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### TOWN TALK.

The post office was moved last night. T. T. F. F. club party, Friday evening, Dec. 30.

Charles Booth has added a new coat of paint to his house.

DeMoy is greatly improving his house on Rogers street.

To-morrow Ezra Thornton and wife celebrate their golden wedding.

Elsewhere will be found an interesting letter from Rev. J. M. Van Every.

Mrs. Wyman has rented her farm and will spend the winter at Ludington.

The new addition to the Drill factory is enclosed and the tin roof is being put in place.

The Health officer informs us this morning that he does not know of a single case of diphtheria in town.

Rumors of another factory to start here in the spring. Let them come, we are here first.

E. J. Robinson is engaged in the real estate business in Detroit. He is located in the Moffat block.

Incendiary fire at South Lyon yesterday. The store house of William Bartlett was consumed.

We have just added a choice line of calling cards and a fine script type to our office. Call and see them.

The Chapter and Blue Lodge are arranging to have a public installation of officers in their new hall on the 27th.

So many tramps, burglars and thieves are around would it not be wise to have a night watchman employed by the village?

H. Lount and M. Palmer returned from their month's hunting trip last Wednesday. Deer are scarce and they only shot three.

Only a drop of forty-seven degrees of the thermometer from Sunday morning to Monday morning. Regular Michigan weather.

Mr. Kensler and family from Plymouth, have moved into the house lately vacated by Mrs. George McCoy, on Randolph street.

Henry W. Holcomb has invented a shute to carry ashes from a coal stove to the cellar or out doors. He has obtained letters patent on it.

W. McKeand has had to move his tailor shop up stairs and add his back room to the front one to make room for his large stock of clothing.

Mrs. Prof. Loomis will accept thanks for a remembrance of her wedding cake. The office force put pieces under their pillows to dream over.

Burglars entered a number of stores at Wixom Sunday night. While trying to get into George Woodman's store his large dog drove them off.

Now the clerks and others will be happy. The rink will be opened on Wednesday evening for the balance of the season. Good skates and music.

Owing to John Babillon's financial embarrassment the Milk Condenser has had to be closed for several days. It is hoped they will soon be able to start up again.

We have several desirable bargains in real estate that will pay those who intend purchasing to investigate. One of them is a fruit farm in Ionia county to trade for Northville property.

Natural gas was found at a depth of ninety feet on the base line eighteen miles east of here Tuesday. They were digging for water and found gas. Stones were thrown many feet in the air.

The Y. P. S. of the Presbyterian church desire through the columns of the RECORD to return thanks to B. A. Wheeler for the use of his stores last week and others for favors granted.

Mr. E. J. Robinson, president of the village of Northville, has vacated the presidential chair, and moved to Detroit. He and his family reside at 865 Seventh street, Northside Notion.

Prof. S. Dickie, of Albion, well known to many here, has been elected chairman of the National Prohibition committee to take the place made vacant by the death of Hon. J. R. ...

John J. Thompson brought to town Tuesday one load of wheat containing fifty-three bags, 120 bu. Next.

Tuesday evening burglars blew open the safe in Dr. Woodman's office, Farmington, and carried off \$80. They never go to printing offices for money as they would find nothing but dunning letters.

It has been necessary to send to Pennsylvania for a pump to remove the water from the Pontiac gas well. When this is done the actual size of the natural gas find can be determined.—Pontiac Bill Poster.

Dr. Swift is moving in his new office. His medicines will be no better however than when he dispensed them from his old office. May he be spared many years to deal out pills from his new quarters is the wish of the RECORD.

The roof of J. C. Buchner's new house is a very slight place. From there you can see Plymouth plainly, and the reflection on the tin roofs and the smoke of Detroit. Some of these bracing days just climb the hill and "view the landscape o'er."

Prof. W. M. Osband, of Ypsilanti and well known here, has bought an interest in the Ypsilantian and has already entered the journalistic field. He is welcome to the staff and we will wager a batch of back-subscription accounts that he succeeds in this new field as he has in every other undertaking he has gone into.

In the suit against E. J. Robinson, J. W. Hutton and P. E. White by Barclay Smith for false imprisonment a motion has been introduced by defendants counsel to have their bail reduced from the exorbitant amount of \$2,000. Not because they cannot give that amount of bail as they already have done so but on general principles.

Thanksgiving night George Brown, who lives on the base line west of the village, was awakened by his dog making an effort to break into the barn. He got up and found some one had been trying to steal wheat from his granary. They had pried off the door and would have made off with a quantity of security cent wheat.

Josiah Emery and family, of Waterford, Oakland Co., and H. W. Holcomb and family, of Detroit, were in town last week. They came here to attend the annual re-union of the Emery family, held at the residence of O. N. Barnhart. The company numbered twenty children and grandchildren were all present except Dr. Z. T. Emery, of Brooklyn, N. Y., whose health would not permit of his taking the journey.

At Union Chapter No. 55, Wednesday evening, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

- High Priest—J. H. Woodman
- King—A. H. Dibble
- Scribe—C. R. Stevens
- Captain of Host—J. W. Fuller
- Principal Sojourner—J. W. Fuller
- Captain 3d Val—H. D. Dean
- " 2d " —S. Bower
- " 1st " —L. W. Hutton
- Sentinel—A. K. Carpenter
- Treasurer—A. A. Wheeler
- Secretary—E. S. Horton.

Are we going to have a hard winter? Can't say, but have credible information from country exchanges that the corn husks are very thick; that muskrats are building their houses bigger and stronger than ever before; that frogs have buried themselves very deep in the mud, and that country editors are laying in a heavy supply of subscription wood (basswood and water elm). All these are infallible signs, and there is no doubt that we will be frozen to death before February. However we will take our chances and receive subscriptions for a year in advance as usual.

### PERSONALS.

Mr. R. F. Allen intends leaving for Cleveland to-day.

Mr. G. S. VanZile returned from his Kansas visit last Saturday.

Oliver Westfall, of Northville, was in town Tuesday.—Plymouth Mail.

Miss Louise Beal has been under the doctor's care doctoring for quinsy.

George Woodard, of Frankfort, spent last Sunday with Ed Starkweather.

J. S. Lapham has been under Dr. Swift's care for several days but is better.

R. F. Allen and wife, of Northville, were in town Wednesday.—Plymouth Mail.

Miss Jennie Bassett of Birmingham, was visiting Miss Myrtle Blair last week.

Miss Ada Knox, of Portland, has been visiting friends in town this week.

A. K. Dolph is in St. Louis, Mo., putting up church furniture for the M. S. F. Co.

A. K. Carpenter has been confined to the house for the past week with rheumatism.

Col. A. A. Monroe left Wednesday for Texas to sell A. W. Carpenter's cotton seed planter.

Thursday C. F. Hall was called to New York to the bedside of his father who is very low.

Mrs. Dr. Hudson returned Wednesday from her two month's visit with her parents in Ohio.

L. W. Smith and Miss Flora Osmond, of Pontiac, were guests at L. W. Simmons' during the week.

Mrs. A. I. Horton, of Chicago, is expected here to-day to visit her son, E. S. Horion, and other relatives.

Charles Wilson, of Grand Haven, spent a few days with Frank Thompson when he was home from school.

Mrs. Chester Kinney and daughter Jessie left for home in Saginaw City, on Monday, accompanied by Miss Jennie Inglis.

S. Bower and Starr Root returned from Alpena last Saturday where they have been gathering white fish eggs. A large bill of fish was reported at Alpena, Mich., and the weather has been very light.

### DAKOTA.

JAMESTOWN, Nov. 22nd, 1887. EDITOR RECORD:—

We arrived here, our new charge, 1st Nov. This is a beautiful city of 3,500 inhabitants, nearly one hundred miles west of Fargo, on the northern Pacific railroad. Though a very young place, its buildings are universally substantial, they would do credit to a city of ten or fifteen thousand inhabitants. Many of the private residences are truly handsome. It is the county seat of Stutsman county, and has a magnificent court house, one of the finest I ever saw for the money. The North Dakota Lunatic Asylum is located here, as is also the Presbyterian College. The soil is a black loam and gravel so unlike that of the Red-River Valley, the latter being as productive as any I ever saw.

The northern part of Dakota had a wonderful yield of wheat this year; viz, thirty-five to forty-five bushels per acre. Those regions had timely rains, whereas much of the country along the line of the Northern Pacific and south of it suffered terribly by drought; the yield of wheat being unusually poor; viz, six to ten bushels per acre and much of it too poor to ever cut. Still, I have been told that the average crop of wheat in the territory was as good as that of former years. For many miles around Jamestown the crops have suffered much for two years in succession, and the consequence has been an average crop of about six bushels to the acre and the people very much disheartened. Much of the land in Dakota is so fertile that I have almost unbounded confidence in its productivity.

I must say however, that the seasons are not reliable. The country is more than ordinarily subject to drought and hail storms, both of which must necessarily affect crops, still again, hail and lightning the farmers generally insure. We have had dangerous weather lately and doubtless the crops will be ruined.

ance, with but few exceptions the counties have gone for local option. I never saw such earnest fighting for temperance as in the late Dakota campaign. We held our last session of conference at Fargo a pleasant and harmonious session it was. As an organized Annual conference we have held but two sessions. Last year the conference had forty-seven appointments, this year it has sixty. You see we are making rapid growth. It was my lot to preach before the conference in the afternoon of the Sabbath. The next session of the conference is to be held at Jamestown. From the glowing reports of the RECORD touching Northville's rapid growth, I fancy that the Detroit conference will in the near future hold its session there.

How people move over the country, nearly as much as Methodist preachers. The first man with whom I shook hands here after preaching my first sermon was one whom I met years ago on Lake Superior. Already I have written to much at length.

Yours very truly,  
J. M. VANEVERY.

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### Northville Record.

Nov. 23, by Dr. L. R. Fisk, assisted by Rev. Washington Gardner, at the residence of the bride's parents, on Michigan Avenue, Mr. G. Will Loomis and Miss Lottie M. Berry. Miss Belle Smith bore the honor of being brides maid, and the groom's brother, Frank was his best man. A pleasant company, rooms brilliantly lighted and tastefully decorated with flowers and evergreens, a wedding supper in keeping with the occasion, many and valuable presents, congratulations and best wishes of many friends, all contributed to make a joyous social event. Among those present from abroad were the bride's grandparents, Rev. and Mrs. James Berry, of Alcona, the bride, groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Loomis, of Edwardsburg, and Rev. Samuel Bird, of Whitmore Lake, near Ann Arbor. Of the presents, one, a large and elegant lamp, was selected by Mrs. Prof. Taylor, for and by direction of Mrs. Prof. Barr, who was then in the last stages of a protracted illness, and died the next morning, several days before the wedding for which the gift was designed. The bride graduated from the Conservatory of Music last summer, and the bridegroom from the college in 1886. He is now principal of the public school, at Northville, Wayne county, for which place the couple departed on the night train.—Albion Recorder.

### SALEM HAPPENINGS.

Notwithstanding the bad weather the New England supper at H. B. Thayer's was a success socially and financially. Over 200 being present and the net receipts being about \$45. Miss Nettie Durfee, of Plymouth, commenced teaching a four months term of school at the Brick Monday morning. Miss Edith Allen, of Holly, visited in this locality last week. The furnace is being put in the Baptist church this week. Salem wants a cheese factory, a good roller flouring mill, and a telephone line with many other things. Any of the above enterprises would surely pay. Crowds of 15 or 20 of our ladies are going to South Lyon daily for winter business. We want a millinery shop. Miss Cora, of Ann Arbor, spent the day at the home of Mrs. A. J. ...

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E. R. BAZZO, Editor and Publisher.

NORTHVILLE, MICH.

At a spiritualist seance held in Northville the other day, after the spirit of Thomas Jefferson had condemned the land theory of Henry George, the alleged shade of Louis Lingg, the anarchist, appeared. "I desire to say," he remarked in a natural tone of voice, "that I did not intend to harm any one with the bombs found in my cell. I merely intended to cheat the gallowes out of all its victims. How I procured those bombs is my business. I did not get them from the woman, however, that much I will say. I do not need any more sympathy than I wanted prayers. I can do my own sympathizing when I have need of any. I will not describe the sensation of death. It seems as if I were asleep for a few days. I am all right now. Froudhon says that I am in quite a low sphere, much lower than he is, but that I can make progress if I try. If there is any hell over here I have not heard of it, and do not believe there is any such thing. I am satisfied as I am."

It is only about two hundred and fifty-six years ago since the first Thanksgiving day was observed in this country. Old Massachusetts and his ninety graves sat down to dinner with the long faced Puritans. The Indians brought deer from the woods and the pale faces supplied fish, clams and corn. Ten years later when the last batch of bread in the colony was in Governor Bradford's oven, and starvation staring our New England ancestors in the face, a good ship from Ireland appeared with provisions, and the day appointed for fasting was changed into a day of Thanksgiving. Here is a reason for new England sympathy with the oppressed Irishmen of to-day.

The principal of a public school in Pennsylvania recently wrote to Nathaniel Hawthorne asking for his autograph. He said that they proposed to hold a literary fair to get money for a school library. They evidently need a library in that section. The ignorance of this principal reminds one of the society lady in London. "Who is this Dean Swift they were talking about?" she asked a friend. "I would like to invite him to one of my receptions," Alan said. "Dear me! What was that?" "Well, about a hundred years ago, he died."

The government has won its suit against the Mormon church in the supreme court of Utah, which has decided that a receiver must be appointed. The Edmund-Tucker act dissolved the church corporation, which had been forbidden by the act of 1862 to acquire or hold more than \$30,000 worth of real estate, and directed that its affairs should be wound up "conformably to law." It was also provided that the assets remaining after the payment of the corporation's lawful debts should escheat to the United States and be used for the benefit of the common schools in the territory.

A Negro in Caddo Parish, Louisiana, who had married a white woman, and had disregarded requests to leave the country, was found recently suspended from a tree in that neighborhood, with the usual fatal results. The verdict of the coroner's jury was as follows: "The said Anor Jones came to his death by strangulation by having one end of a rope tied around his neck, the other end of the same rope around the limb of a chinaberry tree about twelve feet above the ground, and the body suspended about two and one-half feet above the ground, hanging dead."

Western Australia wants home rule. Thus far it has been a crown colony, governed by a governor and executive council appointed by the queen. It is not likely however, that it will get home rule for some time, because although the colony is large, covering an area of 975,000 miles, it has a population of less than 40,000 persons of European blood. England prefers that it shall remain a crown colony, because as such it is a convenient outlet for immigration from England.

Some Pittsburgh clergymen are greatly concerned over Sunday newspapers and threaten to organize a boycott against these papers which refuse to give up their Sunday editions. This is making use of the weapons of the world with a vengeance.

## THE NATIONAL GRANGE.

### Addresses, Reports of Officers, and a General Good Time Make up the Program.

The annual session of the national grange held in Lansing, was attended by delegates from nearly every state and territory, and several representatives of other governments were present and participated in the exercises. Several of the sessions were "secret," and at others an interested public listened eagerly to the "going" of the representatives of the class to whom the "inner man" must look for sustenance.

The annual address of Worthy Master Darden showed gratifying success in the grange during the year. There have been established 141 new granges; the state grange of Nebraska has been established and work begun in Rhode Island, which completes the circle of the states. The master urges that the order be kept prominently before the public, and expresses the belief that with lecturers in every congressional district the membership could be increased 50 per cent. in three months. Through class legislation, the master says, the farmer is deprived of a just recompense for their toil. He asserts that not over-production but an inequality of money and an unjust legislation cause the stagnation of business. The master calls for a move in the right direction, and the proposition is made by the worthy master that railroads will sooner or later be compelled to carry goods at a specified charge per 100 pounds per mile. Master Darden believes that the future congress will make the commissioner of agriculture a cabinet officer. The report of the secretary showed a balance in fiscal year October 1, \$11,479.81; receipts, \$11,703.51; expenses during the year, \$14,805.13; balance on hand, \$8,078.19. In this report the expenses exceed the receipts, but the receipts are only specific, and the grange has \$70,000 out at interest outside of the fees and dues.

The report of the secretary shows that 140 original charters, 47 duplicate charters, 49 duplicate certificates and dispensations of 143 new granges were issued during the year. The total receipts were \$8,000. The treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$8,053. Illinois, Georgia, Delaware, Connecticut and Alabama participated in the grange during the year. On the whole the order has made a steady growth during the year, and is in a better condition than ever before.

The public reception given the National Grange by Capital Grange and the citizens of Lansing, was opened with prayer by Chaplain A. J. Ross of Sable, Tex. The address of welcome by George L. Lutz and the response by Worthy Master Put Darden were listened to attentively by July 2, 1903 people, every available space in representative hall being occupied and hundreds being unable to gain admission. Addresses followed by Hon. O. M. Barnes, ex-Gov. Field Robin of Maine, Hon. Edwin Willets, Hon. J. M. Liscomb of South Carolina, Hon. E. P. Allen of Mississippi, and Hon. J. B. Brigham of Ohio. By all odds the prettiest feature of the session was the exercise by young ladies of the city, who personified Columbia and the sisterhood of states in costume, and gave a recital. In response the fifty school children of the city and sixth grade presented many "Memorabilia by Michigan," and Columbia proceeded to impart to the states a very good quality of advice for future action, the most striking being: "Keep good old Saxon honor bright. Not ask what's policy, but right." The final verse was recited by all the states in chorus.

The report of National Lecturer Whitehead of New Jersey, was listened to with rapt attention. The lecturer said that during the past year, besides sending out weekly a column of grange news to more than 300 publications in states and territories, these publications have a combined circulation of 13,000,000 copies and published 273,704,000 grange items. He has visited 23 states, delivered 23 lectures and circulated over 600,000 tracts and circulars.

The executive committee recommended that a permanent home be established at Washington by building a house where the secretary could keep the records. It was to be hoped that the grange would take action urging congress to amend the patent laws, as at present they were injurious to the agricultural classes. The report of the committee on the good of the order was favorable to the degree of Pomona in like manner and for as the same degree is now conferred by the National Grange, and each person receiving the degree shall be entitled to a certificate of membership in the sixth degree from the National Grange and duly attested under its seal.

It was also voted to submit to the various states an amendment to the constitution allowing each state grange to regulate the membership fee paid to subordinate granges. The national grange has regulated the amount heretofore, and the southern states believe they can increase the membership rapidly if they are allowed to fix the fee.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Worthy Master, Put Darden of Mississippi; Overseer, Joseph Draper of Massachusetts; lecturer, Mortimer Whitehead of New Jersey; steward, X. X. Charrters of Virginia; assistant steward, J. H. Hale of Connecticut; chaplain, A. J. Ross of Texas; secretary, John Trimble of Michigan; treasurer, M. McDowell of New York; gatekeeper, A. M. Brown of Delaware; cereus, Mrs. R. A. Darden of Mississippi; pomona, Mrs. J. S. Draper, Massachusetts; flora, Mrs. M. E. Luce of Michigan; lady assistants toward, Mrs. H. A. Sims of Kansas; executive committee—Dr. J. M. Blanton of Virginia; J. W. Woodman of Michigan; J. B. Brigham of Ohio and Put Darden of Mississippi. Resolutions were adopted asking for the election of postmaster by a popular vote, and demanding that the governmental indebtedness shall be reduced by redeeming them with treasury surplus.

The display of fruits and cereals made by the different states was exceptionally fine and attracted considerable attention. One of the finest displays was made by California, and embraced specimens of everything grown in that state. This exhibit has been taken to Chicago for exhibition while most of David Woodman's exhibit has been taken to the agricultural college. The meeting will be in Boston, Kansas, a year hence. And after a year's vacation, the national grange will meet a year hence. The annual meeting of the national grange was at an end.

## Some Feats of Zerach Colburn.

Zerach Colburn was asked to say what number multiplied into itself would give the number 268,339,125. writes Prof. Proctor. The idea was to see how far he would get ahead of a practiced computer, who was set to work finding the cube root of the number (for that was what Colburn was asked for) by the usual process. But before the practiced computer had written down the number Colburn gave the answer, 645. Colburn was at this time only 18 years old, and he had not even so much instruction in arithmetic as most boys of that age have received. He knew nothing of the rules for extracting roots. But even if he had known how to extract the cube root of a number, his feat would not be less marvellous. Let any one who would learn to appreciate Colburn's calculating power try the following experiment: Set down the number just named and obtain the cube root by the ordinary method, making no hurry over the work; next copy the figures thus obtained, setting them down (in their order as obtained) as fast as a pen or pencil will travel, noting the time taken in this easy part of the work. Then consider that a child 8 years old obtained the right result, without pen or pencil, in less time than had been taken to copy down the number itself, to which all the calculation thus written out had been applied.

Asked what numbers will divide 36,083 exactly, Colburn at once answered: "None." Let the reader try how long it takes with pen and paper to prove that this is really so, he will have to try the divisors 3, 7, 11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 29, 31, 37, 41, 43, 47, 53 and many more, up to 187, before the proof will be complete.

Once, and once only, did Colburn have to make any considerable effort in dealing with a number as he dealt with 36,083. The number was somewhat famous in mathematical annals—viz. 2,294,967,297 of which the great arithmetician, Fermat, had declared that it had no division. Fermat gave what appeared to him a proof of this; but the celebrated mathematician, Euler, showed that the proof was incomplete. Euler also, after long labor, found a number, 641, which will divide Fermat's asserted "indivisible" Colburn was set the same task which had foiled Fermat and occupied Euler for months. The little child could not answer that day, nor the next, nor for a week or fortnight, but in the third week he gave the solution. During that time he had kept no records of his work save in what wonderfully retentive little brain of his. It may interest the reader to know that the number over which Fermat and Euler had contended was obtained by multiplying two into itself thirty-one times and adding up. Colburn did the work of Fermat and Euler in a few minutes.

## How He Strengthened His Memory.

In the last number of *Dress* a writer quotes an extended account from Thurlow Weed of how he strengthened his memory. Mr. Weed tells that he suffered in early life from a defective memory, and that he never could succeed as a politician because he did not remember people and incidents except as they especially interested him. To overcome this he began a habit of, at its close, recalling everything that had happened during the day. Soon he made this a habit of his life. "Every night, the last thing before retiring—(one would have expected Thurlow Weed to have said 'going to bed')—I told her everything that I could remember that had happened to me or about me during the day. I generally recalled the very dishes I had had for breakfast, dinner and tea; the people I had seen and what they had said; the editorials I had written for my paper, giving her brief extracts of them. I mentioned all the letters I had sent and received and the very language used as nearly as possible; when I had walked or ridden. I told her everything that had come within my observation. I found I could say my lesson better and better every day. I am indebted to this discipline for a memory of somewhat unusual tenacity."

## An Old One.

Nebraska State Journal.  
The oldest human being in the world is an Indian woman living in the southern suburbs of Lincoln. She was born in 1478, and distinctly remembers the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus, assisted by Susan B. Anthony. She sold Columbus a pair of beaded moccasins at the time, and he gave her a Waterbury watch and a man to wind it for her. She refers to him affectionately as Chris, old boy. She says she had always predicted that America would be discovered, when a general boom would be inaugurated. She was servant to George Washington for a number of years, and was present when he chopped down the cherry tree. She protested against, but George answered that he had to do something to make a reputation, and he had a weakness for chopping down cherry trees and selling the truth. The old lady avoided the fact and drew the fruit from the tree and the cherry tree was the champion for a long time.

## A Young Couple's Perplexity.

From the Youths' Companion.  
All well-regulated family magazines and newspapers nowadays devote a column or two to the subject of infant nurture; but unhappily the theories advanced are so various and contradictory as often to prove rather a hindrance than a help. Here is the experience of an anxious young couple, who certainly deserves sympathy, and who, it is to be hoped, will in due time learn that two thirds, at least, of the reports of "What doctors say," in newspapers, was never said by any doctor who possessed common sense. "Oh, Charles," said my wife the other day, "there is a German physician who says that babies should never sleep on their right side, and you know that I always lay Tommy down in that position." "Well, well," I said consolingly, "it evidently hasn't hurt him much. He is the picture of health." "Oh, you can't tell by that how he has felt. He may have suffered everything."

The next day I read in one of our prized "Infant Columns": "A baby should always be put to sleep on its right side, as the pressure on the heart is thus relieved." "Here," I said, "we must go back to the old way," and baby was turned accordingly.

Within twenty-four hours my wife came hurrying to me, newspaper in hand. "Charles, how ignorant we are! We certainly don't deserve such a treasure as our baby. Here we have been making Tommy sleep, first on one side and then the other, when I have just read that a baby should always be on its back, as digestion is thus greatly assisted. No wonder the little darling is restless."

So Tommy was turned over on his back, and there he lay, till one morning I picked up a magazine and read: "It may not be generally known that the most healthful position a baby can be placed in for a nap is flat on his stomach. Many children suffer greatly from the ignorance of their nurses on this point."

"Now I understand what made baby kick and scream so when we placed him on his back," and straightway he was put to bed on his stomach. "He'll get used to it by and by," said my wife. "Raise him a little higher on his pillow." "I have just read that a baby should never be on a pillow, it is liable to cause a curvature of the spine."

"Oh, mercy!" screamed my wife, "do throw the pillow away." "But that very day we read: 'A rush of blood to the head often results from having a child's head on a level with its body.'"

"Bring back that pillow," I said. "But I don't want his spine curved," protested my wife.

Tommy seems as anxious about it as we are.

## The Snake Habit.

Chicago Herald.  
Mr. Mesereau, of Ulster county, was introduced to Colonel Thomas P. Ochiltree in the smoking-room of the Hoffman House, and heard the Colonel relate some interesting facts about the snakes of Texas. Esopus is noted for raising big squashes and able snake historians. Mr. Mesereau is one of the latter products, and he has attained his full growth. When Mr. Ochiltree paused to reight his cigar, Mr. Mesereau said "I believe some snakes have human nature and instincts in their system, and I will prove it to you. One day not long ago, while I was crossing a field on my farm, I heard a rustling in the grass. I looked and saw something that made my hair stand up so straight that my hat fell off my head. Not more than ten feet away was a black snake over eight feet long. The snake looked at me a moment, thrashed the ground with his tail, cavorted around in a circle, and then moved away in the direction I was going. I was so paralyzed at what I saw that I stood still like a balky jackass. The snake came back, and after going through the same performances as before he ran away again. That's mighty queer, says I to myself, I wonder what ails that snake. Again that snake came back, thrashed and cavorted around and looked in my eyes. This time I had the courage to look more steadily, and I noticed a sort of appealing look in his eyes. I followed the reptile, which ran ahead to show me the way. He led me to a big log at the end of the field. Under the log was the snake's mate. He wanted me to extricate him. I lifted one end of the log, the snake crawled out, and both of them streaked away. The next morning as I was eating breakfast I heard a knock at the door. I opened the door, and there were two black snakes. They had a big fat rabbit and a pair of partridges. They crawled into the kitchen, got upon a chair, laid the game on the table, and then left the house. They had knocked at the door with their tails. Now if you don't call that human nature and instinct, then I'd like to know what human nature and instinct are." Colonel Ochiltree's cigar had again gone out, and as he left the room he got a fresh one, he murmured, "I wonder if there is any chance of a habit for a man who has the snake habit?"

## An Aged Travels.

Capt. Robert W. Andrews, of South Carolina, and his dog Fido are now in this city. The Captain was 97 years old the 4th of July this year. Fido will be 5 year old his next birthday. They walked up from South Carolina early in the season, and now they are walking back again, taking things comfortably, not hurrying themselves unduly, and seeing the sights as they go along. It is the Captain's seventh visit (on foot) to the North and Fido's second. It is only just to Fido to mention that he has also accompanied his master on a Southern pedestrian tour which took him as far as Texas—a long journey for a small dog. The Captain's eyes are as bright, his cheeks as ruddy, his laugh as cheery as ever. He has to pull out his spectacles when it comes to reading the newspaper, but doesn't need them for books unless the type is smaller than it should be, and often writes two-thirds of a letter before it occurs to him that they are not on his nose. He has enjoyed his summer North very much he says. Besides seeing this city and Boston he has taken a ramble through Vermont and New Hampshire, and has revisited the village up in Maine where he learned the shipwright's trade in 1817, before he went to sea—a sailor and learned that trade. The mention of his five years before the mast reminded him of a story. When he got home from sea his own mother didn't know him, and liked his looks so little that she was unwilling to harbor him over night. As he was turning away she asked him where he lived when he was at home. "I was raised about here," he meekly replied. At this his brother shouted, "It's Bob!" and the fat old man was sacrificed in due form.

To the question whether he wasn't sometimes afraid of being robbed on those long jaunts the Captain replied, with a knowing smile, that he never carried money enough in his pockets to make it worth anybody's while, and that he had taken care of his habits in that respect should be known. Whenever he gets a few dollars that he has no immediate use for he drops in at the first postoffice and sends them home. Once, on a country road down South, a negro undertook, under the pretense of carrying the "boss" bag, to despoil him, but as he made a dash for the cane-broke the Captain fired two shots at him. The negro dropped the bag and vanished, and the captain hasn't seen him since. "I don't know whether I hit him," he says, "but I hit the bag anyway."

Unless unexpectedly detained on the way, he and Fido will reach South Carolina about the 1st of November—perhaps sooner if he makes a contemplated purchase of a horse and buggy for the more convenient carrying of his books, etc. Once home, they will take a month or six weeks' rest, and then start on a walk across the continent to San Francisco. "I think now we shall come back around the Horn," said the Captain.—Hartford Courier.

## Gov. Hill on Land Taxation.

At the Yates county fair at Penn Yan recently Gov. Hill spoke. In the course of his address he said: The prosperity of the farming regions will not be advanced by imposing all our taxes upon land. It will not be aided by having the government assume the control of the banks, telegraphs and railroads. It will be retarded by any attempt to confiscate the property of individuals, and to unsettle rights of ownership which have existed for generations. The farmer takes no interest in the utopian schemes of those political economists who seek to have a compulsory division of property. He is the conservative element in the community, and believer in "proving all things and holding fast to that which is good." He fails to comprehend how the social or political millennium is to be reached by the abolition of the burden of taxation in every form and on all species of property except land, and imposing it all upon land itself. He cannot see how men who own no property and pay no taxes whatever are to be particularly relieved by a change in the forms or methods of taxation. If there was an entire abolition of all taxes, there would be poverty then as now. There would be as much inequality of ownership then as now exists.

## Her Bad Fate.

Miss Mary Tucker, the beautiful young daughter of ex-Representative Tucker, of Essex, Conn., who eloped with her father's colored coachman, Hanchett, and was married by the minister in her town, she previously having colored her skin to conceal her identity, was found, says a special from Hartford, deserted and penniless, at a farmhouse between Lyme and Black Hill, on the Shore Line road. When her absence from home was discovered her father and friends started out in pursuit and traced the couple to Lyme, where Hanchett deserted his bride and took the boat for New York. The girl made her way on foot to the home of a friend in New York, and all will have been well, had it not been for the fact that she was discovered by the police, and taken to the police station, where she was held for a few days, and then released.



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#### WALLED LAKE.

The correspondent from Walled, for the Wayne County Courier seems to have about as much brains as an average sized ox. He never has anything good to say about the churches or the preachers or the temperance cause. One would judge that he belonged to that class who find their congenial associates in the saloon and around the card table. Probably correspondent timber is scarce at Walled Lake.

Rev. Mr. Niles, of Redford, preached in the Baptist church Sunday morning and evening.

Rev. L. Hazard goes to Farmington this week to assist Rev. F. D. Ling in special services.

Quarterly meeting services at the Methodist church next Saturday and Sunday. Dr. J. S. Smart will preside.

The wedding of John Erwin and Miss Gertrude McKinney passed off quietly at the home of the bride's, on Wednesday evening, Nov. 23rd. A large number of friends were present. Many elegant and useful articles were presented as loving gifts. After supper Mr. and Mrs. Erwin took the F. & P. M. train for Detroit, thence to New York where they intend to stay until the new year. Mr. Erwin has a married sister living in New York. Rev. L. Hazard officiated.

Mr. Davis has been working Mr. Dolby's place intends removing to Pontiac.

Oliver Clark says the threshing is about over.

On Thanksgiving day a service was held in the Methodist church. Sermon was delivered by the pastor.

The donation at the Methodist parsonage on Tuesday evening, was greatly enjoyed by the large gathering present.

Jerome Cumpston is fixing up the pickle factory for a warehouse this winter. Very little grain is coming in this fall.

All in all, it is a very quiet time in the town.

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