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## ANNOUNCEMENT.

With this issue the Ypsilanti Weekly Times is consolidated with the Ann Arbor Democrat, making it the most widely circulated English newspaper in Washtenaw county. Those subscribers of The Weekly Times who have paid in advance will be furnished The Democrat without extra charge until the expiration of their subscription. The subscription to The Democrat is one dollar per year, while that to The Times has been fifty cents. The Democrat has during the past year conducted a large Ypsilanti department and the Ypsilanti subscribers to The Weekly Times will obtain all of their home news and secure in addition the best county newspaper published in southern Michigan.

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This year of all times our citizens should turn out and observe Memorial day. No greater lesson of patriotism can be taught the present generation than tribute to the memories of those who died that their country might live.

A scheme of customs tariff is now being prepared for the Philippine Islands. It is thought that \$15,000,000 will in this way be turned into the treasury of the United States as a "military contribution." Uncle Sam, it is quite evident, is ready to transact business in a business way at his new stand.

Dispatches from Kingston are to the effect that England has placed eighteen months' supplies at Jamaica. The Chronicle, commenting upon the situation, asks if England is going to take a hand in the Hispano-American war. The report from Liverpool that France is trying to buy the Canaries for \$30,000,000 has renewed the talk of alliance between France and Spain and caused a rise in Spanish 4's.

A Washington dispatch says that the Michigan regiment left its Springfield rifles at home, expecting to receive Krag-Jorgensens at Tampa, but it is not likely that it will get them. The Georgia and Michigan men are side by side in camp and fraternize admirably. They and two Ohio regiments will be brigaded together, an arrangement which seems highly pleasing to them all."

The Army and Navy Journal says editorially:

"If W. T. Sampson and Winfield Scott Schley are not competent to command let them be relieved without further delay and other officers assigned to command their fleets. If they are competent they should be given full liberty of action without interference from war boards or paper strategists.

"If the gentlemen who assume direction from Washington are more competent, put them in command of the fleets and place the responsibility on them.

"Admiral Dewey has shown what can be accomplished by bold and independent action. Does any one believe that he could have accomplished what he has if he had been at the end of a wire running into the navy department?"

The policy of Spain is delay, not aggression. Outside the theaters and other places of resort where the stupid brags of the so-called comic press of Spain are taken for gospel, probably no one in Spain expects the vessels sent here to make an offensive movement against the United States. The fate of the Armada of three hundred years ago is not forgotten, and the odds are greater at both ends of the proposition now. The United States is more powerful than England was under Elizabeth, and Spain is not half so powerful as then, and the field of action is farther away from Spain than the scene of the woful attempt to capture the "tight little island."

The Chicago Times-Herald urges the house of representatives to pass the currency reform bill before adjournment. The house can do nothing which will advance the cause of the Democracy more than the passage of that iniquitous measure.

The Pontiac Post publishes as a matter of news that the battleship Hazen S. Pingree is stripped for action. This craft is always stripped for action. It has been cruising in Michigan waters for ten years and has been ready for action at any moment during that time.

We Americans are possessed of that cement which will keep us united—education. Such scenes as are being enacted in Spain, could not occur in our land. Spain is an ignorant nation; a war will bring her dissension at home and her colonies abroad. Our just war against Spain bands us together like brothers, and education is the true agency.

There is distress where large standing armies are maintained, but there is also distress where the standing armies are nominal; there is distress where protective tariffs stupidly and wastefully hamper trade, but there is also distress where trade is nearly free; there is distress where autocratic government yet prevails, but there is also distress where political power is wholly in the hands of the people; in countries where paper is money, and in countries where gold and silver are the only currency. Evidently, beneath all such things as these, we must infer a common cause.—Henry George.

There is one Republican who is opposed to the annexation of Hawaii, and that Republican—unfortunately for the annexation promoters—happens to be Czar Reed. Notwithstanding the pressure brought to bear upon him by members of the foreign affairs committee and other members of his party, he has not budged an inch from his position, and will not do so until it has been demonstrated to his satisfaction that his party is in favor of the action they are seeking to have taken. He wants some tangible evidence that there is a majority in favor of the resolution, and a poll of the house is now being taken which will undoubtedly substantiate the claims of the Republicans, who have been urging the speaker to recede from his position.

Senator Campbell needs no accuser to make him feel his guilt in refusing to vote in compliance with the wishes of the people of his district. While the senator is riding around the country on a pass of the Michigan Central railroad, his constituents, the people of Washtenaw and Jackson counties, will continue to pay the taxes of this railroad company as well as all the other railroad companies of Michigan. Just watch him, skulking around with averted eyes, and you will be convinced that he is conscious of his wrongdoing. Fourteen of the sixteen senators, who voted to retain the entire burden of taxation upon the people and for freedom of taxation of "non-residents" bond-holders, are Republicans and only two were Democrats. This shows where the corruption lies. It is ever thus with any powerful party and it will continue to be so in this state until the people of the Republican party arise in their might and depose their corrupt leaders, or turn in and depose the party.—Neue Washtenaw Post.

Recruiting the volunteer army at Tampa appears to proceed slowly. Adjutant General Corbin estimates that only about 110,000 men have been mustered in. The work of organizing and equipping those ready for service is being pushed vigorously, and the war department hopes to have an army of 100,000 fairly well provided for an emergency two weeks hence. No date for the invasion of Cuba has been fixed, for that will depend on the development of events, which may hasten or retard it. General Miles does not encourage the reckless enthusiasts, who insist a start will be made this week.

"The men show the thinning effect of the plain diet," writes a correspondent. "They have lost from five to eight pounds each during the month they have been under arms. The everlasting round of beans, bacon and hard tack is getting unbearable, and there is no appeal. The men who are inclined to find fault remember the grim incident touching three companies of Colonel Fred Grant's regiment, who refused to appear on the drill field unless the food was changed for the next breakfast. Colonel Grant rode over to Colonel Pugh, a sturdy Massachusetts veteran, who was temporarily in command of the brigade. The colonel reported that he had three companies in his command were going to mutiny and refuse to do the daily work.

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## THE ETHICS OF BORROWING.

Francis E. Nipher, in one of the "sound money" pamphlets with which the money sharks are flooding the country, discusses the ethics of "borrowing" from a gold standard standpoint in an unusually frank though cold-blooded and repulsive manner. He says:

"The borrower is a man who wishes to build and enjoy a finer house than he can build with his own money, and he believes that his business will justify him in doing so. Of that he must necessarily be the sole judge. It must be assumed that he is to rely on his own judgment, and must be responsible for his own acts. The borrower is a man who wishes to plan a larger business than he can carry with his own means, believing that he will find it more profitable to do so. He is a man who wishes to improve his farm, or to increase its extent, believing that it will be to his advantage. It is the borrower, who is responsible for the planning and the execution of the business which is to yield the profit. The lender has no part in it. If the borrower cannot see gain enough in his plan to enable him to pay the agreed interest and the principal, and leave a profit, as a man of prudence would do, then he should not borrow. And it must be fundamentally assumed that he knows that every time-transaction, in any kind of business, involves the interest and future actions of others, and may result in disappointment. The community should not be asked to insure him a profit, or to insure him against loss, in an affair which he alone has planned."

And that is where Mr. Nipher becomes misleading. Bimetallists ask the community to insure the success of no man's venture. What they do ask is that the community or the nation shall insure that every man's time obligations shall be measured by a standard which shall come as near as possible to unvarying stability and be an impartial arbiter between borrower and lender. But as a man of "prudence and honor," this is just what Mr. Nipher does not want. The "future interest and action of others" have made it necessary for the great bulk of the debts owed in and by this country to be paid in a much dearer money than they were contracted to be paid in, to the manifest loss of the one and gain of the other. This is not an affair which the borrower alone has planned. Indeed the borrower had nothing to do with it. It was planned and executed by the world's big creditors (financiers) with consummate skill and the fact that it has enabled all creditors, big and little, to get something for nothing, to acquire wealth not justly their own, has made them, as a class, defend its iniquity and seek to hide its rottenness behind the breastworks of national honor, faith of the nation, etc.

And then he says:

"Let us suppose that the gold dollar is increasing in value; that it is becoming harder to pay debts and that borrowing money is becoming less and less profitable on this account, and this notwithstanding the fact that the rate of interest has been steadily falling during the last thirty years. Isn't a man supposed to know the condition of the markets when he goes into them? Suppose a man borrows an elevator full of wheat hoping to make some money "hoarding" it for higher prices. Is not every man supposed to know that in such a transaction disappointment and loss are possible? Is the country to be asked to debase its coinage and to elect some paternally inclined person president of the United States because people do not behave themselves wisely?"

And the logic of this is that men of the borrowing class, men whose intelligence, industry and perseverance has subdued and developed a continent in the last half century, were to anticipate that their creditors would, through connivance with a great and powerful government, so manipulate the national standard of value that the burden of all debts are enormously and dishonestly increased.

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if men could plead the baby act when their profits are not to their liking."

This is the first time in the financial controversy that a writer of presumed standing, on either side, has confessed to anything less than a stable and unvarying standard as his ideal "honest money," or has suggested even that national standard of value is a proper subject for stock exchange gambling. But this fellow, in his effort to please the powers for which he writes, and with refreshing bluntness, unmasks the gold standard position. "Why should it be considered improper to take advantage of a similar rise in the value of money which is merely a convenient medium of exchange in trade?" From the standpoint of the gold standard it is not improper.

They have had the advantage of a greater rise in the value of money in the last 25 years than the world has ever witnessed before. They desire to hold this advantage and secure the added advantage of a still further rise. It does not matter if this rise robs the debtor of the just rewards of his toil. It does not matter if it stagnates trade and paralyzes industry. It does not matter what happens so long as the bond-holding classes get their pound of flesh. Of course, it is foolish to make a man who is foolish enough to borrow pay two for one. He should know better. He should know that the money kings have the power to manipulate the value of money and that they are going to manipulate it in their own interests.

But a proposition to lessen the burden of debt is a horse of another color. It is dishonest, anarchistic, a stealthy assassination of national honor.

But we know full well that money is more than a medium of exchange and a standard of value. It is a record of deferred payments. And Mr. Nipher should know, if he is conversant with the world's financial history, that nothing brings an end to business so quickly as the knowledge that this record has been tampered with in the interests of the lender, that the borrower must not only pay legitimate hire but an unearned increment which renders his business unprofitable.

On the whole, this and other novices, who essay to teach the people on the subject of finance and economy, are serving the cause of bimetallism well. The better the true position of the gold-bugs is known the more intelligent voters will be arrayed on the other side.

**THE DEMOCRAT** will issue on June 17th a sixteen page edition of eight thousand copies which will reach every home in Washtenaw County and every student in the University.

This edition will be devoted to an exhaustive exposition of the resources and attractions of Ann Arbor and vicinity—a repository of information which will insure its preservation for future reference.

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George J. Mann, of Lodi, who was the candidate of the Democratic party for the office of county treasurer in 1896, will again be a candidate for the nomination for that office this fall. Mr. Mann is a representative farmer as well as a representative Democrat, a man of strict integrity and good business capacity and if renominated he will be elected and make an excellent treasurer.

According to Detroit papers, there will be a reduction of nearly \$2 a thousand in the tax rate this year over that of last year. This is due, it is claimed, partly to the reduced budget and partly to the increase in valuation. The assessors have finished their work and leave the assessed valuation at \$206,609,470, something like \$80,000 larger than the valuation last year. The tax rate will be \$15.23 per thousand. Now, if Ann Arbor's assessor can only show an increase in valuation and make glad the heart of the citizen.

## SHOW YOUR PATRIOTISM.

Sunday evening, May 29, a union patriotic service will be held in University hall at which Rev. Walter H. Hughes of Detroit, Captain E. P. Allen of Ypsilanti, Judge V. H. Lane and Rev. J. W. Bradshaw of this city will make short addresses. The music will be under the direction of Prof. Stanley. The state and international committees of the Young Men's Christian association are doing a social and religious work among the boys in blue at the state and national encampments, similar to the work done by the association under the name of the Christian Commission during the rebellion. The association maintains a tent in each camp where reading matter and stationery are provided free to the boys. In order to carry on this work for the soldiers money must be used. For this purpose a collection will be taken Sunday evening. Let each one give what he can.

## CO. A, 31 MICH. VOL.

Another News Letter from Special Correspondent F. A. Wagner.

On train en route to Chickamauga, Chattanooga, Tenn.,

Tuesday, May 17, 1898.

The boy was right, and we were again royally serenaded when our train pulled out of Cincinnati at 5 o'clock. The Q. & C. crossed the lower bridge, so we entered the land of "Dixie" at Ludlow, a little town half a mile below Covington. For a time the track follows the course of the Ohio river. The country is rougher than any we have yet traversed. Just beyond Ludlow, from a high eminence, one can look back and see the beautifully wooded bluffs which rise to a height of several hundred feet along the Cincinnati side. Our train now darted hither and thither, over high trellises bridging deep valleys, mountainous ravines tumbling over limestone slabs, through a country indisputably more grand and majestic than the mountainous region of southern Ohio. A distinct change of climate was to be noticed here, wild roses were abundant, trees were fully leafed out, and the vegetation in general presented the appearance of a Michigan day in early June.

At Erlanger, we ran parallel for some distance with the Licking river, a tributary of the Ohio. While we were here Roy Hudson, a U. of M. boy, with Company G, famous in Ann Arbor as a member of the Dowdinger club, tried his riding skill on the back of a Kentucky thoroughbred, and nearly lost his train before he could stop the horse sufficient to turn and gallop back.

But we have had the advantage of a marble sentry scans the field, And grizzly cannon frown. Where dusty regiments once wheeled, And shot and shell rained down."

Thus the poet sings of the historical old battle ground of Chickamauga, where Company A and some fifty thousand other volunteers expect to make their home for the next few months.

Perhaps no finer spot, and certainly no more beautiful one could be found anywhere in the United States. Our regiment is particularly fortunate in the matter of elevation, shade, water, drainage and bathing facilities. We are tented in an oak grove, on the famous Brotherton Road, in the vicinity of Jay's Sawmill, one-half mile from Chickamauga river, on the very spot, where thirty-five years ago next September, Forest's cavalry corps and Polk's artillery drove the Union soldiers over the hills and ravine to Kelly Field. Old steel and brass cannon are mounted here and there, the grounds are strewn with shot and shell, and the very hills seem to reverberate the echo of the mighty battle begun here on the morning of the 19th of September, 1863. Tablets and monuments recount the deeds of the stalwart Union soldiers, and the equally brave Confederates.

The irony of fate, or, perhaps, the wise providence of a higher Power, has brought together as friends in peace with each other, the sons of those who fought as bitter enemies. This war seems to have completely effaced the last traces of sectionalism, and to-day the North and the South join hands. United they stand; united, if need be, they fall. A road, but no barriers, divides the camp of Michigan from that of Virginia. They are no longer "rebels" to us, but comrades in a common cause, and, though they are uncouth in appearance, and are guilty of many provincialisms in speech, they possess the souls of true men, and the courage that becomes the defenders of a mighty nation. In ordinary camp parlance, they are a "husky" lot of fellows. They plod along barefooted through the gravel and oak grubs, live on bacon, beans and hard tack without a grumble, and stand the heat with wonderful equanimity.

But I am digressing from my main purpose, to tell you the news of Company A. We left Chattanooga at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon—that is, those of us who did not become strayed or lost in the mazes of the Mountain City's hotels and restaurants in search of a bath and a square meal—and

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## NEGRO BLOOD.

Proponents Trying to Prove the Bennetts Had Some in Their Veins.

Continuing from Friday morning's testimony Jerome Schemerhorn said in substance:

"I was to have the farm if I outlived them and took care of them. I always took care of them. I do not know how I was to get the farm, whether it was to be by will or deed. I found out through Mollie that she told me that six months before she died, and she said she hoped I would take care of it. She had the paper with her and it stated that if I staled with them I was to have the property. I don't know who made the will. She said she had given me the property. I did not read the paper. Don't know whether she signed the will or not. About four months before she died she said: 'Jerome, you are to have the place as you are the only one that is left.'

He was subjected to a rigid cross-examination by Judge Babbitt, in which he denied that he had ever offered anybody money to perjure themselves, or that he had ever had any conversation with Robert Martin. On re-direct examination he explained that he had made the offers just like a man would who had had his horses stolen. He offered the money as a reward for the return of the lost will.

After he was dismissed the proponents put on a couple of witnesses and they advanced a new theory on the case which was the second surprise in the case for the contestants. It was no less than that the Bennetts were of very dark complexion and Schemerhorn's lawyers will undoubtedly try to convey the idea to the jury and argue it before them that the Bennetts had traces of negro blood in their veins, and that they had partiality for negro hired help and that it was the most natural thing in the world that even if Jerome was not Miss Delight Bennett's son that they should leave him the property for taking care of them.

They will probably follow up the line that he was treated like a member of the family and did not receive any regular wages. The proponents are certainly putting up a much stronger case than was presented in the probate court adjourned the case until Monday morning at 9 o'clock so that no testimony was taken in the case today.

## THE WILL CASE.

Jerome Schemerhorn Tells the Story of His Relations with the Bennetts.

(From Friday's Times).

The Schemerhorn case in the circuit court keeps up a lively interest for the audience which daily assembles there. The testimony thus far has been for the proponent and as the contestant has some 15 or 20 witnesses the case will not be finished this week by any means. Schemerhorn's lawyers are trying hard to establish as a fact that Jerome is the son of Miss Delight Bennett. Schemerhorn was on the stand himself this morning and testified substantially as follows:

"The first I remember was living with a family named Axtell in Schenectady, N. Y., but I do not know how I came there. There were two boys and two girls in the family and they were all white. I lived there until I was 16 years old. I came to Michigan then, after getting a letter from Frank Bennett and Judd Bennett. I stayed on the Bennett farm about six weeks. I then went to Flint. I am 38 years old. I came back to the Bennett farm and then went to Midland. I was married to Fannie Johnson and after I ceased living with her I went back to the Bennett farm. That was about 13 years ago. They did not pay me any regular wages. When I first came there, there was Delight, Mollie, Frank and Judd. I saw them first on the farm. I was treated as a member of the family. Once Delight asked me to do something for her and said: 'Come, Jerome, this may be the last time that your mother will ask you to do anything for her.' Once Doc Bennett said to me: 'Now you stay here and take care of things and if you want money go to mother for it.' I don't know whether he meant my mother or not. Yes, Mollie did state that there was a will. One time I was cutting down an orchard, I said that was foolish. 'No, Jerome,' said she, 'Some day you may want to set it out yourself—this is an old orchard.' Then she said: 'I have made a will for you. Did not Doc say anything to you about it?' I said he had never told me so in many words. I know she sent for Knapp (one of the witnesses to the alleged will) for I went for him myself. (Schemerhorn then said that after Mollie's death people came there and went through her personal papers). I went around among the neighbors to see what I could find out. Mr. Knapp was the first one to speak to me about it. I don't remember how I found out that Rowe knew something about it. I saw him in Ypsilanti. He asked me how I was getting along, if they had taken my horses and how it was about the will. Then I knew that he knew something about it so I asked him, but he said he did not want to get mixed up in it. I saw Sweeting and he asked me to come up to his house—that he had a paper that would do me some good. I went to see Mr. Sweeting in company with Butterfield the same day I went to see Rowe. Sweeting gave me the paper the same day I was with Butterfield. (The examination was continued).

## CAPT. ALLEN'S OPENING

Says He Is Going to Prove Great Things in the Mollie Bennett Will Case.

The proponent's side of the case in the celebrated Jerome Schemerhorn-Mollie Bennett will case was all in by noon Monday and showed much stronger case than had been anticipated.

Roger Crippen was put on the stand. He has always lived near the Bennetts. In reply to questions he said: "The shape of Jerome's head and mouth is like that of old man Bennett. There has been much talk around the neighborhood that Jerome must be some blood relation to the Bennetts. They allowed Jerome privileges the same as if he was a member of the family. When I was a young man the young people of the neighborhood did not associate with the Bennetts for two reasons. First, there were a good many bad reports about them and, secondly, it was quite generally believed that there was colored blood in the family. It was thought that Jerome was either a blood relative or that he had some hook on them that he was afraid to be let known. About the time of Doc's

death there was talk of Jerome being some relation, and then afterward they said about the neighborhood that Jerome was intimate with one of the girls."

Sam Russell, of Superior, swore that there was some resemblance in the mouth and the peculiar twang of talk of Doc Bennett and Jerome. Doc Bennett had no kinks in his hair. He had heard talk that Jerome was a member of the family.

Alfred Ring swore that he working for Doc Bennett once and he said jokingly: "What are you going to do with your property after you die?" to which Doc replied: "I will give it to my sisters if they outlive me and, if not, I will give it to Jerome."

The most peculiar testimony was that of Laura Northrup, a sister of James Sweating, the man who made a copy of the alleged will. She swore that she was under a bush near the roadside hunting for a kitten one time, when Mollie Bennett drove by with another woman and that she heard Mollie say: "Jerome shall have all the property and belongings. I have made my will and it is in safe hands."

Capt. Allen made a ten-minute opening for the contestant just before the noon hour in which he said substantially as follows:

"Until Mollie Bennett's death there was no talk except by one or two persons, that the reputation, decency, or blood of the Bennett family was not good. We shall show that this paper claimed to be a will—that this man Schemerhorn had presented the paper to one man at least and offered him money if he would swear that he knew about it. Also that he has offered money to at least four persons if they would swear that they had witnessed the paper as a will. Also that we will show that the Bennett family are reputable by persons who stand as high in the community as Crippen. If there is anything above another that I hate is the spirit of devilishness of avariciousness, that will go after money never earned and dig down into the graves and besmirch the reputation of those that God has called away and it will give me great pleasure to defend their names. We will show that this alleged will is a forgery—that Mr. Sweating, Mr. Knapp and Mr. Rowe have perjured themselves, and we will show that their reputation for truth and veracity in the community in which they live is not good. We will show that the Bennett family kept its own counsels and instead of associating with colored people have reputable friends. We will show that the judge's personal views were as to the merits of the case. His main points were as follows: If the jury should find from the evidence that Mollie Bennett did not make or attempt to make a will that is the end of the case. If they find that she did, then comes the question, did she properly execute it. The law says a will must be signed and attested to by two witnesses. It is not necessary that the witnesses shall be in the presence of each other, but the testatrix must acknowledge it to be her will to each of them. It is sufficient if the testatrix made the will in her own handwriting and mentioned her name therein without signing at the bottom. In order then that this will should be probated, it must appear from unquestionable evidence that the original will was entirely in the handwriting of Maryette Bennett. He said he had lost the envelope and there was nothing else inside the envelope. Witness testified that he examined the paper and told Schemerhorn that it was not very good as it did not contain the names of the testator or of any witness, to which Schemerhorn replied: 'That's all right. I can fix that all right.' Mr. Randall then said that he would not have anything to do with the case.

Robert Martin swore that Jerome Schemerhorn came to him with the paper that is produced in court and which the proponents claim is a copy of the will and said that he had got it out of the postoffice. He said he had lost the envelope and there was nothing else inside the envelope. Witness testified that he examined the paper and told Schemerhorn that it was not very good as it did not contain the names of the testator or of any witness, to which Schemerhorn replied: 'That's all right. I can fix that all right.' Mr. Randall then said that he would not have anything to do with the case. Robert Martin swore that Jerome Schemerhorn came to him and asked him if he wanted to make \$1,000, to which he replied that he did if it was honest. Schemerhorn said he wanted a man to witness a copy of Mollie Bennett's will. "Get out," said Bob, "or I'll boot you."

## TESTIMONY ALL IN.

Arguments Will be Commenced in the Bennett Will Case.

In the Schemerhorn case Monday afternoon H. B. Keys of St. Johns, Mrs. Crane of Mason, and Corydon Dunsmore, all cousins of the Bennetts and who were present when Mollie's box of papers were opened, swore that they had never heard of such a thing as colored blood in the Bennett family. Further, that no will was found among the papers. It was brought out that Gertie McCormick said when the cousins were examining the papers that they had better look out as Jerome was in the next room and could hear everything, to which Mr. Keys answered that there was nothing private about the transaction or secret about it and there was no need of any secrecy.

A tin-type group consisting of Jerome Schemerhorn, Mollie Bennett, Gertie McCormick and some other woman was shown the witnesses by Mr. Lehman, who asked them the identity of those in the group and this endearing picture was put in evidence.

Clark S. Worthley, a merchant of Ypsilanti, was sworn. He testified that Mollie Bennett was in the habit of consulting him about business matters and that he talked with her about a week previous to her death about providing in some way so that the family lot in the cemetery could be kept up. She finally decided to make a will to include this provision and made arrangements to go to Judge Babbitt and have it drawn up.

"Did she say anything about having a will already made?" asked Capt. Allen.

"She said she had no will in existence."

Charles Thompson, colored, swore that he had a conversation with Mollie Bennett in the presence of Jerome Schemerhorn. Jerome had claimed he had some property. "I asked her," said Thompson, "if it was so and she said he did not and that he did not own anything there."

The reputations for truth and veracity of Olds and Sweating was impeached, the former by John Lamb and C. S. Worthley and the latter by John McDougal, George McDougal, Nelson Fowler and John Huston.

Tuesday it was brought out that Mollie Bennett had always signed her name to other legal papers as "Maryette" Bennett and several were exhibited in court to prove this, while in the copy of the alleged will which Mr. Sweating swore was a correct copy the name was written "Marielette" Bennett.

Several Ypsilanti people were on the stand to prove that Doc Bennett had

straight hair and that they had never heard of the Bennetts having any negro blood in their veins.

The contestants Tuesday afternoon put witnesses on the stand to prove that Jerome Schemerhorn made offers of money to procure witnesses who would swear they signed the will and also are impeaching the veracity of Rowe and Sweating. F. G. McCaffrey swore that Jerome offered him \$200 if he would swear that he was out hunting near the Bennett place and was called in to witness the will. P. W. Ross and James Eaton, two other witnesses in this regard, will be put on the stand, their testimony being saved to the last. It looks now as if all the testimony will be before 6 o'clock and the arguments commenced. A verdict will undoubtedly be reached tomorrow.

## SUSTAINED THE WILL.

Jerome Schemerhorn Wins His Suit in the Mollie Bennett Case.

Jerome Schemerhorn has won his famous suit and Attorney F. A. Stivers has the great big laugh on a large share of the bar of Washtenaw county.

Schemerhorn, as far as is known, consulted Judge Babbitt, Edward Hinckley, Wallace, and Webb, Randall and Jones, and Lawrence and Butterfield, and all these attorneys either told him that he didn't have any more show than Cervena does of escaping Sampson and Schley, or started a suit and then threw up the case, thinking they would swear that they had witnessed the paper as a will. Also that we will show that the Bennett family are reputable by persons who stand as high in the community as Crippen. If there is anything above another that I hate is the spirit of devilishness of avariciousness, that will go after money never earned and dig down into the graves and besmirch the reputation of those that God has called away and it will give me great pleasure to defend their names. We will show that this alleged will is a forgery—that Mr. Sweating, Mr. Knapp and Mr. Rowe have perjured themselves, and we will show that their reputation for truth and veracity in the community in which they live is not good. We will show that the Bennett family kept its own counsels and instead of associating with colored people have reputable friends. We will show that the judge's personal views were as to the merits of the case. His main points were as follows: If the jury should find from the evidence that Mollie Bennett did not make or attempt to make a will that is the end of the case. If they find that she did, then comes the question, did she properly execute it. The law says a will must be signed and attested to by two witnesses. It is not necessary that the witnesses shall be in the presence of each other, but the testatrix must acknowledge it to be her will to each of them. It is sufficient if the testatrix made the will in her own handwriting and mentioned her name therein without signing at the bottom. In order then that this will should be probated, it must appear from unquestionable evidence that the original will was entirely in the handwriting of Maryette Bennett. He said he had lost the envelope and there was nothing else inside the envelope. Witness testified that he examined the paper and told Schemerhorn that it was not very good as it did not contain the names of the testator or of any witness, to which Schemerhorn replied: 'That's all right. I can fix that all right.'

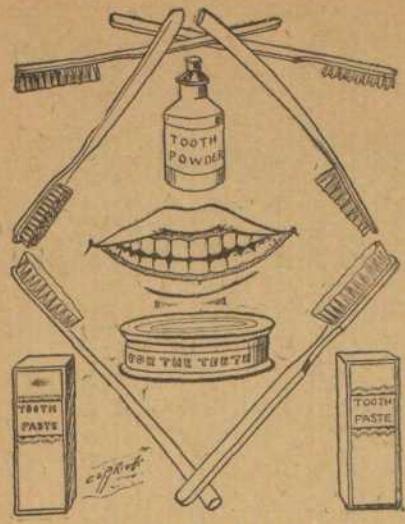
Also that he has offered money to at least four persons if they would swear that they had witnessed the paper as a will.

Now the city has a little difficulty which is being fought to a finish in the supreme court. It is the matter of the appeal of Bryant Walker, administrator for the Ford estate, brought to set aside the sewer tax in the Hill street district, and in which case ex-

City Attorney Kearney scored a victory

in the circuit court, from which the appeal was taken.

The case dragged for nearly a week



## JOINT MASONIC MEETING

The Two Lodges Confer the Third Degree—Masons From All Over the Country Present.

Last Thursday night was a great time for local Masonic history and the function that was so successfully consummated will occupy a prominent chapter if that work is ever written. It was a joint meeting of Golden Rule Lodge, No. 159, and Fraternity Lodge, No. 262, the two set of officers being so distributed that pleasing combinations were formed. The candidates were Prof. Bradley M. Thompson, of the University and Gottlob Luick, president of the common council.

There was a galaxy of prominent Masons from this county present and every Lodge in Washtenaw was well represented. Grand Master Bradley, of Port Huron, was present and delivered the charge to the initiates. The following Past Masters were present: J. H. Kingsley and E. M. Conklin, of Manchester; C. L. Stevens, Charles Wilcoxson, J. N. Howland, W. A. Moore and W. S. Carpenter, of Ypsilanti; J. N. Woodward of Northville; Mr. Bennett of Saline; H. Wirt Newkirk of Dexter; James Stewart of Belleville; B. F. Watts, W. W. Wattis, A. C. Nichols, J. A. Gates and George Blum, of Golden Rule Lodge; C. E. Hiscock, F. G. Novy, W. E. Howe and C. B. Davison, of Fraternity Lodge. There were also present Worshipful Masters T. B. Bailey of Manchester, W. L. Kell of Dexter, Mr. Wilson of Belleville, W. N. Lister of Saline, M. M. Read and B. W. Kief of Ypsilanti, George Ward of Chelsea, H. G. Prettyman and W. W. Wadham of Ann Arbor.

From outside the city there were six from Belleville, 28 from Ypsilanti, 15 from Dexter, 11 from Manchester, 20 from Saline, four from Chelsea, two from Charlotte. These together with the Ann Arbor and University Masons made up a gathering that was one of the largest of its kind ever seen in this city and it was necessary to have four rows of chairs around the lodge room to accommodate them.

A most novel feature was introduced in the work by a vested choir which took a prominent part in the first section of the degree. Golden Rule and Fraternity Lodges both have enviable reputations for excellence of work but probably never was the third degree conferred with more impressiveness than last evening. It seemed to have reached the acme of perfection and there is doubt if the most exacting Grand Lecturer in the United States could find any criticism if he had been present.

That the Masons were patriotic was shown by the fact that the American flag was given a prominent place "in the east" and the first thing done at the banquet which followed was the singing of "America" by every one present.

It was 11:30 when the degrees were finished and the Masons adjourned to the banquet hall, where an elegant spread had been prepared. After doing full justice to this the following toasts were responded to:

H. Wirt Newkirk, toastmaster.  
Invocation by Rev. Henry Tatlock.  
The Grand Lodge.....Jas. Bradley  
Social Freemasonry.....M. M. Rhoad  
"Third and Last Call".....J. W. Bennett  
The Rule and Guide of Our Faith.....  
Rev. W. L. Tedrow  
Symbolism of the Evergreen.....  
Hon. A. J. Sawyer  
"A Man's a Man for a' That".....Charles Stevens

Symbols.....J. E. Beal  
My First and Last Impressions of Freemasonry.....Prof. B. M. Thompson

Without any qualification the toasts were the very best ever heard at any Masonic banquet in this city and the happiest of the list was that of Prof. Thompson. It was nearly 3 o'clock this morning when the banquet broke up.

## Right on the Jaw.

Lighthall Ross, a Michigan Central brakeman living at Dearborn, was the victim of a vicious assault this morning. He was on the west-bound freight train which passes through here about 6 o'clock. Three well dressed young men, who from their appearance Mr. Ross says were evidently students and who had probably been spending the night in Ypsilanti (as some students are wont to do) were discovered trying to steal a ride. The train was stopped just east of the city and Mr. Ross threw the young men off into the discards. One of them picked up a stone and struck the brakeman in the jaw, inflicting an ugly cut. Dr. Breakey was summoned and took several stitches to sew up the wound. The trainmen swear vengeance upon students who will hereafter attempt to steal rides, and if these young men have not the price or do not care to put it up for transportation to the "Queen" city they had better "brush by."

In the meantime the Michigan Central will not sit back in an easy chair and let the matter go without investigation and there is liable to be somebody suddenly jerked before Justice Duffy.

## Art League Meeting.

The Art League held its final meeting, for this season, last evening with Mrs. Dr. Vaughan. The room was well filled with ladies and gentlemen interested in the subject presented. Mr. Patterson's talks during the season have been very practical, tending to make plain the manner in which artists use nature as material for picture making. He has reviewed the works of many eminent painters, studying them not as sentimentalists or story tellers but as drawers of lines, makers of contrasts; the one quiet, the other nervous, or graceful, or rugged. Some he showed to be literalists and others idealists, but always from the point of view of the use made of lines, masses and contrasts.

To show that the pleasurable sensation caused by art is a universal law, the speaker has analyzed architecture and monuments, posters and pictures.

Last evening was devoted to a practical talk upon sketching from nature in view of the coming of summer and the entry of the Art school upon its outdoor work.

With charcoal and chalk, drawings were made on gray paper illustrating the elements essential in all pictures. Drawing the silhouette of a lady looking in at a shop window at night, it became plain that a rectilinear yellow spot cut by a graceful form became sufficient material for a picture. But as the students will mostly be studying landscape the majority of the drawings were made to illustrate the usual mistakes made by beginners and how to avoid them.

The placing of horizons and the various reasons for their placement, the arrangement of masses and accents, the management of aerial perspective on the amount of detail desirable were all made very plain.

The speaker insisted that pictures were to be found at every one's front and back doors and in order to prove it he drew a couple of gate posts, a brick wall, a hitching post and some other ordinary things, accenting and tinting with pastel, so that this vulgar material became transformed into a sunny, glistening and really charming picture.

That the course of lectures has been of great use and of constant interest is the often repeated verdict of those who have been able to attend them.

## Freshmen Elect Oracle Board.

The meeting held by the freshman class yesterday afternoon for the purpose of electing a board of editors for next year's Oracle was unusually quiet and orderly. The vice-president, Miss Gilling, presided in a very masterly manner, and it was no doubt due to this fact that the rowdiness which is generally prevalent in such meetings was done away with.

There were two tickets in the field, and the election was closely contested, the highest number of votes received by a defeated candidate being 100, and the lowest number received by a successful being 118. Miss Margaret H. Cousin, of Detroit, received a unanimous vote, being on both tickets. Miss Mary L. Bradshaw, of Ann Arbor, ran exceptionally well. The other members of the board will be Wareham Baldwin, of Detroit; Arvid C. Braastad, of Isbempton; Ben R. Davis, of Chicago; Henry C. Felton, of Clinton, Iowa; F. L. Lowrie, of Detroit; D. F. Zimmerman, of Ann Arbor; F. C. Nash, of Pasadena, Cal., and W. W. Littleman, of Detroit. It is expected that Mr. Nash, who has done a great deal of work in publications of this kind, will be managing editor, and Mr. Braastad business manager.

## Co. A Assignments.

"Jack" Hillman, The Times special war correspondent and formerly of The Times' reportorial force, has been appointed orderly for the chaplain at Camp Thomas. The other assignments are as follows:

\*Company A, Ann Arbor—Artificer, Louis A. Krauss; wagoner, Albert Allmendinger; clerk, Frank Wagner; cook, James Flie; assistant cooks, Sam T. Lee, Arba Wilson; orderly at division headquarters, Richard Flynn; Lieut. Ambrose Pack, battalion adjutant.

## Y. W. C. A. Election.

The Y. W. C. A. elected officers last evening as follows:

President—Miss Hattie Crippen, (re-elected)

Vice-president—Miss Sager

Recording secretary—Miss Julia B. Royce.

Treasurer—Miss Emily E. Hayley (re-elected)

Board of directors (for three years)—

Miss Alice Porter, Miss French, Miss Hattie Hoffman, Miss Elsa Liebig.

Miss S. Beakes.

## NOTICE OF LETTING.

## DRAIN CONTRACT.

**Notice is Hereby Given**, That I. D. W. Barry, County Drain Commissioner in the County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, will, on the 30th day of May A. D. 1898, at the lower and of Drain in the township of Bridgewater, at nine o'clock in the forenoon of that day, proceed to receive bids for the deepening and widening of a certain Drain known and designated as "The Bridgewater No. 2 Drain," located and established in the said Township of Bridgewater, and described as follows, to wit: Commencing at the junction of Bridgewater No. 2 and Bridgewater No. 1 drain and running thence south 31° west 24 chains to the town line between Saline and Bridgewater. Thence south 46° west 29 chains; thence south 88° west 148 chains; thence south 85° west 27 chains; thence south 87° west 21 chains; thence south 81° 30' west 21 chains; thence south 75° and west to the west line of lands owned by Wm. H. Every it being the intention to follow the course of the drain as now laid. Average surface width, 11.38 3-19 feet. Average depth, 3.94 ft., and 33 ft., is taken on each side of the center line of said drain for depositing excavations and convenience in digging. Said job will be let by sections. The section at the outlet of the drain will be let first, and the remaining sections in their order up stream in accordance with the diagram now on file with the other papers pertaining to said drain, in the office of the County Drain Commissioner to which reference may be had by all parties interested, and bids will be made and received accordingly. Contracts will be made with the lowest responsible bidder giving adequate security for the performance of the work, in a sum then and there to be fixed by me, reserving to myself the right to reject any and all bids. The date for the completion of such contract, and the terms of payment therefor, shall be announced at the time and place of letting.

**Notice is Further Herby Given**, That at the time and place of said letting, or at such other time and place thereafter to which I, the Drain Commissioner aforesaid, may adjourn the same, the assessments for benefits and the lands comprised within the "Bridgewater No. 2 Drain Special Assessment District," will be subject to review for one day, from nine o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in the afternoon.

The following is a description of the several tracts or parcels of land constituting the Special Assessment District of said Drain, viz: East half of east half of northeast quarter Section 21. West half of northwest quarter Section 22. South-east quarter of northeast quarter Section 22. Northeast quarter of northwest quarter Section 23. Northwest quarter of southeast quarter of northwest quarter Section 23. East half of southeast quarter of northwest quarter Section 23. Southwest quarter of southeast quarter of northwest quarter Section 23. Northwest quarter of northeast quarter Section 24. Southwest quarter of northeast quarter Section 24. East half of southeast quarter of northwest quarter Section 24. East half of northwest quarter Section 24. North half of northeast quarter of northeast quarter Section 24. Southeast quarter of northeast quarter Section 24. Southwest quarter of northeast quarter Section 24. East half of northeast quarter of northeast quarter Section 24. East half of southeast quarter of southwest quarter Section 22. 36 acres in northeast corner of southeast quarter southwest quarter Section 22. Northwest quarter of southwest quarter Section 22. East half of southeast quarter Section 23. West half of southeast quarter Section 23. North 25 acres of northwest quarter of northeast quarter except 5 acres in northwest corner Section 23. 15 acres south end of northwest quarter of northeast quarter Section 23. East half of southeast quarter Section 22. East half of southeast quarter of southwest quarter Section 22. Northwest quarter of southeast quarter of Section 22. North half of northeast quarter Section 22. Southwest quarter Section 21. 48 acres south part of west half of northeast quarter Section 21. 5 acres in northwest corner of northeast quarter of northeast quarter Section 23. East half of southwest quarter Section 23. All in the Township of Bridgewater. Also the Township of Bridgewater at large.

Dated, this 9th day of May, A. D. 1898.

## HARD LUCK.

Michigan Lost the Last Game to Illinois.

Illinois again defeated the Varsity Saturday, and for the eighth consecutive time in games with Michigan succeeded in scoring three runs. In those eight games Michigan has been victorious five times with the score ranging all the way from 4 to 3 to 20 to 3. The three games won by Illinois have been shut-outs for the Varsity, and Saturday's game was the first ever lost by Michigan on the Illinois grounds. The winning of this game gives Illinois the majority of this year's series.

Without deflecting one bit from the fine work of the Champaign team, it must be said that the game was one of hard luck. While the score shows more hits to the credit of Illinois, Michigan really hit the ball harder and often, but invariably right into the hands of an opponent. Illinois got her first score through the ball getting lost in the high grass in the out-field, and the other two through peculiar errors.

Miller again pitched for the Varsity and again pitched a gilt-edged game. The seven hits made off his delivery were scattered through as many innings and with ordinary luck he would have won his game. The support given him was as good as that given McCullom. Of the three hits made off McCullom, Condron bagged two and McGinnis one.

Illinois scored one in the first. After Fulton fled out and Thornton had been retired on strikes, Shuler hit to the outfield, and what would ordinarily have been a single was stretched into a triple through the ball becoming lost. They scored two more in the sixth on a hit, error and a long fly out to center.

Illinois celebrated her victory Saturday night with a parade and bonfires.

## Champion Prospects.

Because of the variance in the number of games to be played between the teams comprising the Western Inter-collegiate League, and the doubt as to which of these games count in figuring the percentages, the standings of the teams are in doubt. As is known, Michigan plays five games in all with Chicago and three each with Northwestern and Illinois, while Chicago plays four with Illinois, with the privilege of the fifth in case of a tie. Northwestern plays three games with each of the other teams. If all of these games are to be counted there is a manifest unfairness, as Michigan and Chicago play more games than do Illinois and Northwestern.

Unless certain of the extra games are thrown out, the only way to determine supremacy is by using the winning of the series as a basis. Illinois has won her series with Michigan and Northwestern, Chicago has won from Northwestern, as has also Michigan. The uncounted series are those between Michigan and Chicago, and Chicago and Illinois. Should Illinois win from Chicago her right to the championship would be clear; but should Chicago win from Illinois and then from Michigan Chicago would be champion. In case Chicago wins from Illinois Michigan has a chance to tie both Chicago and Illinois by winning from Chicago.

Counting all the games played thus far, the standings are as follows:

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Percentage
Chicago	7	5	2	.714
Illinois	6	4	2	.667
Michigan	8	5	3	.625
Northwestern	7	0	7	.000

## June Festival.

The twelfth grand June Festival of St. Thomas' School and Conservatory of Music, in the Athens Theater on Friday evening, June 2d, will again prove itself one of the most attractive and enjoyable of Ann Arbor's many attractions. Large bodies of innocent, pretty little folks dressed in fancy costumes and performing the most difficult stage movements, under the glare of calcium light, and the inspiration of a large orchestra, are sure to awaken enthusiasm in the most indifferent. The very best soprano talent in the city is engaged for the Festival.

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The following delegates from St. Andrew's Episcopal church, this city, have been chosen to attend the annual convocation of the Detroit diocese, to be held at Flint, commencing on Wednesday, June 6th: Henry J. Brown, Prof. Chas. B. Denison and George H. Pond, alternate; Prof. B. M. Thompson, Prof. George W. Patterson, S. W. Beakes.

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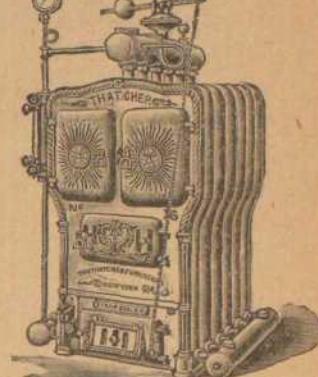
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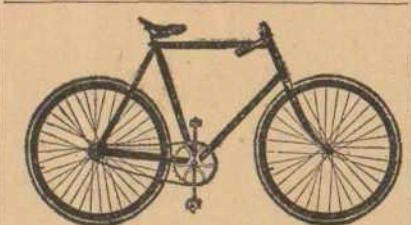


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STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Washtenaw—Notice is given that by an order of the Probate Court for the County of Washtenaw, made on the 30th day of April, A. D. 1898, six months from date will be allowed for creditors to present their claims against the estate of Lizzie Brumage, late of said City deceased, and that all creditors are required to file their claim to be paid Probate Court at the Probate Office in the City of Ann Arbor, for examination and allowance, on or before the 29th day of October next, and that such claims will be heard before said court on the 30th day of July and on the 29th day of October, at ten o'clock in the forenoon or noon of said days. Dated, Ann Arbor, April 30, A. D. 1898.

H. WIRT NEWKIRK,  
Judge of Probate.



Bottled by Emil Golz, The Bank, No. 314 S. Main street, Ann Arbor, Mich. Delivered in cases to all parts of the city. Give me a call now. State telephone 353.

EMIL GOLZ, Prop.

### STILL ANOTHER CASE.

Wednesday the Richard Webb will case was settled in Judge Newkirk's court as far as Judge Newkirk is concerned, he sustaining the will. The contestant, Mrs. Stevenson, will appeal the case to the circuit court. The particulars of this contest were given in Tuesday's Times.

Contested will cases seem to be as much the fat at present as American flags. There is another one over which some trouble is likely to occur. Mary Rabbitt, of Dexter, died leaving an estate valued at about \$60,000. In her will she bequeathed her daughters, Maria, Rosa and Mary Catharine and her son, Joseph, \$500 each. All the rest and residue she left to another son, Thomas. This naturally makes the others feel a little bit slighted and it is understood that they will make a contest on June 13, which is the day set for final hearing. A. J. Sawyer will appear for the contestants and Dennis Shields, of Howell, and J. F. Lawrence, of this city, will appear for the proponent.

A full line of fishing tackle at C. Schlenker's, the Hardware Man, W. Liberty street.

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The Ann Arbor Brewing company by either Phones No. 101.

### THE FACULTY BALL GAME.

Undoubtedly the athletic and social event of the season will take place next Wednesday, June 1st, at 4:10 p. m. on the grounds of the Athletic Association. Even the war is abandoned as a topic of conversation when the faculty game is mentioned. For the past two years this contest has afforded great enjoyment to the spectator. This year the two contesting teams, namely, the University faculty team versus the High School faculty enforced by the Board of education, have consented to devote half the proceeds to the athletic trophy room and the other half to the High School association. It has long been the desire of the Athletic Association to furnish a trophy room in the gymnasium. Every Eastern college has a trophy room where the records, pictures of its teams, banners, medals, cups, etc., are kept. The proceeds from the game on June 1st will contribute materially to the accomplishment of the Athletic Association's desires. The admission fee will only be 25 cents, a ridiculously small figure for the amusement surely to be derived. At first it was thought best to admit ladies free, but their own objections to that plan were sufficient to overrule the committee's decision. They felt that this game would afford them an opportunity to disprove the charge so often made against them, to the effect that they were not loyal to college spirit; especially the senior girls, who were instrumental in the defeat of a trophy room memorial, will accept this chance to show that they are willing to contribute to a trophy room when the plan is so reasonable as the above. No assurances of an enjoyable occasion need be made to those who witnessed the game played last year. Remember the cause is as worthy as the exhibition is excellent. The committee is enabled to announce that Prof. Trueblood and Prof. Springer are the respective managers of the 'Varsity Faculty team and the High School team.

### PROBATE COURT CALENDAR.

Friday, May 27—Petition for license to sell real estate in estate of George W. Palmer, Ann Arbor.

Probate of will of Wm. F. Buss, late of Freedom.

Final account in estate of Elliza L. Stitt, Manchester.

Sale of real estate in estate of Wm. P. Wood, Lodi.

Petition for administration in the estate of John Schaff, Ypsilanti.

Saturday, May 28—

Probate of will of Christian Schmidt, Ann Arbor.

Petition for administration in the estate of Ann Teufel, Ypsilanti.

Petition for administration in estate of Mary Norton, Ann Arbor.

Monday, May 30—

Decoration day, legal holiday.

Tuesday, May 31—

Petition for leave to sell real estate in matter of Freeman minors, Manchester.

Final account in the case of Wm. McCallum, Bridgewater.

Administrator ad bonis non in estate of Patrick Ryan, Ann Arbor.

Wednesday, June 1—

Sale of real estate in estate of Elliza North, Kansas City, Mo.

Sale of real estate in estate of Ira Aldrich, Ann Arbor.

Adjudged day in matter of Helen A. Reynolds, incompetent, Ann Arbor.

Revival of commission on claims in estate of John P. Woods, Lodi.

Adjudged day of hearing claims in estate of Caroline Foster, Ann Arbor.

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### W. C. T. U. NOTES.

The program for the W. C. T. U. meeting this week is in charge of the superintendent of young women's work, and it will be an interesting meeting it is safe to say. Come at 3 p. m. Thursday.

The state convention is held this week at Saginaw, and our worthy president will attend.

A novel tea is planned for the second week in June and will be a very enjoyable one; not only members of the W. C. T. U. will be interested in attending but mothers and young women.

It will be called "Hygienic Tea" and all refreshments served will be strictly healthful. Come and see how many kinds of food you had not known about really good.

The Tea is to be held in the parlors of the M. E. church, and the first hour, 3 to 4 o'clock, will be devoted to little ones under two years. Mothers, come and bring your little ones. The next hour will be devoted to mothers, and Dr. Wood-Allen will talk to them.

The last hour will be a general social.

### DR. VAUGHAN'S THREAT.

Dr. V. C. Vaughan, dean of the medical department, gave the sophomore medics 10-minutes' talk on decency and manhood Wednesday. He referred to the fact that a few medics hypothetically dropped unsigned subscription slips in the collection taken up for Major Nancrude's horse Monday, and other ungentlemanly acts, and said that if any students should be caught in any such conduct, they would disappear from the department within 24 hours.

They talk to us of the humor of the Spanish government, but when weighed it is so small that on a cambric needle's point it might at all times dance.

But you may think that this is strange and in your mind's eye may query, but it would have as much room there as a frog would in Lake Erie.

WANTED—A story about spring poths that is so thick that it will not spread.

BALLARD.

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### GLEANINGS OF A WEEK.

W. W. Wedemeyer was in the city last Saturday. He had probably heard of that Washington dispatch stating that Spalding was sure of a nomination for congress and he came down to see about it.

James H. Bach has just closed a deal whereby Mrs. Jane C. Schryver, of Packard street, purchases two lots at the point of Washtenaw avenue and E. University avenue. Mrs. Schryver will erect a fine residence on this property.

Toledo Bee: Spencer Acklin, John Webber and E. A. Langdon, all of this city, returned last night after a successful fishing trip to the Slagle trout stream, near Henrietta, Michigan. They brought home with them a string of 500 beautiful brook trout. Slagle trout stream is one of the many attractive fishing points along the line of the Ann Arbor railroad. It is one of the features that make that road unusually attractive to summer tourists.

Detroit Tribune: Certainly there is nothing to be gained by bringing about the removal of a sanitary scientist like Health Officer Gibbs and replacing him with some one who has no special recommendation, except perhaps a willingness to serve those who secure the place for him. Even in time of war there are some civil matters which may well enlist the attention of a patriot, and the governor will make a mistake if he overlooks the present opportunity.

The people are very much stirred up over the Michigan Central bridge question and it looks as if the alderman who votes to tie the city to a contract such as Railroad-City Attorney Butterfield has proposed, can just as well commence to write "ex" before his title of alderman so as to get entirely used to it before the news is broken as to how his re-election pans out. The conditions may be now that some do not want State street opened across the track, but who can say what the conditions will be 20 years from now?

The most striking case of "doubts" in this city is Rev. Thomas Young, of the First Baptist church, and Alvick Pearson, of the Ann Arbor Courier. They look as much alike as the currency planks in the Democratic and Populist platforms. Therefore, it would be well for persons to make sure that it is Pearson before divulging any racy items. And we cannot tell what would happen if in leap year some young lady who had just been accepted would suddenly rush up to the Courier editor and mistaking him for the Baptist minister, who she had selected to perform the ceremony, would ask him if he would marry her.

The Harugari Maennerchor concert at Germania hall Friday deserved a far greater crowd for it was a most meritorious entertainment. The Maennerchor, under the capable direction of Mr. Dansmung, sang three selections very creditably. Miss Flora Koch, Mr. Mayer and Miss Cruckshank were at their best and were warmly applauded. Miss Koch and Miss Cruckshank responding to hearty recalls. Mr. Elbel on the piano, Mr. Schaeberle on the violin and Mr. Crego on the cornet added a great deal of interest to the program. The mandolin trio by Messrs. Davis, Parsons and Fenton was excellently played and enthusiastically encored. Following the concert came dancing which continued until 1 a.m. This was the last concert of the season.

Local employes of the Ann Arbor received their monthly checks last Saturday.

Major Soule is drilling a company of boys who range from 9 to 14 years. The old veteran takes delight in these stirring times in doing or talking of anything pertaining to war.

A letter from Sergt. Seabolt to his father says that he is well and enjoying himself and that he and Fred Huntington while at Chattanooga took occasion to visit Lookout Mountain.

Ex-Prosecuting Attorney Randall has returned from a visit with his mother in Burlington, Mich., who is quite feeble. She was born on the birthday of Queen Victoria, and is 72 years of age.

Today County Treasurer Rehfuss handed over to City Treasurer Seyler a check for \$2,920, that being the amount Ann Arbor is entitled to for the privilege of having saloons—and "Frozen Truth."

United States Minister Angell has entered a protest with the Turkish government against the action of the authorities in refusing to grant passports to American citizens to travel in the interior. The refusal, Minister Angell holds, is in contravention of existing treaties. These passports are withheld only from American citizens and British subjects.

Monday winds up jury cases in the circuit court and tomorrow a Chelsea foreclosure in which the parties are Maryette Snow vs. Wm. H. Snow, and the divorce case of Katharine Nagel vs. Jacob Nagel will occupy the attention of Judge Kinne. On Friday the case of Sarah L. Wallace vs. the Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti Electric railroad, to enforce a contract, will be tried.

Major Nancrcede has been appointed one of the chief surgeons of the army by President McKinley. He has all the qualifications of a military man in bearing, ability and unhesitating performance of duty, while his surgical ability ranks second to none in the country. The unfortunate soldier who is wounded will be fortunate if he is placed under Major Nancrcede's care.

At the recent session of the Homeopathic Medical society of the state of Michigan, held at Grand Rapids, the following resolution was unanimously passed: "That a vote of confidence be given to the professors of the homeopathic college at Ann Arbor, and that this society extend its congratulations to each and every one for their untiring efforts in the upbuilding of Homeopathy at the University of Michigan."

From the time at which the memory of man runneth not to the contrary, Spring street has been known as Spring street and now the residents there are going to take a fall out of the ancient nomenclature and 33 of the oldest residents on the thoroughfare running from Miller avenue to Chubb road have petitioned the common council to change the name from Spring street to Dewey avenue in honor of the hero of Manila.

All members of the Women's League are cordially invited to a reception at the Women's building, Saturday, May 28, from 4 to 6 p.m. Reception committee: Mesdames Petree and Carrow, chairmen; Mesdames Nancrcede, Drake, Spaulding, Markley, Lillie, Lynds, Newcombs, McMurrich, Hinsdale, Higley, Chas. Cooley, Stevens, Goddard, M. E. Cooley, Herdmann, O. C. Johnson, Asaph Hall, Dewey, Lloyd, Straus, Gelston and Dean.

During the May Festival in this city Master Freddie Daley, Ann Arbor's boy soprano, was afforded an opportunity to sing in private before the great soloists who were here and all pronounced his voice to be one of the most wonderful they had ever heard. In fact, Gertrude May Stein said that it far surpassed any of the great number who were tried in New York city for the boy's part in the production of "Elijah" given there.

About three weeks ago Bertha Klager, who works in the Hay & Tote manufacturer, sold her bicycle for \$20 and put all but 50 cents of the money in her trunk. The \$19.50 suddenly disappeared and she entered a complaint against Edith Lansing whom she claims had a key that fitted the trunk. The police arrested the Lansing girl in Detroit last Friday and Marshal Sweet escorted her to this city today to answer to the charge of larceny.

Word has been received from Chickamauga Park, Ga., where Company A from Ann Arbor was sent, that the water supply is very limited. The sight of a hundred men around one pump waiting to get their canteens filled is nothing uncommon. This state of things has alarmed the military authorities very much, and steps will be taken at once to increase the supply. Also, a "canteen" has been established under supervision of the government.

Mr. H. Lombard, from New York, professional stage director, who has been with some of the largest opera companies in this country, arrived here Monday to stage the opera, "The Tyrolean Queen," which for the last two months has been under the musical direction of Prof. R. H. Kempf. This charming children's operetta in four acts will be produced at the Atheneum Theater Thursday and Friday evening, June 9 and 10. The principal part, "the Tyrolean Queen," Mr. Kempf has assigned to Master Freddie Daley. There will be many other soloists which will be announced later. Fifty children's voices, including St. Andrew's vested choir, will form the chorus.

In obedience to general orders from National and Department headquarters, Memorial day will be appropriately observed by Welch Post, G. A. R., on Sunday morning. Rev. T. W. Young will deliver before them a Memorial sermon. On Monday at 10 o'clock a detachment will decorate the graves in St. Thomas cemetery. At 2 o'clock all comrades and Sons of Veterans will march to the Fifth ward cemetery and decorate the graves of deceased comrades. An address will be given by Rev. J. T. Sunderland. They will then return and be conveyed from the depot to Forest Hill cemetery by street cars, where the ritual will be observed. The Post invites military, fraternal and other organizations to join in these services. On Monday evening exercises will be held in University hall where Hon. A. J. Sawyer will deliver the address. National and patriotic songs will be sung.

The case of Katharine Nagel vs. Jacob Nagel, for divorce, which came to trial in the circuit court Thursday, is most peculiar. The complainant charges the defendant with having a thirst that ought to make every man on the Bowery in New York city take off his hat if Jake ever walks down that thoroughfare. She says in her bill of complaint that in the fall of 1896 the defendant made and put in his cellar 23 barrels of cider and since that time he has drunk it all up but about two barrels. She charges him with cruelty and drunkenness. If the complaint is true the defendant has made a pretty good (or bad) record. Twenty-one barrels in 21 months ought to produce a continual Katzenjammer. The defendant acknowledges that he has made as high as 16 barrels of cider in one fall but that he was crippled up and had lots of hired help who helped him get away with the apple juice, and denies that he was guilty of habitual drunkenness. He files his affidavit to the nature of a cross-bill that he is entitled to get one.

Col. O. P. O'Leary, of Adrian, is in the city in company with Mrs. O'Leary, who is taking treatment at the hospital.

Miss Marie C. Knapp, after a ten days' visit with friends and relatives here, has returned to her home in Chicago.

Eugene K. Frueauff has returned from a two weeks' trip in the interest of the Travelers' Accident Insurance company.

The Frozen Truth cases will be tried in Judge Duffy's court on June 1. Judge Babbitt will act as prosecuting attorney.

A decree of divorce was granted to-day to Ida F. Twist, of Superior, from her husband, Ennis R. Twist. Judge Kinne granted her \$150 alimony, in gross.

The various high schools throughout the state held athletic meets Saturday to select teams to represent them at the inter-scholastic meet here Friday and Saturday of this week.

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Mrs. Tyler entertained the Fifty club at an informal dancing party Monday, to close a very enjoyable series of parties that have been held every Monday afternoon from 4 to 6 during the winter.

M. J. Cavanaugh has received word from Chairman Baker that the Democratic state convention will be held at Grand Rapids on June 22, the same time the Populists, Silver Republicans and the rest of the push meet.

New York University graduates more women lawyers than our U. of M. Forty-seven women, sixteen of them married, were graduated with the law class of that university last week. It is said women lawyers are especially in demand in the four women suffrage states.

The boys of the University of Michigan are waging war against the "eds." Not one of the girls of the college was invited to the junior promenade. As a result the girls have started a remonstrance against the smoking of cigarettes and cigars in college circles.

J. J. Kirby has been appointed superintendent of the Ann Arbor rail-way express service, and has entire charge of the package business on passenger trains; agents and baggage men will report to and receive instructions from him concerning their duties in connection with this department of the company's service; he will report to the general manager, H. W. Ashley.

The employees of the Ann Arbor road along the line are considering the proposition of subscribing to the great railroad battleship fund. This fund was started by the railroad men of California. The railway men of the country propose to build a battleship for the government. It is estimated that \$90,000 men will readily contribute \$5 each, making a total of \$40,000, which would build a heavy battleship. The movement is certainly most worthy and patriotic.

Owing to the threatening weather last Sunday only 35 Knights Templars turned out to observe Ascension day services. Of the 35 there were included Sir Knights Gardam, Read, Moore, Carpenter, Guerin and Hull of Ypsilanti. The Knights marched to the grave of Hiram J. Beakes where a triangle was formed and an impressive sermon was listened to, by Sir Knight Gardam of Ypsilanti. The graves of deceased knights were decorated with appropriate floral designs peculiar to the order.

Recently one of the well known bishops of a prominent church was in the city and in the midst of his sermon took occasion to relate a story of a man who was so near death that he could fairly see the Heavenly Gates. But he returned to life, said the bishop, "despite the doctors." A well known Huron street physician was present and after church was out was introduced to the bishop. "Yes," said the man of quinine and physic, "I am one of those doctors who expect to go to Heaven despite of the bishops."

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Edith Lansing was found "not guilty" of stealing \$19.50 from Bertha Klager, by Justice Duffy Monday morning. It seems that there is a good deal of animosity sprung up between the two girls. The Lansing girl accounted for the money she had in her possession in a straightforward way and although one witness swore she had seen the Lansing girl go into the house where the Klager girl roomed, Justice Duffy discharged her.

While bicyclists have sometimes objected to the passing of ordinances compelling them to carry lighted lamps at night, yet it is a fact that after such ordinances become law, and the riders experience the great advantages accruing and the largely increased safety, they would not be willing to do without either the lamps or the law.

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A dispatch from Washington says: At the urgent request of the entire Michigan delegation, who called Monday at war department, supplemented by a letter from the Michigan senators, Gen. Alger today issued orders for Col. Boynton to bring the Thirty-third Michigan Volunteers from their present camp at Island Lake to Camp Alger, a dozen miles out from the capital city. The Thirty-fourth having been ordered here, there will be much fraternizing among the Michigan troops at the national capital.

There is a very amiable lady who uses her love letters to score off her husband when opportunity occurs. It is her custom when her husband says anything disparaging to her to fetch out one of these relics of courtship days and reel off the glowing tribute to her virtues which is therein contained. These letters are originally numbered somewhere about 200, but owing to sundry successful raids which the poor persecuted husband has made upon them, the number has been considerably reduced. When he penned the tender missives little did he imagine what instruments of torture they would in later years become.

The remains of Mrs. A. C. Roberts, of Ft. Madison, Iowa, were brought here last Saturday for burial. The cause of death was paralysis. Deceased was formerly a resident of this city many years ago. In 1859 she was married to Dr. A. C. Roberts, of Adrian, Mich., and then moved to Ft. Madison, Iowa, where she had resided up to the time of her death. She leaves a husband and three sons, Frank and Ed M. of Ft. Madison, and N. C. Roberts, of Keokuk, Iowa. Two brothers survive her, A. B. and B. F. Cole, of this city. The pall bearers at the funeral were Col. Henry S. Dean, John Sperry, Wm. Everett and Charles Worden.

The annual dance and banquet of the Choral Union took place in the Waterman gymnasium and women's building Saturday evening, and was even more successful than the first affair held last year. The young ladies had charge of the catering and furnished a very nice menu. Prof. Stanley, the director of the big chorus, and Prof. de Pont, president of the Choral Union, made appropriate speeches, and after a pleasant banquet, the crowd adjourned to the big gymnasium for the dance. The attendance was restricted quite closely to members of the chorus, although the young ladies had the privilege of inviting a limited number of gentlemen to escort them, and everybody was made acquainted with everybody else.

Marriage license: Clinton F. Stimpson, 24, Saline, and Minola H. Cook, 20, Saline.

Rufus Swain has been added to the pay roll of the Ann Arbor road's round house at Toledo.

Editor Thomas, of the U. of M. Daily, will be principal in the Zeeland, Mich., schools next year.

Dr. Ernest Lewis, an old Ann Arbor boy now practicing medicine in McComb, Ill., is in the city.

The annual University Faculty vs. High School Faculty baseball game will take place on Wednesday, June 1.

There are four hundred and fifty-one colleges in the United States, one hundred and fifteen medical and fifty-two law schools.

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**EARLY INVASION ASSURED.**

**FORTY THOUSAND MEN READY TO PROCEED TO CUBA.**

**PLANS ALMOST PERFECTED.**

The President and Secretary Alger Have Made Up Their Minds as to the Details of the Campaign—Gen. Miles Will Direct the Movement in Person.

Washington, May 26.—After a conference between the president and Gen. Miles that lasted until midnight the impression in army circles was that an army of invasion would go to Cuba in a few days. The number of troops to be landed, it is said, will not be less than 25,000. Gen. Miles will go to Tampa this week, probably to direct the movements. The delay, if any, will be due to inability to secure enough transports for troops.

Maj.-Gen. Miles has received reports which show that nearly 40,000 soldiers, fully equipped and ready for the invasion are at the three chief mobilizing centers, Tampa, Key West, and Mobile.

Adjt.-Gen. Corbin has 28 transports at Key West and Tampa and that many more nearly ready for service.

Instead of the president holding his plans in abeyance awaiting the capture or destruction of the Spanish fleet, invasion is now practically independent of sea operations.

The ordnance department has all the ammunition and supplies which could be used by even a larger army than it is purposed to send to Cuba.

**PROMISE NEUTRALITY.****FIVE COUNTRIES AGREE NOT TO INTERFERE IN THE WAR.**

Washington, May 26.—The consuls report give notice of the declaration of neutrality by five countries, Russia, Greece, Venezuela, the Netherlands and Canada.

Particular importance attaches to the declaration by Venezuela because her ports must be of great value to the Spanish as places of refuge and as possible coal depots in the event that the declaration of neutrality were withheld. The notice is dated Caracas, April 29. The minister for foreign affairs took action on the day upon which he was notified by Minister Loomis that the United States had declared war. The notification does not go into details as to the rules of neutrality to be applied by Venezuela, nor deal with the question as to whether coal is to be contraband or not, but expresses Venezuela's position in the one sentence: "The republic will preserve the strictest neutrality during the contest."

**THINKS CERVERA IS SAFE.**

London, May 26.—The following dispatch has been received from Madrid, dated 1 a. m. Wednesday:

Lieut.-Gen. Correa, minister of war, has received a cablegram from Gen. Blanco saying that American warships are in front of Santiago. Capt. Aunon, minister of marine, has received a lengthy dispatch from Admiral Cervera replying in full to instructions. The minister of marine receives nobody. He is working day and night. Yesterday he presented to the queen regent every detail of the plans at Santiago de Cuba, showing the defense and the security of Admiral Cervera's squadron.

**TO ORGANIZE AN ENGINEER CORPS.**

Washington, May 26.—The war department has sent to congress a bill for the organization of an engineer corps with special reference to the needs of the army of occupation of Cuba. The engineers are needed especially to erect fortifications, build roads, throw up earthworks, string telegraph wires, and perform equally important work in connection with the movements of an army into a hostile country. The estimate for the equipment of the corps has been prepared and will be sent in as soon as congress grants the necessary authority.

**COAL FOR DEWEY'S FLEET.**

San Francisco, May 26.—The British collier Ning Chau has arrived in port with a cargo of coal from Puget sound. The government has been negotiating for the charter of the collier for several days, and it is possible that she and her cargo may be sent to the assistance of Dewey's fleet. A big cargo of coal already purchased by the government has arrived here on the Peter Jepson, which may also go to Manila.

**ROWAN TO BE REWARDED.**

Washington, May 26.—Gen. Miles has recommended to Secretary Alger that First Lieutenant A. S. Rowan of the Nineteenth infantry be promoted to the rank of lieutenant-colonel. This Gen. Miles does as a recognition of the valuable services performed by Lieut. Rowan in his recent perilous mission to Cuba, securing valuable information for the United States government.

**ALL QUIET AT MANILA.**

London, May 26.—A dispatch to the Times from Hongkong today says: "Manila is tranquil. The foreign cruisers have agreed upon concerted action for the protection of foreigners in any emergency. Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader, landed at Cavite on May 19. The insurgents, being without firearms, is delaying the proposed attack on the garrison at Manila."

**BATTLESHIP TO JOIN SAMPSON.**

Washington, May 26.—The arrival of the Oregon at Jupiter inlet indicates that the battleship came around the outside passage and has not seen any of the American fleet. She got orders there this morning and will proceed to some point for coal and provisions. It is understood here that Capt. Clark will report to Sampson as soon as possible.

**LISTEN TO REPORTS.**

Presbyterian General Assembly Satisfied with the Work Done.

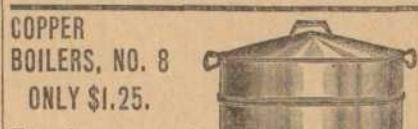


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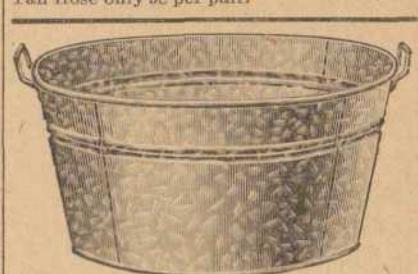
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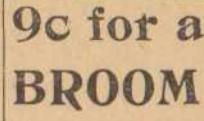
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WILL BE LEFT TO SCHLEY.

Attack on Cervera to Be Made by Him.

SAMPSON IS OFF HAVANA.

Admiral Is Preparing to Convoy Our Invading Army and to Bombard the Capital of the Island and Other Ports—Schley's Task Not Easy.

WASHINGTON, May 25.—The next important war news will come from Santiago de Cuba. It will describe an attack by American ships upon the Spanish fleet commanded by Admiral Cervera, now bottled up in one of the secure harbors in the world.

The first details will deal with the preliminary, such as the bombardment of the fortifications situated upon the high bluffs overlooking the tortuous channel leading from the Caribbean sea to the deep, narrow bay where the enemy now enjoys immunity from destruction.

According to the best information obtainable here Admiral Sampson, with the heaviest vessels of his fleet, is in the vicinity of Havana, preparing to bombard the city, after aiding in the transfer of our invading army to Cuban soil.

Commodore Schley is off Santiago de Cuba with the second-class battleships Massachusetts and Texas, and the armored cruiser Brooklyn, the unarmored cruiser Scorpion, probably the unarmored cruiser New Orleans and two monitors.

It is fairly well understood that Admiral Sampson's orders are that he must succeed in crushing the Spaniards. If they will not come out to fight our ships must go in after them. Schley must be intrusted by Sampson with the carrying out of this task, or he may be given aid from Sampson's fleet. He can whip Cervera. But he has tremendous obstacles to overcome, some of which are concealed and all of which are in good condition except Morro, which was shelled by the St Louis, and without having countermined the channel, he can not hope to get within range of the Spanish ships.

One ship only can enter at a time. Upon the first vessel the Spaniards will concentrate a deadly, annihilating fire. It may be sunk. Then the channel would be clogged.

This will have to be avoided. How to do it is the problem Schley must solve.

The impression is allowed that the naval war board is not participating in the plans now being executed. Sampson, it is said, is not hampered by instructions as to just how to pro-

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ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

**CALL FOR MORE VOLUNTEERS**

The President Asks for 75,000 Additional Men.

IT IS SAID SECRETARIES DAY AND ALGER WILL THEN RETIRE.

New York, May 26.—A Washington dispatch to the Brooklyn Eagle says:

"It is reported here that Secretary of State Day does not expect the war to last long, and that it is his intention to retire from the cabinet as soon as the war is over. It is reliably stated that when Judge Day agreed to accept the premiership he did so with the distinct understanding that he should be allowed to resign in the fall, if hostilities with Spain had ended by that time.

"That Judge Day is of the opinion that everything will be cleared up by fall is indicated from the fact that he has taken a lease on his present house only until next October.

"From the same authority the Eagle correspondent is informed that Secretary Alger will also resign from the cabinet when the war is over."

DEWEY NEEDS TROOPS.

Necessity for Re-enforcements is Daily Increasing.

New York, May 26.—A special to the Tribune from Washington says: Official advice received from Admiral Dewey, while confirming the belief that his supreme control of Manila harbor is as firm as ever, indicate that the necessity for re-enforcing him with a powerful military force is daily increasing, and is not safely to be delayed through any ordinary difficulties that may be encountered. Gen. Merritt's foresight in demanding 15,000 men for the first expedition and securing the president's promise that 25,000 additional soldiers would be cheerfully furnished if they were required is vindicated, in the opinion of military authorities, and throughout the day preparations to expedite the departure of the advance guard and to secure the necessary transports for the remaining force were aggressively hurried by war department officials.

Futch Chosen President.

St. Louis, May 26.—The Mutual Life and Accident Assurance of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers has elected the following officers: President, W. E. Futch; vice-president, L. Zeigenfus; general secretary and treasurer, William E. Prenter. Reports of the officers show that the association is in a prosperous condition.

Supreme Court Meets May 31.

Washington, May 26.—Chief Justice Fuller announces that the supreme court will meet again on Tuesday, May 31, and then would adjourn sine die for the session.

Subscribe for The Democrat.

WILLIAM M'KINLEY.

"By the President."

"WILLIAM R. DAY,"

"Secretary of State."

Washington, May 26.—One hundred and twelve thousand men have now been mustered into the volunteer army of the United States and the official reports show that the greater number of these are ready to move to the front. Over two-thirds of the

states have entirely completed their musters, and should the emergency arise are prepared to begin anew the work just completed.

The failure of some of the states, notably four or five in the south, to furnish the men called for up to this time is a surprise to the army officers on duty here, but is ascribed not to a lack of patriotism, but to a belief, probably shared by many of the national guardsmen who had home ties and business connections which they could not well afford to give up, that plenty of other persons not so incumbered would readily be found to take their places. Ample time will be given the states referred to to fill the apportionment made by the war department, and the expectation here is this will be accomplished without further unnecessary delay.

Should any of the states default the probability is that the fact will be reported to congress formally by the secretary of war for such action as may be deemed best under the circumstances. No resort can be had to draft measures without explicit authority therefrom on the national legislature.

Secretary Alger said that the additional volunteers called for will not be recruited from the national guard, as were the first 125,000, but that the enlistments will be open. The regulations referred to in the proclamation under which the enlistments will be conducted have not yet been prepared, and it is thought there is no occasion for hurry in this matter until the full draft called for in the first proclamation has been secured.

It is further stated that the decision to issue an additional call for volunteers was not reached until the cabinet meeting Friday afternoon. The call, it is supposed here, indicates a determination to press the campaign actively and vigorously from now on.

TALK OF ALGER'S RETIREMENT.

Washington, May 26.—The name of Senator-elect Louis McComas of Maryland has been seriously considered for the office of secretary of war in the event Secretary Alger finds it necessary to retire on account of ill health.

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## YPSILANTI.

## ANNOUNCEMENT.

With this issue the Ypsilanti Weekly Times is consolidated with the Ann Arbor Democrat, making it the most widely circulated English newspaper in Washtenaw county. Those subscribers of The Weekly Times who have paid in advance will be furnished The Democrat without extra charge until the expiration of their subscription. The subscription to The Democrat is one dollar per year, while that to The Times has been fifty cents.

The Democrat has during the past year conducted a large Ypsilanti department and the Ypsilanti subscribers to The Weekly Times will obtain all of their home news and secure in addition the best county newspaper published in southern Michigan.

The attention of advertisers is invited to the fact that with the six hundred subscribers of The Weekly Times in Ypsilanti and vicinity and the 2,100 subscribers of The Democrat we now have a total circulation of 2,700 covering Washtenaw county thoroughly and making it the most profitable advertising medium obtainable.

Mrs. M. T. Woodruff is spending a few days with her parents at Ovid.

Mrs. Russell Spencer, of Charlotte, is visiting at the residence of Mrs. E. M. Spencer.

The Arbeiter Verein will give a dancing party Monday evening in their hall on Grove st.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Warner, who have been the guests of S. E. Dodge, have returned home.

Dr. Thurston, of Cleveland, a former Normalite, is being entertained by friends in the city.

Miss Ida Parkinson, who has been the guest of Mrs. F. D. McKeand, has returned to Detroit.

The ladies of the Congregational church will give an excursion to Detroit Monday, May 30.

George E. Sherman has left the Detroit Journal and begun work for the Detroit Tribune this morning.

Mrs. S. E. Pulver and family have moved to Tecumseh, where her son, Benjamin, is engaged in business.

A warrant for disorderly conduct has been issued for Fred Anderson, who was mixed up in a row Saturday night.

Frank Showerman has just delivered a large order of table silverware for the Eastern Star to be used at their

Frank Reynolds, who was mixed up in a scrap last Saturday night, pleaded not guilty before Justice Childs last night.

The feeding cable for the new electric railway is being stitched and will be completed by the end of the week.

One of the new electric cars is on the road from the shops and will be in shape to run as soon as the line is completed.

The first soldier to die of the Thirty-first regiment was Private Maginnis of Company I. He died Tuesday of pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Bigelow, who lived in this city from 1852 to 1872, celebrated their golden wedding at Owosso Monday.

There is a warrant out for the arrest of James Eaton, but the officers say that he, like Anderson, has "flown his kite" and is not to be found.

Deputy Sheriff Ross left for Lansing Tuesday with George Murano, who is guilty of truancy and will be confined in the reform school.

The first car over the Detroit, Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor railway came as far as the bridge Monday morning. It was a flat car with material.

Mat Roser, who started out with a small show a few weeks ago, is broken up in business. He could not make expenses and is stranded in Jackson.

Every one who has flowers to contribute to decorate the graves should have them at the G. A. R. headquarters in the Union block by 9 a. m. Monday morning.

James Davis has changed the name of his dog from McKinley to Dewey because he is a scrapper. Jim says he only picks on dogs that run around without a license.

Jacob Wise is circulating a subscription for Memorial Day exercises. He started out to raise \$50 and has been successful. Other years the common council appropriated the money.

Hon. J. B. Wortley is now at rest. The fact that the McMillan crowd and the Pingreeites have made up, makes Mr. Wortley feel that he will have it easy sailing for the legislature this fall.

Joseph F. Miller, who has suffered from a diseased eye for several weeks, is again at his old place in Dodge's store. Harry Benham, who took his place during his absence, has returned to Ann Arbor.

Next Tuesday night at Normal hall there will be a senior recital by Miss Sara Loderma Miller, pianist; assisted by Dr. E. B. Spalding, baritone; Miss Anna Owen, violinist, and Prof. F. L. Yunck, organist.

The following dry goods stores will be closed all day on May 30, Decoration day: W. H. Sweet & Son, Trim & McGregor, E. M. Comstock & Co., F. H. Rexford & Sons, Davis & Kishlar, Beal, Comstock & Co.

Mrs. M. J. Ryan, of Cross street, gave a children's party to 20 little ones Tuesday afternoon in honor of her little daughter Marie's birthday. Among those present was Hazel M. Woodruff, a cousin of the little hostess.

It is reported that "Juice" Wilson, who it is supposed had something to do with the McCurdy row Saturday night, is also missing. It is believed that Anderson has gone to join the colored volunteer regiments being organized in the South.

There will be a union service in the Methodist Episcopal church Sunday evening, on account of the anniversary service of the Young Women's Christian Association. The pastors will assist. Reports of the work are to be given and an address by Miss Taylor, of Chicago.

On account of the feeling among local dealers about excursions to Detroit from here, the Congregational ladies have hit upon the happy idea of an excursion to Detroit and Belle Isle on Decoration day, when all can forget their cares and toll in a happy day at Belle Isle. Tickets, 75 cents.

The ladies of the Parish Aid society will give an Experience social at the church house on June 6th, at 8 o'clock in the evening. The proceeds are to go toward liquidating the church house note. A short program will be presented at a popular price. All friends of St. Luke's parish are cordially urged to be present.

## PROGRAM.

1. Music by Band.
2. Music by the Choir.
3. Prayer by Rev. R. K. Wharton.
4. Address by Commander John Chapman.
5. Music by Normal School.
6. Address by Dr. Boone.
7. High School exercises.
8. Oration by Rev. B. F. Aldrich.
9. Music by Choir, "Star Spangled Banner."
10. Benediction by Rev. William Garland.

After the above exercises are concluded they will march to the cemetery for the purpose of decorating the graves.

## RED HANDKERCHIEFS.

Col. Gardner Gives Each Man One-Lieut. Pack, Co. A, Made Adjutant.

Camp Thomas, Chickamauga Park, May 18.—(Special).—This morning Camp Thomas was in a disordered and chaotic state; tonight in place of the chaos it is a tented city and all is harmony.

Company G has fine quarters with large shade trees on each side of the tents. Our company has fifteen tents in all, two officer's tents and thirteen for the privates and non-commissioned officers. Seven men bunk in each of the first five tents, while six are in each of the other eight. Each man is supplied with a rubber and woolen blanket, and they are all he has to protect him from the elements. At present, however, where there are a number in a tent a very comfortable bunk can be made up for all, but where each man has to bunk by himself, as he would have to do in actual service, it is very hard.

The boys now have all they can eat. The rations are plain but well cooked and are served on time. The water is good but has to be carried into camp from a distance of a fourth of a mile. Liquor will be excluded from camp, at least until the men get acclimated. Fruit can be procured in abundance. This morning Company G had all the fine large strawberries they could eat. The Chickamauga creek is not over half a mile from camp and renders fine facilities for bathing, the water being warm and shallow.

Today the majority of Company G have had their hair cut. We have a barber in the company in the person of Talcott Crane, "Talkie," as he is known among the boys, is always glad to please his comrades.

Relics on the battlefield are often found. Sergeant Webb, with several privates, while walking through the park today found some rare specimens of battered bullets and one curious old shell. It is said on good authority that, if the soldiers are kept here during the summer, Uncle Sam will use his boys

in blue to clear up and improve the national park. The boys declare it would be an imposition on them. They trust Col. Gardner implicitly to guard their interests and rights.

Tonight Col. Gardner presented every member of the Thirty-first regiment with a red handkerchief, with the request that his boys use them as a scarf or necktie and try to return each of them when the war has ended. When the token of kindly feeling between the colonel and his men was presented, his name was cheered to an echo. He is a great favorite with the boys and they all feel safe under his command.

Today has been very hot, so hot, in fact, that Cuba could not be worse.

The Times correspondent has his headquarters in the first sergeant's tent, where he will be pleased to meet all his friends from Michigan. Through the kindness of Chaplain White, of the Thirty-first, The Times reporter will be able to supply Ypsilanti and Times readers in general the doings of Company G, whether on the field of battle or encamped at Chickamauga Park.

Lieut. Pack, of Company A, has been appointed adjutant of the Third battalion. The choice is a popular one.

HILLMAN.

## CO. G. ON TOP.

They Were the First on Lookout Mountain—Stand Climate Well.

Chickamauga Park, Camp Thomas, May 19.—(Special).—At last after a journey of two days and one night, the Thirty-first Michigan Volunteers find themselves safe, sound and well, encamped on the famous old battle-field of Chickamauga.

Arriving at Chattanooga, the boys were given a chance to wander round the old historic city for a short time.

The train on its way to Chickamauga Park crossed Missionary Ridge and the boys in blue cheered to an echo as they passed over the sacred ground.

At Chickamauga station the Thirty-first regiment was formed into heavy marching order with canteens, haversacks and blankets, and proceeded to the camping ground, a distance of three miles.

The day was exceedingly hot and the march nearly bushed the men as they are soft and little used to the heat of the southern states.

The Ypsilanti company, the huskiest in the regiment, stood the march well and soon offered to make a forced march to

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## A PET SCREECH OWL

tented city will be in perfect order. As much as possible Col. Gardner supervises the work about camp. He is very anxious to place his regiment in the best conditions before the excessive heat of the summer comes.

The greatest precautions are being taken in analyzing a sample of the water from each of the places where the regiment gets its supply. So far the water has been pronounced pure.

Tonight Chaplain White addressed the men of the regiment. He spoke in a strong and pathetic manner, reminding the boys of their sacred duty to acquit themselves as soldiers and men. In conclusion he said: "Boys, do nothing to dishonor the great Commonwealth of which you are a citizen." His address was heartily cheered. It will be gratifying to Times readers and Michigan people in general that the Thirty-first regiment has the respect of the citizens and is said to be composed of the most gentlemanly men in camp. It is beginning to be known as the "Red Handkerchief regiment," on account of each soldier wearing the red handkerchief given by Col. Gardner.

It is certain that during the summer Moody will hold meetings in camp.

Those who have the work in charge say it is the first time such a thing has been attempted and it will attract the attention of the world.

By this time these meetings will be held over forty thousand troops will be mobilized on this ground.

At last the Chattanooga Brewing company has effected an entrance into camp through some pull or other.

The surgeons of the regiment are against the men drinking on account of the climate, saying: "If they do so we shall send them home in cheap coffins."

It is generally understood that the most stringent measures will be taken to limit the sale.

The Times correspondent was today appointed special mail orderly for the regiment. It is his duty to carry mail to and from trains, and aid in sorting and distributing the same. This work will not interfere with his duties as war correspondent and he will still endeavor to keep Times readers informed of the latest at camp.

In the course of a few days each member of the regiment will be vaccinated as a precaution against fever and to put the boys in a condition to leave for Cuba.

In order to protect the rights of the citizens and to guard against any possible depredations, Col. Gardner has ordered that a company of infantry be stationed each day at Reed's and Alexander's Bridges. This will make guard duty much heavier, for each member of the company.

The chaplain acts as postmaster for the regiment. During the first 16 days of this month he handled 4,860 pieces of mail matter and sold out \$6,68 for postage.

The mail coming into camp is so great that we cannot get our mail sometimes for three to six days behind time.

Friends writing to the boys should be careful to make the address very plain; give company, regiment, and address all mail matter to Camp Thomas, Chickamauga Park, Georgia.

HILLMAN.

SEEKING FOR PEARLS.

Quest of the Elusive Gems Surrounded by Romantic Traditions.

The history of pearl seeking has about it so much of the glamour of romance and possible gain that the difficulties and risks of the quest are well-nigh forgotten. Men love a pursuit that entails much danger and much knowledge of men and elements. Long before the Roman conquest men were hazarding the dangers of newly-discovered rivers in search of the elusive gems, and one of the prime reasons for undertaking the expedition into great Britain was to obtain the fair "congealed dewdrops pierced by sunbeams," which poets and philosophers in all ages have made the emblems of purity and worth, and which the Roman women so much coveted. There is scarcely a sacred literature in existence in which pearls do not bear reverent meaning, and no nation where place and favor have not been bought by the beautiful, lustrous products of the sea.

nation's volunteer army on Sunday. Excursions from the surrounding country will be run and a great gathering is expected.

Yesterday The Times man visited several other regiments and in nearly every case found U. of M. graduates in the ranks. In fact, the old U. of M. is represented from nearly every state having regiments in camp. In many cases these men hold offices of distinction and trust. Since we have been in camp no other university yell but the U. of M. has disturbed the quietness of the forest camp.

HILLMAN.

## Thirty Volunteered.

The regular meeting of the Light Infantry occurred Wednesday and the company showed great improvement in foot movements. After the drill an election of officers occurred and F. L.

Gallup was elected captain; Charles Carver and J. H. Philip, first and second lieutenants respectively. There were about thirty who volunteered.

The boys have a new scheme on tap. Governor Pingree has stated that he would not take any more volunteer companies as a whole, but that each town should be allowed its quota.

The call for 75,000 men by the president means that Michigan's share is over 2,000. However, to evade this ruling of the governor, the members of the new company will take in men from Benton, Milan, Plymouth, Saline and other small places in the neighborhood, thus giving each their quota and also putting them in shape to drill.

Resolutions.

At the special meeting of the Arbeiter Unterstuetzungs Verein the following resolutions were passed:

Whereas, it has pleased the Almighty Ruler of life and death to take to Him to eternity our respected member, V. Arnett, be it

Resolved. That this society expresses its deepest sorrow to the survivors; and

Be it further resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to his survivors.

By order of the Arbeiter Unterstuetzungs Verein of Ypsilanti.

WILLIAM DUSHBILER,

Jacob Schmid, Committee.

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A short distance from Lytle, the station on the edge of the Park, is situated the headquarters of General Brooke, commander of the camp. When interviewed yesterday by The Times correspondent, the general was in his office busy writing and greeting callers. The general when asked if he was satisfied with the volunteer army under his command, said: "Yes, I am more satisfied with the men than with the men without uniforms, but all are very well drilled." He especially complimented the Michigan troops, saying "his judgement it was the best equipped and best drilled volunteer regiment he had ever seen." In view of the military standing of the general, his words of praise should be welcome to the great Commonwealth of Michigan. It seems certain to those who are in a position to judge, that the Thirty-first will be one of the first to leave for the front.

Major Biddle, chief surgeon of the regiment, said tonight that the boys were wonderfully free from sickness.

This is so true that the hospital authorities have but very little to do. The change of climate has not affected the men.

It is said that Frank Wagner, of Company A, will soon be promoted to headquarters as stenographer. All who know Frank will be glad to hear this and no one in the regiment is so eminently fitted for the position.

Capt. McKeand, of Company G, has a pet screech owl, which he will keep while in the army and take it home with him.

The regiment feels proud of Dr. Owen.

He is so careful of his men, tending them with a tenderness and feeling of a father.

## THE DEMOCRAT.

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

## IN AND ABOUT THE CITY.

Conductor McGrath, of the Ann Arbor road, has reported for duty after his recent vacation.

Major Nancrude was in the city for the last time today before he moves south with the troops.

Ex-County Treasurer Brehm, who has been here sick for the past month, is able to be out again.

Engineer Thomas Luce, of the Ann Arbor road, has been enjoying a few days' leave of absence.

Yesterday was the Queen's birthday. It was also Wm. Herz's. Both were celebrated very appropriately.

The Ann Arbor High School team will play the Lansing High School team Friday, May 27th, at 3:30 p. m., at the Athletic Field. The teams are evenly matched and a good game may be expected.

The defendants' bill of costs in the Carl Wuerthner vs. Workingmen's Benevolent society was \$139.90. All Wuerthner claimed was \$78 and he has appealed to the supreme court. If beaten there he will have a big bill of costs to pay for going after '78.

The last meeting of the Graduate club for the present year will occur next Friday evening, May 27, at the home of Prof. Kelsey, 825 Tappan street. It will be a musical evening. Prof. Stanley will read a paper on "Bayreuth and the Wagner Festivals," and Miss Bailey, of the School of Music, will sing several numbers.

The mother of one of the boys in camp was wondering the other day how her boy happened to write his letters on Y. M. C. A. letter paper, and was glad to learn from her friend to whom she spoke of the matter, that there was a Y. M. C. A. tent there, equipped with tables and writing materials for the use of the boys.

Mrs. Rosa Baessler-Rodger died here Monday after an operation. She was 42 years of age and lived in the northern part of the state. The deceased was a daughter of the late Peter Baessler and the funeral will take place at the homestead three miles northwest of the city. The interment will take place in Bethlehem cemetery, Scio.

Harry Douglass, of this city, and Sam Douglass, of Detroit, have organized a gas company of which they will have the controlling interest and will put in a plant at Mt. Clemens. Work on laying the piping will be started in a couple of weeks. There is no other gas company in Mt. Clemens and they ought to get good returns for the money.

The Eastern Star Chapter held a great meeting last evening, there being about 125 present. A class of nine, consisting of Mrs. Dr. Copeland, Mrs. Dr. Dewey, Mrs. Burrows, Mr. and Mrs. N. D. Gates, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Maynard, A. O. Wright and J. S. Merrill were initiated. After the ceremony a banquet was given and dancing indulged in.

The present advance in the price of beans is proving a bonanza for the Ann Arbor railroad company, and the dealers along that line. It is a well known fact that this road passes through the heart of the bean raising district and during the course of the year probably handles more of the "Boston berries" than all other Michigan roads put together.

The joint debate between the Jeffersonian, law society, and the Alpha Nu, literary society, will take place in the law lecture room Friday, June 3. Both societies have defeated both the Websters and Adelphi, and this will be a contest for supremacy. The question for debate is "Resolved, That a system of referendum be adopted in reference to state and municipal legislation." The Alpha Nu has the choice of sides.

Two Varsity records were broken and one equalled in the annual meet at Regents Field yesterday. Hatch lowered the time in the half-mile run to 2 minutes 5 1-5 seconds, beating out Hayes in a fine finish, and Jones threw the discus 96 feet 4 inches. Captain Thomas equalled his mark of 22 seconds in the 220 yard dash, narrowly defeating Thompson. The meet was run off in good shape, but the contestants for the most part seemed to be without life.

Eleven hundred and sixty-six students took gymnasium work this year, as against 1,032 last year. This does not include 205 co-eds who have been working this year in the women's gym, Minnesota, the next largest college of the west, has only 60 men in its gymnasium classes despite the fact that gym work is compulsory for freshmen. In the U. of M. a 10-pound gain in weight is not unusual in the case of students who attend the classes regularly for a year.

A University souvenir has just been issued by Miss Lovell. It contains 16 pages of half-tones interspersed with the words and music of the "Yellow and Blue," and is also decorated with sketches, among others "the maid with the golden hair, and eyes that are brimming with blue." The souvenir is on sale at the Corner Store on State, at Sheehan's, Wah's and Moore & Wetmore's down town store. Price, 75 cents.

At a meeting of the senior law class it was decided to take no action regarding the placing of a corner stone in the new law building, inasmuch as the University authorities would not allow the class name to be cut in the stone. A class tax was voted for the purpose of purchasing a testimonial for Instructor Hughes. Prof. Kirchner was chosen to deliver the closing address during graduation week. Prof. Kirchner has, however, declined on account of stress of business, and the class will have to take further action.

On account of the success of the party of last month for the benefit of the University hospitals, the committee has decided to give another next Saturday evening. The proceeds of this dance are to be used in helping to furnish the new home for the nurses of the hospitals. This home has recently been built by the Regents, but many necessary comforts will be lacking unless provided for by some outside course. Dancing will begin at 8 o'clock. Both gymnasiums will be used, and the University band will furnish the music. It is hoped that everyone will come to help along such a good cause. Admission, 25c.

The new church benefit entertainment Friday evening, May 27, at the Northside chapel, promises to be a great musical and literary treat, considering the following favorites who will participate. Vocal solos by Messrs. Walker, Taylor, James Harkins, Frank Ryan, Henry Backus and Isaac Reynolds; vocal duets by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Taylor, trios by the Misses Allmendinger, recitations by Miss Josie Davidson, and instrumental numbers by the Ladies' Mandolin and Guitar club. Mr. and Miss Schaeffer, Theodore Backus, Rembert and Howell Jones, and Bangs and Reynolds. Admission, 15 cents. Everyone should buy a ticket and help this good cause.

J. H. Lepper goes to Algonac tomorrow for a couple of days fishing.

George M. Lewis, of Jackson, was the guest of Mrs. Gusta Whitlark while in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pond will go to Mt. Clemens tomorrow to spend a couple of days.

John Baumgardner is putting in 28 new steps at the west and south front of the court house.

Mrs. M. A. Burt, of Ceresco, Mich., is visiting her sister, Mrs. D. W. Cowie of W. Huron street.

Wm. A. Condon has returned to Hancock after a brief visit with his family on S. Huron street.

Local Macabees are reported to be desirous of running the first excursion to Detroit over the Detroit, Ypsilanti & Ann Arbor electric railroad.

The funeral of Mrs. Rosa Baessler-Rodgers will take place tomorrow at 1 o'clock at the Baessler homestead three miles northwest of the city.

Those who have missed "Bill" Green from his haunts about the city need not become unnecessarily alarmed. William is at home practicing "I'll Make Dat Black Gal Mine."

Dr. Frank S. Bourne, who has been appointed to a position on General Merritt's staff, is a cousin of Dr. W. S. Loomis, of this city. Dr. Bourne was born in Dexter.

The Register says Harris Ball has resigned the office of deputy sheriff, and will be a candidate for justice of the peace if the council decides to hold a special election.

The Ladies' Aid society of Trinity Lutheran church will serve ice-cream and cake in the church parlors on Friday evening. Admission free; tickets 10 cents. All welcome.

Hanover Square is within the cement walk district. The city is building a new plank walk around the square. The city is setting a bad example in violating the rules that it itself, lays down.

The Women's League will hold their monthly reception Saturday, May 28, on the campus lawn north of the chemical building from 4 to 6 p. m. If weather is not favorable it will be held in the Women's building as formerly announced.

Owosso American: The May examinations of the Detroit conference of the Methodist Episcopal church are being held today at various points.

Rev. C. L. Adams is conducting those for the Ann Arbor district in the M. E. church in this city. F. E. Dodds, of Saline, is taking an examination.

Co. A. U. of M. Rifles, was inspected last night by the military board and mayor of the city. A large crowd had gathered on the ramparts to witness the inspection. Several difficult movements

made by the company during the drill were generously applauded by the spectators.

The whole company wore white duck trousers which gave it a fine appearance. Major Soule, Col.

Dean and Mayor Hiscock made speeches and complimented the men on their military bearing and the company on its good movement. Col. Dean stated that the request of the company to be color company of the University would be granted.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

May 19.—Wm. P. Gale and wife to H. W. Hand et al., Bridgewater, \$1,875.

Jas. P. Bycray and wife to Clay W. Alexander, Dexter, \$350.

May 20.—Stephen W. Andrews to Mrs. L. S. Harper et al., Milan, \$750.

Robert Leach and wife to Anna Walsh, Lyndon, \$250.

Wm. R. Heath et al. to Charles A. Heath, Augusta, \$1.

Louis Rude and wife to Frederick Fettich, Ann Arbor, \$10.

John Ross and wife by sheriff to F. W. Cleveland estate, Ypsilanti, \$167.60.

Frank P. Glazier and wife to Alice A. Stimpson, Chelsea, \$500.

Alice A. Stimpson to George P. Glazier, Chelsea, \$1.

May 21.—Frederick Steinkohl to John Trolz, Sharon, \$710.

Valentine Boeltiger and wife to Phil. Boeltiger, Saline, \$4,000.

J. Everts Smith to Magdalena Doty, Augusta, \$1,000.

Harlow Orcutt to Mary Cornwell, Ann Arbor, \$1.

John Miner, trustee, to Huron Valley Building and Loan associations, Ann Arbor, \$1.

Homer C. Cady et al. to Jane C. Schryver, Ann Arbor, \$1,300.

Fanny Hooker et al. to Melvin Q. Hooker, Augusta, \$1.

Fanny Hooker et al. to Willis A. Hooker, Augusta, \$1.

James L. Dennison and wife to G. M. Harris, Saline, \$800.

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Conrad Lehr and wife by sheriff to Chas. E. Hiscock, cashier, Manchester, \$700.

Paul F. Schlanderer to Wm. J. Rauey, Ann Arbor, \$300.

Harvey S. Day and wife to David Curry and wife, Augusta, \$55.

Malvina Rooney to Huron Valley Building and Loan association, Ann Arbor, \$100.

Janet Comstock to Elvira O. Loveland, York, \$2,050.

Caroline Barnes to Tracy L. Towner, Ypsilanti, \$1.

Tracy L. Towner to Charles O. Barnes and wife, Ypsilanti, \$1.

Charles A. Smith to Mary B. Bray, York, \$1,353.36.

May 25.—Mary E. Depew to Charles J. Depew, Chelsea, \$1.

Mary E. Depew to Elizabeth Depew, Chelsea, \$1.

Elizabeth Pray to Maurice F. Lantz, Northfield, \$125.

Frederick E. Richards to Jas. R. Richards, Sylvan, \$1.

George Stoll and wife to Michael Gauss, Ann Arbor, \$197.50.

## MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Marriages licenses have been issued to:

James O. Markey, Springwells, 33, and Mary O'Connor, Northfield, 24.

Edward Roehm, 26, Ann Arbor, and Rosa Hoffman, Ann Arbor, 26.

GARDEN HOSE.

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Chickamauga National Park, Ga., May 25.—The sham battle at Chickamauga Park this morning, in which the three brigades of Gen. Wilson's first army corps participated, was one of the most thrilling military spectacles that has been witnessed since the civil war. After seven hours of almost continuous maneuvering, in which was exemplified almost every phase of military tactics, Gen. A. S. Burt, commanding the first brigade, was outclassed by the second and third brigades, which were pitted against him.

Postmaster Beakes desires The Times to say to persons who desire to correspond with any of the members of Company A to address their letters to "Chickamauga, Georgia," instead of "Chickamauga, Tennessee." There is a Chickamauga in Tennessee but that is not where the boys are.

At the recent reunion of the Michigan Legion in Grand Rapids, Claudius B. Grant, of Lansing, was elected commander for the coming year. The new commander is chief justice of the Michigan supreme court, and is a graduate of the University of Michigan, and this state has always been his home. After graduating from the University he taught school for three years and in 1863 went into the army as captain in the Twentieth Michigan Infantry. He was promoted to major, and a year later was made a lieutenant colonel. At the close of the war he returned to the University to take a course in the law department. He was admitted to the bar in 1866 and began practicing in Ann Arbor. He was city recorder and postmaster, served two terms in the legislature, and was elected regent of the University.

When Jim Robinson, of Detroit, was in the city the other day he told a good one on the Detroit Naval Reserves, and there being many in this city who have acquaintances in the organization the story will be appreciated here. The Reserves were on board the Yosemite and the first real duty they had was to unload the freight boat "Alice," which had come up with supplies and transfer the heavy boxes and barrels to the Yosemite. Now the Naval Reserves are made up mostly of young men who would not know a lawn mower or snow shovel in a practical way from an Esquimau fan, and there are some doubts if many of them ever did any harder work than blackening their own shoes and hardly that. The mate on the Yosemite started to break the land-lubbers in and worked them handling the heavy freight from 5 o'clock in the morning till 8 o'clock at night. Many were the backaches that night but the mate was unyielding and the next morning he was around at 5 o'clock rousing the boys up to go to work again. Harry Joy turned over in his bunk and shouted to Sam Harris: "Sam, remember the Alice." "Good God," said Sam. "Can I ever forget her."

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Ann Arbor Markets.

Those consulting these reports will remember that some of the articles quoted here are subject to rapid fluctuations.

Corrected regularly to Thursday of the current week.

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