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BUCHANAN RECORD.

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RECORD ITEM BOXES

Are located at the following places: B. Binns. B. R. Desenberg & Bro. Hotel Stephens. Dr. E. S. Dodd & Son. M. C. R. R. depot. Drop any items of interest in any of these boxes, and they will reach the Record office.

BUCHANAN MARKETS.

Rutter—184. Eggs—20c. Wheat—63c. Oats—35c. Corn—35c. Rye—50c. Flour, per bbl.—\$3.00 to \$4.50. Live Hogs—83. Honey—14c. Live poultry—4c. Hay—\$6 to \$7 per ton. Clover—\$2.50. Salt, retail—75c. Beans—\$0.40 to \$1.00.

DETROIT LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Michigan Central Live Stock Yards, Detroit, Dec. 21. The demand for live cattle is dull this week; receipts have been liberal of late. The following prices are being paid at the Detroit Live Stock Market: Prime steers range \$4.25 to \$5.00; heavy butchers' cattle, \$3.50 to \$4.00; common, \$2.50 to \$3.25; cubs, \$2.00 to \$2.75. Sheep and lambs, liberal supply and dull; prime lambs, \$4.00 to \$5.00; mixed, \$3.50 to \$4.00. Hogs are the leading feature of this market; receipts, trade is active at the following prices: Prime medium, \$3.00 to \$3.25; Yorkers, \$2.25 to \$3.00; pigs, \$3.00 to \$3.10; roughs, \$2.00 to \$2.75; stags, 1/2 off; cripples, \$1 per cwt. off.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

All "copy" for change of advertisements must be in our office by Wednesday of each week to ensure the change being made. Martha J. Lyon, administratrix. See legal. Musical Journal prospectus in another column. Treat Bros. have a business talk about candies and money. Read it. W. N. Bradrick offers you a choice line of Holiday goods. Read ad. Your attention is invited to the advertisement of the Boston Store on fourth page. Dell Jordan speaks to the public through the columns of the Record this week. Read it. Harry Binns has a new ad. this week. It tells why his store is full of Christmas buyers. The Opera House Market has something to say about Christmas poultry and meats. See page. Desenberg & Bro. have a new announcement this issue. Of course you will call on them before making your purchases. The Record wishes its readers, one and all, a Merry Christmas. Miss Lulu Morris is helping at "The Fair" during holidays. Miss Florence Mead entertained a number of friends on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Jay Godfrey is quite ill of tonsillitis and is under the care of Dr. Peck. Mr. Geo. Thatcher who has been quite ill at the home of Mrs. Kent is slowly improving. Word has been received that Dr. Orville Curtis is expected back next Thursday night, entirely recovered. County Clerk John W. Needham has purchased a house on Wayne St., in St. Joseph, and will remove there at once. The M. B. H. & C. R. R. ran a special train Sunday evening to bring passengers to the Michigan Central train. The postoffice at Hagar has been discontinued and patrons will be served by carrier from Benton Harbor. The Bethany class of the M. E. Sunday school enjoyed an Art Collection at the home of Rev. H. L. Potter last evening. Mr. W. J. Hunt of Lawton, is filling the position of telegraph operator at the Western Union, substitute A. L. Mann having been called to Michigan City. Deputy Railroad Commissioner W. W. Wedemeyer, who is well known to many of our readers, has formed a law partnership with M. J. Cavanaugh and will begin the practice of law at Ann Arbor after January first. Mr. Wedemeyer's many friends wish the new firm abundant success. Did it ever occur to you that a year's subscription to the Record sent to some distant friend or relative would make a very acceptable Christmas present and one that will remind the recipient of the giver, every week, as its welcome visits come during the year. A reunion of the Helmick family was held at Grange Hall Wednesday. About seventy were present. After doing justice to the ample repast the members of the family organized and the following officers were elected: President, John S. Helmick; Vice-President, H. S. Helmick; Secretary and Treasurer, Irwin Helmick. After enjoying a good program the guests left for home, each wishing many happy returns of the day. Cutler Tent, No. 22, K. O. T. M., held their annual election on Tuesday night and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Com., Wm. Koons. Lt. Com., Henry Blodgett. R. K., J. B. Peters. Ch. K., W. F. Runner. Ch. P., H. O. Chubb. Phys., Dr. M. H. Knight. Asst., Dr. Robert Henderson. Sergt., Alanson Hamilton. M. A., Chas. F. Fears. M. of G., George Seabury. 2d M. of G., Adam J. Liddick. Sentinel, L. H. Dodd. Fickett, D. H. Bower.

Some Attractive Windows.

Many of our merchants devote considerable time and thought in decorating their windows for the Holiday season, and we notice several tasty and novel effects this year. In the window of a Jones & Co. jewelry store is a striking electrical device which flashes the letters of the words "Xmas", and can be seen for a long distance. W. H. Keller has his windows very tastefully arranged, and in the west has a beautiful doll house which in connection with the display of dolls and toys makes it a center of attraction to all the little folks. B. R. Desenberg & Bro. have a novel display in their east window, having it stacked full of Eureka carpet stretchers which they are giving free to purchasers of goods at their store. In the west window is a swing upon which a beautiful doll is rested, the balance of the window being finely arranged with handkerchiefs. D. L. Boardman has his windows prettily decorated, the west one being devoted principally to crockery and glassware, while the east window has a fire place effect with steps and gateway made up of handkerchiefs and white goods giving a very pleasing effect. At the Cottage Bakery Mr. Oharlwood has devoted his entire window to a display of candies, of all kinds, and the manner in which they are arranged reflects great credit on the young lady who presides at the candy counter. The Boston Store have their windows decorated with crepe paper and inside the store have neatly arranged booths on their center counter, in which are pleasingly displayed a number of goods suitable for holiday gifts. Dr. E. S. Dodd & Son's drug store have a handsomely arranged display of toilet articles, comb cases and many other articles for the season. Harry Binns has his window tastefully decorated in green and white with a mirror set in for a back ground. The window is full of Christmas toys, dolls and games. He also has an unique electrical sign which attracts much attention. Grocer C. D. Kent has his window filled with some of the latest styles in lamps, glass and crockery ware, and they present an interesting display. Glenn E. Smith & Co. have a good display of Christmas neckwear in their east window and shoes in the west one. Other windows that are attractively dressed for the season are those of Morris The Fair, E. S. Roe, W. N. Budrick, Treat Bros, Carmer & Carmer, Geo. Richards, G. W. Noble, W. F. Runner, S. P. High, The Emporium, and a number of others.

COUNTY SEAT NEWS

COURT. The jury in the case of the people vs. Timothy Talbot for keeping his saloon open on Sunday rendered a verdict of guilty at 8 o'clock Thursday night. One juror stood for acquittal for several hours, and Garrett, Doner is thought to have been the lone man of twelve. The jury in the case of people vs. Ella Smith was out ten minutes and rendered a verdict of not guilty. Smith was arrested for assault and battery because he collided with another man's team. Gore & Harvey were Smith's attorneys. In the case of the people vs. Edward Schaefer, the respondent was fined \$40 for keeping his saloon open on Sunday. In the case of the people vs. Gottfried Kolb and E. Eisenhard for keeping their saloon on a holiday, a fine of \$30 was imposed. Tom Goines was tried Friday on the charge of stealing C. J. Peck's harness. Attorney Valentine conducted the prosecution and James O'Hara was appointed to defend Goines. The jury rendered a verdict, Friday afternoon, of guilty. In the cases of the People vs. Otis A. Rider for violation of the liquor law, John Clark has been added to the testimony. Judge Coolidge has granted the petition of Receiver D. B. Ainger to sell the interest of the First National bank in the Buss machine works property which is exceedingly encouraging. Isabel Moore et al have filed a bill of foreclosure against Ira D. Wagner et al on a promissory note of \$2,000. Gore & Harvey are the plaintiff's attorneys. DIVORCE PROCEEDINGS. Margaret Weir, by her attorney, W. C. Hicks has filed a bill of divorce from her husband, James J. Weir, on the ground of desertion and non support. ALBERT E. HOUSEWERTH appointed administrator of the estate of Henry G. Housewirth, deceased. MARRIAGE LICENSES. William J. Suresh, 31, St. Joseph; Mary Elaine, 26, same. Edw. Y. Fuller, 23, Three Rivers; Tressie Wadell, 19, Niles. John Bibbink, 28, Oronoko; Minerva Lord, 18, Lake. John Chevia, 31, Gallien; Louie Van Thorg, 17, same. Edw. F. Franzer, 34, Royaton; Minnie Kugel, 22, same. Henry E. Schrumph, 22, Niles; Julia Fieckhauser, 22, same. Paul Kedrickowski, 24, St. Joseph; Louise Keftis, 31, same. Robert M. Gillespie, 45, Berrien township; North M. Easton, 39, Niles tp. Frank Halter, 23, Three Oaks tp.; Mary Matthews, 17, Weesav tp.

CHURCH NOTES.

UNITED BRETHREN. The Ladies Aid met, Wednesday evening, at the home of Mrs. Scott on South Oak street. Cottage prayermeeting, Thursday evening, at the home of Mrs. Smith on Front street. Teachers' meeting Friday evening at the church. The Advent Sunday school will have a supper at the home of Mr. H. N. Mowrey on Monday evening followed by exercises and a social time generally. The Presbyterian Sunday school will have a banquet at the church on Saturday evening in lieu of a tree, following the banquet with toasts and responses by the various members. The Methodist Sunday school will have their exercises on Saturday evening and they will have a Christmas tree for the school, with a musical and literary program in connection with it. The Christian Sunday school will have their exercises on Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock. The program will consist of music and literary and followed by distribution of gifts from trees, a representation of a cottage being built on the platform. The Evangelical Sunday school will hold their Christmas entertainment on Saturday evening at the church. The exercises will consist of a musical and literary program followed by a distribution of gifts from trees that will be placed on the platform upon which will be built a representation of a church. The following will be the program at the Presbyterian church on Christmas morning: Organ prelude with flute accompaniment—"Processional March" (by Bapisk Calkin), Mrs. Ivy Flowers, Herb Roe. Gloria Patri, Hewett. Invocation, by the pastor. Response, by choir. Hymn, "Hail to the Brightness," Responsive Reading. Anthem—"Oh Holy Night" (Adam), full chorus. Scripture Reading. Hymn—"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing." Prayer, by Pastor. Solo—"Dream of Paradise," Claude B. Roe. Offering. Anthem—"Calm on the Listening Ear of Night" (Parker), Full chorus. Sermon—Christmas, Rev. James Provyn. Hymn—"Holy! Holy! Lord God Almighty." Benediction. Organ Postlude. Christmas Poultry and Meats. The finest quality of meats, poultry, etc., are kept by Mr. Frank L. Raymond, of the Opera House Market. Your Christmas dinner will not be complete unless you see to it that your roast, or chicken, goose or turkey is furnished you from this popular establishment. If you cannot call just telephone Mr. Raymond just what you want and he will be glad to deliver it to your home.

CORRESPONDENCE

PIPESTONE. From our Regular Correspondent. Pipestone is blessed with a good run of sleighing. The BUCHANAN RECORD is a welcome visitor to Pipestone subscribers. There will be a Christmas tree at the United Brethren church Xmas evening. Wm. Matibon, who has been making his home with Chas. Farrow died last week. Old and young congregated at the home of Mrs. Sickeny's last week to an old fashioned house warming, in Bainbridge. Pipestone was well represented. Channey Shurd, an old pensioner, has had his pension increased to \$24 per month, with \$12.40 back pay. Lewis Stearns has been appointed his guardian by the government.

BERRIEN CENTRE.

From our Regular Correspondent. December 20, 1898. Our fine sleighing is a thing of the past. Delegates Mars and Murphy, to the State Grange at Lansing, report a splendid time. Wm. G. Armstrong carries his left arm in sling, fractured in a game of ball two weeks ago at M. A. C. Messrs. F. E. Murphy, and Wm. G. Armstrong returned on the 16th inst. from M. A. C., for their holiday vacation. County Commissioner Clarke has issued programs for a school rally to be held at Berrien Centre, January 7, 1899. Mrs. A. J. Ford and two youngest children are spending a month among friends in central Indiana, near Mexico. The cards are out announcing the marriage of two of our most estimable young people, J. A. Rutter to Miss Julia Snavely. The wedding is to be celebrated at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Snavely, on Wednesday evening at 8 p. m. Their numerous friends wish them a full share of happiness and long life.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Will House was in Niles Tuesday. Mr. S. Smith went to Chicago Monday. Mr. J. A. Arthur was in Niles, Wednesday. Mr. H. A. Hathaway went to Three Rivers Monday. Mr. Peter Bachman was in South Bend yesterday. Mr. Chas. C. High of Kalamazoo was in town Tuesday. Mrs. Glenn Smith and Mrs. Frank Steiner were in Niles Tuesday. Mr. Robert Henderson is home for the holidays, from Champaign, Ill. Mrs. Henry Dickinson will spend the holiday with relatives near Colon. Miss Minnie Graham will spend Christmas at her home in Colon, Mich. Miss Lois Wheelock will spend Christmas with her sister in Detroit. Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Rapmond and family will spend Christmas in Decatur. Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Pollock and family will spend Christmas in Cassopolis. Mrs. Jas. Matthews of Denver, Colo., is making a visit with friends in town. Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Jennings of Paw Paw spent Sunday in town with relatives. Mr. Clayton Beckwith of Benton Harbor is spending a few days with Charles Boyle. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lamb, Mrs. B. F. Needham and son John W., were in South Bend yesterday. Miss Mollie Ewalt of Berrien Springs spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. Edwin L. Bird. Station Agent A. F. Peacock returned from a visit with his mother and brother at Corunna, Mich. Mr. Fred Hanley is spending Christmas in St. Louis, Mo., with his sister, Mrs. F. E. Newberry. Mrs. Lyman Manger goes Saturday to spend the holidays with her husband's people in Kokomo, Ind. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Magoon of Sandusky, O., are spending the holidays with Mrs. Magoon's parents. Mrs. E. P. Benedict and children are spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Richards. Misses Carrie Boyle and Carrie Shafer and Messrs. Lute Shafer and Herb Henderson are in South Bend today. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hoffman has gone to Nashville, Tenn., to spend Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. W. R. Hinkle. Alderman Fred M. Smith of the 17th ward of Detroit and his family are spending the holidays with Mrs. Smith's parents. Mrs. L. P. Alexander left on Saturday for a visit with her son John B. at Cleveland, O., after which she will spend the remainder of the winter with relatives in New York State. Miss Letta Mae Hodges, who returned Wednesday from a nine weeks' visit in Yassar, received word Saturday night that her mother, Mrs. L. W. Hodges, is very ill with pneumonia at that place. Mr. and Mrs. Jay Godfrey went to Chicago Friday accompanied by their two daughters. Miss Grace remained until Saturday night. Mr. Mann of Michigan City having charge of the telegraph office. Mr. Wm. Warner of Hinckham is entertaining his two granddaughters from Vicksburg. The children aged respectively eleven and three made trip alone changing cars three times, Cassopolis, Niles and Buchanan.

Sideboards

Two Hundred Rocking Chairs to go before New Years if low prices will do it.

Suits

Special inducements in High-class Sideboards.

Rockers

Couches.

Geo. B. Richards

Old South City, Mich. Drumlanrig Castle, the Duke of Buccleuch's seat in Dumfriesshire, where duke and duchess of York are about to go on a visit, was built by the second duke of Buccleuch about 200 years ago, and is said to be the largest house in Scotland. It stands in a commanding position overlooking the Frith. Its builder is said to have passed one night in it, and is said to have deposited the papers relating to its cost in a box bearing the inscription, "One Bell pick out his eyes who looks herein." It has long since remained closed and deserted, but the late duke brought the mansion and its surroundings to the highest point of civilization. The founder of the castle is buried in the parish church of Durisdeer, in which parish the castle stands.

Obituary

Wm. Mrs. Casilda G. Church Wynn was born in Mahoning county, Ohio, in February, 1846, and went to her eternal home December 19, 1898. When she was about ten years of age her parents removed from Alliance, Ohio, to Niles township, Mich., where they resided for many years. Here, at the age of sixteen years, she was married to John Wynn. Of her childhood home, parents and seven of the nine children of "Hill home," have gone before her to the other side, one sister alone still remaining here. After her marriage she became a resident of several places, coming to Buchanan some twelve years ago. She was the mother of nine children, seven of whom, with their father, are left to mourn the departure of a kind and faithful mother. While living at Berrien Springs about sixteen years ago she gave her heart to the Lord and became an active member of the United Brethren Church. Nearly a year ago Mrs. Wynn began to fail in health and since that time gradually but surely the disease has been advancing in its destructive course. All that love and science could do was done, but of no avail. The funeral services were held yesterday morning, Rev. H. L. Potter officiating. Interment at Oak Ridge.

Factories Without Chimneys

To horseless carriages and smokeless powder add chimneyless factories as the newest in nomenclature. Hereafter it has been necessary in order to secure plenty of draft for a furnace to build an immensely tall chimney. Now it is found that instead of pulling up a chimney you can create her a plant that from below with fan. A plan running three boilers of 260 horse-power tried this experiment with a fan whose wheel had a diameter of fifty-four inches. The draft was so much increased that the firm was nearly \$1,000 a year by using a cheaper grade of coal.

Lies Down to Die

Dependent on the loss of money and work, Charles Morley, 50 years of age, tried to end his life by inhaling gas. He was found unconscious in bed by Mrs. John Hiller, proprietor of the rooming-house at 193 Washington street, and sent to the county hospital. Morley lay on the bed unconscious. He was cleanly shaven, and the appearance of his room and himself showed that he had carefully prepared to end his life. Mrs. Hiller said Morley had been despondent of late because he had lost his position and was unable to pay his room rent.

How to Propose to a Queen

A young man on the island of Malta wanted to marry a queen of one of the south Pacific islands and wrote her a letter. "Most gracious queen," were his words, "I read about the steamship Bonanza being drifted on your island and the women under you began to select husbands from the crew, and that you, my queen, wanted for a husband a man who would love you and make you happy. If you will have me for a husband write back and let me know and send me the money for my passage. Send me a paper note for \$25 and I will come to you at once."

Cost of a Naval Duel

"The cost of a naval duel between two modern battleships in the value of projectiles and the probable damage to structure is estimated as easily approximately \$1,600,000," says "The Age of Steel." "This little bill would be filed out in the space of thirty minutes, provided all the armament of each ship was in active service for that length of time. Should one or both ships be lost in the fray the loss would add tremendously to the above figures."

New York's Tug Service

New York harbor has about 400 tug-boats and the average run is about \$30 a day. This makes a daily business of \$12,000, or \$2,000 a week, or \$2,744,000 a year, which gives us an idea of the amount of shipping that is handled in port annually. As many as 300 ships have entered that harbor in a day. The price of a tug ranges between \$5,000 and \$12,000. A first-class twenty-inch tug, with hull and engines right, is worth \$10,000.

Safety of Railroad Travel

Last year on American railways one passenger was killed in accidents out of every 2,827,474 passengers carried. That is to say, you can take a train 2,827,474 times before, on the law of averages, your turn comes to be killed. You will have to travel 7,998,962 miles on the cars before that turn comes, and 4,541,945 miles before you are injured. If you travel twenty miles every day for 300 days in the year you can keep on it for 788 years before your turn comes to be hurt.

Leather for Pocketbooks

The newest leather for pocketbooks, card cases, letter cases and that sort of thing is rhinoceros skin. This is the leather in the center of the Municipal square at Leipzig—the remains of the French and Prussian soldiers who fell in the assault on Leipzig, Oct. 19, 1813. A municipal commission has raised 80,000 marks toward the erection of a beautiful monument above these remains.

Deaths by Starvation in London

A parliamentary paper just issued states that the number of cases in which coroners' juries in London found that death was caused by starvation or accelerated by privation during the year 1897 was 41.

IT TAKES NO PROPHET

To tell who is getting the big trade in Holiday Goods. A glance at the crowd of buyers in our store will show that the citizens of Buchanan appreciate our efforts to give them good goods at reasonable prices. If you have not yet purchased call and see us before our stock is broken. We are right next door to the Postoffice.

BINNS, BINNS, BINNS.

Census of the World's Railways. A census of the world's railways recently compiled gives the following figures: In Europe the miles operated have risen in four years from 141,552 to 155,284; in Asia from 22,025 to 26,890; in Africa from 6,522 to 8,169; in America from 212,724 to 299,722; and in Australia from 12,322 to 13,888, making a total for the world of 493,852 against 395,142 four years ago. These figures show that Africa made the greatest proportionate advance, that continent's gain being over 25 per cent against 8 per cent in Europe, 22 per cent in Asia, 5 per cent in America, and 12 1/2 per cent in Australia.

Wars of European Nations

Turkey, partly from necessity and partly from choice, is the most warlike nation in the world. Her record from the beginning of the century to the end of 1896 was 37 years of war to 65 of peace; Spain, with nearly 10 per cent, 31 years of war to 65 of peace, has second place; then comes France, with 27 years of war and 69 of peace. Russia, during the 96 years, had 24 years of war; Italy, 23; Great Britain, 21; Austro-Hungary, 17; the Netherlands, 14; Germany, exclusive of Prussia, 13; Prussia, 12; Sweden, 10; Portugal, 12; and Denmark, 9.

Relative Importance of the Letters

To those who have never considered the subject, it might appear that each letter is of equal importance in the formation of words, but the relative importance is not equal. In the English language are these: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z. It is this knowledge of how frequently one letter is used compared with others that enables cryptogram readers to unravel so many mysteries.

Ricciardi Swiss School Laws

If a child in Switzerland does not attend school on a particular day the parent gets a notice from the public authority that he is fined so many francs; the second day the fine is increased, and by the third day the amount has become a serious one. In case of sickness the pupil is excused, but if there is any suspicion of shaming a doctor is sent. If the suspicion proves to be well founded the parent is required to pay the cost of the doctor's visit.

Vastness of the Vatican Palace

The Vatican palace is a succession of buildings, so that to give its length and breadth does not suggest its actual size. It is 200 feet long and 1,000 feet wide. It contains, according to some accounts, 11,000 rooms; according to others, 5,000 rooms; it has twenty courts and 200 staircases, besides eight grand staircases. It has seven chapels, printing establishments, a mosaic works and offices and workshops of every kind. It is, in fact, more of a city than a palace.

Wants to Call Us Usans.

A correspondent of the Westminster Gazette considers that it takes too much exertion and ink to spread the name of the United States of America, and he suggests, inasmuch as in manuscript it is customary for brevity to print the three letters, "U. S. A.," for the "United States of America," that the republic be called "Usan" and its inhabitants "Usans."

The Vestness of St. Peter's

St. Peter's Cathedral in Rome is the largest single building in the world, the famous monastery of the Escorial, in the province of Madrid, being a collection of palaces rather than a single building. The area of St. Peter's is 18,000 square yards, while that of the Cathedral of Milan is 10,000, that of St. Paul in London is 9,500, that of St. Sophia at Constantinople 8,150, and that of Cologne Cathedral 7,400.

Gendarmes on Bicycles

Some of the gendarmes in France are about to be supplied with bicycles. Hitherto the gendarmes have been used to patrol country districts on foot or on horseback, looking out for criminals. The late minister for war, General Zurlinden, decided before leaving office that some of the men should receive bicycles and use them for a year or two by way of experiment.

Wagon Loads of Bones

Twenty-two wagon loads of human bones were recently buried in a great pit in the center of the Municipal square at Leipzig—the remains of the French and Prussian soldiers who fell in the assault on Leipzig, Oct. 19, 1813. A municipal commission has raised 80,000 marks toward the erection of a beautiful monument above these remains.

Deepest Lake in the World

The deepest lake in the world, so far as known, is Lake Baikal, in Siberia. While nine thousand square miles in area, or nearly as large as Lake Erie, it is 4,000 feet to 4,500 feet deep, that it contains nearly as much water as Lake Superior. Its surface is 1,350 feet above sea level, and its bottom nearly 2,900 feet below it.

Volcanic Islands

Since the beginning of this century no less than fifty-two volcanic islands have risen out of the sea. Nineteen of that number have since disappeared, and ten are now inhabited.

WE CAN INTEREST YOU IN WINTER SHOES



All Heavy Goods Will be Sold
at Prices that will be an Object.

Ladies' and Children's warm-lined Shoes
at prices that will close them out.

CARMER & CARMER, BUCHANAN, MICH.

POULTRY YARD

Our readers are invited to send in any questions for information on this subject, and any confidential bearing on poultry will be received with pleasure and will be fully discussed in this column.

WINTER AND SUMMER PROFITS.
It is frequently claimed that eggs pay better in winter than in summer, as prices are then higher, but the question is to be considered is not "eggs" but "fowls." Do fowls (not eggs) pay better in winter than in summer. If each hen lays only one egg per week the cost of the egg may be more than the price. When the best management is given, and the hens lay in winter, the profit in cold season is large, but there is more labor required in winter and more food to buy. The value of the chicks hatched by hens adds to the profits, but hens cannot raise chicks in winter unless given more care than many are willing to bestow. The largest profits are secured in summer because while the prices may be low there is nearly always something to sell, and on some farms the eggs from hens on an argerally cost nothing. The man who will in winter, however, provide his hens with summer conditions, who does not feed for fat, who keeps his fowls busy and contented, and who provides a variety, and will have eggs to sell and will get high prices. Only such persons make profits in winter no matter how high the prices of eggs.

BRAN FOR POULTRY.

Bran is cheap, selling at from \$10 to \$12 per ton, and while it may not be as highly relished by the hens as corn meal, yet it fills a place in the ration in assisting to supply material matter—the shell and bone elements of eggs. It is light, and a pound, which should cost about half a cent, is very bulky. It is excellent in all mixed grains as it makes a damp mess more crumbly, for which reason it should always be used where linseed meal is given. There are better foods than bran but none cheaper for poultry considering its uses as an adjunct to other foods.

CHEAP FOODS—ROOT CUTTERS.
Invention has cheapened the cost of feeding fowls as well as larger stock; the bone cutter and clover cutter removing labor and placing better foods within reach. Now comes the root cutter for poultry, which cuts beets, carrots, turnips, etc. into small pieces that can easily be swallowed by the birds or reduced by the aid of their beaks. There is still room for improvement in root cutters for poultry, however, as a good root cutter should cut every portion of the beet or turnip into pieces not larger than one-fourth of an inch square. Some cutters already come very close to it, and though portions are too large for the fowls, yet they are sliced or cut very thin and the fowls easily consume them.

What is coming next, in the poultry food, is finely cut roots which can be "rolled" in bran or meal. Experiments which we have been making in that line show that such food is eagerly relished by fowls, and they enjoy the change from dry to succulent food, while the expense is greatly reduced.

SNOW STORMS AND FOWLS.

The recent heavy snow storm, coming in November, makes the work of ration more urgent than is usual at this season, and those who have given to the management of poultry but little consideration heretofore found that the birds were incapable of helping themselves, the poultry house being the best place for them. As poultry houses are usually dark, and all fowls love the light, they best if allowed to work in an open shed during the day. There is a great temptation to feed fowls often when the snow covers the ground, but it is better to adhere to the rule at all times of not overfeeding as they will then be of more service.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

"American Women Painters," the leading article of the January number of *Demorest's Magazine*, is one of unusual general interest. For the first time the great women artists of this country are grouped together in an article replete with interesting facts, and illustrated by ten photographs of some of their best-known paintings.

The very striking cover of this number of *Demorest's* is a reproduction from Mrs. Ella Condie Lamb's beautiful painting of the head of Diana.

An article that will be of equal interest to scientists and housekeepers is "Electricity in the Household," by Theodore Dreiser. Mr. Dreiser gives an account, never before published, of an invention that will make electric power cheap enough for economical domestic use. Mr. H. Barringer Cox, the inventor, contends that his "thermo-electric generator" will prove cheaper yet less troublesome than any fuel yet known. There are interesting pictures illustrating the text.

"Pet Dogs and Their Owners" is the title of a very sprightly article on the Pet Dog Club of New York. There are charming pictures of the most famous pet dogs in America, as well as of the beautiful women who own them.

One of the most readable features of this number of *Demorest's* is undoubtedly the first installment of a series of "Lay Sermons for Women," of a semi-humorous nature, yet with serious intent; of real value to women, hence of interest to men.

by Charles Turner; "A Christmas in Mooseland," by Ed. W. Sandys; "New Year's Day at a Hudson Bay Fur Post," by W. Beasdel Cameron; "A Hockey Match," by M. Gertrude Cundill; "In Lotus Land-A Wheel," by T. Philip Perry; "A Day's Sport in the West Indies;" "The Perils of Whaling," by Captain R. F. Coffin; "The Passing of the Ice Carnival," by Edwin Wildman; "A Fox Hunt on the Pocones," by Jane Marlin; "A Snowshoe Caribou Hunt," by Frank H. Risteen; "Bastien," by S. Rhett Roman; "A Christmas Morning in Carolina," by F. A. Olds; "A Leopard Hunt in Bengal," by J. W. Perry; "Figure Skating," by J. E. Mitchell; "Florida Fishing Sketches," by Mary T. Townsend; "The Yarn of the Tampa," by E. L. H. McGinnis; "Jack Rabbit Hunts and Drives," by David W. Fenton; "The Orange Lake Ice Yacht Club and Its Rivals," by H. Percy Ashley, and the usual editorials, poems and records.

In *McClure's Magazine* for January, Simon Lake, inventor of the latest marvel in the way of submarine boats, will describe the construction of his boat, and how he makes long journeys in her at the bottom of the ocean, and while there steps out of her by an open door into the very sea, and examines wrecks and fishes up cables and so on. Mr. Ray Stannard Baker, in the same number, will give an account of his own experiences on a submarine voyage in the Lake boat; and both articles will be illustrated with drawings from life by W. D. Stevens, who also made voyage in company with Mr. Baker.

The Christmas number of the *American Amateur Photographer* is a beautiful number in its white and gold cover and is filled with interesting matter and illustrations. The contents show an unusually large selection of photographs by amateurs and the criticisms of these are alone worth the subscription price of this periodical. Published by *The Outlook Co.*, New York.

Carter's Monthly for Christmas is a charming number, and one that is well worth reading. The magazine is edited by Opie Read, who is well known in this section. The contents are seasonable stories, poems and other articles of general interest. Published by John Carter, 157 La Salle St., Chicago, Ill. For sale by booksellers and newsdealers.

SUNNY SIBERIA.

Thomas G. Allen, Jr., who, some years ago made a tour of the world a wheel, has written an article on "The Boys of Siberia" for *St. Nicholas*. Mr. Allen says: "As dreary and cold as Siberia is, it is an expression that has come to be almost a proverb. The very name has always conjured up a scene of desolation and perpetual winter, enlivened, perhaps, by a band of criminal exiles plodding along some lonely highway or practically buried alive in some gloomy mine pit. In imagination we have even heard the clanking of prison chains, the moaning of suffering men, and the sobs of distressed women. And yet, however displeasing the picture which is etched in our minds, it never fails to convey its mysterious and melancholy associations have ever exerted a strange fascination. I must confess that I have been no exception to the general rule. At a very early age I developed the desire to visit this mysterious country, and to discover for myself, if possible, some of its terrible hidden secrets.

"It has been my good fortune, on two recent occasions, to gratify this wayward ambition; and from what I saw and heard, I can assure my youthful reader that his general gloomy notion about the 'land of snow and exiles' is, in the main, incorrect—that there is another and a very bright side to the Siberian picture. The question of the deplorable Siberian exile system, I would impress upon the reader that Siberia itself, in its southern portion at least, is a region where the vegetation is as varied and luxuriant as that of the birdie warble just as sweetly where the children play and the people laugh and sing just as cheerfully, as in our own country. In fact, that portion of Siberia which is traversed by the new Trans-Siberian railway might very justly be called the northern 'promised land of milk and honey'; for in its teeming soil, genial summer climate, and fabulous mineral wealth it is second to none in the world."

THE FILIPINO CONGRESS.

Description of Its Opening by the Famous Insurgent Leader, Aguinaldo.

At last, to the sound of the national march, the delegates moved in a body to the door and then back again, divided, and then Aguinaldo, looking very undervalued and very insignificant, came marching down, bearing an ivory stick with gold head and gold cord and tassels, says Harper's Weekly. A group of tall, fine-looking generals and one or two dignitaries in black accompanied him, and half surrounded him as he descended the steps. He was dressed in a military uniform, and the chance seats, Aguinaldo took the middle seat behind the table, the acting secretary of the interior took the place on his right, and a general occupied the curved chair on his left. Without any formal calling to order, the secretary rose and read the list of delegates, and sat down again. Then Aguinaldo stood up, and after the feeble vivas had ceased, took a paper from his pocket, and in a low voice, without gestures and without emphasis, and in the hesitating manner of a schoolboy, read his message in the Tagalog language. Only once was he interrupted by vivas, and that was when he alluded to the three great nations—England, France, and America—as worthy models for imitation. He next read a purported translation in Spanish with even more difficulty, and when he had finished there was quite a round of cheers, proposed and led by the veteran general, Buencamino, for the president, the republic, and victorious army, and for the town of Malolos. Then Aguinaldo arose and declared the meeting adjourned until it should be reassembled to elect officers and to organize in the regular manner.

The Young Idea.
"Do you like learning to spell, Willie?" asked the visitor.
"Oh, I don't know. I think I would if words was spell like they're pronounced," said Willie.
"Which for instance?"
"Oh, for example, 'magnetic and jormant.' What's the sense of spellin' jormant?"
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A stroll through the "Popular Store" will show you that we have spared no effort or pains to get you ready for X-MAS, upstairs and down you will find any quantity of presents suitable for your family and friends. We are all working together here at the "Popular Store" as one big family. Come down, you are more than welcome whether you buy or not.
25 Percent Discount On All Winter Jackets. 25
FOR ALL THE REST OF THE YEAR.
I will not wait for stock taking, as usual before making this reduction, but I will make NOW, giving you the opportunity of CHRISTMAS PURCHASE at a sharp 25 percent reduction.

Golf Capes.
A new line of these popular garments just received; not in the extreme colorings, but quiet and neat combinations of color. There are very few garments in my stock now of the better goods that were with us last week. I keep new ones coming all the time, in this way providing the select trade with the latest, newest things, rarely duplicating a fine garment.
Furs for Christmas.
There is scarcely an acceptable wearing fur that I have not had made into late shapes in Collarettes, Scarfs, Victorines and Stoles. Good Furs are serviceable and handsome for several year's wear, and are almost a necessity to the wearer of the present style of Jacket.

Beaver Shawls.
All New—no two alike. A most desirable present for mother or grandmother. I aim to have a distinct pattern in Shawls for each Shawl purchaser.

Silk Petticoats.
I find it difficult to keep a line of these goods on hand to show, as they sell so rapidly, but a good line just came and others are to arrive. It has been said, "There isn't anything more pleasing than the swish of silk skirts," and when you add to the rustle the pleasing effect of color, you have a completed toilet. I have them from good to best.

Handkerchiefs.
New and neat in design and always superior in quality. The window does not show the variety of patterns I have. You must come inside to appreciate fully the fact that the "Popular Store" is prepared to meet your requirements in this line.

Christmas Umbrellas.
We have added to our assortment a large shipment of selected Christmas goods. An Umbrella cannot be described; you must handle it, and if it feels right, looks right and prices right, it will be a satisfactory purchase. I cannot buy better goods than I offer you in this line and range of price is complete.

Kid Gloves.
Do you know that I fit and guarantee my Dollar Gloves in the Centimeter goods as well as the higher-priced lines? That my stock is complete, that I have not got a lot of rejected gloves, or shop-worn gloves, or undesirable gloves in my stock. Not price but service is considered by the intelligent buyer of Gloves, and I offer you the best values that money can buy; all bought from the manufacturer direct.

Christmas Hosiery.
Everything new in plaids, stripes, polka-dots, and of serviceable qualities in men's, ladies' and children's goods; all at most reasonable prices.

In buying Christmas Gifts, remember it is not the form but the substance of the gift that is lastingly appreciated, and there is not an article I mention above that will not afford satisfactory service as well as pleasure to the recipients of them as Christmas Gifts.
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BUCHANAN RECORD.

D. H. BOWER,
PUBLISHER AND PROPRIETOR.
THURSDAY, DEC. 23, 1898.

The Benton Harbor *Palladium* has been enlarged to an eight page paper to accommodate the demand for advertising space, made by the wide awake merchants of that city.

The Christmas number of the Michigan Press Bulletin is a beautiful number and shows that Editor B. J. Lowrey of the Howard City Record is the right man in the right place as he always has been.

The Benton Harbor *Banner-Register* of last week was a 16-page and cover Christmas number of much interest to the readers. The issue contains a right up of Benton Harbor and shows much enterprise on the part of Editor Reed.

The business in this judicial circuit is believed to be too much for one judge to handle. The same is alleged of the 9th circuit—Kalamazoo and VanBuren. To remedy the matter the legislature will be asked to erect another circuit to consist of Cass and VanBuren counties. That would leave Berrien and Kalamazoo counties circuits by themselves. Either that course or some method of reducing litigation will have to be adopted in the near future.—Berrien Springs Era.

R. G. Dun & Co's Review says: December is adding a surprising close to the most surprising year of American history. November had surpassed all other months of the century in the volume of business and production, and thus far December is doing even better, in payments through clearing houses, in railroad earnings, in foreign trade, in output of pig iron, and in activity and strength of securities. But that is saying a great deal, for in all these and other tests November was far the best month of American financial history.

FOR SUPREME COURT JUSTICE.

The Record takes great pleasure in reprinting an editorial from the Grand Rapids *Herald* relative to the candidacy of Hon. Fred A. Maynard of Grand Rapids for the nomination of Justice of Supreme Court. From a personal acquaintance with Mr. Maynard we can unhesitatingly endorse him as eminently fitted to fill this important position. His ability as shown by his decisions while holding the office of Attorney General of the state have shown Mr. Maynard to be well qualified to perform the duties of Supreme Court Judge. Here's hoping to see Fred A. Maynard nominated at the spring convention for if he's nominated he'll be elected.
GOV. PINGREE'S PLURALITY
NEARLY ONE HUNDRED OVER THE TWO MAJORITY.
The total vote cast for the office of Governor at the recent election, as shown by the returns which are now being compiled, was 421,144 as against 547,802. In 1896, a vote of 130,058, Gov. Pingree's loss in 1896 was 204,431, or 55.57 per cent of the total vote. In 1898 Gov. Pingree received 243,220 votes, or 57.76 per cent of the total vote, showing that he made a better run than he did two years ago. Gov. Pingree's exact plurality was 75,097.

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VANDALIA LINE TIME TABLE
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Effective Wednesday, Oct. 19, 1898
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BUCHANAN RECORD.
 THURSDAY, DEC. 23, 1898.

Only 100 out of a possible 300 of the world's population in Michigan. A circulation of 100,000 in Michigan would be a record for any newspaper in the world. The Buchanan Record is the only newspaper in Michigan that has a circulation of 100,000. It is the only newspaper in Michigan that has a circulation of 100,000. It is the only newspaper in Michigan that has a circulation of 100,000.

Our Clabbing List.
 We have arrangements whereby we can save you money on your periodicals for the coming year. Call and get our prices and see what we can do for you.

The weather during this week has been quite disagreeable, with much rain and snow.
 Mrs. Melvin Beistle entertained a number of the friends of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Jennings, on Saturday evening.
 On Friday, Dec. 30, the Spil Culture Class will give a banquet at the home of Mrs. Chas. Bishop. The program will consist of greetings, toasts, music and recitations.

We are in receipt of Bulletins 102 and 103 for the State Agricultural College Experiment Station. These Bulletins are free to any one sending to the director of the college.
 Rev. C. R. Scoville on his way home from Buchanan was invited by telegram to make three addresses in Chicago last Sunday. On Sunday evening he spoke to 1700 people.

We are under obligation to the Michigan Trust Co. of Grand Rapids for a copy of their very interesting book, "The Time O' Day," with illustrations by Eleanor Withly Willard.
 Mrs. A. B. Gardner died at her home in Dowagiac, last Wednesday evening, after a lingering illness from consumption. She was a daughter Myron Stark. A husband and one child are left.

The Ladies Exchange at the Presbyterian church closed on Saturday night, after a very successful two days. The dinners and suppers were a feature of the exchange and received excellent patronage.
 The C. Bishop Grain Co. have disposed of their grain shipping business to Mr. Marshall E. Rand of Massachusetts, who will take possession on July 1st, 1899. The Messrs. Bishop expect to engage in business in another section, probably in some point in Texas.

There will be a Joint Township Teachers' and Patrons' Institute to be held at Brocous school house, Saturday, January 14, 1899.
PROGRAM.
 How to Create Interest in Current Events. Miss Lulu Moulton
 Value in Story Reading in Child Development. Miss Nina Holaday
 Centralization of Schools. Mr. S. M. Penwell
 Good Reading and How to Secure it. Miss Corolla Crowley
 Day of School Hours to Schools. Mr. E. P. Clarke
 Bring your knapsacks.
 Reading Circle meeting in the forenoon.

Last Thursday the good people in the community of the Mt. Zion U. B. church sent an embassy to the home of their pastor Rev. G. S. Slusser. The company came in a big sled loaded with just such things as a preacher could use. Without permit the party drove up the drive way to the back door, and made themselves perfectly at home. They gave the parson to understand that they were sent to unload and that they intended to do it. After figuring the amount, which was about \$12, they returned to their homes, leaving the preacher and his wife feeling very grateful in being thus remembered.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Gano of Fort Valley, Ga., who formerly resided here, will be grieved to learn of the sudden death of their son, Guy Martin, which occurred on Dec. 19, 1898. Young Gano received a fall on Dec. 19, and, although returning from attending to his usual morning chores. He was so badly hurt that he could not arise, and was carried into the house on a cot, never regaining consciousness, and dying forty-eight hours afterward. The loss is a sad blow to the parents, and their friends here extend much sympathy to them in their bereavement.

After the Harbor Appropriation. A special to the Detroit Journal of Monday says:
 Congressman Hamilton also had a committee on his hands, and this morning secured them a hearing before the river and harbor committee, and fled with the committee briefs about South Haven and Saugatuck harbors. The men from Representative Hamilton's district are J. S. Morton and L. C. Pile, of St. Joseph; J. M. Gore, of Benton Harbor, and John W. Fletcher, of St. Joseph. The evidence they gave as to the need of the improvement of the harbor was approved and printed.

HENRY G. CHAPIN DEAD.
 The death of Henry A. Chapin of Niles, which has been expected for a week or more, occurred last Friday night 11:45 o'clock. He relapsed into unconsciousness in the afternoon, from which he never recovered. The end was peaceful and quiet.
 The funeral services were held Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock under Masonic auspices, at the house, Rev. J. G. Lowrie officiating. Interment in Silver Brook cemetery.

HEADQUARTERS FOR TOYS, DOLLS, GAMES, TINSEL AND TREE ORNAMENTS, AT MORRIS' THE FAIR

EDUCATIONAL SCHOOL NOTES.
BUCHANAN SCHOOLS.
 All of the clergymen of Buchanan have been invited to attend chapel exercises on certain Fridays.
 The patrons of the school are requested to visit at any time. If there are any grievances, the way to adjust them is to come to the Superintendent and explain matters and have matters explained. (Come now; do not wait till the year is past and then put in a complaint that will do no good.)
 Four months of school are past. There are many hopeful and encouraging conditions, there are too numerous and unnecessary outside conditions that detract from the value of the education of your children.
 Parents must see to it that their children prepare their lessons and perform their school duties punctually and exactly. The outside conditions must be made favorable to the school. Many young people have not done as well in school as their capabilities promise. Pupils must essay too much work. They must learn to do faithfully the work at hand. Notwithstanding all this the work of the school as a whole shows improvement.
 Examinations will take place at the close of the semester, the third week in January.

SIXTH GRADE.
 Gladis Fields, Ivey Shook and Netta Burt stood 100 in the examination on the Thirteen Original Colonies.
 The Reading classes are studying Bryant's "Thanatopsis".
 Hazel Miles, Jean Earle and Theoda Treat marked correctly the greatest number of vowels and consonants in the Orthographical contest, Thursday.
 The Arithmetic classes were examined in interest, Friday. The following pupils prepared perfect papers. Charlie Muehler, Lee White, Daisy Dalrymple, Leah Ray, Ward Smith, Oma Babcock, Lee Mead, Bessie Thomas, Hazel Miles, Elsie Smith, Blanche Wells, Lenora Churchill, Ivey Shook, Dr. Merson, Clevis Bryant, Edna Pollock.

SEVENTH GRADE.
 Belle Ward is absent this week, on account of sickness.
 We are memorizing "Beautiful Snow".
 We are studying Current Events, that we may know the present as well as past history.
SIXTH GRADE.
 The attendance in Sixth grade is improving, the present month being the best of year.
FIFTH GRADE.
 We are preparing for examination, the last of the week.
 Charlie Koons is able to be in school again.
 Mrs. East visited us Tuesday.
 The following pupils drew from memory the best maps of Europe: George Imhoff, Charlie Richardson, Arthur Fowler, Allan Tumbling, Lura Keller, Edna Kean, Lizzie Lano, Martin Wilson, Gertrude Schultz, Frank Lister.

FOURTH GRADE.
 The following named pupils have been neither tardy nor absent during the year: Lucile Brackett, Nate Brown, Earl Camp, Merle Eldridge, Leavene Elliott, Eva File, Gertrude Lovener, Claude McGowan, Clifford Peter and Zelma Woodson.
 We have had thirty visitors during the year.
 This being the last week of the term, several written tests will be given.

THIRD GRADE.
 Ross Batten, Lillie Batten, Minnie Blodgett, Fred Clark, Eva McGowan, Blanche Metz and George Wood have been present every day this year.
 The following pupils were perfect in spelling the past month: Irene Fuller, Fred Clark, Blanch Samson, Henrietta Cook, Harry Beistle, Clyde Treat, Florence Wilson, Luise Arner, Katie Richardson, Glenn Kugler, Mary Aldrich, Lillie Batten, Ross Batten.
 During the term there has been two cases of tardiness.
 Thirty-six persons have visited the grade this year.
 The pupils have memorized four poems appropriate for each month, and have read Hawthorne's "Three Golden Apples", "The Pilgrims" and the "Story of Ulysses".

SECOND GRADE.
 Mrs. Chas. Black has made the children happy by presenting them a volume of "Youth's Companion", and the gift was highly appreciated by the teacher as well.
 Mr. Goodenough is a friend of the children, as may be seen by the coating place he has provided for them in the school yard.
 At the beginning of the new term, Jan. 3, the pupils will begin work in Drawing Book No. 1.

FIRST GRADE.
 Several children are sick at home with mumps.
 Some very original drawings of expected Christmas presents have been made this week.

The following pupils were correct, after one minute's study, a list of eight new words: Warren Avery, Harry Samson, Freda Mittan, Pearl Showalter, Pearl Smith, Alostia Richardson, Kenneth Peters, Lyle Kingery, John Batten, Herbert Brockett, Guy Taylor, Edward Hess, George Roe, Mildred Camp, Irma Deisser, Ruth Reese, Ruby Zimmerman, Mildred Roe, Leland Robinson.
 Fred Wood is back in school, after a few days absence on account of sickness.

FRANK CARLISLE IN CUBA.
 An interesting letter just received from a Buchanan boy.
 The Beyond considers itself fortunate indeed in securing for the Buchanan readers the following letter just received by Mr. and Mrs. A. Carlisle from their son, Frank, who is now in Havana, with his regiment. The letter is as follows:
 HAVANA, Cuba, Dec. 15, '98.
 DEAREST MOTHER—Well, here I am at last. Who would have thought last April that I would now be so far from home. We arrived here yesterday on the "Michigan" being out four days. The boat was very dirty, as you have no doubt read in the papers, but "any old thing" would do just so we got here safe and sound. We carried 110,000 feet of lumber, 750 men, tents and cots, 3,200 tons of hay, 3,500 tons of oats, 420 head of stock, besides thirty days' rations and 25,000 rounds of ammunition. The dimensions of the boat were 420 feet long, 40 feet beam and 26 feet draft. I saw one boat which was 925 feet long, 62 feet broad and 32 feet draft.
 We arrived at Havana in the evening and anchored about four rods from the wreck of the Maine, so that I had a good view of it; it is now in sight not more than a quarter of a mile away. I had my little knowledge of Spanish comes handy now as nothing else is spoken here. An American dollar is worth \$1.40 of Spanish money. They use a great deal of copper money; I have about a pint of it in my pocket now and the pile is worth thirty-six cents.
 Havana is the most beautiful place I have ever seen; the bay is horseshoe shaped and the city stands on both sides. The harbor is full of ships from every country; there are seven war ships in sight now, two of them American. The houses are built of white stone and mortar and have flat roofs, where the people live as much as they do in the houses. The windows have heavy iron gratings in front of them which makes them look like prisons. Back of the city are hills covered with banana, coconut and orange orchards, while back of these hills are low, rugged mountains, many of them well fortified. This is said to be one of the most strongly fortified harbors in the world. The people, both Spanish and Cuban, are very friendly, but I like the Spaniards much the best. Away to my right is a regular old castle on the top of a high mountain. It looks just like a painting. There are four big ships in the harbor just now that were captured from the Spanish. The streets of Havana are only about a rod wide, very dirty and ill paved, and crowded with people in all kinds of dress. I have not seen a half dozen native women on the streets and those were closely veiled. The policemen are armed with large bow rifles and big swords and look quite fierce, but are not, and are very friendly to us. Everybody smokes and one can buy regular twenty-five cent cigars for two cents. Oranges are five cents for fifteen and bananas six and three-fourth cents for seventeen.
 Our camp is about nine miles from the city, as we do not take possession until January first.

FRANK CARLISLE, Co. M. Second Ill.
 Notice.
 The Health Officer desires to warn the citizens living along the line of McCoy's creek, against using the water for any purpose whatsoever, as sewage is emptied into it all along its course within the village limits.
 The Michigan Central R. R. Co. will sell excursion tickets on Dec. 23d, 24th, 25th, 26th, 30th, and 31st 1898 and Jan. 1st and 2d 1899. Limited to return leaving destination not later than Jan. 3d 1899 at one and a third fare for the round trip.

A. F. PEAOCK, Agent.
 Bertrand Township Tax Notice.
 I will be at the First National Bank, Buchanan, Dec. 17-31, Jan. 7, First National Bank, Niles, Dec. 15-29, Jan. 5, at Dayton Dec. 21-31, Jan. 9, for the collection of taxes for Bertrand township.
CHAS. W. MATTHEWS.
 Buchanan Township Tax Collections.
 I will be at the First National Bank, Buchanan, on and after December 10th, for the purpose of receiving payment for taxes of Buchanan township.
S. BARMORE, Treasurer.
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