

Philadelphia has already elected her ten delegates to the next democratic convention. We are glad to state that they favor Grover Cleveland's nomination.

Republicans who rejoice at the Soper disgrace are reminded that the first secretary of state they ever elected (in 1854) was a defaulter and imprisoned on account of it.

What An Authority Says.

The New York Musical Courier of Jan. 20th says editorially: "Mr. A. A. Stanley, at Ann Arbor, with that characteristic energy for which he is noted, has secured Paderewski, for a concert in University Hall on Feb. 15. This is in addition to the regular Choral Union series, which includes the Detroit Philharmonic Club, Fannie Bloomfield Zeisler, Musin Concert Co., Mockridge Concert Co., Concert by Choral Union, 300 voices, Mrs. Bishop and Max Heinrich, soloists; with full orchestra, Boston Symphony Orchestra, and Berlioz's Damnation of Faust, with Dippel. Prof. Stanley is doing much to advance the musical interests of Ann Arbor and has just succeeded in securing a guaranty fund from 100 of the best citizens for the establishment of a school of Music, which, with himself as director, will be an assured success. He is already negotiating with some of the best known teachers and the outlook is most encouraging. We believe Ann Arbor is the only city of its size in America which is favored with such concerts and lectures as may be enjoyed there each year."

Another Pioneer of Saline.

Another pioneer is gone, another vacant chair, thus our list increases and the many old settlers one by one disappear and are no more.

Miss Jane Wilson was born near Wantygo, Wales, Jan. 17, 1808. At the age of sixteen she united with the Methodist church of that place. A few years later she sought a home of her own and on Dec. 14, 1830, was married to Wm. Kyrte, who was also a resident of Wantygo. Mr and Mrs. Kyrte were of an ambitious disposition and carefully considered the question of improvement in social and financial life by remaining there and concluded that it was no place for them and so emigrated to Canada, where they arrived in June, 1832. They located on section nine of south-east Hope Co., Perth, and for a long time encountered all the hardships of a pioneer life. In Oct., 1861, they came to Michigan and settled a few miles south of this village, where they have enjoyed many happy days and a pleasant home until Sept. 6, 1873, when the partner of all her joys and sorrow was called to the home beyond. Since that time she has seemed to care little for worldly goods and has only waited and watched patiently for the time to come when she too might hear the call to come, and as the clock struck nine on the evening of Jan. 15th her spirit took its flight to be with him who had gone before.

Mrs. Kyrte was the mother of nine children, six of whom survive her, one son and five daughters, and it was their good pleasure to all but one be with her during her last illness, the oldest daughter, who is in Dakota, being unable to get here.—Saline Observer.

January Crop Report.

Returns have been received from 622 correspondents, representing 481 townships for the January crop report. The total number of bushels of wheat reported marketed by farmers during December was 1,858,692, the largest amount being in the southern tier of counties. At 28 mills and elevators which reported, no wheat was marketed during the month. The total number of bushels marketed in the past five months, August-December, was 8,869,647, an increase of 1,139,275 bushels over the same months last year. During December wheat was injured but little if at all.

The average prices of farm products on Jan. 1st, is given for the various sections. In the southern counties the price of wheat was 87 cents, that being a cent less than the average of the state. Other products run a little below the general average. The market generally is lower than on Jan. 1st, 1891.

The average price of wheat in the southern counties was 87 cents but the price in Washtenaw county was better than this, being 89 cents. The prices of other products in the county were: Oats, 81 cents; shelled corn, 49 cents; hay, per ton, \$8.65; fat cattle, \$3.17;

fat hogs, \$4.26. The condition of live stock in the county is good, while the prices given on animals are low.

The number of bushels of wheat marketed at fifteen elevators in this county during December was 74,839, the amount previously reported being 195,056 bushels, making a total of 269,895 bushels since Aug. 1st, 1891.

Has Lived Ninety Years.

It is seldom that so pleasant a family reunion, or one on so auspicious an occasion, is held as one which occurred on Tuesday, in honor of the 90th birthday of Conrad Bissinger, at his home on W. Liberty street. The occasion was one that the participants were pleased to take part in. The entire family was present with the exception of three sons, who are in Kansas and California. Among those present were his daughters, Mrs. Rosina Feldkamp, of Saline; Mrs. Mary Clements; of Lima; Mrs. Elizabeth Feldkamp, of Ann Arbor township; Mrs. A. D. Seyler, and the Misses Dorothea and Helena Bissinger, of this city. One son, Jacob Bissinger, of this city, was present. The gathering numbered about thirty, the remainder being the husbands of his daughters, nephews, nieces, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Mr. Bissinger is one of the old pioneers of this county. He was born at Mannheim, Germany, in 1802, and came to New York in 1825. Three years later he purchased a farm in Scio of the government, and lived there until about 1880, when he moved to this city, and has since made it his home, his wife dying a few weeks after he moved to Ann Arbor. Mr. Bissinger is remarkably bright and healthy for a man of his age.

Real Estate Transfers.

Table listing real estate transfers including names like L B Gallup, Geo F Allen, S M Wilcoxson, Helen L and A Reid, etc., with amounts.

The gymnasium in McMillan hall will be furnished and ready to open Feb. 1. One dollar will be charged for its use for the remainder of the college year, and it is hoped to raise \$200 in that way to pay for the furnishings. It is desired that the ladies buy fifty of the tickets, as they will then be entitled to the use of the gymnasium one-fourth of the time.

The show windows of Mr. Randall's Art Store, on Huron street, are always attractive, but have been made especially so during the past week by the display of several new pictures, the latest results of his artistic genius—latest results—"Co' Boss," "At the Matinee," "The Fisher Girl" and "Run-aways," each of them being truly works of art, and a valuable addition to his beautiful collection of genre photographs. Our people may congratulate themselves that this work emanates from Ann Arbor. The late complimentary notices of the press bespeak the highest praise, and a substantial appreciation was shown at the late convention of the Photographers' Association of America, by awarding the first prize—a marble bust of "Winter," valued at \$125.—to Mr. Randall's exhibit. This is displayed in his window. The New York Art Critic in an article on the exhibits at this convention says: "This artist is young in the field, but is certainly making his mark." Referring to a picture entitled "Crumbs of Comfort," he says, "for pure artistic effects in every detail, this picture was, I say with due respect to all, the best photograph in the exhibition." Pertaining to others he says: "they are hard to equal, and impossible to surpass."

Wilson's Photographic Magazine, of N. Y. City,—(the leading magazine in the profession)—comes out in three different issues with lengthy articles of the most complimentary nature. Four of Mr. Randall's photographs, selected by a committee, have recently been hung, permanently, in the art galleries at Dresden, as samples of fine American photography. And so it appears that Ann Arbor not only leads in educational and musical interests of the country, but is being recognized in the artistic world. We congratulate Mr. Randall and the prosperity which he is meeting with in his business is an indication that the people appreciate his ability and wish him continuous and unbounded success.

UNIVERSITY NOTES.

Mrs. L. Burns, of Miami, Texas, is visiting her son, D. E. Burns, law '92.

The University Glee and Banjo clubs give a concert at Ypsilanti, this evening.

L. G. Whitehead has been elected secretary and treasurer of the Junior lit class.

An audience of 2,500 people heard Nye and Burbank at University Hall, Saturday evening.

The lecture of Rev. Sam Small at University Hall, Friday evening, was not largely attended.

The candidates for positions on the base-ball team are practicing every afternoon at the rink.

The students will arrange a great ovation for Cleveland when he visits the University, Feb. 22nd.

Pres. and Mrs. Angell went to Washington, last Friday, to attend the annual banquet of the Washington alumni of the U. of M.

The Oracle was issued Wednesday. It is a fair publication except in the "grinds" department, in which it belittles itself in personalities.

The U. of M. Republican Club has elected the following officers: J. N. Burke, president; H. H. Parsons, vice-president; H. K. Wolcott, secretary; M. H. Cutcheon, treasurer.

The annual banquet of the Washington Alumni Association of the University of Michigan was held Wednesday evening. Among those who responded to toasts were President Angell and Prof. M. W. Harrington.

The manager of the base-ball team petitioned the faculty for a ten days' leave of absence, Monday night, for the eastern trip in the spring. The matter was laid upon the table and the probabilities are that permission for an extended trip will not be given.

The following committees to take charge of the senior reception have been appointed by the president of the senior class: Reception—Fitzhugh Burns, chairman; L. E. Mighell, C. C. Benedict, W. C. Tichenor, W. C. Quarles, Misses Gertrude S. Wade, Pauline E. Wies, Bertha Wolf, Martha F. Eddy. Invitation—E. G. Fasset, chairman; E. O. Holland, C. J. Barr, Misses Genevieve M. Sheehan, Maude McGregor. Arrangements—L. S. Taylor, chairman; H. C. Bulkeley, E. R. Sutton, H. E. Candler, Lewis C. Carson, W. A. Cutler.

First Public Announcement.

The following important announcement is of interest to all: The University School of Music, established and conducted by the University Musical Society of the University of Michigan, will be open for the reception of pupils October 1, 1892. Courses will be offered in all branches of music. The School will be conducted upon the most approved educational basis and will develop scholarly musicians. For particulars address the Director.

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ROYAL BAKING POWDER Absolutely Pure. A cream of tartar baking powder. Highest of all in leavening strength.—U. S. Government Report, August 17, 1889.

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