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The resolution was supported warmly by Hon. E. M. Plimpton, Warren Chapman, L. P. Alexander, and the President, Mr. Farmer, and was unanimously adopted.

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A bill to facilitate the organization of mutual benefit and co-operative associations.

A bill to provide for the platting and recording of highways.

A bill to provide for the purchase of books for the State Library.

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Trustees of Mountain Home Cemetery," approved March 28, 1849.

A bill to amend "An act to provide for the incorporation of associations, conventions, conferences, or religious bodies, for literary, religious or benevolent purposes," approved March 27, 1867, being sections 3131, 3122, and 3183, chapter 108 of the compiled laws of 1871.

A bill making appropriations for the State Normal School.

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A bill making appropriations for the heating and ventilating apparatus for the new Capitol, and for improvement in said building.

A bill to provide for the distribution of the statutes of the United States, furnished to this State by act of Congress, approved June 20, 1874.

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SENATE, February 20.—The Vice President laid before the Senate the credentials of Andrew Johnson, Senator from Tennessee. Read and placed on file. The joint resolution which passed the House last winter relating to the civil service appointments was passed. Mr. Ramsey, from the Committee on Postoffices and Post Roads, reported the annual Post Route bill with amendments. Referred.

Mr. Ingalls presented a petition of citizens of Kansas in favor of the passage of a bill for the sale of Black Bob Indian lands in that State. Laid on the table. Also a bill to allow pre-emptors to pre-empt an additional amount, in the aggregate, 100 acres of public, ceded or Indian trust lands. Referred. Messages were received from the House of Representatives announcing the death of Messrs. Rice, Hershey, Crocker and Hooper. Resolutions in respect to their memory were adopted, and as funeral services were to be held at St. Louis, Mo., on the 21st of February, the Senate adjourned till Monday at 11 o'clock.

HOUSE, Feb. 20.—Mr. Crotchford presented a petition of the National Grange for aid to the Texas Pacific Railroad Company, and resolutions of the South Carolina Legislature to the same effect were also presented. The petition and resolutions were referred. At 3 o'clock, according to the agreement, all legislative business was suspended to give the members an opportunity to deliver funeral addresses upon lately deceased members. This occupied the time of the House until adjournment.

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HOUSE, Feb. 25.—The House was in session over 29 hours voting on the resolutions, made to staff off the vote on the "Circuit Force bill." After the members were nearly all exhausted, on motion of Mr. Conner, the House adjourned.

SENATE, Feb. 26.—Mr. Scott (Rep., Pa.), from the Committee on Finance, reported adversely on the bill to secure the depositors in the Freedmen's Savings and Trust Company from ultimate loss, and it was indefinitely postponed. Mr. Logan (Rep., Ill.) asked to take up the bill for the qualification of the counties, but an objection was made. Mr. Morrill (Rep., Vt.) from the Committee on Finance, reported back the Tax and Tariff bill which recently passed the House, and stated that the committee was equally divided upon the bill. He gave notice that he would bring up the bill on the Civil Rights bill.

At the expiration of the morning hour the Senate resumed the consideration of the Civil Rights bill. The balance of the day, including the evening session, was consumed in discussion of the bill.

HOUSE, Feb. 26.—Mr. Coburn (Rep., Ind.) gave notice that on Tuesday at one o'clock he should call the previous question on the Force bill. The Republicans accepted the proposition, and at twelve o'clock the House went into committee of the whole on the Sunday Civil Service bill. On motion of Mr. Conner, and after a long debate, the House passed an item of \$20,000 was inserted for maintaining a light ship at the mouth of the Detroit River, Lake Erie. The hour of five o'clock having arrived, the committee at this point, having gone through less than half of the bill, rose, and the House took a recess till half-past seven, the evening session being for debate on the Force bill. The House met again at half-past seven. There was a large attendance, and the galleries were filled. The debate was continued till after midnight. An eloquent speech was made by Mr. Hawley (Rep., Conn.) who said he had always been a Radical in politics but he thought that the time had come when a pause in his radicalism. He warned the South of the danger of arousing the sluggish blood of the North and bring about a conflict that would end in the destruction of the republic. Mr. Conner (Rep., Mich.) also delivered an eloquent address. This was listened to with close attention.

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Buchanan Church Directory.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.  
A. J. Russell, Pastor. Services begin promptly at 10 o'clock, and close at 12 M. sharp. Sabbath School commences at 12.10, and at 2 P. M. Evening service begins at 7 o'clock, closes at 8.15.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.  
D. Mathewson, Pastor. Services at 10 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School at 12.30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.  
W. W. Wells, Pastor. Services at 10 A. M. and 7 P. M. Sabbath School after morning service. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7 o'clock.

OLD ADVENT CHURCH.  
J. W. R. Lister, Pastor. Meeting every Sunday at 10 o'clock.

UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH.  
J. V. Threlkeld, Pastor. Services every alternate Sabbath morning at 10 o'clock. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening.

Village Councils.  
There will be a Village Council held at Buchanan, Mich., on Saturday evening next, March 6th, at 7 o'clock, for the purpose of nominating candidates for Village officers.

Village Election Notice.  
Notice is hereby given that the regular Annual Election of the Village of Buchanan, Mich., will be held at Buchanan, Mich., on Tuesday, March 10th, 1875, at which election the following officers are to be elected: One President, one Recorder, one Marshal, one Treasurer, one Assessor and three Trustees.

Registration Notice.  
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We desire to rectify a mistake that occurred in our last issue. We stated that the furnace had been repaired; it has been taken down, and stoves substituted.

We had a genuine thunder storm last week. Some were scared and some were glad. Our cistern, which had been so long dry, was replenished by a supply of good water.

GREAT interest has been manifested by the friends of our Literary Society as to its prosperity. That is right; keep the ball moving, and you will be profited by it.

TAXES are now all paid, and soon the hard times which always prevail just before and after tax paying will be over, and business will revive.

AN early spring has been prophesied. It cannot come too early to suit many. Nearly every one has had enough of winter, and desires to have a change.

PERSONAL.—We notice that Harry Plimpton is again at home. We learn that he has been employed by Mr. D. A. Wagner to assist in settling his book accounts and also the books of the late firm of Wagner & Kinyon.

BUCHANAN has not been a very good market for hay this past winter. Those who have hay to sell should have it engaged before bringing it to market, and save trouble and money.

ESTIMATING a girl at \$500 and a boy at twice that amount, the exchequer of Mr. Nathan Johnson was increased \$1,000 on last Saturday morning. Weight ten pounds.

ANOTHER entertainment will soon be given under the auspices of the Industrial Brotherhood. The programme, it is said, will be one of the best ever announced at any of our home entertainments.

HON. J. C. BURROWS has been engaged to canvass New Hampshire during the campaign. The election takes place about the middle of the present month.

THE people of South Bend don't stand well on ice. Quite a number of serious accidents have occurred recently in that city from falling on the icy sidewalks.

THIS issue of the RECORD does not contain the usual amount of editorial matter. Sickiness in our family has required our attention outside of the office. This explanation is due us and of course will be accepted.

MESSES. RICHARDS & BATES have issued some very neat descriptive circulars of the patent clothes bars which they manufacture. These clothes bars have been extensively used for a number of years, and are considered among the indispensables in almost every household.

OUR Lansing correspondence this week contains a summary of all the important bills which have passed the Senate during the present session of our Legislature and are likely to pass the House. It will be found very interesting to our readers therefore, and we advise them to give it a careful perusal.

WE thought they were forever lost—those who have hitherto held down the hatching posts and whittled up the old store boxes in this village, but the sunny days of last week were a sufficient guaranty that they can be depended upon the coming season, with perhaps an additional force.

THERE are a number of our subscribers in the county who have not yet paid their subscription, and whose names we very much dislike to erase from our list. We shall nevertheless be compelled to do so if they fail to pay before they are one year in arrears. We kindly request our friends to give this matter their attention and to continue to give us their assistance and support.

AN exchange expresses the difference between a man and a woman as follows: A woman will pay fifty cents for an article worth only twenty-five, because she wants it. A man will pay twenty-five cents for an article worth fifty, which he does not want, because it is cheap.

THERE has been quite a marked improvement in the appearance of "patent outsiders" lately. The plan of giving more news of local interest has been adopted, and is successful and very satisfactory. The co-operative system enables many a publisher to issue a larger and more readable paper than they otherwise could do, and at a far less expense.

A NOBLE dressed young man with a gold headed cane and without good sense will often create more of a sensation in social circles than a plainly dressed young man of less pretensions, and yet possessed of all those qualities that constitute genuine manliness and true worth.

THE cost of a piece of sausage about four inches long, sent by express to a young man in this village on Thursday last, was just 80 cents. We always thought that sausage would advance in price after the repeal of the dog law.

MANY of the large mercantile houses in Chicago have reduced the number of their "runners," and some have taken them all off. The trade has been so light it will warrant the expense; and they have resorted to additional advertising as a cheaper and more effectual method of obtaining trade.

Does look more independent and defiant since the dog law has been repealed. Members of the present Legislature will be kindly remembered by the dogs throughout the State, and will be greeted by a hearty wag as an appreciation of the consideration and respect shown to them.

CAUTION.—Call for village caucus will be seen elsewhere. There is little need of urging the people to attend the village caucus, as enough interest is usually gotten up by the various candidates for nominations to secure a full attendance. We trust that a good ticket may be the result of this caucus and the best interest and welfare of the village thereby protected and promoted.

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The County Press.

THE ST. JOSEPH REPUBLICAN says: The Union School gives its Annual Prize Declamation on Wednesday evening next, March 3d. "Old Sils Doty," aged seventy-five, who has served six terms in the Michigan State Prison, aggregated twenty-five years' time in all, was pardoned out of that institution on Wednesday, and is once more thrown upon his own resources in a cold, cold world. Here is an opportunity for the exhibition of genuine philanthropy. Who will befriend "Old Sils"? An old gentleman from the country, who is somewhat absent-minded, stood at the counter of one of our groceries the other day counting over his perplexities: "Let's see! That red string is for bar soap; that rag is for a broom; that blue cord is for a coat; that red dress-brooch is for a four pounds of sugar, and this other string is for sweet oil. No—nothing more."

THE BENTON HARBOR Palladium says: It will be seen by the report of the Board of Trustees that Benton Harbor has all debts paid, and \$194.65 in the Treasury. The Lake Shore region north of the Harbor escaped the cold of last week, the mercury going no lower than 16 below for several miles. The peaches are reported but slightly injured. The taxable property of Benton Harbor is valued as follows: Real Estate, \$34,255; Personal, \$11,260; Total, \$45,515. Benton-Township in round numbers Real Estate, \$440,000; Personal, \$44,000. We understand that Dr. McKay has sold his fruit farm of 18 acres, lying one-half mile south of Fair Plain school house, for \$18,000. Mr. John King of Benton township was killed by a fall on a tree on Tuesday last. A tree 18 inches through fell across his body, and had to be chopped in two before it could be moved. He lived only three hours after the accident. The system of doing business on credit may often be fortunate for the business man, but it is often results disastrously for those who put confidence in riches—other people's riches. When Mr. O. E. Moore started the Alden Dryer in our village last fall, he received the full confidence and support of our people. The capital to carry on the business was freely furnished, and the laborers were willing to wait for their pay until money could be realized out of an apparently profitable business. The money failed to come as expected and promised, and when the business finally closed, it was found that debts amounting to hundreds of dollars were unpaid, and that poor people were suffering for want of well earned money. Stories were started that Mr. Moore had played sharp and left the town with a fat purse. Everyone who repeated the reports adding their own touches, until the hundreds had grown to thousands. Those who knew Mr. Moore best, say that he has acted in good faith, and will pay every dollar of his obligations, but the lesson is a good one for those who wait for wages. Long for the time when a prudent payment in money for services rendered, and the time would soon come when they could pay money for every purchase, and debts and defalcations would be unknown.

THE NILES Republican says: One hundred and sixty smokers were caught at one haul, below the dam on Tuesday. The Hon. Jacob Gelmacher, whose illness has been a matter of anxiety to his relatives and friends for several months, died at his residence, on Tuesday morning last. Mr. Gelmacher was a native of Washington county, Maryland, and emigrated to the West and to this City when a young man, thirty-nine years ago, when there were but a few houses in the place. He was one of the earliest settlers, and has been prominently identified with the growth of Niles since 1836, always taking an active interest in every movement calculated to benefit the town and increase its prosperity. Mr. Gelmacher was elected Mayor of the City in 1857. He was a kind hearted, liberal, generous man, a most excellent neighbor and a true and valued friend. He was true and generous in all transactions with his fellow men, and was generous in his hospitality. He left a host of friends who will ever hold his memory dear.

THE ST. JOSEPH Traveler and Herald says: The Doak has been chartered to carry 8,000,000 feet of lumber from this port to Chicago, during the coming season. Last season it carried 3,800,000. Never were the people of St. Joseph so united in one thing as they are against the Potter-Riochy amendment to the village charter. Every citizen in that portion of the town which it proposed to annex to our corporation is opposed to it; every member of the Common Council, with one exception, is opposed to it; nine-tenths of the citizens of this village are opposed to it, and ALL characterize the movement as a dirty trick, worthy only of the three or four parties who inaugurated it. During the past week many of our citizens, who voted for O. B. Potter, have regretted that they never were so badly split by any man, and he should never have their confidence again.

THE NILES Democrat says: The funeral of Hon. Jacob Gelmacher, which took place Thursday afternoon, was largely attended. Few men have died in this city whose death was so much regretted as his. He had, by his generous deeds, and pleasant manners, endeared himself to all classes in the community, and his memory will long be cherished by very many who sincerely regret his death. A valuable mare, belonging to S. M. Finley, attached to a cutter, started on a run from near Pratt's farm, in West Niles, Friday afternoon. In passing the residence of A. Walker, she struck a hitching post, breaking one of her hind legs, and demolishing the cutter. Notwithstanding the broken leg, she ran across the iron-bridge, and quite a distance up Main street, where she was stopped. The animal was soon afterwards shot, which put an end to its sufferings.

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