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CO. CLERK'S FEES

They Must Be Turned Into the County Coffers.

MARRIAGE LICENSE EXPENSE MAY BE REDUCED.

Treasury Likely to be Enriched by Several Thousand Dollars.

The Wayne county auditors will now have a chance to encourage marriage by reducing the fees for licenses. County Clerk Reynolds has heretofore been getting \$1 for the work of getting out these licenses, but only half the money was turned over to the county. He did this on the plea that half of the fee was for the taking of the affidavits, as to age, etc., and that as this work was merely notarial the fee for that work belonged to him. The auditors recently asked the prosecutor's opinion on this and Mr. Frazer delivered an opinion last week to the effect that all money belonged to the county. The prosecutor says that the law declares that the fees for any work done for a "patron" of the county clerk's office shall be turned over to the county, and persons coming for marriage licenses must be considered "patrons." Should these affidavits be taken at the home of the marriage license clerk it might be different, but inasmuch as the county pays the clerk for doing this work the money belongs to the public. The effect of Mr. Frazer's opinion is that the county auditors may fix the fee, and Messrs. Lawrence, Burt and Christian may now cut down the expense of getting married.

When the auditors recently announced their decision to try to make the county clerk turn over to the county the fees he collected for naturalization papers, it was urged that the county clerk could checkmate any such move by issuing the papers for nothing. The prosecuting attorney, however, says that the fixing of the fees is a function that belongs to the judges of the Circuit court and not to the clerk. County Auditor Christian says that under this opinion he will ask the Circuit and Recorder's court judges to fix a figure for these fees. The prosecutor

See the Point?

Slicing Oranges... 10c
Navel " 25, 30, 40c
Lemons... 25c
Bananas... 15c, 20c
Grape Fruit, each, 10c
Salmon, 1 lb can, 10c
Figs, very finest... 20c
Shredded Wheat Biscuit, 2 pkg... 25c
Stuffed Olives, bot, 25c
Lettuce, lb... 20c
Parsnips, lb... 2c
Cranberries, qt... 12c
Mushrooms, can, 10c
Beans in tomato sauce, 10c
Table Syrup, in pails, 50c
English Walnuts 12c
Ginger Snaps. 7c, 10c
Crackers (anti trust) 5c
Shredded Codfish 10c
Prunes, lb... 6c, 10c
Evap. Peaches 2-lb 25c
Evap. Apricots " 25c
A Good Broom for 15c
Corn Starch, lb... 5c
Broken Rice, lb... 5c

The deal on Queen Anne Soap and Package Coffee still goes on.

B. A. Wheeler.

also says these fees belong to the county, and that the clerk must charge the fee fixed by the judges and place the money in the county treasury. It is estimated that by these opinions the income of the county clerk will be cut down by several hundred dollars each year which will go into the hands of the tax-payers instead of the county clerk's pocket, who already gets the good fat salary of \$3,500 a year. Inasmuch as Mr. Reynolds has held the office of clerk going on three terms (six years) and is now asking for the nomination of county sheriff it would seem as if it would not be any great hardship to forego the additional "fee" program of several hundred dollars per annum to which it appears he is not entitled.

Register of Deeds, Marschner says that every fee collected in his office is paid to the county.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

PRESIDENT WHITBECK SAYS THEY ARE BENEFICIAL

And Calls the Record Man Down, Down, Down.

The following is from the pen of P. B. Whitbeck of the Wayne County Farmers' Institute, in last week's Plymouth Mail:

"The last issue of the Northville Record states that 'state farmers' institutes cost the tax-payers \$10,000 annually, and besides that a good time would like to hear from any farmer who ever received a lifeless practical benefit from them.'"

The last legislature appropriated \$8,000 for these institutes, being \$4,000 yearly, and of the large state tax paid by Michigan farmers, this is the only appropriation for their direct benefit and instruction. Among theorists, crackpots, and would be reformers, it is frequently asserted that these institutes are not affording practical instruction, that book farming soon increases the mortgage.

In this age of advancement in invention, literature, art, science and business methods, 'tis folly to argue that a farmer, alone, needs little or no education, for there is no occupation where intelligent thought, or application of improved methods, is more essential.

The state speakers furnished, are not theorists and visionaries, but men of broad liberal experience, like C. P. Goodrich of Wisconsin, who has the finest dairy in the state, and has raised the standard of his herd during 50 years of careful attention from 60 lbs. of butter per head yearly to 360 lbs. and in a herd of twenty.

No farmer can merely hold his own, he must advance or recede. In every profession or occupation, ideas or channels of thought, once generated and esteemed by our fathers deemed invulnerable, are today discarded. Is the farmer the only exception?

It has been the aim of this Institute to present ideas from among the leading farmers of each township in our county, such as, J. H. Vreeland, of Monguagon, Randolph Graden, of Taylor, J. H. Hanford, Canton, D. F. Griswold, Northville, Ansel Pierce, Redford, E. N. Lathers, Nankin, Wm. Green, Wayne. Mr. Record, are these men visionaries, do they annually assemble merely for a jolly time? Many of them are pioneers of our county. Their well titled farms, comfortable homes, serious thought and well known ability, render discussion useless."

P. B. Whitbeck.

The Record said it would like to hear from any farmer who ever received practical benefit. We have heard from at least one, Mr. Whitbeck. There may be thousands of others. However we do not believe that these state lecturers can give very many points to such farmers as Dean Griswold, the Yerkies, C. J. Sprague, the Simmonds, the Everetts and forty others we might name in the vicinity of Northville.

But what we really wanted to ask Mr. Whitbeck is this: Why should the tax-payers be called upon to pay even \$8,000 for lecturers for farmers any more than lecturers for the manufacturers, the merchants, the printers or the labor organizations, for "their direct benefit and instruction."

But we are not saying a word against these farmers' institutes. They are a jolly good thing and if we were a farmer we would attend every one that came within forty miles of our house. In the meantime we shall keep a weather eye on Mr. Whitbeck's broad acres and watch for a chunk of that "practical benefit" in his next season's crops.

3 or 5c will buy a nice Stick Pin Saturday Feb. 19 at Miss Bovee's.

Free Pills.

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merit. These pills are easy on action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and are purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by Geo. C. Heston, Druggist.

NORTHVILLE POULTRY ASSN

Held Its Annual Meeting Last Week Saturday.

At the annual meeting of the Northville Poultry Association held last week the following officers were elected. President, E. H. Lapham; 1st Vice Pres., A. K. Dolph; 2nd Vice Pres., T. E. Mordock; Sec., C. B. Bristol; Asst. Sec., A. D. Brooks; Treas., R. H. Parker; Supt., S. B. Dolph. Executive Committee, E. H. Lapham, J. B. Palmer, A. D. Brooks, Wm. Nevison, J. B. Hoar, C. B. Bristol. The association concluded to change its present name to "The Northville Poultry & Pet Stock Association." The show dates and judges' names will be given later. The membership fee has been placed at \$1.00 and the annual dues at 50c per year, payable on or before Dec. 1 of each year. The association has a neat balance on the right side of the ledger from their December show, and has now made the organization permanent.

THAT DEAD HOG

CAUSES A SCARE AROUND CLARENCEVILLE.

Its Progeny Were Sold—Chickens May Be Diseased.

The farm house of the Waack family of Clarenceville, who were poisoned by diseased pork, is deserted, all the living members of the family being in Detroit. The state board of health it is said, has given orders that no fowls or eggs be sold from the Waack farm, as the fowls may be diseased, having eaten the intestines of the fatal hog, when it was butchered. It is feared that the health officers will have a big job on their hands to quarantine the numerous progeny of the diseased porker. There are said to be a number of them near Clarenceville. They eat everything fed to them, but do not fatten.

Mrs. Long, a neighbor of the Waack family, ate some cooked liver from the diseased animal and suffered a nervous fright.

Mr. Waack and two sons who are at the Detroit hospital are slowly recovering.

Suburban News.

The Detroit Sun has been debarred from being sold on the streets of Pontiac.

An "enlarged picture" fakir did Holly a few weeks ago—also a number of the people.

The Milan Leader has entered upon its 17th year. In all but one of these past years the present editor (his name is Smith) has guided the ship of state.

An Orion girl swallowed a cigarette button from her best fellow's coat without any serious effects and now she will try to guzzle down the fellow and all.

A woman traveling man for a St. Louis, Mo., paint house, was one of the attractions here last Friday.—A. A. Courier.

Was she dealing in the Mime Yale brand?

When Ann Arbor plumbers cannot thaw out water pipes in the regular way they set the building on fire. So far the fire department has been able to save the major part of the property.

The Carleton Gun club is out with a challenge for any 11 year-old youngster in the state to shoot a match race with a 11 year old member of that club for a \$10.00 or larger purse.

It is reported that the sales of tickets on the Michigan Central railroad, from Dearborn to Detroit, have fallen off from more than \$100 in January, 1897, to \$7 in January 1898.—Wayne Review.

They do say that Haven, the Wyandotte editor, has run so many circulars for Cahalan's cure for baldness that the ink disc of his jobber is actually donning a full growth of whiskers. Quite a hair raising narrative.—Times.

In and near Clarkston live a number of descendants of Sir Francis Drake of England. They are present much interested in the newspaper reports of a large fortune soon to be divided among the descendants of Sir Francis Edward Drake, Mrs.

John Roberts, Mrs. Wm. Matthews, Mrs. Wm. Bush and Mrs. Jasper Linabury are a few of the heirs much interested. Developments are reported soon and are anxiously awaited by those who are willing to share in the fortune of \$400,000.00.

We have a pocket knife in our possession awaiting its owner.—Wayne Review.

The Review editor is village president and is evidently a candidate for re-election next month. In all probability Baxter has had possession of that knife for about one year.

Wyandotte people sent a sample of the city water to Ann Arbor for analysis and the big brewery company at once commenced to enlarge the capacity of its plant. Now nearly all the people are mad because the U. of M. experts pronounced the water pure.

Miss Ayers conducts a dancing school at Trenton. The tutorship is on the partnership plan, the lady always being the partner. Lots of young fellows waltz up and polka dollar into the tuition box, and the fair instructress is almost too tired, two step from the room when the school is closed.—Adrian Press.

Oakland county is productive of divorce suits as well as potatoes. The records in the county clerk's office show that so far this year, there have been 23 marriage licenses issued and during the same period of time 10 divorce suits have been begun. Washtenaw county will soon be left in the shade.

In giving the account of a marriage near Rockwood last week, the Flat Rock News says "Ernest Cook and Charley Lautenslager acted as bridegrooms." We don't know what the bride wanted of three bridegrooms. Occasionally we hear of a groom with three or four brides but it is unusual to see the order reversed.

A Plymouth minister in his opening prayer last Sunday, prayed thus: "O Lord, bless those who are present, and those who are now coming in at the door, and those who are on the way here, and O, Lord bless also, those who are still at home getting ready to come; and do not even withhold thy blessing O Lord, from those who may arrive in time to hear the benediction."

John Shannon of Wixom and D. A. Killias of South Lyon will go to Chicago this week to show their acetylene gas light before the Insurance commissioners. Great interest is expressed everywhere in the new light. So convenient that a person can take care of a generator as easily as to care for an ordinary lamp. So bright yet so soft that it has been shown to have a splendid effect upon the eyes.

A thrill of terror is experienced when a brassy cough of croup sounds through the house at night. But the terror soon changes to relief after One Minute Cough Cure has been administered. Safe and harmless for children. Mordock Bros.

A New Firm!

A Complete Stock of New Hardware!

Come in and see us although you do not care to buy anything. We want to get acquainted with you.

Red Cross Stoves and Ranges,

Builders' Hardware, Paints, Oils and Glass.

E. J. Cox & Co.

Located in the Ball Store,
79 Center street.

Good Things

Gathered for our Customers.

Crackers Seafangs	6c lb
Cal. Raisin Cured, 70 to 80 Prunes	5c lb
Good bulk Coffee	10c lb
American Sardines in oil	3c can
3 cans Riverbank Tomatoes	25c
Fresh Figs, 2 cans for	25c
Package Coffees, 4 lb for	10c lb
Horse Radish Mustard	10c bot
3 cans Evergreen Sweet Corn	25c
Webster brand Sweet Corn (equal to best)	10c can
Gallon Cans Maple Syrup	\$1
Quart Bottles Maple Syrup	25c
Clean Broken Rice	5c lb
8 bars Q A Soap	25c
8 bars Jaxon Soap	25c
10 bars Cabinet Soap	25c
15 bars Sunflower Soap	25c
7 bars Gold Leaf Soap	25c
Bu. Basket 5c Toilet Soap, 2 cks.	5c
Royal Salad Dressing	25c
Shredded Wheat Biscuit, 2 pkgs for	25c
Rice Flakes, something new	15c pkg
3 cans Salmon for	25c
Nice Crisp Lettuce	20c lb
Spinach	25c pkg
Stuffed Olives	25c bot
Sweet Potatoes	5c can
Granose Flakes, (EATLE CEREAL, SOUTHERN FOOD)	15c pkg
Wheatlet, the perfect breakfast dish	15c pkg
2 lb can Gage Plums for	10c can
Fruit Jams, 1-2 lb can	5c can

Rollin H. Purdy,

88 Main Street.

Northville.

Watch
Our
East Window!

CARPENTER, YERKES & HARMON.

Telephone.

The Mystery Solved!

The cause of the explosion and wrecking of the United States Gunboat, Maine, in the harbor at Herman, has been explained in numerous ways all of which are purely conjectural. The following circumstance may tell a big figure in the investigation which is sure to take place. One of the Maine's shipmates recently paid a visit to Northville, and while here dropped into the "Star Clothing House" and purchased one of their

"Red-Hot Shirts."

On the night of the explosion this same shipmate, applied for and was granted leave to go ashore. He hitched himself to his locker, donned the "Warm Member" purchased of the Star and made a rush for the nearest gangway, forgetting his close proximity to the magazine—and the explosion followed.

N. B.—The Star people wish to announce that they have a few more of those Shirts left.

FIRST-CLASS
CLOTHIERS.

Star Clothing House.

Bicycle Announcement!

On March 15 we will open our store at No. 103 Main street (Savings Bank building) and show the finest line of High and Medium Grade Wheels ever offered in Northville.

Look out for our \$19.00 Special.

Repairing will be given Especial Attention by expert Workmen. Watch our ads.

Northville Cycle Co.

A Good Old Age

I reached by the Shoes we sell. That's what comes of a good constitution. The inner sole is solid leather, the outer sole is solid leather, the counters are solid leather, and the putting together is done for keeps. We also have a full line of Socks, Felts and Robbers of all styles. Boy Gents' Gloves and Mittens, Underwear, Shirts, Pants, etc., of

Stark Bros.,

Northville. The Cash Shoemen.

Agents for W. L. Douglas \$3 Shoes.

Bring a coupon and 10c to the Record office and get a King's Daughters Cook Book.

Careful Buying
Makes Easy Selling.

We won't have mean, skimpy, ill-made stuff in our store. We only buy what is good material, well made, full measure, just what it is pretended to be, and then another advantage we have is that our large sales enable us to keep our stock fresh all the time. You can count on this always at our store. We are not at all anxious about the prices. We gain every advantage of cash buying. You get the benefit. We deliver prompt. Small orders get the same attention as large ones.

Fry Bros. & Co.,

76 Main Street.

Northville.

TELEPHONE

PURELY PERSONAL.

NORTHVILLE.

Editor Hatch of Plymouth was in town yesterday.

Mrs. S. E. Cranson visited Miss Melod White on Tuesday.

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STONE MADE FLOUR.

Why Do Doctors Say It Is the Best for Health?

Why do doctors say "Stone made flour is the best for health?" For the reason that the stone-made flour to which they refer, contains all the flour of the wheat, and because it is ground on the mill stone, but in the way it is handled after it is ground. It is not the aim of the miller to see who can make a flour with the most starch, but who can make the best flour and have it contain all the flour of the wheat. As I claim, (and all our millers will bear me out in it,) that if you want a good, sweet, moist loaf of bread, you must have all the flour of the wheat to make it. But the good housewife says "It is too dark, it is not pleasing to the eye, and it matters not with the rest of our body if the eye is only pleased."

I have changed the Argo Mills to make a flour for moisture, taste and health combined—a flour which contains the gluten as well as the starch; and in fact, all of the bread-producing qualities of the wheat which is the only healthy flour made.

Why is some flour so much whiter than others? It is not the fault of the wheat or the mill but in the way it is milled. Starch is the whitest part of the wheat; gluten is the sweetest and the darkest. Therefore the whiter the flour, the less gluten, and the sooner the bread will try out. This flour you will find where mills make three grades of flour at the same time, viz: "Patent," "Clear" and "Low Grade." My aim is to please the public and give a good honest flour, and I would like to have everyone try it.

In order to introduce this flour I will deliver, Tuesdays and Fridays, 25 lbs. at cost—50c limited to 25 lbs. I do this that all may try it, and if it does not give satisfaction I will come and get it and refund the money. Drop me a card or call me by phone, 131. Hoping that you will give it a trial and have a good, sweet, moist loaf of bread. I remain your humble servant,
L. E. McRobert.

What pleasure is there in life, with headache, constipation and biliousness. Thousands experience them who could become perfectly healthy by using DeWitt's Little Blue Pills, the famous little pills. Mardock Bros.

Workingmen's Caucus.

A caucus for the purpose of nominating village officers for the Workingmen's ticket to be voted for at the coming village election, March 14, will be held in the Council room Monday evening, Feb. 28, 1898, at 7:30 o'clock.

E. K. STICKWEATHER,
LOU VAN VALKENBURG.

Citizen's Caucus.

A caucus for the purpose of nominating village officers for the Citizen's ticket to be voted for at the coming village election, March 14, will be held in the Council room Tuesday evening, March 2, at 7:30 o'clock.

F. S. HAMMON,
S. E. CRANSON.

Children and adults tortured by burns, scalds, injuries, eczema or skin diseases may secure instant relief by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It is the great Pile remedy. Mardock Bros.

Pharmacy Goods

That will please the most fastidious.

Nice cut glass bottles of Perfumery

Violet,
Lily of the Valley,
Cuban Roses—

Are choice goods.

I have a choice line of 5c and 10c CIGARS in small boxes

Donis Crockett, \$1 pr box
Ponell Smith & Co. 10c good.

Chief Battle,
Don Alvar,
Smezzettes, 5c good.

also Toilet Soaps and if you want a good Camera go and see George. Prices \$2.50 to \$50.00. \$10.00 will get a good one using 4x5 plates.

Hueston's Pharmacy,

Orphan Street, Northville.

Examination Free!



Complete Line Optical Goods
In Stock.

W. L. Becker.

Merritt & Co.

Would like to quote the Scholars a few PRICES on	Red Tape, 65 sheets writing paper, regular price 5c; our price 3c
Blanket etc. so you can compare them with what others ask for same tables:	Purple and Gold, 75 sheets writing paper, regular price 5c; our price 3c
	Scotch, 60 sheets writing paper, regular price 5c; our price 3c
	Indiana, 60 sheets writing paper, regular price 5c; our price 3c
	Quarterly, 60 sheets writing paper, regular price 5c; our price 3c
	Good Luck, 170 sheets writing paper, regular price 5c; our price 3c
	League, regular 10c Table; our price 5c
	Me too, 5c Composition Book for 3c
	Box 5 Colored Crayons for 1c
	Box 14 best quality Crayons, assorted, 5c
	8 sheets Examination Paper for 1c
	Dixon's inserted rubber Lead Pencil, 2 for 1c

If you want the best and most for your money we can fix you out.

Jewelry and Opticians.

MERRITT & CO.

Walled Lake News.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Cary Hosner Feb. 12, a girl.

Blanche Tuttle was a Detroit visitor for the first of the week.

Isaac Welch had the misfortune to lose a valuable horse last week.

Joseph Donaldson of Detroit spent last week at Oscar Donaldson's.

Hattie Douglas of Redford was the guest of Daisy Gould this week.

George Martin entertained his brother Charles from South Lyon Saturday.

Oel Moore and daughter Evalina are visiting his father J. J. Moore this week.

Nellie Smith, Kate Donaldson and Daisy Gould attended the Teachers' Institute at Pontiac Saturday.

Earl Parmenter entertained a number of his young friends last Saturday afternoon, it being his ninth birthday.

Mrs. Joseph Patton died at her home near this place on Friday last. The funeral was held in the Methodist church Sunday, Rev. Mitchell officiating. She leaves a husband and two sons to mourn her loss.

Mrs. Eliza Hosner died at her home in this village Saturday Feb. 5. She was born in New York Feb. 18, 1813. She was one of a family of six, of whom only one sister, Mrs. John Decker of this place remains. The funeral was held in the Baptist church Monday, Rev. J. E. Aldrich officiating and the remains were interred in the cemetery here by the side of her husband who died about nine months previous.

Hard Coal!

\$6.00—is now our price for the best Hard Coal, delivered in your cellar or coal bin.

Hard Wood!

\$2.00—is our price per cord, for good body maple wood delivered at your door. Send us your orders.

Ambler
Mercantile Company,
Northville.

Telephone.

Our

Stock

of

Winter

Underwear

and

Hosiery

Must Go

Regardless

of

Prices.

Call and See Them.

Yours

for

Trade,

We are moving into our new quarters 2 doors north of the post office and we expect to commence a Backet there by tomorrow, Sat.

S. A. Smith & Son.

Carnations..... 40c doz
Violets..... 15c doz
Roses..... 80c to \$1 doz

We make a specialty of Floral Designs of all kinds for Weddings, Funerals or Decorations on short notice. We make a specialty of this.

Telephone.

NORTHVILLE
GREENHOUSES.

J. M. DIXON, PROP.
Northville, Mich.
Verkes St. and Grand Ave.

Wabash California Limited.

Clipped from St. Louis Globe-Democrat, of Dec. 19, 1897.

MERITED SUCCESS.

Not long since the Wabash and Santa Fe roads established bi-weekly through service between St. Louis and Los Angeles, Cal. The superior accommodations offered by "Through Drawing Room Sleepers, Library Car for day use and Dining Car for all meals" have attracted such a large patronage that the companies have been obliged to make the service tri-weekly. As soon as the necessary high-grade equipment can be procured, probably the middle of January the new service will be added.

It has now been definitely decided that commencing Monday, January 17, the service to California via the "Wabash Limited" will be tri-weekly instead of bi-weekly as heretofore.

Tourist Car to California via this route once a week.

F. A. PALMER,
A. G. A., Chicago, Ill.
R. S. GREENWOOD,
Mich. Pass. Agt.

Jacob Miller

DEALER IN

Fresh and Salt Meats.
Cash Paid for Hides & Pelts.

Telephone Northville 51.

Remember the place, 75 Center St.

Jacob Miller,
Northville Prop.

The Old Reliable Milk Route.

Ice Cream by the gallon in large or small quantities, and all kinds of Fancy Creams, to order.

Milk for Infants from One Cow in Special Cans.

Cream to Order.

Non-Contagious Milk Tickets.
G. P. Benton & Son.

AGENTS Wanted to sell TREES, PLANTS and SMALL FRUITS of all kinds.

BEST STOCK. VICK'S FOREST HILL NURSERY, NEWARK, NEW JERSEY. GARDEN PRICES. Good Wages Paid

Clean Sweep!

Saturday and the first of next week we make a clean sweep, clean up sale, of winter goods.

Probably the last opportunity you will have to buy Cotton or Woollen goods as cheap in some time.

Although on the lookout for the welfare of our customers, we endeavor to sell what is worthy, and at the lowest price consistent with quality.

The Dress Goods

In good Novelty figures;
In 50-in All Wool Checks;
In Fancy Suitings;
Values from 40c to 75c yd.

AT 25c YD.

The Dress Goods

In All Wool Plaids;
In Novelty Mixtures;
In Plain Cashmeres;
Values from 25c to 39c yd.

AT 19c YD.

Underwear

Ladies' Wool Vests and Pants;
and
Men's Shirts and Drawers;
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NORTHVILLE LOCALS

Regular meeting of Orient chapter No. 77 OES this evening at 7:30.

The thermometer again flirted all around the zero mark Monday night and Tuesday.

The bear saw his shadow last week alright enough, but he took several days to realize it.

Miss Sylvia Wilsey of Detroit formerly of Northville, was married Jan. 18, to W. J. Ward of that city.

The next lecture on the C. E. course which was billed for Feb. 21 has been changed to Wednesday Feb. 23 at Presbyterian church.

Clarence Cornwell is now clerking in S. S. Schantz' grocery.

There will be a "box social" at the home of Fred Sump, on the Baseline, next Wednesday evening. All are cordially invited.

Harley Johnson would like to hear further from the fellow who "cooned" about sixteen of his thoroughbred Wyandotte chickens last week.

Mr. McClary who will lecture at the Presbyterian church Wednesday Feb. 23 is one of our foremost lecturers and you will miss a treat if you do not attend.

The W. B. C. is planning for a "Colonial Tea" to be given on the 4th of March. Speakers from abroad are expected. Further particulars next week.

J. W. Davis of the Courier, who had the misfortune to put his finger out of joint a week or so ago, has nearly recovered the use of that digit again.

Died in Santa Paula, Cal., Feb. 4th, Mrs. Joseph M. Gowley. Decedent was a sister of Mrs. J. A. Thomas, Mrs. J. T. Murdock, A. K. and J. W. Dolph of this place.

Monday evening twenty-five of the youngsters enjoyed a Valentine party at the home of Forest Green. Games and a Valentine box were the pleasure of the evening.

Miss Bovee was in Detroit Friday replenishing her stock of Fancy goods and Ladies' furnishings.

There are three little things which do more work than any other three little things created—they are the ant, the bee and DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the last being the famous little pills for stomach and liver troubles. Murdock Bros.

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FOR SALE—Farm of 100 acres. Good location. 15 minutes walk from North railroad station. Price low. Terms easy. Inquire Record office for particulars.

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FOR SALE—Farm of the late E. N. Blackwood 160 acres of wood land, black, rich, sandy, about five miles from Northville. Could be sold as two farms of 80 acres each. There are two houses—very comfortable. Fine view. Good mortgage. Inquire of W. H. Yerkes or 121 Main Street, Northville.

Many fine addresses have been given at the YMCA and the one by Mr. Daniels Sunday was the very best.

The Northville Telephone company placed new phones this week in the U. S. Fish hatchery (211); the hatchery cottage (212); Hagston's pharmacy (122); Parsons' grocery house (132); Mrs. Simonds' residence (182).

Ed. N. Hines of Detroit has been elected 2d vice president and treasurer of national L. A. W. Mr. Hines is well known in Northville where his many friends are much pleased to hear of the honors he has received.

Rep. Kimball of Novi is mentioned as a candidate to succeed Senator Warner in the next legislature. The republicans of that district will have to look long and far for a more worthy or capable gentleman to fill Mr. Warner's shoes.

A farewell party in honor of Harvey Connell was given at the home of Lucille Nash last Monday night. Twenty-six of the young people were present and they had a delightful time, even though they much regretted to lose their schoolmate.

When you have a bit of news drop a line in the box at the postoffice, or call in and tell us, and we will be glad to publish it in the Record. If you have visitors away from home, or if you go away yourself don't fail to let us know it, for that is just what a local paper is for, and it is your duty to see that we are informed.

Every enterprising man is a help to his town. The more money he makes, if he uses it, the better for the community. A place cannot build up without him, and a wide-awake, growing town is a benefit to the surrounding country. Hence it is to the advantage of all to encourage enterprising men in all walks of life and frown on the effort of the petty, envious individuals who are ever ready to thrust their more successful neighbors in the back on the slightest provocation in attempts to injure them and destroy their usefulness.

Miss Bovee has just received a fine line of Laces and Beading.

Whooping cough is the most distressing malady; but its duration can be cut short by the use of One Minute Cough Cure, which is also the best known remedy for croup and all lung and bronchial troubles. Murdock Bros.

Rev. D. C. Rich will give one of his chalk talks at the men's meeting Sunday.

A lady's 18-in. handkerchief awaits an owner at the Record office.

Christian Science service next Sunday at 10:30 in WCTU hall. Subject: "The love sent forth to heal."

Lost—Book of manuscript music, at King's Duplicators' Agency Sale. "Chapel Music" printed on cover. Please return to Mrs. Sate Woodley of Record office.

The joint department of the Plymouth and Northville High-schools has been postponed until Wednesday evening March 2, the Plymouth side having asked for more time for preparation.

F. D. Adams has released his star laundry to George Northrop, and Milt Brown, who has so capably conducted it for a year past, will move to the Brooks farm north of town and become a farmer.

The Sunday evening service at the Baptist church will be in charge of the Junior Baptist Union. Besides a report of their work for the past six months, they will render a missionary program about the "Blanket Indians."

Mr. Adams has purchased Mr. Bradner's stock of cigars and enlarged his barber shop to care for same. Mr. Bradner will move to Plymouth and the store thus made vacant is to be occupied by the Rucker people from the opera house block.

Wyandotte is all torn up over alleged crookedness or negligence on the part of the city officials. Mike Maher was arrested for a possible murder and was twice released and only returned and gave himself up when the chief of police threatened to arrest about every man in Wyandotte as necessary to the escape.

Detroit is at last likely to dispense with its foggy ways and adopt standard time. The post-office department, and in fact all government offices, the courts, railroad companies and all the leading cities of the United States adopted standard time some years ago. Northville might with good grace also get in line along with Detroit.

Rev. D. C. Rich, A. B., B. D., of Detroit is assisting the Methodist pastor in his special services. Mr. Rich's chalk talks are simple, biblical and practical and will make an excellent conclusion to the previous work of the pastor. Children's services after school and public services each evening, closing with Thursday of next week. All are welcome.

Dr. J. M. Collier of Plymouth village is the latest candidate for deputy collector at Detroit under John T. Rich, and claims to have enough backing to stand a good chance of carrying the job. The doctor was an applicant for the place of inspector to the United States at Windsor, but failed to land that plum. He is a brilliant going oar, a member of the district congressional committee, and a popular fellow.

A letter received this week from Mrs. Arthur Lamb, nee Mamie Stevens of California states they have 1,500 acres of lay up about two inches, but which is likely to suffer from the drought. From a room in their house she says she can look out upon 16,000 acres of land that is all sown to barley every year. The peach trees and rose bushes are now in blossom. She says oranges and lemons are so thick that they pass them by as we would wild-berries here.

An exchange recommends the use of salt for most everything. Salt cleanses the palate and furred tongue and a gargle of salt and water is often efficacious. A pinch of salt on the tongue, followed ten minutes afterwards by a drink of cold water often cures a sick headache. Salt hardens gums, makes teeth white, and sweetens the breath. Cut flowers may be kept fresh by adding salt to the water. Hemorrhage from tooth pulling is stopped by filling the mouth with salt and water. Weak and tired eyes are refreshed by bathing with warm water and salt. Public speakers and many noted singers use a wash of salt and water before and after using the voice, as it strengthens the organs of the throat.

Mise Bovee can fit you in Corsets, short, long or medium.

After years of untold suffering from piles, B. W. Pursell of Knitersville, Pa. was cured by using a single box of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Skin diseases such as eczema, rash, pimples and obstinate sores are cured by this famous remedy. Murdock Bros.

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The Ann Arbor Courier is excited over the proposed publication of the names of those who receive aid from the city's poor fund and says it would be a "shame and disgrace to the poor to publish it." We never knew before that it was a disgrace for worthy people to receive aid from a town or city. People here consider it simply an act of justice. While it is probably neither wise nor prudent to publish such matters, the Courier is holding a wrong view of it.

The Surprise of All

Mr. James Jones, of the drug firm of Jones & Son, Cowden, 14, in speaking of Dr. King's New Discovery, says that last winter his wife was attacked with La Grippe, and her case grew so serious that physicians at Cowden and Paton could do nothing for her. It seemed to develop into Hasty Consumption. Having Dr. King's New Discovery in store, and seeing lots of it, he took a bottle home and to the surprise of all she began to get better from first dose, and half dozen dollar bottles cured her sound and well. Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is guaranteed to do this good work. Try it. Free trial bottles at George C. Hueston's Drug Store.

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Good 2-piece Suite with French plate mirror, just the thing for the b-y's room, for

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Solid Oak Dinners, per set, \$5.50.

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TWEEN THE LAKES.

MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD FOR MICHIGANDERS.

Michigan Y. M. C. A. Workers Meet at Jackson—Many Prominent Speakers for the Michigan Club Banquet—A Brutal Murder at Lansing.

State Y. M. C. A. Convention.

The twenty-sixth annual convention of the Michigan Y. M. C. A. was held at Jackson, with about 250 delegates present. The visitors were welcomed by Hon. Thos. E. Barlow, president of the Jackson association, and Judge Victor H. Lane of Ann Arbor, responded. H. G. Van Tuyl, of Detroit, chairman of the state committee, and State Secretary C. N. Copeland, of Owasco, made extended reports showing the growth of the work. There are 21 city, one railroad and 10 college associations in the state; 18 report active and associate membership of 6,388. 14 have junior departments with a membership of 781; 10 college associations report membership of 797; nine associations have buildings and lots valued at \$330,000; seven have building funds amounting to \$20,528; 16 report 229 professed conversions, of these 114 have united with churches; 14 associations report ladies' auxiliaries. The first address was delivered by Rev. J. Stansfield, of Detroit, and was one of the most powerful sermons ever heard in the city. There were several other good addresses interspersed with special singing. The delegates were also banqueted in the parlors of the Congregational church. The following officers were elected: President, Geo. T. Moody, of Detroit; vice-presidents, E. S. Goodrich, of Albion college, C. S. Stewart, of Owasco; E. J. Briggs, of Coldwater; secretary, Geo. Fleming, of Saginaw; assistant secretaries, D. S. Carmichael, of Albia college; C. N. DeSnoo, of Kalamazoo.

Michigan Club Banquet.

The thirteenth anniversary banquet of the Michigan Club will be held in the Auditorium, Detroit, on Washington's birthday. These banquets have become national in importance, and are looked upon by the Republicans of Michigan as an important factor in the politics of the state. Col. Atkinson is to preside as president of the club; Senator Burrows acts as toastmaster; Gov. Pingree delivers the address of welcome, and Bishop W. N. Nindé, of the Methodist Episcopal church, will pronounce the invocation. The speakers are to be Hon. John S. Wise, of New York City, son of Virginia's war governor, Congressman George Edmund Foss, of Illinois; Wm. F. Ogley, a prominent lawyer of Omaha, who ranks with Bryan; Senator Fairbanks, of Indiana, who was temporary chairman of the last national convention; Senator Cushman K. Davis, of Minnesota, one of the most famous orators of the U. S. senate. The club will keep open house during the day of February 22. Hon. D. M. Ferry will give a reception at his residence in the afternoon of that day. Republicans generally of Michigan are eligible to membership in the club, the annual dues for members outside of the city of Detroit being \$5.00 including a ticket to the banquet. Republicans desiring membership should address Fred E. Farnsworth, Secretary, Detroit.

A Foul Murder at Lansing.

In a room over Ottav's feed store, on Washburn street, Lansing, the dead body of Roger C. Lauzon, aged 25, was found in a large pool of blood with his head crushed almost to a pulp. Apparently he had been murdered with a hatchet or a hammer. There were fractures of the skull both front and rear. One blow struck the right eye, both eyes were split, and the occipital bone was badly broken. The walls and floor of the room were covered with blood. The motive for the crime was evidently robbery, as Lauzon's pocketbook, open, bloodstained and empty was found. It is known that the murdered man had exhibited a large roll of bills on several occasions, and nothing was found in his pockets. Lauzon had been leading a dissolute life, associating with gamblers and fast women. About a year ago Lauzon married a Miss McDonald, of Lansing, who commenced suit for a divorce in Shiawassee county a couple of weeks ago.

Serious Hotel Fire.

The new hotel built at Thompsonville burned at midnight. It was occupied by Mrs. Diamond, while the store in the corner was occupied by D. E. Slawson's general store. The hotel was valued at \$5,000 with no insurance; D. E. Slawson's stock at \$7,000, with small insurance; Mrs. Diamond's furniture, \$1,000, no insurance.

Mrs. Diamond jumped from a second story window, receiving serious, if not fatal injuries. The hotel lost all their clothing except what they had on.

MICHIGAN NEWS ITEMS.

A cooking school has been organized for Olick college girls.

The copper mines of Houghton county are worth about \$44,000,000.

Two deer were seen running wild in the city limits of Cheboygan.

One agent at Durand delivered 80 harvesting machines to farmers in that vicinity.

Chas. Label, a deaf mute boy of Eastlake, was fatally injured by a street car.

The Catholic church at Berlin, ten miles east of Grand Rapids, burned. Loss \$2,000.

About \$50 was raised at a Standish mass meeting to purchase flour for the starving Cubans.

State Labor Commissioner Cox's Battle Creek friends have started a boom for him for congress.

Schoolhouse No. 9, near Battle Creek, burned to the ground at a loss of \$7,000.

The Cornua coal miners who struck because they wanted pay day changed have returned to work.

Julius Gagnier, who left Bay City, Jan. 14, for Alaska, was killed by a falling lamp on a steamer.

Schools, churches and all places of public gathering have been closed at Sparta on account of scarlet fever.

Flowing wells in Maple Ridge park at Owasco throw out gobs of oil, and residents talk of sending down pipes.

Gen. Alger has recovered sufficiently to travel to Fort Monroe for his health. Before going he spent a short time at a cabinet meeting.

This said the Petbridge, or Ashbed, copper property in Keweenaw county, last worked 12 years ago, will be started up again.

Edward M. Buckman, a grocer of Sodus, was arrested on the charge of selling liquor without a license and was held for trial.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Hosmer, of Romulus, have just celebrated their golden wedding anniversary. They have 10 children living.

Secretary Hanshaw, of the Michigan Millers' association, has issued an appeal to farmers for contributions of flour and meal for Cubans.

Food Commissioner Grosvenor says that the efforts of his department to enforce the oleomargarine law is meeting with increased success.

Capt. and Mrs. E. B. Hughes celebrated their golden wedding at Big Rapids. Capt. Hughes has been a U. S. R. agent there for 20 years.

Capt. Joseph Kaufman, of the Salvation Army at Adrian, has gone crazy over his work. He is confined in jail and will be taken to Kalamazoo.

Myrtle, the 4-year-old daughter of Richard Wright, of Plymouth, got hold of a bottle of carbolic acid and drank some of the drug. She may recover.

The Knights and Ladies of America, a new beneficiary and social order, has been organized at Kalamazoo, with Myron Start, of Dowagiac, at the head.

Two well known deaf mutes, G. S. Fletcher and Miss Grace Jones, were married at Ypsilanti by Rev. J. M. Gelson, Prof. Newcomb acting as interpreter.

Ann Arbor's superintendent of the poor has fed and lodged 200 tramps during the last two weeks. Says it is cheaper than to arrest them and lodge them in jail.

The Riffles of Cheboygan are about to erect a \$5,000 armory, 130x50 feet, with a drill hall 110x50. It will have gymnasium, rifle range, bowling alley and all the conveniences.

The North Shore limited train struck Frank Briggs, a newspaperman out of a job, at Ann Arbor. One arm was broken and he was injured about the abdomen and may die.

Chas. Lee, a farmer near Union City, imagining himself financially embarrassed, killed himself by placing the muzzle of a gun in his mouth and firing. His head was torn to pieces.

The grading on the northern extension of the Detroit & Mackinac railway is finished, and only four miles of steel rails remain to be laid before trains can run into Onaway.

Mrs. Barbara Malneke died at Saginaw from injuries received in the Michigan Central crossing accident a week ago. She is the fourth victim and the last of the occupants of the sleigh.

Fire damaged Fisher Bros. bicycle manufacturing works at Saginaw about \$5,000. Four horses in Joseph Seligman's livery stable adjoining were badly burned and will probably die.

The State Spiritualist society met in conference at Lansing, the object being the reorganization of the National society, Francis B. Wadbury, of Washington.

The postoffice incident in Bay City is regarded as closed, and Wm. McCreary has won Congressional term, telegraphed to that effect, and there is no longer any doubt that McCreary will be confirmed.

Ypsilanti has granted a right-of-way on her main street to the Detroit, Ann Arbor & Ypsilanti electric railway. This completes the route and the construction of the power house will be begun at once.

Edward Perket, aged 31, of Menominee, died from the excessive use of cigarettes. Deceased was the youngest son of the late Pascal Perket, the pioneer hotel man of Menominee. He leaves a widow.

The O'Connor Transportation Co. was organized at Benton Harbor, with a capital of \$50,000, to operate a line of passenger and freight boats between Benton Harbor and Chicago, commencing about April 1.

Clyde Pickworth was seriously injured at Eaton Rapids by a vicious horse, which kicked him upon the head, the horse penetrating his head and causing concussion of the brain. Little hopes of recovery.

Margaret Miller and Ed Andinet were about to be married at Vassar, when just outside the door the bride slipped and fell, breaking her wrist and injuring her side. The marriage took place with the bride seated in a chair.

The largest shipment of produce from Olsco county in any one day was made by Buck & Bolton, of Gaylord, 23 cars of potatoes, aggregating 13,000 bushels, and worth \$11,000, being sent to Baltimore, New York and Providence.

There was a rear-end collision on the C. M. & St. P. tracks at Carney's spur, six miles south of Iron Mountain. A way freight crashed into a logging train which was switching. Twenty cars and an engine were wrecked, and Conductor Anderson, of Iron Mountain, and brakeman John Tewis, of Green Bay, Wis., were killed.

President Angell, of the University of Michigan, has written to Regent Butterfield that he intends to resign his post as U. S. minister to Turkey, and will return in time to resume his position in the college in the fall.

Chris Millenbacher, of Charlotte, placed an attachment on all the movable property of the Toledo and North-western, the new railroad being built between Albion and Charlotte. The attachment covers all scrapers, plows, and other implements.

Daniel Miles, living near Battle Creek, has brought to town 37 rattlesnakes which he found frozen stiff in an old stovepipe under the barn. He put them in a barrel near the fire and in a few minutes they were wriggling about as lively as ever.

Village Clerk O. V. Plea, of Stevensville, left for St. Joseph over a week ago, and was last seen at Gallien. A Mrs. Donovan is also reported missing. Plea has a wife and three children. Ed Stevenson has been appointed village clerk in Plea's place.

New Michigan postmasters: Prestal, Clare county; William McWath, Sagola, Dickinson county; John O'Callaghan, Sears, Oscoda county; Wm. J. Manley, Inlay, City; Geo. W. Jones, Hancock, George W. Emery, Fairview, Oscoda county; Robert Farrington.

A big fire of probably incendiary origin is reported from Forest township, Genesee county. James Dickinson was aroused by a noise, and looking out discovered his large barn in flames. A great quantity of hay, besides grain and farming implements, was destroyed. Loss about \$1,200.

Willie and Eddie Krug, Herman and Willie Goltz, aged 13, 12, 9 and 6, read dime novels and organized a wild west gang at Ann Arbor. It is charged that they burglarized the Elite cigar store, Eberbach's store and Rinsley & Seabold's grocery, and stole a quantity of cigars and tobacco and some money.

Fire broke out among the lumber piles in C. Merrill & Co.'s mill yard, known as Whittier mill, on the west bank of the river at Saginaw, and 1,500,000 feet of lumber was burned. The loss will be about \$25,000, but the amount of insurance is small. How E. W. Palmer, of Detroit, is largely interested in the property.

A number of special services were held in Ann Arbor churches in behalf of the Anti-Saloon league movement. Rev. J. F. Brant, of Lansing, sent a party out to investigate the saloons and claims to have found nearly all violating the law. About 75 business men and professors met to devise some means to combat the evil.

G. F. Eaton, aged 37, until recently a resident of Lowell, died at a cheap boarding house at Grand Rapids. Developments show that he had property worth \$12,000 or \$15,000. On his person were found certificates of deposit aggregating \$3,349. He was an old soldier and was very eccentric. He leaves three married daughters.

Secretary Gage in a bill sent to the House recommended the consolidation of customs districts all over the country and figures on making an annual saving of \$100,000 in Michigan alone. He asks that the collectors at Detroit, Port Huron and Marquette alone be retained and deputies be placed in charge at Grand Rapids and Grand Haven.

Rev. Kendall Brooks, D. D., who has been dean of Alma college for several years is dead. He was appointed president of Kalamazoo college in 1883, which office he held 19 years. In 1888 he went to Alma as professor of mathematics. One son survives him, an alumnus of Alma college class of '97 and now principal of Alma high school.

The report of the treasurer of the state Y. M. C. A. showed receipts during the year \$2,113.89, disbursements \$2,024.11. The resources are \$749.35, liabilities above resources, \$350.55. E. H. Hunt, assistant state secretary of Illinois, made an appeal for personal and association pledges for state work, and pledges were received amounting to something over \$1,200.

New Michigan postmasters: An Train, Alger county; George A. Baldwin, Azalia, Monroe county; F. H. Noble, Clifford, Lapeer county; Henry A. Pullin, Shiob, Ionia county; George W. Brown, Cleon, Manistee county; Wm. J. Ridout, Cohoctah, Livingston county; A. B. Trowbridge, Hopkins station, Allegan county; C. E. Wolfinger, Troy, Oakland county; Frank D. Cutting.

Mrs. Richard Flegg was fatally burned by a hanging lamp falling from the ceiling of her home at Adrian. The hook gave away and the lamp, when it broke in pieces on the floor, set fire to the steaming oil, quickly enveloping Mrs. Flegg in the flames. Her granddaughter, Mrs. Abbie Campsie, rushed to the old lady's aid, and in attempting to smother the flames was badly burned. Very little damage was done to the house.

An explosion of giant powder at the Newport mine near Ironwood killed three men: Peter Blazza, Emanuel Naimo and Mike Sada. They were at work on the ninth level. Blazza and Naimo were on route for the powder chest when the explosion occurred. Just what was the cause is not known. These two were literally blown to pieces, while Sada died from the effects of gases. Three other men were overcome by gases, but will recover.

An attempt to resume operations at the Wheeler & Co. shipyard at Bay City was a failure. The old union is satisfied with the scale of wages offered by the company, but cannot go to work before the riveters return. About 500 men gathered at the yard expecting that 30 gangs of riveters would start work, but were disappointed. The riveters say they will meet Wheeler & Co. half way in their demand for the 75 scale. They absolutely refuse to sign any agreement as individuals, but as a union they will agree to furnish men to complete the present contracts.

THE MAINE BLOWN UP

U. S. CRUISER DESTROYED IN HAVANA HARBOR.

One Hundred of the Crew Reported Killed and Many Wounded—Officers All Saved—Spanish Giving Aid to Injured—Cause of Explosion Not Known.

Feb. 15, 1898. A terrible explosion took place on board the United States cruiser Maine in Havana harbor at 10:15 p. m. Capt. Sigbee and the other officers have been saved. It is estimated that over 100 of the crew were killed, but it is impossible as yet to give exact details. The cruiser is totally destroyed. The explosion shook the whole city. The windows were broken in all the houses. The wildest consternation prevailed in Havana. The wharves being soon crowded with thousands of people.

As yet the cause of the explosion is not apparent. The wounded sailors of the Maine are unable to explain it. They say the explosion took place while they were asleep, so that they can give no particulars as to the cause. Capt. Sigbee says the explosion occurred in the bow of the vessel. He received a wound in the head. Orders were given to the other officers to save themselves as best they could, but no one saved anything except the clothes they had on.

All the boats of the Spanish cruiser Alfonso XII. went to the assistance of the Maine's crew. Admiral Manterola ordered that boats of all kinds should go to the assistance. The Havana firemen gave aid, tending carefully to the wounded as they were brought ashore. Gen. Solano and the other generals were ordered by Capt. Gen. Blanco to take ships to help the Maine in every way possible.

Washington: The navy department received telegrams from Capt. Sigbee giving news of the disaster without any particulars, and asking that navy vessels be sent at once from Key West to receive the crew and the few pieces of equipment still above water. Capt. Sigbee said: "Public opinion should be suspended until further report. All officers believed to be saved. Jenkins and Merritt not yet accounted for. Many Spanish officers including representatives of Gen. Blanco, now with me and express sympathy."

The secretary of the navy received another dispatch from Key West at the same time, but its contents were not made public. The orders for the light house tenders were at once sent to Key West.

The Maine was a battleship of the second class and was regarded as one of the best ships in the navy. She was built at the Brooklyn navy yard in 1896 at a cost of \$2,585,000. She had a steel hull, was 315 feet long, 37 feet broad, 11.6 mean draught and carried a complement of 374 men. Her armament consisted of four 10-inch and six 6-inch breech loading guns in her main battery and seven 6-pounder and eight 1-pounder rapid-fire guns and four Gatlings in her secondary battery and four Whitehead torpedoes. The commander of the Maine, Capt. Sigbee, is a favorite in the navy department.

England Says Uncle Sam Did Right. The DeLome incident has excited little interest in England, but the opinion expressed almost unanimously in favor of the position of the United States. The daily newspapers, with the exception of the Morning Post, have adopted the view that the administration took the right course. The Spectator is not sorry the moment may be approaching when the United States will intervene to stop the agonies of Cuba, adding: "Their only hope is in the United States sternly declaring that Spanish troops must leave and that the Cubans be allowed to settle their own fate. That the United States will be morally justified in saving the war must end, and that Cuba be given peace, there is no doubt for a moment."

A Big Movement for an Eight Hour Day. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, is making preparations to inaugurate a great movement for an eight-hour work day. According to the present plans of labor leaders, a demand for the eight-hour day will be made on May 1 next that will involve fully a million men. The American Federation of Labor will make this demand in one trade at a time, and, according to the leaders, great strikes are expected before the battle likely to follow is decided. The leaders are now perfecting plans which they believe will insure success. Mr. Gompers intends to combine his work until May 1 to interesting the unions affiliated with the American Federation in the movement.

Japan Will Hold Wei-Hai-Wei. Official advice received from Peking say Japan has notified China that she intends to keep Wei-Hai-Wei permanently. China, in notifying the Chinese ministers abroad to this effect, directs them to notify the powers also that, in view of this, no foreign loan is required, as the purpose of the loan was solely to pay the Japanese war indemnity.

A plan is on foot to organize a series of hospitals at chief points in Alaska. As a result of the assassination of President Barrios, it is said that a state of anarchy prevails in Guatemala. Gen. Mendizabel, who is the choice of the military for president, is marching on the capital with a large force.

King Menelik, of Abyssinia, is preparing for a journey to the European countries and is collecting objects of special artistic interest in Abyssinia, the most valuable of which he will take as gifts to the various rulers. His majesty intends to be absent about eight months, and the government of Abyssinia during that time will be entrusted to the queen.

DOINGS OF CONGRESS.

A Paragraphic Chronicle of the Acts of the Nation's Lawmakers.

A resolution was adopted by the House calling on the state department for information as to the condition of the concentration camps in Cuba, and the progress made in Spain's efforts to induce the Cubans to accept autonomy.

Rep. Lewis, of Washington, introduced a resolution demanding that Spain recall DeLome instead of merely accepting his resignation.

The House adopted Congressman Wm. Alden Smith's resolution calling for the correspondence between Germany and the United States relative to the exclusion of our fruits and horses.

During short open session of the Senate two phases of the Cuban question were asserted to briefly. The amendment of Mr. Allen to the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill recognizing the belligerency of the Cuban insurgents was reported adversely by the foreign relations committee, not as Mr. Morgan explained, on the merits of the amendment, but because the committee did not approve of tacking such legislation to appropriation bills. Mr. Morgan's resolution, calling upon the President for the reports of United States consuls in Cuba and for information as to whether any agent of the autonomous government in Cuba had been accredited to this government and recognized by it was adopted without dissent.

Washington: At a cabinet meeting it was decided to send two companies of troops to Drea and Skaguay for the purpose of preserving order. The war department at once issued orders in accordance.

The Senate has confirmed the nomination of A. O. Wheeler, to be U. S. marshal of the western district of Michigan; Commodore F. M. Bruce to be a rear-admiral; Geo. M. Rogers, of West Virginia, to be U. S. fish commissioner.

President of Guatemala Assassinated. Advice from Jan Jose, Guatemala, announces the assassination of President Barrios of that republic.

Gen. G. Jose Maria Barrios, president of the republic of Guatemala, was born in San Marcos in 1859. He was a nephew of the former president, Justo Rufino Barrios, who was killed during a rebellion in 1885. Gen. Barrios succeeded his uncle as commander of the forces, but Barrios gained the ascendancy, was made president, and banished the young general. He was recalled later and in 1892 he was elected president over Barrios, and his term would have expired in March this year. Last June Barrios publicly declared himself dictator of Guatemala.

Later reports state that the assassination of Barrios was immediately followed by a revolutionary attempt to raise Prospero Morales to the presidency. Morales' adherents, under Gen. Marroquin, attempted to seize the palace barracks, but Marroquin and several officers were killed and the remainder fled from the city with troops in pursuit. Vice President Cabrera is acting president, but there are loud demands that Gen. Mendizabel be proclaimed president. A serious crisis is apparently impending.

De Lome Forced to Resign.

Madrid: At a meeting of the Spanish cabinet, the minister for foreign affairs, Senor Gallon, read a dispatch from Senor Dupuy de Lome, the Spanish minister at Washington, saying that the published letter to Senor Canalejas was written by him, and that his position, consequently, had become untenable, and he begged the government to accept his resignation. The cabinet decided to accept the resignation, and it was decided to entrust the first secretary with the conduct of the current affairs of the legation.

THE NEWS CONDENSED.

The U. S. cruiser Montgomery sailed from Port au Prince under cipher orders and it is believed that she has been ordered to Havana.

It is reported that Dr. Knobel, the Dutch minister at Peking, is trying to arrange a 5 per cent loan of \$20,000,000 for China to be secured by a portion of the customs revenue.

The authorities discovered a family near Kokomo, Ind., with nothing in the house to eat except horse meat, they having killed the family horse to prevent starvation.

The steamer Oregon sailed from Portland, Ore., for Drea, Alaska, with 500 passengers and 1,200 tons of freight, a part of which belongs to the government relief expedition.

At a meeting in Boston of 55 representatives of textile unions in New England it was unanimously voted to recommend that all unions call out the operatives in every cotton mill in New England.

The Carpenter Steel Co., of Reading, Pa., is working on double turn with a full force on orders from the navy department for 27,000 steel projectiles, ranging in weight from 450 to 1,650 pounds each.

Almost under the nose of Edward Gaylor, superintendent of Pinkerton's Spanish spies, a large Cuban expedition left Tampa, Fla., and sailed with 70 men, 5,000 rifles, 6,000 pounds of dynamite, and 200,000 rounds of cartridges, besides other supplies.

A new patriotic society was organized in the council chamber at city hall at New York. It will be known as the American Flag association, and its membership will be made up from committees selected from the various patriotic societies of the country. Its object will be to protect the national flag from desecration. Gen. O. O. Howard is one of the prime movers.

A sensation was created at Dayton, O., by the finding of the remains of a 7-months-old male child at the middle abutment of the Sixth street railroad bridge. The child's head had been cut off and could not be found.

A BEAUTIFUL CHILD'S APPLICATION.

From the Republican, Terre Haute, Ind.

The Tuckers of Terre Haute, Ind., like all fond parents, are completely wrapped up in their children. Their daughter, Lucy, is a beautiful girl, and from a strong, healthy girl, three years ago, and became weak and kept falling off in flesh, until she became a mere skeleton. She seemed to have no life at all. Her blood became curdled, and a doctor had been called, but the victim of retrogression. Doctors did not help her. Most of the time she was confined to bed, was very nervous and irritable, and seemed on the verge of St. Vitus' dance.

One morning, said Mrs. Tucker, the former editor of the Terre Haute Pink Pills, or the people, which he brought with him. He said he was treating a similar case with the Pink Pills, and we were very anxious to try them. We began giving the pills and the next day could see a change for the better.

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How to prevent it.

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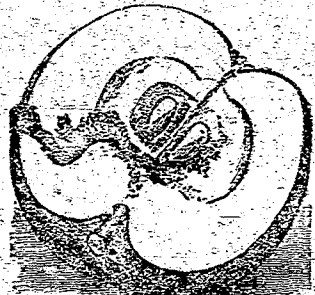
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THE NEW WORLD.

Interest Is Aroused in the Canadian West.

The exhibits of grains and grasses, roots and vegetables, the product of the fertile lands of Western Canada, which were made at the several state and county fairs in some of the Western states this fall, have awakened considerable interest in the lands which the Canadian Government has opened for settlement, and which are given free to settlers. The agents of the government, who are to be found in these states, are flooded with inquiries regarding the conditions on which these lands may be secured. Large numbers have located on these lands during the past year, and send back to their friends most encouraging reports. They say they have entered on an era of prosperity, and are well pleased with both the agricultural possibilities and the climate. The provinces of Manitoba, Assiniboia and Alberta are especially adapted to diversified farming. In some parts the country is specially adapted to stock raising, and it is being profitably pursued. In the parts where wheat remains a week at a time, the warm breezes from the ocean affecting the climate, thus favorably. When the desirability of these lands is fully known there will be a rush such as has scarcely ever before been known. Information as to low railway rates, illustrated pamphlets, etc., will be forwarded with pleasure by the Department of the Interior, Ottawa, Canada, if you are not in possession of the name of an agent of the government.

The man that really knows a little is entitled to a professorship.

AN OPEN LETTER TO MOTHERS.

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March 2, 1897. SAMUEL PITCHER, M. D.

The spirit of prayer is made up of supplication and advice.

A Favorite Calendar.

With the approach of a new year most people discover the need of a new calendar. This fact accounts for the great number of these articles that clutter the market at this time. Among them all the one which will best serve the purpose is that published by N. W. Ayer & Son, Newspaper and Magazine Advertising Agents, Philadelphia. This calendar has just arrived and has been put in commission. Perhaps its chief attraction is that the features are clear enough to be read across a room. It is, however, a most beautiful and useful calendar. It is the only one which includes delivery by mail to any address in perfect condition.

The head that holds the least is the soonest to stoop over.

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"This much, my lord—I spent all my money on this land; I had none left for repairing the house—your house, my lord. The water came in at the roof and at the windows—the wind

blew through the doors. I begged to have it repaired; I have sent more letters than I could count to agent and landlord. Neither has attended to me. If I had had the money I would have done it myself, but I had not. I have had a sick wife and sick children, but never a shilling to spare for the broken roof, and your heartlessness has reduced me to this."

"Stand aside," said the earl, angrily; "you men are never contented—never satisfied—stand aside."

"My lord," cried the man, "the horses in your stables, the dogs in your kennels, are better cared for than I— they are better housed. If I die—and his voice changed to a cry of despair—"my death be upon your head!"

"You are an impudent fellow!" cried the earl. "Out of my way, or I will ride over you!"

"Braw—braw! listen to him, Lord Caraven!" cried Hilfred.

But the earl turned angrily to her. "You do not understand these matters; you must not interfere," he said—"a set of lies!"

"Stop, my lord," cried the man, his face paling. "Be satisfied with taking my health and my strength—leave my character alone. I am no rogue; I am an honest, hard-working man."

"Honest, indeed," cried the earl. "There is not one honest man among you."

The evil look deepened on the man's pale face.

"I will not answer, my lord," he said, with quiet dignity. "I am asking a favor; it is life to me. I have no money to leave the house; if I remain in it as it is it will be certain death to me. My lord, it is but a few pounds—very few—do not refuse me!"

But Lord Caraven's face grew crimson with anger.

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