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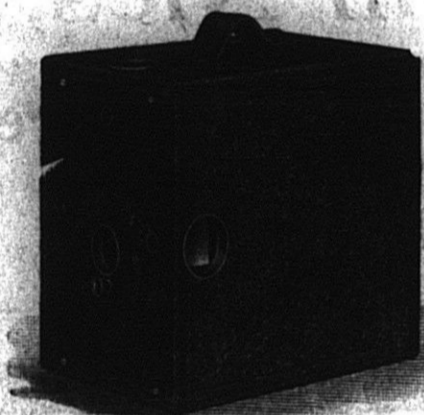
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CITY AND VICINITY.

The first ice palace ever erected in Michigan is to be built at Marquette this winter.

The weather continues crisp, with small additions of snow, not enough though to make good sleighing.

Complaint has been lodged against John Hendricks, a Zeeland youth of 15 years, for writing obscene stuff in the text books used in the public schools.

Christmas entertainments will be given by the several Sunday schools as follows: Hope Church, Friday evening, Dec. 23; Ninth street Christ. Reformed, Monday evening, Dec. 26; Methodist church, Saturday evening, Dec. 24.

The first year of free mail delivery in Holland closed on Friday, and as our mail carriers enter upon the second year their salary is increased from \$600 to \$900. The next raise in salary will be when Holland reaches a population of 75,000, and not before that.

Pros. Att'y Visscher was at Coopersville Monday, attending the trial of Levi Pierce, on the charge of stealing turkeys from a neighboring farmer. He was convicted and Justice Oakes sentenced him to sixty days in the county jail. Mr. Pierce is the man whose wife was murdered a few years ago near Berlin, and for which crime Geo. Cheesebro is now serving a life sentence in Jackson.

Mrs. H. D. Post has among her collection of historical relics a valuable contribution, made by the late Miss E. H. Langdon. It consists of two acorns and leaves from the venerated Charter Oak, at Hartford, Conn., the tree in which the Royal Charter of the Connecticut Colony from the King of Great Britain was hidden, December, 1686, from its attempted seizure by Sir Edmund Andross, the royal governor. This tree which had withstood the ravages of the elements for centuries, was finally destroyed by a wild storm August 23, 1856. The acorn and leaves were gathered by Miss Langdon and presented to Mr. Hoyt G. Post.

We've had some skating and it was greatly enjoyed.

Marshal Dykhuys is collecting the electric light bills for November. They foot up nearly \$1,000.

Col. Wm. J. Bryan has resigned his position in the army, and returned to the walks of civil and political life.

The News is under obligation to Col. C. Gardener, of the 31st Mich. Infy., for an illustrated roster of the commissioned officers of his regiment.

Rebecca Lodge, I. O. O. F., will give its first annual ball in the Opera House, on Thursday evening, Dec. 23 Bill, including supper, \$1.00 per couple.

Cornelius Blom, Jr., of this city, and John N. Louckes, of Grand Rapids, have gone into the cigar business at the latter place. Mr. Blom will not move to Grand Rapids until spring.

E. F. Sutton has sold his saloon property on Eighth street to "Nick and Abe." The sale includes grounds, buildings, stock and business. Mr. Sutton talks of going west and engaging in the brewing business.

The Young People's society of the Ninth Street Christ. Ref. church has elected the following officers: President, Rev. K. Van Goo; vice president, Wm. Rinck; secretary, Miss Anna De Vries; treasurer, Miss Mary Rinck.

The fleet that has gone into winter quarters at Holland this winter is not as large as usual. It comprises the steamers Soo City, City of Holland, Mabel Bradshaw, Music, Harvey Watson and Lizzie Walsh, and the schooners David A. Wells, Mary Ludwig, and Mishicott.

Forty of the young people were delightfully entertained to a progressive pedro party by Mr. and Mrs. F. Boone last Friday evening, in honor of Warren Foster of Chicago. After refreshments were served, Miss Jessie Noyes, Miss C. Van Duren and D. Ten Cate gave some fine recitations, interspersed with music by the Misses Kate Kanter and Lena Boone, and Louis Van Schelven.

H. J. Klompkens of Fillmore, register-elect of Allegan county, has moved to the county seat and resigned his position as supervisor of Fillmore township. At the election next spring the office will be sharply contested for, there being already four aspirants in the field: Gerrit Slenk, Will Bergman, H. Mecken and Frank Fairbanks. With a view of non-interference with the prospects of either of the above named the town board filled the vacancy by appointing Hon. J. W. Garvelink, who consented to accept upon the distinct understanding that he was not to be considered a candidate next spring.

With reference to the recent death of Mrs. F. E. Griswold a special to the G. R. Herald from Vermontville has the following: Mrs. Griswold was one of the early pioneers of Vermontville, locating here with her first husband, George S. Browning, in 1837, and was the last of the original members of the Congregational church of this village, organized in February, 1838. Her second husband was Roger W. Griswold, one of the very early pioneers of Vermontville and a prominent leader in the early history of Eaton county. He was the father of Dr. J. B. Griswold of Grand Rapids. Of the original colonists locating here in 1836 under a compact to colonize and establish churches and schools, Mrs. Griswold was among the last to go. Only two remain.

Among the marine items in the Chicago and Detroit papers Saturday it was reported that Peter J. Koning, a son of Mr. and Mrs. James Koning of this city, was drowned in Menominee, Mich. A telegram from the chief of police at Menominee, in reply to one sent from here, confirmed this report, stating that the body had been identified by Dr. H. Vennema of that city. Word was sent back that the remains would be called for, and Albert, a brother of Peter, took the train Sunday night for Chicago. It was his good fortune to be delayed there a few hours in making train connection, and to meet a man who assured him that he had seen his brother in that city on Thursday, on the steamer Joyce—the drowning having been reported as taking place on the preceding Monday. Albert wired this information home and it was followed up the same day, Monday, by two telegrams from Menominee, one from the captain of the Joyce and Peter himself, that he, Peter, was alive and well, and the other from Dr. Vennema that the drowned man was Harry Cogswell of Manistee, having been identified by his hat that was found on the ice. This information was forwarded to Albert in Chicago and he returned home on Tuesday.

Hon. Wm. Alden Smith, on Tuesday, was admitted to practise in the U. S. supreme court.

Rev. H. J. Harmelink, of Alto, Wis., has received a call from the American Reformed church of Orange City, Ia.

Anthony Van Ry, an employe at the West Michigan furniture factory, had his right leg fractured Tuesday morning, by the fall of a cabinet.

Daniel Bertsch has decided to go into the musical instrument and sewing machine business. He has rented one-half of Breyman's jewelry store, and will open next week.

Gen. Ludlow, at one time in charge of the harbors on the east shore of Lake Michigan, will be the first military governor of the city of Havana, under Gen. Lee as military governor of the province of Havana.

The first Reformed church Sunday-school has elected the following officers: Rev. J. Van Houte, supt.; L. Schoon, vice supt.; J. B. Steketee, secretary and treasurer; Miss Mary Hulsinga, organist; H. Geerlings, chorister.

Among the applicants for a pension, before the board of examiners at their Wednesday session, was Dr. J. B. Mo-Nett, of Muskegon, formerly of Grand Haven, and at one time a member of the board. The doctor served during the Civil War as surgeon in the First Michigan Sharpshooters. He is in bad shape physically, having lost the use of his limb.

This year there will be Christmas exercises in the Public Schools, and programs have been arranged for all classes and grades. They will be rendered on Friday afternoon, the 23rd, at two o'clock. These exercises close the fall term, and a ten day's vacation will be enjoyed by pupils and teachers. The school will again open on Tuesday, Jan. 3.

The election of officers of the M. E. Sunday school Monday evening resulted as follows: Supt., I. H. Fairbanks; asst., J. Elferdink; Kindergarten, Edith Fairbanks; treas., J. Baldwin; secretaries, Miss Eva Anderson and Buelah Smith; organist, Mrs. Lula Boggs; chorister, I. H. Fairbanks; librarian, J. A. Kooyers. The school is growing and has 298 pupils enrolled.

A. C. Van Raalte post, G. A. R., elected the following officers Wednesday evening: Commander, D. B. K. Van Raalte; senior vice com., John Kramer; junior vice com., John Zwamer; quartermaster, John Van Anrooy; surgeon, Geo. Eckels; chaplain, John Nies; officer of the day, P. De Feyter; officer of the guard, P. H. Wilms; delegate to the state encampment, A. J. Ward; alternate, N. Erskins.

William Van Lente met with tragic death Saturday afternoon. While hunting in the woods, eight miles north of the city, the gun was accidentally discharged. The full charge struck him in the face, and he was instantly killed. His companions brought the body to Holland, where it was prepared for burial by J. H. Nibbelink & Son, undertakers. The deceased was 29 years old, and a son of Mrs. Berend Van Lente. He resided near the old Van Dyke place, north of the lake, and leaves a wife and four children. The funeral was held on Tuesday from the Third Reformed church, Rev. G. H. Dubbink officiating. Mr. Van Lente was a cousin to the two Van Dams who died a few days ago.

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The dedicatory exercises of the new Reformed church at Hamilton will take place on Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 8 o'clock, p. m., and a cordial invitation is extended to all that desire to attend.

John E. Kiekintveld has bought the Crandall bazaar stock and goods and business. The transfer was made in time to enable John to come in for his share of the holiday trade. In order to obtain this he has laid in several lines of fine goods, just suited for Holland trade. The bazaar will be a first-class establishment after this.

Go to Martin & Hulsinga for pure drugs, medicines, perfumes and fine toilet articles.

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Are you in need of fine perfumes or toilet preparations? Call at M. Van Putten's.

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Holland City News.

FRIDAY, December 16.

OUR NEIGHBORS.

Ottawa County.

Commissioner of Schools L. P. Ernst is visiting the schools in the eastern part of the county.

Ferrysburg: The new steel tug built by Johnson Bros. of this place for Verduin Bros. of Grand Haven, was launched last week. She was christened Cornelius Boss, and probably marks a new era in shipbuilding here, being the first boat built of steel. A large crowd attended the launching. The Johnsons' works have a good name all over the lakes. It is to be hoped that their trial at steel shipbuilding will be successful, and it surely promises to be.

A Grand Rapids architect is preparing plans for a red brick building for the Catholic sisters of Wright. It will cost \$3,500 and will be finished with a large dormitory up stairs.

The Georgetown hunting party returned from Newberry, Northern Peninsula, last week and report a good time. The party killed fifteen deer and a large quantity of small game. They were gone three weeks.

Berlin: Only a small number of the electors attended the annual meeting of the Ottawa and West Kent Agricultural Society. The annual reports were very encouraging, as after paying all premiums and expenses in full there was paid \$105 on the debt, leaving all indebtedness now against the society \$150.

Georgetown has a cavern that with a little work would be a splendid lodge room for any society, or for meeting of any kind. It is covered overhead with rock and has been a home for people in the cave dweller time.

One who knows estimates that 100 steel ranges were sold in the townships of Grand Haven, Robinson, Allendale and Olive the last summer. This means that nearly \$7,000 was roped in by swindlers, over \$5,000 of which was profit. The notes are falling due now. Some of the farmers propose to fight it, but most of them will pay their little \$50 each.

In Georgetown they say that the electric lights of Grand Rapids are so bright, that they help the people in that township on most nights.

The G. H. Tribune credits A. Bilz with having secured the locating by a Chicago syndicate of a large ice house at Spring Lake. Material is already on the road for the buildings and it is said that 180 carloads of lumber will be necessary in building. The main ice house will be 600 feet long by 400 feet wide. It will be built with an idea of permanence and will be fitted out with all modern improvements. It is said that the boiler and engine to be used in the building have been bought in Muskegon. Today a crew of men are at work grading for the spur track that will be laid in by the D. & M. Work on the building will commence at once also. This industry means much to Spring Lake.

Saugatuck.

An Epworth League has been organized by the M. E. church of this place.

Capt. Robinson of Montague is negotiating with Capt. R. C. Britton for the purchase of the star. Mae Martel, for use as a ferry boat on White Lake.

Mrs. Rebecca Gerber brought to the Record office a curiosity in the shape of a pumpkin, which has been kept for three years in the cellar. The curiosity is in its shape, and the fact that it is in as good order as the day it was picked from the vines.

No sooner had the young ladies organized their band, when the young men took the matter up, thinking that they would not be outdone by the girls, and the prospects are that the citizens will have to stand two bands this winter.—Commercial.

Douglas Record: Work has progressed rapidly on the electric road during the last week, despite the inclemency of the weather. The grading has reached the Annesly hill on this end of the route, and now the Saugatuck authorities unite with the railroad company in grading the Holland street hill. Inside of ten days the whole line will be graded, excepting a few rods through a farm in Laketown, the right of way on which has not as yet been settled. Timbers will be delivered at East Saugatuck and New Richmond for the 600 feet of trestle work on the Annesly gully and contracts have been let for their delivery as fast as unloaded at the railroad station. It is the intention of the contractors to set the poles and have everything in readiness for the laying of the rails and stringing of the

wires as soon as the weather will permit in the spring.

Grand Haven.

D. C. Wachs has recovered from a severe attack of grippe and will teach a night school.

Capt. Schippers intends to make repairs on the D. A. Wells at the Kirby yard this winter.

A string of twelve horses from Holland were in town Saturday, to be traded.

Dick Bottle of this city and Henry Dykhuys of Holland, both city marshals now, were boys together in Beech Tree, in old Grand Haven years.

The good old wood fire days will be only a memory in a few days.

Capt. Morton, the new life saving superintendent, will occupy ex-Mayor Koeltz's residence on Second street.

Tribune: Capt Henry Fisher, better known as "split the wind," was in Holland looking after the position of captain of the Holland life saving station.

The following officers were elected by Corinthian Chapter, No. 84, R. A. M.: H. P. C. N. Dickenson; King, Wm. Summers; Scribe, Wm. J. Wolf; Treasurer, W. J. H. Saunders; Secretary, C. T. Pagelson; C. of H., Fred Pfaff; P. S., Herman F. Harbeck; R. H. C., Archie McDonald; Tyler, Wm Sleutel.

Mayor Baar has been served with a mandamus, emanating from Aldermen Kiel, Nyland, Verhoeks and Bishop, enjoining him from drawing a warrant for the C. O. Smedley bill. Mr. Baar says he is highly pleased that this action has been taken as it will settle the question of whether or not the mayor can engage counsel to enforce the ordinances and laws that govern this city. The four aldermen contend that the mayor had no right to vote on the Smedley bill, as it was a personal matter. The whole matter will be aired at the January term.

Zeeland.

For the purpose of fire alarm the village has been divided into four districts, and the blasts from the "mock ing-bird" will be one, two, three or four, according to the location of the fire.

Mrs. Groen, mother of Rev. J. Groen, is sick at the home of her son.

Fire warden Romeyn has made his rounds, inspecting chimneys.

One day last week J. G. Kamps broke the record as a horse-shoer, having put on not less than 80 shoes.

The local exchange has 25 telephones. As Zeeland and Holland have free communication it practically makes the two places one for those who have phones and naturally is a great incentive for others to put in new ones.—Record.

The new railway depot has received its heating apparatus. After long and weary waiting it is expected that the station agent will occupy his new apartments within a week. The new depot is a beautiful piece of mechanism, and fully meets the demands of the public.

The electric light problem has had considerable consideration during the past week and it now appears that the project is a certainty. The most serious obstacle now appears to be that of the way in which the current shall be secured. At the council meeting held last week, it was decided to send to Holland to secure price for furnishing the current by way of a line from Holland to this place. The cost of a plant in Zeeland is estimated at \$5,500, in addition to running expenses and the employment of at least three men. The money for the erection of the plant can easily be secured and it may yet be done by a private party.—News.

Allegan County.

It is said that an estate in Louisiana, valued at \$650,000, has been left to Anton N. Herbert and his sister, who are living on a farm near Moline.

The council of Wayland proposes to have the inhabitants of that town arise early on winter mornings, and have passed an ordinance requiring people living within the fire limits to clean all snow and ice from their sidewalks before 8 o'clock A. M.

New Richmond: Gen'l Manager Heald of the C. & W. M. and a governmental inspector were here Monday, looking over the river and bridges.

Otsego: George Higgins has shipped his evaporated raspberries to Chicago. He says he will get a profit of nearly \$100 per acre from the land upon which the berries grew.

Allegan: Last week Friday Charles Lockhart, of Trowbridge, lost his pocketbook with \$34 in bills and important papers. The next day Meyers, a colored chimney sweep, was arrested for being drunk. He was arraigned before Justice Day and sentenced to pay a fine of \$5.00 and costs amounting to \$8.20. Meyers had \$6.00 in his pocket, but the court did not see fit to accept that he and was sent to jail for twenty days. Marshal Chronister thought it queer that Meyers had so much money and started an investigation with the result that the pocketbook and \$31 of the money was soon returned to its owner.—Allegan Democrat.

C. J. Bassett Post, G. A. R., of Allegan has elected the following officers: Com., N. W. Houser; senior vice com., J. W. Ely; junior vice com., Fred Lecht; quartermaster, George Cady; surgeon, Wm. White; chaplain, N. G. Barrett; officer of the day, B. Meyers; officer of the guard, Robert Foster; delegates to grand encampment, J. W. Ely and Wm. Warner.

Prof. J. W. Humphrey's plurality for state senator is 2,438.

The board of education of Allegan have sent communications to architects asking them to submit plans for a \$10,000 school-house, not later than the 20th of this month.

C. A. Barnes of Otsego, county clerk-elect, has been in the county clerk's office part of last week getting an insight into some of his new duties.

Fennville: The amount of business done at this station is larger than many suppose. During a recent month the actual earnings of this station, from ticket sales and out-going freight amounted to \$13,900. No station between Holland and Benton Harbor can make any such showing.—Herald.

Muskegon.

Farmers in the northern part of the county are holding their potatoes, awaiting higher prices. They get 22 cents now, but last year they averaged twice that price.

Among the cases affirmed Tuesday by the supreme court was that of Lillie vs. Snow, appealed from this circuit. It was a tax title case, involving title to a farm in Sullivan township, this county, owned by the late James Snow, of this city, and worth about \$1,000. Mrs. W. I. Lillie, of Grand Haven, had secured a tax title on the property of the auditor general, for delinquent taxes of 1893. The tenants on the farm under Mr. Snow had agreed to pay the taxes but did not do so. Mrs. Lillie filed a bill in circuit court here to quiet title. The case here was decided for Mrs. Lillie, and this the supreme court now affirms.

Montague businessmen are thinking seriously of organizing a stock company to establish and operate a basket factory in the village. . . . There is no prospect for any large jobs at the Montague Iron Works this winter, and many who are dependent on the same for a living are contemplating to move to Muskegon.

A movement is on foot in Muskegon and Newaygo counties to have a bill introduced in congress for an appropriation to improve Muskegon River. The idea is that if an appropriation of about \$25,000 can be obtained the river could be dredged and put into condition so river steamers can ply between Muskegon and Newaygo. In connection with this the idea also is advanced that it would make the gravel beds lying above Maple Island easily accessible. There are also large quantities of stone in that vicinity which could then be easily brought to this city, and after being crushed used in improving the streets.

General Items.

The Oliver Mining Co. in the Upper Peninsula has announced a ten per cent. advance in wages for its employees in the mines at Ironwood and Bessemer. The increase affects about 4,000 men and will amount to over \$100,000 per annum. Similar advances at the other mines are expected Jan. 1.

The foot ball season which closed on Thanksgiving day, was not noted for its many fatalities, but nevertheless the statistics show that five deaths resulted from injuries received in match games.

Official notice is given that bondholders of the C. & W. M. railway will be paid their interest any time after Dec. 5 at Boston.

A meeting of the fish commissions appointed by the governors of the states bounding on the great lakes was held in Chicago this week. The most important matter that is scheduled for consideration is the projected abolishment of the closed season as relating to commercial fishing on the great lakes. The Michigan members of the committee are Horace W. Davis of Grand Rapids, John L. Preston of Port Huron and F. C. Chamberlain of Bessemer.

The use of slates has been forbidden in the schools of Zurich, Switzerland, and pen, ink and paper have been substituted, even in the lowest classes. The main reason given is that the light gray marks of the pencil on the slate cannot be followed without straining the eyes.

By Jan. 1, 1900, all the railroads in the country must have automatic couplers on all freight cars and 60 per cent of the freight equipment must have air brakes. Compliance with this law will cost the roads considerable money, as the complete automatic coupler and air brake for one car costs \$80. At present all the C. & W. M. freight rolling stock has automatic couplers, but only a portion has air brakes. The company has 2,609 freight cars. The work of making the improvement was begun several months ago and is being done by easy stages in order to get it completed by the required time.

Through the efforts of William Alden Smith a trial of free delivery will be made in this congressional district. It has been decided to make the experiment in Kent county, Grattan township.

Battle Creek: At a meeting of the common council last week it was unanimously voted to amend the city charter at the next session of the legislature so as to introduce the referendum in city matters. When 300 voters petition the council on any city measure, it is submitted to a vote of the electors.

The fishermen of Beaver Island have gotten themselves into more serious trouble. Some days ago they were caught fishing illegally, and seven men were arrested. At the same time ten miles of nets valued at \$700 were confiscated. The nets were taken to the Booth Packing Co. fish houses and stretched on reels to dry, preparatory to their being sold as condemned property. It has been discovered that the nets have been stolen. The entire outfit was cleaned out, and the Beaver Islanders are suspected of having taken them.

Green Bay: At the request of Rev. W. M. Forkel, pastor of the First Methodist church, the ladies of that church have instituted a reform looking to the removing of their hats during service, in order that the people who attend may see the preacher to better advantage. Not being a rule of the church, it is optional with each lady to join or not. The young women do not seem to take to the move with as much favor as the older ones, and last Sunday several of them made themselves conspicuous by crowding into the back pews rather than remove their hats.

There are at present 256 schools in Kent county outside of the city of Grand Rapids.

During the past year public improvements costing \$500,365 have been made by the incorporated villages of Michigan, this being an average of \$2,168.03 for each village reporting. One hundred and fifty-four villages are free from debt, and 133 have an aggregate indebtedness of \$1,397,230, an average of \$10,505.41. The reports from 214 villages state that business was better this year than in 1897, and 238 report no idle men. The average wages paid in 291 villages was \$1.19 per day, and for man and team \$2.25 per day.

LaGrippe.

Followed by Heart Disease, Cured by DR. MILES' HEART CURE.



M. R. C. SHULTZ, of Winterset, Iowa, inventor and manufacturer of Shultz's Safety Whiffletree Coupling, writes of Dr. Miles' Heart Cure. "Two years ago an attack of LaGrippe left me with a weak heart. I had run down in flesh to mere skin and bone. I could not sleep lying down for smothering spells; frequent sharp darting pains and palpitation caused a constant fear of sudden death, nothing could induce me to remain away from home over night. My local physician prescribed Dr. Miles' Heart Cure and in a few days I was able to sleep well and the pains gradually lessened, and finally ceased. I reduced the dose, having gained fifteen pounds, and am now feeling better in every way than I have for years."

Dr. Miles' Remedies are sold by all druggists under a positive guarantee, first bottle benefits or money refunded. Book on diseases of the heart and nerves free. Address, **DR. MILES MEDICAL CO., Elkhart, Ind.** Sold by all druggists.

South Haven has just completed a four to m school-house at a cost of nearly \$8,000.

Sixteen hundred and fifty-six divorces were granted in Michigan last year. The number of children affected by these separations was 1,833, or a little more than one child for each divorce.

Reports from all parts of the state show that the potato crop has been very large. One farmer in Charlevoix county got 1,100 bushels from three acres of ground.

The pay roll of the University of Michigan for the year 1897-98 was as follows: General pay roll, \$159,025.11; summer school, \$4,365.63; engineering department, \$37,897.04; law, \$37,532.52; medical, \$41,006.70; pharmacy, \$24,545.42; dental, \$12,849.96; homeopathic, \$3,300; University hospital, \$6,780.75; non-ecopathic hospital, \$2,707.08. The net income from students' fees for the same period was \$177,373.62.

The religious society known as The Church of God has decided to accept a donation of \$11,000 and locate a Sanitarium at White Cloud.

An effort will be made before the next legislature to remove the prohibition on the spring season of duck shooting and to change the open season for quail and ptarmigan from October 15 to December 15, instead of from October to December.

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Notice is hereby given, that the annual assessment rolls of the several supervisor districts of the city of Holland have been delivered to me for collection of the taxes therein levied, and that said taxes can be paid to me, at my office, No. 230 River street, office of I. Fairbanks, at any time before the first day of January next, without any charge for collection, but that five per cent collection fee will be charged and collected upon all taxes remaining unpaid on said first day of January.

I shall be in my office on every week day during the month of December between the hours of 8:00 a. m., to 7:30 p. m., to receive payment of such as may be offered me.

Dated Holland, Mich., Dec. 5, A. D. 1898. GERRIT WILTERDINK, City Treasurer.

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PEACE TREATY IS SIGNED.

Commissioners Representing Spain and America Conclude Their Work in Paris.

IT CONSISTS OF SEVENTEEN ARTICLES.

Principal Features of the Article—President McKinley Sends Congratulations—The Expenses Incurred by the Americans—Protests Made by the Spanish Government.

Paris, Dec. 12.—The treaty of peace was signed at 8:45 Saturday evening. The treaty as signed consists of 17 articles, it having been found advisable to subdivide two or three of the articles in the draft agreed upon at the last meeting. The commissioners of the two nations wrote their signatures on two copies of the treaty, one copy being for the archives. The document was prepared by Secretary Moore, in behalf of the United States commissioners, and by Senor Villa Ruita for Spain, on account of the continued illness of Secretary Ojeda, of the Spanish commission. Each copy contains the English and Spanish texts of the treaty in parallel columns. The wording had been approved previously by the commissions without a joint meeting, so there was no controversy on this subject.

Principal Features.

The essential features of the peace treaty are as follows:

First—The customary preface of treaties in the nature of an expression of amity and of hope for perpetual peace.

Second—The relinquishment by Spain of her sovereignty over Cuba.

Third—The withdrawal of all Spanish troops.

Fourth—Relinquishment by Spain of sovereignty over Porto Rico.

Fifth—Spain's cession of the Philippines.

Sixth—The withdrawal of the Spanish troops there.

Seventh—Payment by the United States of \$20,000,000 for the Philippines.

Eighth—The provision for the "open door" commercial policy in the Philippines.

Ninth—Cable station rights in other Spanish colonies.

Tenth—Release of Cuban and Philippine political prisoners.

Eleventh—Mutual abandoning of all claims for indemnity.

President Sends Congratulations.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The official news of the signing of the peace treaty was received in Washington a little later than the press reports. It was in cipher form, as usual, from Judge Day. It was at once transmitted to the president, who was alone at the time, but within a comparatively short time all the members of the cabinet had either called or sent their congratulations. The president's congratulations were promptly cabled to the commission.

The news of the signing had been so thoroughly discounted that the actual receipt of the official advices created little stir here. There was a general feeling of relief, however, that no unforeseen circumstance intervened at the last moment to block the peaceful close of the negotiations.

Expenses of the Commission.

The following figures give the estimated expenses incurred by the American members of the peace commission, now spending their seventy-first day in Paris, up to this time:

Salaries of commissioners, \$30,000; salary of secretary, \$10,000; compensation of interpreters, legal advisers, etc., \$20,000; steamship passage for party, \$5,000; hotel accommodations, \$10,000; personal expenses of party, incidentals, etc., \$15,000; services of special employees, \$10,000. Total, \$100,000.

The American peace commission is composed of five members, a secretary, a score or more translators, typewriters, stenographers and a retinue of servants. In all, 32 persons were in the party.

Protest Approved.

Madrid, Dec. 12.—The government entirely approves the memorandum of protest against the action of the United States commissioners filed by Senor Montero Rios at Paris.

The memorandum protests against the refusal of the Americans to surrender the securities deposited in the treasuries of Cuba and Porto Rico by private Spaniards, remarking that "never has a civilized nation committed such an act of violence."

Secondly, it protests against the ultimatum demanding the Philippines.

Thirdly, it protests against the position in which those Spaniards are placed who desire to remain in Cuba.

Fourthly, it protests against the reference to the destruction of the Maine in President McKinley's message to the United States congress. On this point the memorandum says:

"Spain has proposed arbitration but the United States refuses to give her the right which is granted to a criminal, namely, the right of defending herself. The Spanish commissioners leave the care of fixing the responsibility for the explosion to the entire world, which will say whether those are responsible who desire the truth or those refusing to seek it."

Killed by Express Train.

Burgessstown, Pa., Dec. 13.—Carl McBride and his wife were instantly killed by an express train at Raccoon Station, on the Panhandle road. They were driving in a sleigh from their home, near North Star, to this place and were crossing the track when the train dashed into them, both being terribly mangled and almost instantly killed. McBride and his wife had been married but a few weeks.

Given Twelve Years.

Philadelphia, Dec. 14.—Gideon W. Marsh, former president of the wrecked Keystone national bank, was Tuesday sentenced by Judge Butler, in the United States district court, to imprisonment of 12 years and 3 months and to pay a fine of \$500. Marsh was charged with conspiracy in making false entries in the books and making false reports to the comptroller of the currency.

Fatal Explosion.

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 10.—Three men were killed and eight injured, three fatally, by an explosion in the Dupont powder works.

WEEKLY WAR HISTORY.

Complete Record of Events Told in a Few Lines Covering All Important News.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8.
Assistant Naval Constructor Hobson will go to Manila to superintend the raising of the sunken war vessels.

The cruiser Buffalo left the anchorage off Tompkinsville for Manila, carrying 700 men for Admiral Dewey's fleet.

The United States transport Newport, bearing Gen. Miller and staff and several regiments, has reached Manila.

Attorney General Griggs in his annual report says the amount realized from the sale of captured vessels and cargoes condemned as prize in the Spanish war is \$701,024.

A pension of \$30 per month has been granted to Mrs. Harriet Vincent Gridley, widow of Capt. Charles Vernon Gridley, who commanded the flagship Olympia in the battle of Manila bay.

Secretary Alger says: "It is proposed to send regular regiments to relieve the volunteers in Manila just as soon as transportation can be arranged. The volunteers will be returned to the United States in the order in which they left."

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9.
The war department is placing guns along the coast from Maine to Florida.

It is said that Japan has offered this government \$200,000,000 for the Philippine islands.

Maj. Gen. Wheeler has decided to resign his seat in congress and retain his commission in the army.

A great improvement in the health of the troops in Cuba and Porto Rico is shown by health reports to the war department from the commanding officers.

The steamer Roumania sailed from Savannah, Ga., carrying the entire First regiment of North Carolina to serve as part of the garrison of Havana.

The United States and the Spanish peace commissioners in Paris settled the terms of the treaty of peace, and the signing of the document will conclude the work.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10.
The Two Hundred and Second New York regiment, under Gen. Davies, numbering 1,500 men, arrived in Havana.

The soldiers of the Second Illinois regiment left Savannah, Ga., on the transport Michigan for Maricao, Cuba.

The Spanish transport Forgas sailed from Havana for Santander, Spain, with 1,487 repatriated Spanish troops on board.

A report that Japan had offered \$200,000,000 for the Philippines is said by Washington authorities to be entirely without foundation.

Now that peace is again assured, the United States war vessels are to be restored to their former color and the "white squadron" will be revived.

Admiral Dewey reported to Washington a notable improvement in conditions in the Philippines and the growth of a better spirit among those factions of the natives which promised to give trouble.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12.
Gen. Lee and staff sailed from Savannah, Ga., for Cuba on the transport Panama.

The United States flag was unfurled over the city hall at Maricao, Cuba, by Col. Young.

Admiral Dewey's fleet will be strengthened shortly by the addition of some serviceable gunboats.

It is announced that Col. William Jennings Bryan, of the Third Nebraska regiment, has resigned.

The battleship Massachusetts grounded near Governor's island, New York, and was badly damaged.

The transport Saratoga with the first battalion of the Tenth infantry on board sailed from Charleston, S. C., for Cuba.

Maj. J. W. Cronkite, of New York, has been designated by Secretary Gage to act as chief customs officer at Cienfuegos, Cuba.

Action has been taken by Secretary Long to withhold information concerning American naval affairs from foreign governments.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13.
Secretary Alger has designated Gen. Ludlow to act as first military governor of Havana city.

Col. William Jennings Bryan's resignation as colonel of the Third Nebraska regiment has been accepted.

Spaniards and Cubans had a fight in the streets of Havana and three of the latter were killed and others wounded.

The Fourth regiment of United States infantry, now at Fort Sheridan, Ill., has been ordered by Secretary Alger to proceed to Manila.

Henry Neilligan, cook, and George W. Beverly, bugler, of the First Florida regiment, killed each other in a quarrel at Huntville, Ala.

The quartermaster's department of the army is called upon to face the very formidable task of transporting from the Philippines all of the Spanish soldiers who constitute the garrisons of the islands. There are about 15,000 of these.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14.
Maj. Gen. Brooke has been designated to be the first military governor of Cuba.

The First North Carolina regiment went into camp at Havana amid the wildest display of joy on the part of the Cubans.

The Spanish troops withdrew from Guanabacoa, a suburb of Havana, and the inhabitants rang the bells and discharged fireworks in celebration of the event.

The transport Michigan, having on board the First and Second battalions of the Second Illinois infantry, and the Panama, with Maj. Gen. Fitzhugh Lee and his staff, arrived at Havana.

In consequence of the danger of serious trouble in Havana between Spaniards and Cubans orders were issued by the war department directing the armored cruiser Brooklyn, Capt. F. A. Cook; the battleship Texas, Capt. Charles D. Sigbee, and the gunboat Castine, Commander R. M. Berry, to proceed to Havana.

Bank Officials Arrested.
Omaha, Neb., Dec. 14.—E. A. Reiners and O. C. Reiners, president and vice president respectively of the First national bank of Neigh, Neb., have been arrested on indictments returned against them by the federal grand jury. They are charged with violations of the federal banking laws. The cashier, who was indicted with them, has disappeared. The bank failed in October.

May Go to Cuba.
Washington, Dec. 12.—President McKinley, it is said, contemplates a trip to Cuba and Porto Rico at an early date. Mrs. McKinley and several members of the cabinet, with their wives, will probably accompany the president.

Made President Again.
Washington, Dec. 14.—The national board of trade met here Tuesday for its twenty-ninth annual meeting. Frederick Fraley, of Philadelphia, who has been the president since the board's organization, was reelected.

Tragedy in 'Frisco.
San Francisco, Dec. 14.—Raymond Sellinger, a despondent German, shot and killed his wife Tuesday and then turned the weapon upon himself. He will die. Sellinger had been unable to secure employment.

Wholesale Butcheries.
London, Dec. 10.—Advices from Cape Town say that the Transvaal troops have committed wholesale butcheries of women and children and unarmed natives in the campaign against the rebel chief Mpepa.

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An Interesting Reminiscence.
CHAPTER OF A SCHOOLMAM'S LIFE
AMONG THE HOLLAND COLONISTS

As announced last week we produce in this week's issue of the NEWS a communication from Mrs. Elvira H. Couper—nee Langdon, lately deceased. It was dated Hastings, Neb., Aug. 20, 1897, and sent to her old friend Mrs. H. D. Post of this city, as a contribution to the collection of Semi-Centennial papers:

"I have only recently learned from Mrs. Maysmith, of Grand Rapids, of the Pioneer Day at Holland, and I wish to be identified with the pioneers so much, that I cannot express myself. My work in Holland is not forgotten by me, and I feel desirous that it should be recorded somewhere.

It was in the middle of the century, 1849, that I was employed by Mr. H. D. Post to teach the first school taught by a woman in Holland.¹⁾ In addition to this I also organized the first English sundayschool in Holland. It was kept up six months and then dropped, owing to sickness and cholera.

I boarded in Mr. Post's family, and at the time we were the only American residents. Dr. C. D. Shenick lived a few miles away.²⁾ I sometimes felt lonely, and imagined I had privations: I had not then lived in Nebraska. I was treated with great respect by man, woman and child, because I was the "schoolvrou."

The biggest day I saw in Holland was June 1, 1850. It was Sunday morning, and three boats came sailing over Black Lake to the Indian village,³⁾ where they halted and pitched their tents. They were under Maj. Bowes, U. S. A., topographical engineer, sent to survey the surroundings in view of making a harbor, which Dr. Van Raalte was desirous to secure. The arrival of these boats with the American flag unfurled was a sight to rejoice the hearts of the people, for they now felt prosperity was near. The surveying party remained about six weeks, and as they were intelligent gentlemen they added materially to social life. After Maj. Bowes and party left, we—that is, Mr. Post's family and myself—fell back into our monotonous living.

Some of us were ill a good deal. It began to be "shaky times," and we shook. I had fever and ague some, but kept in school. Some tried quinine and some tried other remedies; the best was plenty of cold water and a sweat. As cold weather came on we all got better.

We only had mail once a week. A woman came with a bag and got our letters, taking them home, when her husband took them to the stage terminus twelve miles from Holland and brought back return mail.⁴⁾

My first journey to Holland was tedious. I went from Allegan to Singapore⁵⁾ by stage, where I stopped a week with a family who owned a tannery, until I could get word to Mr. Post, twelve miles distant. There was no team or roadway to convey me through the woods. When my escort arrived we went in an open democrat wagon, traveling on the beach of Lake Michigan. The sleet and snow made slow travelling for horses, and they had to rest often. Once I tried walking for a change, but a big wave from the lake caused me to hurry back into the wagon. Finally we reached the mouth of Black Lake. There I was refreshed with a cup of coffee from the "vrouw" of the boat house. I was here transferred to an open boat, with my big trunk, shaking with fear lest we would be split in the lake, we reached Holland in safety about dark, thankful to be on dry land once more.

There was no school house in Holland, but I had a small, comfortable room in which to open school.⁶⁾ I adopted methods in teaching suited to children who were ignorant of the English language. I used oral teaching entirely at first, as I perceived they retained these ideas better than when required to study. My sundayschool was also on a simple plan.

Rev. Dr. I. N. Wykoff, of Albany, N. Y., visited the Colony in 1849, to confer with Dr. Van Raalte on the subject of connecting the Holland churches with the (Dutch) Reformed Church of America. He called on me in my little school, and on his return he sent me quite a sunday-school library, which helped me a great deal, as my little people began very soon to read English.

The Ottawa Indians that were here decided to move to Grand Traverse, thus vacating the Indian village. Two old Indians, Pricket and Poneat, lingered as if loth to leave their old hunting ground. They were friendly, and often brought us presents of fish. Mr. Post dealt with them and we had no fears of mischief. One young Indian boy expressed a wish to go to school. I welcomed him, but when he was given a book he soon left.

The sawmill of Mr. O. D. Vander-

I was in Holland.⁷⁾ I might mention also the death of President Taylor, a national event of such importance, that Mr. H. Penoyer of Grand Haven, knowing that Mr. Post and Dr. Van Raalte could not get the news by mail for some days, kindly sent a man on foot a distance of 22 miles to convey the sad news.

The families of Mr. Post and Dr. Van Raalte often exchanged coffee visits. The latter was fine in conversation. Once he entertained us by relating his experience in the old country in being tried for schism. He had many trials with his people. He lost an infant, and conducted the funeral service himself, in English. Mr. H. D. Post and myself were there to sympathize with them, as Mrs. P. was ill. We were the only Americans present.

Mr. Hoyt G. Post went to visit his home, and I began to think of a change, but how to get out of Holland was a query. I could not go back the way I came, and there was no livery and only one horse in Holland. Finally a farmer from Allegan came to take home a hired woman and I engaged passage with him. It was a very hot day, the 12th of August. The "vrouw" and myself walked some of the way and picked blackberries. A few miles from Allegan the horses tired out so badly that Mr. Prouty, our driver, said we must abandon the wagon, while he did the same. I tried to keep up with the woman, but was so tired. My journey from Holland was as hard as when I went there. I was at last welcomed at Judge Ely's. After I rested a few days I went to Kalamazoo by stage and took the cars from there for Marshall and other points, to visit. All were eager to learn about the Hollanders, as the enterprise of the new Colony was much talked of. The first agricultural fair of Michigan was held that year at Ann Arbor, which I attended.

When ready to return to Holland, I learned from Mr. Post that the people had voted to raise no money for school or town purposes,⁸⁾ but that there was enough money on hand to pay me for the winter term. As my baggage was in Holland I went back and taught until spring, when I was relieved from my labors and my name stricken from the pay roll. That winter I taught in a lone house built for orphans.⁹⁾ During the winter nothing unusual happened. The 16th of January was the darkest day I ever saw. It seemed to forebode disaster. I never lost interest in Holland, though I dare say I would find none of my Holland friends who would remember the "schoolmam."

Though I cannot be present at the Semi-Centennial yet in my prairie home I think of you and unite in wishing continued prosperity and blessing to your city.

MRS. ELVIRA H. COUPER,
nee Langdon."

NOTES.—1) There was a society organized in the New England states for the promotion of education in the West, of which ex-Gov. Stide of Vermont was president. Under the auspices of this organization Miss Langdon, with a number of others, mostly ladies, was sent out to Michigan, which at that time, in the east, was viewed as one of the outposts of civilization. They congregated at Hartford, Conn., where they were equipped for their work. Among those that addressed them as they were about to depart, was Miss Catherine E. Beecher. Miss Langdon's destination was Allegan, Mich., where she taught one or two years. Here she met Mr. H. D. Post, at the house of Judge Ely. The latter was one of the many friends the Colonists had at that point. He was from Dutch descent. One of his sons, John D., was a physician, who after graduating settled in the Holland Colony. He did not stay long, however, being called away by the death of a brother at Cedar Rapids, Iowa.—For this information we are indebted to Mrs. H. D. Post, of this city.

2) Dr. Shenick had located at Groningen. He was one of the first American physicians that practised among the Colonists; came from Lockport, N. Y., and remained about five years, when he left for the West. The doctor was liked and respected by the Colonists. He was one of the clerks at the first town meeting, held April 2, 1849, at the home of Dr. Van Raalte, when ten votes were cast—the Colonists for want of naturalization could not participate in the election. The next year he was elected justice of the peace, and director of the poor. The reason the doctor had settled at Groningen was no doubt due to its location, being half-way between Holland and the settlement at Zeeland. Besides, Groningen in the early days was quite pretentious; it boasted of a sawmill, gristmill, tannery, etc. Of its water power a remnant of the dam is still a conspicuous landmark.

3) The Indian village, with its log huts, wigwams and grave-yard, was located on the south shore of Black Lake, where the Heinz pickling works are now established.

4) It was in the latter part of the '70s, that the writer met a gentleman in Detroit, who had been one of the party under Maj. Bowes which made this survey of Black Lake harbor, and he related the following reminiscence in connection therewith: "This was the first official coast survey made of the Great Lakes. Our experience was varied. The settlements at most of the inlets along the east shore of Lake Michigan were new. The harbors were few and difficult to enter. Our vessels were light draught. I shall never forget when we reached Holland. It was on a Sunday morning when we came to anchor opposite the Indian village, or Point Superior, I don't recollect which, and went into camp there. We walked to the village

and found it actually deserted, not a man, woman or child on the street. Upon inquiry we were told that everybody had gone to church, and were directed what trail to follow. Not knowing how else to pass the time we started out in that direction. After a while we struck a cedar swamp and stopped at a creek to drink. All at once we were startled by something which I shall never forget. It was singing. We then knew that we were not far from the church, but could not see it. The choral of that congregational singing as it reverberated through the woods was so unlike anything I had ever heard before, that I shall never forget the solemn impression it made upon me. We stood and listened until it was over. Then following the direction from which the sound had come, we came upon a large congregation in and around a log church in the midst of the woods. Of course, we couldn't understand a word of what was spoken, but still the sight was an imposing one, and enforced a feeling of due reverence." The church referred to was the old log church, located on Pilgrim Home cemetery.

5) The post office at Holland was established in 1848, and was officially designated "Black River," with H. D. Post as postmaster. The mail route for some time was a private one, to and from Manlius, which was the nearest post office. Mail was brought in once a week, as stated, by William Notting, who carried it on his back through the woods to his house, two miles south of the village, when his wife would bring it to the office in the village.

6) Singapore at that time was an active lumbering village on the Kalamazoo river, not far from the mouth of the river. In 1837 it was platted by Oshea Wilder, of New York, who built a large sawmill and store and sold quite a number of lots, and for several years it was the successful rival of Saugatuck. In 1839—the days of "wild-cat money"—it boasted even of a bank, that issued its bills in liberal amounts. Singapore was abandoned in 1875, when the last sawmill broke up, and to-day but little remains to mark its location.

7) This was a red building, afterwards the residence of Hendrik Te Roller. It stood on the hill on Eighth street, where is now the wagon shop of H. Takken. In conversation with Mr. John Kramer, who was one of her pupils, he informs me that several who attended school "on the hill" are still living, and named the following: Benjamin and D. B. K. Van Raalte, Frank and James Van der Sluis, P. Konig, J. Grootenbuis, Ryk Schaddelee, Jac. Niemeyer, Roelof Bongaerts, Arend Van der Veen, J. A. Ter Vree, and Mrs. O. Van Dyk—nee Dina Weeber. Many incidents connected with those early schooldays are humorous, and none more so than the awful "breaks" in the first attempts at English. Another Colonial feature of Miss Langdon's regime was that, with a view of enforcing obedience and discipline at school, the pupils were to hand in their department cards to Dr. Van Raalte at the weekly "catechisatie." The first celebration of the Fourth of July among the Holland Colonists, a day until then unknown to them, is also to be credited to Miss Langdon's efforts.

8) The ashery was built by Post & Co., (Dr. Van Raalte was the Co.) at the head of Black Lake, where is now the dock of the Scott Lagers Lumber Co. It was the first manufacturing plant in the Colony. In clearing the land the ashes were carefully gathered and carried on the back to the ashery, sometimes a distance of six and eight miles. They were the first product the Colonists had to sell, and the few cents they brought were taken out in groceries. The sawmill of Mr. Van der Sluis was the first of its kind. It was a steam mill, with one up-right saw, also located at the head of Black Lake.

9) "The people" in this instance, were the few that could vote. The Colonists could not take part in any election until 1851. Nevertheless during the interval they had a recognized government that took cognizance of all their interests, of which education was not the least. The money for school, as well as for other public purposes, was raised voluntarily by the "Volksvergadering."

10) This building was known as the orphan house, and its history is as follows: The great mortality of that season among the colonists had left them with many orphans on their hands, who were promptly taken in by other families and cared for. Their constant increase, however, led to the erection of the building referred to, a project in line with the established order of things in the old country, and with the spirit in which they started out. One Sunday morning—this was even before the completion of the log church—Dr. Van Raalte urged upon his people the necessity that something of the kind should be done, and that forthwith. Contributions and pledges were made on the spot, not in money, for this was a scarce article, but in labor and material. The women donating their jewelry. The building was begun in May, 1848 and completed the next year. However, owing to various reasons, it was never occupied for the purpose it was built. These western wilds with their limitless expanse did not admit of the systematized government and rigidity of an old-country orphanage. The structure was afterwards used for different purposes of a public nature—school, academy and town meeting; also as printing office and lastly as a horse barn. It was situated on the campus of the Western Theol. Seminary, Twelfth street, and some years ago was burned. G. V. S.

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Do not fail to inspect the fine line of books and fancy goods suitable for Christmas presents at

M. KIEKINTVELD.

Wallets, pocket books and vases at Martin & Huizinga.

Elegant vases in tepelets, Austrian glass, Jap pottery, etc. Finest goods in the city at Breyman & Hardie's.

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You may wonder what Vandersluis means by a TAKE OFF SALE. We'll tell you. We still have 31 Heavy Beaver Shawls and 17 Heavy Winter Capes left. Commencing next Monday we

Take Off 50 cents Each Day

till Saturday night (if they are not all sold before that).

Monday choice of any Shawl or Cape in the store.....	\$4.50	Thursday choice of any Shawl or Cape in the store.....	\$3.00
Tuesday choice of any Shawl or Cape in the store.....	\$4.00	Friday choice of any Shawl or Cape in the store.....	\$2.50
Wednesday choice of any Shawl or Cape in the store.....	\$3.50	Saturday choice of any Shawl or Cape in the store.....	\$2.00

(Bring this Ad. with you.)

What makes a more substantial CHRISTMAS PRESENT than a nice Shawl or Cape. You know this store never carries over any goods from one season to the other.

Smyrna Rug Sale.

We bought a lot of SMYRNA RUGS at a Bargain and this is the way we sell them for next week only:

Heavy Smyrna Rugs, size 26x60 ins. \$1 09 Heavy Jute Rug, size 28x61 ins. .59c
Heavy Smyrna Rugs, size 30x67 inches. . . \$1 29

These Rugs are worth double what we ask for them so be in time if you want any.

Lots of Christmas Goods.

Such as handkerchiefs, muffs, collarettes, umbrellas, mufflers, fascinators, kid gloves, kid mittens, fancy handkerchief boxes, celluloid glove boxes, table linens, napkins

and any amount of articles. Come and look around and bring only a little money.

JOHN VANDERSLUIS

N. B. Special prices on Mackintoshes for next week.

For Holiday Goods, etc., Try LOKKER, RUTGERS & COMPANY.

This well-known firm is selling out some of their goods at reduced prices. Their stock was large in the beginning of the season, but their increased patronage made the goods move faster than usual, and they have been obliged to buy a second stock, which they have been able to secure at lower prices than before. This gives you a chance for

GREAT BARGAINS.

There are many SUITS and OVERCOATS, and other goods of which they have not got a complete stock left, and where they have only one suit of a certain size; these must be sold for less than actual value.

We offer 50 Rubber Coats, which have always been sold for \$2.75 and \$3.00, for. . . . \$1.50

Overshoes for children with one buckle at half price.

Bargains in Men's Ulsters.

Overcoats, Pea Jackets, Suits for men and boys.

Heavy woolen over and under Shirts and Pants.

Overshoes and Rubbers of all sizes and styles.

For the Holidays

We have a large assortment of Silk Mufflers and Handkerchiefs, Neckties, Suspenders, Black Knit Mittens and Kids, etc.

Just received a new assortment of stylish Ladies' Shoes for \$1.00 up to \$4.00. A, B, C and D last.

Men's Shoes, Box Calf Lace of the best kind.

Large socks, small socks, long socks, thin socks.

The best Children's Underwear in the city for 25c

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Full line of Sweaters, Hats, Caps, Boys' Reefers and Suits.

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Everybody wishes this to their family and friends. Now how much we could do towards making family and friends happy by giving them something that would please them. Call on

Gerrit Steketee,
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and examine his stock and we are sure you will supply yourself with the good things that make happy.

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- Cigars,
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Holland City News.
MULDER BROS., Publishers
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Lyman G. Mason, of Muskegon, one of the prominent businessmen of western Michigan, died on Wednesday.

The New City Hotel has placed a typewriter in its office for the convenience of its guests. It will be operated by Fred. Ooggeshall.

The new Alpena restaurant, located in C. Blom's brick addition on River street, will be opened in a few days, with Henry Van der Haar as caterer.

The Ladies Guild of the Grace Episc. church will give a bazaar and supper this (Friday) afternoon and evening in the vacant store in the Tower block. Bazaar opens at 4 o'clock; supper between 5 and 8 o'clock.

Holiday prices at the Boston Store are having their effect. The people find out that the figures at which the firm advertises its goods are reliable. No expense is spared in having it known that just now the Boston store is the place for bargains.

The old Konigsberg property, on Eighth street, owned by Mrs. Mary Lewis, and known as the Commercial Hotel, has been bought by J. A. Van der Veen. The present frame building will be removed in the spring, to make way for a fine three-story block.

We are requested to announce that the final payment of the Heinz Company to the pickle growers at and around Hamilton, will be made January 9, instead of January 12, as heretofore announced. Payment will be at the store of Klomprens & Brouwer.

Beginning next Monday any shawl or cape in John Vandersluis' dry goods store goes for \$4.50 and the price is 50c less each succeeding day till Saturday evening; if there are any more to sell, you get your choice for \$2.00 each. Just think of buying a \$10.00 shawl or cape for \$2.00.

Monday evening Dr. J. P. Ashley will deliver his lecture on "Savonarola, the Monk that Shook the World," at the M. E. church. Admission 25 cents. Both the speaker and his topic warrant the prediction of a full house. Dr. Ashley when he spoke here last, a few months ago, at the Epworth League convention, gave great satisfaction, and many will desire to hear him again.

The winter lecture course for the Western Theological Seminary has been arranged and embraces the following topics, speakers and dates:

- Dec. 20. "The Samaj Movement and its bearing on foreign missionary work in India." Rev. Dr. Jesse W. Brooks, of Chicago.
 - Jan. 17. "Jonathan Edwards and his place in American Theology." Rev. G. H. Dubbink, of Holland.
 - Jan. 21. "Andover Seminary. Its past and present." Rev. G. De Jonge, of Vriesland.
 - Feb. 14. "Wickliffe. The English Reformer." Rev. Dr. Peter De Freo, of Grand Rapids.
 - Feb. 28. "Savonarola. The Italian Reformer." Rev. John Van der Meulen, Jr., of Kalamazoo.
 - March 14. "The brethren of the common life." Rev. Jan F. Zwemer, of Grand Rapids.
 - March 28. "John Huss. The Bohemian Reformer." Rev. E. W. Stoppelkamp, of Kalamazoo.
 - April 4. "Philip Schaff and his place in American Theology." Rev. D. J. De Boy, of Grand Rapids.
- These lectures are open to the public, and will be delivered in Semelink Hall.

The Y. M. C. A. gospel meeting Sunday afternoon will be led by John Elferink, Jr.

Miss Nellie Verschure can be found at John Vandersluis' dry goods store during the holidays.

Rev. John Hausmann, of Battle Creek, will preach in the German Lutheran church on Sunday morning. Services begin at 10 o'clock.

The gospel meeting in the Y. W. C. A. rooms Saturday evening will be led by Miss Nellie Zwemer. Subject: "Some reasons why Christ came to earth."

Our merchants are making a fine display of holiday goods and the stocks in the city have never been more elegant and better assorted than they are at this season.

The "Old Third" had its annual reunion at Sweets Hotel, Grand Rapids, Wednesday. None of the veterans of this city that were members of that regiment attended this year.

The classes of Michigan will meet in special session at Grand Rapids Monday, to dissolve the relations between the First Ref. church and its retiring pastor, Rev. W. H. Williamson.

The House committee on rivers and harbors have arranged the preliminaries for an appropriation bill this year and it is reported that all congressmen who desire to be heard in behalf of any locality will be given the opportunity before the holidays, so that the bill can be reported to the House early in January.

The illustrated lecture by Gen. B. M. Cutcheon Monday evening in Wilmants Chapel, under the auspices of the Century Club, was well attended. The statistical and descriptive information about our new possessions, or dependencies, was highly instructive and rendered the stereopticon scenery thrown on the canvass the more interesting.

At the annual election of directors and officers of the banks in this city, held this week the present incumbents were all re-elected, as follows:

First State Bank—I. Cappon, J. W. Beardslee, G. W. Mokma, I. Marsilje, G. J. Diekema, G. J. Kollen, J. W. Bosman, J. W. Garvelink, H. Kremers.

Holland City State Bank—D. B. K. Van Raalte, A. Van Putten, C. Ver Schure, W. H. Beach, J. C. Post, P. H. McBride, M. Van Putten, R. Veneklasen, C. Nyland.

Truly, our Holland merchants are up-to-date in every respect. For proof of this statement glance at the window of John Vandersluis our enterprising merchant. A winter scene of olden times is splendidly portrayed. A foreground of snow covered moat and draw-bridge sets off a fine background very suggestive of the Christmas season. In the distance is an abbey of ancient architecture, surrounded by stately forest trees. The whole scene brings to mind the stories of mistletoe and holly and Christmas carols of long ago.

Among the events of the week was the departure of Miss E. M. (Lizzie) Cappon, daughter of ex-mayor Isaac Cappon, on her return to China. She left on Thursday for Chicago, where she will stay until Monday, take the Santa Fe road to San Francisco, and sail from there on the 24th inst., on the steamer Gaelic of the Occidental line, expecting to arrive in Hong Kong Jan. 22. A farewell reception was given by her brother J. J. Cappon at his home on Eleventh street Friday evening, at which a large number of interested friends were given an opportunity of once more bidding good-by. Miss Cappon's identity with Holland and its people has always been very marked, and accounts for the kind sentiment entertained towards her, and the general interest felt in her work. She was born in this place and after graduating from the public schools, taught there two years. As a member of the Third Reformed church she was prominently identified with its Sunday-school, and presided at the organ at the Sunday services. Where she has made her influence for good felt mostly however, was in connection with the Young Women's Christian Association of this city. She was largely instrumental in its organization, and was its first president, a position which she continued to hold until she left here in 1891 as missionary in foreign fields. As such she placed herself at the disposal of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church of America and was assigned to the mission field in China, of which Amoy is headquarters. Her station is Chiang-Chin, thirty miles from Amoy, where her labors are both evangelistic and teaching. Until the present she has worked alone there, but upon her return she expects to be joined by others. The board allows its missionaries a vacation of one year in seven to visit their native land. Availing herself of this privilege she returned to this country in the fall of '97, and has spent a portion of the time in visiting friends east and west, delivering addresses in the interest of her cause and labors.

Christmas tree ornaments and decorations at M. Van Putten's.

The regular meeting of the Ladies Aid Society of Hope church will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 21, at 3 p. m., at the home of Mrs. B. B. Godfrey.

Cards are out announcing the marriage at Chicago, on Thursday, Dec. 22, of Mr. Gelmner Kuyper of Grand Rapids, and Miss Angeline Cooper, of Chicago.

List of advertised letters for the week ending Dec. 18, at the Holland, Mich., postoffice: F. C. Blaine, J. C. Carrington, R. C. Ouellette. COR. DE KEYSER, P. M.

The Western Theol. Seminary was the recipient this week of the library bequeathed to it by the late Rev. Dr. Demarest, of New Brunswick. The collection filled 21 large cases.

The Saugatuck & South Haven Railroad company, with a capital of \$175,000, has filed articles of association with the secretary of state. The company will build a standard gauge road twenty-two miles long between Saugatuck and South Haven.

The Aid Society of the M. E. church will hold a social at the home of Mrs. Frank Robinson, Fourteenth street, Wednesday afternoon and evening, Dec. 21. Refreshments will be served and a most enjoyable time may be expected. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

The Women's Relief Corps, G. A. R. has elected the following officers: President, Mrs. G. J. Van Duren; senior vice pres., Mrs. Geo. Nash; junior vice pres., Mrs. H. Boone; treas., Mrs. D. B. K. Van Raalte; chaplain, Mrs. D. H. Clarke; conductress, Miss Minnie Hathaway; guard R. Z. Davis.

The annual election of officers of the A. O. U. W. lodge resulted as follows: Master Werkman, H. Damson; foreman, H. Bruss; overseer, L. J. Williams; recorder, B. Bamed; financier, C. Stillman; receiver, J. Wise; guide, H. Van Landegend; inside watchman, J. Doyle; outside watchman, W. Scott; trustee, J. Baldwin; representative to Grand Lodge at Ann Arbor next February, H. Damson; alternate, J. Baldwin.

The two G. R. & I. depot robbers at Martin, Allegan county, have had their trial. When arraigned one plead guilty and the other stood trial. Being unable to employ counsel the court appointed C. R. Wilkes to defend him. On Saturday the jury brought in a verdict of guilty, and on Wednesday Judge Padgham sentenced them 14 and 15 years respectively at hard labor in Jackson prison. The latter is the limit of the law, and was no doubt inflicted by reason of the shooting and wounding of the assistant station agent.

Between the hour of five o'clock Wednesday evening and the next morning the steamer Soo City, lying at her dock, filled and sank to the bottom, the water being about a foot below her main deck. The cause ascribed is that the ice loosened the oakum in her seams and drew it out. Efforts to pump her out by means of a traction engine did not prove successful, and to-day the steamer City of Holland is furnishing the steam to work the pumps. The steam fire engine of Zealand was applied for yesterday and when about to leave, with the consent of the authorities, the objection on the part of some of the citizens was so strong that it forced the trustees to reverse their action.

Christmas Presents.

For choice perfumes in bulk and Christmas packages, toilet articles, etc. for holiday presents, call on J. O. Doesburg. 47-2w.

Come and look over the stock of holiday goods at Martin & Hulziga.

January 2nd we give away 3 beautiful dolls. Inquire how they are given away at M. Van Putten's.

Be sure and go to Stevenson's Jewelry Store and examine his fine line of holiday presents. No trouble to show goods.

Gold pens, pencils, toothpicks, ear-spoons and fountain pens at M. Van Putten's.

Red Hot From the Gun

Was the ball that hit G. B. Steadman of Newark, Mich., in the Civil War. It caused horrible ulcers that no treatment helped for 30 years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured him. Cures Cuts, Bruises, Burns, Bolls, Felons, Corns, Skin Eruptions. Best Pile cure on earth. Cure guaranteed. Sold by Heber Walsh of Holland and Van Bree & Son of Zeeland.

Glorious News

Comes from Dr. D. B. Cargile, of Washita, I. T. He writes: "Four bottles of Electric Bitters has cured Mrs. Brewer of scrofula, which had caused her great suffering for years. Terrible sores would break out on her head and face, and the best doctors could give no help; but her cure is complete and her health is excellent." This shows what thousands have proved—that Electric Bitters is the best blood purifier known. It's the supreme remedy for eczema, tetter, salt rheum, ulcers, boils and running sores. It stimulates liver, kidneys and bowels, expels poisons, helps digestion, builds up the strength. Only 50 cents. Sold by Heber Walsh of Holland and Van Bree & Son of Zeeland.

GOT A HUSBAND?

Well, what a Question.

Of course you have, or you'd not be reading this ad.

WHAT are you going to do to make his Christmas happy? Do you know that lots of men dread the coming of Christmas? Yes indeed they do. And it's all because they're so often remembered with something they don't want. Don't let anything of that kind mar your husband's Christmas. Here's a store full of things for men, bought to sell to men, bought to delight men, bought for men to wear.—All we've learned these years about tickling men's fancies is at your service. All these things that we have bought to sell to "him" and that we know "he" needs and wants are here and waiting for you.

- Suits, Overcoats, Mufflers,
- Silk Handkerchiefs, Umbrellas,
- Cuff Links, Fetching Neckwear,
- Dress Shirts, Night Robes,
- Suspenders, Etc., Etc.

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Nowhere a better place to buy them than at

Our Furniture Emporium.

Here you find the useful and beautiful combined.
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Eight Million Gallons Suddenly Let Loose in the Streets of New York City.

WAS BEING USED TO TEST GAS TANK.

Solid Stone Masonry Melts Before the On-Rushing Flood - Tremendous Iron Beams Tossed About as Though of Wood - Steel Tank Crushed Like Paper - Several Persons Killed.

New York, Dec. 14.—When dawn lighted up the district devastated by the collapsing of the big gas tank of the Consolidated Gas company, a spectacle of ruin was presented. Twenty-first street is barricaded by twisted and bent iron stanchions, girders and uprights piled to a height of 25 feet. Twentieth street is also filled with bricks, household goods and timbers piled high in one promiscuous mass. Building department laborers succeeded in clearing Avenue A so that the cars could pass.

Search for Bodies.
All night long hundreds of men worked assiduously to discover the bodies that might be in the ruins. In the basement of the furniture factory of Henry Fuldner there was six feet of water. Three men on a raft floated, searching for the body of the missing engineer, Pious Baum, who was in the basement attending to his duties when the deluge from the tank swept away the rear wall of the building. His body was found under a mass of debris.

The Missing.

The missing are:
George Brennan, timekeeper for W. J. Logan, of the Logan iron works, Green Point, which constructed the tank which collapsed.

Gustave Wincke, 16 years old, son of one of the foremen of the Logan iron works.
James E. Lutener, who was supposed to be in the pit working when the tank gave way.

Peter Corlin, a workman employed by the Consolidated Gas company.

Were Testing the Tank.

The tank that collapsed was 175 feet in diameter, 160 feet in height, and the iron supports over which the immense cables ran were over 200 feet in height. The lower tank into which the upper one fitted was 25 feet in height and rested on masonry work of the pit. This pit is 150 feet deep. The builders were testing the strength of the tank with water pressure. Immense pipes had been pouring water into the lower tank all day. The upper tank or cap had risen about 25 feet. The workmen were preparing to leave the place when the masonry work of the pit crumbled away like clay. It was said that there was 8,000,000 gallons of water in the tank at the time of the break. The water was over 50 feet in depth. The steel plates of the tank were rent asunder by the pressure like so much paper.

Great Force of the Water.

The great force of the water vented itself on the rear walls of the buildings on Avenue A, and all were torn away with the exception of a part of the rear of the gas company's engine house. The masonry and brick were thrown into the street and piled into the hallways of houses and buildings on Avenue A side. The rushing waters cut the rear of Fuldner's furniture factory and huge slabs of asphalt were carried by the water into the buildings.

Like So Much Timber.

Tremendous iron beams and uprights were swept by the water as if they were so much timber and carried away down Nineteenth and Twenty-first streets to the river front.

At the foot of Twenty-first street were two barges laden with coal. The rushing water sent beams and joists with such great force against these coal-laden boats that they parted their moorings. The steamer Paul Koch was also lying at the foot of Twenty-first street, and her moorings were also parted.

The arm and leg of a man were found in the entangled barricade on Twenty-first street.

William O'Connell, who was reported missing, turned up all right.

Welcome Rain and Snow.

San Francisco, Dec. 14.—Reports from nearly all parts of California indicate that the rain which began falling Tuesday and still continues is general throughout the state. There was a heavy fall of snow at Dunsmuir, bringing as much joy to the miners as does the rain to the farmers in the valleys. The protracted drought having caused much apprehension of an unfavorable season.

Red Cross Nurse Kills His Brother.

New York, Dec. 14.—John D. Hayes, who served as a Red Cross nurse with the Second United States Infantry under Gen. Shafter at Santiago, shot and killed his brother, Edward S. Hayes, proprietor of a hotel at Bleecker and McDougal streets. Apparently no one witnessed the shooting.

Families Rendered Homeless.

New York, Dec. 14.—Fire at night destroyed an apartment house at 223 Union street, Brooklyn. Thirty families were driven out into the cold, and it is believed that George and Edith Griswold, young children of William Henry Griswold, perished in the flames. Loss, \$30,000.

Canadian Yacht Building.

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 14.—A syndicate has been formed to build a yacht which will next year be the Canada cup defender. The Canadian yacht will be sailed by J. Wilton Morris, and the craft will be built entirely in Toronto.

Below Zero at Denver.

Denver, Col., Dec. 14.—A special to the News from Springer, N. M., says: Local thermometers at seven o'clock registered 11 degrees below zero.

CURRENT EVENTS OF NOTE.

Major Gen. Lee and staff have reached Havana.

Mrs. Mary Tanner, a widow, suicided at Cairo, Ill.

Senator Davis is said to favor an alliance of America, Britain and Japan.

Mgr. Antonio, for 15 years secretary to Pope Pius IX., is dead at New York.

The Tyler (Tex.) Banking company (private) has failed. Assets, \$40,000; liabilities, \$20,000.

Fire destroyed the warehouses of the Johnson Chair company at Chicago. Loss, \$100,000.

The L. L. G. club, of Stuart, Ia., has again killed Osborn Diegan, of Merriam fame.

The resignation of President Dwight, of Yale university, has been accepted with reluctance.

The house has passed the District of Columbia appropriation bill without a single amendment.

Raymond Sellinger, a German, killed his wife at San Francisco and then fatally wounded himself.

Frederick Fraley, of Philadelphia, has again been elected president of the national board of trade.

The Union Tobacco company has secured the capital stock of the Blackwell Durham company for \$2,500,000.

Frank A. Graham, mayor of Lincoln, Neb., has been acquitted of the charge of bribery and corruption.

At Quincy, Ill., the first national bank has consolidated with the State Savings Loan & Trust company bank.

Rt. Hon. Sir William Vernon Harcourt has announced his resignation as leader of the liberal party in parliament.

A boiler explosion at Pettisville, near Wauseon, O., caused the death of two men and injured two others seriously.

The peace jubilee celebration at Atlanta is the first demonstration of that character to be held in the south in 50 years.

The National Bank of Commerce, of St. Louis, capital, \$3,000,000, has absorbed the St. Louis national bank, capital, \$1,000,000.

The house naval affairs committee has ordered a favorable report on the bill creating the rank of admiral and vice admiral.

The Spanish soldiers withdrew from Guanabacoa, a suburb of Havana, amid the wild demonstrations of joy of the inhabitants.

A great steel gas tank collapsed at New York city, releasing 8,000,000 gallons of water, and in the terrible flood three persons were killed and 20 others injured.

The French government has set apart a site near the palace of the Louvre, near Gambetta's statue, for the La Fayette statue to be erected by American school children.

If the severe cold weather continues the large fleet of vessels caught in the ice at the mouth of the Detroit river will be forced to spend the winter in their perilous positions.

Cubans at Washington charge that Spaniards in evacuating the interior towns of Moron and Cienega de Avila poisoned the water in the public cisterns and scores have died as a result.

During the funeral of Capt. Jesus Sotolongo, killed in the riot of Sunday at Havana, a serious conflict occurred between the Cubans and the Spanish in which many were seriously wounded.

The American warships Brooklyn, Texas, Castine and Resolute have been ordered to Havana to preserve order and protect the Americans there, as there is threatened trouble between the Cubans and the Spaniards.

VON DER AHE HOLDS ON.

Bound He Will Be Recognized by the National Baseball League, in Session at New York.

New York, Dec. 14.—The representatives of the 12 clubs that make up the National Baseball league are still at sixes and sevens in their attempts to get the semi-annual meeting, which was to have begun Tuesday, into working order.

They spent the whole of Tuesday and until past midnight in trying to settle the differences between Chris Von der Ahe and Receiver B. S. Muckenfuss, of the St. Louis club.

Col. John I. Rogers, of Philadelphia, brought Von der Ahe and Muckenfuss together and suggested that they should work in harmony. He asked Von der Ahe to allow Muckenfuss to vote on all matters which might come before the meeting, but Chris was obdurate and said:

"I will not allow any man to vote for me. I am the president of the St. Louis club and hold the franchise. If I am not allowed to vote, Muckenfuss can't do so. I will fight it out in the courts if I am not recognized here."

HEAR BRITISH DELEGATES.

Speech-Making Consumes the Third Day's Session of the American Federation of Labor.

Kansas City, Dec. 14.—Speech-making consumed the morning session of the third day of the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor. The delegates were in their seats early and listened with a great degree of interest to the talks by William Thorne and William Inskip, the delegates from the British Labor congress, and to a response thereto by President Samuel Gompers.

A resolution providing for a fund to push the organization of trades unions in the inter-mountain states was adopted.

NONE PERISHED.

The Missing Eight of Wrecked Steamer Londonian Brought to Baltimore.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 14.—The overdue North German Lloyd line steamer Maria Rickmers, from Bremen, passed in Cape Henry at four o'clock and signaled she had aboard eight survivors of the British steamer Londonian, of Hull, which foundered at sea. The British steamship Vedamore rescued 48 of the crew, whom she landed here last week. She lost the wreck on the night of November 27 with eight aboard. They were rescued by the Rickmers next day.

Rubber Concerns Combine.

New York, Dec. 14.—A combination of all the rubber concerns of Trenton, N. J., has been formed at a meeting in this city. The companies consolidated are the Empire, Globe, Hamilton, Home, Mercer and Trenton, with the United Rubber and the Whitehead company. The capital is \$5,000,000, and the object is to economize to meet competition.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK.

Increased Activity Is Reported. Demand in All Lines Is Growing, and No Feeling of Uneasiness Exists.

New York, Dec. 14.—R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: "The most significant thing this week has been the entire absence of the customary nervous fright before or after the meeting of congress, the president's message and the treasurer's report. No one showed the least alarm, and nobody could find a reason for any. Money and stock and grain markets moved on exactly as if the government were automatic, certain to do or say no more than the people had already decided and expected, and so the gradual betterment since October continues. There is a larger demand for products in nearly all the great industries, larger export demand for foreign needs, a more healthy domestic demand since seasonal weather arrived, and a comforting conviction that November business, the biggest ever done in this country in any month, was but a step toward something better.

"Exports last year in December were marvelous, but this year are starting far ahead. The Atlantic wheat exports, flour included, have been for the week 5,638,767 bushels, against 4,312,137 last year, and Pacific exports 556,523 bushels, against 373,083 last year, and prices have declined 10 to 15 cents for cash, but western receipts of 10-12,150 bushels, against 6,213,471 from last year's great crop stops argument. The wheat does not come out at low prices if the people have less to sell than last year at 20 cents more per bushel. So the corn exports were 4,151,981, against 3,313,086 last year, and such a foreign demand at prices much higher than last year and with wheat cheaper in prospect, a state of which abroad which Americans hardly appreciate. The price declined only one-fourth cent with enormous receipts.

"This week's failures have been 245 in the United States, against 312 last year, and 22 in Canada, against 29 last year."

LABOR'S CHAMPIONS.

Eighteenth Annual Convention of the American Federation of Labor Meets in Kansas City.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 13.—The eighteenth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor was called to order in Stroppe's hall at ten o'clock yesterday morning. About 130 delegates from all parts of this country and two from across the water, namely, William Thorne and William Inskip, of London, representing the British Trades Union congress, were present.

After the usual preliminary matters of organization President Gompers delivered his annual address.

Treasurer John B. Lennon submitted his annual report showing total receipts of \$21,588 and total disbursements of \$19,197, leaving a balance on hand of \$3,391, of which \$1,000 is in the hands of the secretary.

Secretary Frank Morrison reported a gratifying increase of membership.

VALUE OF IOWA'S CROPS.

It Will Aggregate Not Less Than \$225,000,000—Enormous Yield of Corn.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 13.—The aggregate value of the soil products of Iowa for this year is not less than \$225,000,000, says Director Sage, of the Iowa weather and crop service in his annual report just issued. Corn yielded 269,214,850 bushels, averaging 34.5 per acre, in many counties the yield being far above the previous estimates. About ten per cent. is unmerchantable. The total spring wheat yield is 10,152,352 bushels; winter wheat, 3,168,916 bushels, and oats, 139,915,346 bushels.

A RICH HARVEST.

Oat and Corn Crops Bring to Farmers of the United States \$83,000,000 More Than in 1897.

Washington, Dec. 12.—On the basis of the farm prices on December 1, the agricultural department figures place the 1898 crop of corn and oats as worth \$83,000,000 more than the crops of 1897. Statistician Hyde accredits this largely to the difference in prices. The corn crop is a trifle larger than in 1897, and the average price per bushel is 2.4 cents higher, while the oat crop is similarly a little larger than in 1897, and the prices were 4.4 cents higher.

Preferred Suicide.

Louisville, Ga., Dec. 10.—Rather than take a whipping from his father Percie Ponder, the 16-year-old son of E. E. Ponder, committed suicide.

Did Great Damage.

Brooklyn, Dec. 12.—By the bursting of a water pipe in this city property was damaged to the extent of \$1,000,000.

THE MARKETS.

New York, Dec. 14.

LIVE STOCK—Steers..... 4 10 @ 15
Hogs..... 3 15 @ 20
Sheep..... 3 00 @ 4 50

FLOUR—Winter Straights..... 3 45 @ 3 50
Minnesota Patents..... 3 45 @ 3 50
WHEAT—No. 2 Red..... 74 1/2 @ 75 1/2
January..... 71 1/2 @ 72 1/2

CORN—No. 2..... 40 1/2 @ 41 1/2
May..... 39 @ 40
OATS—No. 2 White..... 22 @ 23
BUTTER—Creamery..... 15 @ 16
Factory..... 12 @ 14
CHEESE..... 10 @ 12
EGGS—Southern..... 22 @ 24

CHICAGO.

CATTLE—Christmas Steers..... 5 75 @ 6 00
Texas Steers..... 5 50 @ 5 75
Stockers..... 5 00 @ 5 25
Feeders..... 4 50 @ 4 75

HOGS—Light..... 4 00 @ 4 25
Bulls..... 3 75 @ 4 00
Heavy..... 3 75 @ 4 00
SHEEP..... 2 00 @ 2 25
BUTTER—Extras..... 19 @ 20
Dairy..... 17 @ 18
EGGS—Fresh..... 21 @ 22
POTATOES—New (per bu.)..... 1 25 @ 1 50
PORK—January..... 9 25 @ 9 50
LARD—January..... 5 17 1/2 @ 5 25

GRAIN—Wheat, May..... 65 1/2 @ 66 1/2
December..... 63 1/2 @ 64 1/2
Corn, May..... 34 1/2 @ 35 1/2
Rye, No. 1..... 53 1/2 @ 54 1/2
Barley, No. 2..... 48 @ 49

KANSAS CITY.

GRAIN—Wheat, No. 1 Hard..... 60 1/2 @ 61 1/2
Corn, No. 2 Mixed..... 30 1/2 @ 31 1/2
Oats, No. 1..... 27 1/2 @ 28 1/2
Rye, No. 1..... 48 @ 49

ST. LOUIS.

CATTLE—Native Steers..... 4 25 @ 4 40
Texas Steers..... 4 10 @ 4 25
HOGS—Packer..... 3 20 @ 3 35
Butcher..... 3 10 @ 3 25
SHEEP—Native Muttons..... 4 10 @ 4 25

OMAHA.

CATTLE—Native Steers..... 4 10 @ 4 25
Cows..... 3 00 @ 3 15
Feeders..... 2 20 @ 2 35
HOGS—Heavy..... 3 20 @ 3 35
SHEEP—Native Muttons..... 4 10 @ 4 25

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Administrator's Sale.

In the matter of the estate of Gerrit Bomers, deceased.
Notice is hereby given that I shall sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, on Friday, the Twentieth day of January, A. D. 1899, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the north west corner of land hereinafter described in the township of Georgetown, in the county of Ottawa, in the state of Michigan, pursuant to license and authority granted to me on the eighteenth day of November, A. D. 1898, by the probate court of Kent county, Michigan, all of the estate, right, title and interest of the said deceased, of, in and to the real estate situated and being in the county of Ottawa, in the state of Michigan, known and described as follows, to-wit: All of the south half of the north west quarter of the north west quarter of section twenty-four (24) of township six (6) north of range thirteen (13) west, containing twenty (20) acres of land more or less, according to government survey.

Dated December 2nd, A. D. 1898.
47-7w W. H. VAN LERUWEN, Administrator.

Wholesale Sale.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.

The Circuit Court for the County of Ottawa, In Chancery.

William Rath and Warren A. Cartier, complainants,

vs.

Frank Haven and May Haven, defendants.

In pursuance and by virtue of a decree of the circuit court for the county of Ottawa, in chancery, made and entered on the Eighteenth (18th) day of November, A. D. 1898, in the above entitled cause, notice is hereby given, that on Monday the Sixteenth (16th) day of January, A. D. 1899, at ten (10) o'clock in the forenoon of said day, I, the undersigned, one of the circuit court commissioners in and for said county of Ottawa, in the state of Michigan, shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at the north front door of the court house of said county, in the city of Grand Haven, the following pieces or parcels of land situated and being in the city of Holland, and described as follows, to-wit: That piece of land known as Haven's Island, situated in Black Lake, being a part of the north east quarter of section twenty-nine (29), town five (5) north of range fifteen (15) west, also described as beginning at the intersection of Second and River streets in said city of Holland, running thence west eight hundred forty two (842) feet; thence north twenty-four (24) degrees, east 315 min.; thence east 170 min.; thence south sixty (60) degrees east, 600 min.; thence south forty seven (47) degrees west, 380 min.; thence south eighty-three (83) degrees west, 375 min.; thence north six (6) degrees west, 495 min.; thence north twenty-six (26) degrees east, 40 min.; containing five acres more or less also the east half of that part of the south west quarter of the south west quarter of section thirty-two (32), township five (5), north of range fifteen (15) west, which is bounded on the north side by the north line thereof, on the east by the west line of the public highway from Holland city to Fillmore as it now runs; on the west side by the west line of said section thirty-two (32), and is bounded on the south side by a line running west from said highway to the west line of said section thirty-two (32) and far enough south from it to include one acre of land parallel with the north line of said section thirty-two (32). Also the east half of lot numbered four (4), block numbered twenty-nine (29) of said city of Holland, according to the recorded map thereof, on record in the office of the register of deeds for Ottawa county. The said several lots or parcels of land shall first be offered and exposed for sale separately; they shall then be offered and exposed for sale to either as one parcel, and they shall be struck off as sold in the manner which shall realize the highest price therefor.

GEORGE R. KOLLEN,
Circuit Court Commissioner
in and for Ottawa County, Mich.

GERRIT J. DIKEMA, Att'y for Plaintiff.

Probate Order.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, ss.
COUNTY OF OTTAWA.

At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Ottawa, holden at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Haven, in said county, on Wednesday, the twenty-third day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Present, JOHN V. B. GOODRICH, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Peter J. Zwemer, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of James F. Zwemer, executor named in said will of said deceased, praying for the probate of an instrument in writing filed in this court, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, and for the appointment of himself as executor thereof.

Thereupon it is Ordered, That Monday, the 5th day of January next,

at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that the heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Haven, in said county, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted: And it is further Ordered, That said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof by causing a copy of this order to be published in the HOLLAND CITY NEWS a newspaper printed and circulated in said county of Ottawa for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

(A true copy Attest.)

JOHN V. B. GOODRICH,
Judge of Probate.

FANNY DICKINSON, Probate Clerk.

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Chancery Sale.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.
[Seventeenth Judicial Circuit. In Chancery.]
Said petition in the circuit court for the county of Ottawa, in Chancery, on the 14th day of November, A. D. 1908.
Charles W. Weaver, Complainant
vs.
Lizzie Weaver, Defendant.

In this case it appearing that the defendant Lizzie Weaver, is not a resident of this state out resides in the state of Ohio, therefore, on the motion of Walter I. Lillie, the solicitor for complainant, it is ordered that defendant enter her appearance in said cause on or before four months from the date of this order, and that within twenty days the complainant cause this order to be published in the HOLLAND CITY NEWS, said publication to be continued once in each week for six weeks in succession.

PHILIP PADGUGAN, Circuit Judge.
WALTER I. LILLIE, Solicitor for Complainant.
Business address: Grand Haven, Michigan.
44-6-2.

Probate Order.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, ss.
COUNTY OF OTTAWA.

At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Ottawa, holden at the Probate Office, in the city of Grand Haven, in said county, on Monday, the 28th day of November in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Present, JOHN V. B. GOODRICH, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Joost De Koeljer, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of John De Jongh, subsequent purchaser of the lands in said petition described, praying for the determination of the heirs at law of said deceased, and who are entitled to the lands of said deceased, as in said petition described.

Thereupon it is ordered, That Monday, the

Second day of January next,

at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that the heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the Probate Office in the city of Grand Haven, in said county, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted: And it is further ordered, That said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof by causing a copy of this order to be published in the HOLLAND CITY NEWS, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county of Ottawa for three successive weeks previous to said day of bearing.

A true copy, Attest.

JOHN V. B. GOODRICH, Judge of Probate.

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FANNY DICKINSON, Probate Clerk.

Probate Order.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, ss.
COUNTY OF OTTAWA.

At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Ottawa, holden at the Probate Office, in the City of Grand Haven, in said county, on Monday, the twenty-eighth day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight.

Present, JOHN V. B. GOODRICH, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Charlotte (Pine) Van Lente, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Dick Van Lente, subsequent purchaser of the lands in said petition described, praying for the determination of the heirs at law of said deceased, and who are entitled to the lands of said deceased, as in said petition described.

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Complete line of candles and cigars at M. Van Putten's.

Itching piles? Never mind if physicians have failed to cure you. Try Doan Ointment. No failure there; 50 cents, at any drug store.

DEATH OF A CUBAN HERO.

Gen. Calixto Garcia, the Famous Warrior and Leader, Dies in Washington.

ATTACK OF PNEUMONIA PROVES FATAL.

His Life Was an Active and Varied One, Much of It Being Spent in Fighting for the Cause of Cuban Liberty—Brief History of His Eventful Career.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Gen. Calixto Garcia, the distinguished Cuban warrior and leader and the head of the commission elected by the Cuban assembly to visit this country, died here Sunday morning shortly after ten o'clock at the Hotel Raleigh, where the commission has its headquarters. The sudden change from the warm climate of Cuba, with the hardships he had there endured, to the wintry weather of New York and Washington is responsible for the pneumonia which resulted in his demise. He contracted a slight cold in New York, which did not assume an alarming stage until the early part of last week. On Tuesday night Gen. Garcia, in company with the



GEN. GARCIA.

other members of the commission, attended a dinner given in his honor by Gen. Miles, and it was a result of the exposure that night which culminated in his death.

Brief History of His Career.

Gen. Garcia, whose name will be ever linked with those of other patriots who have fought against unequal odds for the freedom of his country, has had a most active and varied life, much of which has been spent in fighting for the cause of Cuban liberty, which he had the satisfaction of seeing accomplished so short a time before his death. He was a man of culture and refinement, of splendid education and came from a distinguished family of Jiguaní, of Santiago de Cuba province. He was born in Caguas, October 14, 1839, and was therefore in the sixtieth year of his age. Gen. Garcia was educated in Havana and in Spain. In 1864 he was married to Isabel Velez. Gen. Garcia was the original conspirator in the uprising of the Cubans against Spain in 1895 and in that war under Gomez he attained the rank of a brigadier general. In October of 1898 he captured the towns of Jiguaní and Balra and recruited many hundreds of patriots. He had command of the eastern departments during that revolution after 1873 and won many notable victories, including those at Melones and Aures. While the revolution was in a critical state in the other provinces and its outcome was uncertain he maintained it with vigor in the territory under his command.

At Macao's death Garcia was elected lieutenant general of the Cuban army, which position he held to the close of the war. During this command he assaulted and took by siege Tunas, Guisa and Guaimaro, and cleared the interior of his department of Spanish troops. After declaration of war between the United States and Spain, Gen. Miles, commanding the American army, sent his representative to Gen. Garcia and subsequently the American and Cuban generals cooperated in their movements against Santiago.

All the officers who participated in the active work around Santiago bear testimony to the great aid, assistance and loyalty manifested by Gen. Garcia during the campaign. When the Cuban assembly met at the close of the war Gen. Garcia was one of the principal advisers and was elected chairman of the commission directed to come to the United States and confer with the authorities here with reference to the work in hand.

The Funeral.

Washington, Dec. 14.—The solemn high mass of the Catholic church was performed over the remains of Gen. Calixto Garcia at St. Patrick's church yesterday before the body of the distinguished Cuban leader was committed to the vault in the National cemetery at Arlington. Later the remains will be taken to Cuba.

Is Still Champion.

New York, Dec. 12.—Charles W. Miller, of Chicago, last year's six-day champion, won the great race at Madison Square garden again this year, beating the world's record, his own, by 24 miles, and leading the next man to him, Frank Waller, of Boston, by 22 miles. Miller's score was 2,007 miles; Waller's score, 1,985 miles.

A Southern Trip.

Washington, Dec. 14.—President McKinley and wife and members of the cabinet left yesterday for a week's trip throughout the south, the primary object being to attend the peace jubilee in Atlanta, Ga.

Had a Good Time.

New York, Dec. 12.—President Rafael Iglesias, of Costa Rica, sailed from New York for France on the steamship La Gasconne. He said that he was very much pleased with his cordial reception in this country.

Fatal Explosion.

New York, Dec. 14.—A large gasholder collapsed while under hydraulic test and four persons were killed, many others were injured and property damaged to the extent of \$300,000.

Poisoned Six Husbands.

Lawrence, Kan., Dec. 12.—Mrs. Lulu Johnston, of Pond Creek, O. T., is in jail and will be tried on the charge of poisoning her sixth husband in this city.

Ah, that sad moment when we hear Death's awful pinions hovering near Above the one we hold most dear.

We know that death must sooner or later come to all, but we can never surely foretell when the dread angel will appear. No matter how imminent the summons may seem, it may still, in God's good providence, be far away. It is part of man's humanity to man to avert sickness and death as far as lies in mortal power. Nearly thirty years ago, an institution was founded in Buffalo, N. Y., known as the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, which has since become one of the most famous institutions in the world for its enormous benefits to the sick and suffering all over the United States. Thousands have come there for treatment and tens of thousands have received professional advice by mail with suggestions for inexpensive home-treatment, whereby they have been cured of fever, and in many instances, apparently hopeless diseases.

A Massachusetts man, Mr. John Brooks, of Boylston, Worcester Co., writes: "About a year ago I was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs. The doctors said I was in consumption and could not get well. I took Eucalypti of Cod Liver Oil and it did me no good. After taking it four months I heard of your 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and wrote to you for advice. I have taken your medicine and it saved my life. I felt so sick when I wrote to you that I thought I would not live through the winter. In the morning I raised an awful lot and would spit all the time and had pains in my chest. My bowels would not move more than once or twice a week; my strength was nearly gone. I could not do a whole day's work. My bowels are regular every day and I feel no more pain in my chest. I feel a great deal stronger. I am working hard every day, driving a team in the woods, and I owe my thanks to Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. I know it saved my life."

The most difficult diseases to cure are those which are aggravated by constipation. In such cases Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets should be taken in conjunction with the "Discovery." They never gripe. All good dealers sell them.

Value of Bran and Middlings for Feed.

Not many years ago wheat bran for feeding purposes was considered hardly worth drawing home. The farmer took it along with the rest of the grist because it belonged to him, and as the cattle devoured it eagerly he concluded that small quantities would not hurt his live stock. But today the bran and middlings produced at our flouring mills are in great request, in fact in constant demand by growers of stock of all kinds and by dairymen.

The efflu from nearly five million barrels of flour ground in Michigan mills is largely consumed in the state. The authorities of the experiment station at the Michigan Agricultural College have shown in recent bulletins that bran and middlings not only have a great fertilizing value but are also among the most economical cattle food that the market affords. By repeated and thorough experiments they have shown that these products are practically, as well as theoretically, among the very best of cow feed. They have the right consistency, being well ground, and the proper proportion of the ash element, the potash and phosphoric elements, to supplement corn meal.

It was shown also that in no other product was a pound of actual digestible nutritive matter offered so cheaply, with the sole exception of corn meal. Mill feed is easily obtainable, and in dry storage will keep perfectly for an indefinite period. That it is cheap is shown by the fact that at this time of the year many farmers and stock raisers put in a supply limited only by their future needs and their storage capacity.

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STUDENTS ATTENTION!

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