

BUCHANAN RECORD.

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Buy of Binns the New

"TEA ROSE"

'Twill only cost you just a

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BINNS,

NEXT TO POST-OFFICE, BUCHANAN

The War Cloud.

The outlook at the present writing for is decidedly ominous. The President has shown that the people made no mistake when they voted to place Wm. McKinley in the highest position in the gift of the people. His course has been calm, determined and judicious, with a due regard for the rights of others yet with a determination that the honor of the United States should be upheld by force of arms if necessary. Yesterday by an unprecedented vote both branches of congress voted an appropriation of \$50,000,000 for national defense to be expended at the discretion of the president. When the measure came up party lines were cast aside and every member voted "yes" when his name was called. The report of the court of inquiry in the Maine disaster has not yet been received but there will be interesting news ere another week elapses without doubt.

BUCHANAN MARKETS.

Hay—\$7.00 per ton. Lard, retail—90c. Salt, retail—80c. Flour, per bbl.—\$5.20 to \$6.40. Honey—14c. Live poultry—5 1/2c. Butter—14c. Eggs—10c. Wheat—95c. Chicago, May \$1.04. Oats—25c. Corn—25c. Clover Seed—\$3.00 to \$3.25. Beans—47c. Rye—80c to \$1.00. Live Hogs—\$3.50.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

All "copy" for change of advertisements must be in our office by Wednesday of each week to ensure the change being made.

Public Sale. See local.

Hire & Webster in "A Breezy Time."

Elsworth's of South Bend is advertising their "Spring Opening" in their space.

G. E. Smith & Co. have a talk in their space this week about "Spring Styles."

Read it.

Mrs. Z. R. Wheelock, who is well known as a physician has placed her card in the Record.

Shepard & Benning, of "The Lion" have something to say in regard to prices in their space this week.

D. L. Boardman of the "Cold Cash" grocery is advertising a full line of Evaporated Fruits in his space this week.

Messrs. B. E. Debenber & Bro. have a notice calling attention to the fact that their "Mullin Underwear Sale" positively closes Saturday.

Mr. D. Kiser is sick.

The Thursday night Y. P. Q. C. have a new member.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Fuller entertained at cards Tuesday evening.

Manager Wolcott says that "A Breezy Time" is a first class show in every respect.

The White Belt club met at the home of Mrs. H. D. Rough, on Monday evening.

Mr. George Fleming of Detroit arrived here today and began work as foreman for Mr. Wm. Trenbeth.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Scott entertained the Portage Social Visiting club with a banquet, last Thursday, thirty-six being present.

A number of ladies, each with a well filled basket, surprised Mrs. Francella Fowler at her home on Fourth Street, the occasion being her birthday.

Miss Cora Bennet was pleasantly surprised Friday night by about thirty of her friends who gathered at her home to remain her of her eighteenth birthday. A good time was reported.

Gov. Pingree has issued a call for an extra session of the legislature to convene at Lansing on March 23rd, at noon to consider the question of the taxation of railroad, express, telegraph and telephone companies.

Pastor F. C. Berger is conducting a very successful revival meeting at Hinchman, Mich. Some twenty have begun the better life.

The present conference year closes with this month. Conference will convene at Nashville Mich. Apr. 5th.

The hardware store of E. S. Roe was broken into Sunday night, the money till tapped and \$6.18 in loose change taken therefrom. A lot of cutlery, knives and razors together with several revolvers were also taken. Entrance was effected through a cellar window. No clue has yet been found.

The prohibitionists held their caucus on Monday and placed the following in nomination for the coming village election: President, M. S. Mead; clerk, Alfred Mead; treasurer, Joseph Voorhes; Trustees, Wm. Monroe, Elmer Remington, Horatio A. Richardson, Joseph Boyer; Assessor, W. F. Runner.

"A Breezy Time," which will be seen at Rough's Opera House on Wednesday next is one of the most effective farce comedies on tour this season. It is diverting without being inane, and has a slight story on which to fasten the various specialties, and it has the advantage of having as the principals of the cast E. B. Fitz and Kathryn Webster.

The ladies of the Soldier's Friend Association will give a box social at the Opera House on Saturday evening, March 13, at 7:30 o'clock all are kindly invited to come and enjoy themselves and to get a piece of the novelty pie. Ladies come and bring your boxes with lunch for two, the gentlemen will be there to help empty them. After supper there will be a ball (without the dance). Admission free, prizes given.

CHURCH NOTES.

BY ANGELOICAL.

Services at the Evangelical church next Sunday morning and evening as usual.

LARGER HOP.

Services will be held Sunday morning and evening, March 13. Elder Paton will preach.

CHRISTIAN.

The ladies quartet will sing "In That City Over There," next Sunday, at 10:30 o'clock a. m.

PRESBYTERIAN.

The Pastor will answer the following questions next Sabbath.

Morning—"Should I become a member of the Church?" Evening—"Must I believe in Hell?"

PRIMARY UNION.

Remember the Primary Union tomorrow afternoon at the 2nd Street school. The Sunday Schools were not all represented last Friday but those who came received help and encouragement in their work. Miss Mead visited Miss May Bissch's primary class in Benton Harbor and reported at the Union. Lesson was taught by the president.

METHODIST.

The Epworth League devotional meeting will be held 15 minutes before 6 o'clock, Sunday evening. Subject, "The Breath of God's Love."

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Miscellaneous business was then brought before the convention. A motion was made to have the organization a permanent one, and that we accept an invitation to hold another convention at some date they may designate. Motion accepted.

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Vice Pres., H. W. Scott, Portage Prairie;

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Y. P. A. JOINT CONVENTION.

Portage Prairie, Buchanan, St. Joseph and Bainbridge.

In accordance and with reference to the hearty invitation to the above named alliances from this society, the friends and representatives assembled for the first session of the convention on the evening of March 7 at 7:30.

After several songs, the Rev. F. Koehler of Royalton circuit preached from the text Matthew 6:33, "Search ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you." The exhortations offered will no doubt be profitable to all in the search of true riches and the accomplishment of a successful life.

The Tuesday morning session was opened with song and devotional exercises conducted by the pastor Rev. J. Young. After the devotional exercises the organization then followed with the appointment of Rev. F. C. Berger, chairman, and J. R. Niergarth, sec. After appropriate remarks by the chairman, the welcome address by H. W. Scott was given, and we felt assured that we were welcome to their homes, society and all the good things afforded by this occasion both temporal and spiritual.

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A Pleasant Event.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Edwards vs a Delightful Progressive Race Party.

The hospitable home of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Edwards was the scene of a very enjoyable gathering on Tuesday evening. Between forty and fifty guests were present among whom were the following from out of town: Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Fox, Mr. and Mrs. W. Wirt Stevens and Mr. H. O. Pierce of Niles, Mrs. L. E. Elder of Lansing, Mich., Mrs. Edwin Benedict and Mrs. H. E. Starrett of Chicago. Progressive euchre was played until a late hour when refreshments were served. Mrs. D. H. Bower delighted those present with a fine solo, after which the prizes were awarded. Mrs. H. M. Brodick receiving as a ladies prize for the largest number of games won, a beautiful doiley, and Mr. J. E. Griffin the gentlemen's prize of a cigar receiver for the largest number of games won. After the distribution of the prizes, a pleasant time was passed in social conversation after which the party dispersed to their homes, having had a delightful evening.

THROWN FROM THE CAR.

HERBERT R. HANOVER, BRAKEMAN ON THE "BENTON HARBOR ROUTE," BADLY HURT.

Yesterday morning about 8:30 o'clock while the freight train from Benton Harbor to Buchanan was going around Moccasin Hill a box car loaded with lumber was derailed and toppled over its side. Brakeman Herbert R. Hanover of Buchanan was standing on the roof of the car at the time it left the track, and he was thrown headlong from the top of the car against an embankment and was terribly hurt under the lower jaw about five inches in length, the muscles were terribly torn and lacerated, Dr. G. L. Bailey and sister Dr. Wheelock were summoned and found the injured man in a dangerous condition. He was made as comfortable as possible some twenty one pieces of bone being taken from his wounds. Owing to the great danger of the blood from the wounds flowing into the windpipe and suffocating Hanover, it was impossible to administer chloroform for the operation. Hanover was removed to his home and is resting as comfortably as possible. A special train came down about two o'clock with the railroad company's surgeons from Benton Harbor to render any medical assistance, but they found everything possible being done to relieve the sufferer. Hanover's physician when asked how badly he was hurt stated that there was serious danger of the blood getting in his throat and choking him to death, and that the outcome was very uncertain. The injured young man has a host of friends who trust that he will soon be able to be about once more and will be none the worse for the terrible experience through which he has passed.

Harry Binns has our thanks for a handsome picture of the battleship Maine.

The "20 club" met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. D. H. Bower, the fine weather seemed to inspire each member and a very interesting and instructive meeting was the result. The program as given out the week before was carried out in an excellent manner by all who took part. We had the pleasure of having with us Mrs. Harry Starrett who was an old school girl friend of most of the ladies of the club. The meeting next week will be held at the home of Mrs. Frank Bressler with program as follows: Quotation, Burns; Paper, Contemporaneous English; History, Wilecox; Paper, Art, Gabriel Max; Gene. Blas; Leader, Mrs. May Fuller. Chapters XV and XVI.

Mrs. Harry Starrett visited in Niles today.

Mrs. Geo. Richards went to Niles, Wednesday.

Mrs. L. P. Alexander went to Niles, last Thursday.

Mrs. Carrie Williams is in Dowagiac, this week.

Mr. H. A. Hathaway spent Sunday with his family.

Mr. Chas. F. Howe went to Berrien Springs, Monday.

Mr. Geo. Haskins of Michigan City is visiting in town.

Miss Mabel Kissinger visited friends at Bakertown, last week.

Mr. Harvey Haskins of Ellwood, Ind., is visiting in town.

Mrs. Benj. Ojipin returned to her home in Jackson, Monday.

Mrs. A. A. Amussen of Dowagiac is visiting relatives in town.

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SPECIAL SALE OF

CARPETS FOR MARCH.

Geo. Wyman & Co. offer Carpets at special price to start trade early; during March we will sell: Philadelphia extra super, all-wool Ingrain, at 50c. A lot of last year's patterns at 45c.

We offer an entirely new line of Tapestry Brussels, never shown in this city before with borders to match; Lakeland, 60c; Cordova, 70c; Windsor Brussels, 55c; that will out-wear any body Brussels ever made.

Lineoleum. We offer the greatest bargain in Will's Lineoleum; this is good goods in mill lengths, running from 3 to 15 yards in a piece, at 30c per square yard. This makes it as cheap as oil cloth. We have a complete line of Will's Lineoleum in every grade for less price than this grade was ever sold at.

We shall continue the sale of Ladies, and Children's made-up underwear. We continue our sale of Cloaks, Capes and Wrappers.

We are now prepared to show you all the novelties in Dress Goods, Silks and Wash goods. We have a complete line of Dress Trimmings and Braids.

COME AND SEE US. GEO. WYMAN & CO. South Bend, Ind.

MORTGAGE SALE. First publication, Jan. 20, 1898.

4 FARMS 4 FOR SALE CHEAP ON EASY TERMS. One Farm of 140 acres with 20 acres is Timber. Good House Barn and windmill.

H. F. KINGERY, Buchanan, Mich.

WANTED—Several trustworthy gentlemen or ladies to travel in Michigan for established reliable house. Salary \$750 and expenses. Steady position. Agencies references and stamped envelopes to Dominion Company, Dept. 3, Chicago, Ill.

TREAT BROS. Bill of Fare for the Week.

- MEATS: Picnic Ham, Bacon, Salt Pork. FISH: Codfish, Mackerel, White Fish, Salmon. VEGETABLES: Irish Potatoes, Sweet Potatoes, Hubbard Squash, Turnips, Onions. SIDE DISHES: Peas, Sweet Corn, Hominy, Succotash, St. Louis Knecht, Tomatoes. PICKLES: Olives, Mixed Pickles, Cucumber and Pickles. DESSERT: Apples, Pumpkin, Minors, Peaches. FRUIT: Oranges, Lemons, Bananas, Apples, Cranberries. SEAL BRAND COFFEE.

BUCHANAN RECORD. D. H. BOWER, PUBLISHER AND PROPRIETOR. THURSDAY, MARCH 10, 1898.

SPAIN'S DEBILITATED. The Spanish government has formally requested the recall of Consul General Lee at his post at Havana, to which request the United States has courteously, but firmly refused to comply.

CONSTITUTIONAL. The Spanish government has suggested the propriety of sending relief supplies to Cuban reconcentrados on the cruiser Montgomery and gunboat Nashville, to which suggestion the United States had given a like answer in the negative.

Representative Lund's bill to correct alleged abuses of the second class mail matter privilege, which last year passed the House by 144 to 104, was defeated in the House last Thursday, on a motion to lay it on the table, by vote of 162 to 119.

Reginald de Koven and Sir Arthur Sullivan have both been commissioned by 'The Ladies' Home Journal' to give a musical setting to Rudyard Kipling's great 'Recessional' poem written for the Queen's Jubilee.

Secretary Wilson abates none of his work in rendering practical assistance to the farmers. The original appropriation, immediately following the war, made by Congress for the free distribution of seeds provided for the purchase of new, rare and valuable seeds and plants, and this appropriation has been replenished year by year by each succeeding Congress.

It became known that the art editor had duly notified Mr. Sigbee that his sketches were accepted and that he would be given a place upon the art staff at once. Would Mr. Sigbee please be on hand upon Monday morning? But the week rolled by and there was no Mr. Sigbee.

Outing for March most acceptably meets the requirements of the season. It is the recognized authority as well as the leading publication devoted to sport, and as its influence is always wholesome, its success is well deserved.

During the sermon at the Christian church, by Rev. Wm. Chapple of Vandalia, Sunday morning, he stopped abruptly and said, 'Friends, please sing, I have done all I can,' and sat down.

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COMMON COUNCIL. OFFICIAL MINUTES.

An adjourned meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Buchanan was held in the Council Chamber, Monday evening, March 7, 1898. President Sanders presiding.

The report of the President for the year was read by the Clerk. (See report in another column.) (Moved by Trustee Boardman, supported by Trustee Wood, that the report of the Village Treasurer be accepted and placed on file. Ayes, 5. President Sanders reported that a wooden car had been moved to the rear of Paul Jordan's store, which might increase the fire hazards and, on motion of Trustee Bainton, supported by Trustee Boardman, the matter was referred to the Fire Warden.

The report of the President for the year was read by the Clerk and, on motion of Trustee Bainton, supported by Trustee Boardman, the Council adjourned. W. N. BRODRICK, Clerk.

LIVINGSTON. From our Regular Correspondent. March 2, 1898. A surprise on Mr. Wm. Myers, Monday evening. Wm. McMillen was in Buchanan, Monday.

Mr. Gottlieb Kool and son Clyde and daughter Edith, and Jack Plummer, all of Glendora, made a short call on Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Roundy, Sunday. Mrs. Ida E. Roundy and Mrs. Esther McMillen were in Stevensville, Wednesday.

Mr. Will Koons of Buchanan was expected to be in this country on Sunday, but he failed to appear. What's the matter, Will? Geo. Fox had a runaway on Saturday. Just smashed his cutter, that's all.

Livingston was represented at the Bridgman box social, last evening. Our teacher has rented Will Mead's house, and will move in soon. Mr. Alton Post and daughter Myrtle were in St. Joe, Wednesday. Teacher's and Patron's Institute of lake township was held at the Landon school house, last evening.

THREE OAKS. From our Regular Correspondent. March 8, 1898. The Drew school closed last Friday, for a few weeks' vacation. The Warren Featherbone Co. has rented the lower floor of Bremer's opera block. They will use it as a store room.

Miss McDole, who has been making her home with her aunt, Mrs. Drew, returned to her former home in Indiana, Friday. Excellent sugar weather. Those who have maple trees are now busy making sugar and syrup. The Spring Creek school will close Friday, for a few weeks' vacation. C. Oppenheim has taken possession of J. B. Paddock's store and stock of goods.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Bonnersheim started for Oxford, Florida, last Saturday. They will visit J. B. Pomroy and family. Mr. Hoffman, who purchased the Samuel Hess estate, a few weeks ago, has taken possession of the farm. He intends going into the dairy business.

BERRIEN SPRINGS. From our Regular Correspondent. Miss Mattie Mason has returned from Chicago and will now remain at home. Mr. Richard Milham, an old resident of this place, died at the home of his daughter in Kalamazoo last week. The remains were brought here Monday and the funeral was held at his late home Monday afternoon.

Miss Maggie Reiter was in Niles Tuesday. Miss Mollie Ewalt went to Buchanan the first of the week to visit her sister, Mrs. Ed Bird. Mrs. Milo Smith was in Buchanan Tuesday accompanying her sister Mrs. B. U. Burnham, who went to Chicago for medical treatment.

Dr. H. O. Slater is visiting his mother for a few days, before going to Goshen where he will practice medicine. Berrien Court (the new name for the old court house) will be opened tonight with a dance. Invitations have been issued in Buchanan and Benton Harbor as well as Berrien Springs.

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SCHOOL DEPARTMENT. We Have A Full Line of Evaporated Fruits

Barlett Peas, Peaches with the pits in, which gives them a natural flavor; Apricots and all grades of prunes; Crystallized Cherries; Figs, Dates and Nuts, at the "COLD CASH." D. L. BOARDMAN.

Watch this space next week. MOCCOSIN MOUND DAIRY, Percy G. Skirven.

ANNUAL REPORT. Of the Village of Buchanan, Year Ending March 18, 1898.

GENERAL FUND. March 18, 1897. Balance on hand, \$4,033.90. Paid, \$1,000.00. Total, \$3,033.90.

WATERWORKS FUND. March 18, 1897. Balance on hand, \$1,000.00. Total, \$1,000.00.

DEBT PAYING FUND. March 18, 1897. Balance on hand, \$500.00. Total, \$500.00.

RECAPITULATION. Balance on hand, \$7,333.41. Total, \$7,333.41.

REPORT OF PRESIDENT OF LICENSE, TAX AND STOVEY SOLD. 1 stove sold to K. H. King, \$5.00.

REPORT OF CLERK OF WATER BOARD. BUCHANAN, Mich., March 7, 1898.

TO THE HONORABLE PRESIDENT AND COMMON COUNCIL OF THE VILLAGE OF BUCHANAN. GENTLEMEN:—Pursuant to the laws of the Village, I herewith submit the following report of the Board of Water Works.

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Mary A. Livermore's New Book, THE STORY OF MY LIFE. Or the Sunshine and Shadow of Seventy Years.

This new and superbly illustrated book is the crowning life work of the famous Mary A. Livermore, and as she herself states, it is the last that will ever come from her pen.

It seems almost incredible that a woman now so famous made a "mud pie" in her childhood, was often sent supperless to bed, and was frequently bounced down into a kitchen chair with an emphasis that shocked her to "see stars."

She tells of the eventful Christmas night when she wandered into the church of a strange young preacher, who soon afterwards became her husband. Their comical experiences in their first attempt at housekeeping, the ignominious fate that her husband awarded to her first fish chowder (the buried it after dark in the garden); and the many trials and tribulations that followed are marvelously entertaining. They were poor. She tried her hand at tailoring, and with the money saved by secretly making a pair of trousers for her husband she paid for a year's subscription to a weekly newspaper.

Mrs. Livermore threw her whole heart and soul into measures for the relief of sick and wounded soldiers, and spent four years as a nurse in the Union Army. Her intellectual greatness and nobility of character led her to rise from those thrilling experiences to become the best known woman of America, and opened the way to her phenomenal platform career, that has continued for more than thirty years. At her feet millions of people have sat and listened with admiration and wonder. The rich and poor, the high and low, the learned and unlearned have been alike thrilled and moved by her burning words. She has swayed brilliant audiences of fact; she has spoken in state prisons, jails, and penitentiaries; to audiences composed of outcasts, and to audiences numbering thousands of children. In this autobiography she gives many reminiscences of her platform experiences, with anecdotes and incidents "too funny for anything."

Many distinguished men and women have long urged Mrs. Livermore to tell the marvelous story of her life in a carefully written and illustrated form. Many of them are humorously, while others depict thrilling scenes full of pathos and tragic interest.

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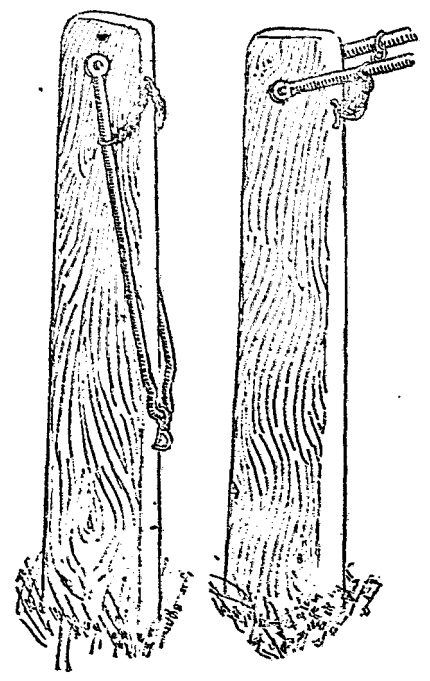
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FARM AND GARDEN

FARM CONVENIENCES.

At Improved Hitching Post—An Advantageous Erection For Gates.

When one places a hitching post beside a driveway on the lawn, the grass all about the post is quite sure to be utterly destroyed by the feet of the horses, since horses will move all about a post to which they are hitched, even when harnessed to a carriage. This makes an unsightly spot and one where very



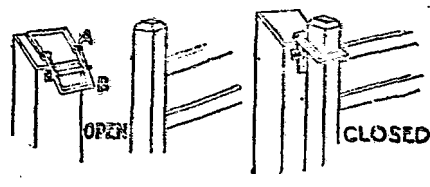
IMPROVED HITCHING POST.

quickly a pool of water will stand after every rain. The first illustration shows an improvement on an "improved" hitching post which was originally described in The Country Gentleman.

First the writer conceived the idea of locating the post just outside the roadway, in the grass, using the double swinging arm, with its saddle, to hold the horse off from the grass. This works well with most horses, but some will throw the arm completely up over the top of the post, and so get on to the grass with all four feet. This is obviated by using the chain, as shown in the cut. This permits the arm to rise just far enough to reach the bridle of the horse, with play enough so that he can move his head freely, but does not permit him to throw it over upon the other side of the post.

This device of using an arm to keep the horse away from the post accomplishes more than the preservation of the grassy sod. It keeps the horse from gnawing and disfiguring the post and from rubbing his bridle and other parts of his harness against it, often to the serious injury of the harness.

On reference to the second illustration, here reproduced from The Prairie Farmer, it will be seen that the apparatus consists of a link A, and two half links, B, with a hinge joining



SATISFACTORY GATE FASTENING.

them. The link A, when closed, is on being struck by the closing gate is, of course, forced back to the gatepost, the concussion sufficing to bring the square link A over the top of the gate, as shown.

No great force is required to make the apparatus act, the smallest opening through which a man can pass causing sufficient jerk to bring the link A over the gate. It will easily be understood, therefore, that when a gate is swung open there is no chance of the gatepost making a hole in the ground, the gatepost must, of course, be set slightly on the slant in order to make the gate close after being swung open, and that being effected, the fastening works itself. There need be no more straining left through gates being negligently left open, nor can stock push the gate open unless they learn the art of raising the link. The fastening is exceedingly easy to open.

Reclaiming Alkali Lands.

Charles A. Shinn of the agricultural department of the California State university reports the success of experiments which have been made at the station at Tulare in the reclamation of alkali lands. He is quoted in the San Francisco Call as saying:

"We have discovered that much can be done to neutralize the effect of the alkali by mechanical treatment of the soil. By using straw—not manure, for manure makes alkali soil even worse—the ground is kept warm and the cold alkali is kept from rotting the seed.

"Our experiments with the salt bush have also proved that even without reclamation alkali lands can be made valuable for pasture. The salt bush makes a thick growth six or seven inches high and makes excellent grazing for sheep. The excellence of the wool is due very largely to the abundance of salt bush upon which the sheep graze.

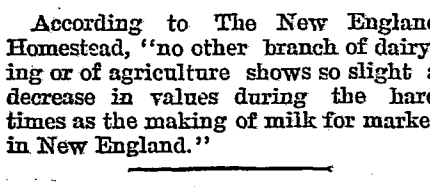
On the kurros of South Africa the salt bush has been planted for sheep pasture by several companies. The planting of the salt bush promises to establish a new industry in California. The bush grows where alfalfa will not grow, and in many cases, perhaps, it will be cheaper to plant it than to attempt to reclaim the land."

According to The New England Homestead, "no other branch of dairying or of agriculture shows so slight a decrease in values during the hard times as the making of milk for market in New England."

A Fodder Vise.

The following sketch of a vise for holding fodder to be cut by hand is from Ohio Farmer, and are the explanations:

1 is the foundation plank, 2 inches thick, 14 inches wide and 4 feet long;



VICE FOR HOLDING FODDER.

2, plank to chop on; 3, a thick post with roller to hold the fodder; 4 is a part with piece of strap iron, dotted, nailed on it, to catch lever; 6, notched lines show position of lever raised up to put in bundle. Out with a sharp ax close to the lever.

News and Notes.

The preliminary returns to the agricultural department show large yields of buckwheat and hay as compared with last year.

According to the government crop report for November, the average yield per acre of corn was 33.7 bushels. The corresponding estimate last year was 37.9 bushels.

The soy bean may be grown about as far north as corn.

Secretary Wilson has been trying to learn why more of our bacon cannot be sold in the English market. American bacon is too fat.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

SCHOOL NOTES.

EVERETT SCHOOL.

Eighteen enrolled for Spring term. Attendance regular. Health and happiness perfect.

Music, drawing and penmanship delights all.

No spring vacation as we could not spare the time.

Michigan geography interests us now.

Some beautiful maps of Michigan are being drawn by 6th grade.

Fred Lydick won the mathematical contest, Fred Geyer second. May Watson won in both writing contests.

Hurrah, for "Dog and Deer," "Prisoners Base," "Sheep Out," "Jail," "Ball," "Hoop," and "Kite Flying."

A BARN CAR.

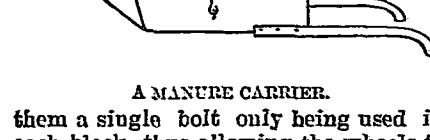
Eighteen Farm Labor by Carrying Engine or Manure.

The help problem among farmers is today one of the most serious with which they have to contend, and any device that tends to lessen or save labor will or should be hailed with delight as a boon of no little value. The accompanying illustration is presented in the hope that some one may be assisted in lightening the farm labor by the use of this engine or manure carrier. It was formerly illustrated in Farm, Field and Fireside and described as follows by a New York correspondent, who writes that he had seen it in practical operation on a dairy farm as an engine carrier and in a stable as a manure carrier:

G G is a track of iron such as is used for barn doors, and F a car for carrying the manure or engine. The car is made to rest on the ceiling either ahead or behind the cows, according as it is desired for use in feeding or in stable cleaning, running it the whole length or clear around the stable as is most convenient. The car is so constructed that the wheels will turn on a curve in the track.

Four carrier wheels are bolted in pairs to the blocks, A A, and hung to the track, the blocks running close to the track to prevent the wheels jumping off.

These blocks are bolted to a heavy scantling, B B, under them, to connect



A MANURE CARRIER.

them a single bolt only being used in each block, thus allowing the wheels to turn on a curve in the track as referred to above.

D is a crossbar above the car and to which the car F is hung by rods, H H, the lower ends of the rods hooking into staples near the bottom of the car. There may be a rod from the crossbar D to the back end of the car to steady it until ready to dump, which can be done easily by simply unhooking this rod. C is a heavy swivel connecting the timber between the two pairs of wheels and the crossbar D.

By the handles at the forward end of the car it can be easily moved in either direction upon the track, even when fully loaded, the car holding about one-fourth of a wagon load.

Making an Asparagus Bed.

Asparagus roots may be planted in spring or fall, provided the ground is moderately dry, otherwise it is better to plant in the spring. The land must be well prepared and can hardly be too rich. Good strong 1-year-old plants are by many preferred to other ones. For garden culture American Agriculturist advises that the roots be set in trenches three feet apart and the roots planted two feet apart in the rows. In field culture, where horse cultivation is practiced, three to four feet of space is given each way. The easiest way of planting is to make furrows with the plow, 10 or 12 inches deep. Level and mellow the bottom of these, and if the ground is not already very rich spade in some decomposed manure, filling up the trenches so that the bottom of the trenches lies below the surface of the land. Plant the roots in these, covering them with three inches of soil, and as the shoots grow fill in the trench gradually with soil. The easiest way of mellowing and clearing of weeds throughout the season. After two years a few stalks may be cut off each year, but a full crop should not be cut before the third year.

Winter Grain Seeding.

August is the month when the farmer in all the winter wheat sections of the country is busy in preparing the seed bed for winter grain. Rye is less injured by lack of preparation of the seed bed than is wheat. The chief object for both grains is to make a shallow seed bed, able to hold an inch of moisture as is needed to germinate the seed grain, but at the same time have a firm and dry bottom for the seed bed, which the grain roots shall not be able to penetrate.

After plowing and mellowing the soil the roller will secure these conditions. If possible slightly harrow the surface soil and then roll it down after each rain. This may seem to the inexperienced to make the surface too hard for a good seed bed, but so that the wheat will germinate and catch hold with its roots of the surface soil the seed bed must be too hard.—American Cultivator.

News and Notes.

Compared with last year, there is a decided reduction in the potato supply.

A big shortage is indicated in the corn crop of 1897.

The oat crop is a moderate one, but of fair quality.

Returns indicate a heavy yield of winter wheat.

Most growers agree that level culture of potatoes gives the largest crops.

Professor J. C. Arthur of the Indiana station has found that a solution of formalin gives on the whole better results than the corrosive sublimate in preventing potato scab.

Rural New Yorker says: "Don't dig the potatoes until the vines are entirely dead. The berries grow while there is a spark of life in the vines."

The agricultural department, after long experiments with lawn grasses, declares that creeping bent is the finest lawn grass known.

The government crop reports show the apple prospect extremely low save in the far west and on the Pacific coast.

News and Notes.

Fiber investigations made under the auspices of the department of agriculture have revealed the fact that we can produce superior flax straw in the Puget sound region.

The greatest need in best sugar making is men who "know how to do it." That is true of everything. It is only more evident in the best sugar business, according to Rural New Yorker.

The Florida experiment station announces a new remedy for the San Jose scale. It is a fungus disease which destroys the San Jose scale, which has in the past two or three years spread all over the country.

ANNUAL TAX SALE.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.

CITY OF BENTON.

The Circuit Court for the County of Berrien in Chancery, do hereby certify that the Auditor General of the State of Michigan, for and in behalf of said State, for the sale of certain lands for taxes assessed thereon.

In the matter of the petition of Roscoe D. Dix, Auditor General of the State of Michigan, for a decree to review and annul the petition of the Auditor General of the State of Michigan, praying for a decree in favor of the State of Michigan, for the sale of land therein described, for the amount of taxes assessed thereon, and for a decree that the interest and charges on said parcel of land, and the costs of advertising and other expenses, be paid by the State of Michigan.

It is ordered that the petition be brought on for trial on the first day of April next, at the Court House of the County of Berrien, at the City of Benton, Michigan, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, and that all persons interested in said lands or any part thereof, do appear at the said Court House, at the said time, to be heard by the State of Michigan for such taxes, interest and charges, or any other interest or claim in said Court, and file with the clerk thereof, a copy of the petition, and a copy of the return thereon, or before the first day of the term of this Court above mentioned, and that in default thereof the same shall be taken as confessed, and a decree will be taken and entered in favor of the State of Michigan, and the balance ordered that in pursuance of said decree the lands described in said petition be sold to the highest bidder, and that the proceeds of said sale shall be made, will be sold for the several taxes, interest and charges, and 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