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TOWN TALK.

Did you swear off Tuesday? Have you kept your good resolve for three whole days?

The eclipse of the sun Tuesday was witnessed here by a few of our citizens. It was plainly visible.

The village board adjourned last Tuesday evening to next Monday evening on account of no quorum.

The week of prayer will be generally observed by the various churches of the place. It begins next Monday.

The annual meeting of the Baptist Church and society will be held next Monday morning at 10 o'clock at that church.

James McMillen was elected U. S. Senator at Lansing yesterday. He succeeds Thomas Palmer who refused a reelection.

A literary social. Where? At A. J. Welsh's. When? Tonight. By who? The ladies of the Baptist church. All invited? You bet.

Frank A. Tubbs has secured a position as traveling salesman for a Detroit tobacco house. He left Wednesday morning for his new field of labor.

A Mexican sorcerer has predicted that Mexico will conquer the United States in 1890, and some of the Mexican papers say that she is infallible.

A entertainment to-night, admission only twenty and ten cents. Proceeds to help furnish the new High school room with picture and matting.

The Hypok house has changed hands again. George Butler is the purchaser. His son Frank will be the landlord and he took possession Wednesday morning.

The children all say they must sell a large number of tickets for the entertainment and purchase and frame those oil paintings for the High school room.

Workmen while digging a well in Fenton, struck coal about 80 feet below the surface. The article appears to be a good quality of soft coal and burns nicely.

Port Huron can boast of historical grounds as it was here that Thos. Edison, the great electrician, tried his first experiments, and also the early home of the world-renowned Emma Abbott.

Fred S. Brooks having been appointed state agent for Ohio and West Virginia of Niagara Fire Insurance Co. of N. Y. depart New Year's day for Chicago, preparatory to taking charge of his new field of labor.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cork celebrated their eighth wedding anniversary on New Year's day by entertaining a number of relatives. Four generations were present wishing the couple many years more of life's enjoyment.

The F. & P. M. R. R. Co. have withdrawn their week end tickets from sale. If you haven't taken advantage of their liberal offer in the past to visit friends you must blame yourselves. It is too late now to go at reduced rates.

"Recently a freight car was broken into at Oxford and 273 pounds of butter stolen. Seven residents of Oxford have been arrested, among them being Horace Kelly and wife, at whose house the butter was found."—Detroit Journal.

The state mill at Lansing started grinding Wednesday. The grists it turns out will be reached with interest. Every member goes to the mill with a pocket full of measures to have ground out and immortalize his name.

Dr. J. M. Armstrong has moved from Sandy, Utah, to Ogden City, in the same state. He writes that he is doing well there which fact his many friends here will be glad to learn. He sends a happy New Year greeting to all his old acquaintances.

A number have responded to our request in last week's paper to call and pay up what they are owing on the paper, they will accept our thanks. We would like to thank others. Look at your table and see if you are owing the printer.

The U. S. History class of the High school will give an art entertainment, this evening, in the Young Men's hall. They have engaged the services of Prof. Palmer, late of Boston, the eminent artist and cartoonist. He will give a "chalk talk" in colors.

PERSONALS.

George Hueston is improving slowly. Miss May Bovee returned to Albion yesterday.

L. W. Simmons is in Rochester, N. Y. this week.

Miss Myra Clark has been quite sick but is recovering.

Frank Matthews left for California Wednesday evening.

Miss Mary Gilow, of Dearborn, is a guest of Mrs. Byron Wilkinson.

D. S. Edwards, of Carleton, Monroe County, was in town this week.

Miss Rena Westfall, of Saline, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. Dr. Avery.

John Blackwood left Wednesday for Albion where he goes to attend school.

Mrs. May Powers, of Holcomb, of Detroit, is visiting friends and relatives in town.

Miss May Temple, of Tecumseh, has been visiting at Rev. Dr. Hudson's the past week.

Miss May Stobert, of Milford, is spending a week with her sister, Mrs. J. A. Gibson.

Miss Lizzie Carel, of Greenville, spent a week with Miss Louise Beal and other old friends in town.

Leonard Mayfield, an old resident of Northville, spent the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. S. B. Taylor.

Mrs. E. W. Johns and son, of Sioux City, Iowa, spent New Year's day with the family of A. S. Brooks.

Miss Sarah Grummon, of Ypsilanti, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Woodman as is also their son George and wife of Detroit.

Geo. N. Tibbitts and Miss Emma Tibbitts, both of Muskegon, made a short holiday visit to their uncle, Charles Noble, of this village.

Prof. J. H. Simonds, of Pontiac, has been spending a few days with his father, E. Simonds. He has succeeded in getting a four years course of music introduced into the schools of that city and it will be made one of the most complete courses in the state.

Miss Alice Beam, who has resigned her position in the school here, left for Northville Wednesday morning. Cards are out announcing her marriage to a Mr. Hetley, of that place, but who is at present teaching in Oceana county. Miss Beam is a true lady and the time trusts that her future may be a pleasant one. —Lansing City Times. Miss Beam was married New Year's day by Rev. Dr. Hudson, at the residence of the groom's brother Joseph Hetley to John H. Hetley, of Shelby, Mich. The couple left at once for their new home. The bride is known here and takes with her the well wishes of many friends.

W. C. T. U. meeting next Wednesday afternoon at Mrs. Sands'. All members are requested to be present.

Starr Root has been appointed as foreman of the Duioth fish hatchery and left for there Tuesday. Monday evening a number of his intimate friends gathered at his residence for a surprise on him. They presented him with a cigar stand filled with cigars as a mark of their respect for him.

Rev. W. T. Jacques and wife were the recipients of a solid silver tea and water set Monday evening by their friends in this place. It was a complete surprise to them and but faintly expresses the attachment he holds in the hearts of his people although he has not been here a half year yet.

One of the nicest and most useful things that has come to our table in a long while is the *Evening Journal* year book. It is full of overflowing of reliable information and if the *Journal* would add one thing more it would be complete, that is more time in which to study it. Time is too short to do it justice.

We are indebted to ex-senator Crosby of this district for a table of interesting statistics in regard to the state taxes. The senator has made a deep study of this subject and he proves conclusively that Wayne county is paying more than its share of the taxes. A reform is needed but how to get it is a question that will puzzle the Wayne county delegation at the state legislature.

OUR HEROES.

JOSEPH LOUNT DIED OF DISEASE CONTRACTED IN THE ARMY.

By Lieut. H. M. White.

Joseph Lount enlisted with Co. D from this place, though I think he had been here but a short time. He was a brother of Hiram, who went out in the same Co. He went to Poolsville, Maryland, with the Co. the 1st of Feb. 1863, where we staid about three weeks and returned to the regiment at Washington. On the 25th of Feb. the regiment started on a general raid to Fairmount, where we were six days. I think it was about as rough a time as we ever saw. We hadn't learned to care of our selves and were not toughened to it. We played out a good many horses. What good we accomplished we never know, we were inside our lines all the time. About the last of March we made another raid out to Aldie, some distance beyond Fairfax, C. H. The boys remember Honey Springs and the picket at Aldie church the night following in the snow storm of April 4th. We came back to Fairfax the next day, where we went into camp and remained doing picket duty till about the 20th of June, 1863.

Lount was taken sick soon after and went to the regimental hospital where he died on the 24th of April. The first man the company had lost. He was buried in a coffin with military honors, and a funeral service, the only man of the company who died in the field who ever received anything of the kind.

CHAUNCEY G. RATHBUN KILLED IN ACTION IN THE ARMY.

Chauncey G. Rathbun married a daughter of our townsman Hiram Whitaker, and was living with him on the farm on the town line near the Summit church, when he enlisted in the fifth Cav. Co. D., in Aug. 1862. I never saw him till we met in the Co. I understand he had lived in the town of Salem for several years, he was perhaps twenty-five years old. He went to Washington with us in Dec. '62. He was sick a good deal of the time while we were camped on east Capital Hill, home-sickness being largely the trouble, but after we went to Fairfax on the picket line he began to brace up. The surgeons used to say home-sickness was as fatal as many other diseases if the mind could not be roused or interested in some other direction. Mosby's Guerrillas used to stir up our picket line occasionally so that it gave us something to think about while on picket duty at least.

Lee's move into Penn. broke up our picket duty and we started after him about the 20th of June, 1863, met a part of his troops for the first time at Littleton, Maryland, June 30, we were disappointed to fight on foot. Rathbun was killed the first man in the regiment, he was buried on the field where he fell. Lieut. Dead who stood near him said, "he was cool and his aim steady, that he saw two or three rebels fall when Rathbun shot."

Remember the art entertainment at the Young Men's hall to-night.

The following are the officers for the Presbyterian Sunday School for 1883: Supt. J. A. Dubuay, Asst. Supt. Mrs. F. N. Clark; Sec'y Miss Linnie Dunlap; Treas. H. D. Dean; Librarian, A. E. Rockwell; Asst. Librarian, R. H. Purdy. The following officers were elected at the Methodist school last Sunday: Supt. F. R. Beal; Asst. Supt. J. N. Emery; Sec'y Chas. A. Dolph; Treas. Miss Lou Beal; Librarian, Chas. Booth; Asst. Librarian Geo. Hutchinson; Chorister, M. J. Withee.

The public installation of officers and the banquet at the Knights of Pythias hall last evening was a decided success and gave that new order a very satisfactory send off. A number of grand officers were present from Detroit with their wives and enjoyed the festivities. After the installation tables were spread and an elegant banquet provided which would tempt the most fastidious. This young order has gained a strong foothold here in three months and has already doubled its list of original members.

Come and see the celebrated cartoon "Darwin's Species."

The lecture announced for the Presbyterian church by Rev. O. J. Perrin, on Gen. P. H. Sheridan, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. was listened to by a very small audience Wednesday Evening. The lecture was grand and well repaid those who attended. The old soldiers were very conspicuous by their absence. Only one veteran being present to hear the great commander eulogized.

The Hyers' colored musical comedy company will be at the Opera house next Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. This is the only colored dramatic company on the road and from press comments we judge they are giving satisfaction where they have been. Tuesday evening they will give a minstrel entertainment and Wednesday evening they will render "The Blackville Twins."

Monday morning about 6:30 o'clock, John Jennelle, at his home on Huron street east, had a little red-hot experience with a gasoline stove and the fire ladders were called out but their services were not needed. John undertook to fill the tank with the burner going and as a natural result soon had more heat than he bargained for. Aside from getting his hands burned the damages were slight. —*Publicist*.

The final meeting for the organizing of the Building and Loan association will be held at the council room Saturday evening. An organization will be completed provided sufficient stock is taken to warrant starting it. There is not enough stock taken yet, and all desiring to go into the company are requested to be on hand to-morrow evening. Circulars have been issued fully explaining it and if you have not received one you can get one by calling at B. A. Wheeler's store.

After the moral and religious education of the family, we know of nothing that will confer a more lasting and permanent benefit than that most instructive and, at the same time, entertaining periodical, *Scientific American*. It should be a visitor in every home, where its work will be found not to be idle. It is of special value to the machinist, the engineer, and the mechanic, but it is of equal value to the farming and mercantile community, and to all who are of an inventive or ingenious turn of mind. It will be found invaluable to those, whether young or old, who are fond of using tools as a recreation. The subscription price is only \$1.00 for four months, or \$3.00 a year. The publishers are the old-established house of Munn & Co., 301 Broadway, N. Y.

CARDS OF THANKS.

I wish to return my heartfelt thanks to the many friends and neighbors, who so kindly helped in the sickness and death of my husband, and also to the G. A. R. post.

Mrs. F. M. DEVAN.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to all those kind friends for their kindness and assistance during the sickness of my father, and particularly to Mrs. DeVan whose assistance and kindness materially aided to smooth the pathway of the aged sufferer to the grave.

E. L. GOULD.

BUSINESS FLASHES.

Items under this head five cents a line each line.

We would remind all that it is customary to balance all accounts January 1, so as to see how we stand with the world and each other. We invite those having unsettled accounts with us to do the same. C. M. JOSLIN & Co.

MONEY TO LOAN.

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Those of our subscribers and friends who have probate notices, mortgage sales, or any legal notices to be advertised in any paper in Wayne county will confer a favor by giving us the printing, and it will cost you no more. Please bear in mind that legal notice can be advertised in any paper in this county where the proceedings are ordered; and that we will appreciate a favor much.

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The religion of the Theosophists, which is attracting considerable attention at present, is a blending of Roman Catholicism, Buddhism, Brahmanism and Shamanism, with a partial return to the religion of the ancient Egyptians and the doctrine of the two elements held by the prehistoric Phoenicians or true Aryans. In the temple at 117 Nassau street, in New York, there is a bronze Buddha, and there are drawings of a virgin and child, and also of the same virgin with two children pursued by an enormous serpent with human eyes, said to be taken from porphyry bas-reliefs in the cave temple at Elora. Incense is burned perpetually before these and before the Buddha, and this is made from sandal wood with a little added gum opal. Many New York reporters have tried to learn the meaning of the virgin with the two babes pursued by the serpent, but have not succeeded. One more enterprising than his fellows consulted a journalist who was thought to be an archeological well, and he said that the picture was Etruscan, and he proved it by taking the reporter to the Astor library and showing him an illustration in Inghirami's great work, "I Monumenti Etruschi." The gloom, however, was not dissipated by this, for the text said this picture referred to the Goddess Latona, the mother of Apollo and Diana. But Father Inghirami was wrong, because the babes are both boys, and they stretch out their hands to the serpent as if recognizing their parent. The general impression in New York seems to be that the Oriental theosophists are desirous of introducing a purely phallic religion, and use these carvings and contradictory symbols just to excite curiosity and get the new faith talked about.

The Illinois bureau of labor has compiled a table of statistics showing the extent to which that state is mortgaged. The total value of the mortgages exceeds four hundred millions, one-third of which represents liens on the lands alone of Illinois. Stock and farm implements are mortgaged to the value of seven million dollars, and household goods and chattels are mortgaged to the sum of four millions. Chicago is burdened with a large mortgage debt, exceeding the aggregate value of the mortgages in the rest of the state. The interest alone on this huge burden estimated at but five per cent amounts to over twenty millions annually. The report of the Illinois bureau is valuable in calling attention to the great debt which the people of that state are piling up unconsciously and which one day will have to be paid.

At the meeting of the New York exercise commission the other day, Rev. Dr. Howard Crosby moved that every applicant for liquor license must be endorsed by at least 20 of his adult neighbors before a license should be granted to him. He argued that the community should be made responsible for the evil in its midst. It was finally carried after long discussion.

Spiritualism is all the rage among certain kinds of people in Washington, and it is growing. Several congressmen—indeed, one senator from the Pacific slope—are regular patrons of the seances which are held in the various parts of the town. It has set some of the department clerks almost wild, and those who have caught the mania talk of nothing else.

A Sunday school entertainment at Worcester, Mass., the other evening included a wood-sawing match by seven young ladies in costume. It was nip and tuck for a few minutes, but was finally won by Miss Sarah Rogers, who secured a handsome pin of a saw horse design. The last one was obliged to content herself with a bottle of soothing syrup.

Charles Francis Adams, president of the Union Pacific railway, in a public speech at Boston, said that the interstate commerce act tends to railway consolidation, and that the material and scientific development which is hurrying the nation forward toward greater centralization cannot be set at naught by any act of congress.

MYSTERIOUS CRIME.

Clew Found Through a Clever Woman's Tongue.

Some time ago a murder was committed at Poochow, China, which at first baffled the skill of doctors and left the police without any clew. The circumstances, according to the St. James Gazette, were as follows: A small shop-keeper named Le was one morning found dead in his bed. This was at once, according to law, reported to the magistrate, who was ex-officio coroner of the district and who without delay sent his officers to make the preliminary investigation. These messengers found the house draped with every emblem of woe, and the widow beside herself with grief. The body bore no outward signs of violence, and, to all appearances, suggested death from natural causes. In due course the magistrate held an inquest, and having applied every test known to Chinese science, declared himself completely at fault.

He reported, therefore, to the Prefect that there was no evidence to show how Le had met his death. This result, however, failed to satisfy the Prefect, who was an austere man and abhorred ambiguities. He therefore referred the report back to the magistrate, with direction to make further investigation and to arrive at a more definite finding. This rescript reached the magistrate when he was taking his ease in the bosom of his family, and awoke most unpleasant anticipations in his mind as to the course which it was probable the Prefect would take in case of a further failure. In his difficulty he took his wife into his confidence. Having listened carefully to all he had to say, and having asked many questions as to the Le family and their surroundings, she said:

"Did you examine carefully the crown of his head, under the thick locks of hair which form the queue?"

"No," replied her husband, "it never occurred to me to do so."

"Then if I were you I should," said his wife.

Acting on this hint the magistrate returned to Le's house, and, having carefully parted the hair on the crown of the head, found the end of a nail which had been driven home into the skull. This discovery created the greatest consternation in the household, and Mrs. Le's grief gave way to undiminished terror when the magistrate ordered her arrest. Proud and triumphant, the magistrate reported to the Prefect the result of his second inquest.

"I congratulate you on your skill and acumen," said the superior officer. "I suppose there can be no doubt that the widow is the criminal. But tell me what made you think of searching in that spot?"

"I feel convinced, your Excellency, that Mrs. Le is guilty. Her terror when I pointed at the nail showed only too plainly that she was at all events a participator in the crime. As to your second question I must confess that I acted on the suggestion of my 'dull thorn' (i. e., wife), to whom I had narrated the circumstances of Le's death."

"Indeed!" said the Prefect. "May I ask who your wife was?" So talented a lady doubtless belonged to some scholar's family.

"My 'dull thorn,'" answered the magistrate, "was the daughter of the Taoist of Hangchow and was the widow of a merchant in that city named Oh'en, who died within a few months of his marriage."

"Suddenly?" inquired the Prefect.

"Rather, I believe," said the magistrate.

"I should like to make the acquaintance of so clever a lady," replied the Prefect. "And would take her evidence at the same time. Would you bring her at once to my yamen?"

Delighted at the distinction thus conferred upon her, the lady readily repaired to his yamen, where, after the usual compliments, the Prefect entered upon the matter in hand. He praised her ability, and drew from her a full account of the interview at which she had made the notable suggestion.

"May I ask," he went on to say, "what put it into your head to think it possible that a nail should have been driven into that spot of the man's head?"

"I thought it possible," she answered, with some confusion, "as I remembered once having heard of a similar case."

"Your first husband, I believe, died rather suddenly, did he not? May I ask what he died of?"

This further question increased the lady's confusion so much that it was some minutes before she could answer.

"He died by the decree of Heaven, your Excellency."

"Did the coroner discover the disease which proved fatal to him?"

"No, your Excellency; but it often happens that coroners are at fault."

Where was your husband buried?

In the family burying-ground, outside the city wall at Hangchow.

"Very well, go home now, and said the Prefect, turning to the magistrate, 'go on with the examination into the Le case, and report the result to me in due course.'"

So soon as the magistrate had taken his leave, the Prefect dispatched a trusty messenger to the coroner at Hangchow, with directions to exhume the body of Oh'en, and to examine minutely the skull to see whether it bore any marks which might have caused death.

Meanwhile, the magistrate interrogated Mrs. Le, on whom the sight of the instruments of torture exercised so powerful an influence, that, after some equivocation, she confessed that she had murdered her husband in order that she might be free to marry a man on whom her real affections were centered.

This confession, which was borne out by collateral evidence, left the magistrate's course clear. He reported the result to the Prefect, who, in view of the heinous nature of the crime, ordered the woman's execution, without waiting for the usual reference to Peking.

The Prefect, however, delayed carrying out the sentence until the return of his messenger from Hangchow. At the end of a few days this man came, bringing with him a dispatch from the coroner at Hangchow, in which it was stated that, on examining the skull of the deceased Oh'en, he had discovered a nail, which had been driven through into the brain, thus causing death. On the receipt of this dispatch, the Prefect instantly sent to arrest the magistrate's wife, who, finding her case hopeless, acknowledged her guilt, and suffered the penalty of her crime at the same time and place with the woman whose death she had herself expedited.

The Blockade Was Raised.

A certain educational institution not a hundred miles from Albany has a collection of very rigid rules relating to the conduct of its students on the subject of hair. One of these rules is to the effect that no lady student must go out after dark in the company of a man, be he of high or low degree. This rule is enforced very strictly, and the young ladies are in a constant state of panic, alleging to be intimidated upon any untoward venture caught violating this rule. Recently, however, a young lady student attended an entertainment upon the invitation of a gentleman of her acquaintance and was unfortunately enough to be detected by a grim-faced lady teacher of the institution in question. The teacher was evidently not quite sure of the girl's fidelity, but decided that on her way home she would audit in front of the girl's bachelors, which was directly on her route and confront the culprit in the very act of disobeying the existing law of the school. The young people were just behind her, however, and gave her pause before the door of the house. They retired to the shadow of the trees and waited. The grim teacher never stirred. It was growing late, but she evidently intended to secure her victim. The young people were just beginning to feel uneasy, when a brilliant thought struck the young man. With the fair student upon his arm, he did what is usually deemed impossible—he found the officer on that beat. A short explanation and a glance from the eyes of the perplexed maiden settled the matter and the stalwart "copper" walked back to where the lone watch stood and said roughly: "Come, now, you've been here long enough; more on or I'll pull you in." Thoroughly frightened, the poor woman stood for a moment and then walked on as rapidly as offended dignity would permit. When she was out of sight the smiling youngsters made their appearance and with a demure countenance the young lady bade her friend good night and entered the house. The teacher, somehow, never reported the case.—Albany Express.

Malone's Jubilee Parade.

At Malone station, in Fond du Lac county, there is only one republican, and when the news reached him that his party had won, he hired a brass band from Fond du Lac to come to Malone. The band arrived expecting there would be a large demonstration, but was much surprised to find a solitary torch-bearer. The band was ordered to parade up the street and was followed by the republican bearing his torch. The man is certainly entitled to credit for his grit.—Chilton Times.

Following Gen. Greely's Lead.

In saloons where the use of billiard tables is charged by the hour the performers take their cue from the signal service and play with time balls.—Piscataway.

METHODS OF COURTSHIP.

They Vary Considerably in Different Parts of the World.

Among the ancient Assyrians all marriageable young girls were assembled at one place, and the public crier put them up for sale, one after the other, says a writer in the Epoch. The money which was received for those who were handsome, and consequently sold well, was bestowed as a wedding portion on those who were plain. When the most beautiful had been disposed of the more ordinary looking ones were offered for a certain sum, and allotted to those willing to take them.

In ancient Greece the lover was seldom favored with an opportunity of telling his passion to his mistress; and he used to publish it by inscribing her name on the wall, or the bark of the trees in the public walks and upon the leaves of books. He would decorate the door of her house with garlands, and make libations of wine before it, in the manner that was practiced in the temple of Cupid.

According to Dr. Hayes, courtship among the Esquimaux has not much tenderness about it. The match is made by the parents of the couple. The lover must go out and capture a polar bear as evidence of his courage and strength. That accomplished, he sneaks behind the door of his sweetheart's house, and when she comes out he pounces upon her and tries to carry her to his dog-sledge. She screams, bites, kicks and breaks away from him. He gives chase, whereupon all the old women in the neighborhood rush out and beat her with frozen strips of sealskin. She falls down exhausted; the lover lashes her to his sledge, whips up his dogs dashes swiftly over the frozen snow and the wedding is consummated.

The Australian lover is still more lacking in tenderness, if this statement made by Myers Deley is true. The lover makes up his mind as to which woman shall be his bride, and then hides in the bushes in the vicinity of her dwelling. As soon as she comes near the spot where he is concealed he knocks her down with a club, and carries her off to his home. If he does not get her to his hut before she awakes, there is likely to be a bloody fight in the bush, for the Australian damsel is generally a vigorous one, and may have reasons of her own for objecting to his attentions. The lover may then be obliged to club her again, and that is considered to be somewhat of a reflection on the arder with which his ardent effort was made, he is apt to put a second and merciless blow into his first love put as a cushion.

In some parts of Asia the question of a man's title to a bride must be settled by a fierce fight between the friends of the contracting parties. If his forces are victorious his sweetheart becomes his trophy. If her friends are victorious he must pay such price as the victors demand. All over that country some ceremony of violence or exhibition of physical power must precede a wedding. Some native tribes insist upon a foot race between the bride and bridegroom to decide the question of marriage, and others require a long chase on horseback. In some sections of Asia the lover must carry off his bride on his back. If he reaches his hut with her there can be no protest against the marriage; failing in that, he must pay her parents for her in cattle. The willing bride makes no outcry; the unwilling bride crosses the whole village, the residents of which try to rescue her.

In the isthmus of Darien either sex can do the courting, while in the Ukraine the girl generally attends to it. When she falls in love with a man she goes to his house and declares her passion. If he declines to accept her she remains there, and his case becomes rather distressing. To turn her out would provoke her kindred to avenge the insult. The young fellow has no resort left him but to run away from home until the damsel is otherwise disposed of.

A curious custom prevails in Old Friesland, Holland. October is the auspicious month, and on the first Sunday (known as review day) the lads and lasses, attired in their best, promenaded the village separately, stare each other out of countenance, and then retire to make up their minds on the second Sunday, which is called decision day. The young men go up and pay their compliments to the fair ones of their choice, to learn if they are regarded with favor. On the third Sunday, or day of purchase, the swain is expected to snatch the pocket handkerchief of his adored one, and if she submits to it with good grace he understands that his chances of winning her are flattering. The captured pledge is restored to the fair owner on the fourth Sunday, the "Sunday of taking possession," and it rarely happens that the damsel refuses the lover for whom she has indicated a preference. On the Sunday following, the sator, according to custom, calls at the house of his innamorata, where he is asked to tea. If a piece of the crust of a ginger-bread loaf is handed to him, there is nothing left for him but to retire. If, on the other hand, the parents offer the young man a piece of the crumb, he is allowed to come again and he is admitted into the family.

HAILING THE PIRATES.

They Returned No Answer and Did Not Court an Attack.

The following amusing incident is reported as having occurred in the experiences of the Surveying Expedition to the North Pacific, in 1855. This happened, as will be seen, in the Malay Archipelago. The Hancock, having anchored near an island about which she had been surveying during the day, was left in charge of thirty fathoms of chain and the officer of the watch, while every one else had retired. There had been much talk about this time in relation to "Malay pirates," how they boarded ships, in their phraus at night, and murdered all hands.

The possibility of such an attack caused us to keep constantly on guard, simply as a measure of prudence. There was no cause for men of even ordinary firmness to feel nervous, however; but we unfortunately had an alarmist aboard, who was always imagining his throat cut, a snake under his pillow, or something of the sort, and who never went to bed without locking the door of his stateroom and arming himself in the most formidable manner.

He had gone to bed this night, as usual, with a sharp's rifle, double-barreled gun, two revolvers and a bowie-knife, and was just settling into a doze when the phantasm's hoarse voice reached him from the deck:

"Don't shoot yet!"

He got up hastily, first one and then the other, and finally sat bolt upright, with a terror-stricken head.

"Hoy! hoy! what's that?" he asked, and then, with a gasp, he perceived that the phantasm was approaching.

"A couple of phraus (Malay boats) are pulling toward me, and several of them are firing at me. I am in danger!" he called out, in a hoarse, trembling voice.

In a few minutes all hands were on deck, gazing in only toward the suspected objects, while the alarmist was getting his breath and looking with a cautious halting. They looked like boats moving steadily toward the ship.

"Hail them in Malay, Mr. Spence," said Commander Rodgers.

"Spence, the chances of a Malay attack are a long breath," said Mr. Spence.

No answer. "They must have had some object or they would not have dared the audacity of a Malay alarmist."

"Phraus man-a-ah!" still no answer.

"Say 'Phraus man-a-ah!' Spence," suggested a voice at his elbow.

"Get on with your gun!" retorted the halloo, "don't you know that Malay means 'ahoy'?"

A general laugh here came upon him to rough nervously and renew the halloo: "Phraus man-a-ah!"

"Lower a boat, Mr. Bridge," at length ordered the captain, and sent her to see what they are; we may hail here all night.

So the boat was lowered and pulled off toward the phraus phraus. They proved to be small floating islets of brushwood and densely packed grass, drifting with the current; and the discovery was no sooner made than our alarmist was on deck.

"Why, where are your guns?" asked one.

"Just mind yer own business, will ye?"

"How He Liked His Potatoes."

At least one man would doubtless approve of the German Emperor's action in forbidding the use of French phrases on the royal bills of fare. The person in question having often stumbled over unfamiliar terms, much to the amusement of his friends, has a settled dislike of them. The following is a slight example of his fashion of coming to grief:

One day, ordering a dinner at a hotel table, he selected "Lyonnais potatoes," and, on trial of the dish, was greatly pleased with it. He also indulged in a bottle of mineral water, which, being a man of simple habits he had never tasted before.

"I declare, Behndia," he said to his wife that night, "I wish our cook could fix up some of the fancy dishes they have at hotels."

"What, for example?"

"Well, for one thing, a dish I ordered to-day.—Apollinaris potatoes."

It was a Maine youngster who defined an altar as a place to burn insects on.

SATURDAY JANUARY 5 UNTIL FEBRUARY 1.

Yes! Oh, Yes Sir! Just as I Expected!

U C that I was crowded out of this space last fall by other merchants who told how cheap they were selling goods and U C by their selling most of the goods I of course am LEFT with a big stock on my hands. Now I have this space back again and I propose to talk Loud, Long and Earnest and if I don't make goods go then prices quality and quantity are nix. The first on my list is a lot of

Men's heavy Pants ranging from \$2.00, 2.25 and 2.50 are to go for \$1.40. Next one a lot of Men's \$4.00 Overcoats now to go at 2.90 and still another lot at 5.00 now 3.75. One more lot former price 7.00 now 5.00. Also a big stock of Felt Boots with leather

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Northville Record.

LIVONIA MATTERS.

Mrs. Dan Baur is on the sick list again.

Ed. Bennett thrashed a job of oats on the McKluney farm this week.

Mrs. Lucy Moser, of Big Rapids, is visiting her mother, Mrs. A. L. Chapman.

Mrs. John Smith, of Isabella county, is visiting her father and mother, Mr. Lump.

Twenty-five years ago this first day of January was that memorable cold New Year's day.

Died on Xmas eve Mrs. J. J. Bradner. Mrs. B. was a sister of H. W. Luttile, of Livonia.

Our item in last week's Record about the gun affair should have read Ed. Barlow not Ed. Barton.

Old Mrs. Minckley, mother of Wm. O. Minckley, is very sick. She is very near life's end. Being near eighty-seven years old.

Mrs. A. L. Chapman and daughter, Mrs. Mosier, took dinner at John Bennett's on New Year's day. So also did your correspondent.

Gouldsmith's livery barn in the village of Wayne, was burned together with its contents containing about four hundred bushels of grain, one night last week.

A brute in human form who had been working for George Pierson, of this township, took the advantage of Mr. P's absence one night last week. Broke into Mrs. Pierson's bed room with a large bread knife in hand compelled her to yield to his brutis passions, threaten her with death if she did not. After he had accomplished his desire Mrs. P. went out and gave the alarm to L. G. Pierson he together with four others came and took the brute into custody. He had hid himself in the cellar. He is now in jail in Detroit awaiting his trial or rather his examination. A posse of men in Plymouth was awaiting for the criminal with knives in readiness to detect a portion of him.

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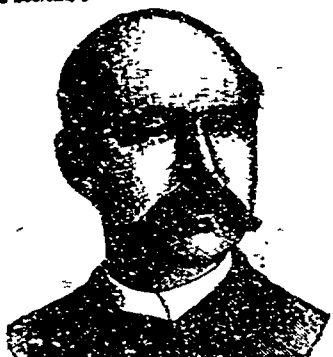
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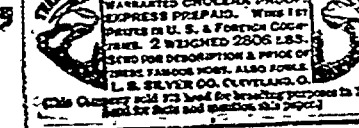
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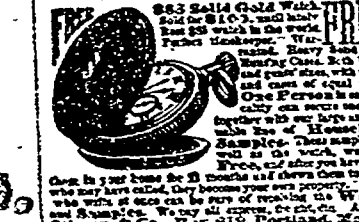
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