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## HE SAVED SOPHIA.

RECOLLECTIONS OF A FAMOUS CIRCUIT COURT TRIAL.

How Col. Atkinson Saved the Notorious Sophia Lyons—worked the Son-in-Law Racket for All it was Worth.

A correspondent of one of the Detroit papers has recently been writing up the famous Sophia Lyon trial. His story of how Col. Atkinson made use of the fact that Whitman, the son-in-law of the judge, is told in a very interesting way as follows:

The stories the lawyers tell of Col. J. Atkinson are myriad as were the flashing tapers about his bier, and are as bright with sarcasm and twinkle with wit as the tapers with flame-points and the most interesting of the stories perhaps are those which have to do with his relations as an attorney with Sophia Lyons herself.

"I wonder if there was ever another such a trial in this vicinity since the war as the one in which Atkinson defended Sophia from the charge of robbery," said an attorney who commemorated the anniversary of the funeral with the narration of incidents in which the colonel figured during practice at the bar.

"Sophia robbed a woman of a gold watch and a lot of other truck on the Ann Arbor fair grounds. She was convicted on her first trial. I forget how many years she was given, but I guess it was the full limit of the law. She would be in prison now, I guess, if the verdict hadn't been overturned.

"Atkinson came into the case after that. A new trial was secured and Sophia brought back from the 'pen.' I was in Ann Arbor on business at the time and witnessed the whole proceedings of the second trial before old Judge Joslyn or Joslin, as he used to spell his name before he was elevated to the bench.

"A son-in-law of Judge Joslin was the prosecuting attorney. I'll never forget that trial if I live to be a hundred years old. The way the colonel kept constantly before the jury the fact that the prosecutor was a relative of the judge would make a blind statue of justice on a court house grin. Sometimes he gently insinuated the fact. Then again he would refer to it in a humorous vein, as though it was a (Continued on page four.)

## LOWER WATER RATES.

THAT'S WHAT CITY ATTORNEY NORRIS SAYS.

Says He is Going to Draw an Ordinance that Will Reduce Rates.—Quotes Contract With Water Co. in Support of His Position.

City Attorney Norris declares that he is going to have lower water rates in this city. He declares that the contract between the city and the Water Co., is such that the city can fix the rates, so long as they fix them reasonably. He gives as his authority the following provisions of the ordinance giving the company the right to construct a plant in this city:

"The party of the second part shall furnish at all times a sufficient supply of water, suitable for domestic purposes, to the inhabitants of the city of Ann Arbor along the lines of their water pipes, when requested so to do by such inhabitant, at reasonable rates and not exceeding in amount the average sums paid by inhabitants of other cities of Michigan similarly situated and of like population and supplied by private companies."

Mr. Norris says there are two points in that provision. In the first place the company must furnish the water at a reasonable rate, which they do not and which they can afford to do, and in the next place, they must furnish it at a rate not exceeding what other like cities are getting it for even if they were losing money on it. Mr. Norris says he is going to draw up an ordinance and see what the council will do about it.

It is stated that Hon. Reuben Kempf told a responsible citizen last week that about a year and a half ago he received a prospectus of the Ann Arbor Water Co. from a friend of his in the East to whom it had been sent, and which stated that the gross receipts of the company is \$30,000 per year. This tends to show that the stock is paying pretty well.

## HOT WEATHER—NO RAIN.

WASHTENAW CROPS BURNING TO A CRISP.

Will be Great Loss in Corn and Potato Crop—Immediate Rain would Help—But Crops are Already so Injured That There Will be a Shortage.

There has rarely been a time when rain was more needed in Washtenaw County than at present. It is nearly four weeks now since rain has fallen in a large enough quantity to be worthy of mention and this combined with the hot weather which has accompanied the drought is playing havoc with the crops of Washtenaw County's farmers.

A little inquiry among the farmers who happened to be in town today reveals the fact that the potatoes and corn have suffered severely and that the former crop is almost destroyed. Indeed one went so far as to say that Washtenaw would have to look to the counties in northern Michigan this year for her supply of potatoes and this means that those articles of necessity will be high in price next winter. The corn in many places has been burned by the sun until it is almost useless. Reports come from several of the surrounding counties to the same effect also and on the whole it looks as though the loss to the farmers would be very severe.

## BRAVE U. OF M. MAN.

WITH 25 MEN HE HOLDS 500 MINERS AT BAY.

Shows the Stuff He is Made of—Saved Thousands of Men Their Property.

One of the recent graduates of the University, who has made prominent the name of Ann Arbor and the University of Michigan, is Lieut. O. L. Spaulding Jr., who is now a member of the Third Artillery, U. S. A. Lieut. Spaulding is a son of assistant secretary of the Treasury Spaulding. He is a native of Michigan and attended the public schools of St. Johns, in this state. While in Ann Arbor he was member of the literary and law departments, graduating from the latter. He was also a member of the Beta Theta Pi and Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity.

The event which occurred in Alaska, where he faced a meeting of 500 miners at Cape Nome when the latter were set upon throwing open the country for celebration. The result would have been a serious conflict between those already settled, and the hundreds of desperate men who had arrived too late to locate claims and whose only purpose was to rob others of their rightful property. Spaulding had only 25 men under his command but he rose in his place and without an instant's hesitation said that he represented the United States government, and that he would oppose with force any such step. He ordered the meeting to disperse when the miners refused had six of his men clear the hall at the point of the bayonet.

## PIONEER PASTOR DEAD.

REV. SAMUEL D. BREED DIED LAST WEDNESDAY.

Was One of the Pioneers of This State.—Had a Long and Interesting Career.

At his home, 317 E. Ann st., last Wednesday morning, 10:20 o'clock died the Rev. Samuel D. Breed after an illness which has continued nearly four months. Mr. Breed has been identified with the history of Michigan and the Congregational churches of the state so long as to justify a more than passing notice of his life. He was born in Colney, N. Y., in 1820. In 1838, at the age of eighteen years, he came alone to Michigan, for three years worked as a farm hand summers and attended Leoni and Grass Lake Academies in the winter seasons. Before he was of age he took up land in Ingham county which he cleared and brought under cultivation. After ten years he removed to the site where Chelsea now stands and built the third dwelling house erected in that place.

He opened the first shoe shop in the town and for several years conducted, for the time, a large business very successfully. He was identified with the whole life of the new community, (Continued on page four.)

## WHO IS IN THE RIGHT?

THOMAS KEARNEY SAYS HE HAD 400 BUSHELS OF BEANS.

Washtenaw Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co. Disputes the Claim.—Matter Submitted to Arbitration.

On the night of Feb. 1 last, the barn of Thomas Kearney, of Northfield, was consumed by fire. He was insured in the Washtenaw Mutual and, besides the building, the farm implements and hay, he made a claim for 400 bushels of beans. The officers visited the scene of the fire and recommended that the claim of the beans be not allowed on the theory that he had but a few bushels in the granary at the time of the fire. In other words, the insurance company stamped it as a fraudulent claim. It was then proposed that the matter be left to arbitration and the proposition was accepted. The company selected Andrew Campbell and Mr. Kearney chose Peter Cook, and these two gentlemen made Wm. April the third arbitrator. The insurance company by its officers, and Mr. Kearney took a solemn oath to abide by the decision of the arbitrators and there is no appeal unless it can be shown that the arbitrators are guilty of fraud in arriving at their determination. The insurance company retained John F. Lawrence and M. J. Cavanaugh for its attorneys, and Mr. Kearney employed A. J. Sawyer.

Last Thursday was the day set for the trial before the arbitrators and the court room had a good sprinkling of farmers from all over the county who were interested in the outcome of the case.

Mr. Kearney was the first witness and maintained that there were 400 bushels of beans in the granary at the time of the fire. Some were four, five and six years old. He swore that he had negotiated for their sale and had always claimed to prospective buyers that he had that quantity for sale. He was subjected to the most rigid cross-examination by Mr. Lawrence and was on the stand all the afternoon, in fact when it came time for adjournment he was still in the sweat box, and, upon an agreement to adjourn the case until Monday, Mr. Lawrence seemingly had just begun the inquisition.

The theory that the defense is holding that the claim is a fraudulent one, was shown by the nature of the cross-questions, which makes it all the more interesting to the farmers who are policy holders in the company.

## INVESTIGATING R. R. MAIL SERVICE.

PROF. H. C. ADAMS HAS FOURTEEN MEN AT WORK.

Investigating Basis Upon Which U. S. Government Pays Railroads for Carrying Mails—Some New Facts Being Developed.

For the past two months fourteen young men under the supervision of Prof. H. C. Adams have been doing some most important work for the government and the results which will be announced in October promise to furnish a basis of judgment respecting the justice of remuneration which the railroads are to receive for the carrying of the mails.

There has been no important change in the law for arriving at compensation to the railroads for carrying the mail since 1873, and the results of that law during the 26 years it has been in operation have never been clearly stated.

The Joint Postal Service Commission of congress resolved to secure some more definite data. Without any publicity they appointed Prof. Adams to do the work and gave him all the figures obtainable in the postoffice department of the government. The compilation of the statistics so that definite results could be arrived at was a work of great proportions. For two months the fourteen young men have been adding, multiplying and dividing in a monotonous way without the satisfaction of seeing any definite end. Prof. Adams is now busy on arranging the additions, products and quotients to determine whether the government is paying more or less for the carrying of the mails on the railroads than it should.

Prof. Adams says: "The object of this investigation is to reduce the statistics of mail transportation as furnished by the Postmaster General to the basis of railway statistics so that some comparison may be made between what the railways receive from the Government for carrying its mails and what they receive for other services.

"We found the records and figures in the postoffice department very satisfactory as far back as 1886, but before (Continued on page four.)

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## Market's Company

Dexter Has a Burglar.

The annual epidemic of small burglaries is due, and was heralded by the robbing of Joe Alger's meat market on Fifth st. Saturday night.

The thief or thieves, as the case may be, gained entrance by tearing the screen off the back window. They forced the money drawer with a cleaver and swept to the tune of seven dollars, all of which in small change. To this they thoughtfully added a large rib roast of beef, and unlocking the back door, slid quietly out into the night.

What may prove a clue was found by Chris. Dieber, who picked up nine pennies, a Detroit show ticket and half an envelope in front of the Baptist church Sunday morning, but whether these have any connection with the affair is purely conjecture.

It is alleged that the owner of the ticket is known, and he will probably be called upon to tell how it came to be there with the pennies. The affair is believed to be the work of local talent, and it is thought can be easily cleared up.

Miss Ben-Oliel, an English young lady, daughter of the well-known Missionary Rev. A. Ben-Oliel, and for several years a resident of Jerusalem, will address the Y. M. C. A., at their meeting Sunday afternoon at 2:45. Miss Ben-Oliel is a very interesting and charming speaker and those who heard her when she was here several months ago and gave the illustrated talk on "shepherd life in the east" in the Y. M. C. A. rooms should not fail to hear her next Sunday. Her subject will be, "Ezekiel's visions in the light of Palestine." The opening exercises will begin with a song service. Special music will also be rendered.

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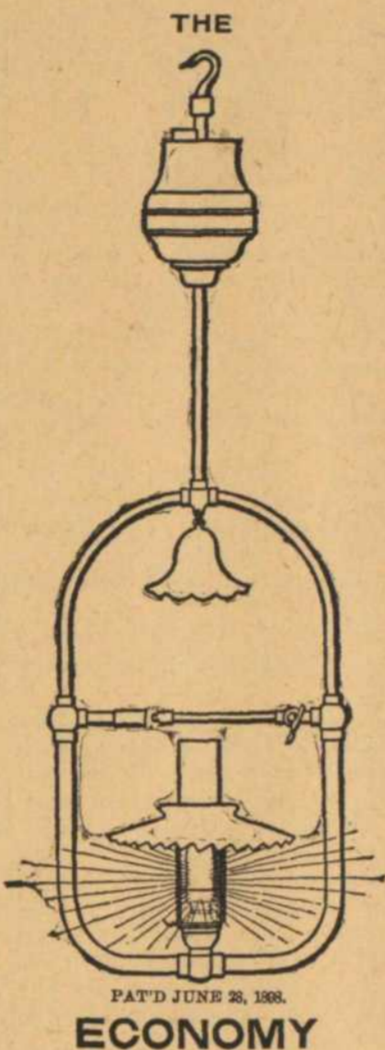
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### PLENTY OF IT.

Cultivating an Old Orchard. The young orchard should be cultivated every season. Potatoes or other such crop, well fertilized, may be grown. But the old orchard that has been in sod for a long time may be badly injured by having the sod broken for a crop. The trouble is that the tiny feeding roots of the tree, nearly smothered by the sod, turn up to the surface for air, and may be found within two or three inches of the surface. The reader may verify this statement by removing a little of the old sod ten or twelve feet from the trunk of the tree, where he will find the feeders turned up nearly to the surface. If the ground had been properly cultivated every year these feeders would have been down where they belong. As it is, a deep plowing cuts the feeders off, and the trees are injured and often die prematurely. The safest course with such an orchard is to scratch and cut the sod with a sharp spike-tooth harrow, doing this work thoroughly. In this way the sod can be partially destroyed and air and light enter the soil, so that rootlets can grow farther beneath the surface. Then apply potash and phosphoric acid, also giving the ground a coat of stable manure if the trees are not thrifty. The fertilizers of all sorts should not be dumped around the base of the tree, but the heaviest applications should be made directly under the tips of the branches. A circle where the drip comes from the outside branches in a summer shower marks the place of the best feeding roots, and here the fertilizer is needed most. The use of the harrow from spring until midsummer each season, with proper fertilization, will do much to restore an old orchard that has stood in a sod for many years.

Hard to Explain. A well known temperance orator was recently visiting a gentleman who pressed him to accept a few choice cigars. Not wishing to displease an old friend, he accepted some, placing them in the lining of his hat, and forthwith forgot the circumstance. Shortly afterward, in a distant neighborhood, he addressed a band of scholars and their friends on the lawn. After dwelling on the evils of tobacco smoking he said: "Now, my friends, three cheers for the temperance cause!" And, whirling his hat round his head, out flew the cigars in all directions. The astonishment of all present can be more easily imagined than described.

The Good Doctor Quibbles. Mrs. Fourthly—"What did you mean by telling Mr. Bingo his boy had the making of a great man in him? You know you have told me a hundred times that his boy is the meanest and most worthless youngster you have ever seen in all your experience." The Rev. Dr. Fourthly—"My dear, I was merely considering that boy in his relation to the grand scheme of evolution. It will be interesting to the antiquarian of some future generation to point to Mr. Bingo's boy as the particular brute from which he descended."

GREAT MEN'S ORIGIN. Horace was a shop-keeper's son. The Greek poet, Sesioid, was a farmer's son. Virgil, the great Latin epic poet, was the son of a potter. Homer, most illustrious of poets, was at one time a beggar. Dr. Thomas, Bishop of Worcester, was a linen-draper's son. Dr. Mountain, Bishop of Durham, was the son of a beggar. Columbus, the discoverer of America, was the son of a weaver. Terence, the celebrated Roman dramatist, was at one time a slave. The great French dramatist, Moliere, was the son of a tapestry-maker. Plautus, one of the greatest Roman comic poets, was the son of a baker. Thomas Wolsey, the English Cardinal and statesman, was a butcher's son. Joseph Hall, Bishop of Norwich, and theological writer, was a farmer's son. Demosthenes, the most celebrated orator of antiquity, was a cutler's son. The eminent French humorist, Francois Rabelais, was the son of an apothecary. The great English preacher, George Whitfield, was the son of an innkeeper at Gloucester. Edmund Halley, the English astronomer and mathematician, was the son of a soap manufacturer. Cervantes, the illustrious Spanish author, was born of an ancient but reduced family. He early entered military service and served as a common soldier.





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PERSONALS.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Berryman are at Sand Lake. Prof. G. P. Coler is in Ohio for a couple of weeks. Peter Cook, of Urania, Mich., was in the city Tuesday. Mrs. Norman Camp is visiting friends in Hillsdale, Mich. Frank McIntyre visited friends in Sandwick Sunday. Mr. Dick Clippinger is at Put-in-Bay for a week's outing. Mary C. Schaeberle visited friends in Bay City last Thursday. J. F. Schaeberle and son spent last Thursday in Port Huron. M. C. Wood-Allen returned Friday evening from Mullet Lake. L. K. Patterson left this morning to visit friends in Bay View. Mrs. Dr. Dock left Saturday to visit a few weeks at Greatenburgh, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence O'Toole visited friends in Detroit last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Seward Cramer left Saturday evening for a trip to Mackinac. Mrs. Caroline D. Loving has returned from a three months' stay in Asheville, N. C. Mr. F. J. Schledde spent the past week at Cleveland, Buffalo and Niagara Falls. W. J. Miller and family have returned from a week's outing at St. Clair Flats. Mrs. M. L. Perrine has returned from a visit to St. Paul, Minneapolis and Stillwater. Miss Louisa Payne, of Manchester, is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Kitson, of Geddes ave. President Henry Wade Rogers, of the Northwestern University at Evanston, Ill., was in the city Tuesday. Mrs. Margaret Diehl and Miss Lizzie Diehl left last evening for New York City, where they will visit several weeks. Karl E. Guthrie and Prof. A. Hall are at Columbus, Ohio, attending the annual convention for the advancement of Science. William Conway, of the Cook Hotel, leaves next week for Oswego where he will assume the position of chief of the Wildermuth hotel. A copy of the Paris edition of the New York Herald, announces that W. J. Booth and J. H. Wade, both of this city, were registered at Hotel Pasquier, Paris. H. E. Shuttis, of Ypsilanti is the new clerk in the Cook house, taking the place of C. M. Homan, resigned. Mr. Shuttis has been clerk in the Hawkins house in Ypsilanti. Miss Emma E. Bower left Sunday night for Chicago, Ill., to attend the annual meeting of the National Fraternal congress as one of the delegates from the L. O. T. M. Mr. and Mrs. F. Stofflet and Mr. and Mrs. John C. Chalmers, of Pittsfield, left Tuesday for a week's outing on the lakes. They will visit the Georgian Bay region and the Soo. Prof. and Mrs. D. W. Springer will return Saturday from their western trip. They have visited numerous points of interest in the west besides attending the meeting of the National Teachers' Association.

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LATEST COUNTY NEWS.

To insure insertion our Correspondents should mail their items not later than Tuesday a. m. of each week. If sent later they are likely to be crowded out.

Ann Arbor Town

Frank Parke is enjoying a new wheel. People from Ann Arbor, Salem and Geddes attended the campmeeting Sunday. The concert Monday evening also called forth a large crowd. A number of plantation melodies and solos were rendered. Mr. Jackson, who took the leading part, was forced to respond to many encores. Dr. and Mrs. Salisbury of Ann Arbor, and Mr. and Mrs. Parsons of Ypsilanti, spent Sunday at Kenwood Farm. Mrs. George Morrison entertained friends Sunday in honor of her sister Mrs. Jolly. Mrs. Popkins and daughter, Mrs. Willits, start for Petoskey Aug. 23. Miss Anna Matteson spent last week in Ypsilanti.

Dixboro.

A. H. Covert this week begins the practice of law in Detroit. He enters the office of one of the leading firms of that city, and we predict for him success in his field of labor. He is a young man of principle, of heart and of energy and ought to succeed. Following the direction from whence the orange blossoms come, we find that it issues from the home of M. F. Clements, where on Wednesday evening of this week, Miss Blanche becomes the wife of Colin M. Stevens, bookkeeper for the Argo Milling Company of Ann Arbor. If we succeed in getting a peep through the rear door we will give a more extended notice next week. The flicker of gasoline lamps and torches seen in Matteson's grove on Sunday and Monday evenings was a result of the fact that the A. M. E. church, of Ann Arbor, held a grove meeting there on those evenings. A jubilee concert was given on Monday evening. Next Sunday will be quarterly meeting Sabbath at the M. E. church. There will be no preaching service in the morning but a love feast will be held at 2 in the afternoon and at 2:30 Dr. C. T. Allen, pastor of the M. E. church of Ypsilanti will preach and assist in administering the sacrament of the Lord's supper. In the evening the pastor speaks upon "The Young Man in Society." The Epworth League has announced a concert to be given at the church Friday evening, September 1. The Sunday school from here goes to Detroit and Belle Isle for an outing on Wednesday of next week. Cars have been chartered from Ypsilanti over the D., Y. & A. A. road and the round trip rate is forty six cents.

Dexter.

Mrs. Ella Bostwick, of Detroit, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Edgar Phelps. Burtron Hessler spent a few days of last week in Ypsilanti. Another social for the benefit of St. Joseph church is to be given the 29th of this month at Mr. Cunninghams of Scio. Lyle Alley, the youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Alley, died last Wednesday of scarlet fever. Miss Pearl DeWitt and brother, Clyde, of Ann Arbor, are visiting Dexter friends. Dr. John Lee has returned home from his trip to Canada. Fred Lemmon, who is with the Prudential Insurance Co., of Grand Rapids, is home for a short visit. Miss Tris Croarkin and Mr. Patrick Sloan were united in marriage last Wednesday evening at St. Joseph church Rev. Fr. Ryan officiating. Pearl Walker, who is sick with scarlet fever is recovering. This is the only case in town.

Salem Village.

Mrs. Calvin Austin has been entertaining friends from Detroit, Grand Rapids and Ohio this week. The annual reunion of the Deake family was held on Wednesday at Clayton Deake's on the base line. Miss Matie Galpin, of Dixboro, gave a fine recital at Lapham's church Tuesday evening. Supper was afterwards served at Harry Paekard's. The races which the young men have been holding in different parts of Salem are becoming quite serious affairs as two accidents have already happened which cost something more than pleasure. The sermon preached from the Congregational pulpit Sunday morning and evening by Rev. W. Allen are well worthy of mention and those who missed them missed a feast. Special music was given in the evening. The solo "In the Secret of His Presence," by Myron Atholson was most beautifully rendered.

Webster.

Henry Conlin, of Toledo, who is engaged in a law office there, was home a few days last week. Rev. Mr. Morehouse and wife take three weeks vacation. They will go to Bay View. The services will however be conducted just the same. The Webster Farmers' club was held last week at Mr. Wing's. A good discussion on education took place. Mrs. F. R. Artz and sister, Miss Jennie McColl, arrived from Oregon, Ill., last week. The entertainment at the Webster Congregational church has been postponed until Friday, Sept. 1.

West Salem.

Saide Hodgeman, of South Lyons, is visiting her cousin, Mae Clark. The telephone poles are now being drawn which will complete the line to Worden. Worden will be quite a town if it keeps on. The social held at Chas. Cole's Friday evening last, for the benefit of Lapham's S. S. was well attended. Mrs. Ella Smith and family, of Ann Arbor, spent Saturday and Sunday at A. F. Van Atta's.

THE CITY.

THE REGISTER acknowledges receipt of an invitation to the annual banquet to be given tonight by the 22nd Mich. Infantry which is holding a reunion here today. Daniel Paderson, a 14 year old boy, ran away from home about a month ago and came to Ann Arbor saying that he was going to work on a farm near here. He did not tell his mother of his whereabouts and she came to Ann Arbor yesterday anxiously looking for her boy. A number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Wenk, of N. Main St., gathered at their home Monday evening to witness the marriage of their sister, Minnie Casterecline, of Saline Centre, to Mr. John Strieter, of Lima. An elegant supper was served and some beautiful presents were given. Rev. W. L. Tedrow officiated. Only two bids were received at the meeting of the council Monday night for the care of the city's money. The State Savings bank offered to pay 14 per cent interest on daily balances, and to charge 6 per cent on overdrafts. The Ann Arbor Savings bank offered to pay 2 per cent on daily balances and to charge 5 per cent on the overdraft. The latter bid was accepted. Clinton J. Snyder's big mastiff dog caused considerable excitement about the streets of the city last Thursday morning. Mr. Snyder requested Dog Catcher-Blackburn to shoot the dog, which Mr. Blackburn proceeded to do. He went to Mr. Snyder's house on Gott street and tied the animal to a post. He fired one shot which took little effect, the brute broke loose and ran through the streets bleeding profusely. Representatives of the firm of Wagner & Co., tailors, were present at the council meeting Monday night and asked for permission to extend the front of their store some six inches over the sidewalk in the form of a bay, not running way down to the walk. The city attorney gave it as his opinion that the council had no authority to grant permission to encroach upon the walk at all, but stated that if it were done no one would be likely to object. The general opinion of the aldermen seemed to be that a precedent had been set in the case of Mack & Co's. show windows and that if Wagner & Co's. neighbors did not object, the council would not.

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FELL TO HIS DEATH.

FREDRICK WILLIAM ERDMAN BROKE HIS NECK.

Was Working on Theodore Reyer's House—Fell From a Ladder Breaking His Neck. Fredrick William Erdman, a mason, aged 58, living at 532 W. 3rd street, was working on Theodore Reyer's house on S. Main street Tuesday afternoon. When going down a ladder, he, in some way, fell and broke his neck, causing instant death. It is not known what is the cause of the accident, but in all probability the deceased slipped as he was descending the ladder. He leaves a son and daughter to mourn his loss. Funeral services will be held at half past one o'clock this afternoon.

Marriage Licenses.

John Streeter, Lima, .....23 Minnie Casterline, Sanilac Center.....20

SILK AND DRESS GOODS SALE.

Marr & Taylor, of Detroit, Have Opened a Big One This Morning. After a year's experience C. A. Shafer of Detroit, decided to do away with his silk and dress goods department and a deal was consummated by which Marr & Taylor, the Woodward avenue dry goods dealers, of that city, purchased the entire stock of silks and dress goods for \$20,000. The sale included about 35,000 yards of silks of all kinds, 12,000 yards of black dress goods and 26,000 yards of colored dress goods. Mr. Shafer says his experience has taught him that people come to a big department store to buy "ready made" wearing apparel and that it would not pay him to keep a large stock of dry goods on hand. The big cash sale at Marr & Taylor's, 150-152 Woodward avenue, Detroit, offer bargains which should not be neglected. 87

Democratic State Convention, Zanesville, O.

One fare for the round trip to Zanesville via Ohio Central lines account Democratic State Convention. Tickets on sale August 28th and 29th, good returning until September 1st.

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Nitrogenous Manure.

Discussing the relative merits and claims of nitrate of soda and sulphate of ammonia, Professor Somerville remarks that, if it is borne in mind that sulphate of ammonia has for the most part, to be nitrified in the soil before crops can make use of it and that nitrification is less energetic in spring than in summer, we may conclude that nitrate of soda will be a relatively more suitable manure for a crop whose main growth is made early in the season (e. g., cereals and hay), than for one whose growth is more postponed (e. g., roots). And he adds this view is confirmed by the experiments of the Durham College of Science, which show that the average of eighty-four tests on hay, nitrate of soda has proved superior to sulphate of ammonia to the extent of one and one-half hundred-weight per acre, whereas the reverse is the case on turnips (twenty tests), where the advantage rests with sulphate of ammonia to the extent of four hundredweight per acre.

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To Kill Currant Worms. Sometimes the currant-worm strips currant and gooseberry bushes of their leaves just before the fruit becomes large enough to pick, but they are easily destroyed with white hellebore, one ounce to two gallons of water. It should be sprayed on the bushes as soon as the worms begin to eat the leaves, and the best implement to do it with is the little sprayers sold by most seedsmen at seventy-five cents to a dollar. They force the water and poison out of a can attached to the end of a tube, in a fine mist, and a large number of bushes can be thoroughly sprayed in a very short time. Hellebore is a mild vegetable poison, and used in the proportion mentioned above is entirely safe. It destroys the slugs in short order, and a light rain will wash off all that may adhere to the fruit. With a remedy so simple, cheap, effective and so easily applied it is foolishness to allow the bushes to be stripped of their leaves by this pest. These little sprayers are one of the best things in the world for applying Paris green or London purple to potato vines. The can holds about a pint, and it is blown out in such a fine spray that one canful will spray five hundred to eight hundred plants, or as many as two bucketfuls will dampen when applied with a common sprinker. Every man who grows potatoes should procure one of these useful little tools. With it he can spray his potato vines so easily and quickly that he will want to do it again, and the beetles will have no chance to do any harm. Early Pullets and Small Combs. When you select your pullets take those that have developed early, as they will lay sooner than those which are of slower growth, and endeavor to select such as have small combs as possible, so as to avoid frosted combs in winter. When a hen becomes frosted on the comb she will cease laying until the injured member is healed, and the large combs are for that reason a hindrance to egg production, unless, however, the fowls are protected with very warm quarters. Blood as Food. The albumen, or white, of an egg is somewhat similar to blood in composition, and the poultryman will find it very profitable to procure fresh blood from the slaughterhouses wherever it can be obtained. It can be put in a bag and cooked, or it may be mixed with two parts corn-meal and one part shorts, baked into cakes, and crumbled for the fowls whenever it is needed. Fed to hens it increases egg production, being cheaper than meat and much more beneficial.

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