

Harvester" at the Grand Opera House, where it was enthusiastically applauded by a large and representative au-lience on Monday evening last and where it has evidently entered upon a highly successful holiday engagement. And, above all, it is seldom that the finished art of the actor, a practically perfect in all its resources of romatic picturesqueness, delightful comedy and tender sentiment and emotion, is so masterfully presented as in Otis Skinner's portrayal of the gipsy hero-half vagabond and half poet of the fields and highways-of his colorful and atmospheric play. Its sylvan charm, the beauty of its succession of stage pictures, the quaintness of its French Canadian weasant types, the peculiar blending of all sorts of dramatic interest, which it possesses, constitute an appeal which local playgoers might not well afford to overlook; but conspicuously does this play call for public interest, such as it has already awakened to a decided degree, by reason of the splendid opportunity which it affords to that admirable actor, Mr. Skinner, to demonstrate, beyond any chance which he has hitherto had; how perfect is his mastery of the actor's finesse and art. In many respects, this role of the debonair, gay-spirited and yet nobly awakening gipsy, is the very best in all his distinguished career. He is able to show his magnetic personality

as a romatic lover, as a figure of moment. This climax is awarded with storms of applause and is, in itself, a notable achievement to be long remembered in local theatrical annals. While such acting can be witnessed upon the modern stage, the most carping critic cannot be justified in cavilling that the true art of acting is yet dead upon the

American stage. Mr. Skinner has, furthermore, with his recognized conscientiousness of the past, surrounded

any city of the United States, and that is why a letter addressed to "Effle Lanting, Burdick street, North America," reached its destination in Kalamazoo, The letter came from Holland.

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James Doletto, the crazed Italian who wrecked the Fifth Reformed church in Grand Rapids, will be taken to Kalamazoo asylum. He is now laboring under the delusion that Deputy Sheriff Barker is Pope Pius X. Whenever he gets unruly the officer is called in, and Doletto immediately falls down and worships him.

\* \* Clinton Jenks, of Bethel, had a narrow escape from death. He was driving across the railroad in Coldwater recently, when a passenger train struck him, making splinters of the wagon. The old man was thrown into the air and picked up unconscious. His scalp was badly torn. He was taken to his home, about nine miles in the country. The horse was not hurt.

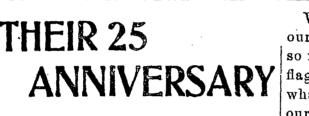
The hospitals at the University of Michigan treated 4109 patients during the year ending June 30. 1904. Of these 2382 were in the University hospital and 1727 in the Homeopathic. These patients represented seventysix counties of the state.

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One of the principal society events sparkling and light-hearted comedy, of the mid-winter season in Menomas a fantastic personage of gipsy ince will be the first reunion of the magic and necromantic wizardry, Silk Stocking club. The most of and—in the very apex of this artistic the young lady members are home revelation-as an exponent of from their schools and colleges m emotional stress and heart interest in various parts of the country for the his supreme third act climax, where holiday vacation. It is admitted he discovers and takes to his arms, that the unexpected publicity given his son for the first time and realizes the organization at the outset has all the seriousness of life that has caused a shrinkage in the memberbeen as naught to him before that ship, but enough devotes of the "Good Town" idea remain faithful to the cause to make an extremely interesting gathering. The Silk Stocking club was organized about

three months ago. The members pledged themselves to wear black silk stockings with the words, "Menominee is a good town." worked in

white silk just above the tops of the oxfords. The idea can hardly be claimed as original with the members missionaries. of the club, in-as-much-as the Beck-



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To our faithful president, Mrs, Hattie Wells, we give our glassware, so we cease giving unto her. Business men our patronage, school

Board our judgment, Band, and Orchestra our appreciation, the sing-

Our dishes which are invaluble as

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we give our jewels. Dated the 6 day of Dec. 1904 and we have here unto put our hand and seal this day and year above written. Twenty four hours having elapsed since writing the above, we find it necessary to add a codicil as follows that have accumalated from chicken pie dinners be placed in the hands of the Building and Loan Association to erect a large commodious parsonage, our church carpet to be large enough to cover the reception room,

and further more after careful deliberation we give and bequeath our perseverance to the Saints. Dec. 7 1904, signed and sealed by many witnesses. Codicil number two, to the Ladies

quartet our thanks. Dated Dec. 8, 1904.

Tamerson H. Merrill .

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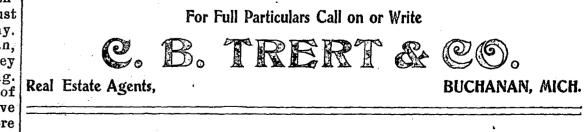
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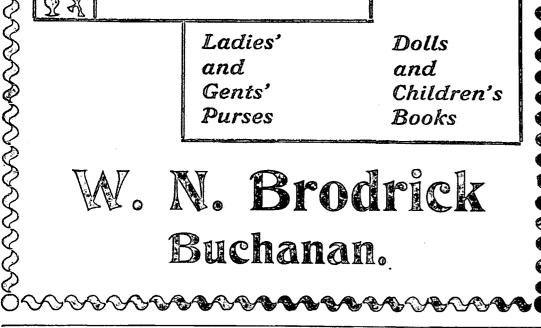
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By the latest table, the plurality for the Republican presidential electors is 2,546,169. Nothing contributed more to the result than the Democrais a robbery of the many to enrich the few ."

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**Church** Notes

ried a poor man! I am more consider-ate of your wishes than you are of mine, so I carefully selected the set for you. "Is there anything else I have bought? Why, yes, now I think of it, I did get the sweetest mink pelerine and muff I ever saw. I knew that it 1906, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said pro-Christian Church Service, morning auguration ball held in the vast Topham surprised her. punctuated the proceedings. The "How do I know what they were to preaching by the minister, C. B. spaces of the Library would be a former sarcastically welcomed the receive? Well, after Mrs. Williams Black. Evening, Christmas exercises | brilliant and magnificent affair. President to membership in the Antihas been explaining for two months and an address by C. B. Black. All The President has succeeded in Imperialist League, because he said | that the thing she most desires is an stirring up all parties in both houses in his message that he hoped the time amethyst chain, such as Glitter & Co. cordially invited. are selling, it will be a wonder if she and muff I ever saw. I knew that if 1905, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said pro I didn't get one to-day every woman ing and allowing said account and hearing said of Congress on the subject of extra- would come when the Philippines \* \* doesn't get one. Why, she even took who knows me, and how badly I want one, will pity me for having a husband be given by publication of a copy of this order, for At the Presbyterian church Sunday | vagance in government printing and | would have the same relation to the the trouble to tell her hubsand exactmorning the subject will be in keep- in favor of its summary reduction. United States that Cuba now has and ly what they cost! She is a model too poor or too stingy to give me one! three successive weeks previous to said day of ing with Christmastide. Subject for Representative Landis, chairman of that the only justification of our prewife, but then her husband appreciates Yes, it was expensive; but, let me tell you, I am not the woman to allow oth-ers to calumniate the one who prom-ised at the altar to love and cherish her: Mrs. Benson had a lace bertha evening service at seven o'clock the House committee, says that mil- sence there was our ability to do them sent home on approval yesterday; she will be "Oulivion and How We May lions of dollars could be saved by a good. The Senator expressed the will tell Mr. Benson that she knows, of a rigid supervision of the matter sent fear that such language would excite course that she can't afford one, but ised at the altar to love and cherish Defeat It." Last publication Jan. 13, 1905. me, because of a little thing like that!"

Washington Letter

At the moment of this writing it is not decided where the inaugural ball shall take place. The Senate wants it in the Pension building, where it adequate compensation. Members of has been held for a quarter of a century. The House wants it in the Congressional Library building; and a few members of both houses want to assign to that function the rotunda and corridors of the Capitol. It is the unanimous desire that the inauguration shall be the most memorable

of any ever held. Some prominent citizens desire the erection of a special building either for temporary or permanent use, but that plan for Gen. Grant's second inauguration failed tic plank declaring that "protection utterly and made the celebration a very poor affair. Either the Capitol or Library is adapted to the purpose.

The latter is already lighted abundantly, and would neither need nor permit decoration. The Capital rotunda and Statuary Hall can be illuminated with dazzling brilliancy, almost in an hour's notice. In each building there are corridors by the mile, tinted walls and frescoed ceilings. The exits and entrances of both are perfect, and there are cloak rooms abundant. Some Senators are opposed to using the Library on the ground that the fine building

would be injured, but in what way the fine building could be injured by ever so large a throng, is beyond conception. It would be no more expos-

to \$20,000 and that of the Speaker of the House to \$20,000 and that of Senators and Representative to \$10,000 seems to have run against a snag. A

ringing protest is heard from all that is not called for within a certain parts of the country. It it held-that men should not be encouraged to seek the highest places under the government by a money reward. Great honors go with them, which are above price. Senators and Representatives are required to spend here only about one third of the time for which they are elected; the other twothirds can be devoted to their private business here or at home. And this is a country of many opportunities. Perhaps salaries will be raised

when the presidents, vice-president, senators and representatives get into the habit of resigning because of in-

the House of Commons, in England receive no salaries whatever.

All summer long, day and night, an insensate little locomotive has been hauling hundreds of thousands of cubic feet of dirt from one end of the U.S. Capitol to the other. But now the little iron horse has been banished and hundreds of jaded, galled and underfed horses are compelied to finish the work with overloading, stalling and beating. The occasion of this is that Senator Hale of Maine has come back to the capitol and in driving to the Senate chamber his superb horses showed

some surprise at the engine and Senator Hale of Maine had it immediately suppressed. Senator Hale's aristocratic horses should not be blamed for the pathetic suffering of their felow horses. Doubtless if they could have foreseen what the Senator would do they would have dissembled their and muff that would suit my comsurprise. There was no accident. Nobody will suffer except the hundreds of horses that suffer a daily crucifixion and are used to it.

The Senate came to time yesterday and passed the Philippine government bill, by a party vote. Many amemdments were offered, and a general discussion was had but they were ed to injury than it is every day and

mostly voted down. A sharp interevery night till ten o'clock. The in- change between Carmack and Foraker

panies are beaten it will mean quite a loss in their receipts. The railroads have a custom of charging storage fees on baggage

> time. A short time ago Pearl had a bicycle checked to Benton Harbor over the Pere Marquette. He did not call for it at once, and when he did there was piled up against the wheel a charge of 35 cents. He refused to pay it and secured his property by means of a writ of replevin. The case came up for trial before Justice Weldon and it was decided that the company had no authority for making a storage charge. Gore & Harvey represented the railroad company and Geo. W. Bridgman was counsel for Mr. Peail.  $\diamond$   $\diamond$   $\diamond$



ERRY CHRISTMAS, James. Don't tell me you forgot what day it was; I have been reminding you every day for a week! Yes, it is a beautiful day, and no doubt Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Benson and Mrs. Topham are enjoying it. Why? Oh, because their husbands always give them beautiful Christmas gifts. Last year Mrs. Topham received diamonds, Mrs. Williams a gold watch, and Mrs. Benson the loveliest set of ermine I ever saw! Hinting? Don't know what you mean, Mr. Tawker; I never stoop to such a thing. You have never noticed that for the last six weeks I have been wishing for an Austrian china dinner set of 500 pieces and decorated with pink roses. It has not interested you to hear me repeatedly declare that I hadn't a decent set of furs to keep me from catching my death of cold, because the set I got last year is out of style. The fact that Sellem & Co. have the exact style of mink pelerine plexion and ward off a case of pneumonia has never penetrated your inner consciousness.

"A fine day for Christmas, eh? Yes, and I am going to church, where I shall meet Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Benson and Mrs. Topham. Mrs. Williams will show me the amethyst chain her husband gave her as a Christmas gift. Mrs. Benson will want me to stop in on my way home to admire the point lace bertha, which is her husband's present. Mrs. Topham will expect me to notice the opal ring with which Mr.



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"I KNEW YOU WOULD BE GLAD." "Well, I am thoughtful, if others are not. I have a lovely Christmas gift ready for you. You hope you can afford it? Well, of all the ingratitude. What is it? Oh, you are interested at last. Well, I know you will be delighted-it is a set of dinner china, Austrian ware, 500 pieces, decorated with pink roses. You have never noticed that for the last month I have been wishing for such a dinner set! I am, however, more thoughtful than you; I knew you would be glad to see your table so adorned that your wife could ask her own mother to dinner. without being pitied for having married a poor man! I am more consider-

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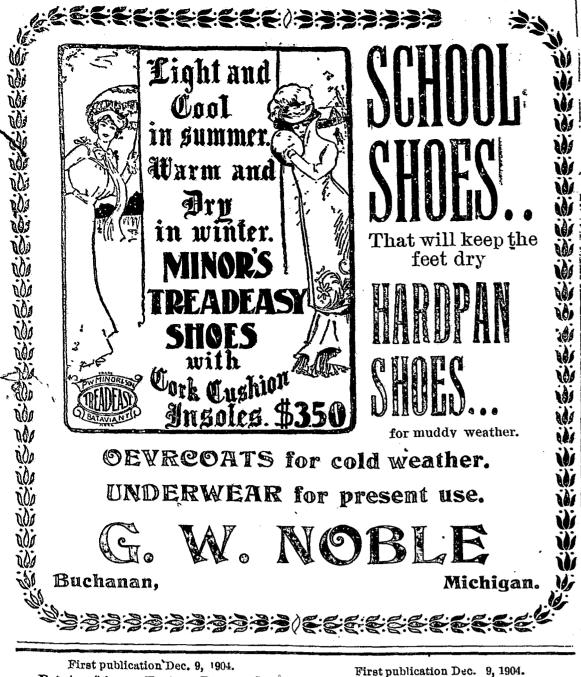
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Estate of Geo. H. Richards, Deceased

MTATE OF MICHIGAN, the Probate Court for > the County of Berrien.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of St. Joseph in said County, on the 20th day of December A D. 1904. Present: Hon. Frank H. Ellsworth. Judge of



#### First publication Dec. 9, 1904. Estate of Anna Foster, Deceased.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, the Probate Court for D the County of Berrien. At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of St. Joseph in said County, on

the 5th day of December, A. D., 1904. Present: Hon, Frank H. Ellsworth, Judge of In the matter of the estate of Anna Foster

Mary Gunter, having filed in said Court her petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to David Marphy, or to some other suitable person. It is ordered, that the 3rd day of January A. D. 1905, at teu o'clock in the forenoon, at said pro-bate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

said petition; It is further ordered, that public notice thereof

be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Buchanan RECORD, a newspa-per printed and circulated in said County (A true copy) FRANK H. ELLSWORTH ROLLAND E. BARR Judge of Probate. Register of Probate.

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Estate of Harriet Black, Deceased.

TATE OF MICHIGAN, the Probate Court for the County of Berrien. In the matter of the estate of Harriet Black

Having been appointed commissioners to re-ceive, examine and adjust all claims and demands of all persons against said deceased, we do hereby give notice that four months from the 5th day of ecember A. D., 1904 were allowed by said Cour December A. D., 1904 were allowed by said Court for creditors to present their claims to us for exam-ination and adjustment, and that we will meet at the office of George H.Batchelor in the village of Buchanan, Michigan said county, on the 7th day of February A.D. 1905, and on the 5th day of April A. D. 1905, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each of said days, for the purpose of examining and adjusting said claims. Dated 5th day of December, A. D. 1904. GEORGE H. BATCHELOR.

GEORGE H. BATCHELOR, JOHN GRAHAM, Commissioners

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A Christmas Favor By Charles M. Harger. **THEN** the captain brought to

the fort a vicious looking red automobile, there was much interest among the members of his command.

"Wonder if he expects to use it in drill?" suggested Adjt. Quiling.

"We might hitch a gun on behind and save one team," added the quartermaster. "He can sure make time over the prairie roads."

The captain did make time. During the long autumn, when the plain was dry and the roads smooth, he sped on

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TWO FIGURES ON HORSEBACK.

his machine or miles at a velocity that would have landed him in jail in any city in the land.

The captain liked swiftness. That was why he bought the automobile. He ran it to the limit of its speed whenever he rode. So in love with it was he that beyond the dreary monotonous daily routine, he gave little attention to the doings of the fort. He had forgotten the annual club dance and was for days unaware of the coming Christmas Eve celepration. He was coursing up toward Wild Horse canyon when the arrangements were made.

On that very afternoon as he round ed the foot of the canyon he came plump toward a lady riding almost as must stay at the fort or be subject to swiftly as he, but mounted on a handsome brown Kentucky saddler. Her

ing bis fatigue cap. She came nearer and then he knew her-Lieut. Burton had brought her to the dance-she was a daughter of a wealthy rancher. - Miss Landers smiled and came as

near as her restless horse would consent to approach. "Hero never saw an auto before," she explained; then rode on with another irradiating smile.

The following week the red automobile was at Miss Landers' door and she went riding over the level plains with the captain. He was radiant in his happiness and was certain that he had, with his advantage of equipment and rank, outwitted his rival. But the happiness was short-lived; for, riding up by the haunted house on the crest of the divide a few days later, he saw two figures on horseback, one of whom was plainly Burton and the other evidently Miss Landers. After that the contest became unfriendly, and it was war to the knife between

the rivals. So went the varying favors until the approach of the holidays. The fort, as a break in the dullness of winter. proposed to have a grand Christmas celebration in the great mess hall, to which would be invited all the members of the troops at the station. The captain and the lieutenant were, of course, foremost in the arrangements, and to them was left the duty of issuing invitations for those outside the post. Ranchmen and their families. merchants from the neighboring town, well-to-do farmers and indeed every available resident who might contribute to the pleasure of the occasion were bidden.

To Miss Landers came two invitations, one addressed in the crabbed back-hand chirography of the captain and the other in the flowing, artistic style of the lieutenant. Which should she accept? She determined to wait on events and see where fate led. Fate

seemed very undecided at that point of the affair. No word passed between the captain and the lieutenant regarding the invitation to Miss Landers, nor was there any discussion regarding the manner by which she was to get to the celebration. However, it was the intention of each to be her personal escort. But the lieutenant reckoned without a knowledge of the intensity of the captain's nature; for when he asked for leave to go outside the post, the request came back with the curt indorsement, "Refused." That meant that he a period in the guard house.

The captain chuckled and patiently horse veered far to the right, but she rubbed the brass fittings of his big red sat him like a princess and showed no automobile. He looked forward with much pleasure to the coming ten-mile trip across the smooth prairie roads in the crisp winter evening, and he smiled as he thought of the discomfited lieutenant, compelled to remain at the fort. At dusk the "devil wagon" careened out of the high-walled parade ground and swept down the slope to the bottom lands that led away up the Smoky Hill to the Circle Bar ranch, where Miss Landers was waiting for her escort-wondering all the time which of the twain would first appear. The captain, well bundled against the piercing cold, did not look to the south or he would have seen a rider on horseback making almost as good time as

was approaching him. When he did see, it was too late. Her horse gave a great swerve and, though avoiding the frightsome machine, struck its side

against the barbed wire fence. She was assisted to the ground by her cowboy companion-presumably a groomand the captain led her to the automobile.

"So sorry, Miss Landers-didn't see you-yes, Hero shall be cared forhere, sir, take the horse to the barn and order him looked after."

"I think he had better come with us," suggested Miss Landers. "I promised him, you know."

"Well." Then to the cowboy: "Come back here and get in-I'll take you to active checking business. the fort." The man bowed silently and went to the stables.

A few minutes later the automobile pany, of South Bend, pays 4 was on its réturn journey, skimming the frozen ground and carrying its trio of passengers toward the scene of the derosits and all non evening's gayety. Before it came into the circle of light that marked the driveway the cowboy accompanying the captain and his fair passenger slipped from his seat beside the latter and hurried away in the darkness-but what did the captain care? He handed Miss Landers into the hall joyfully and forgot that the other had ever lived. But he did not forget the lieutenant Inquiry soon told him that the young er officer had left the fort soon after dinner and had not yet returned. Then Trust Company. in a moment came an orderly to say that Mr. Burton was in his room.

"He may go under guard until tomorrow," ordered the captain savage ly. "Then I will take up his case. Let us start the cotillon," with a low bow to Miss Landers. She had heard his orders and turned a very white face to her partner as she took his arm. She



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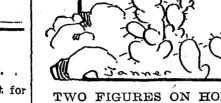
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he, but keeping in the lee of the bluffs and so out of sight of the casual traveler on the mash road. This rider was dressed in cowboy garments, his widebrimmed hat was flapping in the wind and his fringed coat caught the steam of his horse's breath, which congealed into snow-like foam. He .took the short cut up Wild Horse canyon, around the head of Oak ranch and saved a mile where a timber claim caused a wide turn in the roadway. But the sturdy automobile fairly ate up the road, swinging down the slopes like mad and halting neither for the bills nor culverts. Then, just as the Circle Bar was in sight, its twinkling lights telling of the presence of a waiting passenger, there came a sudden "hiss!" and the captain was awakened

from his dream by a quick turn into the grass alongside the highway and a short, uncompromising stop. Nothing for it but the unbundling of tools the careful inspection of piston and igniter, the rattling of chains and the hammering of bolts.

The solitary horseman off in the distance kept on his way and cared not, if he knew, that the captain was swearing at fate and his machine out there on the wind-swept hills.

TOOK THE SHORT CUT.

led the cotillon and received with grace the favors heaped upon her-but all the time she was thinking of the lieutenant spending his Christmas eve under guard.

Then came the supper and after that the Christmas tree. The officers were made happy with remembrances from the men; the men smiled at the little tokens from the officers-for out on this frontier post had grown up a cameraderie between those stationed there that knew no rank or station. When the tree was emptied there en-

sued a hush as Miss Landers came down the center of the mess hall, her stately form held proudly erect and her eyes shining with a new light. Before the captain she curtsied with old-fashioned ceremony. The whole company waited to hear her words. "It used to be the custom," she began, "for the king to grant on Christmas eve a favor to his subjects-I have one to ask."

"Your pleasure, Miss Landers," laughed the captain. He was feeling very good-natured just now.

"The release of Lieut. Burton-and his presence here;" came the quick reply.

There was nothing for it but obedience, and the captain gave the signal. In a moment there came an orderly with a young man in cowboy suit-Lieut. Burton-and the crowd cheered as he bowed low to them all. "But-but-" began the captain,

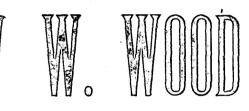
wonderingly, "are you-are you-" "Yes," interrupted Miss Landers,

'you brought him here yourself, and we thank you so much. It was very kind." Lieut. Burton bowed low again and then took Miss Landers' hand. "I, too, thank you," he added; then in a low tone, the words being audible only to the captain: "Don't fuss so long on the way with your auto next time-a horse is swifter. And, say," in almost a whisper, "come to our wedding, will you-it's the last of January."

The orchestra began a waltz; the lieutenant went whirling away on the floor amid the maze of white dresses and uniforms; the huge clock in the fort tower struck 12-it was Christmas morning!

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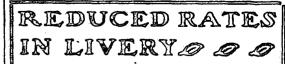
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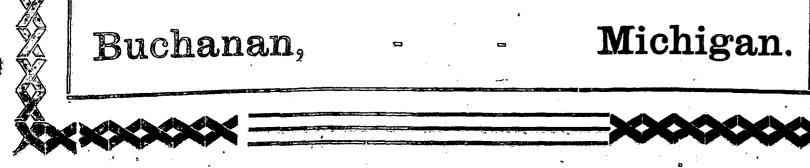
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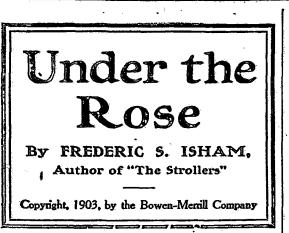
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"The princess-has she heard the king has received a letter from the duke and that his majesty has changed the wedding date?"

"The princess knows, has heard all from the king. Not long since he sent for her. Will she consent? What else can she do? 'Tis the monarch who commands, we who obey!"

"Is the court, then, only a mart, a guildhall?" he exclaimed. "A woman, even a princess, should be won, not exchanged!"

Her lashes drooped. In her gaze shone once more the ironical amusement. "Why," she said, "from what wilds or forests have you come? The heart follows where the trader lists! Think you the princess will wear the willow?" she laughed. "How well you know women!"

"Do you mean that she"-

"I mean that her welfare is in strong hands; that there be few greater in all the land, none more honored. The duke's principality is vast. But here comes the princess." The hound sprang to his feet and ran gamboling down the path. "Ask her the rest yourself, most unsophisticated fool! Ah," with a touch she could not resist, "what a handsome bride she will make for the duke!"

#### CHAPTER V.

HROUGH the flowery path, so narrow her gown brushed the leaves on either side, the Princess Louise appeared, walking slowly. Intently the jester watched her draw near and ever nearer their common trysting spot, her favorite garden nook. A handsome bride. forsooth. as Jacqueline had suggested. white, with silver adornment, ravishingly hymeneal. A bride for a duke or a king, more stately than the queen, handsomer than the favorite of favorites who ruled the king and France.

"Jacqueline," she said, evincing neither surprise nor any other emotion as answer her in kind. she approached. "go and fetch my fan. I believe 'tis in the king's antecham-

and gibe. The suddenness of the attack surprised them, and before they could digest the humor of it the fool had slipped away." "The duke would not be molested by

these outlaws?" she continued, pursuing her line of questioning.

"The duke has a strong arm," he answered cautiously. "They may be well content to permit him to come and go as he sees fit."

"Well, well," she said perversely, "I was only curious about the distance and the country."

"For leagues the land is wild, bleak, inhospitable, and then 'tis level, monotonous, deserted, so lonely the song dies on the wandering minstrel's lips. But the duke rides fast with his troop and soon would cover the mountain pàths and dreary wastes."

"Nay," she interrupted impatiently, "I asked not how the duke would ride." "I thought you wished to know,

princess," he replied humbly. "You thought," she began angrily, sitting erect.

"I know, princess, a fool should but jest, not think."

"Why do you cross me today?" she demanded petulantly. "Can you not see"-

Abruptly she rose, impatiently moved away, but a few steps, however, when she turned, her face suddenly free from annoyance, in her eyes a soft decision.

"There!" she exclaimed, with a smile half arch, half repentant. "How can any one be angry on such a day-all sunshine, butterflies and flowers?"

He did not reply, and, mistress once more of herself, she drew near. "What a contrast to the stuffy pal-

ace, with all the courtiers, ministers and lap dogs!" she went on. "Here one can breathe. But how shall we make the most of such a day. Stroll into the forest; sit by the fountain; run over the grass?"

Her voice was softer than it had been; her words fraught with sugges<sup>®</sup> tions of exhilarating companionship. Did she note their effect? At any rate she laughed lightly.

"But how," she resumed, surveying her great infolding skirt, "could one trip the sward with this monstrous gown, weighted with wreaths of silver? All in white was she now, a glittering Is it not but one of the many penalties of high birth? Oh, for the short skirts of the lowly! What comfort to be arrayed like Jacqueline!"

"And she, princess, doubtless thinks likewise of more gorgeous apparel." His heart beat faster as he strove to

"A waste of cloth in vanity, as saith Master Calvin!" she replied, lifting her

monastery," he retorted, with a short, mirthless laugh. "Duty, obedience!" she broke in. "Do I not know them? Please turn the

page," "Oh, princess," he said wildly, "I know what the king hath told you! Why you wear the monarch's ring!" as recalled suddenly from wandering but observant. thought. "Why, how know you- Ah, Jacqueline"-

"And a ring signifieth consent. You will fulfill the king's desire?"

"The king's desire?" she replied mechanically. "Is it not the will of God?" "Then you will obey the king?" he persisted dully.

"Why," she answered, smiling and bending nearer, "will you spoil the day?"

"You would give yourself to a man whether or not you loved him?" A frown gathered on the princess' brow, but she stooped, herself picked up the book he had dropped, brushed his brow the scar of a o', sword the earth from it and seated herself upon the bench. Her manner was quiet, resolute; her action a rebuke to headlong passion and a thickset week the forward fool.

"Will you not read?" she said, with an inscrutable look.

"True," he exclaimed, rising quickly, "I was sent to amuse"-"And you have found me a too exacting mistress?" she asked more gen-

tly, checking the implied reproach. "Exacting!" he repeated.

"What then?" she said half sadly. "Nothing," he answered.

But in his mind Jacqueline's scornful words reiterated themselves, "Think you the princess will wear the willow?"

Taking the book, he opened it at random, mechanically sinking at her feet. The quest, the idle quest! Was it but an awakening? So far lay the branch above his reach! His voice rose and fell with the mystic rhythm of the me-



the duke's men regarded the scene, their dusty attire (albeit rich enough beneath the marks of travel), sunburned visages and stolid manner in marked contrast with the bearing and aspect of the king's gay following. One of the alien troop pulled a red mustachio fiercely and eyed a blithe popinjay of the court with quizzical superi-"The monarch's ring!" she repeated ority. The others remained stock still,

"I see you are punctual and waiting, noble sir," said the monarch gayly when the initial formalities had been complied with. "But that is no more than should be expected from-an impatient bridegroom." Then, gazing curiously, yet with penetrating look, on the features of his guest, who now had arisen, "You appear slightly older than I expected from the letter of our dear friend and brother, the emperor." And truly the duke's appearance was

that of a man more nearly five and thirty than five and twenty His face was brown from exposur and you wound, yet a fearless, dashing countenance, an eye that could kindle to and heavy jaw that bespoke the foeman who would battle to the last breath.

"Older, sire?" he replied, with composure. "That must needs be, since living in the saddle ages a man."

"Truly," returned the monarch, instinctively laying his hand upon his sword. "The clash of arms, the thunder of hoofs, the waving banners-yes, glory is a seductive mistress who robs us of our youth. Have I not wooed her and found-gray hairs? Who shall give me back those days?"

"History, your majesty, shall give them to posterity," answered the duke. "Even those we lost to Charles?" muttered the king, a shadow passing over his countenance.

"Glory, sire, is a mistress sometimes fickle in her favors."

fickle in her favors." "And yet we live but for"— He broke off abruptly and with the eye of a trained commander surveyed the duke's men. "Daredevils, daredevils duke's men. "Daredevils, daredevils

"Rough looking fellows, sire," apolo-gized the duke, "but tried and faith-ful soldiers. Somewhat dusty and road worn." And his eyes turned meaningly to the kinete with the form meaningly to the king's suit-the flashing girdles of silver, the shining hilts, the gorgeous cloaks and even the adornment of ribbons.

"Nay," said Francis meditatively; "on a rough journey I would fain have these fire eaters at my back. They look as though they could cut and hew."

"Moderately well, your majesty;" answered the duke, with modesty. "Will you mount, noble sir, and ride with me? Yonder is the castle, and in the castle is a certain fair lady whom you no doubt fain would see." Long gazed the Duke of Friedwald at the distant venerable pile of stone, the majestic turrets and towers softly floating in a dreamy mist; the setting, fresh, woody, green. Long he looked at this inviting picture and then



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"Madam carried no fan when"- began the girl.

"Then 'tis somewhere else. Do not bandy words, but find it."

Sinking on the bench as the maid walked quickly away, she remained for some moments in silent thought, a reverie the jester forbore to disturb. Against the clambering ivy which for centuries had reveled in this chosen spot lay her hand, a small ring of curious workmanship gleaming from her finger. The ring caused the jester to start, remembering he had last seen it worn by the king.

Idly the Princess Louise plucked a leaf from the old, old vine, picked it princess had said. apart and let the pieces float away. As they fluttered and fell at the jester's feet she regarded him with thoughtful blue eyes.

"How far is it," she asked, "to the duke's principality?"

If he had doubted the maid's story he was now convinced. The ring and her question confirmed Jacqueline's narrative.

"About fifteen days' journey, princess," he replied.

"No farther?"

"Barring accidents, it may be made in that time."

She did not notice how dull was his tone, how he avoided her gaze. Blind to him, she turned the ring around and

around on her finger, as though her thoughts were concentrated on it. "Accidents," she repeated, her hand now motionless. "Is the way peril-

ous?" "The country is most unsettled."

"What do you mean by unsettled?" she continued, bending forward with fingers clasped over her knees.

"The country is infested with many roving bands commanded by the so called independent barons who owe allegiance to neither king nor emperor," he answered. "Their homes are perched, like eagles' nests, upon some mountain peak that commands the valleys travelers must proceed through. A fierce, untamed crew, bent on rapine and murder!"

"Did you encounter any such?" gen-

tly. "Ofttimes."

"And left unscathed?"

something less than man; a lordling's slave, a woman's plaything! Their sentinels shared with me their flasks; I slept before their signal fires and even supped in the heart of their stone fastnesses. Fools and monks are safe among them, for the one amuses and the other absolves their sins. Yet is there one free baron," he added reflectively, "whom even I should have done well to avoid; he, the most feared, the most savage! Louis of Pfalz-Urfeld!"

his knaves I encountered, however, motionless as a statue, gazing steadseemed to him for the moment rather "Let yours show but the greater fastly at the shining armor and galwhose conduct shamed the courtesy of some simple lowly maiden than wrath," advised the king complaisantthe other mountain rogues. I all but lant figure of the king, who spurred to proud princess of the realm. ly. "In love like cures like. Let me be WE USE NOTHING fared ill indeed from them. To the him, a friendly greeting on his lips. "How much splendor the penman your physician. I'll warrant you'll find BUT THE BEST pleasantry of my greeting they replied Then, lightly springing to earth and has shown!" she murmured, her breath me proficient." Stock with true pilferer's humor; the free throwing his bridle to one of his troop, LET US PLEASE YOU on his cheek, "'Tis more beautiful "I've heard your majesty hath pracbaron had ordered every one searched. the foreign noble approached the royal than the 'Life of St. Agnes.' Is not ticed deeply," returned the noble read-They would have robbed and stripped horseman on foot and, bending his that figure well done? A hard, austere ily in spite of his perplexity. Record Job Rooms. me, despite the color of my coat, only head, knelt before him, respectfully old man; Reason, I believe, in monkish (To be Continued). fortunately instead of a fool's staff ] kissing his hand. attire." had a good blade of the duke's. For a Grim, silent, with hardened faces, "Reason or Duty ever partakes of the moment it was cut and thrust-not lest Subjective to the Record

arms that shone with creamy softness from the dangling folds of heavy silk. "Were it not for this courtly incumbrance I should propose going into the fields with the haymakers. You may see them now-look-through the open-

ing in the foliage." With an expression part resignation, part regret, she leaned against the wind worn griffin which formed the arm of the bench. Fainter sounded the warning of the jestress in the ears of the duke's fool-so faint it became but a weak admonition. More and more he abandoned himself to the pleasure of the moment.

"To make the most of the day," the

How? By denving himself the sight of her ever varying grace; by refusing to yield to the charm of her voice.

And so her mood swaved his. He forgot his resolution, his pride, and yielded to the infatuation of the moment. But when he endeavored to call the weapons of his office to his aid, her glance and the shadow of that smile left him witless. Jest, fancy and whim had taken flight.

"Well?" she said. "Well, Sir Fool?" His color shifted; withal his half embarrassment there was something graceful and noble in his bearing. "Madam"- he began and stopped for want of matter to put into words. But if the princess was annoyed at the new found dullness of her plaisant, her manner did not show it.

"What," she said gently. "No news from the court; no word of intrigue; no story of the king? I should seek a courier for my companion, not a jester. But there! What book have you 2626 brought?" indicating the volume that lay upon the bench.

"Guillaume de Lorris' 'Romance of the Rose,'" he answered more freely. "Where did we leave off?"

"Where the hero, arriving at a foun tain, beheld a beautiful rose tree," said the fool in a low tone. "Desiring the rose, he reached to gather it"-"Yes, I remember. And then Reason and Danger did battle with Love."

"Is it your wish we continue?" he asked, taking the book in his hand. "I would fain learn if he gathers his

rose. Nay, sit here on the bench and I"-brightly-"may look over your shoulder ever and anon to steal a

Unquestioningly he obeyed her, the WE the enjoyment he derived from the Printing, we can ing spot, where, at a fork of the road, Can book, illumined, gleaming in the sunconversation with the backward and Save you Money beneath the shade of overhanging PRINT shine; the letters, red, gold, many and Give You too conscientious soldier. Here was a branches, were already assembled a ANYTHING hued, dancing before them. Love in Work That is Neat. groom whose wedding promised the goodly group of soldiers. Beyond them, Tasty and Up-tocrimson, the five silver shafts of Cupid, court much amusement and satisfacat a respectful distance, stood many Ø Ø date. the tower of jealousy, a frowning fortion in those jovial days of jesting and beasts of burden, heavily laden, the tress; the rose, incentive for endless merrymaking. great packs promising stores of rare Ash Martin The Martin States Attack striving and endeavor-all floated by "Come," resumed the king encouragand costly gifts. At the head of the on the creamy parchment leaves. So ingly, "I'll warrant you more forward troopers was a thickset man, with interested was she in these wondrous in battle." broad shoulders and brawny frame, pages, executed with such precision "Battle!" said the duke. "That's an-"Have you ever met him?" asked the mounted on a powerful gray horse. and perfection, with marginal adornother matter. To see your foeman's princess in a mechanical tone. This leader, whom the approaching ment and many a graceful turn and gleaming eyes-but hers- Should they "No," with a short laugh. "A few of company surmised to be the duke, sat fancy in initial letter and tailpiece, she express anger, disdain"-

"How much splendor the penman has shown!

ter, now dwelling on death and danger, the shortness of life, the sweetness of passion, then telling the pleasures of the dance.

Lower fell the princess' hand until it touched the reader's head; touched and lingered. Before the fool's eves the letters of the book became blurred and then faded away. Doubt, misgiving, fear, vanished on the moment. The flower she had given him seemed to burn on his heart. He forgot the decree of the king, her equivocation, the unanswered question. Passionately he thrust his hand into his doublet. "The rose and love are one," he cried. "The rose is"-

"Pardon me, madam," said a voice, and Jacqueline, clear eyed, calm, stood before them. "The fan was not in the king's bedchamber or I should have been here sooner. I trust you have not been put out for want of it?"

"Not at all, Jacqueline," returned her mistress, with a natural, tranquil movement, "although"-sharply-"you were gone longer than you should have been!"

CHAPTER VI.

N anticipation of the arrival of the duke and his suit, the

monarch had ordered a series of festivities and entertainments such as would gratify his desire for pageantry and display and at the same time do honor to a guest who was to espouse one of France's fairest wards.

Francis was unusually good humored that day. Apprised by a herald that the duke and his followers were nearing the castle, he had sent the messenger back announcing a trysting place and now rode forth to meet him and escort him with honor to the castle.

"Because I was a jester, madam; Right pleasantly, with quip and jest tar. Is it not enough?" Leaning back For Fine Book, Job and many a smart sally, did the monglimpse of the pretty pictures." in his saddle, the king's face expressed and Commercial arch and retinue draw near the meet-

breathed deeply. "Ah, sire, I would the meeting were over!" he remarked in a low voice. "Why so, sir?" asked the king in surprise. "Do you fear you will not fancy the lady?"

"I fear she may not fancy me," retorted the nobleman soberly. "Your own remark, sire, that I appear older than you had expected?" he continued gravely, significantly.

"A recommendation in your favor," laughed the monarch. "I ever prefer sober manhood to callow youth about me. The one is a prop. stanch, tried; the other a reed that bends this way and that or breaks when you press it too hard."

"I should be lacking in gratitude were I not deeply appreciative of your majesty's kindness," replied the duke. his face flushing with pleasure. "But your majesty knows womankind"-

"Nay. I've studied them a little, but know them not," retorted Francis dryly.

"And it is unlikely the lady may find me all her imagination has depicted," went 'on the nobleman, with palpable embarrassment. "My noble master, the emperor, hath-regarding me still as but a stripling from his own vantage point of age and wisdom-represented me a young man in his proposals. But, though I'm younger than I look and feel no older than I am, how young or how old shall I seem to the princess?"

"Young enough to be her husband, old enough for her to look up to," answered the monarch reassuringly. "Again," objected the duke, meditatively regarding the castle, "she may

be expecting a handsome, debonair 🕱 bridegroom, and when she sees me," ruefully surveying himself, "what will she say?"

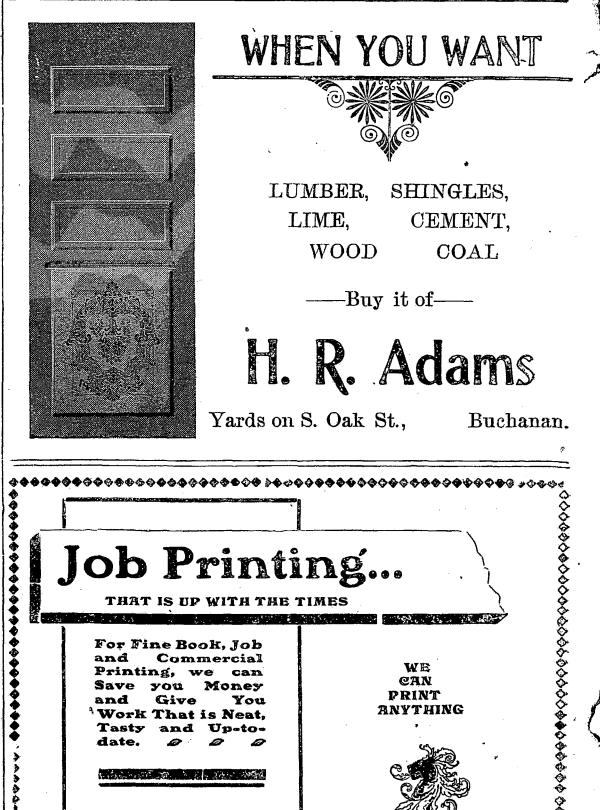
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Miss Nina Lewis arrived in Buch-the following prices on grain to day. A of the styligh light color of fung and more funge
day. We are selling all wool suits, strictly the Holidays with her parents, Mr. Wheat No. 2 Red and White. \$1.11 Waists of bright hued taffetas and crepes, all will be
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A line of fancy china at W. H. Blended River Mink Zazas 2.95 Grey Squirrel Ties
Beautiful double length Boas of American Fox with two large fluffy the set load for and delivered worth \$12.50 special
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SOUTH BEND INDIANA.
"REFORMERS" RAVE
Aghast at Evils of St. Joseph Gretna pound at W. H. Keller's.
Best line of 10c counters in Bu-19 $\pi$
Home Made Mince Meat St. Joseph, Dec. 22.—The "reform- Chanan. W. H. Keller's.
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able among them the Grand Rapids filled on short notice By Runner.
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Mixed nuts at W. H. Keller's. Fors of the Green at St. 30seph. Dec. 24
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During the entire month I will close out a lot of goods for a Chicago Millinery House they are bargains and will go at cost. Come early and get your choice. All pattern hats
During the entire month I will close out a lot of goods for a Chicago Millinery House They are bargains and will go at cost. Come early and get Old papers for sale at the BECOBD

to be also sold. The sale will last one month only.

# Mrs. E. Parkinson

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W. W. Wood.

Big sale on jewelry at Elson's. Opposite hotel.

Old papers for sale at the RECORD ffice, 5 cents per bunch.

Preaching in the U. B. church Sunay evening. Come to the Service.

Buy shoes at Carmer & Carmer's and get a pair of souvenir shoes free.

Special sale every day from now until Christmas, on candies. W. H Keller's.

The Happy-Go-Lucky club will give a charity ball at the Pears-East hall on Wednesday evening Jan. 4 Special music has been arranged for the church services at the Methodist church next Sunday, Christmas

I will be at Lee Bros. Bank, Wed nesdays and Saturdays for the collec. tion of taxes. W. J. Miller Twp-Treas.

A large fine line of new jewelry at Elson's see them. We save you money and give you good goods every piece guarenteed. Opposite hotel

The stork called at the home of Mr and Mrs.P.A. Backman Thursday morning with a ten pound baby boy. Both mother and child are doing nicely.

Mrs. Alice Rose very pleasantly entertained with her phonograph on Wednesday evening, Mrs. G. W. Noble, the Misses Alexander, Miss Ruth Noble, of Niles, and Miss Mabel Gowan.

Rev. J. E. Darling, the new pastor of the Presbyterian church has rented the Mead house, corner of Clark and Roe streets and will move into the same, as soon as their goods arrive.

In making up your list of presents sible that Grand Rapids would have don't forget the Books.

BINNS MAGNET STORE. Special sale every day from now until Christmas, on candies. W. H. Keller's.

A pair of souverin shoes given free with every purchase of shoes at Carmer & Carmer's

Ladies Aid Society of the Larger Hope church, will meet with Mrs. Beaman, Wednesday, Jan. 4, 1905, at

2 p. m. Edison Phonograph with 67 Records as good as new \$50, also Incubator with Brooder, \$20. Inquire **RECORD** Office.

Christmas Tree in U. B. church on Saturday evening. Parents bring your presents and put them on the tree. Come and have a good time.

Half the ills that man is heir to come from indigestion. Burdock Blood Bitters strengthens and tones the stomach; makes indigestion impossible.

Accidents come with distressing frequency on the farm. Cuts, bruises, stings, sprains. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil relieves the pain instantly. Never. safe without it.

"I had a running, itching sore on my leg. Suffered tortures. Doan's Ointment took away the burning and itching instantly, and quickly effected permanent cure." C. W. Lenhart, Bowling Green, O. "

Selections are quickly made at TOEPP'S JEWELRY STORE on ac count of the large line of Watches Diamonds, Jewelry and Silverware to select from. Corner Washington and Main streets, South Bend. D. 22.

All Cloaks and Jackets at h**alf price**at D. L Boardman's

Go where you can see the BIG stock of Christmas Goods when you get ready to buy Watches and Jewelry of all descriptions. 50 Teaspoons, fine line of fancy Umbrellas, etc.

D. 23.

· FRANK C. TEOPP, South Bend.

Through the kindness of Mr. Perry tickets at the rate of one and onetude of divorce doges. Some couing at the Cottage Hotel. third fare for, the round trip. Dates P. Kline, of Fort Worth, Texas, Mrs. ples lack sense, and divorce laws can of sale December 23, 24, 25, 26 and F. H. Andrews is the possessor of a Leaders in Low Prices and First Class Goods. not turn fools into wiseacres, but 31, 1904 and January 1 and 2, 1905 our immense cloak fine box of Mistletoe. Ye editor was they can protect such people against Return limit January 4, 1905. Ask remembered by Mrs. Andrews, who business this, our first cloak seathemselves and curtail the grasp of agents. sent us a very nice specimen. thoughtless greed. It is well enough season, leaves us with less than two to make marriage easy, but better to THOS. S. SPRACUE & SON. Tourists Coats at just onedozen cloaks which we are closing make it safe. And a law that is good THE RECORD S hall the former price at Board- for St. Joe would be as good for Deout at just half price. Wayne County Bank Bldg., DETROIT troit and Grand Rapids." man's. D. L. BOARDMAN.

a division of the "fabulous" profits

of the marriage business at St. Joseph? The history of the last anti-marriage bill will tell the secret of the thin veneer of virtue of some of the reformers from the furniture city. The Herald always leading in the attacks on St. Joseph, passes out the following editorial "dupe" for the intelligent people and the moralists of the state.

"Some members of the legislature talk of trying once more to regulate Michigan's marriage mart, St. Joseph. For a long time Milwaukee was the favorite resort of young couples for quick wedlock to later woe. A former Michigan pastor who went to Milwaukee often married 20 couples on one Sunday. It became such an abuse that Wisconsin put a few extra rivets

in her marriage laws, and the tide turned to St. Joseph. The Joseph of the Bible was rather particular in his dealings with women. Our St. Joseph has been more liberal and its hasty marriages have been a little too much for conservative citizens.

In a suit for divorce just brought by a reputable Chicage woman, she says her husband married her at St. Joe under a name not his own, and told her he knew of others who did the same. St. Joseph officials and ministers have claimed their right to marry these couples if a license be presented, whether they personally know them to be eligible or not. There is no law preventing a preacher

from turning somersaults down the aisles of his church on Snnday, but he does not. The eternal fitness of things might as well be considered in Sunday snap marriages. Many of these couples are good and true and know what they are doing. Such people would not object to laws that demand ample proof of honesty.

ple to have a law requiring a few days between license and ceremony, with sworn proof that the parties gave the right names and were otherwise eligible. Officials might get fewer fees and the incomes of a few

easy ministers be reduced, but much misery would be prevented and something be done to limit the lati-

All piano tuning in the city after this date, will be \$1.50 and satisfaction guaranteed. D. L. MUDGETT.

Cut glass, china, sterling silver mirrors, gold neck beads etc. among the new goods in our jewelry stock.

BINNS MAGNET STORE.

Lo-tus Liver Pills are the great

Pills for Ladies, curing constipation and giving a clear, fresh complexion. Large boxes, 50 pellets, for sale by

Dr. E. S. Dodd & Son.

25c China cup for 10c at W. H. Keller's,

It's the little colds that grow into big colds; the big colds that end in consumption and death. Watch the little colds. Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup.

Wine Lo-Ti (Coonley's beef, iron and wine with nervine) is the perfect blod tonic. There is no other like it or equal to it. Price 50c at at Dr. E. S. Dodd & Son's.

Unclaimed letters remaining in P. O. at Buchanan, Mich., for week ending Dec. 20, 1904. Letters, Mrs. Fanny E. Horton and Mr. W. H. King. Postals, Mrs. Tarbersin. G. W. Noble, P. M.

Rocking horses at W. H Keller's.

Last evening a woman came in on the Big Four train from the south

carrying in an old telescope a baby, three months old. In the top of the grip were two large holes to provied air for the little one. The mother was in charge of two other children, of very tender years, and she adopted this method of transporting the

youngest child as a matter of convenience. When she arrived at the station she put her walking children

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"It would wrong no worthy couinto Geo. McOmher's bus and he took the grip and was about to throw it on top of the vehicle when the mother let out a frenzied yell, and explained how precious the contents of the telescope were .-- Niles Sun.

Christmas and New Years Holidays

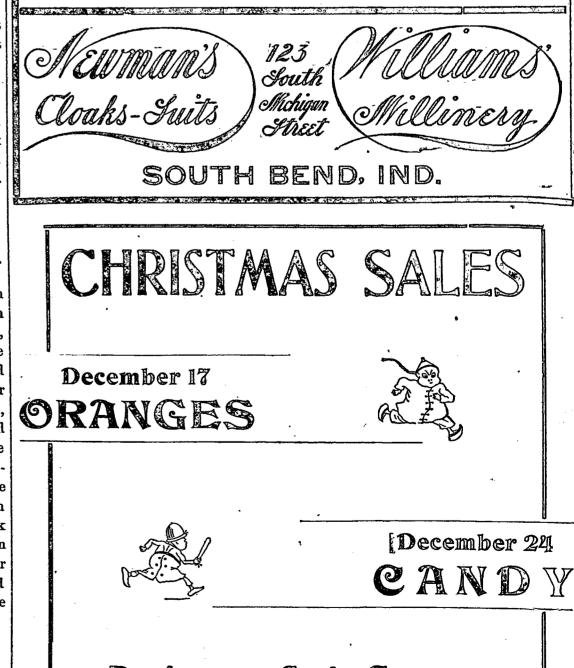
Buchanan Cash Grocery Pere Marquette Agents will sell In the mean time his family are stay-



Skirts of broadcloth, cheviot and novelty mixture materials, about ten different styles to select from, in values ranging from \$6.50 to \$8.00. Special for this sale.....\$ 5.00 Skirts made of heav yherring bone cheviot in several different styles, colors, black, blue and brown. Special priced at \$5.95 and..... 6.50 French voile dress skirt trimmed with taffeta silk bands and lined with an oil boiled taffeta silk drop.....

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Note:---As an inducement, to interurban visitors, we will pay the round trip car fare of all purchasers of ten dollars or more.







### Judge Coolidge Not a Candi-Christmas at the Churches

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Conversion and second and the second second

Christmas time at the churches is the

delight of the little folks as-well-as A week ago the state papers printa good many of the grown-ups, and ed a report sent out from Grand Rapeach succeeding year new ideas are ids to the effect that Judge Coolidge advanced for entertainment, but was a candidate for the supreme nearly always in conjunction with Bench and would contest with Justice that old standby, the Christmas tree, Montgomery for the nomination next with its dark green branches as spring. The candidacy of the Niles back-ground for the many beautiful jurist was taken up and endorsed by gifts and its myriad of tiny dancing many papers who became acquainted with Judge Coolidge during the lights. campaign of last fall.

Since the report has been made the old custom, although the day does come on Sunday. The various public in this county many of the churches that will celebrate are makfriends of Judge Coolidge have hastened to offer him their support, but ing elaborate preparations for the the judge has informed them all that event.

he is not a candidate. In order to The Presbyterian church will start emphasize his position the judge has the ball rolling by holding their exwritten the following letter to this ercises this evening, at which time a paper: very delighful cantata, entitled

pirate for the occasion.

Christian church will be held Sunday

evening and will consist of music,

songs and recitations and a short talk

by the paster, Rev. C. B. Black. The

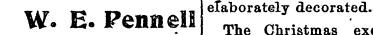
Niles, Dec. 19, 1904. Editor of the | "Santa Claus and the Star Queen," News-Palladium. Dear Sir: I have will be presented by the Sunday been informed of your presentation school. Besides the cantata there of my name as a candidate for the will be a Christmas tree to delight nomination for justice of the supreme the little ones. court, to be elected next spring. At the Methodist church, on Sat-

Thanking you for your complimentary notice and for kind words in the past, I desire to say, however, that I am not a candidate for the position named, and have in no way countenanced the idea. Yours truly, O. W. COOLIDGE.

---News-Palladium.



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of all persons against said deceased, we do here-by give notice that iour months from the 19th day of December A.D., 1904 were allowed by said court for creditors to present their claims to us for ex-amination and adjustment, and we will meet at the office of Dr. Orville Curtis, village of Bu-chanan, in said county, on the 15th day of February A. D. 1905, and on the 19th day of February A. D. 1905, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each of said days, for the purpose of examining and adjusting said claims. Dated December 19th A. D. 1904. DR. ORVILLE CURTIS. Having rented the Front Street Be sure that this picture held in New Troy on Wednesday of Livery Barn and put in a full line in the form of a label is on EVANGELICAL CHOICE BUCKWHEAT this week. the wrapper of every bottle of first class rigs, I am prepared to Services on Christmas day will be FLOUR of Emulsion you biry. accommodate the public with the Q Q Q held as follows: Guaranteed Pure. best Livery service at all times at The M. C. R. R. will sell round trip SCOTT & BOWNE 10:30 a.m. The Christmas sermon tickets at reduced rate to certain reasonable prices. A specialty For sale by C. D. Kent, points on Dec. 24, 25, 26 and 31st and Chemists will be preached by the pastor. Rev. made of feeding. C. B. Treat & Co. and January 1 and 2 1905 limited to re-409 Pearl Street, New York DR. ORVILLE CURTIS, FRANK S. LAMB, Commissioners, J. A. Halmhuber. B. T. Morley. turn not later than Jan, 4th, account Geo. Batchelor, Buchanan. 11:45 a.m. Bible school will be of Holidays. M. L. JENES. 50c, and \$1. All Druggists Last publication Jan. 3, 1905, neld.

7:30 p.m. the Christmas exercises by the Sunday school will be given The program consists of two parts.

PART I An exercise by the younger part of

the school, representing in costume, nearly every country of the world, and telling how Christmas is celebrated in their country.

### PART II

A cantata entitled "Ruth the Glea ner," by the older members of the This year will be no exception to school. The story of Ruth, Naomi and Orpah, will be sung, from the time they left Moab and ending in Ruth's betrothal to Boaz. The sol oists will be assissted by a chorus of 20 voices. A silver collection will be lifted.

It is desired that no presents be brought to be distributed from the Christmas tree,

The church and Sunday school extend you an invitation to spend Christmas with them.

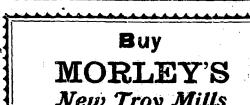
> \* \* \* "Over Niagara Falls"

The above named play was presenturday evening the Sunday school will ed at Rough's opera house last night and Mrs. Ora Shetterly and Mr. and

class company. While it was imposmusic by the choir. A Christmas tree will be the feature of the evening. sible for the company to use all of Christmas exercises will be held at their special scenery the presentation the U.B. church, Saturday evening was considered above the average that and a Christmas tree will be there visit this place. Over half of the also. The exercises will consist of scenery that is used for the performsongs, music and speaking all appro- ance was left at the depot on account

of the stage being too small for its The Advent Christian Sunday use. The scene of the "Falls" was school will hold their Christmas ex- one of the most realistic ever seen Shetterly. ercises Saturday evening. Recitations here and has received many favorand music will constitute the pro- able comments. All the characters gram. Instead of a tree, an old were exceptionally good, but that of fashioned fire place will occupy the Starlight the Indian chief as portraypulpit platform. The church will be ed by Mr. C. Nick Stark stood out above all the others. The company

The Christmas exercises at the should meet with success.



board of supervisors is democratic It could happen as in the case of Mr Strker, that the office will sometime be filled by a democrat. With the office made elective the plum would

be for the republicans at all times. The struggle in the courts wil simmer down to two points: First, The constitutionality of the

Lovell act. Second, Does the Lovell act imply the repeal of the old law under which

the drain commissioner held his office? Mr. Stryker has made an excellent commissioner. On the other hand Mr Burbank has

held the office of drain commissioner and his competency and high stand ing as a citizen are well known. **•**≩• •<u>3</u>• •3•

### **GLENDORA**

Mr. and Mrs. Abram Weaver were called to Cassopolis this week on account of the death of her sister, Mrs. Minnie Dunbar. Mrs. Will Garlington and baby from Benton Harbor, arrived Monday | kinds of advertised remedies -

to spend the Holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Pennell. Mr. and Mrs. Ben. Shetterly, Mr. Mrs. Frank Burrus spent Sunday with up the system. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Shepardson.

Jessie and Glen Boyle are home from the Agricultural college for the winter vacation.

On the 16th inst a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Morley.

Mr. Ira Shepardson will spned the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. B

> The chicken pie dinner given to the members of the Baptist Sunday school, last Saturday, was highly enjoyed by those present. Nearly every member being present.

Beginning with Jan. 1, 1905, Clarence Peck will be the butter maker or the Bishop Creamery Co.

Ruben Wolkens started for the northern part of Michigan on Tuesday of this week.

presents will be placed on a tree at The funeral of Marion Boyce was this church. New Troy Mills 

dies failed. At length I was induced to try Electric Bitters and the result was miraculous. I improved at once and now I'm completely recovered." For Liver, Kidney, Stomach and Bowel troubles Electric Bitters is the

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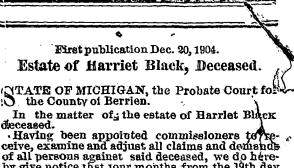
possible nourishment for delicate

children and pale, anaemic girls.

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remote from civilization, a family is, ... Wounds. Ulcers, etc. Lay in a supply of Bucklen's Arnica Salve. It's the best on earth, 25c at any drug store.

EXCURSIONS VIA THE only medicine, Only 50c. It's guar-P<u>ere Marquette</u> Reduced rate tickets on sale fif Bring your printing to the Record nd third Tuesdays of each month until April, 1905. See agents for Routes and Rates. **Run Down** H. F. Moeller HIS is a common expres-THE CHRISTMAS CIFT LIST sion we hear on every side. Unless there is some organic trouble, the con-Ring? dition can doubtless be remedied. Your doctor is the best adviser. Locket? Do not dose yourself with all Watch Fob? get his opinion. More than likely Brooch? you need a concentrated fat food Stick Pin? to enrich your blood and tone Tea Spoon? Scott's Emulsion Knives, Forks? of Cod Liver Oil Best "Style"? **Right** Price? is just such a food in its best form. It will build up the weakened and wasted body when all other foods fail to nourish. If



M. B. FITCH, THE JEW

