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HOLLAND CITY NEWS.

VOL. XXVI.

HOLLAND, MICH., SATURDAY, JANUARY 30, 1897.

NO. 2

The KRAMER DRY GOODS HOUSE

Our Annual Invoice for 1897 is closed.

But we found some departments were overstocked with Fall Goods such as

Dress Flannels,
Fall Novelties,
Underwear, Hosiery

and many of other broken lots to be closed.

Room must be made for spring stock. All of those goods on hand were bought for the fall trade of 1896, and they are the best that can be found in any exclusive dry goods store, but as the spring is near approaching, those goods will have to move.

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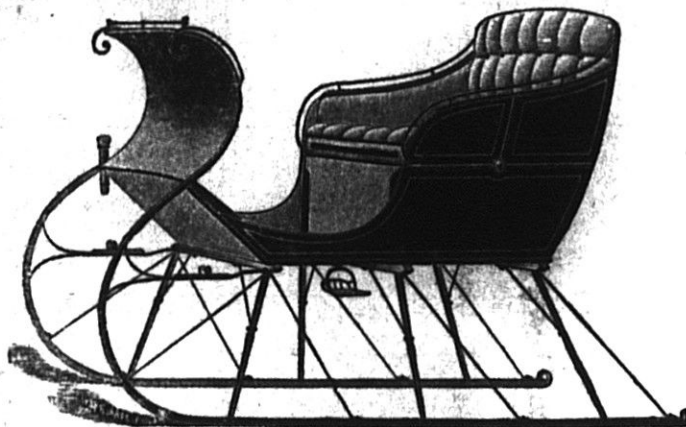
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CITY AND VICINITY.

Rev. C. C. A. L. John will preach in the Fourth Ref. church next Sunday.

Nine carloads of machinery arrived last week for the West Michigan furniture factory.

Rev. Henry J. Pietsen of Leota, Minn., has been called to the Ref. church at East Holland.

Rev. P. Lepeltak of Alton, Iowa, has received a call from the Third Ref. church at Kalamazoo.

Rev. J. Kruidenier is pursuing a course in Hebrew at the Chicago University. He expects to return to the mission field in Egypt in September.

Glen McMartin, formerly a Holland boy, is reported to have sold his interest in a gold mine near Victoria, B. C., to an English syndicate for \$25,000.

Sheriff McGraw of Flint was in the city Monday and apprehended "Skipper Lake" for participating in a burglary committed there some time ago.

An army of men found employment this week in clearing the C. & W. M. from the heavy snow drifts. Trains were more or less delayed owing to the blizzard.

Mr. and Mrs. James Westveer celebrated their thirty-fifth wedding anniversary last week Thursday. Mr. Westveer is a member of the firm of Will Secord & Co., and has been in the mercantile business for about twenty years.

Mrs. E. Van Kampen died Saturday evening at the home of her son Henry, north of the city, at the age of 74 years. Apoplexy suddenly ended her life. The funeral occurred Wednesday noon from her late home, Rev. J. Van Hoogen officiating.

L. C. Bradford captured the five dollar prize offered by Will. Botsford & Co. to the person guessing nearest the number of electoral votes in the recent presidential election, between McKinley and Bryan. Mr. Bradford gave McKinley 255 electoral votes while the other extreme conceded 233 for Bryan.

Thursday being designated as the annual day of prayer for colleges, services were held in the First and Third Ref. churches in the morning conducted by their respective pastors. In the afternoon special services were held in Winants chapel at which addresses were made by Rev. Jacob Van der Meulen of Graafschap and Evangelist Bevier of Grand Rapids.

Next Tuesday is "ground hog" day.

G. J. Diekema will address the young men at Bergen Hall next Sunday afternoon.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. D. Klompars on Seventeenth street, on Wednesday morning—a daughter.

Owing to the illness of Rev. Jacob Graber, there will be no services in the German Lutheran church next Sunday.

A social will be given in the First Ref. church next Tuesday evening to which all members and friends of the congregation are invited.

Miss Jennie De Vries had charge of Miss Fannie Verbeek's and Miss Lillian Gilbert's classes one-half day each this week owing to sickness.

The Women's Foreign Missionary society will meet at the M. E. church parsonage next Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. All are invited to attend.

"Preparation for American Citizenship" will be one of the subjects treated at the opening session of the inspiration institute at Winants chapel on next Thursday evening.

Miss Jennie Ten Cate was agreeably surprised by a visit from her Sunday school class last Friday evening. As a token of appreciation of her services they presented her with a handsome rocker.

Chief engineer of the fire department John Dinkeloo stationed the members of Eagle Hose Co. No. 1 at their engine house in the second ward to respond to any calls for fire during the severe storm on Friday night.

A progressive pedro party was given at the St. Charles Hotel last Friday evening. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. A. E. Ferguson, first; and Miss Lillian Ferguson, the booby. Instrumental and vocal music was a feature.

The fourth of the series of pedro parties given by the Order of the Eastern Star was given last Friday evening. Fourteen tables were occupied and usual prizes were awarded. The next party will be given next Friday evening.

Miss Augusta Otte, saleslady at Will Botsford & Co.'s, while at Grand Rapids on Saturday, had her valise stolen at the passenger depot. She was in the city shopping and was about to return home when a sneak thief made way with her property, which was valued at about \$15.

The meeting at the Grondwet office to-morrow (Saturday) afternoon at two o'clock sharp should not escape the notice of any and all who are interested in the establishment of the proposed Heinz pickling factory at Holland. Important matters will be discussed and no one should fail to be present at this the final meeting.

Supt. C. M. McLean as conductor of the inspiration institute to be held here the first week in February, has sent a written letter to every one of the nearly four hundred school officers in this county urging them to be in attendance at the various sessions of the institute and to close their schools on Friday, enabling them to come. They should respond with one accord and without any hesitancy.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Ottawa Furniture Co. was held on Tuesday evening. As board of directors were re-elected: James Huntley, J. W. Beardslee, A. Visscher, G. W. Browning, Mary Boone, W. H. Wing and Geo. Huntley. The board of directors thereupon re-elected the following officers: James Huntley, president; Dr. J. W. Beardslee, vice president; G. W. Browning, secretary and manager; A. Visscher, treasurer. They then repaired to L. E. van Drezzer's restaurant, where an elaborate oyster supper was enjoyed.

W. B. Owen of Chicago was in the city Tuesday to attend the annual meeting of the Holland-Chicago Steamboat Co., which was held at the office of the Walsh-De Roo Milling Co. In an interview with Mr. Owen he expressed himself as well pleased with the business of the past season, considering the general depression, and anticipates a general revival the coming season. Mr. Owen stated that the season of '97 will open as soon as business demands it and that ample accommodations will be furnished for both the passenger and freight traffic. With reference to the proposed Holland-Milwaukee line no action was taken, but the project will be considered as soon as it may be deemed feasible. Plans were formulated for the coming season and Mr. Owen was re-elected as manager, under whose active and efficient service the line will continue to remain deservedly popular with the traveling public.

Several ice boats have added to the winter sport on Black lake.

Bolts, logs and wood have been drawn in large quantities to the city this week.

Miss Lyda Ver Schure has secured a position as teacher in the schools at West Olive.

Rev. R. Bloemendaal of Muskegon has declined the call to the Ref. church at Brighton, N. Y.

James A. Brouwer and family are occupying their magnificent new home on east Ninth street.

Truant officer G. Blom says that the boys are very obedient and that he experiences no trouble in their regular attendance at school.

Charles King of Holland called on friends in Spring Lake Saturday. Mr. King has the finest box and basket factory in Michigan.—G. H. News.

Smith & Dyke will resume operations in the manufacture of window screens. They have changed their models, their former article being an infringement on the Wheeler patent.

A joint meeting of forestry and good roads will be held in the court house at Grand Haven next week Wednesday, Feb. 3, at 10 a. m. Papers will be read by H. D. Post, Luke Lagers and G. Van Scheiven.

The C. & W. M. train from Chicago due here at 9:40 p. m., was several hours late on Tuesday. The engine gave out at East Saugatuck and it was necessary to send another engine to bring the train in.

George Schoenitz, the brewer, was the first to employ a gang of men in cutting ice on Black lake on Wednesday. It is from three to six inches thick and from present appearances prospects are favorable for a bountiful harvest.

C. Blom, Jr., has sold out his bakery and confectionery business and it will hereafter be managed by E. A. Vanderveen, formerly of Grand Rapids. Mr. Vanderveen is an experienced business man and we wish him success in his new undertaking.

John Bosman, the merchant tailor, is now conveniently located in his new quarters. The transformation of the old building has given it a metropolitan shade. When it comes to push and enterprise John always enlists in the front ranks. His many patrons will verify this statement.

The Sons of Veterans will hold a camp fire at their hall on Friday evening, Feb. 12. All those whose fathers and grandfathers served during the rebellion are cordially invited to attend. An interesting program of vocal and instrumental music, recitations, etc., is being prepared. The Women's Relief Corps will serve refreshments. The G. A. R. are invited to attend.

An old-fashioned blizzard struck this city last Friday and since that time snow has fallen almost incessantly. High winds have prevailed and the mercury slid toward the bulb daily, the coldest reported being two degrees below. Heavy snow drifts blocked the roads and highways, trains were more or less delayed, and business was practically at a stand still. Estimates place the average fall of snow at from eighteen to twenty-four inches. To-day the weather is somewhat moderated and an excellent run of sleighing will cause a general revival in business circles.

About two hundred young people attended the social given by the Christian Endeavor society of the Third Ref. church on Wednesday evening. A short program had been arranged and consisted of an organ voluntary by Miss Hannah Te Roller, prayer by Rev. G. H. Dubbink, an address of welcome by William Prakken, a recitation by Miss Kate Prakken, and music by a quartette consisting of Mr. and Mrs. John Vandersluis, Miss Lizzie Winter and Floris Ferwerda. A social talk and handshake followed by a report of the refreshment committee closed the evening's entertainment.

The report of the auditing committee of Crescent Tent K. O. T. M. shows the tent in a good financial condition. The enrollment contains 100 members (endowment and social) who paid for their protection of one or two thousand dollars each during the year, \$970. The amount paid to sick members out of the sick fund (no charity) due when sick or disabled, at \$5 per week, was \$223.06. Other expenses were \$609.72. Money on hand Jan. 1, 1897, \$185.31. The installation of officers took place on Monday evening by Past Commander Austin Harrington, installing officer. The following evening the Lady Macabees held their annual installation, Lady Holley officiating.

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Celebrated for its great leavening strength and healthfulness. Assures the food against all forms of adulteration common to the cheap brands.

ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Wierda on River street, last Saturday.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Spyker on Eighteenth street, last week Thursday.

The annual catalogue of Hope College is in the hands of the printer and will issue shortly.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Van Dyke, on the north side, on Wednesday morning—a daughter.

Mrs. G. J. Wolterink, one of the earliest settlers of Overisel, died the first of the week. She was 78 years of age.

All those who are in need of a pair of kid gloves or a good mackintosh will do well to read John Vandersluis' adv. this week.

The attendance of all Sons of Veterans is desired at the hall next Tuesday evening. Drilling for the year will be commenced.

In North Holland it is claimed that the difference between cows and oxen is so slight that even the local physician at times fails in his diagnosis.

The students of the Western Theological Seminary, together with the faculty, spent a pleasant evening at the home of Dr. E. Winter last Friday.

Supt. C. M. McLean is receiving many interesting volumes from the secretaries of the different states in the union in response to inquiries in their respective educational resources.

Saturday is the last day of grace for taxpayers. City treasurer Henry Van der Ploeg states that about \$2,000 remains to be collected, at which amount about one-half is expected to be paid on the final day.

G. J. A. Pessink has severed his connection with the Holland City Steam Laundry and has accepted a position with the West Michigan Steam Laundry. The latter have put two laundry deliveries on the route, the one operated by Martin Dykema and the other by Mr. Pessink.

The proposition to ask the legislature to amend the city charter of Grand Rapids so that the city may bond itself in the sum of \$100,000 for improving the Grand River is developing considerable opposition in the Valley City. Some of the leading men are outspoken in their opposition and pronounce the entire project a waste of public money.

A joint birthday party was given by Mable Gillespie and Catharine Lillie at the home of Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Gillespie on Thursday afternoon. About twenty little girls joined them in celebrating their anniversaries which occurred on Thursday and Tuesday respectively. It was a merry group who enjoyed themselves in feasting on the luxuries which had been prepared for the occasion.

At the Prohibition state convention held last week a paper was read by Dr. John G. Reinsberg on "What can be done to win the Hollandish speaking citizens for our party?" One answer that can be made to this question is not to lead them to worship at a false shrine, and, under the motto of "God and Home and Native Land," make them subscribe to the abominable tenets of the Chicago platform.

The catalogue of the Western Theological Seminary for 1896-97 has been issued. It is embellished with a cut of Semellink Family Hall and is filled with useful information. Eighteen students are enrolled of which six will graduate in the spring. The faculty consists of Prof. J. W. Beardslee, Henry B. Bosker, Egbert Winter, and J. T. Bergen. The theologians have access to the Chambers Library containing about 4,000 volumes, while for general literature the students have free use of the Graves Library of Hope College.

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THE MARKETS.

Wheat 9 bushel.....	54
Barley 9 bushel.....	35
Oats 9 bushel.....	30
Flour 9 bushel.....	15-17
Ground feed.....	6 50
Feed.....	15
Flour 9 barrel.....	4 50
Ground feed.....	1 00
Feed.....	20
Ground feed.....	63
Feed.....	60
Hay 9 ton.....	6 00
Butter.....	12
Eggs 9 dozen.....	13
Pork.....	34
Wood, soft, dry 9 cord.....	1 75
Chickens, dressed, 10 live @ 5.....	7 00
Beans 9 bushel.....	60
Ground Oil Cake.....	\$1.20 per hun
Dressed Beef.....	4 05
Feed.....	1 05
Mutton.....	5 05
Lard.....	8 05
Hams.....	7 05
Shoulders.....	5 05
Hides—No. 1 Cured.....	@ 7 1/2
No. 1 Green.....	@ 6 1/2
No. 1 Tallow.....	@ 3

Holland City News.

SATURDAY, January 30, 1897.

Holland, - - Mich.

OUR NEIGHBORS.

Ottawa County.

Circuit court adjourned Friday afternoon, to Wednesday, February 3, and the jury were discharged. During the term four divorces have been granted, two criminal cases tried, seven chancery, four law, and one law and impudence cases heard. The fines imposed, amount to \$200.80.

The number of indigent insane from Ottawa county now in the Michigan asylum is 11, and the number of indigent insane committed during the year 1896 is 15. Four persons from this county have been sent to the Industrial school for girls at Adrian.

During the year the Allendale co-operative creamery company has handled 1,030,325 pounds of milk, from which 44,633 pounds of butter have been made. The following directors were elected for the ensuing year: Frank J. Fox, Robert Pritchard, Geo. Latham, Sam Lenters, Chas. O. Brown, Henry O. Velzey and Paul Green. A new boiler will be added to the plant.

John C. Bishop, the well-known Agnew attorney, used to practice with Judge Padgham in the southern part of the state years ago.—Tribune.

A delightful gathering of relatives and friends met at the home of Mr. E. J. Prull, Spring Lake, last Wednesday evening, to help celebrate Mr. Prull's 54th birthday. Mr. Prull was presented with a fine engraving of Sherman's March to the Sea, in an oak frame.

The current in Grand River is still very swift.

Deputy Sheriff Rutgers, of Mitchell, S. D., has arrested George Merton near Jenison, this county, for disposition of mortgaged property at Mitchell four years ago.

The longer we live close to Grand River, the more we see the necessity of a bridge across it, says the Eastmanville correspondent of the Cooper-ville Observer. Agents and strangers come a number of miles with the expectation of crossing, but when they get here it is the old story, "No crossing today," and if we don't do something it will still be so when we reach the next century.

The Jamestown Co-operative Cry. Co., has done the following business:

Month.	Lbs. Butter Made.	Am't Paid Patrons.
January.....	12,489	\$1,972 58
February.....	12,949	2,103 52
March.....	17,289	2,620 40
April.....	22,732	2,590 48
May.....	23,536	3,309 20
June.....	25,472	2,902 04
July.....	18,768	2,239 16
August.....	18,184	2,363 06
September.....	17,661	2,133 00
October.....	16,042	2,261 46
November.....	19,854	2,356 40
December.....	11,685	1,927 16
	214,651	\$28,678 46

Fennville.

Robt. Beals recently shot two red foxes on the Daly Bayou, and Frank Beagle of the same place shot one at the Palmer Bayou.

Herald:—During the time from July 1 to Dec. 31, 1896, there were shipped from the Fennville station 666 full carloads of farm products. Of this amount there was the equivalent of 468 full cars of peaches, of an average weight of 23,000 pounds, 180 cars of apples, and 7 cars miscellaneous. Nearly two thirds of this business was handled during the months of August, September, and October. The above figures would have been much larger had the market been more profitable. The shipments by boat from Saugatuck, Ganges, and Casco townships are difficult to estimate, but they were very large and western Allegan county can still claim to be the banner peach producing section of the country.

Overisel.

Mrs. D. Hoffman is very ill.

Mrs. G. J. Wolterink, who has been ill a long time, is gradually failing.

L. Veldhuis has gone to Fremont Center, looking for a new field in which to start as a veterinary surgeon.

Geert Rigterink, a widower, who spent a few months in Europe, returned last week. He brought good news from his fatherland, but came back without a helpmeet. His friends wonder why.

Many of the farmers attended the farmer's institute at Holland last week. They report it a success.

H. Koolter has been at the U. B. A. home at Grand Rapids a few days, receiving treatment for one of his eyes.—Gazette.

Hamilton.

The brothers Holman and Dan McAlpine are shipping stove bolts to A. Van Putten & Co., Holland.

John Kolvoord shipped a car load of wheat to Holland.

Three car loads of timber have arrived here preparatory to putting in the balance of new bents of the C. & W. M. Ry. bridge at this place.—News.

Saugatuck.

Apples which were left under trees in the orchards last fall are still injured by the frost. Fifty bushels were picked up in one orchard in this township this week and they are as good as those gathered in the fall and have kept much better.

There is evidently not much farm property on the market in this section. An advertisement for a farm in last week's issue brought less than half a dozen offers. We know of but two really good farms in this section which are for sale.—Commercial.

Last week John Schaberg received a letter from Evert Van der Molen, the young man who left for his former home in the Netherlands last fall, in which he stated his intention to re-

turn here in the spring, having become dissatisfied with old country life after once having been in America.

Farmers in the southeastern part of the township are preparing to do a considerable "donation" work this winter in gravelling the roads of that section. Gravel can be hauled much better and cheaper at this season, when the roads are frozen hard, than at any other.

Zeeland.

Sleighting parties to Holland have been indulged in of late as much as the weather permitted.

Antony Romeyn, Sr., is a victim of blood poisoning.

A. Van der Hill, a carver at the furniture factory, has brought his family from Holland.—Record.

The members of the Zeeland fire department to the number of twenty-five had their annual festival Monday evening, and sat down to a first-class oyster supper, after which they engaged in a debate on the question as to whether labor saving machinery is beneficial to mankind.

The Sunday school of the Ref. church has collected \$498.49 during 1896, for the cause of missions.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Zeeland furniture factory a dividend of ten per cent was declared and the following officers elected: M. Schram, president; James Boone, vice president; C. Van Loo, sec'y and treas.; J. Spiker, R. De Bruyn, H. Derks and G. Van Tongeren, directors.

The new officers of the Zeeland Brick Co. are: J. Veneklasen, president; A. Veneklasen, vice president; B. Veneklasen, sec'y and treas.; G. Veneklasen, ass't secretary.

Grand Haven.

The Grand Rapids Brewing Co. is to open a supply depot in this city the coming season.

Every cargo brought in by the Crosby steamers is estimated at from \$40,000 to \$50,000.

Tribune: Sheriff Van Ry played a clever little ruse in capturing Sam Jones, the man now in jail on the charge of rape. Jones was in jail in Goshen, Ind., when Frank arrived and the prisoners had jollied him up, telling him that he did not have to go back to Michigan without requisition papers. So when Frank approached him Jones kicked and demanded papers. Sheriff Van Ry told him they would drive to Elkhart, where business could be attended to more expeditiously. Jones consented and Frank went out to hunt up a lively stable. He hired a rig, and posted the driver, telling him to drive to White Pigeon, Mich. When they got to the jail Jones was taken aboard, and the night drive begun. About one o'clock in the morning White Pigeon was reached and then Jones was told he was on Michigan ground, at which he was greatly surprised.

A man giving his name as George Davis, sometimes, and again as George Dempsey, and his home as Philadelphia, was on Friday morning released from the county jail, where he had been serving a sentence for vagrancy. He went down to Spring Lake, where he was seen a number of times that day. When the 6:15 train arrived at Ferrysburg he was seen to jump on the engine back of the tank. As the train got at the station here, he was noticed by the fireman to jump on the platform. A moment later groaning was heard, and the train men rushed to the place whence the groans proceeded, to find that the man had fallen from the platform under the car, and that the wheels had passed over him, cutting his right leg off below the knee, and tearing the flesh from the leg up to the thigh. The man was picked up and carried into the baggage room. Drs. Van der Veen and Walkley were summoned and amputated the leg at the thigh, and the man was taken to the City Hotel where he lingered until 1:30 o'clock Saturday morning, when he died. Before his death, the man stated in the presence of different parties that he was pushed off the train. Sheriff Van Ry and Deputy Klaver say that they have known Dempsey for about five years; that he was a sailor and came from Philadelphia. The remains were taken to Kiel's undertaking rooms, where the funeral services were held at two o'clock Monday afternoon, coroner Mastenbroek and the members that sat on the jury acting as pall-bearers.

The dynamo at the electric plant burned out Monday night and as a result the city was without lights for two nights. The damage is between two and three hundred dollars. Some miscreant cut three of the ropes that support the lights. All told we are having poor electric lighting. For two months now we have been in darkness more or less dense, and the end seems not yet to be at hand. A few more novices running an electric light plant might furnish an ideal light. If this is the best lighted city in Michigan God pity the poor ones.—News.

The new elevator will contain 65,000 bushels of grain.

Allegan County.

Mrs. Asa Williams, widow of the late C. & W. M. conductor on the Allegan-Holland branch, died in Chicago last week.

Journal: Last Friday night Charles McGee left Allegan in somewhat of a hurry, after having disposed of his property near the fairgrounds for \$200. It transpires that the mother of a lad fourteen or fifteen years, overheard a conversation between her son and boy, and inquiry revealed the fact that the boy as well as about twenty of his friends of nearly the same age, had been enticed by McGee to his home and there he had practiced an unmentionable crime upon them. Complaint was at once made to a lawyer and the lad, it is thought, in order to protect his friends, told them and they in turn advised McGee of the fact that his crimes were known and as a consequence he left. The indignation of the people is thoroughly aroused and should the fiend be brought back it is hard to say what his fate would be. Dame rumor has always said that McGee ran a house of ill repute, but he was never molested by the police. McGee's wife and ten-year old daughter went with him.

The house remains furnished and the chickens are still in the coop, so quick was his flight.

The C. & W. M. has instructed its agent at New Richmond to close the new depot there nights. Heretofore the waiting room has been left open nights for the convenience of those who desired to take the night trains.

A Hamilton correspondent to the Detroit News reads as follows: The remarkable manner in which the Potawatomi Indians are handling the \$118,000 received from the government about two months ago is astonishing. Each Indian, old and young, got \$437.79. Some 85 of them now live about one mile southwest of this village. The largest tract of land owned by a single Indian is 40 acres of oak grove and pine stumps. On this 40 there are ten shanties and a family in each shanty. If an Indian comes along who hasn't a place of his own, he is allowed to settle on this farm and put up a shanty of slabs taken from a sawmill. Many redskins visit Holland and Allegan with their new found wealth and fill up with firewater and then start out to buy what they want. Some have bought \$40 buggies for \$70 to \$80, and having no sheds, left them in the grubs exposed to rain and snow. They have bought all kinds of horses, paying from \$50 to \$120, and the average horse that they have got is not worth over \$10 to \$25. Ex-sheep-strabbling, who runs a hardware store, says he has sold them all kinds of stoves and cooking utensils. In one instance he had to order a \$40 cooking stove, those in stock not being good enough. He sold two stoves to one fellow and when he got to the Indian's hovel there wasn't room to put them both up, the room being filled with beds and other furniture. The family had just finished supper when he arrived. They had feasted on beefsteak, ham and eggs, sausage and pork steak. Peter Gibson and family got \$1,700 as their share of the amount and have not over \$100 left. Among the numerous things he bought was an expensive organ. There is not one of them that can play a note. It is believed the stuff on which they have squandered their money will last for six months, be for sale for what they can get. The residents of Hamilton fear an outbreak when the Indians find that their money is all gone, for, after once having had money they will never be satisfied with poverty. There are but three of the whole tribe who are saving their money, two squaws and one buck. There are a number of Sioux and Ottawas around here, and the Sioux are soon to receive the same amount from the government that the Potawatomes did. But two Indian children are attending school, and they not at all the time.

A former Republican in one of the townships of this county takes eleven Populist newspapers now, and his friends begin to feel considerably alarmed about his mental condition. Farmers around Ganges have a private telephone circuit which works successfully with 120 miles of wire.

Port Sheldon.

Our river is at last frozen over and ice is making. So those who put up ice are in a more jubilant humor at the prospect before them and are preparing to cut next week. Snow is deep all over and in some places has drifted badly.

The water and ice is terrible high in our river and the water is on the dump. Mr. Goodin went down and opened the mouth, but the ice bergs have formed on the outer bar and the water cannot get out into the lake until the water makes itself a way under them.

Graafschap.

It is now nip and tuck between the open winter and hard winter prophets with tuck just a little ahead.

For the past few weeks the desirability of a creamery at this place has been the all absorbing topic. We are glad too that what seemed at first insurmountable obstacles are gradually disappearing and that farmers of this community have taken hold of the matter with their usual good sense and in the right spirit. The plant will be put in by R. E. Sturges of Allegan, the special agent of the True Dairy Supply Co. of Syracuse, N. Y.

Gertie Koert died Sunday afternoon aged 15 years after an illness of several months duration. Funeral Wednesday at the Chris. Ref. church conducted by Rev. J. Keizer.

Gerrit Derks is very low with diabetes.

Here and There.

It is said that fortunes are yet to be made in tan bark in Michigan. Hemlock in the east has given out, and tanners are now turning westward for supplies. Big plants have already been located in Alpena, Cheboygan, Munising, Wetmore, Manistee and other points.

During the year 1896 the entire passenger equipment of the Chicago & West Michigan railway, including locomotives, passed through the repair shops at Muskegon. It has always been the aim of the company to make those who travel over its road as comfortable as possible.

The legislative committee of the Michigan League for Good Roads will recommend that the highway tax be made payable only in cash, that the highway district be abolished, and also the office of overseer of highways; that each township be made a highway district and be placed in charge of the commissioner; that enough highway tax be raised to offset the less incurred by abolishment of the labor tax; that all work on the highways be done on contracts let to the lowest bidders, excepting that in emergencies the commissioner may be empowered to hire day labor; that the commissioner keep roads in good repair, and be authorized to take gravel or other material by eminent domain, also that private property may be taken for drainage outlets for the highways.

A convent is to be erected by the Catholics near Kalamazoo in the spring.

Maj. Whittle, the Evangelist, is now in Scotland, and conducting a series of meetings in Edinburgh.

Farmers' Institutes are well attended in all parts of the lower peninsula.

A bread war has been started at Benton Harbor and three loaves are now sold for 5 cents.

England vs. America.

THE EXTENT OF THE COFFEE HABIT.

When one notices the difference in the average people of England and America regarding their diet and digestive abilities, some natural inquiries come up. What does the Englishman eat that gives him such good digestion, and what is the reason for so much dyspepsia among Americans? Rudyard Kipling makes out a "plea" through New England, and says the pathway is strewn with dyspeptics. The American's love for hard-loaded pastry is probably the cause for some trouble, but the apparently harmless coffee is without doubt the father of more stomach trouble in America than any other item of food or drink. Great Britain consumes about 30,000,000 pounds of coffee annually, while America disposes of something like 330,000,000, nearly or quite eleven times as much.

An ancient chemistry discovers the same poisonous alkaloids in coffee as are found in strychnine, morphine, tobacco and whiskey.

These slight poisons taken daily, accumulate until the effect on the nerves and stomach is pitiable with some people (who are peculiarly susceptible to poisons); the doses are continued from day to day without knowledge of what is so surely destroying the power of nerves and stomach.

It is a trial to give up coffee, but a new beverage has made its appearance on the market which is so like Java coffee in its deep seal-brown color, and assuming the rich golden brown of thick Mocha when cream is added, that lovers of coffee are denied its use because of the effects, can adopt this new food drink freely. The change in taste is so slight that many do not discover that any change has been made. The new product is called Postum, and it is asserted by the manufacturer, the Postum Cereal Co., Limited, Battle Creek, Mich., that it consists wholly or solely of wheat and other cereals, carefully cooked and roasted in different ways. When the parts are mixed and blended, a perfect breakfast beverage, a true health coffee results, which contains the nourishing and healthful properties of the grains intended by nature for man's subsistence.

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CAPITAL GOSSIP.

Senate Antagonizes Some of Gov. Pingree's Appointments.

Joseph E. Just, of Ionia, Made Commissioner of Banking—Senators Depart on a Junket—Some Important Legislation Proposed.

[Special Correspondence.]

Lansing, Jan. 25.—The apparent hostility between the senate and Gov. Pingree cropped out upon the presentation to that body of a batch of nominations last week. There was no opposition to the confirmation of the appointment of Elliott O. Grosvenor, of Monroe, as dairy and food commissioner, but the nominations of J. B. Caswell, of Bay City, as assessor, and William Hart, of Port Huron, as inspector general, were sent to a committee which cannot report until February 2. It is doubtful if Caswell will be confirmed. Members of the State Salt association allege that he is wholly without expert knowledge of salt and its manufacture. Gen. Hart, who was once collector of customs at Port Huron, has been one of the leaders of the factional fight which has disrupted St. Clair county republicans for years and his nomination did not please some of the senators.

The railroad corporations now pay Michigan specific taxes aggregating some \$800,000 annually. The tax is based on the gross earnings in Michigan, the rate being two per cent. on gross earnings of less than \$2,000; 2½ per cent. on earnings of from \$2,000 to \$6,000; 3½ per cent. on from \$6,000 to \$8,000, and four per cent. on all in excess of \$8,000. This yields the state an annual revenue averaging \$800,000. By a bill introduced last week it is proposed to increase this revenue at least \$125,000 annually, by making a general increase of one-half of one per cent. in the above rates of taxation.

The Pingree two-cent passenger fares will shortly make their appearance, as will bills to repeal the special charters of the Michigan Central and Lake Shore roads and bring them under the general railroad law.

The uniform text book bill is likely to be one of the most important of the session. It makes the state board of education a board of commissioners to procure the compilation and make a selection of books for use in the primary and common schools, to be nonpartisan and nonsectarian, and in size and quality equal to the standard books now in use. The board is authorized to advertise for the period of three weeks in New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Cincinnati and St. Louis newspapers for sealed proposals for furnishing the books when selected. The selling price is to be named in the contract for each text book, and will include a retail dealer's profit of not exceeding 20 per cent. One thousand dollars is appropriated for the purpose of putting the system in operation, and 2,000 copies of the bill were ordered printed.

The senate excused all members of committees on state institutions from attendance this week. As these members constitute a majority of the senate, that body can transact no business this week, the minority merely adjourning from day to day. This is the result of the deadlock between the two houses over the proposed ten days' adjournment, commencing last Friday. The house will continue in session. The senators are on the upper peninsula junketing trip.

A plan for increasing the revenue of the state is being devised, and will take the shape of a bill to provide a stamp tax of 50 cents a barrel on beer. By this means an annual revenue of nearly \$500,000 will be secured.

Attorney-General Maynard is preparing a bill to make directors and officers of insolvent banks liable for the full amount of the debts, and to make the fact of insolvency prima-facie evidence of felony on the part of such directors and officials.

Another bill to be introduced will require every taxpayer to furnish the assessor a statement on oath covering every item of taxable property owned by him, and also the fact that he has put none of his property out of his hands or covered it up for the purpose of avoiding taxation. A term in state prison will be the penalty for falsifying as to any detail on the statement.

The senate and house disagree as to the time for final adjournment, the house having killed the senate resolution setting the time for April 23.

Senator Robinson has introduced a joint resolution providing for the submission to the people of a constitutional amendment prohibiting the acceptance of a free pass by a member of the legislature, and making it a misdemeanor to offer one to a public official. The resolution concludes with the provision that the proposed amendment shall be submitted to the people in the election to be held on the first Monday in April next.

Senator Westcott, of St. Clair, who has introduced a bill to repeal the mortgage tax law, thinks the law comes far from accomplishing the object desired. He says the tax, instead of falling on the capitalist, falls on the poor lender, and that it drives capital out of the state.

Representative Moore has given notice that he will introduce a bill in the interests of servant girls, among other things providing that no servant girl shall be discharged without one week's notice.

The compulsory education law provides that children in cities must go to school until 16 years of age. Representative Donovan has introduced a bill to exempt children between 14 and 16 from this provision, in the discretion of the school board at the recommendation of the superintendent.

The nomination of Josiah E. Just, of Ionia, for commissioner of banking for the term commencing April 1 was sent to the senate Thursday and confirmed by unanimous vote.

An admirer of Gov. Pingree has introduced a bill in the senate to create the county of Pingree from a portion of territory now in Ontonagon county.

The only measures which have as yet received consideration in either branch of the legislature were local acts.

One of the most important bills presented to the senate is based upon one of the points strongly urged by the governor in his message—an anti-stock-watering measure. It provides a penalty of a fine of \$5,000 or six months' imprisonment for any officer or agent of a corporation guilty of issuing stock not fully paid up, or of issuing bonds except at their par value. The issuing of bonds before the stock subscribed is fully paid up is also prohibited, as is the issuing of bonds for an amount greater than the paid-up stock.

At the session Monday the senate had but two senators present, and Lieut. Gov. Dunstan in the chair. The secretary announced "no quorum," and an adjournment was taken until the regular hour to-day, when the same action will be taken and continued from day to day through the week.

At a special session Tuesday evening the house by a unanimous vote adopted resolutions favoring the recognition of Cuba. Speeches supporting the resolutions were made by several prominent members.

Among the important bills introduced in the house Tuesday was one by Representative January to amend the banking laws so that state banks can make no regulation that will place savings depositors on a different footing from commercial depositors. At present if the name of a commercial depositor is forged to a check and the money obtained thereon the bank loses, but if the book of a savings depositor is stolen and the thief by presenting it and forging the owner's name receives the deposit the latter is the loser. The bill also provides that interest shall be paid on savings deposited from the date of the deposit, thus doing away with the rule that deposits made after the fifth day of any month shall not commence to draw interest until the first day of the month following. Finally, stockholders are made liable for all the indebtedness the same as copartners.

Among the important bills introduced last week are the following:

To make the uniform liquor tax \$750, an increase of \$250 a year; for the introduction of fans and blowers in shops for the protection of workmen; making an appropriation of \$176,000 for the soldiers' home; a physicians' and surgeons' registration bill; establishing permanent quarters for the Michigan G. A. R. in the capitol building; reducing the legal rate of interest to five per cent., and limiting it to seven per cent. by contract; appropriating \$10,000 for establishing a home for adult blind; providing death by electrocution for murder in the first degree; a home rule bill for cities; changing the minimum age at which girls may marry with the consent of their parents from 14 to 16 years; providing for the analysis at the Michigan university of the drinking water of all municipalities maintaining a waterworks system; for the treatment of deformities of the children of indigent parents at the same institution free of charge; appropriating \$2,000 for support of state agricultural colleges; and requiring railroad companies to furnish transportation free to the commissioner of railroads and his appointees; to cut the salaries of the justices of the supreme court from \$7,000 to \$5,000 a year; to effectually abolish trusts.

EMMETT.

CARS COLLIDE.

Disaster in Grand Rapids Causes a Death.

Grand Rapids, Jan. 24.—A disastrous collision occurred between a car loaded with coal and a trolley car on the North Park line near the Michigan soldiers' home at six o'clock Saturday evening. Motorman John Hake was killed and Conductor Frank McAlvey was badly injured. The car was full of passengers and several of them were badly bruised. The most seriously injured are James Ross, hip badly smashed, and James Thompson, cut about head with broken glass. The coal had been taken to the home, two miles north of the city, with a switching motor. When uncoupled the brake was found to be broken and the car ran down the grade until it met the trolley.

VOTE AGAINST FUSION.

Resolution Adopted by Michigan Prohibition Convention.

Detroit, Jan. 25.—After a lengthy discussion the state prohibition convention Friday afternoon declared itself as opposed to any negotiations toward a fusion with the national prohibitionists, who succeeded last summer at Pittsburgh. The resolution against fusion was framed by Prof. Samuel Dickie, of Albion, chairman of the national committee, and Rev. John Russell, who is known as the father of the prohibition party. The platform reiterates the Pittsburgh platform, and asserts that features of the straight-out party's platform need not debar the nationalists from returning to their former allegiance. In conclusion, it points out the difficulties and danger of fusion.

Council Favors Pingree.

Detroit, Jan. 27.—The city council Tuesday night unanimously adopted the report of the committee on judiciary, which recommended denying the petition of D. W. H. Moreland, commissioner of public works. Moreland petitioned the council to order a special election for mayor, and thereby declare that Mayor Pingree could not hold the offices of both governor and mayor. The question will be taken to the courts by Moreland's attorney, Fred A. Baker, who is chairman of the democratic state committee.

A Valuable Gift.

Ann Arbor, Jan. 27.—Senator McMillan has added to the Shakespeare Library, founded by him in 1882, an excellent copy of the third folio edition of the plays (London, 1664). This last copy is even more rare than his previous gifts. The McMillan Shakespeare library now contains all the four folios except the first, and of this the university has Staunton's excellent photolithographic facsimile.

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FLIERMAN, J., Wagon and Carriage Manufacturer and Blacksmith and Repair Shop. Dealer in Agricultural Implements. River St.
HUNTLEY, A., Practical Machinist, Mill and Engine Repairs a specialty. Shop on Seventh street, near River.

Meat Markets.

DE KRAKER & DE KOSTER, Dealers in all kinds of Fresh and Salt Meats. Market on River Street.

WILL VAN DER VEER, Dealer in all kinds of Fresh and Salt Meats. Market on Eighth Street.

Painters.

DE MAAT, R., House, Carriage, and Sign Painting, plain and ornamental paper hanging. Shop at residence, on Seventh St., near B. Depot.

Physicians.

KREMERS, H., Physician and Surgeon. Residence on Twelfth street, corner of Market. Office at drug store, Eighth Street.

Mortgage Sale.

DEFAULT HAVING BEEN MADE IN THE conditions of payment of a certain mortgage made and executed by Gerrit J. Van Wieren and Hendrick Van Wieren his wife, of the township of Holland, county of Ottawa and state of Michigan, parties of the first part; to Evert Van Kampen of the city of Holland, county of Ottawa and state of Michigan, party of the second part, dated on the 18th day of November, A. D. 1891 and recorded in the office of the register of Deeds, of Ottawa county, Michigan, on the 19th day of November A. D. 1891, in Liber 44 of mortgages, on page 39, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the time of this notice the sum of Three Hundred Forty-three Dollars and Fifty Cents, besides an attorney's fee of Fifteen Dollars provided for by law and in said mortgage; and no suit or proceedings having been instituted at law or in equity to recover the debt secured by said mortgage, or any part of it. Notice is therefore hereby given, that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained, and the statute in such case made and provided, said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale, at public vendue of the mortgaged premises, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage with interest and costs of foreclosure and sale, including an attorney's fee of Fifteen Dollars; said sale to take place at the north outer door of the Ottawa county court house, at the city of Grand Haven, Ottawa county, Michigan, (that being the place where the circuit court for the county of Ottawa is holden), on

Monday, the Fifteenth day of February A. D. 1897 at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day; the said mortgaged premises to be sold being described in said mortgage as all that certain piece or parcel of land situated and being in the township now city of Holland, county of Ottawa, and state of Michigan, known and described as follows, to-wit: Lot Numbered Thirty-Three (33) in Addition Numbered One (1) to Van Dem Berg's Plat, according to the recorded plat thereof on record in the office of the Register of Deeds for said Ottawa county.

Dated Holland, November 21, A. D. 1896.
LOUIS VAN KAMPEN,
Executor of the last will and testament of Evert Van Kampen, deceased, and sole residuary legatee therein named.

G. J. DICKEMA, Attorney for Executor.

Holland City News.

SATURDAY, January 30.

G. VAN SCHELVEN, Editor.

The Inspiration Institute.

The Ottawa County Inspiration Institute to be held at Holland next week promises to be an interesting and instructive feature in educational work. They will be red-letter days for Ottawa county and every teacher should attend all the sessions. It is desired to have a grand rallying of all the educational forces of the county, as there is enthusiasm and inspiration in numbers when meetings are held for one common interest.

The school boards are kindly requested to see to it that their schools are closed on Friday and urge on their teachers to attend the institute. The benefit derived goes back immediately to the schools and thus to the children. The inspired teacher can do more work in a week than can be uninspired in a month. School officers and patrons are especially and earnestly invited to attend all the sessions.

An opportunity for hearing the best talent and listening to practical subjects practically discussed by practical and experienced men from rural school to college, will be in store for those who attend. Teachers from adjacent counties will be very welcome.

Col. Francis W. Parker of the Chicago Normal School, one of the foremost educational leaders of the world, and Prof. Hamilton King of Olivet College, one of the noted platform speakers of Michigan, have been secured as lecturers, while Profs. P. A. Latta, J. H. Kleinheksel, and J. B. Nykerk are the instructors. Supt. C. M. McLean will be the conductor. Commr. Miss Cora M. Goodenow is the local committee.

The institute will open on Thursday evening, Feb. 4, and close on Saturday noon. Day sessions will be held in the High School building and the evening sessions in Winants chapel.

The program as given below will be rendered:

THURSDAY EVENING, 7:30 O'CLOCK.

Music. - Rev. J. W. Beardslee
Prayer. - Hope College Glee Club
"Welcome." - Prof. J. T. Bergen
Solo. - Mrs. Geo. P. Hummer
Address. - Prof. Hamilton King
Music—"America," - Everybody

FRIDAY MORNING.

9:00. Opening Exercises.
9:15. Paragraph Study, Prof. Nykerk
9:45. School Procedure, Prof. Latta
10:30. Calisthenics.
10:50. How to make the Study of Grammar interesting.
Prof. Nykerk

11:15. Everybody Sing.
11:20. History of Arithmetic.
Prof. Kleinheksel
11:50. Notices.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

1:30. Opening.
1:40. School Management.
2:10. Tone Color in Literature,
Prof. Nykerk
2:40. Recess.
2:45. Address—"Child and Nature,"
Col. Francis W. Parker
3:45. Singing or Calisthenics.
4:00. School Procedure, Prof. Latta
4:30. Question Box.

FRIDAY EVENING—8 O'CLOCK.

Music. Holland High School Chorus
Prayer. - Rev. Adam Clark
Solo. - Mrs. G. J. Diekema
Address—"Artist or Artisan-Which?"
Col. Parker
Song—"Red, White and Blue," - Everybody

SATURDAY MORNING.

8:30. Opening.
8:45. Nature of the Arabic Notation,
Prof. Kleinheksel
9:15. A talk by Col. Parker.
10:15. Singing.
10:20. Reading Circle Work.
Prof. Latta
10:50. A recitation in the study of Classics, - Prof. Nykerk
11:30. Helps in some of the difficulties of Arithmetic.
Prof. Kleinheksel
"God be with you till we meet again."

The Semi-Centennial.

The executive committee has called a meeting of all the sub-committees recently appointed by them, "with a view of familiarising all with the nature and scope of the proposed celebration, and the particular work involved for each of the several committees and thereby promote unity of action."

The meeting will be held in Winants Chapel, on Thursday, Feb. 4, 1897, at 9:30 o'clock a. m.

The Ottawa County Republican committee met at Grand Haven Wednesday, and fixed upon Thursday, Feb. 18, 1897, as the date for holding the next county convention, for the nomination of a county commissioner of schools and the election of eighteen delegates to the state convention to be held at Detroit on Feb. 23. The basis of apportionment, one delegate to every twenty-five Republican votes cast at the November election, was retained, which increases the total number of delegates to 199, as follows: Al-lendale 8, Blendon 6, Chester 5, Crockery 9, Georgetown 10, Grand Haven 4, Holland 15, Jamestown 3, Olive 12, Polkton 16, Robinson 4, Spring Lake 14, Tallmadge 8, Wright 7, Zeeland 19, Holland City, 1st ward 9, 2nd ward 4, 3rd ward 10, 4th ward 9,

5th ward 3, Grand Haven, 1st ward 5, 2nd ward 4, 3rd ward 13, 4th ward 6. Official call will appear in our next.

From the Soo News of Jan 22, we clip the following: Capt. Cornelius Gardener, Nineteenth U. S. Infantry, stationed at Fort Brady, received official notification from the war department yesterday that he had been detailed as military instructor of the Michigan National Guard. The captain was ordered to report as soon as possible to Gov. Pingree, and will depart Monday for Detroit. He is a close personal friend of Gov. Pingree, who urged his appointment and was considered to be the most available as well as competent officer for the important duty for which he has been selected. In thirty-seven of the states army officers are detailed as instructors of militia, but this state has not been so favored until the present time. Capt. Gardener's appointment means that Michigan's troops will be placed upon a much higher plane of efficiency. During his brief residence here Capt. Gardener made many warm friends, who, while they regret his departure, are pleased over his appointment, as it was his earnest desire for many personal reasons. Capt. Gardener was born in the Netherlands. His father was one of the early pioneers of Western Michigan, leaving the Netherlands, and as pastor of a congregation emigrated with his people and settled in Kalamazoo in 1852. Capt. Gardener attended Hope College, Ottawa county, and was appointed to West Point from Grand Rapids by T. W. Ferry, graduating in 1873. He served on the plains in Indian Territory, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico and Texas from 1874 to 1890. Took part in the Miles campaign against the Cheyennes and Arapahoes in 1874 and 1875. Was adjutant of the column under Col. Lewis, which operated against the "Dull Knife" raid of Northern Cheyennes. Took part in fights against these Indians at Republican River, Kan., during which Col. Lewis was killed. He was adjutant and quartermaster of Col. Buell's column, operating against the Utes and Navajoes, in 1879, and was mentioned by name in general orders for meritorious service. He was promoted first lieutenant in 1879 and captain in 1891.

The Oratorical Contest of the 22nd was a decided success, although the severe storm made the evening the most unpleasant experienced this season. The large audience present expressed their appreciation of the program presented by the closest attention and as both speakers and musicians were at their very best, an enjoyable evening was passed together. It was a surprise to some that Holland had so many gifted young orators and the voting showed a diversity of opinion as to the general merits of the speakers; but as the chairman—Hon. G. J. Diekema—remarked: "It speaks well for the impartiality of a Holland audience when it awards the medal to a stranger." The successful one—Miss Ellen Pascoe, who represented the M. E. church in this contest, has been in the city only a few months. Her selection, "A Terrible Charge," was ably delivered. John Beardslee was only three votes behind and recited in a manner to surprise even his most intimate friends, while Miss Christine Van Duren and Miss Ellen Winter gained much praise. Misses Rose Davidson, Martha Schoon, Agnes Mohr, and Mr. J. Baum and Max McCormick did themselves and the societies they represented great credit. Holland may well be proud of these young people. The music added touch to the program and the W. C. T. U. heartily thank Prof. J. B. Nykerk, Mrs. G. J. Diekema, Miss Amy Yates and Miss Allie Wheeler for their kind assistance.

The management of the Holland and Chicago line are negotiating for the establishment of a Michigan fruit house at Chicago, which should merit the hearty approval of every fruit grower in Western Michigan. The object of such a house is to prevent shark agencies and commission merchants from reaping a harvest at their expense. The fruit growers of Ottawa and Allegan counties have become weary of the exorbitant commissions yearly seized by these stations in Chicago and to frustrate their plans the Holland and Chicago Steamboat Co. are agitating the above remedy. They propose to establish a fruit house in which they will station a reliable agent who will dispose of their shipments without any commission or cartage, to be deducted from the amount to be realized and the fruit growers can look direct to the steamboat company for their payments, and no game of chance or risk need be run by them as in previous years. Another benefit to be derived is that when the agent of the line in Chicago meets a fruit buyer he can refer them directly to the fruit association here and thus keep the sales under the control instead of going outside. All the management desires is to have the fruit grower thoroughly organized in this new project and when they once enlist, it will be a source of satisfaction

to all. The report as to the number of bushels of fruit on board the steamer in the evening will be wired in advance and the agent at Chicago can make sales accordingly. When the steamer arrives the following morning the fruit will be landed at any dock wherever it may be necessary. Manager Owen and his agent John Zwemer are pushing the new project to its fullest extremity.

While in Grand Haven the other day the editor of the News was presented by Postmaster Baar with a historical relic, ante-dating the colonial period. It is a note written in 1840 by Rev. Smith, then missionary among the Ottawa's. The mission station was "Old Wing," and was located on Sec. 3, Fillmore, what is now the farm owned by Klaas Dykhuis:

Old Wing, Nov. 5, 1840.
Rev. and Dear Sir:—I send you by the bearer, Mr. Prickett, two ears of the China Tree corn. It is the second production from the N. Y. seed, as got by Mr. Emerson; it produced largely here this season; it was splendid. But a moment to write. Give our best respects and affections to Mrs. Ferry and Miss White.

Yours in great haste,
Geo. N. Smith.

To Rev. Mr. Ferry.
Mr. Prickett above referred to was one of the tribe of the Ottawa Indians then located here, and in many respects a noted character among them. His son remained here a few years after the tribe had moved north, and had learned to talk some Dutch.

Mrs. T. Keppel died at her home on College avenue last Friday evening at 11:35 o'clock after an illness of five months from heart disease. Deceased was born in the city of Ommen, Netherlands, on Oct. 19, 1838, and came with the first band of pioneers to this country in 1846, being the eldest daughter of the late Rev. Dr. A. C. Van Raalte, the founder of the colony. In 1860 she was married to Prof. P. J. Oggel, by whom four children were born, Christina J. being the only survivor. On the 30th day of May, 1876, she was married to T. Keppel, who died last June. Besides her daughter Christina, five step-children remain to mourn her departure—Mrs. Isaac Marsilje, Mrs. J. D. Rademaker, Mrs. J. H. Stouthamer, Bastian D. and Albert C. Keppel. Mrs. Keppel was a prominent figure in church, charity and mission circles and her sudden death following so closely upon that of her husband is a severe loss to her circle. The funeral occurred on Tuesday afternoon from the Ninth street Chr. Ref. church, Rev. K. Van Gooen officiating. Dr. E. Winter made a short address in the English language. The services were largely attended. The pall bearers were chosen from the relatives of deceased and comprised D. B. K. Van Raalte, Ben Van Raalte, B. D. Keppel, A. C. Keppel, Dr. G. J. Kollen and Prof. J. H. Kleinheksel. Prof. H. Boers was the master of ceremonies.

The Holy City.

Despite the severity of the weather and the generally impassable condition of our sidewalks, a fair attendance greeted the musicians who had been for several months so conscientiously and laboriously trained by Mr. Campbell for the production of Gaul's "Holy City." Contrary to precedent, the Ladies' Aid Society (Hope church) made no effort at all to sell tickets in advance, depending entirely on the efficacy of the reputation of the conductor and singers, and the weekly announcements in the papers, to procure them their usual full house. But the influence of the elements proved too strong. Further, this concert was not a charity affair, but was given in behalf of culture and education. The oratorio, however, was a grand success; far and away the best thing ever given in Holland in this line. We extend our condolences to such as missed hearing it and we tender our congratulations to Mr. Campbell for bringing the affair to such a successful issue. Mr. Campbell is an artist and he showed it in the delicate and effective shading done by the chorus, which he ever kept perfectly *en rapport* with himself and the accompanist. In both solo and ensemble work, our home talent was at its very best. Mr. Miller, a member of the Schubert Club of Grand Rapids, very kindly came to assist the tenors in the choruses, singing the scores at sight. Mr. Campbell brought two of his advanced pupils with him—Duffy, tenor, and Wurzburg, baritone—who did great credit to their teacher. Mr. Duffy, who has been heard here once before, showed considerable improvement in every way. He has become a great favorite with the people of Holland. It would be unpardonable to fail to make mention of the invaluable services of Miss Maude Squier, who has developed wonderful skill as an accompanist and to whom much of the success is due. There seems to be a generally expressed desire to repeat the oratorio under more favorable circumstances.

The last census shows the indebtedness of the United States to be \$14.63 per capita, Russia \$30.79, Italy \$76.06, Great Britain \$87.79, and France \$116.35.

A series of surprises took place at the parsonage of the Market Street Chr. Ref. church on Wednesday evening. The Ladies' Literary society planned a neat and successful surprise upon their president and pastor Rev. J. Van Hoogen. The domine was awaiting the arrival of the members at the consistory room when he was hastily summoned home. The ladies had taken possession of the parsonage and the domine was held in subjection to their plans. M. Notier thereupon arose and in an appropriate speech presented him with an elegant rocking chair, to which Mr. Van Hoogen feelingly responded. The former was enjoying the effect of the surprise it produced upon the pastor, when Miss Kate Van Leeuwen presented Mr. Notier, the vice president with a similar token of esteem. The latter confessed to being caught in the trap himself, but responded in his usual happy mood. A literary and musical program was rendered, followed by refreshments. A social time was enjoyed until after eleven o'clock when the merry party adjourned, feeling that the occasion was a surprise of surprises. The party numbered about thirty-five.

Sam L. Caton is a horseman well known in racing circles. At one time he was in partnership with Tony De Krulif, Zeeland. Now he is in great trouble, and on Thursday came near being killed and killing others. His troubles are of a domestic nature. Recently he returned from Russia, after a year's absence, and was at once met with divorce proceedings. While under the influence of strong drink on Thursday he got into an altercation with his divorced wife and another party named Frank Scott. Pistols were freely used, though fortunately no one was killed or mortally wounded.

Personal Mention.

Architect Price left Wednesday noon for a two weeks' visit with friends on the Georgian Bay, Canada.

Will Breyman attended the sessions of the Grand Lodge at Saginaw this week.

Arend Bosman will leave Monday for a week's visit with relatives and friends in Chicago and Freeport, Ill. Wm. J. Garrod of Allegan was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Post on Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Van Woerkom and children of Grand Haven are visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. B. Kruidenier. Mr. Van Woerkom spent Sunday and Monday with them.

Arie Vanderhill and family have moved to Zeeland, where he is employed in the furniture factory.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Brusse of Grand Haven were in the city Tuesday on their way to Hamilton to attend the funeral of Mrs. P. H. Benjamin. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Benjamin and Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Takken from this city joined them.

L. C. Bradford will leave next Monday for Sault Ste. Marie to enter upon his new route for the E. B. Millar & Co. tea and coffee firm of Chicago. His route will cover a portion of the upper peninsula.

Hein Vanderhaar, one of the early pioneers, aged 76 years, is convalescing. S. R. Crandall, the bazaar man, is convalescing.

George Veeder of Fennville celebrated his eightieth birthday anniversary on Wednesday with Holland friends.

Mrs. A. Deming is visiting with relatives and friends in Fennville.

Editor Chas. E. Bassett of the Fennville Herald was in the city Wednesday.

W. H. Clapp and Miss Fannie Vanderscheer of Grand Rapids were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. De Groot a few days this week.

Attorney G. Kuiper of Grand Rapids was in the city on business Thursday.

Jacob Lokker and John G. Rutgers were in Chicago this week in the interest of their clothing business.

John and Dick Vanderveen are taking in the bicycle show at Chicago.

Miss Gertie Pessink is visiting with relatives and friends in Kalamazoo. Miss Sue Cappon is visiting with friends in Milwaukee.

J. Kerkhof and G. Van Schelven attended the meeting of the Republican county convention at Grand Haven on Wednesday.

Miss Jennie Heerspink of Graafschap is visiting with her sister Fannie here.

R. A. Tyrrell, of R. L. Polk & Co., publishers of state, county and city gazettes, Detroit, is in the city, making a canvass of Holland for the compilation and publication of a complete and reliable city directory. The nature and character of the work, as far as it has been outlined to us, is such as to merit the support of our citizens.

W. Dykema, of Zeeland, visited his old friends here the first of the week.

G. H. Tribune: Miss Kate De Vries of Holland, who has been visiting in the city for some time, is still on the sick list at her uncle's home, Mr. Marinus Koolman.

Next.. Week = =

Kid Gloves and Mackintoshes.

We pride ourselves that we sell the best KID GLOVES and MACKINTOSHES in the city for the money, but in order to get you better acquainted with these departments we shall offer you the following inducements for next week ONLY. Remember after next week they will be sold for the regular price as they are cheapest at that. Our Kid Gloves are fitted and warranted for wear. Next week:

All our \$1.00 Kid Gloves for..... 89c
All our \$1.50 Kid Gloves for..... \$1 25
Our \$5.00 Mackintoshes for..... \$3 98

Come and See

The beautiful new line Wash Goods just received at per yd.....

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JOHN VANDERSLUIS.

N. B. Nur first invoice of new Spring Dress Goods just in.

"A Phule and His Money"

Are soon parted unless he goes to the consolidated jewelry Store of

Breyman & Hardie

To do his trading. Largest stock, Best repair trade and guaranteed. Lowest prices.

Cor. Market and Eighth Streets

The first half of the school year of 1896-7 ends to-day and reports show a condition unequalled during the fifteen years of the school's history. The total enrollment is 151; average number belonging 137; per cent of attendance 97; per cent of tardiness less than 7 one-hundredths of one per cent. During the past month 95 of the 141 belonging have been neither absent nor tardy. All persons concerned are earnestly requested to aid in making the record of the coming five months even better. Examinations and class standings alike show that, almost without exception, those regular and punctual in attendance are doing good work, while those who are kept out to work, or permitted to stay out occasionally are in almost every case behind their classmates in acquisitions. The newly organized High School Lyceum, membership in which is limited to both Juniors and Seniors, held a pleasant and profitable meeting last Saturday evening. An open session will probably be held in the spring, to which friends will be invited.

Invitations have been issued to the twenty-fifth annual ball and banquet to be given by Untrij Lodge, F. & A. M., at Lyceum Opera House on Thursday evening, Feb. 11. Prof. Wurzburg's orchestra will furnish the music. Preparations are being made to make it the principal event of the season and the following committees are entrusted with the work: Arrangements, Will Breyman, Dr. F. M. Gillespie, Dr. B. B. Godfrey, L. E. Van Drezer, Chas. Markham; reception, Dr. Geo. Baker, Wm. J. Scott, Alfred Huntley, David Bertsch, G. Laepple; floor, Isaac Goldman, Dr. M. J. Cook, F. L. Lyons, Henry Herbert, Earl Markham. The banquet will be given at the New City Hotel. Tickets, including banquet, \$2.00.

The checker contest at the Y. M. C. A. rooms last night was participated in by about fifteen. Towards the end it was a hard battle between E. J. Harrington and A. J. Ward, in which the latter captured the honors. The third and final contest will take place next Thursday evening, which will decide the city championship. The second contest for chess will take place this (Friday) evening.

Monday, Feb. 1st

Our Opening Day

We will make you the "FINEST PHOTOS" at "Reduced Rates."

The best bright Aristo Cabinets..... \$2.00 per doz.

Those fine Platinos \$3.00 doz.

This will make it pay you to come "One door east of 4th Ward School House, 11th St.

W. D. Hopkins, PHOTOPHER.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, } ss
Lucas County.

Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that can not be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.

FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, 1896. A. W. GLEASON,

Notary Public.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & Co., Sold by druggists, 75c. Toledo, O.

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ADDITIONAL LOCALS.

The storm and snowfall are too much for the tower clock.

Born, a son, to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Van Kolken, on Twelfth street, on Tuesday.

Congress is asked to appropriate \$50,000 for a statue of Abraham Lincoln at Gettysburg.

The work of the city snow plow was greatly appreciated by pedestrians this week, except on Sunday.

Several tramps were sheltered from the cold weather this week by being privileged to sleep in the city jail.

It is anticipated that the West Michigan furniture factory will resume operations by the first of March.

Owing to the burning out of one of the cells in the armature, the city was enshrouded in total darkness on Tuesday night.

At Hope church next Sunday morning Rev. H. G. Birchby will preach a sermon on "The Dappled Birthright," while his evening theme will be: "Victorious Youth."

Miss Jennie Beuwkes submitted to an operation at the hands of Drs. J. A. Mabbs and B. B. Godfrey on Thursday evening. This noon the patient was reported as doing well.

List of letters advertised for the week ending January 29th, at the Holland, Michigan, post office: David Beach, Will Brakman, Melvin Cook, L. Hare. Cor. De Keyser, P. M.

An important business meeting of the Y. W. C. A. will be held at their rooms in the Holland City State Bank block to-morrow (Saturday) evening, at 7:30 o'clock. All members are urgently requested to be present.

The Bay View Reading Circle will meet with Mrs. J. P. Oggel on Tuesday, Feb. 2, at 2:30 o'clock. Lesson for the first week in February. Quotations from orators of the Revolutionary Period—preferably, the subject of the Revolution.

Van Buren county was one of the few counties in Michigan that barely saved itself last November. It witnessed a reduction of its old-time Republican majority to about 700. And now the county is being overrun with Mormon missionaries.

A dispatch from Agnew says that Albert Leuthas of Robinson while drilling for water at a depth of 20 feet, struck a hard ore bearing rock, 20 feet thick. Below was a vein of a soft but tenacious substance, which proved to be pure copper, 41 inches thick.

Sheriff Van Ry while in Detroit this week, had occasion to visit the House of Correction and saw Mrs. Lawrence. She is looking well and is operating a sewing machine in the prison. The murderer recognized the sheriff at once.—G. H. Tribune.

Our city was visited to-day by a party of gentlemen from outside, who have in mind the building of an electric road from Holland to Macatawa Park and Saugatuck. From what we could learn they were favorably impressed with the prospects of the project.

The progressive pedro party given by Castle Lodge No. 153, K. of P., Thursday evening was one of the social events of the season. Twenty-six tables were occupied and the prizes were captured by the following: Ladies' first, Mrs. Ed Allen; second, Mrs. Cronk. Gents' first, Ed Allen; second, P. Brown. Refreshments were served and the guests adjourned after midnight.

It is not often that a man with a world-wide reputation as a leader in the reforms of the day, is our guest. With a good deal of planning and corresponding and a trip to the capital, Col. Francis W. Parker has been secured to deliver three lectures on Feb. 5 and 6 in connection with the inspiration institute to be held here. No one can afford to miss hearing this noted man free.

The social given by the Y. W. C. A. on Thursday evening was enjoyed by a large number. The program was a special feature and the several numbers elicited hearty applause and encores. A duet by the Misses Yates and Boone, recitations by the Misses Nordrum and Wise, solos by Mrs. G. J. Diekema, Prof. J. B. Nykerk and Dr. Gilmore, and a reading by Miss Kimpson, were all ably rendered. Refreshments were served and the affair was a success socially and financially.

Ex-register of deeds Charles W. Ingraham died at Grand Haven Sunday morning, aged 62 years, of chronic stomach trouble. In 1838 he came to this state from Dutchess county, N. Y., where he was born, and in 1863 he settled in Allendale. Here he taught school 15 years and also served the town as clerk, justice, school inspector and supervisor. In early years he was a Republican, but later joined the Greenback party and People's party, and in 1890 was elected register of deeds. He was a successful farmer and owned a farm in Allendale. He leaves a wife and three daughters. At the time of his death he was secretary of the Grand Haven basket factory.

Vice President-elect Hobart has given \$5,000 to Rutgers College, his alma mater.

A large party of Zealand lovers of music took in the Oratorio Monday evening.

Stephen G. Oudemolen has moved into the house of ex-mayor I. Cappon, corner Ninth and Pine streets.

The Star of Bethlehem Chapter will give the fifth of their series of progressive pedro parties on Friday evening, Feb. 5th, at Masonic Hall. Those holding written invitations are cordially invited to be present.

Henry Herbert, while repairing light in the residence of C. L. King Thursday afternoon, was severely bruised in falling a distance of twelve feet, caused by the slipping of a step ladder on which he was standing.

A DEAF AND BLIND CRITIC.

Helen Keller on the Character of a Favorite Heroine.

Here, from the Century, is one of Helen Keller's "compositions." It is on the "Character of Rosalind."

"What first strikes us in Rosalind's character is its buoyancy. As soon as she begins to speak we know that she is young, fair and lovable. When we first meet her, she is grieving over the banishment of her father; but, on being chided by her cousin, Cella, for her sadness, we see how quickly she looks up her sorrow in her heart, and tries to be happy because Cella is happy. So when we hear her merry laugh, and listen to her bright conversation, we do not imagine for a moment that she has forgotten her sorrow; we know that she is unselfishly trying to do her duty by her cousin. And when we see the smile fade from her sweet face, and the light from her eyes, because a fellow-creature is in trouble, we are not surprised. We feel that we have known all along that her nature was tender and sympathetic.

"Rosalind's impulses, her petulance, her tenderness and her courageous defense of her father seems perfectly natural, and true to life; but it is very hard to put in words my idea of her character. It seems almost as if it would lose some of its beauty and womanliness, if I tried to analyze it, just as we lose a beautiful flower when we pull it to pieces to see how many stamens it has. Many beautiful traits are wonderfully blended in her character, and we cannot help loving the vivacious, affectionate and charming Rosalind."

ROCHEFORT THE LAST.

Only Surviving Member of the Government of Natural Defense.

Owing to the death of Emmanuel Arago, M. Henri Rochefort now remains the only surviving member of the government of national defense, constituted on the fall of the empire in September, 1870, says a Paris correspondent of the London Telegraph. The famous pamphleteer comments on the subject to-day in a half-mournful, half-jesting tone and compares himself to "The Last of the Abencerages," in allusion to the work of that name by Chateaubriand. "They are all gone," says M. Rochefort, "Picard, Gambetta, Jules Ferry, Jules Favre, Eugene Peletan, Cremieux, Glais-Bizoin, Jules Simon, Gen. Trochu and now Arago. I have had the chance to see them all disappear, the young and the old, for Gambetta and Ferry were my juniors. Ambition killed some of them before their time and old age finished off the rest." Another feature in connection with M. Rochefort's survival is the fact that the persons whose colleague he was for a very brief period did their best to have him condemned, Jules Simon, however, being an exception. Emmanuel Arago, a friend of Rochefort's family, was even one of those who wanted the editor of the Latere to be transported to New Caledonia. Some of the same colleagues also had him condemned in 1889 with Gen. Boulanger in their capacities as senators or deputies. As to his connection with the defense government, M. Rochefort says that he left the post as soon as he could, for there was too much talk and too little action.

MELTING OLD OIL WELLS.

How the Gushers of Former Days Are Restored to Their Former Vigor.

T. W. Young, of Washington, has invented an electrical heater to be lowered into an oil well. The idea is, says the Mining and Scientific Press, to generate electricity in large quantities so that the refuse matter which clogs the pores of the oilstone will be melted and run out, causing a fresh upward flow of oil. The theory as to the exhaustion of so many wells is that the oil, in passing upward through the stone, has clogged the porous stone with paraffin in such quantities that the further flow is stopped and the well ceases to produce. Some think that it is because the supply in the earth has given out, but the generally accepted idea is that the oil is still abundant and only ceases to flow when the exit is stopped. It has been common to use torpedoes to shatter the stone at the bottom of the well, thus breaking up the clogged matter, but this is an expensive process. By the Young method the machine, which is about three feet long and resembles an iron cartridge, is placed at the bottom of the well and electricity used of sufficient voltage to produce an enormous heat without melting the metal. The current goes down the wires, and by the peculiar construction of the carbon-packed chambers, the intense heat is radiated into the rock in all directions, the paraffin and other refuse is softened and melted so that it runs, and when the well is started a fresh flow occurs just as strong as when it was first sunk.

Just received a nice assortment of new clocks at H. Wykhuysen's which will be sold cheap.

CUTTING OFF COREANS' PIGTAIL.

Great Grief Over an Edict of the Japanese Conquerors.

Rev. A. F. Moore, a missionary of the Presbyterian church for four years in Seoul, Corea, arrived at San Francisco on the steamer Rio en route for home, accompanied by his family.

Some months ago, the Japanese, who dictated the appointment of the Korean cabinet, caused the Japanese police to cut off the hair, or topknot, so called, of a great many Coreans. The topknots are a sign of distinction. They are worn only by married men, and no man is supposed to have properly asserted himself until he is married and has a topknot.

The cutting off of these appendages caused great grief. There were many remonstrances and increased dissatisfaction. However, things have so far improved now that an edict has gone forth allowing the Coreans to wear their topknots. The consequence is that many whose hair was cut off have collected it again and fastened it on, so that their happiness has been re-established.

The gentleman says that many of the Coreans are embracing Christianity. He says there is great disquiet in Corea, and that bands of dissatisfied natives are going about the country robbing and pillaging. Travelers are not safe. The king, whose consort was murdered over a year ago, is still at the Russian legation and largely under its control. There is much dissatisfaction because of this. A new palace is being built near the legation for the king.

CHANGING SILVER INTO GOLD.

A Chemical Test Which Has No Application to the Sixteen to One Theory.

Prof. Emmons, one of the most skilled metallurgists in the country, claims that in the reduction of silver the molecules are so subdivided as to differ so materially from that metal that they can no longer be regarded as the same substance, but a new one, and apparently the parent of both gold and silver, or the raw material out of which, by a different arrangement of molecules, either gold or silver is constructed. Working on this theory, says the Popular Science News, he finds that this new metallic substance can be aggregated into molecules of greater density than silver, and precisely corresponding with gold in color, in weight, so as to answer to every test of the United States mint as gold. In fact, he says it is gold, though manufactured from silver, of as much purity and value as that ever obtained in any other way. With further experiments on a large scale he expects that the process of manufacturing gold from silver will be very materially cheapened. At present he gets about four ounces of gold from six of silver. This would seem to indicate that the present number of elements as well as our chemistry of metals would have to be revised, if Prof. Emmons is not mistaken in his experiments.

FINANCIAL REVERSES.

Disappointment of an Investor Who Overworked the Market.

They had been talking about trusts and the immense profit realized by capital, according to the Washington Star. "A man is never satisfied, however big the gains may be," remarked the man with the patient expression.

"Yes," said the plump-looking citizen with a meerschaum cigar-holder; "no matter what a person achieves, he is always haunted by the thought that he might have done better. The trouble about making money rapidly is that a man fails to be content with a fair percentage of gain on his investment."

"I have a friend who is exactly that way. He turns up his nose at a mere 100 per cent. or so." "He must be a plunger." "No; he's a conservative investor." "What does he handle?" "Well, you might call them government obligations." "He must have a new kind of a good thing." "He used to have. But he's lost me. And it's positively distressing to read what he says because the two-cent stamp he recently bought to put on a letter to me didn't realize the usual dividend of five dollars."

Relation of Crime to Occupation.

Curious statistics concerning the relation of crime to occupation were brought forward at the recent meeting in Geneva of the Anthropological congress. From these it appeared that in a group of 10,000 farmers, 0.84 per cent. were criminals; in trades, 1 per cent.; in manufactures, 1.32 per cent.; in professions, 2.30 per cent. One would suppose that professional people contributed a smaller proportion to the criminal classes than those in trades and manufactures, but it seems that men who live by their brains have greater opportunities for rascality than those who live by trade or handicraft. The 2.30 per cent. of criminals in the professional class are thus distributed: Among 10,000 clergymen, 0.71 are criminals; among teachers, 1.58 per cent.; physicians, 1.86; chemists and apothecaries, 3.79; government employees, 7.15; diplomats, lawyers, notaries, and the like, 28.13. In these last three classes are found most of the poisoners, forgers, counterfeiters, embezzlers, swindlers and "genteel" thieves.

Wholesome, Anyway.

Archdeacon Sinclair, in his "Leaders of Thought," etc., tells a good story of an Eton head master, known as "Flogging Keate." Finding one morning a row of boys in his study, he began, as usual, to flog them. They were too terrified at the awful little man to remonstrate till he had gone half way down the row, when one plucked up courage to utter out: "Please, sir, we're not up for punishment—we're a confirmation class!" "Never mind," said Dr. Keate; "I must be fair all around, and it will do you good." So he finished them off.

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PLIGHT OF TWO SOCIETY MEN.

Dress in a Baggage Car But Are on Time at a Dance.

Two young society men who left town on an afternoon express train to attend a dance at Lenox had a most amusing experience not long ago, says the New York Mail and Express. The train lost considerable time and a careful estimate made of the time required to dress and reach the dance on their arrival showed these young men that they would be very late indeed.

A way out of the difficulty was found by one of the young men, who made the suggestion that they dress in the baggage car and then they could proceed to the dance immediately upon the arrival of the train. They went to the car, found their dress-suit cases and proceeded to change their attire. Clothes of all kinds were scattered about the car, when the door opened suddenly and the conductor came in. He took in the situation at a glance and laughed at the plight of the young men.

Although one of them landed at the station with dress clothes, no tie and yellow shoes, he quickly remedied these defects and drove at once to the house where the entertainment was being given.

These two young men had their dance and were not very late, owing to their acrobatic performances of dressing in a baggage car on a train going over a very rough road at 40 miles an hour and 50 minutes late at that.

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CONGRESSIONAL.

The Proceedings of the Second Session.
The senate on the 20th considered further the Nicaragua canal bill. The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill carrying approximately \$25,000,000 was passed. In the house the conference report on the army appropriation bill was agreed to. The Post-Tucker contested election case from the Tenth Virginia district was debated, but no action was taken.

In the course of a discussion in the senate on the 21st of laying electric conduits in the Washington streets Senator Hill (D., T.) spoke against trusts and monopolies in general. Senator Turpie concluded his speech against the Nicaragua canal bill. The credentials of John Edward Addicks, claiming the vacant seat as senator from Delaware, were presented. The bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquors to Indians was favorably reported. In the house the contested election case of Tucker versus Tucker, from the Tenth Virginia district, was decided in favor of Tucker. A bill was introduced embodying the recommendations made by the national irrigation congress, recently held at Phoenix, A. T.

In the senate on the 22d Senator Turpie (Ind.) spoke in favor of Cuban independence. Senator Hoar (Mass.) asserted public interference in the new arbitration treaty, and a letter was presented from Mr. Rodriguez, the minister of the "Great Republic of Central America," protesting against the Nicaragua canal bill. In the house private bills occupied the entire day and at the evening session several pension bills were passed.

Bills were passed in the senate on the 23d for a status of President Lincoln at Gettysburg, Pa.; to reclassify the railway postal service, and the house bill to prohibit the sale of intoxicating drinks to Indians. A resolution was agreed to asking the president for all correspondence on the Nicaragua canal since 1897. The house was not in session.

In the senate on the 25th Senator Turpie (Ind.) characterized Capt. Gen. Weyler as the Herod of Havana the murderer of women and children, and as an "indiscreetly diminutive reptile." A bill was introduced to prevent the punishment of persons in the United States who may aid the Cuban insurgents. Memorials were presented from the presidential electors of Delaware, asking for the congressional investigation of alleged fraud and political irregularities in that state. Eulogies on the late ex-Speaker Charles F. Crisp were delivered. In the house the Indian appropriation bill (\$7,525,750) was considered and the conference report on the immigration bill was presented. The consular and diplomatic bill (\$1,651,808) was reported and Mr. Johnston (Ind.) read a speech in favor of an early reform of our banking and currency laws.

DOMESTIC.

The Germania Safety Vault & Trust company of Louisville, Ky., failed for \$300,000.

The extra session of the Iowa legislature convened in Des Moines. Gov. Drake in his message calls attention to the code revision and touches on the financial condition of the state.

Charles E. Moody, wholesale grocer in Boston, suffered a loss of \$125,000 by fire.

In San Francisco the Golden Rule bazaar, owned by Davis Bros., failed for \$250,000.

Gus Williams, John Johnson and Archie Joiner were lynched by a mob at Amite City, La., for the murder of the Cotton family, five in number.

The Youth's Temple of Honor, an insurance organization in Minneapolis, failed for \$100,000.

John Dacey, aged 20, and Benjamin S. Dryman, aged 24, fought a duel over a girl near Cynthia, Ky., and both were killed.

The entire west side of the public square at Waxahachie, Tex., was burned, the loss being \$100,000.

The "rump" legislature of Delaware adjourned sine die after issuing a manifesto declaring that the rights of the people are continually denied in Delaware.

Charles R. Rumsey, boot and shoe manufacturer at Lynn, Mass., failed for \$100,000.

Some one made an attempt to wreck a Santa Fe passenger train near Sterling, Kan., by placing ties on the track, but fortunately no damage was done.

The Texas legislature has passed a bill prohibiting Sunday baseball playing in the state.

The German savings bank of Des Moines, Ia., closed its doors with liabilities of \$554,000.

Robert G. Ingersoll has given up the practice of law in New York and hereafter will devote his time entirely to the lecture platform.

The schooner Nahum Chapin, of Rockland, Me., was wrecked near Quogue, L. I., and the crew of nine men perished in sight of hundreds of people gathered on the shore, who were powerless to render any assistance.

Gov. Leedy, of Kansas, has pardoned H. C. Wilmoth, who was serving a ten months' sentence for bigamy. Wilmoth has wives in 11 cities.

Prof. John G. Dow, formerly a member of the faculty of the University of Wisconsin, committed suicide in Madison.

A Southern railway express train was held up at Bankston, Ala., by three masked men and robbed.

Alfred J. Baker and Jefferson Foster were drowned at Crisfield, Md., by the upsetting of a boat.

William W. Stickney, one of the original 49ers, died at his home in Boston, aged 74 years.

The Cuban League of the United States is organizing a branch league in every town or city in this country of 5,000 or more inhabitants.

Miss Sophronia Breckinridge, daughter of Col. W. C. P. Breckinridge, has been admitted to the bar at Frankfort, Ky., by the court of appeals.

There were 409 business failures in the United States in the seven days ended on the 22d, against 453 the week previous and 373 in the corresponding period of 1896.

In a fight at Shreveport, La., Rainey E. Carter and S. H. Murphy, prominent men, killed each other.

The Tennessee legislature has passed a bill to prohibit the sale of cigarettes or cigarette paper in the state.

The legislatures of Indiana and Nebraska have taken steps toward abolishing the game of football in those states.

"Ben," a horse owned by the late R. G. Clarke, and the oldest carriage horse in New Jersey, died at Elberon, aged 43 years.

Four men who attempted to rob a bank in New York were captured, tried and sentenced to ten years each in prison, all in less than 36 hours.

The exchanges at the leading clearing houses in the United States during the week ended on the 22d aggregated \$1,042,412,180, against \$1,017,860,662 the previous week. The increase compared with the corresponding week of 1896 was 5.9.

Mathias Sether died at Decatur, Ind., after fasting, it is said, for eight months.

The jail at Jeffersonville, Ga., was broken open by masked men and two negroes, William White and Charles Forsythe, implicated in the murder of Mrs. Rowland at Adams Park, were taken out and hanged.

The village of Mingo Junction, O., was nearly wiped out by fire.

The Indiana Republican State Editorial association in annual session in Indianapolis elected as president James A. Kemp, of Salem.

It was decided at a cabinet meeting in Washington to begin foreclosure proceedings against the Pacific railroads at once.

Pierce Taylor, a young negro who attempted an assault upon Miss Emma Appothorp, was taken from the jail at Tallahassee, Fla., by a mob and hanged to a tree.

Greenlee Bros. & Co.'s foundry in Chicago was destroyed by fire, the loss being \$300,000.

A schoolhouse built of sod near Perry, O. T., collapsed and 25 school children were injured, several fatally.

In an accident on the Pittsburgh & Western railway near Clarion, Pa., Engineer Moriarity, Fireman Beatty and Mail Clerk Copely were killed.

The house of William Croyle, of Bedford, Pa., was destroyed by fire and Mrs. Croyle and two children were burned to death.

The Upland bank at Upland, Ind., went out of business. Its officials announced that it would pay depositors in full.

Samuel Kirby, aged 55, and his wife, aged 50, were murdered at their home near French Lick, Ind., by unknown persons.

Fire at Sandusky, O., destroyed six business houses, the loss being \$100,000.

The Farmers' and Merchants' bank at Excelsior Springs, Mo., closed its doors with liabilities of \$20,000.

The most widespread cold wave in years was reported from all sections. In the northwest the temperature ranged from 15 to 30 degrees below zero.

In the east the same conditions prevailed, and low temperatures were reported from points as far south as Central Texas and northern Louisiana.

The residence of Charles J. Barnes was burned in Chicago, the loss being \$200,000.

At the close of the six-day female bicycle race in Indianapolis the score stood: Anderson, 246 miles 8 laps; Farnsworth, 246 miles 7 1/2 laps; Allen, 246 miles 6 laps; Baldwin and Christopher, 246 miles 5 laps.

Manly B. Ramos & Co., the oldest and best known piano and organ dealers in Richmond, Va., made an assignment.

The visible supply of grain in the United States on the 25th was: Wheat, 1,295,000 bushels; corn, 21,718,000 bushels; oats, 13,153,000 bushels; rye, 3,665,000 bushels; barley, 3,602,000 bushels.

The collections of internal revenue during December amounted to \$13,266,162, and for the six months of the present fiscal year, \$77,037,624. This is an increase for the month of \$882,059, and for the six months, \$230,102.

A bill has been introduced in the Pennsylvania legislature making it a misdemeanor to engage in or play football in the state.

Frederick Graeber and Miss Maud Gothie, a couple engaged to be married, were killed by the caving in of earth on a road over which they were driving near Shamokin, Pa.

Mrs. Daniel Beebe died suddenly in Fort Wayne, Ind., and a telegram was sent to her sister, Mrs. Faust, at Crestline, O., who dropped dead while reading the dispatch.

The Pottsdam (N. Y.) national bank, with a capital of \$250,000, was closed by a national bank examiner.

The ocean steamer Fort William, of New York, and her crew of 31 men were given up as lost.

Educators from every section of the country met in Hartford, Conn., to participate in the celebration of the 87th anniversary of the birthday of Dr. Henry Barnard, "the father of education in the United States."

The tannery of the Elk Tanning company in Curwensville, Pa., was burned, the loss being \$150,000.

At Plattsmouth, Neb., the coach-shop of the Burlington & Missouri railroad was burned, the loss being \$130,000, and George Fletcher, a foreman in the shop, was killed.

Fire destroyed the Dillaye block and part of the Butler block in Syracuse, N. Y., causing a loss of \$125,000.

The Economy Light and Power company's plant in Joliet, Ill., was destroyed by fire, causing a loss of \$150,000.

The whole of the business portion of Pacific Junction, Ia., was destroyed by fire.

The reports received by the weather bureau in Washington show the intense cold wave to be general over the entire United States.

Michigan's famous minority representation law in cases of stockholders has been declared constitutional by the supreme court.

In Minnesota the thermometer registered 51 degrees below zero at Virginia, 42 at Tower and 40 at Ely.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

Mrs. Martha Maria Harris, wife of United States Senator Isham G. Harris, died at her residence in Paris, Tenn.

Robert L. Taylor was inaugurated as governor of Tennessee, succeeding Peter Turney.

"Aunt" Fondren (colored), the oldest person in New Orleans, died at the age of 120 years, leaving 18 children and a total progeny of nearly 700.

Michigan prohibitionists in state convention in Detroit declared against fusion with the national prohibitionists, who seceded last summer at Pittsburgh. United States senators were elected as follows: Illinois, William E. Mason (rep.); North Carolina, J. C. Pritchard (rep.); Connecticut, Orrville H. Platt (rep.).

Ex-Congressman Edward L. Martin died at his home in Seaford, Del., of heart disease.

Lieut. John Polson, the first man in New York state to enlist in the civil war, died at his home in Elbridge, N. Y., aged 78 years.

Mrs. Eliza Carson, a wealthy woman, died at Anamosa, Ia., aged 74 years. She had an infatuation for the sea, and had crossed the ocean 250 times.

George Koepfen, aged 64, editor-in-chief of the Germania, died in Milwaukee at the rooms of the German club, where he was attending a meeting.

President Cleveland received a visit from ex-Queen Liliuokalani, of Hawaii, at the white house.

FOREIGN.

King Oscar opened the rigdag in Stockholm, and in a speech expressed gratification at the request made to him to cooperate in the arbitration of the future Anglo-American disputes.

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LATER.

In the United States senate on the 26th Cuba, the proposed international monetary conference and the Nicaragua canal each came in for a share of attention and the measures were discussed at length. In the house the day was devoted to a continuation of the debate on the Indian appropriation bill. A bill to restore Jonathan Scott, a veteran of the Fifth Iowa cavalry, to the pension roll was passed over the president's veto.

A sleighing party drove into a quarry at Pemberton, Pa., and 20 persons were badly injured.

The Williams block in Chicago was burned, the loss being \$530,000, three firemen were fatally hurt, three seriously injured and half a dozen others injured by the falling of a wall.

The funeral service over the body of Albert S. Willis, late minister to Hawaii, was held in Louisville, Ky.

The national convention of the Woman's Suffrage association met in Des Moines, Ia., and the president, Susan B. Anthony, delivered her annual address.

Fire destroyed the elevator and malt-house of the W. H. Purcell company in Chicago, the loss being \$350,000.

The Windsor hotel at Fort Smith, Ark., was destroyed by fire and Isaac H. Pray and A. E. Mullison, Chicago salesmen, perished in the flames.

John P. Jones was reelected United States senator by the Nevada legislature.

Fire destroyed Joseph Popp's livery stable in Toledo, O. Many fine horses were being boarded there, and 28 were burned to death.

Three children died at the home of George Madison near Jeffersonville, Ind., from the effects of eating apples that were poisoned.

The house of A. E. Vandewater near Belleville, Mich., was burned and his wife and two children were cremated.

In the joint legislative assembly John C. Spooner was elected United States senator from Wisconsin to succeed Senator Vilas.

Four children of John Webb were burned to death in their home at Curwensville, Pa., during the absence of their parents.

The Murdock hotel, the oldest hotel in Logansport, Ind., was burned, entailing a loss of \$100,000.

Several business blocks were destroyed by a fire in Philadelphia that started in the big grocery store of Hanscom Bros., the total loss being over \$2,500,000.

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The reform scheme for the island of Cuba has been perfected by the Spanish government and will soon be made public.

Sir Isaac Pitman, world-wide known as the inventor of the stenographic system that bears his name, died in London, aged 84 years.

The British steamer Salisbury collided with an unknown steamer near Ilfracombe, England, and 20 of the crew of the latter were drowned.

Floods in Spain have caused enormous damage to property.

Mrs. Margaret Hungerford, known to the novel-reading public in the four quarters of the globe as "The Duchess," died in London.

During a panic caused by a fire in a theater at Kwang Fou, China, 300 persons were trampled to death.

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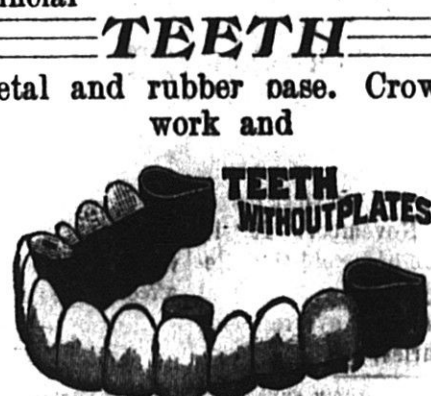
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INTERESTING FACTS.
 Bits of Information from Various Localities in Michigan.
 A number of buyers of elm logs are on hand in Benzie county and the price of the logs is going up in consequence of the demand.
 George W. Simmons, of Constantine, died Wednesday, aged 73 years. He had been constable and deputy sheriff for 30 years.
 Mr. and Mrs. George Walker, an aged couple of Sunfield, died within five hours of each other, Wednesday, of general debility.
 Maria H. Greenley, of Adrian, widow of ex-Gov. William L. Greenley, died in Washington, D. C., Wednesday morning, aged 75 years.
 Mrs. Meddard Breaudry, of Newport, died Wednesday, aged 89 years. She had lived over 30 years upon the farm on which she died.
 The Grand Rapids board of trade has decided to ask the legislature for an act renewing the permission of two years ago for the city to issue \$100,000 bonds for river improvement.
 The officials of the Mackinac division of the Michigan Central railroad are considering the advisability of extending their line to Duncan City. The extension will cost about \$30,000.
 Mrs. Margaret Thiek has commenced a suit for damages in the circuit court against the City Electric Railway company, of Port Huron, for the death of her 13-year-old son, who was killed by a motor car a short time ago.
 One thousand emigrants—mostly Germans and Russians—arrive in Port Huron every week, some with money, and more without. About one-eighth of all who enter the United States come in by way of Port Huron.
 The Marinette & Menominee Paper company will build a \$60,000 sulphate mill at Menominee, this year, which will be one of the best paper manufacturing plants in the west. The company is running all its mills at full blast.

FORTUNE OF A FARMER.
 Thomas Hall, of Ludington, Inherits \$50,000 a Year.
 Ludington, Jan. 24.—The story of Thomas Hall's good fortune is attracting much attention. His father and mother separated in Chicago 28 years ago. The father died soon afterward, and the mother went to New York city, where, five years ago, she left a fortune of \$2,000,000 made by real estate speculation. The other children were easily found. A Chicago lawyer learned from an old letter that the father had left his boy here, and by means of a birthmark Hall was identified. His share is about \$50,000 a year. He is a farmer, and had never heard of his father and mother.

COLDEST EVER KNOWN.
 Mercury Drops to Twenty Below Zero at Detroit.
 Detroit, Jan. 26.—The last 24 hours has been the coldest ever known in Michigan, and at points in the state the mercury has registered 24 degrees below zero. In Detroit the mercury marked 20 degrees below at the Michigan Central slip dock, on the Detroit river, and at St. Clair the river was entirely choked by ice, and showed 24 degrees below zero. From all over the state came reports of extremely cold weather. The below-zero temperature at various points was as follows: Blissfield, 24; Jackson, 17; Decatur, 16; Bay City, 14; Kalamazoo, 11; Lansing, 11; Grand Rapids, 8; Saginaw, 8.

PRIEST HELD FOR TRIAL.
 Rev. Anthony Bogacki Was Arrested on Charge of Assault.
 Bay City, Jan. 27.—Rev. Anthony Bogacki, the priest of St. Stanislaus parish, who was arrested on January 8 on the charge of assault with intent to commit murder, waived further examination in the police court Tuesday morning and was held for trial, giving bonds of \$1,000. His attorney informed the court that it had got so that the witnesses for the prosecution would all swear to the same thing. He considered it useless to proceed. The church premises are still in possession of an armed committee of 20 men.

KILLED BY A FALLING TREE.
 Death of Two Men in the Woods Near Huron Bay—A Third Is Injured.
 Marquette, Jan. 25.—Two men were instantly killed and a third fatally wounded in an accident that occurred Friday in the lumber woods near Huron Bay. The location is out of the line of travel, and the news reached here Sunday. The killed are Joseph Martin and a man named Ford. Patrick Donahue was wounded. The men were returning to camp in a blinding snow shortly before dinner. A tree fell on the men, killing the first two outright and horribly mangle Donahue.

Valuable Bed of Clay Found.
 Menominee, Jan. 27.—Edward Gan-yon, of this city, and a Mr. Hebert, of Marinette, lately discovered a ten-acre bed of clay resembling kaoline, which is unexcelled for polishing purposes. The deposit is from four to five feet thick, covered with a foot of muck, and is located about 12 miles from Lena, on the line of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul in Marinette county. They made the discovery while engaged in land-looking, and immediately bought the tract of two forties. They have received several liberal offers for the property.
Horses Fall Dead from Cold.
 Sturgis, Mich., Jan. 27.—E. L. Parker, of Orland, Ind., lost a team in a peculiar manner. He drove a traveling man from Orland to Burr Oak, to make a train. He drove fast, and when within two miles of his destination, one horse fell dead. Before the harness could be removed the other horse fell dead also. The zero weather had congested the lungs, causing death.
Accidentally Killed.
 Benton Harbor, Jan. 22.—Samuel Shoop was killed by a bullet from his own gun while hunting rabbits.

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Chicago, Jan. 27.	
LIVE STOCK—Native Steers	40 @ 5 20
Sheep	7 5 @ 4 50
Hogs	3 70 @ 4 25
FLOUR—Minnesota Patents	4 40 @ 4 60
Minnesota Bakers'	3 50 @ 3 95
WHEAT—No. 2 Red, Jan.	83 1/2 @ 82 1/2
No. 1 Hard	84 1/2 @ 82 1/2
CORN—No. 2	25 1/2 @ 25 1/2
May	25 1/2 @ 25 1/2
OATS—Western	22 @ 23
LARD	4 30 @ 4 35
BUTTER—Creamery	13 @ 13
Factory	7 @ 12
EGGS	17 @ 17 1/4
CHICAGO.	
CATTLE—Beeves	33 50 @ 3 20
Stockers and Feeders	20 @ 4 00
Cows and Bulls	1 70 @ 4 10
Texas Steers	2 25 @ 4 25
HOGS—Light	2 35 @ 3 80
Rough Packing	2 25 @ 3 80
SHEEP	20 @ 4 00
BUTTER—Creamery	14 @ 20
Dairy	9 @ 17
EGGS—Fresh	15 @ 16
POTATOES (per bush)	7 7 1/2 @ 7 3 1/2
PORK—Mess, January	30 @ 3 95
LARD—January	15 @ 4 45
FLOUR—Winter	1 50 @ 4 60
Spring	1 50 @ 4 60
GRAIN—Wheat, January	76 @ 77 1/2
Corn, No. 2	23 1/2 @ 24
Oats, No. 2	16 1/2 @ 16 1/2
Rye, No. 2	30 1/2 @ 26 1/2
Barley, Good to Choice	23 @ 35
MILWAUKEE.	
GRAIN—Wheat, No. 2 Spring	70 1/2 @ 70 1/2
Corn, No. 2	20 1/2 @ 20 1/2
Oats, No. 2 White	18 1/2 @ 19 1/2
Rye, No. 2	33 @ 28 1/2
Barley, No. 2	23 1/2 @ 24
POTATOES	7 25 @ 7 99
LARD	3 95 @ 4 00
DETROIT.	
GRAIN—Wheat, No. 2 Red	90 1/2 @ 90 1/2
Corn, No. 2	23 @ 23 1/2
Oats, No. 2 White	18 1/2 @ 19
Rye, No. 2	31 1/2 @ 37 1/2
ST. LOUIS.	
CATTLE—Native Steers	33 50 @ 5 00
Texas	2 75 @ 4 00
HOGS	2 10 @ 4 10
SHEEP	2 45 @ 4 30
OMAHA.	
CATTLE—Steers	33 50 @ 4 25
Cows	1 75 @ 3 65
Feeders	3 00 @ 3 50
HOGS	2 10 @ 3 50
SHEEP	2 80 @ 3 80

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JAPAN'S EARTHQUAKES.

Volcanic Upheavals in the Depths of the Sea Says She's Not Foolishly Sensitive Like Uncle Sam.

The northeast coast of Hondu, the largest of the Japanese islands, extends nearer than any other land to the tremendous submarine hole in the earth's crust known as the Tuscara Deep, says Scribner's. This is the deepest part of the ocean so far as men know of; it is almost as deep as the topmost peak of the Himalayas is high. Throughout its hundreds of miles of width and breadth there are submarine volcanoes. The seismic philosophers think that through some volcanic upheaval in these depths earthquake vibrations were transmitted along the ocean bottom to the shore, and a sudden rise of the water's level sent the tidal wave on its errand of destruction. The earthquake shocks, which travel at a rate of speed varying from two to twenty miles a second, reached the shore first. They were mild for quaky Japan, and it was not until 8:30 o'clock in the evening, an hour and a half later, that the slower-moving waves of water were announced by portentous booming sounds. Only four miles away from the coast fishermen were unaware of the presence of any extraordinary wave. But when the on-moving volume of water reached the steep sides of the sea bottom and mounted up to the shallow places, the wave grew to a height of 30 to 50 feet and hurled itself into the inlets and bays of the hapless land, overwhelming, with contemptuous ease, the feeble dikes which the Japanese fishermen and rice-planters had built to defend their low-lying homes.

WEIRD PLAINS OF LA MANCHA.

Melancholy Ruins in This Land of the Dead.

Starting from the Argamasilla before daylight our little mule had trudged during eight long hours the desolated inhospitable plain of La Mancha where the unchecked cold blasts from the Sierras held wild riot in the winter, and which was now lying prostrate under the furious caresses of the sun, says a writer in Scribner's; her parched soil bursting now and anon with dull sounds like the moans of a creature in pain. When we became aware of the proximity of the highway we were looking for, it was by some ruins, inevitable concomitants of this land of the dead. Before these silent, melancholy remains and in the absence of the living, one can feel the presence of the dead. 'Tis as if the past centuries were walking by the side of the traveler, keeping him company and little imagination is needed to people again this great artery of human communications thrown across the undefiled country by the Romans with Iberians, Goths and Moors, with Spaniards of the time when Spain was the most powerful country of the civilized world—and see Isabella, Charles V., the somber Philip, speeding on in all the splendid paraphernalia of royalty, and with their retinues of haughty Castilians. What a sense of the swing of history one has in such places, and before the eternity of nature how ephemeral and inconsequential human life seems!

ONE HOT DECEMBER DAY.

His Memory Made Imperishable by the Death of John Brown.

"This is the anniversary of the hottest day I ever knew in winter," said the old meteorological member, as the clubmen came in, blowing their cold fingers and stamping their chilled feet, says the Utica Observer.

"In what year?" asked a young member.

"In the year 1859. The morning opened cloudy and it looked like rain. Then at about noon it cleared off and the thermometer, which had indicated a temperature of 70 degrees, suddenly rose to about 80 degrees, at which it remained all the rest of the day. Even the night failed to bring relief, and during the evening it was curious to note the citizens of Utica sitting by their open windows, vainly striving for a breath of fresh air."

"But how do you remember so exactly what took place so long ago?"

"By connecting it with an event of historical interest which is not likely to pass from my mind."

"And what was it?"

"The hanging of old John Brown, which took place at Charlestown, Va. (it is now Charlestown, W. Va.), on the 23d day of December, 1859."

Railroad Without Cars.

In the forest of Bridal Veil, Ore., not far from the Dalles, there is a railroad which does business without cars. An article in the Northwestern Lumberman, describing the work of this company, has a picture of a "train" on the road, which consists of an ordinary locomotive, such as are common on logging roads, and a string of logs, each log being as large in diameter as the boiler of the engine, or larger. Boards are nailed to the sleepers between the rails, and on these the logs slide. Except on descending grades, the boards are greased, and the train moves at good speed. Where the road is level or slightly ascending, the engine pulls the logs, and where it is descending it holds them back. At the mills of this company the manufactured lumber, regardless of size, is run into a flume, and this is carried about two miles to the planing mill and shipping yard, the flume descending in that distance about 1,200 feet.

The Russian Royal Troth.

Russians are fond of relating the following anecdote about the czar when his majesty proposed to his future wife: When the young czarowitz popped the question he said: "The emperor, my father, has commanded me to make you the offer of my hand and heart." To which Princess Alix of Hesse responded: "And my grandmother, Queen Victoria, has commanded me to accept the offer of your hand; your heart I will take myself." And thus the royal troth was plighted.

MODEST OLD ENGLAND.

It is a little unfortunate that that genial traveling inquisitor, Li Hung Chang, was not warned as to the limits of American appreciation of humor before undertaking his visit to the United States, observes the London World.

In common fairness he should have been made to understand that Brother Jonathan, by no means a humorous person, as a rule, is constitutionally incapable of appreciating any chaff leveled against the institutions of his great and glorious country and demands unqualified admiration, unmixed even with the friendliest criticism, from the stranger within his gates.

In his ignorance of this peculiarity it is only natural that the innocent Li, with his awkward questions and his bland little sarcasms, should have "put his foot into it" in the most appalling fashion on the other side of the Atlantic. His childlike inquiry about the "generals" was bad enough, but worse remained behind in a "candid friend" reminder to his host that all that was good in their country came from England.

This seems to have been the last straw, and now the luckless Li is being denounced as a "murderous monster" who indulges in "senseless when not insulting questions and uncivil comments." It seems that we understood and appreciated the artless celestial a good deal better in the old country.

A MODERN SOLOMON.

Pathetic Incident That Acquitted a Poor French Woman.

A pathetic little drama was recently enacted in a French court of justice. A poor needlewoman was charged with stealing two gold coins from her employer. Her defense was that, while waiting in her employer's house, the child in her arms, unknown to her, was attracted by the sight of the glittering gold on the mantel shelf behind her, and, leaning forward over her shoulder, clutched the coins in its chubby fist, and had so carried them away. This she persistently and solemnly stated on oath, says the London Weekly Telegraph.

The court, however, was incredulous, and reproved the mother for her attempt to deceive him. But she asserted her innocence with such pathetic power that the sagacious judge determined to test the truth of her statement. He bade her stand by his desk with her child facing over her shoulder in the way she had described. Then he took several gold coins from his pocket and placed them on the desk within reach of the child.

A breathless silence ensued. Everyone awaited the touching sequel. Then suddenly the child's eye caught sight of the gleaming gold, and, with an eager smile, the tiny hand was outstretched to the desk and the coins were clutched in its tenacious grasp. The mother was promptly acquitted.

IMMIGRATION QUESTION.

A Practical Test Supplied by a New York Factory.

She was a shirtmaker, writes Mary Gay Humphreys, in Scribner's. The girls had the trade in their own hands, and made good wages. First one black-bearded man got in and he brought his brother and his son. Soon the room was half filled with men in shiny clothes and big black beards, who brought their relations. The girls first objected because they made the factory towel so black with their dirty hands. After that the girls brought their own towels, but the black men seemed to choke up the room and swallow all the air. Then work began to give out; the black-bearded men were taking it home to do nights, when their wives and daughters could help them. The old people and the little children, who could do nothing else, pulled out the bastings. The boss found he could get his work done cheaper and save in rent and fuel. At last prices were cut until the girls might as well strike or starve. They struck. It is irrelevant but instructive to know that they made a gallant fight and lost. The black-bearded men came in greater force and took all the work home; the factory was given up, the girls thrown out of work. Thus was the question of immigration pressed upon them.

GATHERING AQUARIUM STOCK.

How Live Fishes Are Selected and Prepared for Transportation.

Men experienced in gathering aquarium stock never ship fish long distances immediately after they are caught, if it can be avoided; the mortality is almost sure to be great among stock so shipped. By whatever means a fish has been captured, says the New York Sun, it is likely to have been more or less excited and it may have suffered some injury which would make it liable to attack by fungus. It is the practice when possible to place the newly-caught fish in fish cars or in some other suitable place at or near the shore in the vicinity of where they were caught, where they may be rested for the journey, accustomed under favorable conditions to captivity, and accustomed to feeding, and where the weak or injured fishes may be weeded out.

In this way only good and sound fish are finally started, and these are started in the best possible condition. Fishes thus selected and prepared are far more likely to get through all right, and such fishes are, of course, far more likely to survive in an aquarium.

Professionally Expressed.

A young sourette rushed to her dentist the other day in great agony. One of her wisdom teeth was ulcerated. The dentist, who, by the way, had supplied her with the most dazzling of her front teeth, told her that there was nothing for it but to pull the tooth. "Very well, doctor," remarked the actress, as she removed the plate, "I suppose I'd better take out my orchestra chairs so that you can get at my back rows."

SNAKE SUICIDE.

A Rattler with Three Fangs Shakes Off His Mortal Coil.

A United States cavalryman, stationed at Fort Meade, S. D., writes to Forest and Stream as follows in regard to the self-destruction of a three-fanged rattlesnake:

"As to the suicide of the creature, I am forced to ask for an explanation. The snake at first sight, coiled up in the usual manner for a prime strike, made a vicious lunge at my legging, then drew back and closely scrutinized me from hat to shoe. Instantly a change of expression came over his features, and ferocity gave way to a look that might have been born of disgust and resignation. I watched him closely, not knowing what might be his next move. He suddenly astonished me by plunging headlong into the Belle Fourche. Motionless he sank and lay at full length at the bottom. I continued to watch him until the last vestige of his reptilian breath had risen to the placid surface in a pearly bubble, and then with the aid of a stick I raised him from the water, placed him in the sunshine and satified myself that life was extinct. I had never known or heard of a rattler taking to water, and here I was confronted by the plainest case of suicide by drowning in broad daylight. I have since then lost all faith in snakes. I have adopted and discarded every theory that might offer a solution in this case, and am now driven to the belief that this snake deliberately suicided because it had committed the blunder of wasting a well-earned three-fanged strike on a United States cavalryman. Hereafter I shall travel incognito in those parts."

WIDOW QUITE PHILOSOPHICAL.

Pastor's Condolences on Her Husband's Death Very Graciously Acknowledged.

A North side Lutheran pastor recently assigned to a fashionable congregation is wondering whether hereafter it will be policy for him to offer condolences when young matrons of his flock lose their husbands, or forever keep his peace. He is very much perturbed over an incident which occurred quite recently, says the Chicago Chronicle.

Some time last summer and before he had been assigned to this particular church the invalid husband of one of his prominent church members went to the far west in the hope that a change of climate might restore him to health. But the rarified atmosphere of the mountains instead of benefiting the invalid, who was a consumptive, rather hastened the progress of the disease and within a very few weeks he died. Last week the young widow returned. What more natural than that the parson should offer his sympathies to the bereaved one.

"You have my sincerest sympathy," he said to the young woman. "But, after all, you have this consolation that the dear one is now past all suffering and probably much happier."

"You are too kind, parson," answered the young widow. "Indeed, he lasted much longer than I thought he would. I expected he would go much sooner. It was a hopeless case."

Such a philosophic view of the case rather startled the good man. It came so unexpectedly that it left him nothing more to say and he beat as hasty a retreat as he could.

Buckingham's Dye for the Whiskers is a popular preparation in one bottle, and colors evenly a brown or black. Any person can easily apply it at home.

A TRAMP BANQUET.

With Chauncey M. Depew as Orator.

Last Christmas a local newspaper reporter got up a banquet at the Denis Hotel, New York, at which tramps to the number of fifty were formally invited to sit down. They were recruited from a long line of nondescript beggars which had formed in front of a bakery across from the St. Denis, where bread was being distributed free of charge. The occasion was memorable by the unique character of the guests. The dinner was served with the same attention to detail as is paid to a swell banquet. The meal was an elaborate one, and upon finishing it Dr. Depew delivered an address to the men which adequately reflects the nature of the unprecedented event. He spoke substantially as follows:

"I have presided at many dinners and attended many more—perhaps more than any man in New York—but certainly never did I preside over or attend a dinner from which I have derived more real pleasure than from this dinner here tonight."

I have been a student of that method of enjoyment for a great many years. I have read of the great dinners they had in Rome, when a man would spend his entire fortune, great as those fortunes were, to entertain an emperor.

I have also read of the dinners which are told of in the bible—notably of that great feast given by Belshazzar, which was the most magnificent feast that was ever spread, and we are given to understand, but which was brought to a sudden and awful termination by the handwriting on the wall.

But many of the dinners to which I go seem to me to fill no purpose. There are the big feed and the studied orations, and when it is all over the impression it leaves on me is that there are the bores and the bored—the orators being the bores, and the listeners being the bored.

There is only one of the great historical dinners that really interested me. That is the one that is told of in the new testament, where the guests, failing to answer or sending excuses, the host found his tables unoccupied. Then it was that he told the people of his household to go out into the high-

ways and byways and gather in all whom they might find. I would like to have been at that dinner. I have pictured it often in my mind. Had the guests who had been invited attended, some of them would have criticized the wines of the host, saying they had better in their own cellars; others would have criticized the food and declared that their own cooks could have prepared finer dishes. Then, as he departed, each would shake the hand of the host hypocritically and bid him good-night with the false statement that he never had a better time or a better dinner in his life.

In my mind's eye I can see some of the guests who attended that feast. One was, perhaps, the student who, in striving after distinction in a profession, had neglected to provide for his material wants and was in distress. Another was, perhaps, the skilled mechanic out of a job, wanting only the opportunity to work, but failing to find it. I can picture the lawyer without clients, and the playwright who had grown discouraged because he could not sell his play and had become destitute in his search for a purchaser. I can see there, too, the poet or the author, whom publishers had not recognized, but who was destined to become a great man in the literature of the future. I can see there, too, the professional tramp, who would do everything but work, but absolutely refused to do that. The professional tramp, more completely than any other type of man on earth, meets the biblical description of the lily of the field. He toils not, neither does he spin, yet Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

We meet here this Christmas eve, and the occasion is one that suggests a few things to me—to all of us. No matter how fortunate or unfortunate we may be, Christmas eve should be an hour of rejoicing. Whether we are in luck or whether we are not in luck, we cannot forget that this hour is the one that led to the coming of Christ to this earth. He came as the great leveller. It was his mission to inculcate doctrines that would wipe out despotism and injustice. Surely if we look back at the conditions that prevailed when Christ came to earth, and at the conditions today we must admit that the doctrines which he taught mankind have accomplished wonderful results in leveling despotism and injustice. But for those doctrines there could never have been a country where all men were equal in the eyes of the law. But for those doctrines there would never have been institutions of education which the children of all men could enjoy.

If a man has the element of hope in his heart he can and will find a landing place from which he can start afresh in the journey of life, no matter how dark his past life may have been. You may say that it is easy for a man like me to make such a statement as that. But, my friends, it has been my privilege during the last 30 years to come in contact with men, who have encountered the most discouraging conditions of life. I have seen men who were in magnificent cir-

cumstances go to the gutter through rum. I have seen them conquer the appetite, and, having conquered it, gain new courage. I have seen them starting from that new landing place, work up and up again until they reached their proper sphere.

I have a case in mind. A boy started in life with me up in Peekskill. In the villages of this state, when I was a boy, all the lads knew each other by their first names and played together. The brightest fellow among all of the boys became a skilled mechanic, married a beautiful girl, had a lovely home, became foreman of the shop in which he worked, and was in line to become a partner in the concern. He became imbued with the desire to enter public life. In his efforts to be a good fellow, and to make those whose favor he sought think that he was, he became a patron of the village saloon.

The taste for liquor was hereditary in that man, and it was not long before he became an outcast, the worst tramp I ever knew, so filthy in himself that he became known throughout the village as "Dirty Blank." His family left him and his friends forsaken him and he drifted to New York. One night he followed a band of Salvation Army men and women to Jeer at them. In some way they caught him, and it was not long before he was marching with them, beating the drum and exhorting others to turn from their evil ways as he had done. As soon as he got on his feet he went back to Peekskill. His condition was so changed that his wife and children returned to him, his friends lent him a helping hand, and today he is justice of the peace there and is highly respected by all who know him.

I know what it is to be in hard luck myself. I belong to a family that has the trait of always worrying about things that don't happen. My father died of worrying, and my grandfather died of worrying, and I had almost made up my mind that I would die of worry. For the first thirty years of my life I worried enough to have shuffled off this mortal coil and climbed the Golden Stairs.

But I had good lungs, good heart, good stomach, and good muscles, and somehow I couldn't die. Then I had a hard blow. I lost every dollar I had in the world. My father was one of those men who believed that a boy should be thrown out into the world and made to hustle for himself if he was ever going to amount to anything. I went to him with my troubles. All he did was to cry. I did not want tears. I wanted greenbacks. I wanted help, not sympathy.

I thought then that my jig was over, and for a time was very much down in the heart, but I found nothing in that, and one day, thank God, I came to realize that this was a bright and beautiful world. I said to myself that the great majority of people seem to get along some way, if they did what was right. So I declared that I would go to work, stop worrying, cultivate cheerfulness and try to be merry.

The result of that philosophy is that for twenty years I have been trying to get fun out of everything. If it's work I get fun out of that. If I am at sea

during a hard blow and everybody else is so sick that they wish they were dead, I try to get fun out of that, too. I am always trying to get a chance to laugh. The result is that I have reversed the hereditary conditions which nature put in me, but which God never intended that a man should be afflicted by. I cultivated hope until I became an optimist. I came to believe that tomorrow would be better than today, and if tomorrow was not then I simply believed that it was the wrong day and that the next day would be better.

I believe that the trouble with most of us is that we get in a rut. We get in the procession, and we cannot get out of it. We want something a little better than the chance that is given to us at the time. We are not willing enough to take the chance that we have presented to us.

When a man finds himself in the wrong procession the best thing for him to do is to get out. When the chance comes it may not be at a very inviting landing place but it gives him an opportunity, and if he has the courage and pluck and sobriety to take advantage of it, and does so he is on the way to make all his Christmases Merry Christmases.

An old friend of mine was to build a line of railroad in the west that is now connected with a system with which I have something to do. He had worked himself up from the bottom and became general manager of a small company. The line which he was engaged to build was through a section of country inhabited by farmers who had never seen a railroad. The line was built, and the train stood on the tracks ready to make the trial trip. A prominent old farmer of the region went to my friend and told him that he had ridden about everything from a bucking broncho to a steer, but he had never ridden a railroad, and he'd like to do it. So he was invited on that trial trip. The train whizzed along and he was mighty amazed. He happened to look out of the window just as the train was crossing a trestle. Seeing no ground underneath him he became badly frightened and fell on his knees in an attitude of prayer. My friend looked at him for a minute, and said:

"Why, Farmer Smith, what's the matter with you? What are you doing?"

"Well," said the old farmer, "I'm praying to the Lord that when this old train lights and smashes I will be spared."

So it is with many of us as we travel on the train of life. We look out and we see no ground under us and we fear a smash. But we are really only on a trestle, and if we'll push along we'll get on solid ground again.

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