

NEW GAS BUILDINGS

The Ann Arbor Gas Company to Enlarge Their Plant.

REDUCED PRICE OF GAS

The Reduction in Price Takes Effect January 1.

This Progressive Company Will Spend \$30,000 in Improvements, Building Gas Holder, Retort, Generator and Boiler Houses.

The Ann Arbor Gas Company are about to make two moves, which will greatly benefit our citizens and consequently, it is to be hoped, will prove profitable to them. On the first of January they will reduce the price of gas to all consumers. The exact cut in price has not yet been fully determined, but it will be applied to all bills commencing Jan. 1. The company has kept under the average price in Michigan cities and is now gathering statistics of the prices in all cities of Michigan preparatory to making another cut.

The second move is the building of what will practically be a new gas plant on their property west of Beakes st., and between the Michigan Central and the Huron river, which will be re-collected as a flat piece of ground considerably lower than the railroad track. The old plant will be retained, but a new gas holder, a new retort house, a new generator house and a new boiler house will be erected next spring.

The growth of the output of the gas company under the management of Henry W. Douglas, who, by the way, is known in gas circles as one of the best gas men in the state, and who has been tempted with offers of management of plants in much larger cities, the growth, we say, has been enormous. In 1889 the output of the plant was less than 10,000,000 cubic feet, while this year it will be 30,000,000, and this in spite of the university putting in its own lighting plant and the pushing of the electric light company. Nothing but good management and attention to the wants of the people, together with such reduction in prices as the expenses of operation warranted, could have effected this result.

Within the past two years the whole system of the piping has been revised, two trunk lines now carrying the gas to supply the laterals. Much of the old mains have been taken up and replaced with larger piping and a less percentage of leakage secured.

The new gas holder to be built in the spring will have a capacity of 200,000 cubic feet. The present storage capacity is 50,000 feet, so that the new plant will have five times the storage capacity of the present.

The new boiler house will have new and larger boilers, the present boilers being now worked up to their limit on account of the increased consumption of gas. Besides these the new retort house and the new generator house will contain the latest and most improved machinery.

The present plan is to keep the purifier apparatus where it is and also the ammonia plant. This latter plant was put in about a year ago and it will be news to many of our readers that the gas company is making ammonia. Yet this is one of the things which makes or unmakes companies, the utilizing of all waste. The ammonia is driven off of the coal with the gas and was formerly wasted. Now it is saved and re-distilled.

A pumping plant will also be built, so that the gas company will no longer be dependent upon city water.

Besides the increased capacity obtained by the new buildings the main reason for moving the greater part of the gas works, is the securing of increased railroad facilities and ease in handling the coal and coke. The side track of the railroad will be 10 feet above the floor level, so that at a glance the ease of handling coal can be seen. The coal will be handled directly from the car into the apparatus by a system of elevators and after the gas has been extracted the coke will fall through hoppers into the wagons and thus all shoveling be avoided. The company at present is using 2,000 tons of coal a year.

The present works are now so crowded that one can hardly turn around. Every square foot of space is utilized. The new works will provide for convenience and will be models of their kind.

The improvements will cost in the neighborhood of \$30,000. Work will commence the first thing in the spring and all the generating plant will be moved next summer.

The gas company is to be congratulated upon its progressiveness and its consequent success.

Philip Brenion who has been a regular in the U. S. army for the past five years, is at home in Bridgewater. He was in the battle at Santiago, afterward going to Porto Rico, and was in most of the skirmishes there. His health is good and he expects to enlist again so that he can go to the Philippines.



THE LAWYERS CONFER HOW WHEELER VOTES

OVER THE ATKINSON BILL WITH GOV. PINGREE.

Judge E. D. Kinne Was Present.—The Michigan Central Charter Repeal Advocated by the Lawyers.

An important conference of lawyers was held at Gov. Pingree's residence in Detroit last evening and Judge Kinne was among the lawyers present. The Evening News thus describes the conference.

Lawyers of recognized standing from both parties discussed the Atkinson bill at the governor's house until midnight last night and pronounced it constitutional so far as its principles go. The only change of importance suggested was to first repeal the Michigan Central charter.

Henry M. Cheever had at hand an amendment providing a jury to fix the amount of damages the state is to pay the road and worded to agree with the recent supreme court decision in the mileage book case. The only other vital point was that of settling on the right sort of a commission to act as the state board of assessors in railroad taxation.

The Indiana method of having the governor, two men appointed by him and two of the elected state officers comprise this board was agreed upon as the best method. It was also agreed that this commission should have the power of compelling attendance of witnesses, issuing subpoenas through any circuit court.

The governor was very complacent over the success of the meeting and treated everybody to a luncheon spread by Caterer Hair. Among the delegates from out in the state was Thos. E. Barkworth, a representative of the democrats; ex-Judge Cahill, of Lansing, and Judge Kinne, of Ann Arbor. Atty-Gen. Maynard was there, too. Conspicuous among the dozen or more local attorneys was ex-Judge Speed, whose controversy with Mayor Pingree was recalled.

PROF. M. E. COOLEY

Will Not Be Banished to the Island of Guam.

In the eastern part of the Pacific ocean, two-thirds of the way from Honolulu to the Philippines lies the island of Guam. Out of the beaten track of commerce and in communication with the rest of the world only three or four times a year, it fell an easy prey to a United States warship during the recent unpleasantness. In fact the warship brought the news of war. The Spanish governor when he saw the noble ship sail into his harbor, courteously sent word that he would be glad to fire them a salute, but unfortunately he was out of powder. It was to this out of the way, or out of the world place, that the good ship Yosemite was ordered last week and as Prof. M. E. Cooley is chief engineer of this ship, it was at first supposed that he was to be sent out of communication with the world at large, except at rare intervals.

The Argus is happy to state that Prof. Cooley is not to be thus banished as his orders have been changed and he will remain as one of the chief engineers at the League Island navy yard.

WANTED—Experienced winders and machine operators. Apply at Hay & Todd's Ann Arbor Mill.

SHERIFF JUDSON SAYS HE WILL NOT VOTE FOR BURROWS.

And the Sheriff Wants to Bet Money That Burrows Will Not Have the Votes He Claims.

Just now considerable interest is being taken in the question of how Hon. George S. Wheeler, of Salem, will vote on the senatorial question. When Sheriff Judson pushed him against Hon. A. J. Sawyer for the nomination, it was generally understood that he was a Pingree man, who would go as far for Pingree as he could without total loss of self respect. It is, however, stated that during the campaign he promised to vote for Burrows for senator. It becomes interesting to know whether this promise was really made, for those who know Mr. Wheeler best say that if he made any promises he will keep them. Sheriff Judson evidently thinks such promises were not made as witness the following from today's Detroit News:

Senator Burrows was kept so busy counting the votes that his federal office-holding friends say he is going to receive on the first ballot that he found it impossible to leave Detroit for Kalamazoo yesterday. Stanley W. Turner has figured out the number of votes on the first ballot at 86.

When Sheriff Judson, of Washtenaw county, heard of this claim, he said: "I'd like to bet Turner any sum he likes on that proposition. I'm sure that Burrows won't get the vote of a single member of the legislature from my county."

RECOMMENDED MICHIGAN.

As the Best University for Southern Students to Attend.

In the Southern Trade Record for December 19, 1898, an editorial writer points out in an interesting way the change which has recently come about in the South in matters of education. In former years, he says it was the custom of Southern planters and business men to send their sons to northern universities and to Europe for higher education. The war, by impoverishing the fathers, put an end to that custom for a time. Now, however, when the south has recovered its former prosperity, "the sons just entering manhood, having been graduated from high schools and local colleges, are desirous of attaining that wider culture which was denied their fathers, but which their earlier ancestors possessed, and which made them for nearly a century the controllers of the destinies of the nation." The writer goes on to say that he has received many communications from Southerners inquiring as to the university which gives the best and broadest education and closes with this significant paragraph:

"It is our desire to state to those with whom we have been in correspondence and to others who may be interested, that there is, in our opinion, based on a large acquaintance with university bred men from various institutions, no university which combines general excellence and social requirements as does the University of Michigan—especially for Southern students. The scholastic standard is of the highest, as well in technical and scientific studies as in those of a purely intellectual and abstruse order. The high positions reached by its graduates have placed it among the first of the institutions of learning in the world."

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NUMEROUS ARRESTS

Made for Being Drunk on the Streets.

THEY COME FROM TOLEDO

And Claim to be on Their Way to Whitmore Lake.

Is It a Tramp Pipe Story or is Toledo Dumping Her Army of the Unemployed Upon Us, Thus Adding to the Burdens of Our Taxpayers.

It has been a query with some of our citizens where all the drunken men recently seen on our streets come from. They are largely strangers in the city and have been put down as belonging to the genus tramp, who have resorted to the free use of what they call "white line," pure alcohol and water, to develop such cases of crazy drunkenness as to make it necessary for the peace officers to care for them. This hypothesis sufficed with the Argus reporter, until the rapid accumulation of their numbers and the similarity of their claims indicated that there must be some reason for the sudden influx, other than that given which would apply in any year.

For instance five men were brought before Justice Duffy yesterday on the charge of being drunk on the street and gave their names as Charlie Remington, James Scherer, Eugene Cornstock, William F. Barelau and John Young. They plead guilty and were sentenced to five days in jail. This will run them over into Sheriff Gillen's term of office. Three of the men claimed to hail from Toledo and to be on their way to Whitmore Lake. Eugene Cornstock, who seemed to act as spokesman, said he was an ice cutter by trade, that he lived in Toledo and was on his way to Whitmore Lake, where the ice cutting would begin on Monday next. He will be out of jail by Tuesday so that he will be one day late.

This calls to mind that about this same time last year, strangers were being arrested in the city for petty offenses who told the same story of being on their way to Whitmore Lake to cut ice. Either this has become a fashionable excuse with the tramps, or Toledo is dumping a good part of her army of the unemployed upon Whitmore Lake, to be cared for en route at the expense of the taxpayers of Washtenaw. Our Whitmore Lake correspondent, now that his attention is called to the fact, may throw some light upon the subject by his investigations at that point.

LYNCH-FRAZER.

A Pleasant Fourth Ave. Wedding Wednesday Afternoon.

Albert Lynch, a student in the medical department from Flushing, and Miss Marie Frazer, daughter of Rev. Jos. Frazer, the presiding elder of the upper peninsula district of the M. E. church, were married Wednesday afternoon at the residence of the bride's parents on S. Fourth ave. Rev. Mr. Frazer, the father of the bride, performed the ceremony assisted by Rev. Dr. McElroy. The house was prettily decorated with palms, potted plants and cut flowers. A small company consisting of immediate relatives were present. The bride's maid was Miss Lila Van Valkenberg, and the best man was George Frazer, of Flint, the brother of the bride. After the ceremony, a short reception followed, and a luncheon was served by Hangsterfer. The guests from out of the city were Mrs. Matthews and Miss Gertrude Cook, Elsie G. Frazer and George Frazer, of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln Bergen, of Lake Linden, Mr. and Mrs. Lovell, of South Lyon, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Ransom, of Flushing.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynch left in the evening for a short wedding trip and on their return will reside at 342 S. Fourth ave.

THE CAKE WALK.

The Young Ladies Enjoyed One on W. Huron Street.

A cake walk participated in by young ladies only, was held at the residence of Mrs. Herman Hutzler, on W. Huron st., Wednesday. Every preparation had been made to keep the men out. The curtains were closely tacked down and a password was necessary to admission to the house. One window, however, was not fully screened and several of the neighbors took advantage of this window by means of a step ladder to get fleeting glimpses of the festivities within. The young ladies who acted the part of gentlemen in the cake walk were dressed as such in dress suits, carried gold headed canes and sported large diamond ornaments. The fun waxed fast and furious. George Washington was present and was not to be outdone in the size of his diamonds, while his ebony countenance shown with all the luster which burnt cork could impart. It was voted a most successful cake walk and the fun enjoyed will long be a subject of pleasurable remembrance.

OUR FIRST

After Christmas Bargains

Boys' Sweaters . . .

In Plain Blue and Maroon, also Alternate Stripes in Black and Red, Blue and Maroon, Blue and Red, and Maroon and White. These Sweaters are strictly all wool and sold for \$1.00 and \$1.25. Our after Christmas price will be

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Ladies! Here is a Rare Treat!

350 Jackets, Capes and Children's Garments at

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Our Already Low Prices

- All our \$5.00 Ladies' Jackets and Capes now \$3.75.
- All our \$6.00 Ladies' Jackets and Capes now \$4.50.
- All our \$7.50 Ladies' Jackets and Capes now \$5.62.
- All our \$10.00 Ladies' Jackets and Capes now \$7.50.
- All our \$12.50 Ladies' Jackets and Capes now \$9.38.
- All our \$2.50 Children's Jackets and Reefers now \$1.87.
- All our \$3.00 Children's Jackets and Reefers now \$2.25.
- All our \$5.00 Children's Jackets now \$3.75.

Everything in our Cloak Room goes at the same price.

Handkerchiefs for Christmas.

For everybody at 5c, 10c, 15c and 25c each.

Christmas Aprons.

They make a useful present. White Lawn Aprons, with wide tucks, at 15c and 25c. Christmas Umbrellas, 98c, \$1.35 and \$1.50.

Ladies, come out in the morning if possible. You will avoid the afternoon crowd.

SCHAIRER & MILLEN

The Busy Store.

OPENING A BIG ESTATE

Petition Filed for Reopening Luther James' Estate.

SHEEHY WANTS HIS BOND

A Somewhat Novel Situation Confronts Him.

What Comes of Assigning a Bond and Mortgage to Secure a Note and Not Paying the Note When It Becomes Due.

A petition has been filed in the probate court asking for the reopening of the Luther James estate and Mr. James L. Babcock, the legatee of the estate, has been cited to appear in that court Dec. 3, to show why this should not be done. This petition was made by Patrick Sheehy, of Northfield, through his attorney, M. J. Cavanaugh, and is for the appointment of an administrator de bonis non for the purpose of reassigning to him a bond for \$2,750 assigned to Luther James, Oct. 22, 1879.

The transaction out of which grows this petition, for the reopening of the valuable James estate, which had been regarded as finally settled, may be stated in a few words, although it takes a search through many legal documents to arrive at a full knowledge of the facts. On Nov. 22, '78, Edward Cahill and his wife Catherine, of Northfield, gave to Patrick Sheehy a bond for \$2,750, secured by a mortgage on 50 acres of land on section 3, of Northfield. This bond was payable in installments of \$100 for 14 years and the balance to be paid on Nov. 22, 1894. On Oct. 22, 1879, Sheehy gave Luther James a note for \$1,400 payable in 3 years at 8 per cent interest, which he secured by an assignment of the Cahill bond and mortgage to Mr. James. The interest on this note was paid to Jan. 1, '86, and then Mr. Sheehy ceased the payment of interest. On Jan. 26, 1889, James L. Babcock, Lewis M. James and Thomas S. Sears, executors for the estate of Luther James, filed a bill to foreclose the Cahill mortgage to realize on the Sheehy note which was long past due.

It seems that Cahill had not met the annual payments of \$100 on his bond and mortgage to Sheehy, though paying the interest up to 1883 and Circuit Court Commissioner Patrick McKernan found that there was on Dec. 10, '89, due on the Cahill mortgage \$1,000 on the principal and \$1,324.25 interest and that there was \$1,750 of the principal not yet due. He also found that there was due James on the Sheehy note \$1,400 principal and \$441.74 interest. Neither Cahill or Sheehy appeared to defend the foreclosure suit and the property was sold to the executors of the James estate for \$1,978.85, which paid the Sheehy note in full and all costs, but left nothing over. This ended the transaction for the time being and the executors supposed for all time. They afterwards sold the property to Mrs. Cahill on a land contract. The executors took no further action relating to this bond and mortgage and closed up the James estate, turning the property over to Mr. Babcock.

And now comes the kink, which it seems makes necessary the reopening of the James estate to straighten out. At the time the James estate foreclosed the mortgage there was \$1,750 not yet due on the bond given by Cahill to Sheehy. As the foreclosure did not realize enough money to settle the amount due from Cahill to Sheehy let alone the \$1,750 not due, there was left at least the \$1,750 due Sheehy at the expiration of the 14 years. The mortgage was satisfied but not the bond. But Sheehy is not in position to sue Cahill for this money as he assigned this bond to James, and the executors of the James estate did not reassign it after settling in full their claim against Sheehy; although there was a provision in the assignment to James which, providing for the payment of the \$1,400 note, says "and when said payment is made the same is to be reassigned back to Patrick Sheehy."

In other words Sheehy now says the James estate has its money but he hasn't his, and he is trying to find out if he cannot reopen the James estate so that he may be able to collect \$1,750 and interest from Mr. Cahill.

The legal points involved are not met with in every day practices.

A Large Christmas Trade.
Our merchants came through the holiday trade week in excellent spirits. The bad weather the first part of the week elongated their faces. But on Friday evening they were wearing broad smiles and these smiles had not disappeared by Saturday evening. One well known firm said they had the biggest trade of any week in five years. Such expressions as we never had our stock cleaned up so well, were common. Shoppers Saturday night heard on all hands, "This is the only one we have left." One popular dry goods house took in \$1,000 in cash Saturday. If the sleighing of the week before had kept up Ann Arbor would have had the biggest trade of any week in her history but as it was her business men are not complaining. The last two days retrieved the week and Christmas dinners were eaten in happiness.

"I had a running, itching sore on my leg. Suffered tortures. Doan's Ointment took away the burning and itching instantly, and quickly effected permanent cure." C. W. Lenhart, Bowling Green, O.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

From Tuesday's Daily Argus.

A marriage license has been issued to Will Hammond, of Lodi, and Miss Julia Vogel, of Freedom.

A marriage license was issued this morning to Burton Barnes and Miss Emily Richard, of this city.

Judge Newkirk has appointed Dr. Pyle, of Milan, guardian of John Sundberg, a farmer who owns 100 acres of land and who has become childish in his old age.

The Michigan schools gave more towards the LaFayette monument to be erected in Paris than did the schools of any other state, the Michigan contributions amounting to \$2,196.36.

The remains of Mrs. Catherine Abrams, who died in Detroit, Dec. 25, were brought here today on the 1:38 train and interred in Forrest Hill cemetery. She was 90 years of age.

Miss Julia Stone, of 521 S. Division st., died yesterday at 2 o'clock. She was 65 years old and has been an invalid for the past 10 years. The immediate cause of her death was grip. The funeral will occur tomorrow at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. Rebecca Atkinson died yesterday, Dec. 26, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Effner, at 204 E. Huron st., of dropsy. She was 79 years old. The funeral will be held tomorrow at 1:30 o'clock and the interment will be in Forest Hill.

Among the marriage licenses issued Saturday were C. G. Gerlach, of Wilber, Wash., and Miss Eliza Brown, of Ann Arbor; Charles E. Breining, of Willis, and Miss Carrie M. Haight, of Lyndon; Frank J. Glen, of Ann Arbor, and Miss Alta Lyons, of Ypsilanti.

The Webb will case was resumed in the circuit court today and George Goodman, Stephen Hadley, Herman Hudson, Charles Pratt, Mrs. Charles Pratt nee Jeannette Webb, were put on the stand to sustain the will. They were submitted to a rigid cross-examination.

Daniel Graus, a Swiss mountain guide, will give a concert at Germania hall, Monday evening, Jan. 2, under the auspices of Germania Lodge, No. 476, D. O. H. He will appear in his Tyrolean costume and will render choice music on the harp, German zither and violin.

Franklin Pierce was adjudged insane in the probate court this afternoon, Drs. Breakey and Darling making the medical examination. This is the man who threatened to shoot D. B. Sutton, of Northfield, because he would not let him go to his little sister's room. He will be sent to Pontiac.

John Wilsey, Frances Griffith, John Elliott and Charles Ford were before Justice Duffy today on the charge of being drun on the streets and were given 10 days in jail each. Two of them were arrested Saturday night and two Sunday night. One was an Ann Arbor man and the other three were of the genus tramp.

According to the long established customs of their houses, the Duke of Lodi, the Count of Northfield, and the Prince of Pittsfield met in Ann Arbor yesterday and if the tales which the snow birds brought to our sanctum are to be relied upon the gentlemen of distinguished avoirdupois had more entertainment than the Prince of Wales at a county fair.

Geo. S. Barnes, an ex-alderman of Ypsilanti, died yesterday of paralysis after a long illness. He had resided in Ypsilanti for the past 15 years, before that running a papermill at Rochester, Mich. He leaves a wife and three young children as well as a daughter by his first wife, Mrs. G. A. Savery, of Detroit. He was a member of Carpenter Post, G. A. R.

Judge Newkirk was made happy Christmas by an addition to his arsenal in the shape of a well preserved flint-lock rifle with bayonet attached, which did duty in the revolutionary war and the war of 1812. It was given him by ex-supervisor Edward Ball, of Webster, whose grandfather carried it in the war of 1812 and whose great grandfather carried it in the revolutionary war.

C. G. Gerlach, a farmer of Wilbur, Washington, and Miss Elia Brown, of this city, were married Christmas by Rev. G. P. Coler. The romantic story of their acquaintance brought about through a photograph in the possession of a mutual friend in Canada, has been told in these columns. Mr. and Mrs. Gerlach after visiting friends for a month, will leave for their home in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. James Clough, of Lodi, celebrated their golden wedding yesterday and were remarried in the presence of their children and a large number of friends at their home by Rev. T. B. Leith, of Saline. They were married 50 years ago in New York city and came to this county in 1854. They have one of the finest farms in the county with good substantial farm buildings. There is not a weed to be seen on the farm and it has the distinction of being the best fenced farm in the county. Many friends will unite in wishing Mr. and Mrs. Clough a long continuance of their long and happy married life.

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Up to \$1.50 Wrappers 79c.



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To go at Reduced Prices.

- Ladies' White Merino Pants, 50c, now 25c
- Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Vests, 50c, now 33c
- Ladies' Jersey Ribbed Vests, 50c, now 40c
- Ladies' Wool Jersey Vests, small sizes, 75c, now 66c
- Ladies' Wool Pants, odd sizes, in white, \$1.00, now 75c
- Ladies' Wool Pants, small sizes, natural, \$1.00, now 66c
- One lot of Fine Wool Star of Garter Vests and Pants, white, \$1.00, to go at 79c
- One lot of Fine Wool Vests, natural, \$1.25, to go at \$1.00

Children's Underwear.

- One lot of Children's Vests, small sizes, 15c, now 10c
- Children's Jersey Ribbed Vests, 25c, now 19c
- Children's Fine Wool Pants, natural, 75c, now 50c
- One lot of Children's Natural Wool Vests and Pants to go at 1/4 off.
- One lot of Children's Wool Vests and Pants, odd sizes, to go at 1/3 off.

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1898.

And still the beet sugar bounty industry goes merrily on. Lansing is now figuring on a factory.

Since the Register has become absorbed in the Phillipine question it has forgotten that there ever was such a person as Billy Judson.

We notice that Bro. J. M. Moses, of the Marshall Expounder, has been summoned as a witness in the celebrated Mains case now on trial at that place. As this Mains case was a dark affair it is altogether probable that the court wants to find out where Moses was when the light went out.

John B. Corliss is said to be an exceedingly busy congressman this session. He has introduced a bill for the construction of a cable to Hawaii and a canal across the Isthmus of Panama. This is the sort of activity that is expensive for the people but it is a never failing republican symptom.

Senator Butler, the North Carolina populist, has introduced a bill giving confederate veterans, from this time forward, the same graft on the pension fund that the union veterans has. Evidently the senator does not know that McKinley's southern speeches are not intended for northern consumption.

It is rumored that the cards have been fixed for unseating John J. Perren, democratic senator-elect from the first district. If this is the way the republican factions propose to cultivate the good graces of the democratic minority they may strike some slippery places before the session has progressed far.

The book concerns which have on hand a large stock of unsaleable second-hand books which they can throw on the market at any price are anxious to force school book uniformity upon the people of Michigan. Superintendent of Public Instruction Hammond seems to be aiding these concerns in this purpose.

According to the Detroit Journal the appointment of Ralph Stone has a sort of a "get there Eli Sutton" tinge to it. Permit us to suggest that until Col. Dean's term as regent expires by constitutional limitation and he fails of re-election, Colonel Eli will have something of a job of getting there of his own to attend to.

And now comes Dr. Carl Louis Perrin and says that Pingree will be president and that he is just as sure of it as if the votes of the electoral college had already been cast for him. What pleasant prospects for the anti-Pingreeites! Perrin is the palmist who read McKinley's hand several years before he was president and pronounced the presidential verdict upon it. He has been reading the fine lines of the governor's hand. He reminds one of the old-fashioned phrenologists who gave school house readings and after feeling the bumps of the school boys often found presidential timber.

Col. A. T. Bliss, of Saginaw, has a scheme for paying pensions which strikes him as the correct thing. He thinks the burden of \$160,000,000 a year is, perhaps, a little too heavy for the present generation. So he would issue 50-year bonds and sell them to pay the pensions as they become due. This would relieve the pressure at the present time, but what a legacy for our grandchildren. At the present rate of \$160,000,000 per year there would be \$8,000,000,000 of these bonds out in 50 years. Eight billions may not be a large national debt 50 years hence but it is a larger sum than any nation has been able to pile up as a public burden up to the present time.

Col. Bliss says these bonds would make a desirable investment at 3 per cent interest, would go like hot cakes as it were. And that is the trouble. They would take too well, they would open the door to gross laxity and extravagance in the matter of pensions and they would not save the present generation anything, for the money which is now used for the payment of pensions would be squandered, for less meritorious purposes.

No, Col. Bliss, your bond scheme will not produce any more material results than your candidacy for the republican nomination for governor did a short time since.

Judge Day and Whitelaw Reid are to receive \$100,000 each for doing what hundreds of men would have done better and done it for nothing.

Not content with holding down 25 per cent of Michigan's seats in congress the Smith family is now reaching out after one-half of the senatorial seats.

Of course that little \$100,000 fee of Judge Day's is not intended as adequate compensation for spending 13 weeks in Paris, but just as a small token of the president's fellow feeling for an Ohioan.

It is taken for granted that Farmer John T. Rich will have his fall work far enough advanced that he can leave the farm in charge of the hired man while he helps Senator Burrows with his log rolling next month.

While the Courier recognizes the fact that Governor Pingree is a pretty fair sized man and pretty much of a governor that journal does not concede that he is big enough to be governor, legislature and supreme court all at once. P. S.—The Courier is for Burrows.

The Kalamazoo Telegraph, edited by E. N. Dingley, the son of his father, says that the receipts of revenue from the Dingley tariff have exceeded the expectations of its sponsors. This must be taken as a confession that it was never intended to meet the expenses of government.

We are not surprised to learn that Captain Schuh is an expansionist of the most pronounced figure. A survey of the captain's equatorial zone is sufficient to convince us that he would be recreant to a well developed trust did he hold other than the most inflated views on the question.

When the American army took possession of Santiago last August the existing tariff duties were cut down 62 per cent by an executive order. President McKinley has just signed a general tariff for Cuba which reduces the Santiago tariff still lower and many articles now dutiable are put on the free list. Mr. McKinley heads a party which has been preaching high tariff for 40 years. The higher the tariff the more beneficent its effects. How will he explain to the waiting multitude a reduction for Cuba which is a direct contradiction to the apostolic creed of protection.

The differences between the Chicago school board and Supt. Andrews have been settled and victory perches on the banner of the superintendent. The victory is a notable one for the cause of education and will be far reaching in its results. It is in the interest of every child in the public schools of Chicago.

Dr. Andrews' contention was that the superintendent being the professional head of the school system, selected because of technical knowledge of educational matters in general, should have the full and unhampered direction of all of the educational work of the schools. This, according to Dr. Andrews, includes the initiative in the appointment, promotion, transfer and dismissal of all teachers and freedom in mapping out courses of study and directing methods of instruction. His idea is that the duties of the board begin and end in the management of the business pertaining to the school system. That when they have selected a superintendent, they should concern themselves with the results of his work alone, leaving him the widest discretion in the management of educational matters. For if a mistake is made in the selection of an incompetent superintendent, a remedy is always at hand in his dismissal and the employment of another.

That there should have been any room for difference between the superintendent and his official superiors on these grounds, seems strange. That it was the intention when the office of superintendent was instituted that he should perform, unrestricted, the above mentioned functions is unquestioned. Upon no other hypothesis can the office be defended. But there has been a disposition in many places for the board, subject as its members are, to political pulls and wirepulling influences, to encroach upon the prerogatives of the superintendent and to make of this important official a mere figurehead. In standing up strongly for the functions of his office and an untrammelled exercise of these duties, therefore, Superintendent Andrews has performed a lasting service to the cause of public education.

Senator Burrows doubtless understands that if the "national honor" is to be preserved through his re-election it must be done upon a gold basis. It was all right for Judas Iscariot to do business with silver, but the dollar which will be powerful enough to re-elect Michigan's most gorgeous statesman must be just as good as any other dollar and better than Pack's.

PINGREE GOES TOO FAR.

Gov. Pingree has many traits worthy of admiration. He is a big, warm hearted man, absolutely fearless in his words and actions and undoubtedly has the interests of the people at heart. Yet with all this, he is almost too much of a dictator and is evidently not thoroughly imbued with the spirit of American government. He wants to be the whole thing. He would be governor, legislator and supreme court, or if not all three he would at least be governor and dominate the action of the other two co-ordinate branches of the government. Now, the constitution of the United States and of all the states recognizes the independence of these three branches of government. But Pingree who perhaps thinks the ideas of the statesmen who formed our constitution old fogy notions, does not recognize this independence. Not content with the power to execute the laws of the state, to recommend new laws and to veto what appears to him to be unwise laws he would have the legislators act as puppets to do his will. He would even dictate who should go to the United States senate. He also has a notion that his party is not to be trusted to pick out a suitable candidate for supreme court judge. He would go farther he would force the supreme court judges to answer all questions he puts to them on the penalty of losing their salaries if they failed to do so. If this keeps on the dictator may force an uprising of a thinking people with a demand for a new magna charta from their great overlord. When McKinley was governor of Ohio he had not even the veto power on the legislature. And yet Ohio got along very well although sometimes cursed with legislators that the good people of Michigan would not tolerate. The idea that the supreme court should pass upon the constitutionality of all laws before the governor signs them would be a good one if the wisdom of these judges could be on tap at all times and their knowledge and acuteness equal to that of the entire bar of Michigan. The trouble arises in the fact that any man, however learned, may overlook defects which are very palpable when once pointed out. Unconstitutional laws pass the inspection often of members of the legislature on the judiciary committees who are possessed of much legal acumen and yet these same men when the constitutional defects are pointed out will admit that they are fatal defects. The court enables every individual to raise the question of the infringement of his constitutional rights. And it would seem best to a layman that the court should not have prejudged his case. The old way may often be troublesome but our American system of government is a system of checks and balances. The executive, legislative and judicial branches are co-ordinate and independent. Each acts as a check on the other and over all is the constitution.

SENATOR SAYRE'S INCOME TAX.

Ira T. Sayre, of Flushing, senator-elect from the Genesee-Livingston district is said to have prepared an income tax bill which he will present for the consideration of the next legislature. If Mr. Sayre's proposed law is correctly reported it is open to the same objections that are urged against the Atkinson law for the taxation of railroad property in that it proposes to devote the proceeds of the tax, first, to the payment of the state debt and when that has been discharged, to the payment of the interest upon the primary school fund. As the only state debt outstanding is the \$500,000 which was blown into circulation in outfitting four regiments of state troops for the war with Spain, its payment is a minor matter. The primary school fund upon which the state pays interest to the several school districts in proportion to the number of children of school age residing therein is a comparatively fixed quantity, being a little over \$900,000 per year. It will be readily seen that a law which will make the railroads stand their just share of taxation would soon create a surplus in the primary school interest fund for which there would be no use, without the addition of an income tax, and we take it for granted that, without the people have gone tax mad they will not care to impose tax burdens simply for the purpose of taxing some one.

The difficulty of applying the proceeds of specific taxes to other than the purposes designated above is caused by section 1 of article XIV of the state constitution which provides that all specific taxes shall be applied in paying interest upon the primary school, university and other educational funds and the interest and principal of the state debt in the order named.

Until that section of the constitution is amended it will be impossible to satisfactorily readjust the burdens of taxation upon the basis of higher rail-

road taxation and an income tax, desirable as those reforms may be. While the purposes to which specific taxes may be applied under the constitution make but small demands upon the citizen compared with the tax raised for other state purposes they form relatively a much smaller proportion of the taxes for municipal, local school and county purposes.

In the city of Ann Arbor for instance, the rate for city purposes is \$5.92, school \$5.92, county 86 cents, and state \$1.92, making a total of \$14.92. If the entire state tax could be raised by railroad and income taxes (which the constitution forbids) it would lift less than one-seventh of our tax burden—a smaller sum than we can save in any year by the practice of judicious economy and but little more than we did save in the past year without the average taxpayer knowing anything about it. But, under the constitution as it now stands, so small a portion of public burdens can be discharged by specific taxes that adequate relief from that source cannot be expected until that obstacle has been removed.

An income tax, to say nothing of increased railroad taxes, to be of appreciable benefit to the people of Ann Arbor must be collected by local authorities and expended for local purposes. An income tax based upon such principles and devoted to such purposes would be a welcome reform.

THE ALL ABSORBING TOPIC.

The all absorbing topic in state politics at the present time is the probable action of the legislature upon the election of a United States Senator and upon the proposed railroad tax measures grouped under the general name of Pingree legislation. It is conceded upon all sides that while the Burrows men are as a rule opposed to Pingree measures neither house will divide in exactly the same manner upon both questions. A gentleman who is a disinterested observer and yet whose business places him in a position to give a fairly accurate opinion, says that the senatorial fight will be settled in the republican caucus, although neither Burrows nor Pack have enough votes pledged at the present time to elect. In his opinion Pack will be the successful candidate.

A careful estimate of the senate, counting all of the democrats but one against Burrows, gives the senator 13 votes with three doubtful. On the same basis the Pingree people will have 15 votes sure, with two doubtful. If the Burrows people develop a majority in the senate it is probable that they will unseat Senator Perren, of Detroit. Two or three senators who are set down as Burrows men are expected to vote for the Atkinson bill in obedience to the expressed will of their constituents. If they do so the Atkinson bill stands a fair chance of passing the senate by a small majority.

The fate of the governor's pet measures in the house is more difficult to estimate. While the Atkinson bill passed the house at the special session of 1898 by an almost unanimous vote it is well known that that vote did not represent the real strength of the measure. If it had not been certainly known the measure would be killed in the senate it would not have received a majority in the house. The vote was given in obedience to a caucus mandate to save the republican party in the fall elections.

From these figures it will be seen that the outcome of the winters' work of the legislature is as yet a matter of speculation.

Hitherto most of the bonded warehouses have been on the shores of Kentucky, but if the administration keeps up its lick the whole country will be a bonded warehouse.

Cramer-Sherman.

Seward Cramer, the versatile city editor of the Evening Times, and Miss Luella Marie Sherman, of Ypsilanti, were married Wednesday morning in St. Luke's Episcopal church in Ypsilanti, by the Rev. William Gardam. The bride is a very estimable young lady, who has been engaged as a retoucher in Waterman's photograph gallery in Ypsilanti and has many friends.

The groom needs no introduction to Ann Arbor readers, as he is an all around newspaper man, ready of pen and ready of wit, a natural born reporter, who ought also to make a good family man. As he has a week's vacation it is probably that the wedding trip will last that long. Mr. and Mrs. Cramer have secured rooms on the corner of Liberty and Maynard sts. The Argus-Democrat wishes them all manner of happiness.

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She pursed up her lips and considered a moment. When she spoke quietly, there was concentrated meaning in her tones.

"I shouldn't like to be poor again. I don't think I'd take that condition of affairs calmly. It seems to me I'd do something reckless; I don't know what."


She went to him and clasped her arms, bare to the elbow, around his neck.

"Do you love me at all still?" she asked earnestly. "You don't love me as you used to do, but do you love me at all?"

He bent his lips to her wrist, and a terrible sadness came into his eyes.

"I love you, dear. I want to save you from pain."

"Then don't become a poor man, David. Don't, in God's name! Do anything to get the money back," she said, moved out of herself for the first time. "I've had poverty all my life, all my life. Oh, how I loathe it! Yes, I loathe it! You think me selfish. I know you do, and I am. But I wouldn't really harm you or hurt you if I can have an



"Save me, David! Promise you will!" easy life and not the gall of poverty again. I'm not a great woman, nor a particularly good woman, but I think if I were robbed of this life"—and she looked into the rich, dim rooms—"I might be a hard, bad woman. Save me from that in saving yourself!" And she clung to him. "Save me, David! Promise you will!"

"I promise," he said in a tone which set her apart from him.

As he crossed the terrace to the open window he trod on the flower lying between them.

CHAPTER XVIII.

It was the evening of election day. Broadway was a jumble of American types moving under a light fog, which made every street lamp a star in a veil.

From the windows of the street car in which Anne sat she saw straggling processions giving enthusiastic party cries, politicians on the corners and ragged boys racing past with barrels and shutters which were to blaze later in splendid impartiality, no matter which side won.

It was after 6 o'clock, and she was on her way to The Citizen with a "special" on a timely topic David had asked her to write. She could have sent it down, but the idea of going to the old place on this wild night when Newspaper row was a seat of war had been persistently with her all day. The building in the upper part of the town where she now spent her days was quiet and had a rarefied editorial flavor. It was not as dear as these slimy, crowded streets with offices as confused as ant-hills in nearer neighborhood to the sky. Limelight and the smell of grease paint will awaken numbed longings in the mind of an actor who has forsworn the buskin, and the same fascination drew Anne to The Citizen tonight for a taste of the old life which had the savor of salt.

It was a critical day. When she left the car and made her way among the crowds around the city hall, she became aware of conflicting excitements in the air. There were packed masses gathered early to wait for the first election signal lights on the big buildings. There were others pressed against the great newspaper barracks where bulletins in black capitals told of unexpected and appalling failures and fortunes lost. It seemed to Anne that the confused noises of the warring earth must at last besiege heaven as a sob.

At the entrance of The Citizen building an electric light as fierce as the politics of the paper blazed upon the moving crowds. It fell upon many faces, all earnest, strained, or preoccupied, and on one as familiar to Anne as her hand. David was among the number coming down the muddy, stone hall, and she made her way toward him.

But a second glance brought her to a standstill. She read consternation and despair in his changed face. As he pushed his way toward the door without a glance either side she waited in anxiety till he should reach her and she would know what grief had altered him. But his eyes met hers blankly as he passed on without a word.

Anne hesitated, gazing at the angle where he had disappeared; then an irresistible desire to hear him speak forced her back to the street. She followed him, the "special" forgotten in her hand.

He was suffering from some shock, and fear made riot in her thoughts. Confused ideas of unhappiness in his home, disaster, the death of some one dear, the loss of faith, crowded one another in her mind as she hurried on

through the mist, her eyes upon him.

She noticed that nothing attracted his attention, not the raucous cries of newboys, the arrest of a thief or the bulletins heralding disaster. Inhabited by a storm which drew his thoughts inward, he walked with unseeing eyes. And Anne followed him, conscious only of the ache in herself and the desire to be near him. So they swept on, two atoms in the human stream, now in shadow, now in light, until Newspaper row was left well behind and the big bridge was reached.

Anne understood the feelings which had urged David here. It was the solitude which a lighthouse lends above a smoldering sea. The city lay beneath a pall of vapor. Light came hazily from the peaked shadows of houses, seeming from this height the pitiful abode of earth grubbers. Searchlights from towers, crimson lamps on street cars far below, wavered in the fog, and the adagio of human life sweeping upward was an unyllabled moaning as if from the heart of a giant Tantalus.

When the street scenes were left behind and the river raced beneath the bridge, the voice was the same as the city's in another key. Wave slipped into wave with sighing, and the water torn by churning boats gushed in a rippling minor.

In the shade between the towers David paused. He stood with folded arms and looked back to where the lights on The Citizen building flamed like great stars. The pallor of his face, the contracted brow, the long look full of dejection, told of absolute surrender to despair.

Anne watched him, while passersby eddied between them. She longed to slip her hand into his, to know she was desired and necessary in his life. Her throat ached, her heart went wildly out to him. But all desire to make him conscious of her presence left her. He had come there to face his grief alone. He had no need of her. She turned away and left him to his implacable thoughts, the solitude and night.

CHAPTER XIX.

When David reached home, it was after 8 o'clock. He went at once to the library and touched the bell.

"Has Mrs. Temple gone out yet?" he asked the servant.

"No, sir. Mrs. Temple's dressing. She's almost ready, sir."

"Ask her to stop here on her way out."

He sat down before the fire. The grip of his fingers upon his knees showed nervous intensity, his eyes were strained.

Overhead he heard Olga's light steps. She was busy with puff and powder box, preparing for the part she was to play at the Amateur club that night. The role was comedy. It would be altered after hearing one word from his lips.

He looked restlessly toward the door. After his self communing on the bridge above the never quiet river the stillness of the house was tormenting; it seemed waiting for the crisis; the clock in the shadow beyond the door seemed a soft tongued watcher spying upon him.

Olga would soon come, and he would tell her all. She would suffer bitterly. But he could feel no pity for her, none for himself. He had been eaten by anguish in the foggy night with the river lights around him. Now he felt like a stone.

As he heard Olga's step he rose and faced the door. She came with some light word of greeting on her lips, but it was not spoken, and she remained in an advancing pose, her eyes upon him. They presented a violent contrast, creatures of different worlds, it seemed—Frivolity looking on the face of Pain.

As Lady Teazle Olga wore the gown required for the quarrel scene. Laces and jewels were mysteriously arranged on the stiff pink brocade, her throat was like snow, and so was her high coiffed hair; her dreaming eyes were made insinuating by a touch of cosmetic, a touch of carmine was on her cheeks. She was radiant, dainty, alluringly false.

The night dews clung to David. His hair was wet and roughened by his restless fingers. Each feature was sharpened from the rigors of fierce emotion. His sunken eyes, which had scarcely known sleep for a week, were as dull as if blindness had come upon them.

"What has happened?" Olga asked after that long, stupefied look, and there was fear in her eyes. She did not move toward him. Her hand upon the back of a chair seemed a carved part of it.

"I've had news, Olga."

"Bad news? You speak coolly enough, yet look—oh, how you look! Have you seen a ghost?"

She roused herself and went nearer the fire, but her curious eyes kept watch upon him.

"I have seen a ghost," David said in the same slow tone; "one I've long feared."

"What do you mean? You are ridiculous."

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A U. of M. Daily Editorial Incorrectly States the Effect of the Lengthening of the Course, But the Figures Tell the Truth.

The U. of M. Daily in a somewhat astonishing editorial yesterday makes the statement:

"An examination of the registration of some of the larger universities reveals the fact that there is almost universally a falling off in the number of students in the professional departments with the exception of engineering. Nearly all of these universities show the usual increased attendance, but this is for the most part in the academic department.

"At Harvard there is no increase in the law school and at Michigan and Wisconsin there is a decided falling off. The medical and other schools have as a rule suffered almost equally as much. Michigan's law school has of course a much smaller attendance owing to the fact that the course has been increased to three years. But this fact when considered in the light of the universal decline, or at least lack of increase, in the law schools of the country, will hardly explain the situation here."

The editorial, although not credited, was clipped from a student publication of Wisconsin University. So far at least as it refers to Michigan University it is incorrect and a letter from the dean of the Wisconsin law school indicates that the attendance has not fallen off there either.

Instead of falling off in attendance due to the lengthening of the law course, the truth is that the attendance this year is about 100 more than the highest year's attendance on a two years' course.

There is also an increased attendance this year over last year. In fact there is a larger attendance in the law department of Michigan University this year than ever before in its history. The whole number enrolled Dec. 5, 1898, was 736 in the full law course and 30 in the combined literary and law courses, making a total enrollment on that date in the department of 766. On Dec. 10, 1897, there were 731 enrolled in the full law course and 22 in the combined literary and law class, making a total enrollment of 753. This shows an increase of 13 in the attendance this year. If the same number enter the law course after this date as did last year the total enrollment this year will reach 780 as against 767 last year. The highest attendance with a two years' course was 670.

It will be seen that so far from the increase in the length of the law course decreasing the attendance, there were never before so many students studying law in the university as there are this year.

The authorities of Wisconsin University are also stirred up over the article, as it is said to misrepresent conditions there. It may have been clipped for the Wisconsin paper, from some other college journal, for when once a misstatement of this kind gets started, it is impossible to tell how far it may go.

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Rev. and Mrs. Fred V. Hawley, of Jackson, have accepted an invitation to attend the ladies' social session of the Elks to be given Monday evening, Jan. 2.

Baltimore Oysters at Besimer's.

WANTS \$20,000 DAMAGES.

Four Farmers Sued for Slander and Alienation of Affections.

The good people of Scio are greatly excited over the domestic troubles of Mr. and Mrs. John George Reichert, which bids fair to culminate in several hotly contested lawsuits. Mr. Reichert is a well-to-do farmer of Scio, who has stood high in the community. As has recently been mentioned in the Argus, his wife sued him for a divorce on the ground of cruelty, the calling of harsh names and an attempt to have her adjudged insane. She has just been allowed \$5 a week temporary alimony. Friday a summons was issued on behalf of Mr. Reichert for Gottfried Zahn, of Scio, a brother-in-law of Mrs. Reichert, Jacob F. and Michael Keck, of Lodi, her brothers, Mrs. Barbara Keck, of Lodi, her mother and ex-Supervisor John G. Feldkamp, of Freedom. The summons is the commencement of a suit for \$20,000 for alienating his wife's affections and also contains charges of slander against all but Mrs. Keck.

There has been nothing in a long time which has so worked up the thrifty German Americans about the Scio church. Reichert was believed to be a man without any enemies and according to his story his troubles began last May, when his wife rang the bell and called him from his fields. He found several of her relatives at the house and she then told him she was going to leave him and take up her residence in Ann Arbor as she was tired of farming and asked for a division of the property. Mr. Feldkamp, who acts as a kind of counsel for many people, is charged with setting the wife against the husband as are also her brothers and mother. All the defendants excepting the mother are also charged with casting aspersions upon Mr. Reichert's character.

What's In a Name.

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Death of T. E. McDivitt.

T. E. McDivitt, who died in this city Tuesday Dec. 29 was born in Donegal, Ireland, in 1819. He came to America in 1842 and for five years lived in New York, coming to Ann Arbor, which he has since made his home, in Sept., 1847, so that for over 51 years he had been a resident of this city. He was married in New York state, not long after he landed, in his country. In early life he was connected with the Chapin, Lund & Barnes paper mill, and in later life ran a large fruit farm near the city. His death was caused by blood poisoning to which he succumbed after a long illness. The funeral services will be held in St. Thomas' church at 9 o'clock, Saturday morning. He leaves four daughters, Mrs. Warren E. Walker, Mrs. William Wheeler Mrs. Mary Cook and Miss Maggie McDivitt, a teacher in the first ward school.

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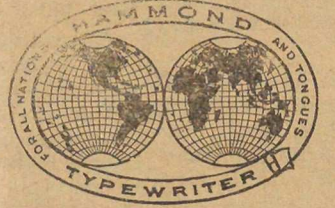
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Friends of the Argus who have business in the Probate Office are asked to request Judge Newkirk to send the advertising necessary to the probating of estates with which they are connected to the Argus-Democrat.

LOCAL BREVITIES

From Wednesday's Daily Argus.

Major John P. Kirk has been appointed assistant mustering officer.

Capt. McKeand, of the Ypsilanti company, is dangerously ill with typhoid fever.

City Treasurer Seyler collected \$3,227.66 in taxes yesterday. He collected about \$8,200 this forenoon.

A wind and snowstorm prevailed in Milan yesterday and the wind attained a velocity of 40 miles an hour at times.

The Y. W. C. A. will be at home to its friends Monday, Jan. 2, from 3 to 10 o'clock. Music and refreshments and a pleasant social hour.

The January session of the board of supervisors, which occurs every second year, will commence at the court house next Tuesday morning.

A committee of the board of supervisors is at the jail this afternoon taking an inventory of county property preparatory to changing sheriffs.

Both the Michigan senators have endorsed Rufus W. Thayer, a Washington lawyer, formerly of Plymouth, for the position of postmaster of Washington.

Mrs. Ben. Fall, mother of Dewitt C. Fall, of Jackson, and Charles Fall, of Pasadena, Cal., died in Jackson. Her remains will be brought here for burial tomorrow.

James Berie, of Boston, Mass., and Mrs. Annie Harmon of Ann Arbor took out license to marry this afternoon. Both have had previous matrimonial experience.

The Ann Arbor railroad has purchased the Wisconsin & Michigan railway and will extend the line to a big tract of pine land in Forest and Vilas counties, Wisconsin.

William C. Manchester, a young Detroit lawyer, and Miss Margaret McGregor, of Bay City, were married in Bay City yesterday afternoon. They both graduated in the university in '96.

The condition of Col. Gardener, of the 31st Michigan, who is ill with pneumonia, is improving. Instead of coming to Detroit as at first intended, he is being cared for at a Louisville hotel.

The W. C. T. U. will hold its next regular meeting, Thursday, Jan. 5, 1899, at 3 o'clock in the rooms over the post office and wishes to see a large number at this first meeting of the new year.

Jacobus & Son, the contractors for the new Northside church, have commenced putting up the framework and the building will now be rapidly pushed to get it finished within the contract time.

All the Christmas packages received through the mails from Canada were examined by the custom house officers and some of our citizens have been called upon to pay duty upon their Christmas presents.

Philip H. Fobey this afternoon filed a declaration in the circuit against the Toledo Ice Co., claiming \$1,000 damages. Fobey claims that about Oct. 1, '97, the Toledo ice company ejected him from certain lands he owned in fee on Whitmore Lake.

The children of the sewing school are to be given a dinner on Saturday of this week. Miss Brown, who has charge of the school, desires that all friends of the school send in sandwiches, cake, fruit or money before 1 o'clock on Saturday.

The annual St. Valentine's Kettle-drum, given by the Ladies' Library Association, occurs Saturday, Feb. 14. Owing to the size of the hall the number of tickets sold will necessarily be limited and no tickets will be sold at the door. Admission for the afternoon, 25 cents for adults, 15 cents for children over 10 years of age, 10 cents for children under 10 years of age. Evening admission 50 cents. Tickets may be obtained from any of the patronesses, a list of whom will be published later.

Jason Berry, of Stockbridge, and Mrs. Jane Geraghty, of Lyndon, were married this morning at Chelsea by Rev. W. P. Conside.

Deputy Sheriff Wackenhut moves back to Chelsea next Saturday evening. He will waste no time around the city after he is out of work.

The Anti-Tramp Society has discontinued its wood yard for the present. It appears that in spite of the efforts of the society our citizens continue to feed tramps so freely that there is little inducement for them to work.

The seventh day of actual trial of the Webb will case is nearly finished and it is thought that the evidence may all be in today. Both parties to the suit will have spent all they can realize out of a favorable judgment by the time the suit is disposed of.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Charles Milton Vines, of Howell, and Miss Martha Ann Gleson, of Dexter; Albert Lynch and Miss Maria Frazer, both of Ann Arbor; Seward Cramer, of Ann Arbor, and Miss Luella Marie Sherman, of Ypsilanti.

Sheriff Judson is getting ready to move. He will move to the home of his son-in-law, John Schlee, on Ann st., until next spring. He will turn over the jail and residence to Sheriff Gillen on Saturday, but will let him put his carpets down and partially move in on Friday.

Prof. E. F. Johnson took part in the discussion before the school commissioners in Lansing yesterday on the free text book law. With Supt. Hammond and ex-Supt. Pattengill he strongly favored a compulsory free text book law. The association passed a resolution favoring a compulsory free text book law.

From Yesterday's Daily Argus.

Eight cases of smallpox are reported in Detroit.

Mrs. Geo. Morton fell down stairs this morning and broke her wrist.

General Manager Ashley denies that the Ann Arbor road has purchased the Michigan & Wisconsin railroad.

Another report comes from Washington that the 31st Michigan is on the list of volunteer regiments to be mustered out.

The annual meeting of the grand lodge of the A. O. U. W. will take place in this city Feb. 21. There will be about 400 people in attendance.

A company has been organized to build an electric railway between Adrian and Jackson, and they expect to have such a road finished by midsummer.

The total amount of taxes collected by City Treasurer Seyler yesterday amounted to \$4,304.80. Many small taxpayers have been paying their taxes today.

Street Commissioner Ross is waiting for a fall of snow to show how much more effective the new and heavy snow plows will clean the sidewalks than the old plows.

Marriage licenses were granted yesterday afternoon to Charles Lester Canfield and Miss Jessie Walker, of Ann Arbor, and to John Max and Miss Frances Veit, of Ypsilanti.

The Ann Arbor road is having trouble with snow along the upper part of the road. A snow plow and three engines were stuck in the snow between Cadillac and Benzonia the greater part of Tuesday night.

The remains of Mrs. Ben. Fall, of Albion, will arrive here tomorrow at 10:10. The funeral procession will start from the Michigan Central depot and the remains will be interred beside those of her husband in Fair View cemetery.

Deputy Sheriff Lester Canfield and Miss Jessie Walker were married last evening at the residence of the bride on Miller ave., by Rev. W. L. Tedrow. The wedding comes as a surprise to the friends of the newly married couple, yet nevertheless they are the recipients of the heartiest congratulations.

The Rt. Rev. P. T. Rowe, Bishop of Alaska, is expected to address the meeting of the Michigan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, in St. John's parish building, Detroit, Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 3, at 2:30 o'clock. It is desired that the members of the St. Andrew's parish branch, of Ann Arbor, attend this meeting.

Heenan Miller met with an accident in a peculiar manner this morning. He was sitting in a rocking chair with his hands in his pockets when his chair suddenly went over backwards throwing him to the floor and cutting a gash in his scalp nearly two inches long. He was unable to get his hands out of his pockets in time to protect himself.

The Schwaebischen Unterstutzungs Verein have elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Christian Wichtermann, president; Gottlob Gross, vice president; John Volz, recording secretary; Jacob Katz, financial secretary; Enoch Dieterle, treasurer; Fred Steeb, John Koch and Fred Walter, trustees; Dr. Martin L. Belsler and Dr. John Kapp, physicians.

The mayor has approved the license ordinance so that now all bowling alleys and billiard halls must pay a license of \$5 per year. They must also be closed between 10:30 p. m. and 7 a. m. Merry-go-rounds and whirligigs will pay a license of \$3 for the first day and \$1 for subsequent days. A circus and menagerie will pay \$50, a circus alone \$25, a menagerie alone \$10.

Detroit News: Capt. E. P. Allen, of Ypsilanti, poised himself an instant on one foot in the Russell house corridor today and looked reflectively over the array of lawyers and politicians. "I'm out of politics," he said, in a voice that was a reminiscence of the one that used to reverberate in congressional halls and that was irreverently dubbed "foghorn" by the democrats at old-fashioned barbecues.

The Forester elected officers last evening as follows: P. C. R., Ed. Hoelzle; C. R., Frank Warren; V. C. R., Chas. Edwards; secretary, Thomas Coburn; treasurer, S. Rosenthaler; S. W., R. M. Wooden; J. W., James Willis; S. B., Geo. Voelker; J. B., Louis Schneider; chaplain, A. C. Nichols; C. D., L. C. Weinmann; delegate to high court, L. C. Goodrich. These officers will be installed tonight.

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Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti Now at Lansing.

The attendance on the State Teachers' Association in Lansing, at which the Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti teachers took such prominent parts was unusually large. Superintendent Slauson yesterday read an able paper on "Ought the Grammar and High School Courses to be More Flexible, and if so, how can this be Accomplished?" Miss Gertrude E. Woodward, of Ypsilanti, read a paper on "How o Select Books" and State Librarian Mary C. Spencer, formerly of Ypsilanti, took part in the discussion which ensued upon it.

Seven different sections were holding meetings yesterday afternoon. Prof. W. W. Beman was elected president of the mathematical section and Prof. E. T. Austin, a former Salem boy, secretary. Prof. E. C. Goddard read a paper on "The Course in Mathematics." Prof. E. A. Lyman and J. S. Markley took part in the discussion.

Miss Mary L. Mann, of Ypsilanti, read a paper before the physical culture section, on "Gymnastic Progression." Prof. W. P. Bowen, of Ypsilanti, handled the topic of "Intercollegiate Sports." Prof. T. C. Trueblood, Keane Fitzpatrick and Miss Helen Bender of the university participated in the debate.

In the kindergarten and primary section, Supt. H. M. Slauson took part in the discussion on "The Blocking System." President Angell delivered a lecture on the "Eastern Question," last evening.

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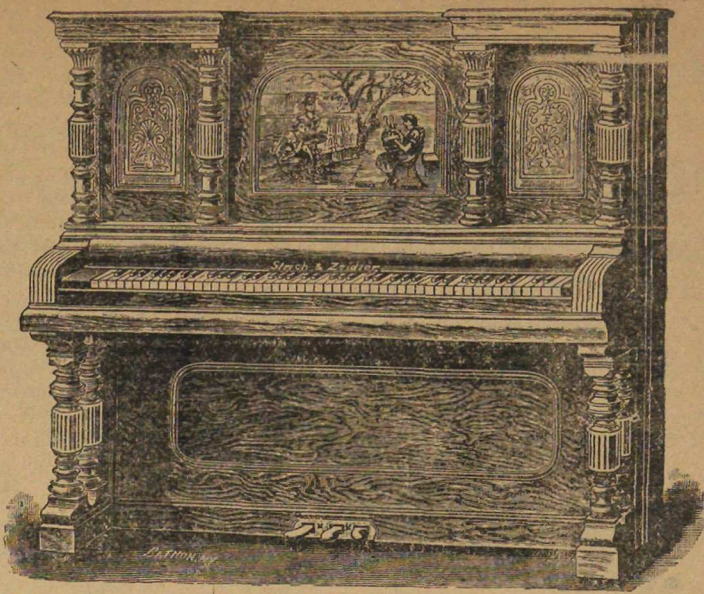
Put Over Until the Next Term of Court.

The case of Emily P. White vs. the Detroit, Grand Rapids & Western R. R. in the circuit court has been continued over the term on account of illness of the defendants attorney, on condition that the testimony of Mrs. White may be taken at her home in Ann Arbor township before stenographer E. P. Goodrich, such testimony to be received in court in case of the death or inability of the plaintiff to appear at the trial of the case. The suit is brought to recover \$20,000 damages for injuries received Oct. 27, 1897 at the depot in Detroit by Mrs. White, who was 79 years of age, by falling when she left the cars. The declaration sets up that it was dark when the train reached Detroit and that the station was not sufficiently lighted so that one could see on leaving the car that a box or extra step had been placed to assist passengers to reach the platform and that proper assistance in alighting was not offered Mrs. White.

The slander suit of P. W. Shute, of Ypsilanti, against N. B. Trim, was turned out doors, by Judge Kinne after the case had progressed some distance. The suit was for \$5,000. Thus the effort of the Ypsilanti man to trim his adversary by shunting him through the pocket book failed. Case may, however, go to the upper bench.

Wisdom has left Milan, as an abiding place, and gone to Monroe. Urged to remain he replied, "I must go. It is the part of Wisdom." Well, perhaps—perhaps not.

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Mrs. John Koch, E. Washington st., Ann Arbor.
Prof. J. O. Schlotterbeck, Thompson st., Ann Arbor.
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Jimmie Blythman, the little thief, who has a long record of misdeeds to his credit, for the most of which he has escaped punishment, is again in the toils of justice.

The stolen tickets were in the box office and it is believed that he worked up the glass door a little ways and with a wire secured the tickets which were tied together.

On May 6, Jimmie was sentenced to 65 days in the Detroit house of correction for stealing a suit of clothes from a farmers' wagon.

Beer is a healthful and refreshing drink these days. That made by the Ann Arbor Brewing Co. is the best.

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"He called me a butterfly," she said, with a giggle, as she preened the lap of her dress, and wondered if any one would believe she was only 30.

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It is loudly proclaimed through the press that "a woman can best understand a woman's ailments," and on this ground sick women are invited to "write to a woman" and get the benefit of a woman's advice.

For more than thirty years Dr. R. V. Pierce, a regularly graduated doctor, has been chief consulting physician of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, of Buffalo, N. Y.

THE BUSINESS MEN'S CLASS.

At the Congregational Church During the Next Quarter.

The subjects for discussion by the Business Men's Class of the Congregational church after each Sunday morning service for the coming quarter will be:

Sunday, Jan. 8, 1899. Would Christianity be strengthened in dismembering China in the name of humanity and civilization? D. A. Hammond.

Sunday, Jan. 15. The settlement of controversies. 1. Personal; 2. Labor; 3. International. President J. B. Angell.

Sunday, Jan. 22. Is the concentration of vast wealth in the hands of individuals and corporations a menace to our liberties? Prof. C. H. Cooley.

Sunday, Jan. 29. The problem of the unemployed and the duty of the church in the premises. Senator Andrew Campbell.

Sunday, Feb. 5. The Philippine Islands and inhabitants. What form of government would be best adapted to them? Prof. J. B. Steere.

Sunday, Feb. 12. Churches. Which would benefit Christianity most, a large number of small churches in cities, or a lesser number of larger ones? S. A. Moran.

Sunday, Feb. 19. Combinations in trade and their effect on the moral development and prosperity of the country. Junius E. Beal.

Sunday, Feb. 26. Music. Its moral and religious effect in our churches. Prof. A. A. Stanley.

Sunday, Mar. 5. Taxation. 1. Do the rich bear their share? 2. Should church property be taxed? Col. B. M. Thompson.

Sunday, Mar. 12. Our public schools. How far should they contribute to the training and development of children? Prof. H. M. Slauson.

Sunday, Mar. 19. What is the moral and intellectual result of our modern habit of newspaper reading? Dr. Eliza M. Mosher.

Sunday, Mar. 26. Has Christian life and belief degenerated in our time from that of our fathers?

Sunday, Apr. 2. Treatment of the criminal class. Is society affording a fair opportunity to discharged criminals? A. J. Sawyer.

Sunday, Apr. 9. Art. Its rise, progress and influence upon Christianity and Christian life. Mrs. E. Perry.

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D. W. Beamer, of Detroit, predicts that within three years there will be an electric line running between Detroit and Chicago.

That is what it is coming to, and that's more than the suburban lines are charging now, and they are making money.

The rate of fare on the Wyandotte road is one cent a mile, and that road has made money from the start. It is such a money-maker that Mr. Hutchins had arranged to buy it from the Hendries before he submitted his proposition to the city offering six tickets for a quarter for a 30-year franchise.

The Michigan Central refused to profit by the experience of these roads, and, as a result, its line was paralleled by an electric road to Ypsilanti & Ann Arbor. The electric line is running crowded cars into Detroit from these cities, and the number of passengers carried by the Michigan Central is too small to take any account of.

The Portland Cafe has again reopened for the season. Open night and day.

Have you seen Rentschler's new style of photos? Studio corner of Main and Huron

War's Far-Reaching Effects.

Uncle Jabez—"I understand that old Skayles, the feller that runs the grocery down at the Corners, is goin' to fix up a bill against Spain for an indemnity." Uncle Silas—"He is? What fer?" Uncle Jabez—"Why, he claims that he had fourteen first-class store-boxes whittled all ter pieces while the war was in progress."—Judge.

You Are Tired. "Special Inventory Sales" and "Reduced Prices Before Inventory" year after year, but it is no less true that this of all times is when the merchant is anxious to reduce stock to the minimum and willing to make prices that will do it.

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At the Baptist Church Christmas Entertainment.

STUDENT TRYON BURNED

While Acting as Santa Claus for the Children.

He Kept His Mouth Closed and so is Not Fatally Burned.—The Fire Pre-empted a Lively Panic.—Tryon in the Hospital.

Santa Claus met with an accident Tuesday evening, which made a lively scene at the Baptist church Christmas entertainment. The entertainment had passed off very pleasantly.

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Prof. Prescott Believes There is Serious Danger in the Alum Baking Powder.

The high cost of cream of tartar, the chief ingredient of a pure baking powder, has induced some manufacturers to substitute burnt alum (which costs but three cents a pound) largely or wholly in lieu of cream of tartar, making a very low cost but unwholesome baking powder.

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Tables, Rocking Chairs, Mirrors. W. F. Lodholz, cor. of Broadway and Canal, gives Tables, Rocking Chairs, and Mirrors as premiums for cash trade.

CHRISTMAS AT KENO.

How Hard Luck Hankins' Tree Was Decorated.

"Speakin' of Christmas trees," said Cyclone Murphy as he snuffed a candle on the topmost twig of the Keno Gulch Sunday school tree with his trusty six shooter and then nipped remonstrance in the bud by getting the drop on the Sunday school superintendent, "reminds me of a galoot named Hard Luck Hankins, who lived up on Tenderfoot ridge and who was the biggest kicker that ever kicked. This yer Hard Luck Hankins lived in a cabin on top of the ridge and p'tended ez how he was a miner, but he didn't never seem to mine anything and was generally regarded ez a feller without visible means of support.

"That was jes' Hard Luck's pesky and onery way—allers kickin about somethin—and that handsome tree never havin anythin hangin on it fer him seemed to rile him specially every year. 'What's the use havin a blame Christmas tree that never don't have nothin hangin on it?' he'd growl. 'Have a dern good notion to cut her down!'

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"What was it?" repeated Cyclone Murphy as he snuffed another candle. "Why, it was old Hard Luck Hankins hisself, and he was—kickin—ez—usual, and kickin with both feet."—Selected.

FATHER CHRISTMAS.

A Suggestion to the Boys For Christmas Celebrations.

Why couldn't our boys get up some holiday plays similar to the immemorial "Father Christmas" play, in which the lads of Merrie England have so much fun? The origin of this play is lost in antiquity, but it deals with knights and their adventures, certain of which challenge and fight the followers of Father Christmas, and are in turn routed, till Father Christmas and the Black Knight come in mortal combat, the latter, of course, being worsted.

The boys are dressed in fantastic style, with tall paper caps on and paper fringe around their jackets, wearing masks to conceal their identity. They are called the "mummers," and go from house to house of their friends, invariably receiving a kind welcome and a little treat at the end of the performance.

In our early history there is abundant scope for the youthful playwrights, and the object of their performances in holiday week might be some charity in which boys are the beneficiaries, such as a treat of "goodies" to a dozen newsboys or bootblacks, to get supplies for a sick boy or the like.

The Indian in our early history is as good as the knight element for a stirring play for mummers—Massasoit and his tribe, in war paint, feathers and blankets, on the one side, and on the other the prim Puritans, in broad brimmed hats and short breeches.

Or, the Pochontas and Powhatan drama, with John Smith, the hero, and a band of cavaliers to make it lively. The coats of British Common and the red booted Bostonians was an episode to inspire their fraternity of today, and it would be great fun for our laddies in Christmas week to dress up and illustrate the valor of their ancestors, as their English cousins annually commemorate some otherwise forgotten achievement of feudal days.—Philadelphia Record.

The Kissing Bunch.

A green ball to suspend over the Christmas dinner table is made by fastening two keg hoops together, one within the other, turning each way like an open globe. Twine princess pine around each hoop and put in sprigs of holly here and there. This indeed is similar to the old "kissing bunch," which is seen in many old fashioned homes in England.

Two wooden hoops, one passing through the other, decked with evergreens, in the center of which is hung a "crown" of rosy apples and a sprig of mistletoe. Beneath it there are much kissing and romping and the carol singers stand beneath it and sing their songs.—Selected.

A Turkey's Lament.

Ah, distinctly I remember— It was only last November That they chased me through the backyard And across the old barn floor! Valiantly and well I fought me Till at last the villains caught me And proceeded then to trot me To the ax beside the door;

Now, I see it is December, And no doubt they will dismember Me, for all my fatter friends Have gone to that other shore; I've grown pale from apprehension, For of late some marked attention Makes me think it's their intention To cut off my legs and serve me— As a redbird, nothing more!—Chicago Inter Ocean.

THE FRIENDLY COUGH.



"Stopping" a cough kills a sentinel who warns us of danger. "stops" cough; relieves cured condition. It is hard to look upon cough as a friend. Cough is associated with sleepless nights and wasting disease; yet cough is friendly. It warns us of trouble. Cough stands guard at the breath pipe. It is a sentinel always awake.

Mr. W. T. Powell, Clarington, O., editor and publisher "Independent," writes the following letter: Dr. S. B. Hartman, Columbus, O.

I was taken sick last February with bronchitis and catarrh fever. My head was in a terrible condition—could neither see nor hear scarcely—and my lungs were badly affected, being so tight and sore I could hardly breathe.

There is probably no remedy so safe for la grippe or so certain to cure it as Pe-ru-na. Neither is there anything mysterious about the way it goes to work.

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The investigating committee so reports

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ALL THE CREW GREW FAT.

Predicament of the Company of the Good Bark Zion.

The German bark Zion, which arrived at this port Sunday from Fowey, England, brought a rather peculiar cargo. It consisted of 1,800 casks of china clay, but in addition there were on board 300 casks of arsenic.

On board the Zion the men slept near the large array of barrels cleated in the hold, near the forecastle and partially exposed to the rays of the sun, which streamed in through the open hatch.

When only about a week out from port one of the crew mentioned to his messmates that a peculiar and indescribable odor was coming from the casks containing the drug. It was not long after their attention had been called to it that they noticed the same thing, and, strongly to say, noticed it all the more forcibly a week later.

Several of the German tars became aware of the fact that they were filling out their clothes to a much greater extent than when they shipped. Many others, as days went by, became abnormally stout, in vast contrast to the former slim appearance which many of them presented before the land was left. One man gained, it is said, twenty-five pounds. Others were affected to a less extent.

The annual meeting of the lot owners in Forest Hill cemetery for the election of three trustees and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting, will be held at the office of the secretary, 103 S. Main st., Monday, Jan. 2, 1899, at 2 o'clock p. m.

Forest Hill Cemetery Company. The annual meeting of the lot owners in Forest Hill cemetery for the election of three trustees and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting, will be held at the office of the secretary, 103 S. Main st., Monday, Jan. 2, 1899, at 2 o'clock p. m.

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Value of William's Goggles.

A Berlin newspaper says that the orders of decoration borne by the emperor of Germany are worth over 1,000,000 marks (a little over \$230,000). His principal and most valuable decorations are the insignia of the Black Eagle, the Order of St. John, of the Garter and of the Toison d'Or. In all he has over 200 crosses, stars, badges and other insignia. It is said that he takes them with him on all his journeys and voyages, his hunting expeditions excepted. The coffee containing the decorations is in the constant care of an officer of the court, who accompanies the kaiser everywhere. On returning to Berlin the coffee is locked up with the crown jewels in the treasury.

To Cure a Cold in One Day. Take Warner's White Wine of Tar Syrup, the best cough remedy on earth. 25 and 50 cents. CONSUMPTION CURE—WARNER'S WHITE WINE OF TAR SYRUP, the best cough remedy on earth, cures a cold in one day if aken in time. 25 and 50 cts.

Thousandth Part of a Second. The celebrated watchmaker, Lobner, of Berlin, has perfected a mechanism capable of measuring and recording the thousandth part of a second.

KILLED BY THE CARS
Henry Moore Struck by An Electric Car.
RIBS AND BONES CRUSHED
Dies Without Recovering Consciousness.

Henry Moore, of Romulus, was struck by a car on the Detroit, Ypsilanti & Ann Arbor electric line Saturday night and died at midnight Sunday in the university hospital, never recovering consciousness from the time he was struck.

The inquest held by Coroner Ball developed the particulars of the accident so that one can clearly understand how it occurred.

Motorman Urdyke, who left Ann Arbor at 4:27 p. m. Saturday, when he got within a mile or a mile and a half of Romulus, saw a man on the track approaching him who was staggering and as he failed to get off the track when warned, the motorman stopped his car and took the man by the arm and led him into a yard, telling him to keep off the track.

Section Foreman Kelson came along the track about 5 o'clock and saw the same man walking on the track towards Ann Arbor. He cautioned him to keep off. The man said he had been drinking too much and was sorry for it, and that he was on his way to Romulus.

Motorman Wingrow said he left Ypsilanti at 5:30 and was warned to look out for a drunken man on the track. When he got to the bottom of "Happy Hollow," a man suddenly loomed up on the track about 200 feet ahead of him.

Moore's left leg was broken above the ankle. His right arm was broken above and below the elbow and every rib but one on his right side was broken. The fractured ribs pressed in upon his lung so that a pint of blood was found in the cavity of his chest.

A Russian has patented a rubber toothbrush, which consists of a rubber sack provided with rubber bristles on the sides and ends, the device being slipped over the finger when in use.

JUDGE FOR YOURSELF.
Which is Better, Try an Experiment, or Profit by an Ann Arbor Citizen's Experiment?

Something new is an experiment. Must be proven to be as represented. Be successful at home or you doubt it. The statement of a manufacturer is not convincing. Proof of merit. But the endorsement of friends is. Now, supposing you had a bad back, a lame, weak or aching one. Would you experiment on it? You would read of many so-called cures. But they come from far away places. It's different when the endorsement comes from home. Easy to prove that it is so. Home endorsement is the proof that backs every box of Doan's Kidney Pills. Read this case. Mrs. Wm. O. Warner, of Geddes ave., says: "My kidneys troubled me for years. In the summer of 1897, I was very bad and all the medicine I took did not do me the least good. I had severe pains through my loins and kidneys, could not straighten up, and my friends often remarked about my going around in a stooped position. I could not rest comfortably and felt tired and worn out all the time. My head ached a great deal and I had frequent attacks of dizziness. The kidney secretions became badly affected and deposited large quantities of brickdust sediment, were highly colored and unnatural in appearance. Friends advised me to try Doan's Kidney Pills and gave me a few. Those did me so much good that I got more at Eberbach & Son's drug store. I continued the treatment until the trouble was thoroughly removed and I now feel as bright and well as ever." Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name Doan's and take no substitute.

A MOOSE HEAD.
A Handsome Gift Received by Dr. John Kapp.

Among the many Christmas gifts received in this city none were more unique more valuable or gave more pleasure to the recipient than a large and beautiful moose head received Tuesday evening by Dr. John Kapp. It was presented to him by Dr. G. A. Heatherton of St. Johns, New Brunswick, a former student in the medical college and a famous hunter, who undoubtedly shot this fine specimen himself. The moose undoubtedly weighed between 1,200 and 1,600 pounds. The tips of its antlers are 47 inches apart and the antlers are 36 inches long. The part of the antler used for shoveling the snow to get at the moss which furnished part of its food is 14 inches wide. The head is 29 inches long. The neck is as large around as a man's body. The head is a larger and finer one than any in the museum and it is doubtful if its equal exists any place in the state. Dr. Kapp had an invitation to go moose hunting with his friend the past year. If he had it might have been his fortune to have brought down this magnificent animal but as it is he has the head anyway and is justly proud of it.

Death of Mrs. Geo. N. Hammond. Mrs. Geo. N. Hammond, nee Frances V. Abbey, died at her home two miles west of Willis last Friday from apoplexy. She had been in her usual condition of health a few nights before having attended a Maccabee entertainment. At noon Thursday she explained to her husband that she was not feeling well and remarked that she would lie down and rest a while. On his return to the house at supper time, she was no better and a physician was summoned. When he arrived she was unconscious and never regained consciousness. She died on Friday about 5 o'clock. The funeral occurred yesterday at 2 o'clock and she was buried in the Augusta cemetery in the Childs neighborhood.

She was born and reared in Augusta and spent most of her life there. She was connected with the auditor general's department at Lansing during the administration of Gen. Humphrey and was married to Geo. N. Hammond in 1877 and since has resided at the home where her death occurred. For several years she has been the correspondent of the Argus at Willis. She was of a sunny disposition, always seeing the bright side of life, and hence a general favorite among her friends. She was a good wife and a kind, affectionate mother. At the time of her death she was 53 years of age. She leaves a husband and one son.

Ann Arbor Agricultural Co. The annual meeting of the Ann Arbor Agricultural Co. will be held at the office of the company in the Fifth ward on Tuesday, January 3, 1899, 10 o'clock a. m., for the election of directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it. JOHN FINNEGAN, Secretary. Dated Ann Arbor, Dec. 15, 1898. 50-52

The Lima Farmers' Club. The Farmers' Club met at Irving Storms' Dec. 14, and a very enjoyable time was had. The subject for discussion, "What are our most noxious weeds, and the best means to adopt to rid the farmer of these continual pests." A lively discussion followed in which nearly every gentleman took part and brought out many thoughts on the subject worthy of remembrance and adoption. Rev. A. Bush was present and took quite an active part in the proceedings. He said his work had been to rid society of some of its most troublesome weeds and therefore could not be expected to say much on the subject of destroying the weeds so troublesome to the agriculturist. However he gave us some new ideas in regard to the native weeds of his former home in the west, which was well received by all present. Several new members were taken in and the society seems to be in a prosperous condition. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Easton, Wednesday, Jan. 11. The subject for discussion: "Resolved, that territorial expansion is not a detriment to the U. S."—Chelsea Standard.

Parties having property to sell or exchange should list it with JAS. R. BACH, 120 N. Fourth Ave. Lassoed Out of the Mud. Thomas Grant, editor of a trade paper in San Francisco, in a fit of despondency determined to end his life. Going out to Bernal Heights, he stabbed himself several times with a penknife and lay down to wait for death, which did not come. Then he walked to a near-by creek with a muddy bottom and threw himself in. He quickly sank to his waist and was slowly going deeper when he was observed by some one, who called an officer. The policeman, an expert with the lasso, got a rope and with one dexterous throw got the line over Grant's shoulders and hauled it tight over the man's arms before he could throw it off. Then he was hauled ashore, partially divested of his coating of sticky mud, and sent to the hospital, where he is now in a more cheerful frame of mind.

He Knew the Lady. Wife (with a determined air)—I want to see that letter. Husband—What letter? Wife—That one you just opened. I know by the handwriting it is from a woman, and you turned pale when you read it. I will see it! Give it to me, sir! Husband—Here it is. It's your milliner's bill.—Tit-Bits. Dr. Miles' Nerve Plasters 25c. at all druggists.

CONCERNING GANG PLOW.
A Kansas Farmer Tells What He Knows About Them.

There is more than one make of gang plow. Some give satisfaction, and some do not. This fact is reason enough for the advice, "Do not under any circumstances buy a gang plow until you have thoroughly tried it, and you positively know that it is the thing you need." It is given by an advocate of gang plows, who writes to Kansas Farmer as follows: A good gang plow will save a man's wages and board every day it runs, and the man who has to hire help can soon make it pay for itself. With four good horses on a reliable gang plow, with a fifth horse following behind drawing one section of a harrow, one man can plow and harrow four to five acres per day and be amply fresh enough at night to rustle up his chores in good shape.

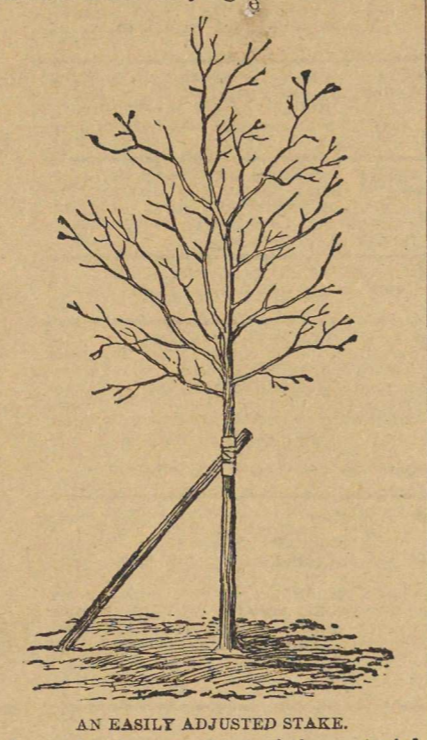
The gang plow that was returned here (Morantown, Kan.) was not liked because four horses could not travel abreast comfortably. The outside horse must go in the furrow, and the plows must travel between him and the second horse, and as the center of draft is between the second and third horses it will be seen how awkward a four horse team would travel. Wherever three horses could draw this gang plow it gave good satisfaction, but all seemed to want four. One man used three behind and two on the lead, but they took too much land in turning.

The gang plow that was well liked had a patent set of evers, so that four of the very largest horses could travel freely abreast, and the plow had no land sides, all friction that usually comes on the land side being carried on a crooked castor wheel that ran behind the plows in the furrow, and this wheel was connected by a twisted chain to the tongue in such a way that when the horses turned one way the wheel carried the plows the other way. This improvement made very light draft, and also facilitated the turning at the end, as when the horses swung into the return furrow the castor wheel carried the plows out and around, bringing the plows into exact position to start in.

The Kansas Jack Rabbit. Kansas dealers in hides have at length awakened to the fact that jack rabbit hides, known in commerce as American hare pelts, are in great demand in the eastern markets, and notices similar to the following are appearing in many papers throughout the state: "We will buy nicely handled cased jack rabbit skins at 3 cents each; opened or damaged, half price; culls and pieces 8 cents a pound; cottontails at 5 1/2 cents a pound. Must be perfectly dry and free of meat."

The skins of the jack rabbits are used for making hats. The best quality of hats, says the New York Times, are made from fur, and the fur has heretofore been obtained from Australia, where the rabbits are successfully disputing the possession of the country with the human inhabitants.

A contributor to American Gardening writes: I take 2 inch chestnut planks and have them ripped into strips 2 inches wide, sharpen one end, and, after starting a hole with a bar, merely to get the course, drive the stake home with a maul. Used as shown, it answers every purpose that three stakes do, keeping the tree from swaying in either direc-



AN EASILY ADJUSTED STAKE. tion, takes but one-third of the material and labor, and, when driven in line with the trees, is not unsightly or in the way of the cultivator or hand hoe. I also wrap the tree with a piece of matting and make it fast to the stake with tarred cord. I think it advisable to remove the wrap at least once each season, as I have found borers at work under it in several cases.

Here and There. Irrigation has proved a gratifying success in Michigan.

The arid region, according to a recent estimate, embraces two-fifths of the area of the country and includes 616,000,000 acres of land that can be benefited by water.

Cotton in Oklahoma was the subject of an address delivered at Perry, O. T., by Professor Fields.

The movement for increase of beet sugar production is assuming large proportions. New factories in the distant west and in Wisconsin are being established. A shortage is reported in western honey. The San Jose scale has been reported in Ohio. The Ohio State association is a newly formed organization. On the 1,000 acre farms of the west irrigation by flooding is prevalent. On small tracts the usual plan is to run the water through furrows between the rows of trees or crops.

A Tricky Butcher.
The greatest business mind I ever ran up against was possessed by the former proprietor of a meat market on the corner of Front street.

"This butcher had a fine, squeaky voice, which you could hear a block away. Tricky? Yes, that's just what you would call it. I used to watch him sometimes when he was waiting on customers, and it was positively amusing to see the apparent ease with which he would make a two pound steak weigh apparently three or more pounds. "He would take a couple of pounds of meat and throw it on the scales so that the pointer would show four pounds and then take it off before the scales could register the true weight. "There's just four pounds exactly," he would say to the customer in that sneaky voice of his, and then continue with the statement quickly made: "Four times 12 is 58. Call it 60," and unless the customer was watching him closely he would always get even change.

"He was in the meat business only a few years and amassed a competency. Then he left it. What worries me is how he is going to get along now. I understand he is in the real estate business, and I wonder how he works it when he sells a piece of land. The scales won't help him much there."—Philadelphia Record.

The Only Time There Was. The necessity that there shall be only one man who "has the say" in a military command is thoroughly recognized in the United States army. A story is told of General Shafter which illustrates the punctilio of the regulars in this regard.

At a certain frontier post at which Shafter, who then held an inferior rank, was commander many years ago, a discussion arose among several officers as to the exact time of day. A captain, with his watch in his hand, said: "It is now exactly 3 o'clock." "Oh, no!" said a lieutenant. "By my time it's eight minutes past 3."

A third young officer drew his watch out of his pocket. "I know my time is exactly right," he said, "and my watch says two minutes past 3." At this juncture Major Shafter looked at his silver watch. "I don't know what your watches say," he remarked, "but I wish you to understand that in this command it is five minutes past 3." Then the young officers remembered that the authority of the commanding officer extended to the time of day.—Youth's Companion.

A Useful Coffin. It may not be generally known that the Dutch Boers at the Cape, especially those living in remote districts where material is expensive and labor difficult to obtain, frequently purchase at least one coffin beforehand which is placed in a conspicuous position in the "voorkamer" or principal sitting room and utilized as an article of furniture, for ornament or as a receptacle for clothing and other oddments.

One farmer well known to the writer possesses a beautifully finished article of this sort which he purchased about 30 years ago. During that period he has buried three wives each of whom had to be content with coffins of the commonest material and roughest workmanship while his own awaiting its possessor stands in all its luster of polished teak and silver mountings.

For the present the old gentleman uses it as a couch for his midday nap in order, as he sometimes remarks with grave humor, that he may get accustomed to it.—Cape Times.

A German Word Serpent. A German correspondent comes to the rescue of his countrymen, concerning whom we expressed surprise that they should prefer to use a word of four syllables when another word expressing the same thing in 40 syllables was available. He sends us a copy of The Kolnische Volkszeitung, in which occurs a sentence of 607 words, occupying 69 lines of the newspaper.

This word serpent occurs in a legal judgment, and even the printers got to hate it after setting up about 450 words of it. So they put in a full stop, which, like a rifle bullet in the spine of a boa constrictor, killed the whole sentence. But it must really be nice to have newspapers in which you can begin to read a sentence at breakfast, continue it in the train and triumphantly reach the verb at office.—London Globe.

Experienced. "Have you made up your mind just what qualities you expect to find in a husband?" asked the matron. "Why, of course," answered the maid. "Too bad," commented the matron with a sigh. "Why do you say that?" demanded the maiden. "Oh, I always hate to see young girls disappointed," answered the matron.—Chicago Post.

Defendant Missing. Diggs—"Smawley has just been telling me some of his family troubles." Briggs—"He has, eh? Well, what's your opinion of them?" Diggs—"I think I'd prefer to hear his wife's side of the case before handing down an opinion."

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Notice to Creditors. STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, ss. Notice is hereby given, that by an order of the Probate Court for the County of Washtenaw, made on the 17th day of December, A. D. 1898, six months from that date were allowed for creditors to present their claims against the estate of Nathan S. Nixon, late of said County, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said Probate Court, at the Probate office in the city of Ann Arbor, for examination and allowance, on or before the 17th day of June next, and that such claims will be heard before said Court, on the 17th day of June, 1899, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each of said days. Dated, Ann Arbor, Dec. 17, A. D. 1898. H. WIRT NEWKIRK, Judge of Probate.

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Estate of Hascal Laraway. STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Washtenaw, holden at the Probate Office in the City of Ann Arbor, on Monday, the 5th day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight. Present, H. Wirt Newkirk, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Hascal Laraway, deceased.

Notice to Creditors. STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, ss. Notice is hereby given, that by an order of the Probate Court for the County of Washtenaw, made on the 3rd day of November, A. D. 1898, six months from that date were allowed for creditors to present their claims against the estate of Phoebe A. Wheelock, late of said County, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said Probate Court, at the Probate office in the city of Ann Arbor, for examination and allowance, on or before the 3rd day of May next, and that such claims will be heard before said Court, on the 3rd day of May, 1899, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each of said days. Dated, Ann Arbor, November 3, A. D. 1898. H. WIRT NEWKIRK, Judge of Probate.

Mortgage Sale. DEFAULT HAVING BEEN MADE IN THE conditions of a mortgage made by Alta M. Adams to Nellie L. Tyler, dated Sept. 22nd, 1897, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Washtenaw, State of Michigan, on the 22nd day of September, A. D. 1897, in liber 89 of mortgage on page 375, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due the sum of two hundred and twenty-seven dollars and sixteen cents and an attorney's fee of fifteen dollars provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding at law having been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in such mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Saturday, the 14th day of January, A. D. 1899, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the mortgage will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the east front door of the Court House in the City of Ann Arbor, (that being the place where the Circuit Court for Washtenaw County is holden), the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage, with eight per cent interest, and all legal costs, together with an attorney's fee of fifteen dollars as covenanted therein, the said premises being described in said mortgage as Lots number fifteen and sixteen in Krause's Addition to the City of Ann Arbor, according to the recorded plat thereof, and being in Washtenaw County, Michigan. Dated Ann Arbor, Oct. 18th, 1898. ARTHUR BROWN, NELLIE L. TYLER, Attorney for Mortgagee, Mortgagee.

Commissioners' Notice. STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, ss. The undersigned having been appointed by the Probate Court for said County, Commissioners to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against the estate of David Ahlender, late of said County, deceased, hereby give notice that six months from date are allowed, by order of said Probate Court, for creditors to present their claims against the estate of said deceased, and that they will meet at the late residence of said deceased in the Town of Scio, in said County, on Monday the 16th day of January, and on Monday the 17th day of January, next, at ten o'clock of each of said days, to receive, examine and adjust said claims. Dated, October 15th, 1898. ISABEL KUEHNLE, JOHN FRITZ, Commissioners.

Estate of Hiram Arnold. STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF WASHTENAW, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Washtenaw, holden at the Probate Office in the City of Ann Arbor, on Wednesday, the 14th day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight. Present, H. Wirt Newkirk, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Hiram Arnold, deceased.

Noah W. Cheever, executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, do hereby certify that he is now prepared to render his annual account as such executor. Thereupon it is ordered that Saturday, the 7th day of January next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for examining and allowing such account, and that the devisees, legatees and heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the Probate Office, in the City of Ann Arbor, in said County, and show cause, if any there be, why the said account should not be allowed. And it is further ordered, that said executor give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said account and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Ann Arbor Argus-Democrat, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing. H. WIRT NEWKIRK, Judge of Probate. [A true copy.] P. J. LEHMAN, Probate Register.

Mortgage Sale. DEFAULT HAVING BEEN MADE IN THE conditions of a mortgage made by Eloise Forbush to Herbert J. Burke, dated March 12th, A. D. 1898, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Washtenaw, and State of Michigan, on the 14th day of January, A. D. 1899, in liber 90 of mortgages, on page 382, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the time of this notice the sum of thirteen hundred and ninety-one dollars and seven cents, and an attorney's fee of twenty-five dollars provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law having been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on Saturday, the 14th day of January, A. D. 1899, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, the mortgage will sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the east front door of the Court House in the City of Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, Michigan, (that being the place where the Circuit Court for Washtenaw County is holden), the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage, with seven per cent interest, and all legal costs, together with an attorney's fee of twenty-five dollars as covenanted therein, the said premises being described in said mortgage as the south fifty-five acres of the north ninety-five acres of the southeast quarter of section twenty-five, and the west one-half of the south sixty-five acres of the southeast quarter of section number twenty-five, town one south, range seven east, Salem, Washtenaw County, Michigan. Dated Ann Arbor, Oct. 18th, 1898. HERBERT J. BURKE, ARTHUR BROWN, Mortgagee, Attorney for Mortgagee.

Woman's Pride is Her Table

A well furnished table largely assists domestic happiness. Our stock of groceries comprises everything needful to make your bill of fare all that it should be. People can't live too well and groceries can't be too good. Look for first-class goods where only first-class goods can be found. Our grocery is such a place and our prices are just what thrifty housekeepers enjoy. Exorbitant prices make your victuals taste of money and spoil the flavor.

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Is a great thing to draw and keep a large grocery trade. That is one of the secrets of the large trade enjoyed by

Rinsey & Seabolt

Their groceries are just what they recommend them to be. They buy in large quantities, of reliable houses, sell the best articles and so suit their customers. If you are not now a customer, try trading with

RINSEY & SEABOLT

106-108 E. Washington St.



LOOK OUT THERE

Santa Claus has been dumping sacks of goods in The Racket for the past month, and he smiles when he thinks how much labor our store saves him in distributing presents throughout Washtenaw County.

We are literally overflowing with Holiday Goods, and you can make your choice anytime you wish.

Bring in your children, they will very soon show you what they wish, and anything here is sure to fit your purse, for

Racket Prices Are Special Prices.

We would be glad to give you figures the same as we have been doing all summer, but owing to the nature of the goods it is impossible. We established a reputation for selling on a very small margin and we propose to jealously guard that reputation so long as we are solicitors for your trade, for it is the very life of our business.

Please don't wait until evening. You won't be so well satisfied to select in haste because of the evening jam, but come in the daytime. We will pack up and lay away your selections but expect a small payment to cover the risk of carrying the goods over. Pay what you please, but take our advice and buy early.

"A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year" to all our friends and patrons and as Rip Van Winkle says "May you live long and prosper."

The Racket

202 E. Washington St.

New Rubber Tooth Brush.
A Russian has patented a rubber toothbrush, which consists of a rubber sack provided with rubber bristles on the sides and ends, the device being slipped over the finger when in use.

COFFEE—Dean & Co. have made a business hit in their 250 Blended Coffee. Consumers are learning that it is not the price, but the coffee that makes the beverage. 43ft

WANTS A NEW HOSPITAL

THE COURIER WOULD BUILD A HOMEOPATHIC HOSPITAL.

And Turn the Present Hospital of That School Over to the Allopaths and Thus Create More Room.

The Ann Arbor Courier, in its issue this week proposes the following solution for the overcrowded condition of the University hospitals:

The old school hospital is so crowded and cramped for room that some measures for enlarging will have to be made to give it a chance to take care of the patients. It has been suggested that they be given the homeopathic building, and the legislature be asked to put up a new hospital for that school.

If that is done it should be on the street car lines, for the convenience of patients, students and professors. It should also be near the campus to get the benefit of the heating and lighting plants, also of the sewers.

As there are many homeopaths of means in Michigan, and as they are now in touch with the university, they might be made interested in the project of giving their school better facilities, and might furnish the ground by subscription, on condition that the state shall make appropriation for a fine hospital. We have a strong alumni association now composed of all the alumni of the U. of M., which might use its organization to bring about the purchase of the land for the university under the above conditions.

Now as Ann Arbor has never had any free beds in the hospital this would be a chance to get five, which we should have. And we are sure our city authorities will see to it.

Our city could then help along the purchase of the desired land. It would be a wise move for the city, for the university, for both the new and old schools.

SMITH'S GINGERSNAPS.

The Jackson Herald Paragraphic Printer of Peculiar Events.

An Ann Arbor laundryman's horse, left standing ran off and when found was alone in front of the Y. M. C. A. building. Thus for the first time was the driver brought into association with a spiritual laundry; but whether the beast (the horse) was divinely wrought upon, or merely exercised good horse sense, has not yet been revealed.

It is a mighty dry day when Justice Duffy does not have an opportunity to write "Dk in St."—Ann Arbor Times. Poor Duffy! When we knew him, there wasn't a straighter boy in Ann Arbor. My! how office holding sometimes gets a man down! "Dk in St."—Drunk in street! or, is that something he writes in his docket against other names?

"Ask nothing but what is right and submit to nothing that is wrong," was Seward Cramer's parting injunction to Eddie Christensen as the latter joined the Benevolent and Protective order of Benefactors today.—Ann Arbor Argus. If Christensen neglects advice No. 1, or attempts to carry out advice No. 2, it is our opinion that there will be a row in the Christensen family. Annexation is dangerous in any event.

John Parker, arrested in Ann Arbor for larceny, and bound over, but discharged, in leaving the jail, was so overcome with a sense of the kindness of the Pingree boys around there that he couldn't bear to leave without something in the way of a souvenir or keepsake. Turnkey Wackenhut's overcoat seemed about the right thing and he went to Detroit. When he got there, by some strange co-incidence the overcoat was there also. Wackenhut took cold without it, and then took a warrant and went after Parker, who was found, very warm and comfortable and glad to see his old friend of the Judson staff. He pleaded guilty and is doing 65 days in Joe Nicholson's house of correction at Detroit.

A Mosherville farmer, on an advertisement in the Farm Journal, of Philadelphia ordered from Decatur a new kind of potato, which proved not at all like the genuine. The lot was small and scabby. The editor had guaranteed the honesty of all ads. He made demands on the Decatur potato bug to settle. The bug sent a check to the farmer, and it was protested with charges. Then the editor in Philadelphia put up his own good money, which showed him to be like all (good) editors, honest, if not smart. Moral: Don't chase after unknowns, but apply to Judge Newkirk, of Ann Arbor who, knows how to nurse a common seedling up to four pounds weight, without skipping any of his official duties.

W. W. Wedemeyer, deputy railroad commissioner, will not serve in that capacity beyond his present term. Having formed a law partnership with M. J. Cavanaugh, of Ann Arbor, he has recently refused the urgent solicitation of the governor, to become his private secretary. There, gentlemen, is a young man whom official dignities cannot render dizzy headed. He is a brainy, broad-gauge, business-like representative of high grade morals, and decency and purity in politics. Mr. Wedemeyer, has, the Herald trusts, many hopeful, successful years before him, and it also desires to one day salute him as governor of the state, or one of its United States senators. He will now attend strictly to the law; but the Herald, before dismissing him to his practice, warns him that he will not be permitted to lose himself from the public gaze. The state has use for just such a man; and by state service, no reference is had to the penitentiary.

Baltimore Oysters at Besimer's.

WASHTENAWISMS

There is considerable talk of enlarging the area of the Lodi cemetery.

A new interlocking railroad switch has been put in at Pittsfield Junction.

The Ypsilanti waterworks pumped 14,242,780 gallons of water in November.

Hogan, Gadd & Van Tuyle, of Bridgewater, shipped 1,400 sheep one day recently.

The Manchester Lodge, A. O. U. W. has taken in 73 new members in the last two years.

Fred Heninger has purchased the William Rhodes farm on the road between Ypsilanti and Saline.

The A. O. U. W. paid Mrs. Jacob Miller, of Manchester, \$2,000, her husband having been buried Dec. 2.

Twenty-five dollars has been raised towards purchasing an organ for the Sunday school of St. John's church in Sharon.

Charles Norton, of Ypsilanti, while skating Monday near the Peninsular mills, collided with another skater and broke his collar bone.

William McAndrew, a well known Ypsilanti boy, is a prominent candidate for the superintendency of one of the large Brooklyn, N. Y., schools with a salary of \$5,000.

The Saline L. O. T. M. has elected the following officers: Mrs. Glasier, commander; Mrs. Bennett, lieutenant commander; Mrs. D. A. Townsend, record keeper; Mrs. LaRue, treasurer; Mrs. Shaw, chaplain; Mrs. Lamkin, sergeant; Mrs. Lindenschmidt, master-at-arms; Mrs. Reeves, sentinel; Mary Marken, picket; Mrs. Allen, organist.

Meridian Chapter, R. A. M., of Manchester, is officered as follows: H. P., Mat D. Blosser; K., C. W. Case; S., Fred Spafard; O. of H., H. C. Calhoun; P. S., T. E. Bailey; R. A. C., Wilbur Short; M. 3d V., F. H. Blosser; M. 2d V., A. J. Lowery; M. 1st V., A. M. Yocum; treasurer, G. J. Haussler; secretary, C. J. Robison; sentinel, S. Hammond.

The Manchester Lodge, A. O. U. W., has elected the following officers: M. W., G. L. Feldamp; foreman, E. C. Westgate; overseer, Artie Jacquemain; recorder, J. E. Blum; financier, Chas. Youngmans; receiver, Wm. Koebbe; guide, Ed. Deatle; I. W., John Curry; O. W. and janitor, John Jackson; medical examiner, Dr. C. F. Kapp; trustee, Henry Landwehr; representative to grand lodge, J. E. Blum; alternate, Geo. Nisle, sr.

Attend our great Inventory Sale it will be for your benefit.

MARTIN HALLER, 52-1 Furniture, Carpets and Draperies.

HIS GRANDFATHER'S CLOCK

Is Still as Reliable as the Court House Clock.

When George Haller awakes in the morning he never misses thinking of the handiwork of his grandfather, from whom he learned his trade. Hanging on the wall is an old clock which is more reliable than the court house timepiece and nearly as accurate as a sun dial.

When his father came to this city in 1858 and opened a small jewelry store he received a clock to repair which was of German make. Upon taking it apart he discovered it was made by his father, who was still in that business in his Fatherland. The clock was owned by Charles Behr, who had received it for a wedding present, and from whom he endeavored to purchase it, but to no avail. His son, George, came here a few years later and that same clock fell into his hands to repair and he finally gave in exchange for it a fine new eight day clock.

We wish to reduce our stock before invoicing and will therefore offer our goods for the next two weeks at greatly reduced prices.

MARTIN HALLER, 52-1 Furniture, Carpets and Draperies.

Suicides Increasing Yearly.

The number of suicides throughout the world is 180,000 yearly, and is on the increase. The greatest number happen in June, the fewest in September.

Without God.

If the Bible had nothing to stay the hunger or quench the thirst, then indeed is man without God.—Rev. C. C. Hall, Presbyterian, New York City.

Farms For Sale.

One hundred and seventy-five acres, known as the John Burg farm, 1 1/2 miles west of Bridgewater Station on the Saline and Manchester road, also 80 acres on the same road 1/2 mile farther west, formerly owned by Joseph Riddle, buildings in first class order, also 4 lots on Adrian st., facing east in the village of Saline. To be sold to settle an estate. For terms apply to John Burg, Ann Arbor, or George Burg, Saline.

The Bicycle Craze.

He—"I was perplexed, Mabel, as to what I could give you as a birthday present, dear. Do you—er—think it would be too soon to offer you—er—an engagement ring?" She—"Perhaps people would think so. But you might venture upon an engagement bicycle, darling!"—London Judy.

Via Washington to the East.

Tickets to Philadelphia and New York via Washington do not cost any more over Pennsylvania Short Lines than tickets to those points via their direct lines. For further information address F. M. BUSHONG, 66 Griswold St., Detroit, Mich. 52

Milan.

Mrs. O. A. Kelly is ill with the grip. J. Gauntlett has returned from Britain.

Prof. Carrick and family are in Fenton this week.

Walter Stimpson is home from Detroit for a few days.

M. W. Hitchcock, who has been quite ill, is out again.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis have returned from their Ypsilanti visit.

Miss Lelia Kelly and Cecil Gauntlett are home from the U. of M.

Mrs. Webb Blackmer and Miss May Coe leave Jan. 4 for North Dakota.

Miss Julia King, who has been visiting in Saline, returned home Friday.

Mrs. Lucy Clark entertained guests from out of town the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Whitmarsh and daughter, Imo, of Detroit, are visiting Milan friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Smith leave Jan. 2 for California. They expect to be gone a year.

Rev. McBain Milne, of Dundee, preached a fine sermon Christmas morning at the Baptist church.

W. E. Sprague, of Detroit, was the guest of his sister, Mrs. G. R. Williams, from Friday until Monday.

Prof. James Clark, of Frankfort, Mich., is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Clark, for a few days.

Prof. and Mrs. C. M. Fuller returned to Salem Wednesday after a short visit with Mrs. Fuller's parents, Attorney and Mrs. G. R. Williams.

Whittaker.

Hipe, Albert and Will Lawson, were home from Detroit to spend Christmas.

The funeral services of Mrs. George Hammond, who died very suddenly Friday, Dec. 23, of apoplexy, were held at the Congregational church and were largely attended. During the services her son Milo was so prostrated by grief that he fainted and the services of Dr. Heubner were required to bring him to consciousness.

Early Saturday morning the poultry house and store room of Galford Markham was burned to the ground, together with the entire content including a large amount of poultry, mowing machine, cultivators, harrows, in fact all his farm and garden tools, incubator and brooder, and numerous other articles. The fire was caused by the upsetting of a lantern. The building was insured for \$70.

Richest Part of Great Britain.

Wales is the richest part of Great Britain in mineral wealth. England produces annually about \$10 to each acre, Scotland a little less than \$10, but the product of Wales amounts to over \$20 per acre.

Looking Forward.

Mrs. Noear—Do you think my daughter will be a physician? Professor—I gant zay. She may. She dell me she gome of a long-lived vamily.

WANTED, FOR SALE, ETC.

AUCTION SALE—On Jan. 1st, at ten o'clock, at the Court House, will be sold by the Circuit Commissioner at forced sale in the case of George Mast vs. Wm. F. Stiegelmeier, Mary Stiegelmeier and Stoddard W. Twitshell, Lot 12, Block 4, in Job's P. Lawrence addition to Ann Arbor, and 8 feet off Lot 13 in said block. 52-2

LOST—Between Dixboro and Ann Arbor Wednesday evening, Dec. 14, a buffalo robe without lining. Finder please leave at John Goetz & Son store N. Main st., and receive reward. 28-31d 31-3w

\$1,200 will buy a three story stone and brick house and extra good large horse barn, well and cistern. Lot 324 rods on Main st., Ann Arbor. Telephone 79, or write Geo. A. Peters, Seco. 44ft

FOR SALE—High grade black top and Ramboulette rams. D. E. Hoey, Dexter, Mich. 44ft

FARM FOR SALE—The old Henry Krause farm in Lodi on gravel road, 4 1/2 miles from Ann Arbor and 4 1/2 miles from Saline; 188 1/2 acres, good school on farm, 20 acres timber, water within 3 feet of surface, every field watered, maple grove, buildings in good shape. Easy terms of payment. Low price. Apply Fred Krause, just outside city on Broadway or at Argus-Democrat office. 51ft

FOR SALE—Farm 160 acres, on section nine, Lakefield, Saginaw County, Mich.; 20 miles from Saginaw, three from Merrill; mixed soil, watered nicely for stock; sixty bearing fruit trees; two log houses, 60x40 frame barn, granary, corn crib; eighty acres fenced into twenty-acre lots without stumps; eighty acres fenced unimproved; cash \$5,000, or \$1,000 cash at sale, balance on time at 6 per cent. interest. Inquire W. Q. ATWOOD, Saginaw, Mich. 50-54

ROYAL BAKING POWDER

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How Patti Looks.

Dressed in deep black, Patti looks sweeter and softer and, above all things, younger than she has for years. You might well take her for a young woman of some twenty-five years; the petite and delicate face is still fresh with girlish beauty; the deep, dark eyes sparkle with life and interest and simplicity, and the figure remains slight. And she is in mind just what she looks. There never was a simpler woman. She laughs almost like a young child at anything that amuses, and she is as ready to be amused as a child. At a garden party recently there was a phonograph which gave the voices of some of the best known artists, and Patti listened with delight and often with hearty laughter to the strains conveyed by this weird instrument.

Oldest Man in Michigan.

Henry Banks of Bangor, Mich., celebrated his one hundred and fifth birthday last Sunday. The old man, who is colored, is the oldest person in Michigan. He was born in Louisiana and in his younger days was a slave. When a babe in Louisiana he sold for \$150, and when grown large enough to ride his master's horse was sold for \$1,000. Banks' owner and a neighboring slaveholder had a quarrel, and to this he owes his freedom. The latter, in revenge, assisted Banks to escape by the underground railway route to Canada. The old man was an eye-witness of the battle of New Orleans.

One of the Few.

Commodore Philip has protested to the secretary of the navy against his own promotion because it is made at the expense of his comrades and friends, who, he believes, have performed their duty quite as ably and bravely as he. He can not decline the promotion, for if he did so it would be equivalent to a resignation from the service.

A Red-Letter Day.

Counsel (to witness, the father of a family)—"Why are you so certain, Mr. Branch, that the event occurred on such a date? May you not be mistaken?" "Impossible, sir. It was the day I didn't have to buy any of my children a pair of shoes."—London Punch.

Attend Our Great INVENTORY SALE

If you have to fill in here and there yet with a piece of furniture.

Rather than to carry goods over the dull season we will make prices low enough to encourage the most careful buyer.

Remember our Golden Oak Morris Chair is the best the market offers, the price on it is not any more than the plainer ones elsewhere would cost.

Our line of Smyrna, Wilton and Axminster Rugs is equal to any in the large cities, prices however much lower.

Upholstering and repairing of furniture carefully attended to.

CARPETS **MARTIN HALLER** FURNITURE

"COMPETITION DRIVEN TO THE CORNER"

A Money-Saving Triumph. Bargains as sure and certain as tomorrow's sunrise.

We have placed on sale

200 Men's Heavy Winter Suits

Strictly all wool, modern in style and pattern, at

\$10.00

They are worth from \$12 to \$15 and cannot be obtained at this price except at our store.

We Have the Power to Make Low Prices on Worthy Goods.

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