt. Manly and others spoke, and selections of music were interspersed.

Capt. Granger spoke on the advisability of forming a veteran corps, to which all who have served three years in Co. A will be eligible. Fifteen persons during the evening signed the roll of membership. This corps will organize and elect officers, and drill regularly in citizens' clothes, Co. A throwing open the Armory for their use.

Ann Arbor never before had a military company that attained the hold upon the people that Co. A. has today, and we wish them success in every undertaking.

COUNTY SCHOOL COMMISSIONER.

The Two Leading Candidates are Good Ones.

As the time for the County Convention draws near, the interest in the nominations for School Commissioner increases. So far there is only one prominent candidate on either side.

On the Republican ticket the man who now appears to have the call is Prof. W. N. Lister of Saline. Prof. Lister has been for some years one of the leading teachers of the county, and has before been mentioned as a candidate for this office. He is thoroughly well qualified, and has a good acquaintance throughout the county.

Prof. A. B. DeWitt of Dexter, apparently has the lead in democratic circles. Prof. DeWitt is a thorough teacher, a graduate of the Normal school, and a gentleman possessing the good will and respect of all who know him. He is a thoroughly practical man, and also known throughout the county as an authority on peach culture.

Either of the gentlemen named would make the county an efficient practical officer, and as it is likely to go to one or the other, the patrons of the schools are to be congratulated on the character of the men seeking the position.

THE MATRON'S CONTEST.

The Judges Find it Hard Work to Award the Prize.

The following is the program of the Matron's elocutionary contest at High School hall last evening:

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| Music..... | Orchestra |
| A Word Picture..... | Mrs. A. P. Crozier |
| The Two Angels..... | Mrs. L. C. Johnson |
| A Terrible Crime..... | Mrs. E. J. Kilbourne |
| Music—solo..... | Clara Pinckney |
| Ye Did It Not Unto Me..... | Mrs. Hendrickson |
| Christmas Night in the Quarters..... | Orchestra |
| No—theme..... | Mrs. Adelle D. Hurry |
| Music—solo..... | Mrs. M. A. P. Crozier |
| Music—solo..... | Walter Taylor |
| Selling the Farm..... | Mrs. B. F. Schumacher |
| Yes, I'm Guilty..... | Mrs. Anna Worden |
| Music—solo..... | Emma Bower |
| The Jokers..... | Mrs. Hattie M. Dolg |
| If We Could Live Again..... | Mrs. L. J. Hess |
| Music..... | Orchestra |

The judges were Prof. L. D. Wines, Mrs. J. N. Martin and Mrs. Sunderland, and a hard job they had on hand. After mature deliberation the prize was awarded to Miss Emma E. Bower.

Probate Court Calendar.

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| SATURDAY, Feb. 6. | Appointment of administrator in estate of Daisy Helen Pratt. |
| MONDAY, Feb. 8. | Last day of claims in estate of Chas. Hewitt. |
| | Probate of will of Anson Gage. |
| | Final account in estate of John Weithbrecht. |
| WEDNESDAY, Feb. 10. | Final account in estate of Rebecca Stanton. |
| THURSDAY, Feb. 11. | Last day of claims in estate of Eli Manly. |
| FRIDAY, Feb. 12. | Probate of will of William F. Seeley. |

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NEWS CONDENSED.

Summary of Happenings All Over the Great World.

Colorado college at Colorado Springs, Col., has received from Dr. D. K. Pearson of Chicago a check for \$50,000, which completes the additional endowment fund of \$200,000.

Sir John Gorst, who was at the head of the educational department of England, is in hot water for declaring in a public speech that "at birth there is not much difference between a baby and a monkey," and that the monkey has the advantage.

Mrs. Mary Trainor, charged with poisoning her husband, was convicted at Baltimore of manslaughter and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary.

The most valuable sword in England is the one presented by the Egyptians to Lord Wolsey. The hilt is set with brilliants, and is valued at \$10,000.

A St. Paul judge has awarded a citizen \$5 damages because a motorman refused to stop a car for him.

William C. Hull is a colored sculptor of Washington who, in good weather, works at street paving.

The judges of the supreme court of Florida draw straws for the position of chief justice, the constitution of the state providing that that official shall be chosen by lot.

The sailors of the battleship Massachusetts had a dance recently in New York. There was a company of 600 sailors and their "best girls." Captains Rodgers of the Massachusetts, Glass of the Texas, Casey of the Vermont, and Higginson of the navy yard were there in full dress uniforms, and Captain and Mrs. Rodgers led the march.

Carl Albert Helmle, one of the leading business men of Springfield, Ill., is dead, aged 69 years. He went there from Germany in 1849. He was a director of the Marine bank.

"Granny" White, colored, said to be 121 years old, died near Clay's Ferry, Ky. She belonged originally to John White, one of Kentucky's pioneers.

The house of representatives of Alabama has repealed the existing Australian ballot system.

The physicians of William Lorimer, the Chicago representative in congress, say that, while he is a very sick man, there is no reason to fear that he will not recover.

Joseph H. Choate's wealth is estimated at \$2,000,000—all made in his profession.

Of the thirty-six cities of the United States of 100,000 population and upward twenty-seven own their own water plants and nine do not.

Representative Hopkins of Atchison county, Mo., says that there is corn enough stored in that county to last for ten years if there should be crop failures for a decade.

The resignation of Fred R. Hanlon of Dixon, Ill., as colonel and aid-de-camp on the governor's staff has been accepted.

Theodore F. Wood has been elected second vice president of the United States Express company.

The Greek Archeological society of Athens claims to have excavated recently the graves of Pericles and Sophocles.

John Warburton drove across the railway near Jewell junction, Ia., in a closed carriage, was struck by an engine and was instantly killed.

Stanco Stanovitch, a horse trader, and Anna Stanovitch, a fortune teller, both gypsies, were married at Springfield, O.

Births are so few in France that the government is considering measures to encourage larger families.

Governor Turney of Tennessee pardoned 820 convicts during his term of office.

The flouring mill of E. Lamb of Warrenville, Ill., valued at \$20,000, with its contents, flour, grain, and feed, was destroyed by fire. Insurance, \$10,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Japan having made a treaty with Germany by which German trademarks and patents will be recognized in Japan, Great Britain proposes to obtain the same privileges for British subjects under the most favored nation clause.

The farmers of eastern Washington are wishing for a severe winter to kill some of the 100,000 horses which are running wild in that section. They have become a pest.

The Industrial Aid society of Boston found work during the year just past for nearly 3,700 people.

Clutter & Co.'s warehouse at Spencer-ville, O., was burned. Over 1,000 bushels of wheat and a big amount of grain of other varieties were destroyed. No insurance.

The Barney & Smith Manufacturing company of Dayton, O., which usually employs 1,800 men, has started up with 600 workmen.

T. Oliver Hamsher, contractor at Monmouth, Ill., was killed by being thrown from a buggy.

Ferdinand Scheik of Joliet, Ill., died of gangrene in a foot, caused by too close corn-paring.

The Iowa supreme court has decided in the case of Marshall county against John Knell and others that bondsmen must pay the mulct liquor tax if it is not paid by the principal.

Two paupers, Charles Simpson and Belle Flew, eloped from the Bucks county, Pa., poorhouse and were married. They have not yet been located.

The 2-year-old daughter of Joseph Gruener of LaCrosse, Wis., while playing with matches set fire to her dress and was burned so badly that she died.

The visit of the Prince of Wales and his family at Blenheim cannot fail to add to the friendliness between Great Britain and America. It was based upon the almighty American dollar as a foundation stone, of course, but the English people cannot help feeling genuinely grateful to a people whose dollars, poured out lavishly, make possible such royal splendors and festivities as those witnessed at Blenheim.

The American people also are gratified that our duchess Consuelo carried through her part of the programme with such grace, spirit and dignity.

TRAINS BLOWN UP.

INSURGENTS USE DYNAMITE WITH TERRIBLE EFFECT.

Place Two Bombs on a Trestle and Fire Them by Electricity at the Proper Moment—Captain of the Successful Band Is an American from Indiana.

Cincinnati, Feb. 2.—The Commercial-Tribune's special from Key West says that one of General Weyler's supply trains was dynamited on the railroad near Ciego, north of Cienfuegos. Two bombs were exploded under the engine and four under the train, being fired by electricity as the train was crossing a trestle. The engine was blown apart and all the cars were splintered. They rolled over the trestle into the ditch, the fall completing what the dynamite had left undone. Out of the guard of 100 soldiers on it, forty-five were instantly killed or terribly injured. The others surrendered, as a force of 200 Cubans appeared.

Looted the Train.

The train was looted, the insurgents securing a small field piece that General Weyler had just ordered from Havana. After securing all the provisions and ammunition, the cars were burned. The prisoners were released and the Cuban captain sent Weyler a box of sweetbread with a polite note. The captain of the Cuban band was an American named Burke from Indiana. The famished condition of the people in Pinar del Rio section, and especially at Artemisa, San Christobal and Pinar del Rio city, is well known. Hundreds of country people have flocked to these cities, in obedience to the cruel orders of Colonel Hernandez, Colonel San Martin and Colonel Inclan.

ANOTHER SERIOUS WRECK.

Military Train Blown Up with Dynamite by the Insurgents.

Havana, Feb. 2.—A military train with engine No. 17, carrying Captain Dupla and a force of engineers, left Artemisa, and while passing a culvert at a place called Ocegüera, between Candelaria and Mangas stations, a dynamite bomb exploded, destroying the engine and the armored tender, as well as the culvert, also wrecking several of the cars. Engineer Genaro Rodriguez, an American, Ciraco Carreras, the fireman, and three soldiers were killed. Military Doctor Gonzales Aedo, the conductor, the brakemen and twelve private soldiers were wounded. Captain Dupla and the sergeant escaped injury. The bodies of the engineer and the fireman were sent to Havana for burial.

A repair train was sent out from Candelaria for the purpose of repairing the injuries to the lines. All the wounded were sent to Candelaria. Rafael Rodriguez, 40 years of age, of the town of Genaro, was at the station awaiting the arrival of the body of Genaro Rodriguez. The family of Ciraco Carreras, the fireman, was also in attendance. Immense crowds gathered and escorted the bodies to the final resting place.

Cross the Trocha.

Havana, Feb. 2.—Other reports from the province of Pinar del Rio announce that Mayia Rodriguez and 1,500 men succeeded in crossing the trocha and joining the insurgents in the province of Pinar del Rio. General Luis Rivera, it is asserted, also succeeded in passing the trocha, entering Havana province, and it is now claimed that he is in charge of the insurgents' force in this province. Since the death of Aguirre the insurgents in Havana province have been without a leader, though they have been provisionally commanded by Rafael Decardenas. It is now expected that an aggressive campaign will be carried on in the province of Havana by General Luis Rivera.

Spanish Vessels Sunk.

New York, Feb. 2.—A dispatch to The World from Key West says another marine disaster to the Spaniards is reported. Fifteen boats are said to have been sunk, 100 men are reported to have been killed or to be missing, and the number of wounded is put at seventy-five. The rebels sank the boats near Pinar, in Santa Clara province, on the river Caueno. General Weyler has made no official report of this disaster.

Case of the Three Friends.

Washington, Feb. 2.—The supreme court has granted a writ of certiorari asked by Attorney General Harmon in the case of the steamer Three Friends and set the hearing for the third Monday in February, the 15th.

Seven People Perish.

New York, Feb. 2.—Incendiary fires in Hoboken, N. J., Sunday resulted in the loss of seven lives and many poor people were rendered homeless. The Schroeder family, mother and five children, living at 410 Newark street, lost their lives in the flames. Mabel Mangels perished in the fire at 153 Fourteenth street. Her sister, Florence, was seriously burned, but may recover.

Iowa Bank Robbed.

Ottumwa, Ia., Feb. 2.—Bradley's bank at Eldon was burglarized at 3 o'clock Monday morning. The safe was blown open with nitro-glycerine and all the funds taken. The bank officers refuse to state how much was taken, but the bank usually kept from \$5,000 to \$8,000 on hand. The burglars escaped with a stolen team and buggy.

CAPITOL BUILDING DOOMED.

Fire Breaks Out in the State House at Harrisburg, Pa.

Harrisburg, Feb. 3.—Fire broke out at 1 o'clock in the senate wing of the state capitol and at 1:30 the building seemed to be doomed, as the fire department was unable to control the flames. The fire originated in the rooms of Lieutenant Governor Walter Lyon, over the senate chamber. It is supposed to have been started by an electric light wire.

The fire burned for several minutes before it was discovered. It had such headway that little could be saved in the costly apartments of the lieutenant governor or across the hall in the rooms of the Superintendent of Public Instruction Schaffer, who was alone in his office when the fire was discovered.

The big building was finally totally destroyed. The loss is placed at \$1,000,000; insurance, \$400,000. The loss of valuable records is great. They can never be replaced.

GAGE GETS THE TREASURY.

Chicago Banker Accepts a Portfolio in McKinley's Cabinet.

Chicago, Jan. 30.—Lyman J. Gage returned from Canton at 11 o'clock Friday morning, bringing the treasury portfolio in his inside pocket. He confirms the story of his formal appointment to Mr. McKinley's cabinet. The next secretary of the treasury reached the city on the Pennsylvania limited and was driven directly to the bank. Here he was kept busy receiving congratulations of his numerous friends. The story of his visit to Canton and four-hour conference with the president-elect was briefly told, but without particulars as to all that was said. Mr. Gage said he had convinced the major that there were no serious reasons why he should not assist him in administering the financial department of the national government, and accepted the offer of a position among his advisers.

DAWES FOR COMPTROLLER.

He Hopes, However, That Eckels Will Serve Out His Commission.

Chicago, Feb. 2.—Mr. Charles C. Dawes, who was seen by a representative of the Associated Press Monday morning, said:

"The Associated Press report that I have been tendered, and have accepted the appointment of comptroller of the currency is true. I have much regretted the early publicity which has unavoidably been attached to the matter, for it seems to have given rise to the inference that I had some desire or expectation of succeeding Mr. Eckels prior to the expiration of his commission in 1898. I can say for myself, and I think I speak for all concerned, that I sincerely hope Mr. Eckels may see his way clear to the retention of his position until the expiration of his commission. His distinguished services as comptroller of the currency rendered amid so many embarrassments and complications, have earned him the gratitude of the nation."

Wilson in the Cabinet.

Washington, Feb. 2.—Ex-Congressman James Wilson of Iowa has accepted the office of secretary of agriculture in President McKinley's cabinet. Senator Allison received a telegram from Mr. Wilson Monday saying he had accepted.

Alger in the Cabinet.

Canton, O., Feb. 1.—The visit of General Alger of Michigan bore fruit. President-Elect McKinley offered the general the war portfolio and it was accepted. General Alger then returned to his Michigan home.

ARBITRATION TREATY.

It Is Favorably Acted Upon by the Foreign Relations Committee.

Washington, Feb. 1.—The senate committee on foreign relations has agreed to report favorably on the arbitration treaty with amendments. The committee was in session for three hours, at the conclusion of which time it adjourned after having agreed by an almost unanimous vote to recommend the ratification of the treaty with amendments. All but two of these amendments were merely verbal. One of the two which are essential strikes out the clause providing for the selection of King Oscar as umpire, leaving it to the two powers to select an umpire when one is considered necessary. The other important amendment is an addition to article 1 of the treaty and reads as follows:

"No question which affects the foreign or domestic policy of either of the contracting parties, or the relations of either with any other state or power, by treaty or otherwise, shall be subject to arbitration under this treaty except by special agreement."

This agreement was agreed to by the unanimous vote of the committee. The amendment eliminating the umpire clause was agreed to by a vote of 9 to 1. The vote in opposition to striking out the King Oscar clause is understood to have been cast by Senator Gray of Delaware.

FIRE IN A MICHIGAN MINE.

Flames Break Out in No. 3 Shaft of the Tamarack at Houghton.

Houghton, Feb. 3.—Fire broke out suddenly in the ninth level south, No. 3 shaft, Tamarack mine, at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning. The trammers left the shaft with a load of rock, leaving all well, and returning five minutes later found the timbering ablaze. Two lines of hose were turned on the fire, and it was hoped to prevent its gaining access to the shaft which would serve as a chimney nearly 4,700 feet high, that being the vertical depth of the shaft. Four miners were cut off, being below the fire, but the air compressor was at work forcing air to them. The firemen worked at a great disadvantage and personal discomfort as well as danger.

Duestrow Must Die.

Jefferson City, Mo., Feb. 3.—The supreme court has overruled the motion for rehearing in the case of the state versus Arthur Duestrow, the St. Louis millionaire murderer, who is to be hanged on Feb. 16. The sentence of John Schmidt, who was convicted with two others for killing B. Atwater of Chicago at Webster Groves, a suburb of St. Louis, a year ago, was affirmed, and his execution fixed for March 10.

Struck Against a Reduction.

Tonawanda, N. Y., Feb. 3.—Six hundred men quit work on the canal improvement contract here. The work is being carried on by sub-contractors, and the announcement was made of a cut of 25 cents a day in wages. The men have been receiving \$1.50 per day and declared they would not accept a cut. There has been no disorderly conduct on the part of the strikers.

Stop Ringing of Bells.

Chicago, Feb. 3.—The city council has begun a crusade against the ringing of large bells on either private or public buildings. An ordinance prohibiting the ringing of any large bell in the city limits was presented to the council Monday night by Alderman Greenacre of the Thirty-first ward and referred to the judiciary committee.

Four Murderers to Hang.

Santa Fe, N. M., Feb. 3.—Frank and Antonio Borrego, Sauriano Alarid and Patricio Valencia, the four conspirators who murdered ex-Sheriff Frank Chavez and whose conviction was recently affirmed by the United States supreme court, have been re-sentenced to be hanged Feb. 23.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON VI, FIRST QUARTER, INTERNATIONAL SERIES, FEB. 7.

Text of the Lesson, Acts iv, 32, to v, 11—Memory Verses, 32, 33—Golden Text, I Sam. xvi, 7—Commentary by the Rev. D. M. Stearns.

32. "And the multitude of them that believed were of one heart and of one soul." It was a whole-hearted surrender to Christ of all they were and all they had; a full recognition that they were not their own, but bought with a price to be a special people unto the Lord (I Cor. vi, 19, 20; Titus ii, 14). This was as truly the work of the Holy Spirit as was the boldness of Peter and John before the council, or their boldness in verse 31. Imagine the financial condition of the churches and missionary societies if all Christians would say, "Whatever the Lord wants of me or mine He is welcome to, for all I am and have is surely His."

33. "And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus and great grace was upon them all." The grace was the grace of God, and the power was the Spirit of God. "Not by might, nor by power, but by My Spirit, saith the Lord of Hosts" (Zech. iv, 6). 34, 35. "Neither was there any among them that lacked. Distribution was made to every man according as he had need." It is the Lord's plan that those who are His and serve Him should lack no good thing (Ps. lxxxiv, 11; Math. vi, 33; Phil. iv, 19; Luke xii, 35).

Make thou His service thy delight; He'll make thy wants His care.

In this case the supply came from the willing contributions of those who, having property, sold it and brought the proceeds to the apostles. When the tabernacle was built, the superabundant supply came from the willing offerings of the people (Ex. xxxvi, 5-7); but whether in these ways, or by raven, or by increase of oil or meal, God will supply His people's need.

36, 37. "And Joseph, having sold and brought the money and laid it at the apostles' feet." Here is one example of the many who did thus. His other name, Barnabas (son of consolation), was certainly true of him when he stood by Saul at the time the other disciples were afraid of him (Acts ix, 26, 27).

Chapter v, 1, 2. "But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira, his wife, sold a possession and kept back part of the price." These were professedly followers of Christ and perhaps really so; but, like so many today, they were not whole-hearted in service. They saw others selling property and giving the proceeds to the apostles for the general good, and they seemed to do like the others, not thinking that God saw their hearts and their dishonesty. They did not act upon the precept, "Whatsoever ye do, do it heartily as to the Lord, and not unto men." Nor did they think of the eyes of the Lord beholding the evil and the good (Col. iii, 25; Prov. x, 3).

3. "But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost?" When any one receives Christ, the Holy Spirit is given to instruct, guide and control in all things that life, and when there is complete submission to the Spirit there will be a life greatly to the glory of God, but when the old life—the flesh, the carnal mind—which still remains in the believer is allowed to have its evil way—for it is only evil—then the Spirit is grieved (Eph. iv, 29-32).

4. "Thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God." Here is a proof of the oneness of the Father and the Spirit; to lie to the one is to lie to the other. The property was Ananias' and the proceeds of the property when sold were his also, and he was at liberty to give to God all or part or none without committing sin, but to profess to give all and yet give only a part was a lie. We are saved freely through Christ without money or price. We are then to remember that we are bought with a price, the precious blood of Christ, and yield fully to Him for His service (Rom. xii, 1), but it must be honestly and cheerfully done to be accepted.

5, 6. "And Ananias, hearing these words, fell down and gave up the ghost." Instant death for a lie. This seems very severe, but it was evidently, in the sight of God, a necessary discipline for the believers. I cannot conclude that this man and his wife were out and out hypocrites and lost souls without concluding that all who today keep back part of the price are also lost souls, and if that be so what a host of professors are lost! If all such should be cut off as these two were, there would not be undertakers enough to see to the burying.

7. "And it was about the space of three hours after, when his wife, not knowing what was done, came in." She did not know that she was a widow, she did not know that her guilt had been found out; she probably came looking for her husband. She came knowing in her heart that she was acting a lie as to the price of the property, but not knowing God's displeasure with such conduct. What a contrast there is in this "not knowing" to the "not knowing" of Abraham in Heb. xi, 8.

8. "And Peter answered unto her, Tell me whether ye sold the land for so much?" And she said, Yes, for so much." Another lie, the Spirit grieved, loss incurred. The devil is the father of lies, and thus early in the history of the church he got in some of his devilish work. He did some of the same kind—I mean lying—through Abraham and Sarah, Isaac and Rebekah, Jacob and Rachel, and if he never accomplished any through you, my friend, you have great reason to praise God for His grace which has kept you.

9. "Then Peter said unto her, How is it that ye have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the Lord?" What consternation must have seized her as she heard the exposition of her guilt, and in Peter's next words the tidings that her husband was dead and buried, and that she must die too! What an awful illustration of the words in Num. xxxii, 23—"Be sure your sin will find you out." May we keep in mind that God desires truth in the inward parts, and let our hearts be saying, "O Lord, thou hast searched me and known me" (Ps. li, 6; cxxxix, 1).

10. "Then fell she down straightway at his feet and yielded up the ghost." Another example of God's hatred of deceit and lying. Those who make a practice of lying have reason to fear lest they finally find themselves in Rev. xxi, 8. These two may have been given to this sin or they became numbered with the followers of Christ, and this may have been the first outbreak since conversion.

11. "And great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things." We are to serve the Lord with fear and rejoice with trembling, and also to work out our own salvation with fear and trembling (Phil. ii, 12), not a fear of being lost, but a fear of grieving the Holy Spirit.

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RURAL MAIL DELIVERY.

Experiments are being made as to the practicability and benefit of free delivery of mail in the rural districts. The following telegram from Milwaukee tells of its workings in Wisconsin where it is being tried.

"From reports received from Sun Prairie, the village in Dane county which was selected to test the efficiency and benefits of the rural mail delivery, the service has come to stay. Farmers are changing their postoffice address in order to enable them to take advantage of the free delivery. At present the service employs four mounted carriers, who each make one trip a day. They average twenty miles a day, starting from the office at 11 o'clock in the morning, after the mails have been received from the east. The routes extend six miles north of the village and about nine miles southeast, the carriers collecting the mail as well as delivering."

This service was started last November and is now in good working order. During the month of December two carriers handled over 2,000 pieces, while of the other two one handled over 1,900 pieces and the other over 1,200. The amount of mail handled from the Sun Prairie office has increased considerably since the rural delivery went into effect. The service has led to more daily and weekly papers being taken, as the farmers can receive them daily instead of waiting until they go into town, as used to be the case under the old conditions. The government pays the carriers \$25 a month, the carrier furnishing his own horse and equipment, with the exception of the mail pouch."

SECRETARY ALGER.

President-Elect McKinley has selected one of Michigan's most popular men for Secretary of War. Gen. Alger is the man, and the choice has the practically unanimous endorsement of the people of the state. Gen. Alger is a thoroughly capable man for the place. He had ample war experience to fit him for the real army part of the work, while his large and successful business experience has proved him to be possessed of the business qualifications requisite for a successful department manager. The people of his own state have tried him many times and never found him wanting. In character he stands unimpeachable, and his philanthropies have made him beloved all over the state. His appointment is an honor to the state, and to the president-elect, and Gen. Alger will be a credit to the administration of which he is to be part. THE DEMOCRAT adds its hearty congratulations to the many he has already received.

SOME little excitement was manifested on the streets the early part of the week because two or three University instructors were said to have been found by the police, nosing around the back parts of the place where saloons were located, and, being taken by the police for robbers, arrested, and only released after some considerable explanation, and a show of righteous indignation on the part of the police force that they should be caught in such business. The gentlemen themselves claim that they were looking around for the violations of liquor laws, and that they were accosted by the police and very courteously treated and promised every assistance in the power of the department. Be the facts as they may, we see no reason why these men should be more criticised for their action because of their relation to the University. Surely a man does not need to surrender all claim to citizenship on accepting a position as instructor. As for their so-called spying, that is the only way to catch a law-breaker. The man who deprecates such action is silly, as it is not to be expected that law-breakers will go up and down the streets proclaiming themselves. Their actions are done in secret and they must be secretly discovered. We hope that the matter may be stripped of all side issues, and if any citizen is discovered violating the law, the violation may be punished, and that without any further trouble because of who discovered it or how it was done.

In these days of bitter cold, and suffering among the poor, the Salvation Army in Detroit has proven itself a strong power for good, and has enabled much suffering to be relieved that might not have been discovered until it was too late. No other agency has proven itself so well acquainted with the poor and their needs, not even the churches. The city government which is supposed to keep track of these unfortunate, found itself coming to the Army for information. As a consequence much of the relief work was turned over to the army, and this fact

has given it a new hold upon the people. Those who had bounty to distribute and did not know where to place it, have also gained a new insight into the methods of the Salvation Army. Having thus proven itself in the hour of trial, the Army should hereafter receive better support from the citizens of Detroit. What is true of Detroit is true also in various degrees of other places. The army is doing a grand work, and should receive the cordial support of christian people everywhere.

REPRESENTATIVE PERRY of Manistee, seems to be a funny kind of a legislator. When sent out to investigate a state institution—the upper peninsula asylum for the insane—he actually seemed inclined to investigate. The other members of the committee insisted on seeing the whole thing and leaving the same day they got there. Perry insisted on staying long enough to become somewhat acquainted with the needs of the institution. That fellow needs watching. If somebody does not take care of him he is liable to go back to Lansing and know what he is talking about.

CONSIDERABLE complaint is being made over the use of North State street for racing purposes. That is too busy a street. Hundreds are passing there at all hours of the day, and the street is in constant use for business traffic. It was supposed that South University ave. had been fixed up on purpose for flyers, and that street can be used with comparatively little danger. They should be compelled to confine their fast driving to that street.

VOTING MACHINES.

Many Good Reasons Given For Their Use.

We are not advertising any particular voting machine, but we are interested in correct elections, and for that reason we are in favor of their adoption. From a circular lately received we quote a number of excellent reasons for their use.

It is the aim of every good citizen to perfect our voting system so that every voter shall vote as his conscience dictates and have that vote counted as he intended to have it counted.

It is beyond question that no blanket ballot has ever been made that could not be made to serve as a receipt for a purchased vote by placing marks upon it that would surely identify it, but which the law cannot class as "distinguishing marks." It is also true that at every election there are in every precinct in the state cases where the voter fails to mark his ballot so that the inspectors can count it. There were several thousand of them in this state this year, and it is claimed that there were over one hundred and sixty thousand (160,000) in the state of New York.

The voting machine prevents the possibility of bribery, or intimidation, for the reason that it is impossible to separate the vote of any voter from the other votes, the record being kept on register wheels. The voter only adds one to the total of the candidates for whom he votes, and his vote cannot be separated or distinguished from the others any easier than a drop of water can be separated from the other drops with which it has been mixed.

There is no way in which the voter can prove to any one how he voted, and bribers are not likely to pay for votes which they can have no assurance that they have received.

The voting machine is absolutely and unquestionably accurate, and checks against itself for errors.

The blanket ballot is the best paper ballot yet suggested, but while nearly every State in the Union uses it, no two have the same system of marking it. Changes are made at the sessions of each legislature with a view of simplifying the manner of marking it, so that the voters will not make mistakes.

There are sure to be ballots voted at every election precinct at every election, which the voter failed to mark, others that are marked so as to vote for the first name only which the voter intended to be counted for the whole ticket, and others where the voter has tried to "split" his ticket and failed to mark it properly. The voter is wholly or partially disfranchised and the candidate deprived of votes he is rightfully entitled to.

As a result of this it is not unusual, whenever an election is "close," for the defeated candidate to contest the election, in the hope that a re-count of the defective votes will change the result in his favor.

With the voting machine there are no defective or imperfect votes. It keeps a correct record of the whole number of votes, regardless of the number of persons who enter the machine but do not vote.

It keeps a correct record of all the candidates for all the offices, and of all the votes wherein no candidate was voted for. If the voter through carelessness, ignorance or awkwardness fails to make a selection as to any office to be voted for, the machine will not work. The fact that he has not voted is apparent to all bystanders and he can be allowed to correct his ticket. He may select any candidate, or he may select no candidate, but to vote for no candidate he must put "no choice" in the voting space in the machine. If he does this it is certain that he did not fail to vote as he intended.

At the close of the election, every vote being counted and accounted for, there can be no contests. If a candidate is defeated by one vote, the decision is final.

It is easier to learn to work the machine than to learn to fold a ballot, and any man can vote twice in the same time it would take to fold a ballot. An illiterate, or a person with defective eyesight, can vote intelligently without assistance.

Men who have not been able to select their ballots for years, vote without difficulty and without assistance.

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SALINE SECRETS.

Everybody Sleighbiding—Revival Meetings at the Baptist Church—A Donation Party—Items of Personal Interest.

Adam Stang and family spent Sunday with relatives in Macon.

Gilbert Hurd will entertain the Farmers' Club this afternoon.

Rev. M. L. Marvin occupied the Baptist pulpit in Chelsea last Sunday.

The four months old child of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Howard died Monday.

Mrs. Dr. Traver visited the last of the week in Somerset Center and North Adams.

Fred Kanouse has rented the farm of Harry Wheeler, and will take possession in the spring.

Samuel Haight and wife of Tecumseh, visited H. W. Bassett and other friends over Sunday.

A double birthday surprise party was given Mrs. J. L. Hoyt and Mrs. E. Valentine last week.

Revival meetings were begun at the Baptist church last Tuesday and will continue indefinitely.

The Ladies Aid Society of the M. E. church met with Miss C. F. Smith, Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. J. A. Humphrey of Detroit, spent the latter portion of last week visiting relatives here.

A jolly sleighload of Normal girls stopped over and took lunch at Thorn's restaurant last Saturday.

Rev. W. T. Wallace has been at Willis several days this week assisting Rev. Gibson in his revival meetings.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Baptist church met last Friday with Mrs. Blanchard and had a social tea.

A donation will be given this evening (Friday) at the Presbyterian parsonage for the benefit of Rev. T. J. Leith.

The high school and grammar school quartets will furnish music for the County Teachers' association here Saturday.

Miss Lydia Koeder and Miss Emma Gross gave social parties for their young friends, last week Wednesday and Friday.

S. T. Fairbanks will move back into the McKinnon store soon, and G. C. Townsend will move into the Nissly store thus made vacant.

The Baptist Society has a new preacher in the person of Rev. D. J. Barry of Jackson. He was their pastor here a number of years ago.

A number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Smith, chiefly from the M. E. church, spent Wednesday evening there making the occasion a party for them.

Teams are in great demand now by those who are rushing in the ice. Many people who haven't "cut any ice" for a year are doing a rushing business now.

A sleigh load of Milan people spent last Friday evening with Miss Idaleine Webb. Another load from Ypsilanti were with A. J. Warren on the same evening.

The Christian Scientists have rented the old G. A. H. hall over Nissly's store, and will have it refitted with seats, new carpets etc. suitable for their regular services.

The Bay View Reading Circle will hold the next meeting at the home of Miss May Hurd, two miles from town. This meeting will be a combination circle meeting and sleigh ride.

Real Estate Transfers.

F. Holmes Brown & w to Susan Dorr, Ann Arbor.....	\$2,500
Susan Dorr to F. G. Schleicher, Ann Arbor.....	2,500
Zina D. Buck & w to Mary Surridge, Ypsilanti.....	875
John Eiting & w to Philip Eiting, Ann Arbor.....	1,100
Geo. Barthel & w to Lizzie Barthel, Chelsea.....	1
Robert Brown to Mary Brown, York.....	400
Eddie B. Hammond & w to Chas. C. Miller, Chelsea.....	1
Chas. C. Miller to E. B. & Fannie A. Hammond, Chelsea.....	1
Newell B. Perkins & w to Tracey L. Towner.....	1
Tracey L. Towner to Newell B. Perkins & w, Ypsilanti.....	1
Robert G. Barnes & w to Tracey L. Towner, Superior.....	1
Tracey L. Towner to Robert G. Barnes & w, Superior.....	1
Paul Warboy to John S. Vedder et al., Augusta.....	15
Margaret Warboy et al. to John S. Vedder et al., Augusta.....	25
John H. Meyer & w to William Meyer, Sharon.....	1
John V. Sheehan & w to Peninsular Savings Bank, Ann Arbor.....	1
Auditor General to Wm. Meyer, certificate of error.....	
James M. Chidester & w to Mary G. Armstrong, Ypsilanti.....	600
Prosper Fullington et al. to Henry Clare, Ypsilanti.....	3,350
William J. Gray et al. to Harmon A. Holmes, Sylvan.....	200
Martha J. Gray to Harmon A. Holmes, Sylvan.....	1,100
Ellen J. Holmes et al. to Ida R. Holmes, Northfield.....	1
Ellen J. Holmes et al. to Isabell Bunn, Superior.....	1
Laura K. Queal to Susan Wilson, Dexter.....	750
Henry M. Avery, by adm'r, to Rose W. Chester, Augusta.....	275
Wm. N. Anderson et al. to the Zeta Psi association, Ann Arbor.....	1
Adam Kress, by adm'r, to John Kress, Freedom.....	210
John Kress & w to John Reno, Freedom.....	1,190
Chas. T. Brant & w to Elizabeth Freeman, Ann Arbor.....	332
Harriet Welch to Wm. A. Collins, Ypsilanti.....	1,200
Chas. E. Hiscock to Fred & Jesse Braun, Northfield.....	1,200
Chas. E. Hiscock to Albert E. Bailey, Northfield.....	1,200
Miles Gorsline by G'd'n to John Lang, Superior.....	314.22
Anna Gorsline to John Lang, Superior.....	326.21
Elizabeth K. Spatheil by adm'r to Jacob Spatheil, Freedom.....	600
Nancy Pearson to Waldo E. Draper & w, Ypsilanti.....	2,000
Wm. D. Pattison to Ettie H. Johnson, Ypsilanti.....	5,000
Lambert Gieske & w. to Joseph A. Howard, Sharon.....	500
Caroline Bucholz to William Bucholz & w, Northfield.....	100
Harriet A. Starks to Wilber Todd, Webster.....	150

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The Cheerful Club.

It is time this old world was turning over a new leaf. The long and highly painted accounts and illustrations in the daily press of the large cities of murder, suicides, fights, burnings, cuttings, hangings, robberies and all smelling scandals are becoming a burden too grievous to be borne. The illustrations, bad enough artistically even if they dealt with good and wholesome themes, are a nightmare as it is, depicting vice, animal monsters, deeds of violence, death in its most frightful forms.

Such reading matter, such pictures, must inevitably depress the spirits and in time affect the health and mentality of those who see them constantly year after year.

It is time intelligent human beings who do not wish this world to be converted into a combination of lunatic asylum, hospital and camping ground for criminals should set themselves against such journalism. They can do it by ranging themselves resolutely on the side of the clean, the honest, the cheerful and the healthy.

We propose for next year the formation of the Cheerful club, with branches in every neighborhood. Its pledge of membership shall be taken at the beginning of every year. Now, at the opening of this beautiful 1897, bright with promise, is the time for starting it. To become a member one need only subscribe in his or her own mind to certain resolutions. No need to tell anybody of the pledges taken. The Cheerful club is in a measure a mysterious secret society. It is known only by its effect on the members and on those associated with them.

And here are its oaths:

Knowing that mankind grow to be like what they read of or think most about; I pledge myself not to read the minute details of murders, suicides, tales of horrible accidents or fires or of any other things that leave a frightful or sickening impression on the mind. Neither will I read or listen to or relate the details of spiteful and unclean scandals, knowing here, too, that people become like what they talk and think about. I will not allow scandal or gossip to be poured into my ears like foul waters. If I do, I am mentally as bad as the actual participants in such occurrences.

I pledge myself not to talk of my bad luck, ill success in business or financial losses and disappointments to anybody, not any more than is absolutely necessary to acquaint with the facts those immediately concerned therewith. I pledge myself to this course because I know that like attracts like, to talk and think bad luck brings bad luck, and dwelling mentally on my financial troubles weakens my mind, clouds my judgment and makes me less capable of achieving success.

I pledge myself not to tell anybody of my wrongs or the treachery of supposed friends or of the selfishness and ingratitude of those who ought to be good to me. I will not burden other people with my woes. I will not even think of them myself. I will keep them out of my mind absolutely, because dwelling on them makes me dyspeptic and unhealthy.

I pledge myself not to say a word concerning my colds, rheumatism, coughs, fevers, boils, neuralgia, corns, toothache or any other physical ailment to anybody but my physician, and to him only so far as is necessary to obtain his advice. My friends and acquaintances are not a waste pipe for me to pour the tale of my unpleasant physical diseases into. I solemnly swear not to inflict the history of my woes or ailments on my friends or any persons whatsoever. They do not want to hear it. It is a morbid and diseased state of mind that makes me want to tell it.

I pledge myself in all sincerity to look on the bright side of everything, and that only, and to look for the good in all people. There is a bright side to everything in this world; there is good in every human being. I will fill my mind with bright, clean, hopeful, generous thought. I will give a lift on the way to everybody I can and do as I would be done by. I will remedy ills that I can; those that I cannot I will not fret over. I will maintain and preserve under all circumstances and in all places a serene, sunny and cheerful temper.

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5 pieces Taffeta, yard wide, all colors, ..	11 cts a yard
5 pieces Silesia, extra value, sale price ..	11 cts a yard
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100 dozen Spool Silk, all colors, per spool, ..	8 cents

Remnants of Dress Goods at about half-price.

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20 pieces " " reduced to ..	8 cts a yard
25 pieces Lonsdale Cotton, worth 10 cents, reduced to ..	7 cts a yard
25 pieces Blackstone Cotton, worth 10 cents, reduced to ..	7 cts a yard
25 pieces Unbleached Cotton, very fine, reduced from 8c to ..	6 cts a yard
20 pieces " " " reduced from 7c to ..	5 cts a yard

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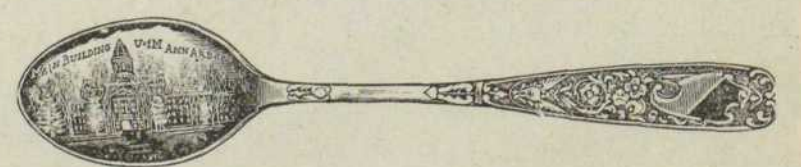
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LOCAL LINERS.

The Normal seniors will hold their reception in the gymnasium Saturday evening.

The Epworth League had a sleigh ride to the home of B. D. Kelley, Wednesday evening.

A party of seventeen persons went on a sleigh ride Monday evening to the home of W. I. Moore.

A handsome new case for China has replaced the old wall cases on the west side of Barnum's jewelry store.

The Young People's Mission of the Presbyterian church, will meet next Tuesday evening with Mrs. George C. Bradley.

The Congress st. whist club was entertained by the Hamilton st. club at the home of Mrs. N. B. Harding, last Tuesday afternoon.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid Society gave a very pleasant social and reception at the home of Mrs. Edgar Rexford Tuesday evening.

The Baptist Young People's Society will go to Ann Arbor this evening, where they will be entertained by the Baptist society of that city.

A grand whist evening, in which thirty-two ladies will play against thirty-two gentlemen, will be held at the Hawkins House next Thursday evening.

Prosecuting Attorney Kirk was in Ann Arbor Thursday, attending the coroner's inquest over the body of Jas. Richards, the man who was murdered near Dixboro last Sunday.

The diphtheria patients have all recovered; the scarlet fever epidemic is confined to one family; the undertakers are desperate, and the doctors are wondering where their next job will come from.

Ward, the magician, will give the long hoped for entertainment in Normal hall next Monday evening. Tickets of admission, 50c. A special car will run to the Normal before and after the entertainment.

A masquerade ball will be given in Light Guard Hall, on Tuesday evening, Feb. 16. Four prizes will be awarded, one each for the richest costumed gentleman and lady, and for the two best sustained characters.

The annual stockholders' meeting and election of officers of Cleary College was held this week, when the following officers were re-elected: President, P. R. Cleary; vice-president, H. R. Seoville; secretary and treasurer, D. W. Springer; members of board, N. B. Harding and Geo. Harris.

The annual Junior Exhibition of the Ypsilanti High School was held last Friday evening, and was a most creditable affair. Each of the 28 members of the class took some part in the exercises which were bright and very entertaining. The exhibition was attended by a fairly good sized audience.

The auxiliary Ladies' Literary Society met at the library Wednesday afternoon and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. Will H. Sherzer; vice-president, Mrs. L. M. James; secretary, Mrs. John Van Fossen; treasurer, Mrs. Geo. Alban; chairman of work committee, Mrs. M. T. Woodruff.

The "Ypsilanti League Wheelman" club held their annual meeting in the dental parlors of Dr. J. B. Van Fossen, last week Wednesday evening. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Pres., D. P. Sullivan; V. Pres., W. P. Bowen; Secy., W. J. Fell; Treas., J. B. Van Fossen; Capt., A. J. Sullivan. The new term at the high school starts off well, with an enrollment of 232. Forty new chairs have been placed on the stage for the use of the high school choir, which made its first appearance Thursday morning. New classes have been formed in botany, geology, bookkeeping and senior review in grammar.

These cold nights have played the mischief with the water pipes in many parts of the city. One of the worst cases was at the home of Mrs. Nellie Howard on Forest ave. On Tuesday the pipes burst and let the contents of a large tank of water upstairs down through the ceiling into the lower rooms. B-fore it could be stopped there were two inches of water on the dining-room floor.

A force of 250 men and 12 teams are at work cutting ice for the Michigan Central at the Superior Mills. The work is carried on day and night, from 75 to 100 cars being loaded with ice every night. The average day's work is 150 cars, in addition to filling the ice house. Large kerosene torches are used with good success for lighting purposes at night. The ice is about 8 inches thick which is considered very fair.

Conservatory hall was crowded last Wednesday afternoon, the occasion being the first children's recital given in that institution. The program was carried through without a single failure, and the work done by the children was most praiseworthy. The performers were Marjorie Shier, Lucile Ross, Helen Pease, Blanche Barnum, Mabel Gass, Letha Trebilcock, Lou Smith, Clyde Gass and Hugh Parsons, nearly all of whom are pupils of Miss Lulu Loughray, and several of whom are beginners this year. The instrumental numbers were rendered with a precision and carefulness that would do credit to older musicians, while Miss Helen Pease, who rendered the vocal numbers, surprised even her friends by her ability as a singer. The next recital will be given next Wednesday afternoon by the pupils of Mr. Frank Smith.

The State Board of Education will meet at the Normal this afternoon, and will accept the new training school, which may now be considered finished although it will not be occupied until March 1. The Decatur board refused to release Miss Pearl Weinert from her school work in that place, and another assistant in the department of drawing and geography will have to be selected. The board have secured Miss Mary Berkey of Chicago, to teach in the 5th grade, and Miss Clara Waldo of Lansing, for assistant in the 7th grade. Half a dozen college graduates have entered the Normal this semester, and all the departments are unusually full. The practice class numbers 147; the history department has 19 classes a day with four teachers, and the department of drawing and geography has 14 classes with two regular teachers and a student assistant.

The Girls' Club at the Y. W. C. A. gave a very pleasant and unique entertainment last Wednesday evening. The principal feature was the Egyptian band, which for costume and discordant sounds reminded one forcibly of the Midway of the World's Fair.

Rehearsals are being held nightly for the opera "Olivette," to be given by local talent on Feb. 25, 26 and 27, and the indications are that it will be an immense success. Prof. Frederic H. Pease, who has kindly consented to conduct the opera, is undoubtedly as well qualified for the position as any man in the whole west. It is a well-known fact that Prof. Pease never identifies himself with anything that is not first-class.

A most enjoyable concert was given Wednesday evening under the patronage of the Sappho Club by the Haydn Trio, assisted by Misses Grace Stevens, Myrtle Edwards and Grace Ward, soloists. The program began with three movements from Trio 8, Haydn, which were finely rendered by the Haydn Trio. Following were numbers from Schumann, Grieg, Boccherini, Czibulka, our own Walter Hewitt, and ending with the "Marche Militaire," by Schubert. The vocal solos were very finely rendered, and were appreciated by the audience.

The Business Men's association held their annual meeting in the Savings Bank building Wednesday evening, and elected the following officers: President, Geo. W. Alban; vice president, D. L. Davis; secretary, Guy E. Davis; treasurer, W. H. Sweet; attorney, John P. Kirk; executive committee, H. D. Wells and O. A. Ainsworth. This association has been in existence two years, during which time they have succeeded in bringing about many changes beneficial to the merchants and the town people. One of their latest movements is in the line of protection against advertisers of any fake scheme. Any scheme which looks suspicious is referred to the executive committee, who examine it carefully, and report to the association the result of their investigation.

PERSONALS.

Miss Alice Densmore is visiting in Saline.

Chas. E. Samson has returned from Chicago.

Mrs. Fred Horner visited in Fenton last week.

Henry Samson spent part of last week in Chicago.

Hal Glover of Detroit, was in the city Tuesday.

Mrs. George Tyler is recovering from a severe illness.

Craig Bowling of Detroit, spent Sunday in this city.

Archie Drury of Detroit, spent Sunday in this city.

Postmaster Bogardus was a Detroit visitor, Tuesday.

F. B. Goodspeed of Detroit, was in the city Monday.

Dr. Murdoch of Northville, was in the city this week.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gould, last Sunday, a boy.

John Lamb spent Wednesday and Thursday in Belding.

Miss Gertrude Forman has been visiting friends in Detroit.

Miss Marie Gareisen left Thursday for a visit in Bay City.

Robert D. Spencer is home from Chicago for a vacation.

Robert L. Wagner of Detroit is the guest of D. L. Quirk, Jr.

Miss Lula Stowell has been on the sick list for several days.

C. J. Hupp of Detroit, was an Ypsilanti visitor Wednesday.

Hugh Hart of Ann Arbor, visited Ypsilanti friends Sunday.

Mrs. Caroline Phillips has been granted a widow's pension.

Miss Laura Scoville is the guest of Mrs. Fred Hale in Hudson.

Miss Helen DeMott of Albany, N. Y., is visiting Miss Cora Cornwell.

David B. Dodge left last Tuesday for an eight weeks' stay in Toledo.

Miss Jennie Porrest of Flint, is the guest of Miss Victoria Palmer.

Ed. Wallace of Grand Rapids, visited his parents in this city Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Forest Ebling of Oscoda are visiting Ypsilanti relatives.

Wm. Densmore is recovering from an illness of several days duration.

Maro, the magician, will appear in Normal hall next Monday night.

H. C. Amerman has purchased the grocery business of C. H. Crane.

Rev. Charles Allen of Detroit, visited his brother Capt. Allen, last week.

Nat Van Cleve has returned from a six weeks' visit in New York City.

Miss Starkweather of Plymouth is the guest of Miss Winifred Wallin.

Mrs. R. C. Dolson is suffering with a severe attack of pleurisy this week.

Mrs. W. P. Smith of Chatham, Ont., is visiting her daughter in this city.

Miriam, the little daughter of Dr. Barton, has been quite ill this week.

Rev. Fr. Kennedy is entertaining Capt. D. Sheehan of Niles, this week.

Miss Kate Shaw, whose home is in Canada, visited in this city this week.

Miss Lulu Pulver was called to Somerset last week by the death of a cousin.

Mr. Don C. Batchelder is suffering with an attack of the grippe this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Chapman visited at the home of F. H. Barnum last Tuesday.

Rev. Eugene May of Washington, D. C., visited relatives in this city last week.

Miss Byrd L. Burck was confined to the house by illness the first of the week.

Miss Helen Wiard was the victim of a surprise party last week Thursday night.

Mrs. Howard Stevenson of Reading, Pa., is the guest of Mrs. David Eugene Smith.

Mrs. Jas. H. Rogers of Columbus, Ohio, has been visiting Mrs. C. W. Rogers.

Miss Margaret Mavity has returned from a visit of several weeks in Waterford, Ont.

Joseph Miller was called to Cleveland, Ohio, last Saturday by the death of his mother.

Mrs. J. E. Sanders, Miss Caddie Sanders and Miss Smith were Detroit visitors Monday.

P. W. Carpenter and family are moving this week into the Foote residence on Forest avenue.

W. S. Carpenter attended the Grand Lodge meeting of Master Masons in Saginaw last week.

Miss Lizzie Langell, who has been visiting in this city, has returned to her home in St. Clair.

Miss Clara G. Seymour, state secretary Y. W. C. A., visited Miss Marie Odiorne, Wednesday.

Rev. Robert J. Youngs of Pittsburg, Pa., will preach in the Congregational church next Sunday.

Miss Louise Pomeroy entertained the school children of district No. 7 at her home last Saturday p. m.

F. W. Mercer will take the place in the Cleary College faculty made vacant by Miss Lillie Davis' resignation.

Ed. Lamb of Belding, whose eye was injured by an accident a short time ago, is the guest of his brother, Fred Lamb.

The Sigma Gamma Epsilon society was entertained at the home of Miss Florence Babbitt, last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Sleight, who has been visiting her sister Mrs. Cleveland, left for her home in America, North Dakota, last week.

Mrs. F. H. Barnum has been called to Dunningville, Allegan Co., by the severe illness of both her father and mother.

Funeral services of the two year-old son of John Freuntner, of Maple st., were held in St. John's church, Monday morning.

The marriage of Will McCorkle of Detroit, well known in this city, and Miss Bessie Delzell, will take place early in the spring.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Buckland and Mr. and Mrs. Guy W. Watrons of Warsaw, N. Y., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McIntyre.

Thomas Ted Kaster and D. C. Phillips started last Tuesday for Chattanooga, Tenn., and will take an extensive southern trip on their bicycles.

Miss Anna Borsig, lately from Hugo Hill's well-known establishment in Detroit, will have charge of Lamb, Davis & Kishlar's dressmaking department in the spring.

Ned Bristol, who has been with C. W. Rogers for the last four years, has accepted a position with Park, Davis & Co., Detroit, and will leave for that place next Monday.

Geo. Nelson spent Monday and Tuesday in Bay City, where he attended the state convention of Modern Woodmen. Mr. Alban is treasurer of the local branch of this order.

Joseph Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Thompson, gave a masquerade party to twenty-five of his friends last Friday p. m. The occasion was his seventh birthday anniversary.

John Robinson, who has been employed by the Hay & Todd Mfg. Co., has accepted a position with the Van Dyke Knitting Co. in Milwaukee, Wis., and left for that place last Sunday.

G. E. Waterman attended the State Photographers' convention in Detroit, Tuesday and Wednesday, Mrs. Waterman attending the convention Wednesday. In regard to careful, artistic work, we are certain that Mr. Waterman could give "pointers" to any other photographers he may have met at the convention.

MILAN MATTERS.

Visitors In and About the Village—Cemetery Association Officers—Boy Babies Popular.

Mrs. O. L. Youngs is quite sick.

Mrs. Alfred Putman is on the sick list.

Lois Wedder called on friends here Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Brown visited Willis, Monday.

John Lockwood returned home from Toledo Wednesday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Len Van Housen, Tuesday, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Parks were the guests of Mr. Robinson Sunday.

Mrs. Perin Green entertained a few friends at dinner Wednesday.

Wilmer Robinson is clerking in O. L. Young's store for a few weeks.

The Presbyterian ladies' aid society will meet next Tuesday. The place will be decided on later.

Mrs. C. M. Fuller and Mrs. M. M. Davenport of Moreville, visited their parents last Monday.

Mrs. Moore of Jackson will give a health talk to the ladies, Monday afternoon, in the M. E. church.

Charlie Rice returned to Carson City, Monday, after spending a few days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rice of this place.

Miss Florence Teal returned from Toledo last Thursday, where she has been visiting her aunt. She is now wrestling with the chicken-pox.

A young visitor came to George Minto and wife's house last Tuesday and will probably make quite a stay. It was a little boy. All parties seem to be greatly delighted.

On account of the illness of Rev. J. P. Hutchinson, services were not held in the Presbyterian church last Sunday morning. Missionary exercises were held in the evening, conducted by Rev. J. Ward Stone, former pastor of the Baptist church. The regular services will be held next Sunday.

An association has been formed for the Marble Park Grove cemetery under the statutes. The following officers have been elected: Directors, Mrs. Wallace, Mrs. Clark, Albert Smith, Frank Trussel, Joel Marble, C. H. Wilson, C. M. Blackmer, Fitch Allen, Milton Hitchcock; president, Albert Smith; vice-president, C. H. Wilson; treasurer, Frank Trussel; secretary, Joel Marble.

MANCHESTER MENTION.

Clearing the Swamp—Interesting Letters in School—A Formidable Expedition—Notes of Visitors Coming and Going.

G. Conklin visited in Tecumseh last Friday.

Floyd Austin of Norvell, spent Sunday in town.

Rev. Fr. Reiley of Adrian, was in town Sunday.

Henry Landwehr was in Ann Arbor Tuesday on business.

Wm. Baxter has been confined to the house with a severe cold.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Corey entertained a pedro party Friday evening.

C. J. Farrell drove to Tecumseh Saturday and returned Sunday.

Attorney Rushton of Brooklyn, was in town on business, Monday.

Dr. W. D. Reed of Tecumseh, Sunday in town with his mother.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hildinger, died Wednesday.

Dr. G. A. Servis was called to Norvell, Friday, on a professional visit.

C. W. Case was busy Tuesday appraising the property of the Coon estate.

L. D. Watkins is feeding over 1000 sheep this winter, besides other stock.

A. C. Torrey drove to Monroe Tuesday, to be absent a few days on business.

Jas. Kellam, who has been traveling for a Chicago book concern, is home on a visit.

David Jones, who is working in Chicago, was home on a visit the first of the week.

The scholars in the McMahon district held a social Friday night, at L. M. Baldwin's.

While cutting ice on the upper pond last week, men and horses both received good duckings.

Messrs. Yocum & Blosser attended a meeting of the Foresters at Tecumseh Tuesday evening.

Mrs. J. H. Kingsley fell on the icy walk one day last week, and badly sprained her ankle.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lowery gave them a pleasant surprise, Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank P. Dodge of Adrian, visited Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Briegel over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Enoch Silkwood and son, visited in Brooklyn and Jefferson from Saturday until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Sanford returned Wednesday from a two months' visit at New York and Philadelphia.

So many people have been laid up with severe colds lately, that the physicians have been unusually busy.

While sleighing one day last week, Miss Emma Nisle was carelessly thrown from the sleigh and badly bruised.

Some of our young people drove to Pleasant Lake, Friday night, to attend the dance, and report a pleasant time.

We learn that the Ladies' Aid Society are preparing to present "The District School" at a future date.

Sleighing parties have been quite numerous the past week, and both old and young have been enjoying the winter sport.

C. H. Millen of Wolf Lake, was in town Friday, and reports that Eugene is recovering nicely from his recent severe illness.

Miss Minnie Reeves of Tecumseh, was in town Friday and called on friends. She left that afternoon to visit in Ypsilanti.

Rev. J. L. Hudson of Alpena, formerly presiding elder of this district, is visiting his sisters, Mrs. M. D. Case, and Mrs. R. K. Fellows.

Michael Kirk, who has resided in the southern part of this township for the past 50 years, died Wednesday morning of neuralgia of the heart.

Last week we mentioned that Wm. Ampoker had moved to Ann Arbor. He had packed his goods, but did not move until Monday, owing to the severe cold weather.

Dr. J. A. Lynch will discontinue the drug business, and will move into new quarters over Schaible & Hendershot's, where he will resume his practice and manufacturing.

Messrs. Schaible & Hendershot opened up their store Monday with a new stock of dry goods, boots, shoes and groceries, and are hustling for a portion of our citizens' patronage.

Excelsior's Merry Makers drove in Monday evening from Ypsilanti and Tuesday night held the boards at Arbeiter Hall, where they presented the comedy: "Reilly's Reception," to a fairly good house.

Some of "mama's darlings," who have become thoroughly attached to each other, were caught in the act of passing notes in the high school recently, and Prof. Essery entertained the scholars by reading the loving passages enclosed to the school.

Ira Smith and wife of Seward, O., are visiting at E. S. Hagaman's. Mr. Smith is one of the best cheese makers in Ohio, and is here inspecting the plant. Mr. Smith, accompanied by Mr. Hagaman, went to Charlotte Monday night to attend a three days meeting of the State Dairyman's Association.

The "big swamp" north of town on the Chelsea road, has been a busy place this winter, and several acres of tamarack trees have been cut for firewood. The timber could be bought cheap, and so many men were looking for employment, that it was an easy matter to clear up a large tract of land.

People who were up town early enough Tuesday morning to see the load of men, dogs, guns and ammunition, thought that Jerome Holmes had organized a company of recruits to fight for Cuban independence, but it was only a load of local huntsmen going over to the "big swamp" on a fox hunt.

Michael Wurster's boy Charlie, had hitched up to come to town Tuesday night but the horse concluded not to wait for him and galloped away. He ran down the sidewalk on Exchange Place, knocking Philo Silkwood down, but fortunately did not injure him. The horse was stopped in front of Kensler's store before any damage to either was done.

DEXTER DOTS.

The Census Growing—The Races a Success—Church and Society Notes.

Wm. Shannon is very sick.

Blanch Cushman was at home last Sunday.

Jay Warren is happy over a baby boy born last week.

Andrew T. Hughes was calling on old friends Monday.

James Devine is entertaining a little girl baby at his home.

John Schieferstine went to Jackson Wednesday on business.

Wm. G. Doty of Ann Arbor was in town Monday on business.

The Pedro Club met at Joe Staplers Tuesday evening this week.

Miss Hattie Keath has gone to Mt. Clemens to spend the winter.

The City School bonds were sold Friday last week at 5 per cent.

Frank Jewell has returned from a short visit with friends in Detroit.

Oren T. Parker is making preparations to build a large barn this spring.

The W. W. society met with Jay Smith and family Wednesday this week.

Daniel Lyons' daughters had a party at their home, Friday evening last week.

Will Fisher has rented the Marcus S. Cook farm, and will move onto it in the spring.

The M. E. society had a chicken pie dinner at the church parlors Wednesday this week.

Chancey Coy entertained a company of young people, Wednesday evening this week.

Dr. John Lee has traded his pacer to George Reade of North Lake, for a fine roadster.

Steve Crane and family of near Adrian, are visiting at Henry M. Phelps' this week.

Frank and Wirt Carpenter had a party dance at their residence, Tuesday evening last week.

The Baptist society gave a surprise party on Mr. and Mrs. George Peatt, Wednesday evening this week.

H. A. Williams, of the Farmers & Mechanics Bank, Ann Arbor, was a welcome visitor on our streets Tuesday.

The K. O. T. M. had a special meeting Saturday evening to make arrangements for their dance, to be held Friday Feb. 19th.

William Jewell and wife went to Detroit Saturday for a short visit. Mr. Jewell is to take an examination for the City Mail Service.

Dr. Elmer Frank Chase has gone to Arkansas City, Kansas, to look after his interest in a suspended bank in which he was a stockholder.

Miss Hattie Bo-twick has resigned as teacher of the Dexter High School. Miss Belle Croarkin was appointed to fill Miss Bostwicks place.

E. R. Doane and Ruben Queal, will start for Florida next Tuesday morning. Clay Springs will be their stopping place as they have orange groves there. They will not return until late in the spring.

Rev. C. H. Beale, D. D. of Boston, Massachusetts, will give a lecture at the Congregational church Friday evening, Price 15 cts. and 10 cts. Subject "Views from Beacon Hill, or Boston Old and New." The speaker comes with high recommendations.

The races were held Tuesday. Pools were sold at Daner Moore's. Committee Alexander Daner and J. V. N. Gregory. J. V. N. Gregory won the first race, Homer Boyd of Chelsea, won

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

[OFFICIAL.]

COUNCIL CHAMBER.
Ann Arbor, February 1st 1897.
Regular Session.
Called to order by Pres. Hiscock.
Roll Called. Quorum Present.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR.

To the Common Council of the City of Ann Arbor:

Gentlemen:—The Ordinance to amend an ordinance relative to Licenses passed by your honorable body at its last session, I hereby disapprove for the following reasons:

To my mind the insertion of the words "of their own production" in section 7 is too far reaching and in the wrong direction. Section 7 as amended reads as follows:

Section 7. Every hawker pedler or person going about from place to place, or who makes use of any of the streets or open places in said City, selling or offering for sale goods, wares, merchandise or any species of property, shall pay a license therefor in the sum of one hundred dollars per year, or fifty dollars for a period of six months. And for a period of less than six months such person shall pay a license therefor as follows; that is to say: If he intends to travel on foot, one dollar per day; if he intends to travel with one horse one dollar and fifty cents per day; if he intends to travel with two or more horses or other animals, two dollars per day for every vehicle so used. Any person selling or exposing for sale any such goods or property from any wagon, hand-cart, show-case or stand, in any street or open place, shall pay the sum of three dollars per day, and in granting a license for any such purpose in any street or open place the Mayor shall designate the street and place where any such wagon, hand-cart, stand or show-case, shall be located and shall have power and authority to change and relocate the same from time to time in his discretion. Provided, this section shall not apply to persons selling domestic fruits, dairy, farm or garden produce, of their own production, not to bakers or merchants delivering goods to their customers in said City.

Under our present ordinances all farm produce (including dressed meat) may be sold in any quantity direct from the farmers' pedlars or citizens' wagons to our people at their doors free from license or charge of any kind, while by inserting the words "of their own production" you prevent the peddling of farm produce in our City without a license unless such produce is of the pedlars own production. I believe such an ordinance unjust to our citizens. It not only takes from them the right to use their own judgment when buying supplies for their families but it prevents them from going into the country and buying such products and selling them around town thereby earning a living. It has been the practice of a great many of our teamsters to go into the country and buy up large quantities of wood and during the winter haul it to town and sell it. Others there are who go out and buy butter, eggs, poultry etc, which they bring in and sell to our citizens, all of which is prohibited by this amendment. It also prohibits our milkmen from selling the only milk from their own dairy and as they all or nearly all are dependent upon others—wholly or in part—for their milk it can easily be seen that if the proposed ordinance was to become law the workings of it might become a serious matter to our citizens.

You have reduced, somewhat, the license rates but they are still excessive and prohibitive to such a degree that I believe will invalidate the ordinance and will in that direction be no improvement on the old. If our people can save any money by buying direct from the farmer or if any of them can make a little by going into the country and buying of the farmers the products of their farms and bringing in and selling it to our citizens it is not in my opinion the duty of your honorable body to deny them the privilege. I cannot see where our people are to derive any benefit while it is plain to be seen where they would be greatly injured by the operations of this amendment.

It would have the effect of turning the trade of a goodly number of farmers to surrounding towns who heretofore have patronized our City. It has a tendency to raise the cost of living which may be the cause of our citizens moving away as well as of preventing others from coming here to live. Altogether I consider it against Public Policy and it should never be given a place among our ordinances.

Filed January 19th, 1897.

WARREN E. WALKER,
Glen V. Mills, City Clerk. Mayor.

Whereupon the Ordinance to Amend an Ordinance Relative to Licenses was passed as follows, the Veto of the Mayor notwithstanding:

Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Moore, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Dell, Shadford, Rhodes, Coon, Cady, Danforth, Pres. Hiscock—10.

Nays—Ald. Burke, Brown, Coon, Soule, Danforth—5.

To the Common Council.

I have this day appointed Patrick

Desmond as a special policeman to act at the Ann Arbor R. R. depot and grounds without expense to the City.

WARREN E. WALKER, Mayor.

Dated, January 30th, 1897.
Received and placed on file

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS.

To the Common Council:

The Board of Public Works would recommend that action be taken by your honorable body to have the bridge over the Michigan Central Railroad replanked as it is in a dangerous condition.

Board of Public Works,
Glen V. Mills, Clerk.

Ald. Koch moved that the recommendation of the Board be concurred in by the council.

Adopted.

To the Common Council:

The Board of Public Works would respectfully recommend that a flagman be ordered placed at the Y on North Main street during the time that the railroad companies are transferring cars at said crossing.

Board of Public Works,
Glen V. Mills, Clerk.

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

Adopted.

A petition signed by A. Allen John asking for wood for heating the room for a free kindergarten, was read and referred to the Fire Department Committee.

A petition signed by Bina A. Butler asking for the return of taxes illegally assessed was read and referred to the Finance Committee.

A bill for extras in the construction of the Sewer in Lateral Sewer Districts No. 3 and 4 was presented to the Council and referred to the Sewer Committee.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

FINANCE.

To the Common Council.

Your Committee on Finance respectfully report 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'Brien	83.34
Thomas D. Kearney	50.00
Charles H. Manly	8.34
Glen V. Mills, postage	2.75
Mrs. C. A. Gravel	29.17
Mack & Schmidt, rent	10.00
Marvin Davenport, janitor work	10.00
Ann Arbor Savings Bank accounts assigned	10.00
Ann Arbor Register printing	11.44
Inland Press, printing	22.50
Emma Loeffler, stenographer	8.94
Moore & Wetmore supplies	4.75
Ann Arbor Electric Co. lighting	528.39
Sid W. Millard printing	9.00
John Elsete supplies	1.35
Louis Rhode	1.78
Schaefer & Millen supplies	32.32
Moore & Wetmore	15.39
Nene Washenaw Post, printing	6.30
Henry Richards coal	32.50
Ann Arbor Argus printing	7.50
Chas. H. Manly assigned by E. B. Pond	9.00
Eugene B. Hall coal	17.50
Michael Stuebler coal	16.85
J. A. Pohlemus livery	2.75
Joe Blackburn pound fees	1.25
Lucy D. S. Parker rent	60.00
Joseph White trimming hedge Ann Arbor Savings Bank	6.10
J. Geromiller burying cat	1.00
J. F. Schuh entry fee	2.00
Total	\$ 1053.08

SEWER FUND-General.

Geo. F. Fey salary	\$ 100.00
E. W. Groves salary	75.00
A. H. Rys salary	7.00
Ann Arbor Water Co., test	1.54
Total	\$ 183.63

District No. 5.

Abraham Beck teaming	\$ 29.25
Total	\$ 212.88

STREET FUND.

Ann Arbor Savings Bank accounts assigned them:	
James Mason labor	\$ 3.00
Fred Siple labor	1.05
M. Williams labor	4.89
Nicholas Henderson labor	75
James Mason labor	2.70
B. French labor	2.70
Barney Merrill labor	2.70
M. Hery labor	8.10
Wm. J. Randall labor	1.50
Bennett French	2.25
John Groff	1.50
Michael Hery labor	1.50
Matthew Luppold labor	1.00
M. Williams labor	2.55
A. G. Schmidt repairs	1.10
C. A. Maynard & Co. oil	1.10
Martin Nagel snowplowing	1.50
Andrew Hunter repairs	1.50
Daniel J. Ross salary	60.00
Julius Weinberg snowplowing	1.50
John J. Ferguson	1.50
Erasmus White	2.10
M. M. Wheelock	2.50
Thomas Hamman	3.00
John Kittle snow plowing	7.50
H. Otto & Son repairs	10.15
Glen V. Mills accounts assigned	75
Martin Nagel snowplowing	1.50
John McHugh	1.50
E. B. Hall coal	62.15
Hutzel & Co. supplies	4.40
C. Eberbach	4.25
Louis Rhode	50.15
Wm. Wheeler stone A. A. Brewing Co.	2.00
Total	\$ 273.11

POLICE FUND.

M. C. Peterson, salary and expenses	\$ 66.37
David Collins, salary	50.00
John O'Mara, salary	50.00
Reuben Armbruster salary	50.00
George Isbell, salary	50.00
Christian Brenner livery	3.00
Total	\$ 269.30

FIRE DEPARTMENT FUND.

Fred Siple, salary	\$ 60.00
C. A. Edwards	50.00
W. H. McLaren	50.00
Max Whittinger	50.00
Albert Wall	50.00
Eugene Williams	50.00
Herman Kira	50.00
Samuel McLaren	50.00
Wm. Hoelzie	8.00
W. L. Schulerle	8.00
Ed. Hoelzie	8.00
Wm. Rottich	8.00
Geo. Hoelzie	8.00
Schuler & Millen sheets	17.79
A. V. Robison services	5.00

Pat Gibney hay	9.72
Lnick Bros. lumber	7.05
Mrs. Ream washing	5.05
Muehlig & Schmid polish	1.50
Kyer Milling Co. bran	1.50
Clark & Bassett coal	9.70
H. Richards coal	6.50
C. L. Yost team	25.00
James Doherty horse shoeing	4.00
D. Hiscok & Son coal	16.25
Total	\$ 804.47

POOR FUND.

Fred Siple, salary	\$ 10.00
Ann Arbor Railroad freight	65.08
L. B. Densmore wood	46.78
Anti Tramp Society labor	16.01
Geo. F. Allmendinger groceries	2.32
F. Bigalko, groceries	11.98
Frank Burg, groceries	5.00
H. J. Brown medicine	5.63
Doty & Felner shoes	2.75
D. Cramer groceries	1.00
Ed. Duffy, groceries	3.00
Mrs. Evans, aid	5.00
John Goetz & Son, groceries	8.72
John Goetz, Jr., groceries	9.46
L. Gruner shoes	4.10
G. Hoefler groceries	6.00
W. F. Lohholz groceries	6.00
Wm. H. McIntyre, groceries	10.89
O. M. Martin coffin	10.00
C. A. Maynard & Co. groceries	7.40
Mann Bros. medicine	3.55
O'Hara, Boyle & Co. groceries	12.64
Rinsey & Seabolt, groceries	3.25
L. Rohde coal	2.00
Wm. Reinhardt shoes	6.39
C. Rinsey, groceries	6.70
H. Richards coal	3.78
W. F. Stinson, groceries	6.66
Stuebler & Co. groceries	1.00
George Spatthelf meat	3.00
Wahr & Miller shoes	3.00
Chas. Zaern, meat	26.25
Ann Arbor Savings Bank acct assist'd	30.25
Total	\$ 307.85

RECAPITULATION.

Contingent fund	\$ 1053.08
Sewer Fund General	\$ 183.63
District No. 5	29.25
Street fund	212.88
Police fund	269.30
Firemen's fund	804.47
Poor fund	307.85
Total	\$ 2922.6

Ald. Soule excused.

Ald. Dell moved that the item of \$250 for the purchase a team for the Fire Department be stricken from the report and referred to the Fire Department Committee.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Moore, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Dell, Burke, Brown, Shadford, Rhodes, Coon, Cady, Danforth, Pres. Hiscock—13.

Nays—None.

Whereupon the report as amended was adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Koch, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Dell, Burke, Brown, Shadford, Rhodes, Coon, Cady, Danforth, Pres. Hiscock—14.

Nays—None.

To the Common Council:

Your Committee on Finance would recommend that the City Attorney be directed to settle the case of Mast vs. The City of Ann Arbor and that a warrant be ordered drawn for \$230 in payment of the same.

Respectfully submitted,
C. H. Cady,
Harrison Soule,
Emmett Coon,
Committee on Finance.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Moore, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Dell, Burke, Brown, Shadford, Rhodes, Coon, Cady, Danforth, Pres. Hiscock—14.

Nays—None.

To the Common Council:

Your Committee on Finance to whom was referred the petition of E. J. Phelps asking for the return of \$53.20 for taxes illegally assessed would recommend that the tax be refunded and that a warrant be ordered drawn for the amount named.

Respectfully submitted,
C. H. Cady,
Harrison Soule,
Emmett Coon,
Committee on Finance.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Moore, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Dell, Burke, Brown, Shadford, Rhodes, Coon, Cady, Danforth, Pres. Hiscock—14.

Nays—None.

To the Common Council:

Your Committee on Finance would recommend that the City Attorney make a demand on Otis C. Johnson, executor of the Lucy W. S. Morgan Estate for the sewer tax on the lot purchased by the City for a city building site, of said estate; and further your committee would recommend that the petitions of Philip Visel, Herman Hardinghaus and Christian Mack be referred to the City Attorney for investigation; and further that the City Attorney be instructed to collect the money paid by the City of Ann Arbor, in a judgement rendered against the City for damages sustained by injuries received upon a defective walk in front of the property of Joseph J. Ellis Estate.

Respectfully submitted,
C. H. Cady,
Harrison Soule,
Emmett Coon,
Committee on Finance.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Moore, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Dell, Burke, Brown, Shadford, Rhodes, Coon, Cady, Danforth, Pres. Hiscock—14.

Nays—None.

LIGHTING.

To the Common Council:

Your Committee on Lighting to whom was referred the subject of lighting the Court House tower would recommend that the contract be awarded to the Ann Arbor Gas Company for the ensuing year at \$75.00 per annum.

Respectfully submitted,
Harrison Soule,
H. P. Danforth,
C. H. Cady.

Committee on Lighting.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Moore, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Dell, Burke, Brown, Shadford, Rhodes, Coon, Cady, Danforth, Pres. Hiscock—14.

Nays—None.

SEWERS.

To the Common Council:

Your Committee on Sewers to whom

was referred the subject of the connection of the Court House with the sewers would report that after giving the matter due consideration they are of the opinion that it would be to the best interest of the city to accept the \$250.00 offered by the county.

Respectfully submitted,

John Koch,
H. J. Burke,
C. H. Cady,
W. M. Shadford,
J. A. Dell,
Geo. L. Moore,
Emmett Coon,
Committee on Sewers.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Moore, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Dell, Burke, Brown, Shadford, Rhodes, Coon, Cady, Danforth, Pres. Hiscock—14.

Nays—None.

POOR.

To the Common Council:

Your Committee on Poor to whom was referred the petition of A. Koppf asking for relief would recommend that the subject be referred to the Superintendent of the Poor.

Respectfully submitted,

G. C. Rhodes,
Jacob Laubengayer,
H. P. Danforth,
Committee on Poor.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Moore, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Dell, Burke, Brown, Shadford, Rhodes, Coon, Cady, Danforth, Pres. Hiscock—14.

Nays—None.

REPORT OF CITY OFFICERS.

The report of the city Engineer on plans and estimated cost of the construction of the sewer in Lateral Sewer District No. 6 was read and ordered placed on file.

The monthly reports of the City Marshal Superintendent of the Poor and Chief of the Fire Department was read and ordered placed on file.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Ald. Moore.

Resolved, that the Board of Public Works be directed to advertise for and purchase 3000 yards cobble stone at forty cents per yard.

Ald. Coon moved as an amendment that the Board purchase 1000 yards instead of 3000.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Burke, Brown, Cady, Danforth—9.

Nays—Ald. Moore, Dell, Shadford, Rhodes, Pres. Hiscock—5.

By Ald. Brown.

Resolved, that the city Engineer be hereby instructed to make a large map of the city, which shall show by colored lines the several wards of the city, also the course of the several sewers through the streets which can be placed in the Council rooms.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Moore, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Dell, Burke, Brown, Shadford, Rhodes, Coon, Cady, Danforth, Pres. Hiscock—14.

Nays—None.

By Ald. Brown.

Resolved, that the President of the Council, the City Atty. and ten other persons, five from the Council and five citizens be appointed as a committee for the purpose of considering the advisability of having certain changes made in the City Charter and report the same to this council.

Adopted as follows:

Yeas—Ald. Maynard, Moore, Koch, Grossman, Laubengayer, Dell, Burke, Brown, Shadford, Rhodes, Coon, Cady, Danforth, Pres. Hiscock—14.

Nays—None.

Pres. Hiscock appointed the following as such Committee.

Pres. Hiscock, City Attorney Kearney, Ald. Brown, Cady, Coon, Maynard, Soule, Mayor Walker, Horace G. Prettyman, Henry J. Brown, Wm. D. Harriman and Ethel B. Pond.

On motion the Council adjourned.

GLEN V. MILLS,
City Clerk.

Our Ex. Lemon

made from Italian November cut lemons, oil free from foreign substance, and being manufactured and sold by

BRESS & RINSEY,
No. 24 E. Huron St.

FOR SALE CHEAP.—A large 4 foot Grind Stone, 6 inch face, with frame and pulley. Inquire at the Inland Press office.

'Tis strange, but the Ann Arbor Music Co. have 4,000 pieces of sheet music that they offer for 10c per copy and 1,000 pieces at 5c per copy.

Blood is Life.

It is the medium which carries to every nerve, muscle, organ and fibre its nourishment and strength. If the blood is pure, rich and healthy you will be well; if impure, disease will soon overtake you. Hood's Sarsaparilla has power to keep you in health by making your blood rich and pure.

Hood's Pills are easy to take, easy to operate. Cure indigestion, biliousness, 25 cents.

Prevent sickness and save doctors' bills at this season by keeping your blood rich and pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

When the army worm appeared last summer, The Rural New-Yorker readers were promptly told all about it and they saved their crops by knowing how to fight them; you may want to fight some other pest next year. We will tell you. We can send it THE ANN ARBOR DEMOCRAT both one year



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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I.—Royle Farrar discharges himself at West Point, deserts the school and leads a wandering life, linking lower and lower, marries his employer's daughter and then commits a forgery. II.—Colonel Farrar, father of Royle, is killed in a battle with the Indians. III.—Royle Farrar's younger brother Will graduates at West Point and falls in love with Kitty Ormsby, whose brother Jack is in love with Will's sister, Ellis. IV.—Will is made lieutenant. They all return to Fort Frayne, accompanied by a certain Mrs. Dauntton. V.—It has been reported that Royle Farrar is dead, but he turns up at the fort in the guise of a common soldier under the name of Grace. Ellis Farrar and Jack Ormsby quarrel over Helen Dauntton. VI.—Helen Dauntton has an interview with Jack Ormsby, in which it transpires that she is Royle Farrar's much abused wife, whom Ormsby has before befriended. VII.—Helen Farrar discovers her husband. VIII.—Ellis Farrar witnesses another interview between Helen Dauntton and Jack Ormsby.

"Mrs. Farrar," she cried in utter desperation, turning madly away from the hateful sight, "I—I must get into the open air awhile. You won't mind, dear. I must walk, walk, run, run in the cold. No, don't come, and pray let Ellis keep with you. In 10, 20 minutes at most, I'll return."

"Ah, Helen, wait until Willy, until Malcolm Leale, returns from the stables. See, they're coming now. They will walk with you."

"Oh, no, no, no! Do you not see I must be alone. I cannot talk with any one. Let me go," she cried. Then, before either the mother could interpose or Ellis, who came hurrying into the room, could urge one word, she had seized a heavy wrap and gone almost bounding down the stairs.

At the threshold she recoiled, for there, his honest face full of eagerness as the door flew open, stood Jack Orms-



"I cannot talk with any one. Let me go," he by, "I—I was just about to ring," he said, "and inquire after you—and for—Miss Farrar. You really startled me."

And up aloft they heard—Ellis heard—the eager, low toned, almost breathless answer. "Oh, Mr. Ormsby. It was you I sought. Come—right in here."

And drawing him into the parlor she closed the door, reckless now of anything Ellis might suspect, thinking only of the peril that menaced one and all. Perhaps Jack Ormsby's longing eyes caught one fleeting glimpse of feminine drapery at the head of the little staircase. Perhaps his own wrongs and woes had overmastered him. Perhaps he thought that already he had been too heavily involved, all on account of this fair sufferer and suppliant, but certain it is he followed, hesitant, and that it was with a far from reassuring face he confronted his captor.

"Mr. Ormsby," she burst forth, "how much money would you give, at once, this day, to rid this post of the greatest shame and misery that could be brought upon Ellis and her mother?"

"I can't imagine what you mean," was the uncertain answer.

"I mean that Royle Farrar is here—in this garrison—a private soldier in Captain Leale's troop."

"Mrs. Dauntton! Are you mad?" "Mad? My heaven, I will might be! He came before me this noon, with her, with his mother, not 20 steps away and taunted me and threatened me. Oh, God, he means it! He means to make himself known to them and claim their kinship in the way to shame them most! And the shock will kill her, kill her! There is only one earthly way. He will go for money."

"He can't, if he's a soldier. It's desertion. It's—why, they follow them, capture them and it means state prison or something for years."

"I know nothing of that—I know I'm only a helpless, distracted woman, but drink and money are the two things he worships. For them he will risk anything. I can see him this night. He is this moment on post, out here on the bluff. You know him. It's the man they call Tom Grace."

Ormsby's hat fell from his hand. "My heaven! That man here again?"

"Here, here, and I have known it only for a few hours. See what I am suffering. Do you not see what it means if Royle Farrar makes himself known—and he is capable of anything. Shame to Will, shame to Ellis, heartbreak—death perhaps—to Mrs. Farrar. Do you not see you must help me get him away from here? You must for all their sakes and keep his secret and mine."

"It is my secret, too, Mrs. Farrar," said poor Jack, rallying to the rescue now that danger threatened. "I will do whatever you wish, whatever you say. You shall have whatever money I have here and more can follow. You're a brave woman. Forgive me that I doubted you."

"Oh, never think of that now. Only keep my secret yet a little and let me see you before 10 tonight. That's the hour that relief goes on again. I've watched them so often. And—and all the money you think—even a hundred—two hundred dollars. Oh, God bless you for the help you give me! Now I

know you wish to see her, and I must get into the open air awhile."

Calling the maidservant, she bade her take Mr. Ormsby's card to Miss Farrar, then hastened from the house.

But the answer brought to honest Jack—poor fellow—was that Miss Farrar begged to be excused.

CHAPTER IX.

A snow cloud was hanging over Fort Frayne that lovely Christmas eve, and the moon shone down through a filmy veil of lace and cast black shadows on the dazzling surface. Everywhere about the post lights were twinkling in the quarters and sounds of soldier merriment and revelry came from the barracks. Over at the assembly room Rorke and his party were still busily at work hanging festoons of green and completing the decorations for the morrow, while in the several households among the officers dinner parties or similar entertainments dined together under one roof or another almost all the families as well as the bachelors of the garrison. The children were rejoicing in their great Christmas tree at the chapel. The colonel had bidden them all to his big house for a Santa Claus party after the public ceremony of the post Sunday school, and Aunt Lucretia, a garrulous, flighty, feather brained fairy of 40 summers or more, was doing her best to get the little gifts in proper order against their coming, being aided in her perplexities and complications by the dreamy, but devoted, Wayne. Kitty was dining at the Farwells—a temporary truce having been patched up between her and Will about sunset—and Ellis, too, very, very much against her wish, was one of this party. Ormsby was, of course, bidden, and had been placed next the lady of his love, but averted eyes and monosyllabic answers were the only returns of his devotion.

Grieved and hurt at first, the sterling fellow was finally stung to reprisals. He was guilty of no wrong. He was worthy far kinder treatment at her hands, and, noting her apparent determination to talk only with the men across the table or with Captain Amory, who had taken her in, the New Yorker presently succeeded in interesting the lady on his right, and, when dinner was over and the women passed out into the parlor, was enabled to make way for Miss Farrar with a very courteous but entirely ceremonious bow. Ellis flushed, but, inclining her head, passed him by without a word.

It was then nearly 8:30 o'clock, and the gleeful voices of the children could be heard returning from the chapel, and, mindful of his promise to Helen Dauntton, Ormsby was already figuring for an opportunity of temporary escape. It had been arranged that most of the officers and ladies were to gather at the hoproom after 10, "just to see if the floor was in good shape for tomorrow," and Jack well understood that Ellis did not mean that he should be her escort, and, as matters now stood, he did not desire her to suppose that such was his wish. Even as he was pondering over the cigarettes and coffee how he should manage the matter and giving but absentminded attention to the cheery chatter about him Captain Amory suddenly lifted his hand and said, "Hush!"

Out across the parade, quick, stirring and spirited, the cavalry trumpet was sounding "officers' call," and every man sprang to his feet. "What can it mean?" "What has happened?" were the questions that assailed them as they came streaming out through the parlor in search of their greatcoats.

"Did you ever know such a regiment?" exclaimed the hostess impulsively. "I do believe we never get through Christmas without a tragedy of some kind." And then she bit her tongue as she caught sight of Ellis Farrar's startled face.

"I think if you will excuse me, Mrs. Farwell, I will go to mother a moment. She is at the chapel's by this time and Mrs. Dauntton is with her. Still, I feel anxious. All this may excite her very much."

And so, while the officers went hurrying away across to the adjutant's office, Ormsby found himself, after all, tendering his arm to Miss Farrar. He was the only man left. Kitty, excited and agitated, she knew not why, had made some comical attempts to detain Will, but his long legs had by this time carried him half way to the scene of the sudden summons.

"Thank you, no. I do not need it," said Ellis coldly. "Indeed, I do not need escort at all to go so short a distance."

"It seems to be the post custom none the less," was the grave answer. "Besides, I think I am justified in saying you have treated me with aversion so marked of late that I am entitled to know the cause. What can I have done to deserve it, Ellis? Let us understand each other."

"There is only one way, then, Mr. Ormsby," she answered, with sudden impulse. "Who is Helen Dauntton?"

"Ellis, I cannot tell you now," was the sorrowful, gentle answer. "Be patient with me yet a little while."

"Yet you know?"

"Yes—I know."

"And you say let us understand each other," she answered bitterly.

"Ellis, I said to you before when we spoke of this that there are secret orders a soldier must obey and not explain. In these last few hours secret orders have come to me."

"And you accept secret orders—from her?"

"I accept them from my honor, Ellis, for I have given my word. No," he implored, as she hastened as though to leave him, "listen, for it may be my last opportunity tonight. I know it seems hard and strange to you that when I would lay my whole life open before you, I must not yet tell you this. But, Ellis, I give you my honor I am hiding nothing shameful to that poor woman nor to me. It is only for a time I must be silent. When I can speak, you'll forgive me, dear. You will thank me that I do keep secret now. Trust me, Ellis. Can you not look up

at me and say you trust me?"

Ah, how pleading was his tone, how full of love and fire and tenderness his manly face, as in that still winter night he looked down into her eyes! Over at the barracks there was a sudden stop to all the music, but men's voices could be heard in excited talk. Along officers' row many a door was opened and women and children were peering out in search of explanation of the unusual summons. Over at the adjutant's office a dark throng had gathered, the officers of the garrison and other knots as of soldiers or Indians could be seen, but Jack and Ellis saw, heard, nothing of this. Her voice had the ring of steel to it as she answered:

"If it were just a question of my own happiness, I might trust you, but it is my mother's happiness—perhaps her life. I must know all there is to know about that woman whom my mother trusts so blindly. I must know for myself. In the name of the love you offer me will you tell me the truth about her?"

"Ellis, I cannot tonight. I have given my word."

"Then keep it," said she with sudden passion. "Keep it and keep your love." Then she turned and fled within the chaplain's gate, leaving him standing on the snowy walk without, sorrowing, yet determined.

For a moment he stood there following her with his eyes. Never stopping to knock or ring, she turned the knob and let herself into the brightly lighted hall. He caught a glimpse of the gray haired chaplain bending over a womanly form. He caught one fleeting view of Helen Dauntton's anxious face. Evidently the call had been heard there, too, and, coming as it did in the stillness of the holiday evening, it boded no good. Only on rare occasions or some sudden emergency was Fenton known to call every duty officer to his presence, even by day, and he would be almost the last man to break in upon the festivities of the season with a stern call to arms unless arms and men both were needed somewhere. The day had been one long trial to Mrs. Farrar, and since noon one long torture to her cherished friend. And so, as they were seated about the chaplain's fire and the trumpet notes were heard, and a servant hastening in said, "It's officers' call, sir," just as Ellis feared her mother was seized with sudden faintness. "My boy, Willy! They won't take him," she faltered, and then sank back nerveless into her chair.

Ormsby turned and sped away for the office. At least he could ascertain the cause of the summons and bring them tidings if it meant no move, but the first glance through the window at his uncle's face, as he stood surrounded by his officers, told the New Yorker, already experienced in frontier garrison life, that something imminent was in the wind. Fenton was talking rapidly, as was his wont when roused, and the only faces in the group that did not seem to kindle in response to the light in his keen, sparkling eyes were those of two heavily blanketed Indians standing sullen and imperturbable beside him. Out in the snow half a dozen non-commissioned officers were gathered in a group by the little knot of Indian ponies and cowboy bronchos. An Indian boy, lolling in his saddle, replied in monosyllables to their eager questions. A brace of cowboys, one of them obviously in liquor, sought to impress upon all within hearing their version of some row that had evidently taken place. Among the bystanders was Ormsby's old friend, the sergeant major, and to him he appealed.

"What's up sergeant?"

"Been a fight, sir—cowboys and Indians. Christmas drunk, I reckon. The cowboys were having some fun with their lariats, and they roped old Big Road off his pony and shot at him when he showed fight. Then his two sons shot Laramie Pete, and it looks like a general scrimmage. Big Road's whole village is camped only ten miles down stream, and they're war dancing already. There's a lot of drunken cowboys over at town, and they swear they'll rouse the county and clean out the whole Indian outfit."

Thanking the staff sergeant for his information, Ormsby pressed on to the crowded room and stood in the outskirts of the throng of officers. Fenton was speaking as he entered the hall, and his voice had no uncertain ring. He had been questioning one of the cowboy leaders, a scowling, semideaf, but splendidly built specimen of frontier chivalry, and it was evident that the verdict of the commander was against these turbulent gentry and in favor of the Indians.

"By your own admission, Thorpe, your fellows are on a tear, and whether they meant it as fun or not it was rough fun at best and nothing less than a mad brained trick in my eyes and an outrage from the Indian point of view. Big Road would have been no chief at all if he hadn't resented it furiously. It may be, as you say, that he was first to pull his gun, but you pulled him off his horse. The men that did it deserve to be

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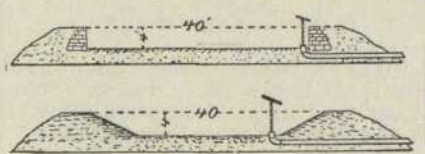
CONSTRUCTING RESERVOIRS.

For Purposes of Irrigation Where Pumps and Windmills Are Used.

Professor F. H. King of the Wisconsin experiment station, in his paper on "Irrigation in Humid Climates," published in a farmers' bulletin, has the following to say on the construction of the reservoirs necessary where pumps are employed, and particularly if windmills are used:

The location of the reservoirs should be such that its level is above that of the land to which it is to supply water. The deeper the reservoir can be made the less will be the loss by evaporation and usually also by leakage, but if the water supplied to it is too cold to use it will warm faster in a shallow reservoir.

Where the soil is of a clayey nature a good reservoir may be made by first plowing and removing the sod to a distance beyond the border of the proposed walls, because if introduced into the wall it will leak. The earth is then plowed and scraped into a broad ridge having the inside sloping in order that the waves shall not erode the embankment. While the earth is being deposited in the wall it should be trampled firm and close. When the proper height and form have been given to the walls of the reservoir, it is necessary to plow and thoroughly pulverize the bottom to a depth of five inches preparatory to puddling it. If the reservoir is circular in outline, the loosened soil should be first wet at the center and thoroughly puddled there by trampling with a team. Then by widening the wet area



the team may be driven round and round until the sides are reached and the whole thoroughly worked into a mortar. In this condition, if thoroughly puddled, the reservoir is nearly water tight. To prevent washing the inner slope may be covered with a layer of coarse gravel or crushed rock.

If a perfectly water tight reservoir is desired, the bottom should be cemented, coated with asphalt and sand, or six or eight inches of brick clay used in the puddling.

To remove the water from the reservoir the best plan is to use lap weld steam pipe provided with an elbow and laid with the mouth of the elbow level with the bottom of the reservoir and facing up. This is closed with a plug to which a long T handle is attached. The cut represents a cross section of reservoir with plug inserted in the discharge pipe. The end of the pipe where the plug is inserted should be thoroughly imbedded in a large mass of cement heavy enough to prevent it from being shaken when the plug is taken out or inserted. A reservoir with sloping sides should have an outlet at the junction of the sides and bottom, and it will be necessary to build a pier out to it in order to reach the plug.

A reservoir 4 feet deep and 40 feet in diameter will hold water enough to irrigate 0.35 acre 4 inches deep and 0.69 acre 2 inches deep and 100 feet in diameter will irrigate 4.62 and 2.16 acres 2 and 4 inches deep respectively.

Ramie Fiber.

The Dundee Courier gives an illustrated account of how the ramie fiber is worked at Wraybury, on the Thames, near London. According to this account, at Wraybury there is a perfected plant of unginning, bleaching, preparing, combing and spinning. In a word, at Wraybury have been demonstrated the possibilities of turning out yarn at a price to compete with flax or mohair and at about one-third the price of spun silk. The constitution of ramie is so entirely different from hemp, flax and other textile plants that the fiber must be treated by a wholly different method. It cannot be spun on cotton machinery. On wool, flax and silk waste machinery it works fairly well. A special plant, however, is necessary to treat the fiber economically and to enable a cheap yarn to be produced that will permit manufacturers to buy it either for its strength or for its luster. Now, if it is proved that machinery has been successfully introduced for the treatment of ramie stems freshly cut, there will undoubtedly be a more wide cultivation of the plant.

There is practically no limit to the goods that can be manufactured from ramie. Its strength renders it suitable, it is claimed, for ropes, twine, machine bands, belting or sailcloth and fishing lines and nets and for many of such purposes its diminished bulk and weight render it specially suitable. It can, it is averred, be converted into a cloth similar to cotton and it vies with flax as the basis for damask tablecloths and the like. It will mix with silk, wool and even cotton, adding strength by the alliance. The waste can be utilized for paper making of a high class. Its absorbent and antiseptic qualities, it is claimed, render it specially suitable for medical purposes.

Tobacco Propagated From Slips. Foreign exchanges give the intelligence of the discovery of a tobacco export of Hungary which may cause decided changes in the system of culture. Tobacco has been hitherto treated as an annual plant. According to the new system, it can be propagated from slips. It is claimed that the leaves harvested from plants propagated from slips are in all respects superior to those of the mother plant. Should these reports prove true the chief labor in tobacco cultivation of growing new plants every year from the seed will be done away with.

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IMPROVED ARTICHOKE.

Tubers Which Are Finding Increased Favor as Food For Stock.

Attention has been called of late to artichokes as food for stock, notably for hogs. Farmers in various sections of the country have reported success with feeding swine on these tubers until a short time before killing, when a few bushels of corn are given to harden the flesh. Following are extracts from a Michigan farmer's letter to Vick's Illustrated Monthly:

One acre of artichokes will keep from 20 to 30 hogs in the best condition, as they are always healthy when fed on them. For horses, cattle and sheep there is not a better root grown. One acre will produce from 300 to 700 bushels of tubers, depending on the soil. The improved artichoke is entirely different from the native or wild variety which is raised in some gardens. The Improved White French is a native of France, where it is largely grown for domestic use as well as for stock. It grows about 6 feet in



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height, and in the fall is covered with yellow blossoms, which in this country never mature seed; hence no danger of covering the farm. My five years' experience has proved to me that they can be destroyed. My plan is to plow under when one foot in height. A simpler way is to leave the hogs in the patch a little late in the spring, and they will find every one.

The tubers are much like Irish potatoes in appearance, only rougher, flesh pure white, very brittle and sweet. Many farmers in Newago county are growing them extensively as a general farm crop. The artichoke is important, as no insect, blight or rust has yet struck it, and the tops make a good fodder when properly handled. Last winter they were tested at the Fremont creamery with the best of results.

Lowland which is too frosty for corn and many other crops is just the place for artichokes, as freezing does not hurt them. Drought seems to have but little effect on them.

Celery For Home and Market.

With proper management celery may now be had nearly all the year round, and consumers have become more discriminating as to the qualities of the different varieties, as is evidenced by the following inquiry from one of the largest celery growers in Ohio: "Is it not advisable for growers to use more of the self blanching varieties of celery like Perfection Heartwell or Perle le Grande and less Golden Self Blanching, and are not the pink and red varieties the best for marketing?"

This inquiry was submitted to a number of experienced growers in various sections of the country, and their answers as published in The American Agriculturist are highly interesting and show how the tastes of buyers differ in different localities and how important it is for growers to acquaint themselves with the requirements of their markets. Nearly all agree that the eating qualities of the pink and red varieties are superior to those of all others, but for marketing they are almost worthless.

Homemade Windmills.

A Nebraska writes as follows concerning a homemade windmill for pumping water: We usually make our wheels 8 feet in diameter—that is, we use four 2 by 2 inch hard wood pieces 8 feet long, and they cross on the axle, so that the fans are 4 feet long, and we make them 4 feet wide, so that the fan is square. We use half inch lumber to cover the fans. Lap siding does very well. The box is made enough larger than the wheel so that there is no danger of striking with the fans. We use a wire extending from the extremity of one fan to the next to brace the wheel. If there should be trees or buildings near to interfere, the box may be set on posts as high as you choose. Mine is 8 feet to the top of the box.

A Plank Marker.

For planters of small gardens a Texas correspondent of Farm and Fireside gives an illustrated description of a homemade tool which he finds very serviceable in planting small beds, such as radish, onion, etc. Take a plank 6 or 8 inches wide and 1 foot long. Hollow

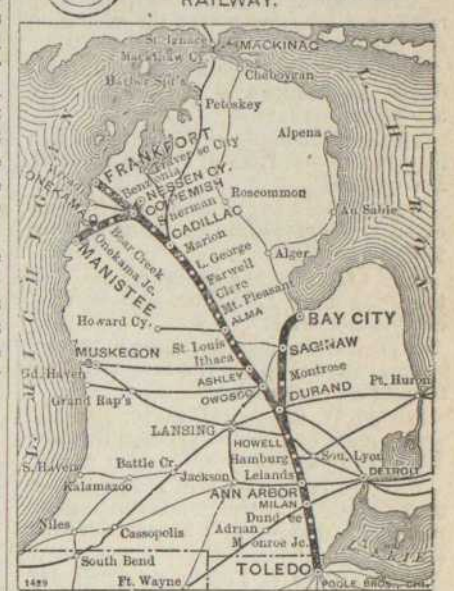


MARKER FOR SMALL GARDENS.

out the side that is intended to drag on the ground, and nail a small, sharp stick to it, which is intended to open a small furrow for the seeds. Attach a handle about 5 feet long to the top edge of the board and pull it straight ahead over freshly plowed ground, and you will have a nice smooth ridge, with a small furrow on top to receive the seeds. To cover the seeds, remove the small stick and drag the concern over the ridge again.

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IN AND ABOUT THE CITY.

The ice men of the city are making things hump along the river these days. The ladies of the M. E. church gave their regular monthly social last evening.

A number of Ann Arborites went up to Dexter Tuesday, to see the racing on the ice.

Beta Theta Pi gave a sleigh ride and dance at Whitmore Lake Saturday afternoon.

The annual banquet of Zeta Psi will be given at the Russell House, Detroit, March 22nd.

At St. Andrew's church, next Sunday evening, there will be a musical service without sermon.

The Clenadis has made a rule that the boys may visit the society only every other week.

It is nearing election time now, and we may expect to see the laws enforced for a brief period.

Orville W. Sage of this city, has had an increase of pension, secured through W. K. Childs' agency.

Prof. E. H. Mensel will speak before the Y. M. C. A. at the Sunday afternoon meeting, subject, "The Christian Race."

Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Thayer of Cherry street, rejoice in the advent of a son at their home, who arrived there Saturday morning last.

If you have a friend you wish to have invited to the Masonic party next week, send his name to W. C. Hollands, chairman of the invitation committee.

The Chequamegon and Minnis orchestrans have been engaged to furnish the dance music for the Masonic party February 12, one being stationed in each of the rooms.

Fred Reimold and George Waidelich have both waived examination in Justice court, and been bound over to the circuit court, on the charge of not drawing the screens at their saloons.

A pleasant musicale was given at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Angell last evening, by Miss Mary Angell of Chicago, a guest at the President's house, assisted by Mrs. N. S. Hoff and Mrs. Spitzley.

The Brighton Fair is said to be doomed. The association has voted to sell \$50 shares for \$25, and old members who are dissatisfied are offering their shares for even less and drawing out.

"Some Further Considerations Touching the Choice of the Christian Ministry as a Life Work," will be the subject of the sermon by the Rev. Henry Tatlock, at St. Andrew's church, next Sunday morning.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. will hold their regular monthly business meeting Monday, February 8th, at 3 o'clock, in the rooms of the association. All ladies interested are invited to be present.

One of the largest crowds of the year witnessed the third degree work in Fraternity Lodge last Friday night. John D. Duncan of this city and Dr. A. E. White of the University hospital, were made Master Masons.

Dan Smith the popular proprietor of the railroad eating house at the D. L. & N. depot at Plymouth has sold 400 of his wooden men since July 1.—Northville Record. Probably because they wooden(t) eat his leather sandwiches.

Fred Myers, a blacksmith at Church, had his eye pierced about a year ago by a piece of flying steel. The member has continually grown worse since that time, and Thursday, he went to Ann Arbor to have it removed.—Hudson Vibrator.

Fraternity Lodge will confer the first degree this evening. Visiting brothers welcome. Thursday evening of next week Golden Rule and Fraternity Lodges will work together on the third degree, in order to leave the room clear for the masonic party the next evening.

Gov. Pingree has appointed W. W. Wedemeyer, county school commissioner of Ann Arbor, as deputy railroad commissioner, and into Sheriff Judson's lap from the same town is likely to fall the wardenship of the state prison plumb. It is understood that the way things now stand neither the railroad commissioner nor his deputy know the difference between a railroad and a corn sheller.—Northville Record.

Senator R. B. Loomis of Kent county thinks that the state of Michigan should provide a decent residence for its governor. There are others. The idea that the governor of such a state should have to live at a hotel or rent a house, is hardly in keeping with the dignity of such a great state as Michigan. The governor's house should become a rallying point for Michigan events, and the social life should become a thing of befitting dignity. This it cannot do while the governor's home is a migratory thing. By all means give us a governor's residence belonging to the state.—ANN ARBOR DEMOCRAT. Your views, Mr. Democrat, shall receive consideration, and after giving them proper thought The News will decide whether it is best for the press and public to boom the project or not.—Grass Lake News. That will settle it. If the News and DEMOCRAT agree, she goes—if not, nit.

Editor Dana came to Ann Arbor in a private palace car and left in the same. The Ann Arbor editors can not understand it, and at the next meeting of their press club they will adopt resolutions commending that the fact of each editor riding in said Ann Arbor—Daily Times, Hold on, Lisemer. Just because you own two papers and can ride in two languages, you need not hurt the feelings of the rest of us by talking about such luxuries.—Ann Arbor Democrat. In may not generally be known that Ralph McAllister, the editor of THE DEMOCRAT, is a next of kin of Ward McAllister, formerly of New York's 400, but now of the Infernal Regions, where puns like the above are never tolerated, and their perpetrators punished with red-hot fire.—Times. How do you know where Ward McAllister has gone to, or what the customs of the place you refer to? That must be a stray idea from your "Gems of Thought" column.

"Hank" Owen is now located in his handsome new barber shop in the Cook House block.

The Ann Arbor Electric Company has filed articles of association with the secretary of state at Lansing during the past week. Capital stock, \$15,000.

Two young women had a row at a dance in Flint, Saturday night, and one of the girls threw her adversary down a flight of stairs. They are evidently a lively crowd up there.

The Michigan Press Association will hold its midwinter meeting at Hotel Cadillac, Detroit, February 22nd and 23rd. The Cadillac has tendered the association a banquet on Tuesday evening.

Wm. V. Rinehart, Jr., who graduated from the U. of M. some six years ago, and who was made a master mason by Fraternity lodge of this city, was recently chosen Worshipful Master of Arcana Lodge F. & A. M. of Seattle, Wash.—Courier.

Prof. Stanley will begin at vesper services next semester, a series of musical programs, illustrating the development of sacred music. He will begin with the music of Palestrino in 1600 and continue down to the present time. There will be twelve programs given.

City Treasurer Manly has decided that under the state law he has the right to hold open the collection of taxes until February 25. The second quarter of the sewer taxes in Districts 1 and 2 and the first quarter in Districts 3 and 4, are now due and must be paid on or before February 25.

The Huron Valley Building and Loan Association held its annual meeting Monday night and re-elected the following officers: Frederick Schmid, president; Norman Gates, vice president; John R. Miner, secretary; E. H. Belser, treasurer; Herman Kraft, Amrose Kearney, T. D. Kearney, O. M. Martin and W. G. Doty, directors.

Arrangements have been made with Chicago for four base ball games, two to be played in Chicago, one in Detroit, May 22, and one in Ann Arbor, May 29. Games have been scheduled with Wisconsin to be played at Madison, May 10, and in Ann Arbor, June 12. On the Chicago trip games will be played with Beloit and the All Chicago high school team.

The eighth anniversary of the Ladies' Aid Society of the Zion Lutheran church was celebrated on Thursday last. The pastor, Rev. Nicklas, made some appropriate remarks encouraging the members of the society in their work. Refreshments were served. At election the following officers were chosen for the year: President, Mrs. Christian Mack; vice-president, Mrs. Rev. A. L. Nicklas; secretary, Mrs. S. A. L. Nicklas; treasurer, Mrs. Fred Schmid; assistant treasurer, Mrs. J. Koch. Six new members were received at this meeting.

SOCIETY DOINGS.

L. A. Pratt was in Detroit yesterday. Dr. A. K. Hale was in Detroit Tuesday.

Mrs. Prof. Freer is visiting in Indiana.

Mrs. Dr. Wessinger is visiting friends in Howell.

Hugh Brown is spending a few days in Pontiac.

M. C. Wood-Allen was in Detroit, Wednesday.

A. J. Sawyer was home from Lansing over Sunday.

D. D. Green of Ypsilanti was in the city yesterday.

W. K. Sagendorph of Jackson, was in the city Monday.

Miss Genevieve Duffy visited in Toledo over Sunday.

A. C. Schumacher made a flying trip to Detroit Tuesday.

Dr. Nanerode is on duty again, after a siege with the grip.

Christian Mack was in Chicago on business, Friday last.

Miss Rosa Sturm of Monroe, is visiting friends in the city.

Will Gelston has been elected president of Lyceum No. 1.

Miss Carrie Maher of Detroit, visited in the city over Sunday.

Prof. B. M. Thompson was in Lansing on business Tuesday.

R. C. McAllister was in Detroit on business Monday afternoon.

Miss Louise Exinger of Detroit, spent Sunday at home in this city.

Dr. Amos Winegar of Howell, called on Ann Arbor friends Tuesday.

Rev. J. W. Bradshaw spent parts of Monday and Tuesday in Detroit.

Eli Cuddeback and family have gone to the "Sunny South" for a visit.

E. L. Seyler spent a couple of days in Detroit the early part of this week.

Chas. B. Millen and family are entertaining Mrs. Giles Lewis, of Chicago.

Miss Cogeswell of Providence, R. I., is a guest at the home of President Angell.

Henry Paul of Chicago returned home Tuesday after a visit with Ann Arbor friends.

E. Sears attended the State meeting of the Modern Woodmen in Bay City, this week.

Dr. W. J. Herdman and Miss Mary Louise Herdman made a trip to Alma, Saturday last.

The visit of the legislative committee to the University has been postponed till next week.

Miss Marion Knauss of E. Huron street, is entertaining her friend Miss Russell of Manistee.

Fred R. Cutcheon '96 E., has accepted a position with the Western Electric Co. of St. Louis, Mo.

Harry, generally called "Happy" Brown, is back in school, and expects to graduate this year.

J. L. Babcock and wife were guests of State Treasurer Steel and family, in Detroit, Saturday last.

Miss Mary Kiley of Monroe, has returned home after an extended visit with friends in this city.

Dr. A. W. Smith of Adrian, one of the old "war horses" of the Republican party, was in the city this week.

C. W. Wagner who has just returned from an Eastern trip, is confined to the house with an attack of the grip.

William Gerstner has bought out the billiard hall in the Savings Bank block previously owned by M. J. Lehman.

L. C. Goodrich, Grand Lecturer Royal Arch Masons, will hold a school of instruction in Port Huron next week.

Prof. Geo. W. Patterson and wife entertained a number of friends Monday evening, in honor of the Prof's. Birthday.

Titus F. Hutzler, M. J. Fritz, Mayor Walker, W. F. Lodholz and Will Gwiner, spent a couple of days at Zuke Lake fishing.

Prof. Samuel Dickie of Albion college, will speak in Newberry hall, Sunday, at 9 a. m. Subject: "The Christian and the Saloon."

Henry Luce, who had an operation for appendicitis performed at the hospital, has so far recovered as to be removed to his home.

W. H. H. Cooper, a well known citizen of Gaylord, Mich., died on Monday last. Mr. Cooper graduated from the Law department in 1876.

Miss Jennie L. Moore of Van Buren Point, New York, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Geo. Cattermole, at No. 9 Church st., where she will stay for some time.

The ladies of the Church of Christ will give a New England supper in the parlors of the church this evening. Supper will be served from 5 to 7 p. m. The price is fifteen cents.

City Attorney Kearney yesterday morning entered suit in chancery for the City of Ann Arbor vs. Robert Hunter, for the purpose of abating the nuisance of the mill pond at the corner of W. Washington and Third streets, owned by Mr. Hunter. The board of health has already declared it a nuisance.

The marriage of Ernest G. Budd of Gloucester, England, and Miss Gertrude S. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Smith, will occur Thursday, at 3 p. m., at the latter's residence. They will leave directly for the east. Mr. Budd is a senior in the dental department of the University of Michigan, and after his graduation in June will locate in Detroit.—Jackson Press.

CLIPPED AND STOLEN.

26,455 "Bands of Mercy" have been organized under the direction of the American Humane Education Society, at an expense of more than \$10,000.

The articles which ex-President Harrison has been writing for the Ladies' Home Journal upon the Constitution and Government of the United States are to be published as a text-book for schools and colleges.

George Nye, a farmer living six miles west of Owosso, was nearly killed by a vicious horse Sunday. The beast tripped up him, inflicted numerous cuts and bruises, broke his nose and fractured his skull in several places. He will probably die. Neighbors, attracted by his cries, arrived just in time to prevent his immediate death.

Monday was an unlucky day for four residents of Flint. Ernest Gebro had one of his feet crushed under a sleigh. Harold Kingley, a school boy, while playing, fell against a building and had his nose smashed. Mrs. Richard Partidge fell on a sidewalk, broke her right arm in two and dislocated the same arm, and Harlow Hathaway, while shoeing a horse, had his hip dislocated.

Miss Grace Lincoln Temple, perhaps best known as the decorator of the Woman's Building at the Atlanta Exposition, though many handsome houses in Washington and elsewhere owe their artistic interior to her, has been entrusted with the decoration of Mrs. Cleveland's new house at Princeton. Miss Temple has just returned from Princeton, whither she went to superintend the beginning of her work.

Monday two female lawyers presented two more of the same kind for admission to practice before the United States supreme court. The ladies were made practitioners. And yet it is hoped that the length of cases in court will some day be diminished. It is evident that the new woman proposes to do her own courting. Who knows but that in the future the judicial robe will become a tailor-made gown, and the ladies' magazines will have fashion plates for supreme court justices?—State Republican.

A smooth individual with an oily tongue is working the farmers in the southern part of Monroe county to perfection. He claims to represent a Norwegian colonization company that wishes to purchase farms and go into the fruit raising business. He enters into an agreement with the farmer, and a contract is signed by both parties, the farmer keeping a copy. By the terms of the contract, the farmer agrees to plant on his farm from \$25 to \$100 worth of Wisconsin grown fruit trees, pay for the same in April and vacate his farm in October, while the other party agrees to pay one half the purchase price of the farm in June, the rest later on. The day after the contract is made out partner number two comes along and takes the farmer's order for nursery stock. During the month of April it will arrive and the farmer must pay for it, plant it, and then wait patiently for the first installment of his pay. He will probably, however, have to keep right on waiting, as some of the wiser ones say that after the nursery stock is delivered and paid for, partner number one does not put in his appearance again.

Republican County Convention.

The Republicans of Washtenaw County will meet at the Court House, in the City of Ann Arbor, on Tuesday, February 16, 1897, at 11 o'clock, a. m., for the purpose of electing twenty-three (23) delegates to the State Convention, to be held at Detroit on the 23d day of February, 1897, to nominate a candidate for County Commissioner of Schools and to transact such other business as may properly come before the convention.

Each township and ward will be entitled to delegates as follows:

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By order of the Committee.

W. W. WEDEMEYER, Chairman.

O. E. BUTTERFIELD, Secretary.

Dated Ann Arbor, Jan. 25, 1897.

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Mrs. Sarah F. Dick has for the twenty-fourth consecutive time been chosen to the position of cashier in the First National Bank of Huntington, Ind. In the twenty three years Mrs. Dick has capably filled the office she has lost but two days' time on account of illness. Besides Mrs. Dick, who is a director of the institution also, the bank has another lady director, Mrs. Frederika Dwyer, who for years has filled the position, taking an active interest in the affairs of the concern, which has \$200,000 deposits and a capital of \$100,000.

Democratic County Convention.

The Democrats of Washtenaw County will meet in county convention in the court house, in the city of Ann Arbor, on Thursday the 11th day of February, 1897, at 11 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the office of school commissioner of Washtenaw County and for the further purpose of electing 23 delegates to the Democratic State Convention which meets in the City of Grand Rapids on Wednesday, February 17th.

All persons who endorse the principles enunciated in the Chicago platform are cordially invited to participate in the respective caucuses.

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