

## "VILLAGE OF PEACE"

And Its "Oldest Inhabitant" is a Philosopher.

NORTHVILLE AS SEEN BY TRIBUNE STAFF REPORTER.

H. M. Nimmo Gives a Fine Write-up in Monday's Paper.

H. M. Nimmo, a well known Detroit Tribune staff reporter, was here a day last week and as a result in Monday's Tribune the following interesting article appeared:

"Lying peacefully on the brow of a hill, surrounded by rolling landscape of rich, waving maple and clumps of virgin forest scattered among the broad, green fields of grain, the village of Northville offers rest and quietness, and 'sweet content' to the traveler who comes to sojourn within its gates. How long the village has been here is largely a matter of guess, though A. M. Randolph, the oldest inhabitant, remembers that 70 years ago it sheltered no more than 10 souls. Today it has nearly 2,000 citizens stricken with the commercial epidemic of the metropolis 25 miles to the east and eager to build a great center of their own—an ambition typically American, but not at all to the liking of the patriarch of the place.

There never was a time when Northville's history was brought to public attention by fire, famine or sudden death. In its past there was nothing to disturb the perfect tranquillity of life. But its people pride themselves on the general high standard of education and literary taste that maintains here and the unexcelled tone of public morality and sobriety. Many men, more or less prominent in educational and political work today, were given the rudiments of education in the village school of Northville.

"And here it must be noted that the club women of Northville can give their sisters in the larger centers a very practical lesson in the raising of the standard of education, and consequently public morality. The Northville Woman's club has a membership of 40, with an honorarium of \$100. It does not seem to be burdened with an intricate and complicated constitution, or with resolutions to correct all kinds of public evils by the making of new laws and a vicious crusade against vice. The leading women here have consciously and unconsciously adopted the positive rather than the negative platform. They are training themselves in the first principles of learning religious love and human sympathy, quite aware that it is the mothers of men beneath to their children such a heritage it will not be necessary to post a large red 'don't' in front of a boy or girl every time they go to face the temptations of the world.

"The ladies of the village also take full control of the public library, which now contains between 2,000 and 4,000 volumes. The King's Daughters, a charity organization is another important club.

And Northville has had its characters. One of these, always spoken of by the villagers as 'Sammy' Little, years ago built an opera house at a cost of \$20,000 to \$3,000 on a system of promoting that is probably unequalled in the business world. When 'Sammy' was young, his old friends say, he would disappear from the village in the newest kind of clothes, and with money jingling in his pocket. Finally 'Sammy' settled down and in 1864 founded the Northville Record, called in those days the Wayne County Record. Nearly every item of news was clipped from some friendly exchange and then 'Sammy' would carry his copy into Detroit and have it printed. The Record is still running under the management of J. S. Neal.

"But 'Sammy' always had a taste for theatricals and took great delight in figuring in amateur performances such as were in vogue in those days. So he conceived the idea of erecting a grand and imposing opera-house. Now citizens took 'Sammy's' proposition as a joke, many of them subscribing various sums of \$50 to \$100 and higher, and promising jocularly to give him the contribu-

### THE GLORIOUS FOURTH.



Uncle Sam: 'Now, then, together—cervicose in g.' —The New York World

tions off and out as soon as he had the walls standing. The upshot of it all was that by digging and scraping and saving 'Sam' built the opera house in use today and then made his subscribers come up with the money. 'Sammy' retaining sole ownership. The story has since been told that the sole proprietor fell from the roof of the building to the sidewalk one day, but hit on his cheek and escaped injury. He operated the house for some time and finally sold it. He is still living in the western part of the state.

(CONTINUED NEXT WEEK.)

### STOLEN BIKE

Breckenridge Man Jugged Here Last Week.

A man named Albert Vincent, claiming to hail from Breckenridge, was jugged here last week Friday on suspicion of having stolen a bike, which he sold to W. L. Becker for \$500. Deputy Sheriff Pettin got in some work on the telephone and located Claude Wade of Brighton as the owner and later he identified the animal. Pettin took the man over to Brighton Saturday where he pleaded guilty and was awarded 30 days in the house of correction. Mr. Becker got his \$500 back. Vincent left a valuable dog here for which an owner may later be found.

### L. L. A. Election

At the adjourned annual meeting of the Ladies' Library association held last Friday afternoon the following officers were elected for the year:

President—Della F. Harmon  
Vice President—Frances Clark  
Secretary—Mary L. Ambler  
Treasurer—Ida B. Joslin  
Trustees for two years—Camilla Dubuar, Sarah Parsons, Elizabeth Knapp

The annual report showed the affairs of the association to be in excellent condition, although strict attention to all details and the most economical administration consistent with keeping anywhere in sight of the demand for new novels is necessary to keep outlay and income on good terms. It is to be regretted that the Northville public is not far better acquainted with the large array of charming books aside from fiction that the library contains.

### Mrs. Martha Rogers.

Mrs. Martha Rogers, stepmother of Daniel Rogers, who lived three miles northeast of town, died Sunday morning. She was a highly respected widow lady of seventy years. The funeral was held Wednesday.

### Notice—Huckleberries.

The huckleberry season is now open and tickets can be had of D. S. Wilkinson or E. D. Whipple. All persons entering the swamp without permission will be prosecuted.

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### BUSY DAY FOR JUDGE WEBSTER

HAD A LOT OF CALLERS ON MONDAY.

Saturday Night's Air Was a Breeder of Trouble.

Monday was a busy day for Judge Webster's court and not until late at night were the lights of the court room turned off so busy was the judge kept dispensing justice. The previous Saturday night's air seemed to have been laden with trouble-breeding germs.

Along about 10:00 o'clock Frank Swope, his brother Ed, and his mother got into a jangle which was excited by booze and when Chief of Police Traft started to do the quieting at there came near being a fire for all, but the officer landed Frank in the main street station house and Monday morning before Judge Webster he pleaded guilty to a charge of disorderly conduct and the judge gave him 90 days in the Detroit house of correction without any alternative of a fine. In the melee Frank's mother and brother Ed interfered, and warrants were sworn out for them also. Ed was found Monday afternoon by Chief Traft but he escaped from in front of mayor's office where the chief let him for a moment without being tied while he went inside.

Mrs. Swope came down to the court room Monday evening and paid fines and costs amounting to \$14.04.

Ed appeared in court Tuesday afternoon and pleaded guilty and in lieu of 30 days he paid a fine of \$5.65 including costs.

The family live on the George Clark farm northwest of town. Ed has a wife and little girl but Frank is unmarried.

Bert Hill, Claude Murdock, Walt Evans and Harry Dole of this place, Louis Cole of Milford and Fred Secord of Plymouth got an idea that Saturday night was the Fourth of July and they made things lively on Main street long about midnight by singing "patriotic" songs while marching along its shady walks. The night police and the neighbors didn't take kindly to the noisy pro-Fourth effort and Judge Webster's court was asked to convulse the boys that celebrations a week in advance of the regular show don't go. The boys quietly paid visits to Judge Webster's office Monday and Tuesday and settled the matter up by paying fines ranging from \$7.50 to \$9.50 and promised to hereafter watch the almanac more closely.

The boys claim they had been drinking a little heavy from the public fountain that night and that there were so many tin cups in the water basin that it made them dizzy.

### TROLLEY FOLDER

The Detroit United Has Issued a Nice One.

The United Railway company has issued a very attractive folder showing all the trolley lines centering into Detroit in a prettily colored bird's eye view. It also gives the distance of all stations from the city together with the rates of fare, time card and description of all the nice towns through which the line passes. The folder is certainly the best one yet coming to our table and we feel like congratulating the fellow who got it up.

### TEACHERS' CERTIFICATES.

Some of the Lucky Ones of Last Week.

The results of the teachers' examinations held last week by Commissioner L. W. Yost and Examiners Frank Coffey and William Lightbody at the county building have been made public. Following are among those who were successful:

Plymouth—Leslie Brown, Mark Hearn, Charlotte Williams, Elsie Brown  
Farmington—Ferttha Cox  
Northville—Carrie Judd, L. G. Gledhill

### MICH. PRESS OUTING.

Had a Great Time in the Upper Peninsula.

The Michigan Press association had "the tin of its life" in the Upper Peninsula last week, and it was one round of pleasure from start to stop. The D. C. boat company, the South Shore and Toledo & Ann Arbor companies had themselves out to see that the party had a good time. Every town at which the association stopped the people were out en-masse with brass bands and carriages to give the quill pushers the proper reception. The Record will give a more detailed write-up of the trip next week.

### Surprised Rev. Thrasher.

On Wednesday evening occurred one of those pleasant occasions which sometimes come in a pastor's life. Mr. Thrasher and family were invited to spend the evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Pettin upon their arrival the parlor doors were thrown open and disclosed a large number of friends who had come to surprise the pastor and family. A fine dining refreshment the plot which had been successfully carried out was revealed and B. A. Northrop in very fitting words presented a beautiful and dainty chocolate set of tray and cups and spoke in most tender terms of the high esteem and love in which the pastor and family were held.

### WAS HE KILLED?

Evidence of Murder and C. M. Myers Missing.

St. Joseph, Mich., July 1.—The finding of a coat and blood stained handkerchief in the Catholic cemetery here Sunday night was at first considered the result of a spree of some drunken hobo but officers are now looking for C. M. Myers of Chicago, who disappeared some time ago.

The pockets of the coat found in the cemetery contained a letter addressed to C. M. Myers, Chicago, which gives reason to the theory of foul play. The hat found was crushed as if by some severe blow.

It is believed Myers met his death in the cemetery and that his body was thrown into the lake or is hidden in the woods.

### Boy's Sad Death.

Benton Harbor Mich. July 1.—The death of Edward F. Bard, Jr. here was under sad circumstances the real cause of the lad's sickness not being known until shortly before he passed away, when he told his parents he had been kicked on the knee three weeks ago by boys, while scuffling. Ten days ago the lad's pet dog was killed by a street car and the courage which had buoyed him up failed. Blood poisoning set in the injured knee a week ago and two operations were performed, but without relief. The boy was 12 years old and a son of Edward Bard, former auditor of the Milwaukee, Benton Harbor & Columbus railway.

### Poisonous Snakes in Arizona.

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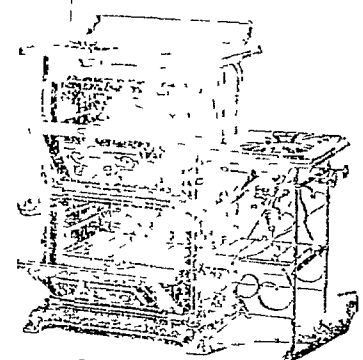
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**NORTHVILLE.**

**Puerly Personal.**  
[Contributions to this column are earnestly solicited. If you have visitors or are visiting elsewhere, drop a line to that effect in the Record Item Box in the post-office.]

Mrs. Harry Chellis is visiting at Montague.  
Mrs. S. E. Cranson is visiting in Novi this week.  
R. D. McKahan and wife spent Sunday in Milford.  
Clarence Budd and family of Milford visited over Sunday with his brother here.

Hazel Ball is here from Chicago to spend the summer with her aunt, Mrs. F. S. Neal.  
W. H. Safford has gone to Roscommon with 25,000 steel head trout to plant in the streams up that way.

Durand Ogden left this morning for Northville, where he has obtained a position—Clarkston Cor. Pontiac Road.

Judson Mackenzie of Fall River, Mass., enjoyed a brief visit with Northville friends Saturday afternoon.

Miss Genevieve Clark left yesterday for Boston where she will spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. Ralph Dickinson.

Mrs. Frank Toles and son Harold departed Tuesday for a two month's visit with relatives at Fremont and other places.

Mrs. M. S. Nichols attended the graduating exercises at River Rouge last week as the guest of Arthur S. Nichols and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Cobb and daughter Gladys accompanied by Mrs. C. Cobb, Mrs. Clark, visited at Brighton over Sunday.

Mrs. A. T. Kennedy of Geneva, O., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. I. H. Webster. Mr. Kennedy came with his wife and remained over Sunday.

Jones Wilcox of North Farmington was a Northville visitor this week. Jones is looking as rugged as a pine knot and says rural life continues to agree with him.

Ralph Barnes of Chicago and Miss Alice Miller of Belleville are visiting at the home of Mrs. I. C. Hinkley. Mr. Barnes is a cousin of Mrs. Hinkley and Miss Miller is a niece.

H. M. Nimmo, star reporter on the Detroit Tribune was out here Friday and wrote up the town in a very interesting manner. Nimmo is one of Detroit's best newspaper writers.

Supt. Frank N. Clark of the U. S. fish commiss on leaves Monday for Georgian Bay to look over a new hatchery station to be established by a private corporation on one of the islands there.

Charles Becker one of Plymouth's best known farmers, was in town last week. Charles says he can remember a few years ago when he cut a ten acre field of wheat by moonlight and only missed forty ears at one corner.

Wes Faint of Birmingham, better known in newspaper circles as the "Birmingham Liar" was in town last week. Wes now has a nice position with the Detroit White Lead Works, and being a skilled painter by profession he is able to demonstrate the good qualities of his goods as he goes along.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gardner were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Berry at a theater party in Detroit Friday night. Mr. Gardner is the proprietor of Northville's famous candy kitchen. "Gardy" is also a clever vaudeville artist of repute, but married and retired from the stage seven years ago.—Detroit Tribune

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**Michigan's Cash Balance.**  
Lansing, Mich., July 1.—The balance in the state treasury at the close of the fiscal year last night was \$4,617,105 34.

**Found Dead in a Cistern.**  
Saginaw, Mich., July 1.—The body of Mrs. J. S. Barrett, a prominent church worker living on the west side, was found in the cistern yesterday. She was well and in good spirits when her husband left for his work. An inquest will be held.

**Victim of Toy Pistol.**  
Jackson, Mich., July 1.—Albert G., 11-year-old son of Ernest A. Miller, is dead of lockjaw, a result of blood poisoning from a wound caused by a toy pistol.

**Electric Car Overturned.**  
Bay City, Mich., July 1.—An electric car crowded with people coming from Western Beach was overturned at a switch four miles from the city late last night. The car turned nearly on its side. About a dozen people were sitting in the car, the escape of some of them from death being miraculous.

**Woman Drowned Herself.**  
Port Huron, Mich., July 1.—Word has been received by the police here that Mrs. Manski, residing at Point Edward had committed suicide by jumping from the Grand Trunk dock at that point. She was demented. A large meat knife taken from the house was found on the edge of the dock.

**EMERSON'S LIGHT LECTURE FEE**  
Asked Only for Five Dollars and For: Quarts of Oats.  
George Francis Train tells this story of Mr. Emerson's lecturing. It shows, by comparing "five dollars and four quarts of oats" with five hundred dollars, how much the public was willing to pay for the lecturer's fame.  
The lecture night was always a great event in Waltham. One day a man came to me and said: "Here is a remarkable letter." He read it to me, and it was as follows:  
"To the Library Committee, Waltham: I will come to lecture for \$5 for myself, but ask you for four quarts of oats for my horse."  
"Ralph Waldo Emerson."  
The lecture that Mr. Emerson delivered for us boys of the library committee in Waltham was entitled "Nature." We paid him \$5 and four quarts of oats for it. He delivered it many times afterward, when his name was on every lip in the civilized world, and he received from \$150 to \$500 for each delivery.

**EXCURSIONS**  
VIA THE  
**PERE MARQUETTE**

**Detroit, Sunday, July 5.**  
Train will leave Northville at 9:30 a. m. Rate, 25 cents. See posters, or ask agents for particulars.

**Toledo, Sunday, July 12.**  
Train will leave Northville at 10:15 a. m. Rate 60 cents. See posters or ask agents for particulars.

**Grand Ledge, Sunday, July 12.**  
Train will leave Plymouth at 1:15 a. m. Rate \$1.25. See posters, or ask agents for particulars.

**Elks Reunion, Baltimore, Md.**  
For the Elks Reunion Baltimore, Md., the Wabash Road will sell tickets July 15 and 19 at one fare for the round trip, extreme limit July 31. Special train will leave Detroit via Wabash and Lehigh Valley 10:30 p. m. Saturday, July 18. Write for literature. Side trips to New York, Washington and Atlantic City.

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**TO CHRISTEN A SHIP.**  
Three Ways the Girls Have of Smashing the Bottle.  
Rear Admiral Bowles, chief constructor of the navy, who was an interested spectator at the recent launch of the armored cruiser Colorado at Philadelphia, has made some interesting comments on the general subject of the methods practiced in christening warships by breaking bottles of champagne on their prows. According to his experience there are three ways of handling the bottle on such occasions.  
He describes one as the baseball method, in which the bottle is held like a bat and hurled against the side of the ship with a long, sweeping swing, with energy enough for a home run or a three-bagger at least. Another method is described as the tennis blow, in which the bottle is smashed against the prow with a full-arm serve. The admiral is quoted as saying that this method was used by the sponsor of the Colorado. The third method is described as the ping-pong style, and is a dainty little smash, sufficiently vicious, however, to show the champagne on the hull, and sometimes on the fair operator also.  
It is admitted that none of these methods is perfect and that failure is possible in each, through the nervousness or excitement of the operator, who, by a bad aim, or lack of sufficient force, may fail to break the bottle and in that way spoil the whole proceedings. A failure of that kind might be disastrous to a ship, at least from a sentimental viewpoint and, as the admiral says, would "broaden" that particular vessel. In one case, the sponsor delayed the blow until the descending ship got beyond her reach, but she was equal to the occasion, and by a well-directed throw managed to smash the bottle broadside on.  
To avoid the possibility of such accidents, Admiral Bowles suggests the use of a device attached to the ship in such a way that when the young lady releases the bottle it is bound to strike against the prow of the ship with sufficient force to release its contents, and thus give the ship its maiden bath before it reaches its native element.—Washington Star.

**QUEER METHODS OF BUSINESS.**  
How Russian Railway Authorities Mulet Shippers.

A writer gives the following example, supplied him by a friend, of Russian methods on the Trans-Siberian railway. "A box containing some bottles of beer was sent along a few weeks of the line. The ticket was unfortunately lost. When the Chinese boy went to claim the box, which was lying there before his eyes, he was told that there was no proof of ownership and consequently he couldn't have the box without showing the ticket. As the contents were not of much value nothing more was said. Three months later the railway sent a bill for storage. 'But,' my friend remonstrated, 'you said there was no proof of ownership, and now you send in a bill for storage. How do you know the box is mine?' 'Oh, we know it's yours, because your boy asked for it.' 'Then if you know it is mine, will you let me take it away?' 'Not without the ticket.' Absolute refusal to give up the box but imperious demand for the money. Proof of ownership sufficient for the bill, not enough or the box. The bill was paid of necessity. It probably would have been sent in and paid at infinitum had not the Chinese boy known and bribed a man who bribed a railway employee to get into the warehouse where the box was stored and smash it out of existence."

**Surprise for the Parson.**  
A clergyman taking occasion to go to London before Christmas, his wife asked him to a text for the gallery of the church for the Christmas decorations, according to "The King." He was very busy and forgot all about it till just before leaving so wired for instructions to his wife as to words and dimensions. She wired back the following message: "Unto us a son is born nine feet long by three feet high."

**Ages of Paris Brides.**  
Of 121,525 Parisian brides of the last decade, 27,891 were under 20 years old; 61,370 were between 20 and 30, 22,831 between 30 and 40; 7,316 between 40 and 50, 2,269 between 50 and 60, while 575 were over 60.

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"Now is it hot enough for you?"

Mr. Eatherly is building some new sheep sheds.

R. H. Purdy has been on the sick list this week.

Base ball game tomorrow—also are crackers, etc.

The Northville Telephone Co. now has 110 subscribers.

Are you reading "Granmark"? It commenced last week.

The front of the Gardner Kandy Kitchen is being repainted.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry White are moving to town this week.

George Baker has the champion field of oats in this vicinity.

State Fair premium lists can be obtained at the Record office.

Regular K. T. meeting next Monday night. Work in Temple degree.

See the supplement in this issue. It will interest every reader of the Record.

Mrs. Thrasher entertained her Sunday school class at her home Friday evening.

Mrs. Forest Francisco who has been very ill, is a little better at this writing. Her little daughter is also better.

B. G. Filkins is acting as superintendent of construction at the U. S. fish station here during the new pond work.

Mrs. Holcomb cut her arm quite severely a few days ago while shearing some fractions grass about the yard with a corn knife.

The Presbyterian ladies held their missionary tea at R. R. McKahan's on Wednesday of last week. They had a good time and full house.

A lady 75 years of age was given the right hand of fellowship on a church letter at the Northville M. E. church last Sunday. Shake—Adrian Press.

The Methodist people have broken all records. They gave a free supper in their church one evening last week and not even the traditional collection was taken up.

Scherer & Cattermole are selling a smart lot of hay tedders and loaders this week, as an indication of a large crop of hay. Twenty-four "kickers" is their record up to Tuesday.

Postmaster Johnson has the best garden in town, all the result of his own labors before and after stamp selling hours. He has picked several messes of green peas already and has green corn nearly four feet high.

The council is doing commendable work in replacing all the old plank crosswalks in this village with Portland cement walks. Formerly replacements were made with Medina stone, but cement is found to be cheaper and more permanent.

The eighth grade graduates and their teacher, Miss Belle Covert, perpetrated a surprise on Prof. E. J. Martin last Saturday evening by calling at his residence and presenting him a fine silk umbrella with his name and the year neatly engraved on the handle.

Letters for the following persons are advertised at the postoffice this week:

Miss Lucy Davenport—  
Mr. Herbert Humble—  
Mr. Morrison—  
T. C. Pearce—  
Dr. Thompson

Miss Olive Shepard is having a new cement walk laid in front of her Dunlap street home.

The Baptist ladies will have a bake sale in the Kellogg building next week Saturday.

Prof. E. J. Martin and wife left this week for Williamston, where Mr. Martin will teach next term.

Lost—Class pin, blue and white octagon, with letters N. J. C. '03. Finder please notify Park house or Record office.

The library will be closed Saturday afternoon on account of the Fourth but will be open as usual in the evening.

During Supt. Clark's absence for a few weeks in July, Foreman Will Thayer will be acting superintendent of the U. S. fish stations in Michigan.

Northville's population is, now undoubtedly the largest in its history and the school board for the first time and more room an absolute necessity.

Mrs. Thrasher's Sunday-school class had then pictures taken by Hueston Monday afternoon in front of the U. S. pension office building on Main street.

Nightwatch Huff and Marshal Taft say that law and order will be preserved in Northville at all hazards and the lessons of Monday indicate they mean what they say.

Remember the 4th of July celebration at Palmer Park, Detroit. Any of the Northville people will be welcome. The motto for the occasion is to be "Temperance, Peace and Patriotism."

Prof. J. Henry Smith was the pleased recipient the other day of a lovely present from the eighth grade, in token of their appreciation of his efforts in their behalf during the school year just ended.

The Eatherly country home, just east of town, presents a very attractive appearance just now, with its beautifully laid out grounds and blossoming shrubbery. It's the prettiest place along the United electric railway between here and Detroit.

The next regular meeting of the Woman's Relief Corps, next Wednesday, July 8th, will be held in the afternoon at 2:30 o'clock instead of in the evening as usual. A good attendance is particularly desired, as there is important work to be done.

Mrs. Sarah Garfield was brought before Judge Webster Monday morning on complaint of Nora Fritz, an employee at the Park hotel, charging her with taking some money from her room. Mrs. Garfield pleaded not guilty. The case was adjourned until today.

The school board has leased the Quinn place nearly opposite the school house for a ward school, and it will be occupied by Mrs. Kern's primary class. The high school room and the other grade rooms will be remodeled to meet needs incident to the increased attendance.

The program committee of the Northville Woman's Club, Mesdames Sarah Parsons, Jennie Knapp, Sophia Denton and Mary Wallin, announce that the year book is now finished and in the hands of the secretary, Ella White. The board of directors think it best that the usual arm of ten cents each be paid for the calendars.

E. H. Harmon of Milford, a former livrman here, lost one of his best horses last week in a peculiar way. His man was driving the team and attempted to pass a traction engine when the horses became unmanageable and jumped into a ditch one falling upon the other's head in such a manner as to drown the animal before it could be extricated.

People are greatly interested in libraries of course. Take the ladies library association at Northville for illustration. It requires fifteen members to do business. There are 70 members, and when the day for the annual meeting and election of officers came lately, not enough were present to justify Mrs. Harmon, the president, in occupying the throne and calling to order, and she had to issue a special appeal for those women who are everlastingly clamoring for suffrage to come out and vote. It she had noted the receipt of eight or ten new novels to be ready for patrons that day there would have been a crowd of 150 women and half the men of the village, instead of only one lady patron. But after all, it's a compliment to Mrs. Harmon's worth. No need of having an election so long as she is president—Adrian Press.

### Wanted

A young man for easy respectable work. Hustler can make \$18 to \$20 per week. Immediate application necessary to W. Wakefield, Plymouth, Mich. 47wlp.

Porter Bros. have purchased the Seth Reed store adjoining their own on Center st. Consideration \$3,000.

Postmaster Johnson announces that the postoffice will be closed for the usual holiday hours on Saturday—11:00 a. m. to 5:30 p. m. No delivery will be made on the rural routes.

The monthly mothers' meeting will be held with Mrs. VanZile Tuesday, July 7th, from three to five o'clock. Mrs. VanZile will have charge of the program. Mothers are urged to come.

Alex H. Smith of Detroit, reading clerk of the House of Representatives for some years past, has purchased the Farmington Enterprise of H. N. McCracken. Mr. Smith is an experienced newspaper man and will make things jingle in the old town. In welcoming Mr. Smith the Record expresses regret at losing Mr. McCracken from the profession which he has for ten years past so fittingly graced.

### Base Line News

Miss Anna Sump spent Sunday at Orchard Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Eatherly were Detroit visitors Monday.

Mrs. John Schultz is convalescing from her recent illness.

C. C. Chadwick and family spent Sunday at Orchard Lake.

Miss Laura Kent's sister from Novi visited her Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Yekes, Sr. were Milford visitors last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Eatherly entertained company from Detroit over Sunday.

Mrs. Nelson Bogart entertained company from Northville Friday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Power and son Arthur are spending the week at Port Huron.

Mr. C. C. Chadwick, Mrs. Bogart and Mrs. Haddock spent Monday evening with Mrs. D. F. Grissold.

### Methodist Church Notes.

[By the Pastor]

The Junior Epworth League gave its annual picnic at the Pickett grove Wednesday from 2:30 to 5:00 p. m.

The official board has decided to put in two new heating furnaces this summer. The Monroe company's bid was accepted costing \$272.00 beside some labor.

The Northville Bible Reading club closed its work for the summer last Thursday evening. A banquet was enjoyed by all the members. From 2:30 to 5:00 people enjoyed the evening together. The north side people won the contest for the year. During this last term of ten weeks the north side sent in 12,955 written answers and the south side 10,940. A total of 23,895. It is hoped to begin the work again next fall.

Next Sunday being the 4th of July a patriotic service will be observed in the morning. The G. A. R. post and Ladies' Relief Corps, sons of veterans and all citizens are invited. The subject of the evening sermon will be "How to enjoy the summer Sabbaths." A prelude to this sermon will be given on "Co operative house keeping in Northville." A scheme will be proposed by which groups of five families each can board at an economy of labor, time and money. All housekeepers and house supporters will find this worth a few moments reflection.

### Baptist Church Notes.

[By a Member]

Rev. VanDorn assisted in our services Sunday.

The B. Y. P. U. are planning for a bawker-hief bazaar in the near future.

Rev. Thrasher and family leave the last of the week for Detroit and other points.

The B. Y. P. U. will meet with Blanche Dunham next Tuesday evening, July 7th.

Norma Matthews and her violin were very much appreciated in Sunday-school last Sunday. Come again, Norma.

The B. Y. P. U. and evening service will be combined Sunday and an excellent program will be carried out. All interested are urged to be present at the usual hour, 7:30.

Services will be held next Sunday morning at the usual hour. Mrs. Hunt of Duluth will favor the congregation with a solo, and a well arranged program will be rendered by members of the congregation. It will prove to be interesting as well as helpful. A cordial invitation is extended to all to be present.

One of the most helpful B. Y. P. U. meetings was held Sunday evening under the leadership of Miss Edith Scott. The topic "Lost Opportunities" was presented very forcibly in a few remarks by Rev. VanDorn. One idea brought out was this: "If an opportunity to save a soul or to do some good work to some weak Christian does not seem to present itself, make one, and by so doing strengthen your own soul for greater work in the Master's kingdom."

### Presbyterian Church Notes.

[By the Pastor]

The S. D. Circle will meet at the parsonage next Wednesday afternoon.

The sermon next Sunday evening will be on a patriotic subject appropriate to the national anniversary.

The Lord's Supper will be administered next Sunday morning. The offering will be for the Session fund.

Our Sunday-school lesson returns to the Old Testament next Sunday, the lesson being "Israel Asking for a King," 1 Sam. 8:1-10.

The missionary tea held at Mrs. McKahan's was largely attended and a good sum was realized. Mrs. Jerome gave a very interesting report of the late meeting of the Woman's Board of the Northwest at Chicago.

### Argo Flour Is Now the Bunting

We wish once more to call the attention of the people of Northville to the Argo Flour. Under the supervision of our new miller we believe that we have so perfected the Argo Flour that it equals anything that has heretofore been manufactured in the Argo Mills and the testimonials received from those who use the Argo Flour will bear us out in this statement. We are willing to place it beside any flour that is sold. We buy the best wheat therefore we know whereof we speak. We kindly ask those who have not given it a trial to do so and they will find it will give perfect satisfaction. Yours very respectfully,

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### Old Papers for Sale.

To reduce an accumulation of old newspapers we will dispose of a limited quantity at 10 cents per 100 or two packages (40) for 5 cents. All suitable for pantry shelves or for putting under carpets. Apply at the Record office.

### Live Bait and Fish Poles.

Live bait and fish poles furnished with boats at every opposite hotel, Walled Lake. Terms, 50 cents per day.

Ice cream and soft drinks in conjunction. R. B. McKahan, Prop.

### Judson Makes Changes.

Detroit, Mich., July 1.—State Oil Inspector "Bill" Judson has fired four deputies and has established a new district, with headquarters at Saginaw. His new appointees are J. J. Juckett of Homer to take the place of W. I. Garfield, O. L. Tomlinson of Plymouth succeeding John Whittier of Livonia, A. L. Stevens of St. Joseph is succeeded by I. I. Lavette of Cassopolis and Robert J. Bates of the Soo gets the place of A. F. Howard of Munising. Fred Dunlop gets the new deputyship at Saginaw. Campbell of Detroit is to be re-appointed.

### Crippled by Lightning.

Traverse City, Mich., July 1.—During a severe electric storm Tuesday morning the residence of James Fogarty was badly damaged by lightning. Mrs. E. Crain, while pumping water, received a severe shock. The pump was ten feet from the house and the fluid struck a telephone wire. Mrs. Crain was crippled and her vocal chords paralyzed. There was a heavy rainfall lasting three hours.

### Patriotic Privileges

Detroit, Mich., July 1.—The small do vards the adult of the same frame of mind may fire off torpedos and fireworks to their hearts' content on the coming Fourth as long as they keep 300 feet away from hospitals and draw the line at dynamite, according to Mayor Mahoney's proclamation.

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FOR SALE—Old papers in big bundles for 5 cents at the Record office. All rights and clean and just the thing for shelves or to put under carpets. 427f.

WANTED—Property in Northville or vicinity in exchange of good 30 acre farm also for Pontiac fruit and garden farm of 4 or 5 acres. Apply to E. E. Hyman at C. C. Verkes office, Northville. 457f.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—One farm 240 acres, in exchange of good 30 acre farm, 60 acres. I will sell the above farms or exchange for other desirable property. Two of these farms are in Michigan. Also sell or exchange for other property. Address L. L. Fraser, Northville. 457f.

### What's the Paying?

For Northville people who want to know what's the paying, here's a list of the prizes offered by the Wonderland and Temple Theatre. The prizes are: \$100.00 for the first person who guesses the correct number of persons who attend Wonderland and Temple Theatre during June, July, August and September, 1903, and get one of the following prizes: \$50.00 for the first person who guesses the correct number of persons who attend the nearest theatre; \$25.00 for the second; \$15.00 for the third and \$10.00 for the fourth. Write guess, name and address plainly on the coupon printed below and bring same to theatre box office when ticket is purchased.

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# GRAUSTARK

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## CHAPTER II.

TWO STRANGERS IN A COACH.  
LORRY wasted very little time. He dashed into the depot and up to the operator's window.

"What's the nearest station east of here?"

"P—," leisurely answered the agent in some surprise.

"How far is it?"

"Four miles."

"Telegraph ahead and hold the train that just left here."

"The train doesn't stop there."

"It's got to stop there or there'll be more trouble than this road has had since it began business. The conductor pulled out and left two of his passengers—gave out wrong information—and he'll have to hold his train there or bring her back here. If you don't send that order, I'll report you as well as the conductor."

Grenfall's manner was commanding. The agent's impression was that he was important, that he had a right to give orders; but he hesitated.

"There's no way for you but to get to P— anyway," he said while turning the matter over in his mind.

"You stop that train! I'll get there inside of twenty minutes. Now, be quick! Wire ahead to hold her or there'll be an order from headquarters for some pretty dry 'o'ys."

The agent stared at him, then turned to his instrument, and the message went forward. Lorry rushed out. On the platform he nearly ran over the hurrying figure in the tan coat.

"Parliament, I'll explain things in a minute," he gasped and dashed away. Her troubled eyes blinked with astonishment.

At the end of the platform stood a mountain crumb, long the sides of which was painted in yellow letters, "Happy Springs." The driver was climbing up to his seat, and the curbside personage was empty.

"Want to take \$10?" cried Grenfall.

"What say?" demanded the driver, half falling to the ground.

"Get me to P— inside of twenty minutes, and I'll give you \$10. Hurry up! Answer!"

"Yes, but you see I'm tired to—"

"Oh, that's all right! You'll never make money easier. Can you get us there in twenty minutes?"

"It's four miles, partner, and not very good road, either. P— in, and we'll make it or kill old Jim and Jim. Miss the train?"

"Get yourself ready for a race with an express train, and don't ask questions. Kill 'em both if you have to. I'll be back in a second!"

Back to the station he tore. She was standing near the door looking up the track miserably. Already night was falling. Men were fighting the switchmen and the mountain was turning into great dark shadows.

"Come quickly! I have a wagon out here."

Restlessly she was hurried along and fully showed through the open door of the old coach. He was beside her on the seat in an instant, and her bewildered eyes held him.

"Drive like the very devil!" Then the driver slammed the driver's door up to his eyes, and the horses were off with a dash.

"Where are we going?" she demanded, sitting very straight and dead.

"After that train. I'll tell you all about it when I get my breath. This is the quickest escape from a dilemma on record, provided it is an escape."

By this time they were bumping along the dirty road at a lively rate, jolting about on the seat in a most disconcerting manner. After a few long, deep breaths he told her how the ride in the Springs back had been conceived and of the arrangement he had made with the dispatcher. He, furthermore, acquainted her with the cause of his being left when he might have caught the train.

"Just as I reached the track, out of breath, but rejoicing, I remembered having seen you on that side street and knew that you would be left. It would have been heartless to leave you here without protection, so I felt it my duty to let the train go and help you out of a very ugly predicament."

"How can I ever repay you?" she murmured. "It was so good and so thoughtful of you. Oh, I should have died had I been left here alone! Do you not think my uncle will miss me and have the train sent back?" she went on eagerly.

"That's so," he exclaimed, somewhat disconcerted. "But I don't know, either. He may not miss you for a long time, thinking you are in some other car, for instance. That could easily happen," triumphantly.

"Can this man get us to the next station in time?" she questioned, looking at the black mountains and the dense foliage. It was now quite dark.

"If he doesn't bump us to death before we get half way there. He's driving like the wind."

"You must let me pay half his bill," she said decidedly from the dark corner in which she was huddled.

He could find no response to this peremptory request.

"The road is growing rougher. If you will allow me to make a suggestion, I think you will see its wisdom. You can escape a great deal of ugly

jostling if you will take hold of my arm and cling to it tightly. I will brace myself with this strap. I am sure it will save you many hard bumps."

Without a word she moved to his side and wound her strong little arm about his big one.

"I had thought of that," she said simply. "Thank you." Then, after a moment, while his heart thumped madly, "Had it occurred to you that after you ran so hard, you might have climbed aboard the train and ordered the conductor to stop it for me?"

"I—I never thought of that!" he cried confusedly.

"Please do not think me ungrateful. You have been very good to me, a stranger. One often thinks afterward of things one might have done, don't you know? You did the noblest when you inconvenienced yourself for me. What trouble I have made for you!"

"It has been no trouble," he stammered. "An adventure like this is worth an end of—inconvenience, as you call it. I'm sure I must have lost my head completely, and I am ashamed of myself. How much anxiety I could have saved you had I been possessed of an ounce of brains."

"Hush! I will not allow you to say that. You would have me appear ungrateful when I certainly am not. Ah, how he is driving! Do you think it dangerous?" she cried as the back gave two or three wild lurches, throwing him into the corner and the girl half upon him.

"Not in the least," he gasped, the breath knocked out of his body. Just the same he was very much alarmed. It was as dark as pitch outside and in, and he could not help wondering how near the edge of the mountain side they were running. A false move of the dying horses and they might go tumbling to the bottom of the ravine, hundreds of feet below. Still he must not let her see his apprehension. "This fellow is considered the best driver in the mountains," he proclaimed.

"Oh, then we need feel no alarm," she said, reassured.

There was such a roaring and clattering that conversation became almost impossible. When either spoke, it was with the mouth close to the ear of the other. At such times Grenfall could feel her breath on his cheek. Her sweet voice went tingling to his toes with every word she uttered. He was in a daze, out of which came the mad wish that he might creep her in his arms, kiss her and then go tumbling down the mountain, but gave forth no complaint. He knew that she was in terror, but too brave to murmur.

"I wish to—," he released the strap to which he had clung so grimly and placed his strong, firm hand encouragingly over the little one that gripped his arm with the clutch of death. It was very dark and very lonely too.

"Oh," she cried as his hand clasped hers. "You must hold to the strap!"

"It is broken!" he lied gladly. "There is no danger. See, my hand does not tremble, does it? Be calm! It cannot be much farther!"

"Will it not be dreadful if the conductor refuses to stop?" she cried, her hand resting calmly beneath his protector. He detected a trace of security in her voice.

"But he will stop. Your uncle will sue to that even if the operator falls."

"My uncle will kill him if he does not stop or come back for me," she said complacently.

"I was not wrong," thought Grenfall. "He looks like a duelist. Who the devil are they, anyhow?" Then aloud, "At this rate we'd be able to beat the train to Washington in a straightaway race. Isn't it a delightfully wild ride?"

"I have acquired a great deal of knowledge in America, but this is the first time I have heard your definition of delight. I agree that it is wild."

For some moments there was silence in the noisy conveyance. Outside, the track of the driver's whip, his hoarse cries and the nerve destroying crash of the wheels produced impressions of a mighty storm rather than of peace and pleasure.

"I am curious to know where you obtained the coin you lost in the car yesterday," she said at last, as if relieving her mind of a question that had been long subdued.

"The one you so kindly found for me?" he asked procrastinatingly.

"Yes. They are certainly rare in this country."

"I never saw a coin like it until after I had seen you," he confessed. He felt her arm press his a little tighter, and there was a quick movement of her head which told him, dark as it was, that she was trying to see his face and that her blue eyes were wide with something more than terror.

"I do not understand," she exclaimed.

"I obtained the coin from a sleeping car porter, who said some one gave it to him and told him to have a 'high time' with it," he explained in her ear.

"He evidently did not care for the 'high time,'" she said after a moment. He would have given a fortune for one glimpse of her face at that instant.

"I think he said it would be necessary to go to Europe in order to follow the injunction of the donor. As I am more likely to go to Europe than he, I relieved him of the necessity and bought his right to a 'high time.'"

"There was a long pause, during which she attempted to withdraw herself from his side, her little fingers struggling timidly beneath the big ones.

"Are you a collector of coins?" she asked at length, a perceptible coldness in her voice.

"No. I am considered a dispenser of coins. Still, I rather like the idea of possessing this queer bit of money as a pocket piece. I intend to keep it forever and let it descend as an heirloom to the generations that follow me," he said laughingly. "Why are you so curious about it?"

"Because it comes from the city and country in which I live," she responded. "If you were in a land far from your own, would you not be interested in anything—even a coin—that reminded you of home?"

"Especially if I had not seen one of its kind since leaving home," he replied insinuatingly.

"Oh, but I have seen many like it. In my purse there are several at this minute."

"Isn't it strange that this particular coin should have reminded you of home?"

"You have no right to question me, sir," she said coldly, drawing away, only to be lured back again. In spite of herself she laughed audibly.

"I beg your pardon," he said, twining his arm about her.

"Which did he give it to?"

"Who?"

"The porter, sir."

"You have no right to question me," he said.

"Oh," she gasped. "I did not mean to be impudic."

"But I grant the right. He gave it me inside of two hours after I first entered the car."

"At Denver?"

"How do you know I got on at Denver?"

"Why you passed me in the aisle with your luggage. Don't you remember?"

Did he remember? His heart almost turned over with the joy of knowing that she had really noticed and remembered him. Involuntarily his glad fingers closed down upon the gloved hand that lay beneath them.

"I believe I do remember, now that you speak of it," he said in a stifled voice. "You were standing at a window."

"Yes, and I saw you kissing those ladies good-bye. Was one of them your wife, or were they all your sisters?"

"I have wondered."

"They—they were cousins," he informed her confidently, recalling an incident that had been forgotten. He had kissed Mrs. Lyons and Miss Barrage, but the brothers were present.

"A foolish habit, isn't it?"

"I do not know. I have no grown cousins," she replied demurely. "You Americans have such funny customs, though. Where I live no gentleman would think of pressing a lady's hand until it pained her. Is it necessary?"

In the question there was a quiet dignity, half submerged in scorn, so pointed, so unmistakable, that he flushed, turned cold with mortification and hastily removed the amorous fingers.

"I crave your pardon. It is such a strain to hold myself and you against the rolling of this wagon that I unconsciously gripped your hand, harder than I knew. You—you will not misunderstand my motive?" he begged, fearful lest he had offended her by his ruthlessness.

"I could not misunderstand something that does not exist," she said simply, proudly.

"By Jove, she's beyond comparison," he thought.

"You have explained, and I am sorry I spoke as I did. I shall not again forget how much I owe you."

"Your indebtedness, if there be one, does not deprive you of the liberty to speak to me as you will. You could not say anything unjust without asking my forgiveness, and when you do that you more than pay the debt. It is worth a great deal to me to hear you say that you owe something to me, for I am only too glad to be your creditor. If there is a debt, you shall never pay it. It is too pleasant an account to be settled with 'you're welcome.' If you insist that you owe much to me, I shall refuse to cancel the debt and allow it to draw interest forever."

"What a financier!" she cried. "That jest was worthy of a courtier's deepest flattery. Let me say that I am proud to owe my gratitude to you. You will not permit it to grow less."

"That was either irony or the prettiest speech a woman ever uttered," he said warmly. "I also am curious about something. You were reading over my shoulder in the observation car."

"I was not!" she exclaimed indignantly. "How did you know that?" she incoherently went on.

"You forgot the mirror in the opposite side of the car."

"Ah! Now I am offended!"

"With a poor old mirror? For shame! Yet, in the name of our American glass industry, I ask your forgiveness. It shall not happen again. You will admit that you were trying to read over my shoulder. Thanks for that imitable nod. Well, I am curious to know what you were so eager to read."

"Since you presume to believe the mirror instead of me, I will tell you. There was a dispatch on the first page that interested me deeply."

"I believe I thought as much at the time. Oh, confound this road!" For half a mile or more the road had been fairly level, but, as the ejaculation indicates, a rough place had been reached. He was flung back in the corner violently, his head coming in contact with a sharp projection of some kind. The pain was almost unbearable, but it was eased by the fact that she had involuntarily thrown her arm across his chest, her hand grasping his shoulder spasmodically.

"Oh, we shall be killed!" she half shrieked. "Can you not stop him? This is madness—madness!"

"Pray be calm! I was to blame, for I had become careless. He is earning his money; that's all. It was not stipulated in the contract that he was to consider the comfort of his passengers." Grenfall could feel himself turn pale as something warm began to trickle down his neck. "Now, tell me which dispatch it was. I read all of them."

"You did? Of what interest could they have been?"

"Curiously does not recognize reason?"

"You read every one of them?"

"Assuredly."

"Then I shall grant you the right to guess which interested me the most. You Americans delight in puzzles, I am told."

"Now, that is unfair!"

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