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London, March 20.—The Free Staters seemingly have not quite collapsed. They are in considerable force around Smithfield, though much dispersed.

A British spy from Rouxville reports that Commandant Olivier and a commando are going to Kroonstadt. The agents he left behind are using desperate means to raise recruits, commanding British Boers under penalty of death.

London, March 19.—The reports from the Free State all indicate that the burghers of that republic are surrendering in large numbers and bringing in arms of all sorts. Lord Roberts makes them sign an oath to refrain from further fighting and then permits them to return to their farms.

Burghersdorp, March 17.—Commandant Olivier evacuated his position on a hill in front of the British during the night. Several Boers of his force have surrendered.

Dr. Dewett, a member of the Cape parliament, and his brother, have been arrested.

Bethulle, March 17.—Gen. Gatacre's scouts have occupied Springfontein. The country is clear of the enemy. The main column is following the scouts.

London, March 17.—The Daily Mail has the following dispatch from Lorenzo Marques, dated yesterday:

"Late arrivals from Pretoria say that the Boers themselves now admit their cause is hopeless. Gen. Lucas Meyer refuses to fight again, and has returned to his farm. Gen. Schalk-burger has also returned, and the burghers are going home by hundreds."

London, March 17.—It is persistently reiterated that Mafeking has been relieved, but the war office has no confirmation of the rumor.

The Hague, March 16.—Dr. Leyds has been in consultation with the Netherlands authorities here for two days. He says he thinks the war will continue for a full year and that the English will meet with great difficulties, the Boers being prepared to make strong resistance.

London, March 15.—Bloemfontein, the capital of the Orange Free State, is in the hands of Lord Roberts and the British flag floats over the State-house. Lord Roberts announces his capture of the Free State capital and the flight of President Steyn in a dispatch dated at Bloemfontein, Tuesday, March 13.

New York, March 15.—A dispatch from President Kruger, dated Pretoria, March 13, via Berlin, says:

"The burghers will only cease fighting with death. Our forces are returning in good order to our line of defense on our own soil. The Natal campaign was longer in our favor than we expected. The British will never reach Pretoria. The burghers, Steyn, Joubert, and myself, as well as all the others, are united. There are no differences. God help us."

London, March 14.—Nothing can be said of the advance on Bloemfontein beyond Lord Roberts' own dispatches. Nothing more has been permitted to come through.

FILIPINO SECRETARY GIVES UP

Surrenders to Gen. MacArthur—Infant Son of Aguinaldo Dies.

Manila, March 16.—Flores, Aguinaldo's secretary of war, has surrendered to General MacArthur. Aguinaldo's infant son, who was captured in November, and who has been suffering from smallpox, is dead.

Washington, D. C., March 16.—A message from General Otis, at Manila, received at the war department, says that he shipped today for Barcelona, Spain, 538 Spaniards, including 84 officers, and 427 enlisted men of the Spanish army, who had been rescued from the Filipino insurgents; also the wives of eight officers and fourteen children of the families of the officers.

ARMY OF MEN TO STRIKE

Chicago, March 19.—One hundred thousand machinists, employed in all parts of the United States and Canada, will be ordered on strike within the coming month as a result of a disagreement between the manufacturers and machinists, who closed a joint conference early Sunday morning. When this army of men is thrown out of employment the consequence will be to shut down for an indefinite period plants having an aggregate capital of millions of dollars.

Street Car Conductor Acquitted. Cleveland, O., March 18.—A jury in the Criminal Court brought in a verdict of not guilty in the case against Ralph P. Hawley, a non-union conductor on one of the Big Consolidated street railways, who was indicted for murder in the second degree for fatally shooting Michael Kornzweit, a 19-year-old boy, during one of the street railway riots last summer.

Advance Miners' Wages. Greensburg, Pa., March 17.—The miners employed at the works of Coulter & Huff in this locality will be given an advance of 10 per cent on April 1. There will be 5,000 affected. The advance comes unsolicited.

HOUSE AND SENATE.

Proceedings of Both Branches and General News Notes.

Washington, March 19.—Mass meeting of 10,000 citizens of San Juan petitioned Congress to act speedily and relieve present ruinous conditions. Fate of tariff bill in doubt; matter may be dropped by Congress and left in McKinley's hands. House rejected Senate amendments to Porto Rican relief bill because they did not affirm right of United States to impose Dingley tariff on island's products. Senate discussed Foraker's bills. Circuit Court refused to enjoin collection of duties on Porto Rican imports.

New 2 per cent \$1,000 bonds will bear picture of Thomas H. Benton of Missouri.

Heldmeier & New's contract for San Pedro breakwater annulled because of delay.

Pottawatomies' claims to be heard Monday.

Washington, March 17.—The National Grange asks Congress to increase powers of Interstate Commerce Commission, to permit States to legislate on oleomargarine and urges defeat of subsidy bill.

Senate caucus on Porto Rico not likely to agree for a week. Chances of passage of House bill have improved.

Trade with Cuba, Porto Rico, Philippines, and Hawaii continues to increase.

Washington, March 18.—Drainage commissioners conferred with Cullom and Lorimer; will ask \$7,000 for survey south from Utica. Cullom said people of Illinois would build deep waterway themselves if congress refused aid.

Foraker predicted agreement on Porto Rican legislation. House bill said to be gaining strength in senate. Bill placing \$2,095,455 at disposal of president for Porto Ricans passed by senate.

President has not abandoned purpose to purchase St. Thomas and St. Croix Islands of Denmark. Present revenues of islands insufficient to pay expenses.

Fitzgerald introduced in house resolution directing district attorneys to prosecute Standard Oil Company.

John W. Elna told house committee reasons for new cabinet department of commerce and industries.

Washington, March 15.—Chairman Ray of house judiciary committee, introduced resolution proposing constitutional amendment giving congress power to control trusts.

Plan of tobacco trust said to be to have a tariff until Porto Rican planters are starved into selling at trust prices; then free trade will be asked.

Ex-President Schurman of Philippine commission says United States is bound in honor to maintain free trade with Porto Rico.

Railroads planning a bitter fight against Cullom's bill to increase powers of interstate commerce commission.

Gallinger and Penrose attacked each other's veracity during senate debate on Porto Rican bill.

General Greeley asked congress to authorize military telegraph line to Cape Nome.

Minority report of house committee favors government ownership of Pacific cable.

Argument of deep waterway memorial to congress summarized.

Lettercarriers filed claims for overtime.

Washington, March 14.—Senate Republican caucus on Porto Rican bill without agreement; leaders want to learn strength of public opinion. Beveridge received telegrams declaring Republicans would lose Indiana if House bill become a law.

Secretary Root said American intervention in Cuba would be short. Of 400 employes in customs service only four are Americans.

Cullom introduced a bill requiring railroads to report details of accidents to passengers.

Boutell introduced bill providing for pensions for government employes.

Details of terms of exchange of new bonds for present issues announced.

President McKinley signed financial bill.

Washington, March 13.—House passed conference financial bill, which now goes to president; law regulates national banks, refunds national debt, changes denominations of paper notes, provides for speedy retirement of treasury notes, makes a large increase in the circulation inevitable and confirms gold standard.

Ineffectual caucus of senate republicans on Porto Rican bills. Davis said passage of house bill would cost party Minnesota.

Congress will act in cases of Utah postmasters accused of polygamy.

Cullom presented petition for waterway from lakes to gulf.

Oil Dividends \$20,000,000. New York, March 16.—A new and remarkable record in the matter of dividend distribution was today established by the Standard Oil Company when it mailed to its stockholders checks aggregating \$20,000,000 in payment of the dividend of \$20 a share, declared Feb. 6 last.

This is the largest amount of cash ever disbursed for a similar purpose in the history of American industrial activity.

Thousands Come to America. Hamburg, March 17.—The emigration to the United States, by way of Hamburg bids fair this year to surpass recent records. The number of emigrants in January and February was 10,239, the largest number for the same period in any year since 1892.

PORTO RICO NEEDS RELIEF.

ISLANDERS MEET TO DEMAND PROMPT ACTION.

Uncertainty Regarding Tariff Holds Business Practically at a Standstill, Merchants Afraid to Order Goods.

San Juan, Porto Rico, March 19.—With women and children starving, business at a standstill, and the merchants and planters helpless, Porto Rico has reached the limit of endurance. Today a mass meeting will be held to demand that the United States Congress take immediate action for the relief of the island.

At a special meeting of the Chamber of Commerce Saturday it was decided to close all business houses on Monday afternoon to enable the merchants to attend an open air meeting on the plaza with the object of drawing up a petition to Governor General Davis demanding immediate Congressional decision on the tariff one way or the other.

The agreements were sent to all towns throughout Porto Rico requesting like demonstrations.

The feeling of uncertainty regarding the tariff holds business practically at a standstill, the merchants being afraid to order goods or to advance funds on the planters' accounts.

The meeting was conducted in a business-like manner. The merchants here, it appears, will be satisfied to accept anything, so great are their needs. But they demand a settlement of the tariff question, one way or another, so that business activity may be resumed.

They decided to take this unparalleled step only after mature deliberation.

PRINTERS' UNION PUT OUT.

Federation of Labor Heads Off Fight on Political Job-Holders.

Chicago, March 19.—Typographical Union No. 16, embracing 1,600 members, was expelled from the Federation of Labor yesterday before it had a chance to begin its fight on the federation men who hold political jobs. The vote was almost unanimous.

The leader of the delegation from the Typographical union, James Ryan, announced that an appeal would be taken against the action to the American Federation of Labor, from which the Chicago Federation obtained its charter.

While the ostensible reason for expelling the Typographical union was that it had repudiated the boycott upon the Chicago Record and Daily News, it was declared by members of the expelled body that the Federation of Labor's drastic action was to protect its political office-holding members from interference.

FRANCE NEEDS SOLDIERS.

French Residents Receive Notice to Be Ready for Service.

Wabash, Ind., March 15.—French residents of the Indiana gas belt, of whom there are many employed in the various manufacturing establishments, are receiving from the department of war at Paris notices that they may be called upon at short notice for military service by the French government. The notification contains the suggestion that they hold themselves in readiness to respond to a call to return to France. The recipients of the communications think that war between France and England is imminent and that France is preparing for the struggle.

Attacked by Filipinos.

Manila, March 19.—General Otis considers Manila the most troublesome center in the situation today. The insurgent junta here, in conjunction with that in Hongkong, is growing active.

The military authorities have been forced to put a stop to Mabini's intercourse with the public. The local and foreign press consider his recent utterances calculated to incite Filipinos to a continued revolt and prejudicial to American control.

Spaniards and Filipinos who are conversant with the Tagalo character unite in asserting that Aguinaldo's capture would terminate the revolution. Three months have passed since he was actively pursued.

New Smallpox Case at Yale.

New Haven, Conn., March 19.—Yale has still a fourth small pox patient, William D. Brennan, one of the best half-mile runners in America. Brennan was taken ill today, and was promptly isolated by Health Officer Wright. He says that the symptoms resemble those of small pox, but may not be that disease. He is not prepared to diagnose it formally.

New Haven, Conn., March 17.—Rufus Parks, Jr., a member of the middle class of the scientific department of Yale university, is believed to be suffering from smallpox. He is the third undergraduate in the university ill with the disease, the others being Gavis W. Perkins of Grand Rapids and Roland Bailey of Middletown, Conn.

General Hamden Dead.

Madison, Wis., March 18.—General Henry Hamden, Department Commander of the G. A. R., who had been critically ill in this city for several days, died at 7:10 Saturday night of pneumonia. He had a brilliant military record, and commanded the detachment that effected the capture of Jeff Davis.

CHARGED WITH GOEBEL CRIME.

'Tallow Dick' Combs, a Mulatto, Said to Be the Man.

Lexington, Ky., March 19.—The man who is accused of having fired the shot which killed William Goebel in the State House yard at Frankfort on Jan. 30 is "Tallow Dick" Combs, a mulatto, who is now living in Beattyville. He formerly lived in Winchester, where he was arrested for some offense and made his escape. His partner was a black negro named Hocker-smith.

Frankfort, Ky., March 17.—Clatmait Taylor left the state capital today for Louisville. An escort of twenty soldiers accompanied him to the train. It is said he is preparing to buy a house near Louisville out of the fund which is being made up by republicans in this and other states, and which has reached a substantial sum.

Frankfort, Ky., March 14.—The legislature of Kentucky adjourned sine die Tuesday. A conference between Adjutant Generals Collier and Castleman resulted in an understanding that Governor Taylor will continue to act as governor. Governor Beckham will make no move toward securing possession of the state buildings until after the Court of Appeals has decided the disputed governorship. The legislature appropriated \$100,000 for the use of Governor Beckham in reorganizing the state militia, but this is not to be taken avail of until the courts have decided the case.

St. Joseph, Mich., March 18.—After having been frozen in the ice pack for thirty-six hours, the steamer City of Louisville today, with the aid of a tug, plowed through five miles of ice and reached port this evening. The crew and twenty passengers, who sailed from Chicago on Thursday night, were landed at dark.

According to the passengers, the distress of the steamer last night was greater than was known on land. The Louis'le ran completely out of coal and had to burn corn meal to keep the passengers from freezing.

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MICHIGAN STATE NEWS.

CITIZEN OF MT. PLEASANT IS BADLY CRUSHED.

Log Rolls Over Onto Him, Smashes His Head, Breaks an Arm and a Leg, Still He Will Likely Survive.

Mt. Pleasant, Mich., March 18.—Frank B. Whitehead, of this city, had his head badly injured, one arm broken in two places and a leg broken above the knee by a log rolling over him at the Gorham Bros. basket factory. He was overseeing the decking of logs with a team when the chain broke, letting the log back against him. It is thought that he will recover.

Michigan Schoolmasters' Club. Ann Arbor, Mich., March 17.—The next meeting of the Michigan Schoolmasters' club will be held at Ann Arbor, Friday and Saturday, March 30 and 31. Friday morning will be devoted to the subject of the teaching of English. The leading paper will be by Prof. Martin W. Sampson, of the University of Indiana, and will deal with the teaching of English literature. Prof. Demmon, of the university, and Prof. Barbour, of the Ypsilanti normal, will lead the discussion. Friday and Saturday will be devoted to a more general discussion of miscellaneous subjects.

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ness. Goff did not wish to testify and went to Canada to avoid contempt proceedings. Mrs. Broderick failed in her suit, and after it was dismissed, Goff returned home. To-day Mrs. Broderick began suit against him to recover the penalty in such a transaction, which is \$100.

Cleared the Minister. Kalamazoo, Mich., March 18.—The damage suit of Siela Stimson against the estate of the late Rev. Wright Barrett for injuries alleged to have been received by plaintiff as a result of the assault of the reverend gentleman, which has been on trial in the Circuit Court for two weeks, terminated today in a verdict of no cause of action; the jury being out all night.

Shelterless Cattle. Metamora, Mich., March 19.—Several car loads of sheep and cattle are shelterless in the stock yards here this evening, and a law suit may result. It is said the Michigan Central Railroad failed to provide cars that were promised. The cattle will be transported to Lapeer and shipped over another road. Sweeney & Sullivan are the owners of the stock.

Damage by High Water. Union City, Mich., March 17.—The high water caused by heavy rain and snow caused the water in the water power at this place to break through its banks Thursday night. The wash-out is a most extensive one near the Union City roller mills, owned by Albion college, and the damage will be very heavy.

Not Guilty of Violating Fish Law. Cassopolis, Mich., March 16.—The first case from Marcellus for alleged violation of the fish law was tried here Thursday. The jury were out but a short time and rendered a verdict of not guilty. A large crowd was in attendance and the verdict appears to give universal satisfaction. L. B. Desvergnés appeared for the defense.

Had the Bonnet On. Lansing, Mich., March 16.—Mrs. Ann Beardsley, who recently served a sentence in the Detroit house of correction for shoplifting, and who has since paid a fine for the same offense, was arrested on a charge of taking a bonnet from a millinery store. The milliner espied the hat on the street with Mrs. Beardsley under it.

Good Money Burned Up. Crystal Falls, Mich., March 16.—The dwelling house of Oscar Runquist, at the Bristol mine, was burned Thursday night. The fire had gained such headway when discovered that the occupants barely escaped with their lives. One hundred and fifty dollars in currency were burned, along with all the family clothing and furniture.

Remains Buried at Vernon. Vernon, Mich., March 17.—Claude Redson, whose parents reside on a farm in Vernon township, while at work on a logging railway in Ogemaw county, was caught between the cars and instantly killed, his head being crushed between some logs and the cars. The remains were brought to Vernon to-day for burial.

Eau Claire Right in It. Eau Claire, Mich., March 18.—Added to the boom which has secured for Eau Claire a half dozen industries in the last fortnight came the news that a strong company of eastern capitalists has been organized to extensively work the coal mines discovered on the farm of Chauncey Reese, one mile east.

Lost His Home. Metamora, Mich., March 17.—Enos L. Brownell's farm house burned on account of a defective flue. The loss will exceed \$1,500, with only partial insurance. Arthur Brownell, a son, occupied the residence, and his household goods were completely destroyed, on which there was no insurance.

Railroad Man Killed. Battle Creek, Mich., March 18.—W. J. Miller, of the Chicago & Grand Trunk, a former well known Battle Creek railroad man and an employe, was killed in the yards of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois road at Chicago, while switching. His remains will be brought to this city for burial.

Hotel at Nottawa Destroyed. Centerville, Mich., March 18.—The large hotel at Nottawa, a village four miles east of here, was entirely destroyed by fire at 7 o'clock Friday morning. Robert Lehr was the proprietor and nearly all the furniture was saved. Building was owned by Mr. Wellington and was insured.

Marquette's New Fire Engine. Marquette, Mich., March 18.—The new chemical fire engine, which the water board bought several months ago in Chicago, arrived and has been set up. It will be given a test. It is the first engine of the kind to be used in northern Michigan.

Located in Cadillac. Greenville, Mich., March 18.—For nearly a month the police of Greenville have been looking for E. Campbell, who is charged with assaulting his wife. Yesterday Deputy Sheriff Winter learned he was in Cadillac and he has gone to bring his man back.

To Develop Old Cement Bed. Kalamazoo, Mich., March 17.—Fifty thousand dollars has already been subscribed in stock to develop the old cement bed which was formerly operated. It is said to be a superior article.

THE GIRL THAT I DIDN'T GET

Yes, that is her picture, standing there.
The one with the full round face
And the laughing mouth and the loose,
short hair,
And the brooch at her throat and
the lace.
I know it is foolish to keep it there
so,
To nourish the old regret;
But I should hate sadly to have her
go.
The girl that I didn't get.

I put it away at first, I know,
In its leather frame and case;
And thought I could cherish my anger,
and grow
To forget her name and her face.
But I found it was something I
couldn't do—
I could only fume and fret,
Till my anger cooled and I got blue,
For the girl that I couldn't get.

For I missed the laughing, good-natured
face
As we miss an old friend that's
away.
So I put it back in the same old place
It had known for many a day.
The picture has faded, the leather
looks brown
To-night 'neath the flame of the jet
But still I don't think I can take it
down—
The girl that I didn't get.

I suppose there are things that we
must expect,
For the brightest of metal will rust,
And there's always a fungus that feeds
on neglect,
And the clearest of glass gathers
dust,
And of course I knew, too, we've been
growing away
From those old summer days when
we met;
And there's many a change in us since
the day
Of the girl that I didn't get.

But whatever may come, or whatever
may go—
Though the picture may fade year
by year,
There's a very soft spot in my heart
where I know
Her image will always be clear.
And so I can say—and I always will—
Good luck, and God bless her yet,
With all my heart, for she has it
still—
The girl that I didn't get.

ONE PAGE FROM LIFE.

He hadn't slept soundly. He rarely
slept soundly now. It wasn't his age,
surely, he was only 57; and it couldn't
be his business affairs, for all his in-
vestments were sound and highly re-
munerative, and his large income was
rapidly increasing. No, he must look
for the cause elsewhere. Perhaps it
would be well to consult a doctor.

He arose and lighting the gas looked
at his watch. It was half past four.
He went to a window that faced the
east and raised the sash. The air came
in cool and fragrant. Low down by
the faraway ridge streaks of pale light
were showing.

"I'll see this sunrise," said Amos
Brandon. "I haven't seen one since
I was a boy." He hastily dressed him-
self and bathed his face and hands.
"I'll see it from the outside," he ad-
ded, and, softly creeping down the
stairway, found his hat, and opening
the great door descended the stone
steps that led to the street.

"It certainly seems to me that this
is better than tossing on that com-
fortless mattress," he muttered.
"Wonder why I never thought of it
before?"

The pale streaks in the east grew
broader, a pink flush rose behind the
wooded crest, the clouds became hazy.
Swiftly the flush deepened, spokes of
light were flung upwards, and then
came the sun.

Amos Brandon walked slowly on-
ward eagerly watching those magic
changes.

"Oh," he said, "that's fine! It's
worth the trouble. How many people
know anything about it? Precious
few. Look at the present audience.
One restless, lonely old man, and a
night watchman or two. What a
shame!"

He came to a street intersection and
paused and looked at his watch.

"Quarter after five," he muttered.
"No, I'll not go home. I feel like a
runaway boy. I'll stroll down to the
lake. I don't believe I've really seen
the lake in a dozen years."

He walked at a leisurely gait,
breathing in the tonic air and ever
and anon turning his gaze on the sun-
tinted clouds. His eyes were brighter,
and his step more elastic. He seemed
to grow younger as he advanced. La-
boring men, swinging their dinner
boxes, looked around as they passed
him. His was an unusual figure at
that early hour. Once he heard a man
repeat his name to his companions and
they all stared curiously at him as
they passed.

As he came within sight of the
lake's blue ripples a girl came across
the avenue and turned in on the side-
walk just ahead of him. She was a
girl of perhaps fourteen, rather slender,
with a clear olive complexion and
thick dark hair. She was neatly
dressed, save her shoes, which were
dingy and frayed, and in her hand
she carried a basket whose contents
were concealed beneath a white paper.
Amos Brandon quickened his steps a
little.

"You are an early riser," he said to
the girl. "At the moment he was in-
terested in early risers."

"Yes, sir," said the girl, who showed
no surprise at his abrupt remark. "I
have to rise early to carry my father's
breakfast to him. He is a helper
at the mills over there." She pointed
to a long row of dingy buildings not
far ahead.

She spoke well and with a lack of
constraint that the old man admired.

"Why doesn't your father come
home to his breakfast?" he asked.

"He goes to work at midnight and
quits at noon," she answered.

"And how far do you come?"

"About a mile and a half."

She gave him a little nod and turned
to cross a vacant field that would
save her a few steps. Amos watched
her for a moment as she sturdily step-
ped forward.

"A good little woman, and her father
should be proud of her. I hope he
is." He sighed softly, as he plodded
on.

He enjoyed the lake with its dim-
ply surface, and the swash of the lit-
tle waves as they struck the piling,
and the black banner of smoke trail-
ing after a far away steamer. Pres-
ently he turned and strolled over to-
wards the iron mills. Almost in a mo-
ment he came upon the girl of the
lunch basket. She was sitting on a
low pile of boards and close beside sat
a workman, bare armed and sin-
ewy; a swarthy man, with small,
black eyes and a short black beard.
He was eating, with evident enjoy-
ment, the breakfast the girl had
brought him. Amos Brandon paused
at the picture. It pleased him. He
nodded smilingly at the girl, who
nodded back, and when the swarthy
man looked up he nodded to him, too.
Amos leaned against a pile of lumber.

"Your load will be lighter on the
way back," he said to the girl.

"Yes," she answered, "father always
has a good appetite."

The swarthy man looked up. He
nodded gravely to Amos.

"She good girl," he slowly said.
"Come long way."

"Yes," said Amos. "I'm sure she's
a good girl."

The swarthy man looked around at
the object of his praise. There was
fondness in his glance.

"Smart girl, too," he said. "Teacher
say smartest girl in English school." He
said that with some difficulty, but
with evident gratification.

"Oh, father," cried the child with
a swift little blush.

Then the swarthy man's rough voice
grew softer.

"She all I got," he said.

"I see," said Amos Brandon.

"Mutter dead, brother dead, sister
dead. Only Lena left." He turned a
little and softly stroked the girl's
hand.

Something rose in the rich man's
throat and a mist swam before his
eyes.

The swarthy man smilingly looked
his child over from hat to shoes.
When he reached the shoes he scowled.

"Bad shoes," said he. "Bad shoes!"
The girl turned to Amos Brandon.

"Father thinks I should wear my
best shoes," she explained. He doesn't
know how fast this walk would wear
them out."

"Best shoes," echoed the swarthy
man; "yes, yes, best shoes." He looked
at Amos Brandon. Then he softly
touched the girl's shoulder with a
fore finger and struck himself sharply
on the forearm and chest.

"She what I work for," he smilingly
said. "I must go," remarked Amos
Brandon, hurriedly. He paused and
stepped forward. "I would like to
shake hands with you," he said to the
swarthy man, who met the advancing
fingers with a warm grasp. Amos
nodded to the girl and strode away.

There was a cross-town car waiting
for the signal to start. He caught it
and about twenty minutes later, opened
the front door of his home. The
housekeeper met him in the hall. Her
anxious face cleared.

"Glad you have returned, Mr. Bran-
don," she said. "We were beginning
to worry a little over your unusual
absence."

"Out for an early stroll, Mrs. Em-
erson," he said. "Kindly have breakfast
ready in half an hour."

He stepped into the library and
opened his desk. For a moment he
sat in deep thought. Then he rapidly
indited this letter:

"My Dear Mary—I find it is quite
impossible to hold out any longer. I
am growing old, and I need you, dear
child. The door from which I turned
you two long, long years ago is open
for you and yours. You are all I have
in the world, dear. Without you the
house is cold and desolate. For what
have I been toiling all these years but
for you? Come back to me, daughter,
and all will be forgiven and forgotten.
Tell your husband that a hearty hand
clasp awaits him. Say to him that I
confess that I sorely misjudged him."

"Write to me dear, as soon as you
receive this and tell me when to ex-
pect you and George."

"Your affectionate father,
AMOS BRANDON."

He looked at the letter when he had
finished it and shook his head. Then
he carefully read it through. Again
he showed his disapproval. An in-
stant or two he raised the sheet and
deliberately tore it to bits of jagged
paper and tossed them into the waste
basket.

"Pshaw!" he smilingly muttered,
"that's too slow. I'll hurry down and
telegraph Mary that I'm coming for
her, and then I'll follow by the first
train."

The housekeeper stood in the door-
way.

"Breakfast is ready, Mr. Brandon,"
she announced.

The rich man whirled towards her.

"Mrs. Emerson," he said, "I want
you to put Mary's rooms into the nicest
possible shape at once."

The housekeeper started.

"Is Mary coming here, sir?" she
eagerly asked.

"Yes," said Amos Brandon, "she's
coming home."—W. R. Rose, in Cleve-
land Plain Dealer.

To Clean Black Silk.

When a thrifty Frenchwoman wishes
to clean black silk, she brushes it
thoroughly and wipes it with a cloth.
Then, after it is free from dust, she
lays it flat on a board and sponges it
with hot coffee which has been strained
through muslin and freed from sedi-
ment. The silk is sponged on the
right side, allowed to become half dry
and then ironed on the wrong side.

The coffee removes every particle of
grease and restores the brilliancy of
the silk without giving it the shiny
appearance of the crinkly and papery
stiffness which results from beer, or
indeed from any other liquid except
ammonia and water, which last does
not freshen the color and gloss of the
silk as coffee does. The silk is much
improved by the process, and the good
effect is permanent.

Silk should never be ironed with a
hot iron put directly on the silk. Al-
ways lay thin wrapping paper, such
as is used by our best dry goods stores
over it, and iron through the paper.

When stitching thin silk, or, indeed
any goods flimsy enough to draw in
the machine, lay paper over it also and
stitch through. The paper will tear
away easily along the line of perfora-
tions made by the needle.

Present Day Lack of Gallantry.

During the past few years life in
the great centres of population has
witnessed a falling off of many of the
little gallantries of men to women.
The entrance of the gentler sex into
the labor market as a competitor of
man has tended to blunt the chivalric
feeling so characteristic of our fathers.
Says the Chaperone Magazine: "Little
attentions mean much to a woman,
and they have lacked the small
courtesies of life due to themselves
from the opposite sex so much and for
so long that they are trying to make
themselves believe that they can do
without them, act as if they did not
expect them, but they do. They are
longing for the days of their grand-
fathers, and the men who lived in
those times. The old saying that
everything will come back in seven
years has failed miserably in this
case, and it is a serious matter. We
have wondered what would become of
our women! But what has become of
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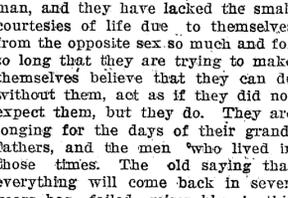
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in hard water. The sulphate of mag-
nesium, the salts of lime coagulate the
casein which these seeds contain. In
some cases, however, the solvent power
of pure soft water is so great that it
destroys the firmness, color and skin
of green vegetables and allows their
juices to be extracted in the process
of boiling. It is especially true of
beans and green peas. Therefore hard
water, instead of soft, should be em-
ployed in these cases. A tablespoonful
of salt added to a gallon of soft water
hardens it immediately. Eminent
French authorities say use one table-
spoon of carbonate of ammonia for
producing the same results.

Onions should always be boiled in
hard water salted, because they lose
much of their flavor and aroma if
boiled in pure soft water.

String beans usually need to boil for
forty-five minutes. The addition of a
small bit of salt pork will generally
improve them. When done, drain
thoroughly, season with salt, pepper
and butter.

Turnips, carrots, cabbage and onions
should be boiled in a great deal of
water and taken up immediately and
drained, when sufficiently done; over-
cooking destroys the taste, and too
little water will allow them to turn
dark in color.

Put a piece of bread the size of an
egg into a cheesecloth bag and drop in
to a pot of boiling greens to absorb the
odor.

A little pinch of cayenne dropped in-
to boiling cabbage, green beans,
onions, etc., will lessen the disagree-
able odor.

All dried leguminous vegetables,
such as dried beans, peas, etc., should
be put on in cold water and when they
reach the boiling point should be al-
lowed to simmer until done.—Philadel-
phia Press.

Nasturtium Picture Frame.

This design may be embroidered in
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er is most showy in red, yellow and a

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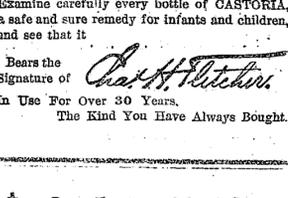
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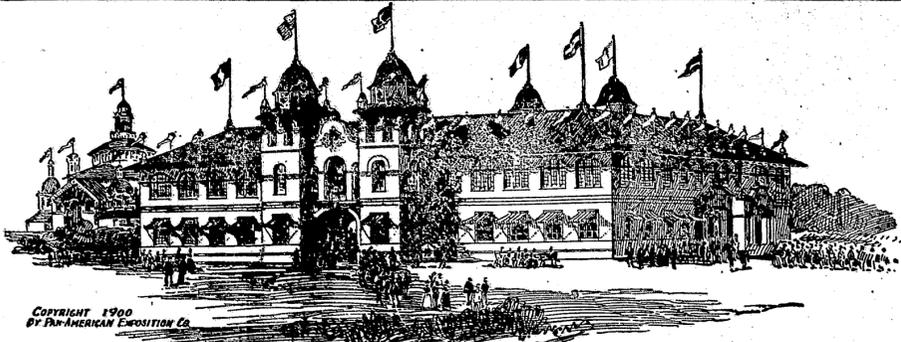
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The building, which is situated on the west side of the grounds, is 95 x 145. It is in the form of a hollow square, having two stories on its exterior facade and three stories on the court side. The entrance, which is in the form of a driveway, faces the north and communicates directly with the inner court. Part way down this entrance, and from side extend the main corridors. That on the right leads to the offices and apartments to be used for police headquarters and hospital service, including the rooms of the Commandant of Police, Police Station, the Chief of the Fire Department, medical waiting room, drug supplies, offices for a surgeon and his assistants and an operating room. The hospital has a porte cochere entrance for ambulance and emergency purposes. The other portions of the first floor are taken up by a large room for the officers and clerks who have charge of admission and collections, and the auditing of accounts; these rooms being fitted with fire-proof vaults.

The offices of the Director of Works, with his private office and stenographer's room, offices of the Landscape Architect, the Superintendent of the Building Construction, Purchasing Agent, Chief Engineer, Mechanical and Electrical Engineer, and accommodations for the officers having charge of Transportation and Installation, Exhibits and Concessions, are arranged to carry on the business of these Departments.

On the second floor is the large draughting room; used by the force of architectural draughtsmen. This department has separate offices and draughting rooms, with a large vault for valuable drawings. On this floor are the sleeping apartments of the Director of Works and the chiefs of the various Bureaus, comprising the Department of works. Here also are numerous apartments for such of the employees as the nature of their duties requires to be continuously at the Exposition grounds. A kitchen and dining room, apartments for the janitor and hospital nurses, and several guest chambers are provided on this floor.

The top floor of the building has additional apartments, a large blue-printing room for the use of the Architects and Engineers Departments, and the operating room of the official Photographer of the Exposition.

The building has a cellar. Frame construction has been used throughout. The studs are covered on the inside with composition board and sheathed on the outside with hemlock planks, which are covered with cement plaster, the final finish having the appearance of stucco.

The ornamental work, including the flag standards, finials, festoons, etc., are of staff. The roof is covered with Spanish tile of iron. The building is in its architecture a free adaptation of the Spanish Renaissance, such as is shown in old Californian and Mexican missions and churches. This style was followed as closely as the requirements and exigencies of arrangement for light and space necessary in a first class working office allowed.

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William Waak, 27, Lucinda Vader, 16, LaPorte, Ind.

OTHER COURT NEWS.

The jury in the case of the people vs. John Layman for sheep stealing rendered a verdict of disagreement just before 12 o'clock, Tuesday, but Judge Coolidge was not satisfied and requested the jurors to return to their room and try to decide whether the defendant is guilty or not. No verdict has as yet been announced.

The case of Boyd vs. Hull, for a sumpsit, is on trial, Tuesday. Bunker, of Muskegon, and V. M. Gore appears for the plaintiff and James O'Hara for the defendant.

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COUNTY SEAT NEWS

CIRCUIT COURT.
James E. Crago has filed a bill of divorce from his wife, Zella Crago, on the ground of desertion. They have one child.

The Jasper vs. Peterson assumption case has been settled and dismissed.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.
Chas. Antus to Jacob Seiber 20 acres in Pipestone \$1025.

Michael H. McTague to Bartholomew McTague property in Royalton \$25.

Geo. B. Mock to Ezra Horner 45 1/2 acres in Galien \$500.

Murray C. Murray to Jeremiah Wetzel 20 1/2 acres in Lake \$1.

Geo. Nelson by B. Hinchman ad to Thos L. Wilkinson property in sec 10 in Chikaming \$610.

Timothy Smith by E. Wansbrough adm'r to Edward Babcock n 1/2 of lot 8 blk 1 Blakeslee's ad to Galien \$545.

Alice E. Smith to Edward Babcock n 1/2 lot 3 blk 1 Blakeslee's ad to Galien \$148.18.

John G. Fehrenback to Huson Miller property in Niles \$50.

Henry Chamberlain to Alex. Watson property in Three Oaks \$250.

Byron Pennel to R. Smith Pennell 57 acres in Berrien \$2400.

Adam Midlinger to Albert Reck 20 acres in Oronoko \$1200.

Adam Midlinger to Albert Reck property in Lake \$1.

Jerden H. Jones to Jacob Fritz property in sec 20 Watervliet \$275.

Matthias Thar to Alice W. Cornwall et al 15 acres in Hagar \$2500.

Alice M. Eastman g'd'n to Wm. H. Hill 80 acres in Bainbridge \$25.

Alice L. Wood to Anna B. Moore property in Niles \$3000.

Louis H. C. Ludeman to Valentine Gulhorlein lot 138 J. Beeson's 1st ad to Niles \$460.

Oscar Damon to J. B. Cornwall 5 acres in Hagar \$1000.

Geo. W. Bridgman to School District No. 1 township of Lake lots 1-2-3 10-11 blk 1 Bridgman \$360.

Horatio G. Samson to Harry Samson property in Niles \$1.

Frank Meredith to Sylvester Conrad property in Niles \$500.

Wm. F. Swem to Fred Harner property in Galien \$200.

Sarah Ann Painter to James M. Paul 39 1/2 acres in Weesaw \$200.

Sarah Ann Painter to Lewis O. Paul 40 acres in Weesaw \$200.

Dan'l W. Swem to James M. Paul 39 1/2 acres Weesaw \$400.

Dan'l W. Swem to Lewis O. Paul 40 acres in Weesaw \$400.

Ida Vetter to Joel H. Reed property in Weesaw \$550.

Chas. E. Smith to Sara L. Sewell property in Niles \$1800.

Henry M. Dean and John R. Wares adm'r to Sylvester Westfall n w 1/4 of

and had a spelling contest on the geographical names of Michigan. Bessie Davis stood up to the last.

Earl Camp prepared the longest and best list of cities in the lowland region of the world.

SIXTH GRADE.

Pupils have been exercising their ingenuity in making designs based on the circle.

Helen Weymouth and Ray McFaul won in the spelling contest Friday.

Several have contributed to the relief fund for the famine sufferers in India.

Margaret Devin was the first to be able to give the entire conjugation of a verb without a mistake.

Edna Kean and Harold Fast have been absent on account of sickness.

SEVENTH GRADE.

Many of the grade have tried especially hard during the last month to do good work in arithmetic. Seven succeeded in bringing their monthly average up to 100.

Elmer Clark has left school and gone to work upon his father's farm.

Howard Hussey is back at work after several weeks absence.

The nervous system is keeping the physiology class busy.

EIGHTH GRADE.

We are enjoying Charles Sheldon's edition of the *Topeka Daily Capital*.

The class in literature are studying the life of James Whitcomb Riley and are reading some of his poems. This exercise will help us enjoy the entertainment to be given March 29.

The following pupils have neither been absent or tardy this year; Louis Runner, Rex Lamb, Clarence Van Every, Grace Rouse, Lois Wheelock, Vera Glidden, Nellie Clendenen, Mand Scott and Manna Fydell.

Clarence VanEvery and Flavia Lough are ahead in the history race.

All but two pupils have entered the advanced class and are working in proportion.

The History class discussed the Porto Rico question Tuesday.

One of the curious things about the methods of modern war correspondence is well shown in the April *Scribner's* where H. J. Whigham's article on the battle of Magersfontein appears richly illustrated with photographs which were developed, printed, and engraved thousands of miles from the battlefield. Mr. Whigham will know nothing of his results until at some future day he picks up a copy of the magazine. He simply knows that he snapped a camera in the direction of the fighting and enclosed the films in a tin box.

Among the most popular and instructive features of the Assembly of 1899 were the Lecture-Recitals by Prof. P. M. Pearson. During the week his audience quadrupled in number. He has a fine power of analysis, ability as an elocutionist to interpret the author's meaning in the best way.

H.-C. JENNINGS, Supt. Ass'y, Marinette, Wis.

EDUCATIONAL.

SCHOOL NOTES.

School closes Friday, Mar. 23, for one week's vacation.

All rooms in the school will be fumigated vacation week. The work will be under the direction of Health Officer, Dr. Garland.

The "James Whitcomb Riley" Lecture-Recital for the benefit of the school library, will take place Thursday evening, Mar 29. The lecture is free to each pupil of the school who sells one adult's ticket. Remember that in purchasing a ticket you furnish a pupil free admission to a fine literary entertainment. Prizes will be given to the pupil who sells three tickets.

FIRST GRADE.

Charlie Waterman is sick with the chicken pox.

We had a small attendance Monday on account of the variety of March weather.

Paul Roe and Paul Shetterly, who have been detained at home with colds and croup, came back to school yesterday.

SECOND GRADE.

As a result of last week's thaw, colds prevail, nine children being absent on account of sickness.

We are spending the week in a general review of the term's work.

All are looking forward with pleasure to the week of vacation.

THIRD GRADE.

A number of the children are sick with the chicken pox.

The arithmetic class are working in short division.

Tillie Richardson is in school again after an absence on account of sickness.

The following pupils had good drawings of the calla: Warren Avery, Earl Waterman, Fred Ravin, Rosa Hershon, May Smith, Jesse Eisenhart, Florence Burt, Harry Cox, Relia Binns and Kelsey Bainton.

FOURTH GRADE.

In geography we have begun the study of South America.

The pupils are learning "The Raggedy Man" by James Whitcomb Riley.

The attendance this week is small on account of sore throats and bad colds.

FIFTH GRADE.

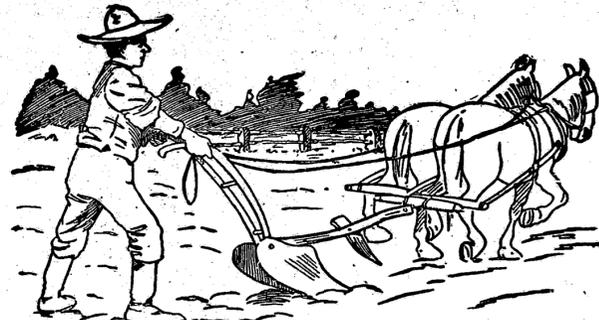
Review work in physiology commenced Monday.

Edna Trounfetter is in school again after a week's absence.

In the final review of "Paul Revere's Ride," Archie Ravin and Bessie Davis recited with the fewest mistakes.

The arithmetic classes are working problems in multiplication of mixed numbers. The problems are long and hard and the pupils are to be commended for their steady perseverance.

Friday afternoon we chose sides



I am a farmer located near Stony Brook, one of the most malarious districts in this State, and was bothered with malaria for years, at times so I could not work, and was always very constipated as well. For years I had malaria so bad in the spring, when engaged in plowing, that I could do nothing but shake. I must have taken about a barrel of quinine pills besides dozens of other remedies, but never obtained any permanent benefit. Last fall, in peach time, I had a most serious attack of chills and then commenced to take Ripans Tabules, upon a friend's advice, and the first box made me all right and I have never been without them since. I take one Tabule each morning and night and sometimes when I feel more than usually exhausted I take three in a day. They have kept my stomach sweet, my bowels regular and I have not had the least touch of malaria nor splitting headache since I commenced using them. I know also that I sleep better and wake up more refreshed than formerly. I don't know how many complaints Ripans Tabules will help, but I do know they will cure any one in the condition I was and I would not be without them at any price. I honestly consider them the cheapest-priced medicine in the world, as they are also the most beneficial and the most convenient to take. I am twenty-seven years of age and have worked hard all my life, the same as most farmers, both early and late and in all kinds of weather, and I have never enjoyed such good health as I have since last fall; in fact, my neighbors have all remarked my improved condition and have said, "Sav, John, what are you doing to look so healthy?"

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RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts, \$251,130.15
Cash 239,584.56
\$490,714.71

LIABILITIES.

Capital Stock, \$ 43,652.61
Deposits, 447,062.10
\$490,714.71

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CASHIER,

BUCHANAN, MICH.

The State Prohibition conference and convention will be held at Grand Rapids on March 29 and 30 at Good Templar's Hall.

We are under obligations to Ex-Senator John Patton jr. for a copy of his excellent address on "The Republic—Its Growth and Dangers" delivered at Arbor on Washington's birthday.

For Delegate-at-Large.
At the coming delegate convention to be held at Detroit on May 3, no more fitting tribute could be given by the Republican party through the state, of the loyal and efficient work of the Detroit Journal than to name as one of the delegates-at-large, Mr. Wm. Livingstone the publisher of that staunch republican paper.

COMMON COUNCIL
A regular meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Buchanan, Michigan, was held pursuant to the laws of Michigan at the Council Rooms of Buchanan Village, Thursday evening, March 15, 1900.

President pro tem Bishop presiding. Present, Trustees Arthur, Black, Kent and Pears. Minutes of meeting March 15, 1900 also March 20, 1900 were read and approved.

The bond of Arthur W. Roe, Treasurer in the sum of six thousand dollars with Chas. F. Pears and John W. Remington as sureties was offered.

Moved by Trustee Black supported by Trustee Kent that the bond be accepted.

Ayes Bishop, Kent, Black, Glover, Monroe and Remington.

The President announced the following committees:

On Streets—Black, Remington and Glover.
On Finance—Monro, Bishop and Kent.

Board adjourned.
W. F. RUNNER, CLERK.

PERSONAL.

Mr. E. B. Treat is in Cassopolis to-day.

Jay Godfrey went to St. Joe Monday.

Mr. N. B. Batshelet went to Sodus Monday.

Mr. Lena Brocius is visiting in Elkhardt.

Mr. W. F. Bainton was in Niles Monday.

Mr. Barmore spent Sunday with his family.

Mr. D. H. Bower visited in South Bend to-day.

Attorney A. C. Roe was a Niles visitor yesterday.

Mr. Andrew Corbus of Chicago is visiting in town.

Mr. M. J. Moriarty was in the city on business to-day.

Mr. Aug. Willard of Niles spent Sunday in Buchanan.

Rev. Chas. Shook of Union Mills, Ind. is home on a visit.

Mr. Michael Curran moved with his family to Chicago Monday.

Mr. Arthur Wray of St. Louis is home on a visit with relatives.

Miss Maud Weisgerber has gone to Michigan City to learn millinery.

Mrs. Wm. Koons of Dowagiac visited relatives in town over Sunday.

Mr. M. W. Widener of the Chicago *Inten Ocean* was in town this week.

Mr. Orbin Brower of Mason, Mich. visited relatives in town this week.

Mrs. B. F. Bressler, and infant son of Elkhardt is visiting relatives in town.

Mr. W. H. Keller went to Benton Harbor Thursday evening returning the next day.

Mr. Jno. T. Owens of Benton Harbor paid the Record office a pleasant call yesterday.

Misses Lulu Morris and Florence Redden returned Wednesday from a visit in Elkhardt.

Mrs. M. L. Hunter returned on Saturday from a four months visit with relatives in Chicago and Minneapolis.

Mrs. and Mrs. E. M. Rough were called to Wilmet, Ky. on Monday by the serious illness of Mr. Rough's sister Mrs. R. V. Curd.

Mrs. Tamerson Merrill, Mrs. Mary Straw, Mrs. Geo. Howard, Mrs. Dell Boardman, Mrs. Myron Smith and Mrs. Van Meter, of Buchanan, were the guests of Mrs. C. C. Aikin last Thursday. *Edwardsburg Argus.*

DIX FEELS GOOD.
Just as the sun went down the last day of February, Auditor General Dix sat in his office reviewing some of the official incidentals in connection with his administration during the last

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CHURCH NOTES.

The subject of the morning sermon at the Christian Church by W. B. Thomson will be "The place of Faith in Salvation." Evening, "The Harvest Time—Now."

Mrs. H. L. Carlisle will speak in the Presbyterian church next Sunday evening. The evening service and the Christian Endeavor will unite in the exercises. The pastor will conduct the morning service at 10:30 o'clock.

The Anniversary Meeting of the Ladies' Mite Society of the Advent Christian Church will be held at home of Mrs. C. B. Treat, March 28. Supper served from 5 to 8. A musical program is arranged for the evening. All are cordially invited.

Program for M. E. Sunday School for March 25:
Opening Exercises.
Elliptical review of the first five lessons with recitations.
Address by Pastor.
Marching and collections for birthday offerings.
Good music interspersed.

The Ladies' Missionary Society of the Presbyterian church held their 20th annual meeting on March 14. They were greatly rejoiced that their president, Mrs. S. Whitman, consented to serve them another year, Mrs. G. W. Noble, 1st vice; Mrs. J. Beardsley, 2d vice; Mrs. W. W. Wells, secretary and treasurer. While we have had discouragements the past year, yet financially it has been a success as contributions have doubled that of previous years.

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Republican County Convention.

A Republican County Convention will be held at Berrien Springs, on Wednesday, April 18, 1900,

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1ST DISTRICT.		2ND DISTRICT.	
NO. DEL.	NO. DEL.	NO. DEL.	NO. DEL.
Bainbridge 9	Berrien 10	Benton 15	Bertrand 7
Benton Har'r 1 w	6 Buchanan 1 pct.	10	10
" 2 w 13	" 2 pct.	8	8
" 3 w 12	Chikaming 8	8	8
" 4 w 11	Gallen 8	8	8
Hagar 6	Lake 1 pct.	13	13
Lincoln 8	" 2 pct.	8	8
Oronoko 12	New Buffalo 8	8	8
Royalton 7	Niles 8	8	8
St. Joseph 6	Niles city 1 w	11	11
" city 1 w 7	" 2 w 8	7	7
" 2 w 8	" 3 w 7	7	7
" 3 w 7	Pipestone 8	8	8
" 4 w 6	Three Oaks 11	11	11
Watervliet 1 pct. 10	Weesaw 8	8	8
" 2 pct. 9			
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The newspapers of other sections of this county have given notice of a like advance on April first.

If you desire to take advantage of the old rate of \$1.00 you must act quickly. If your subscription has not yet expired you can take advantage of the old rate and have your time extended as many years as you may desire. We desire in this connection to extend to all our friends our sincere appreciation of the kindly support and interest that has been manifested in aiding us in our endeavor to furnish Buchanan with a good live newspaper.

The Topeka Capital has asked the farmers of Kansas to contribute 1,000,000 bushels of corn to the relief of the famine sufferers of India. The last year's crop of Kansas amounted to 225,000,000 bushels and the amount asked for by the Capital will undoubtedly be forthcoming.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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

Estate of E. A. Beckwith, deceased. See legal.

J. C. Ellsworth has a change of adv. this week. Read it.

A. Jones & Co. have a change of adv. this week. Read it.

B. R. Desenberg & Bro. have an adv. of their annual Muslin Underwear sale.

LOCAL NOTES

Township Caucus.

A Republican Caucus of the voters of Buchanan township will be held on Saturday afternoon, March 24, at Rough's Opera House, commencing at 2 o'clock, for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the township election and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the caucus.

D. E. HINMAN,
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 D. H. BOWER,

Democratic People's Union Free Silver Caucus.

There will be a caucus of the voters of Buchanan township, on Saturday afternoon, March 24, at 2 o'clock in the Council Chambers of the Village of Buchanan for the purpose of nominating candidates for the coming election, and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the caucus.

J. L. RICHARDS,
 JOHN W. BEISTLE, } Com.
 GEO. HANLEY,

Township Caucus.

A prohibition caucus of the voters of Buchanan township will be held on Monday evening, March 26, at Council rooms commencing at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates for the township election and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the caucus.

M. S. MEAD,
 Chairman of committee.

Bertrand Township.

The Republican voters of Bertrand township are requested to meet in caucus in the town hall on Monday, March 26, 1900 at 2 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of nominating candidates for the various township officials and such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

By order of committee,
 SYLVANUS FERGUSON,
 Chairman.

There are several cases of chicken pox in town.

Messrs Eugene Murphy and William A. Sparks are nicely located in their new barber shop.

Mrs. Carrie R. Crotser has rented the south half of Mrs. J. F. Hahn's house on Oak street, and will move there next week.

One of the employees of the Lee and Porter Axle Works had both hands severely burned with a red hot piece of iron yesterday. He is doing nicely under the care of Dr. G. L. Bailey.

Mr. Irving Phillipson, of Dowagiac, has successfully passed the examination for admission to the West Point Military Academy, and will become a cadet at that institution.

Letters unclaimed remaining in P. O. at Buchanan, Mich., for week ending March 20, 1900: Mrs. C. T. Huene, Chas. Taylor, Mrs. Katie Toile, Mr. Al Swift, Minnie Demason.
 GEO. NOBLE, P. M.

In personal letter received from Mr. A. B. Sewell, he states that they are now pleasantly located at 216 Broad way, and that their new factory is in the Tuttle building near the iron bridge, at the foot of Main Street.

FREDRICKSON-BROWNFIELD.—The cozy home of Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Brownfield, at 418 West Water street, was the scene of a very pretty wedding Thursday evening, relatives and intimate friends to the number of 90 being present to witness the solemnization of marriage vows between their accomplished daughter, Miss Elizabeth R. and Mr. Walter A. Fredrickson. At 8 o'clock Miss Emma Reed began the Mendelssohn wedding march and to its inspiring strains the bridal couple unattended entered the parlors where they were met by the officiating clergyman, Rev. C. W. Walker, of Grace M. E. church, who pronounced the ceremony. The fair bride was becomingly gowned in white. Congratulations and admiration of the large array of handsome presents, was followed by the serving of an elegant supper. The diningroom decorations were pink and white. The bride is a popular and highly accomplished young lady, while the groom is none the less lacking in friends who extend their heartfelt felicitations. Among the guests present were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Richards, Miss Kelsey, Miss Redden and Miss Lulu Morris of Buchanan; Mrs. Sanford H. Rugee, of Milwaukee—South Bend Times.



EX-PRESIDENT W. H. KELLER.

An Excellent Record.

Upon the retirement of the outgoing Republican administration a few items of interest may be noted by our readers. President W. H. Keller, retires from two terms with the consciousness of leaving a record behind him that he can view with satisfaction. The chairman of the Finance Committee, Mr. Chas. Pears has ably seconded him in the wise and economical handling of the finances, between five and six thousand dollars of the floating indebtedness being retired in this time. For the first time since the installation of the water works, every water tax paid, the books being balanced.

During Mr. Keller's two years as President, the fine addition at the pumping station has been built, cement walks laid about the premises, entreat cross walks on Front street, graveling of Oak, Front and Main streets, the grading and scraping of other streets. Great improvements were also made at Oak Ridge Cemetery, the roads being repaired, graveled, and every tombstone straightened up. The record is a creditable one, and the outgoing members may well be proud of it. At the same time the Record has every reason to believe that the incoming administration will be just as successful, and creditable.

Mrs. Sarah Clark has purchased the F. C. Hathaway house on McCaslin Avenue.

Mrs. A. B. Sewell, in the morning service at the M. E. church, yesterday, sang a solo, "The Master's Call," in a manner that reflected great credit on her ability and training. Having recently moved into our midst, she will be a permanent and valuable acquisition to the musical talent of our city.—Niles Daily Sun.

The Berrien District Missionary Convention of the United Brethren Church will be held in this city, April 2, 3, and 4. Dr. Bell, of Dayton, Ohio, Missionary Secretary, will be present, also the ministers throughout the district. Let all missionary workers make arrangements to attend. See program next week.

Owing to the inclemency of the weather, the old bachelors were unable to attend the Old Maids Convention and for their benefit, they will appear again and make their last appeal Saturday evening, March 24, at Rough's Opera House. Many new attractions. Price 10 cents.

L. O. T. M.

Regular review Tuesday the 27th. A full attendance desired to deal with questions of vital importance.
 M. EAST, R. K.

From Rev. E. E. Black

DEAR RECORD:—

I am slow in fulfilling my promise to write you, but when I tell you I have visited between 60 and 70 new families this past week perhaps you will not think me so slow.

Jeffersonville is more pleasant than we expected. Providentially, we secured an excellent residence on a fine street with a large garden, lawn and 30 fruit trees, within reasonable distance of the city center and the telephone will obliterate that distance in many cases. The street cars run within one block of our door. All the main streets are well paved and here we are free from smoke and soot than we could be anywhere else in the city. There is a commonsense close by where we can play ball at leisure hours with our elders and deacons and shock the sanctified street babbler.

During the first week the warm spring weather delighted us, but for 2 or 3 days some Michigan winds have strayed this way and made these southern houses rather uncomfortable. But St. Patrick has celebrated and now the frogs will return. It will require time and patience to accustom ourselves to the low dark houses. We'd like to paint the town red or "white" or some color, but the coal soot soon makes all alike. Stars do not fall but the soot does and one needs to carry a mirror if he is not in his wife's company.

It is a little funny to hear children ask their mothers "Is my face clean?" The fact that they have just washed and that the water in the basin is black is not sufficient evidence. Still we are clean in comparison with our mother city, Louisville. Wife and I have the conceit we can keep our carpets and curtains a little cleaner than any we have seen but the good people smile and say "wait." There is one article in the making of which the Buchanan ladies had a hand that will not soon be soiled I'm sure.

Our house is within 1/2 block of the old Ohio which is nearly one mile wide here and is a wonderful channel for freight and passengers. There is the best of comfort for passengers up or down the river daily. Millions of tons of coal are floated down from the Pennsylvania coal regions to all points south. Along the wharfs negroes and mules are as thick as bees in the truck wheat. "White trash" and horses are a separate combination. The names of some of our flock strike us oddly enough. Of course "Jones" and "Smith" are here in force. Coming south we are glad to find the "Millers" to supply us with flour and the "Coopers" to make them barrels. No amount of coaxing even by four sweet northern girls could persuade some of our members to shave their beards. These latterly disregard Dame Fashion. We have "Crums" if not always a whole loaf, and "Graham" gems (our staff of life) never fails. We can have a "Fry" three times a day and "Sundays." "Gills" are here but not the fish; and "Becks" but not the birds. We have "Knights" every day and "Day" every night of the year. In storm, or calm, rain or snow we have "Merriweather." We have no fear of droughts for there are "Pools" and "Waters" and "Waterhouses." "Roses" bloom out of doors all the year round on Maple street one block to our north. "Bowers" are found on every hillside, a shelter from storm and sun. True these are "Lyon" between us and the church door, but they have been tamed by the Gospel and lie down with the "Lamb," "Rocks" and "Hoels" are here to give diversity to the scenery. There is much to cheer a pastor's heart. He has a "Rudder" to keep the church ship in the safe way; there is more than one who is always the "Same" like the old preacher's sermons; others are always "True" and of "Sterling" worth; some will never grow old for they will always be "Young"; every Sunday we shall have a "Joiner"; whatever the bill of fare the pastor provides some will thrive; and be "Stout"; and if one does not care for the entire courses he may have a "Sample." We have no grumblers and growlers, but we have a "Barker" (I'm told he does not bite). Some are good "Walkers" and others are "Leapers." We do not need to go to Kansas for "Bizzards" not to Michigan for "Huckleberries." He would have the Record to understand that we have members who are certainly "Knoblock" (heads) relatives of a certain South Bend widower. For colors we have "Brown," "Green," "White," "Gray," and "Black."

We meet with many kindness in this land of strangers and find more work to do than we ever faced before. Nor have we ever had so great a desire to be of some service to men for His sake who died for us. Our beginning is promising, 14 have already been added since we came, "the harvest is plenteous," the need is great, and our God is able.

Congratulations to Buchanan on her victory for Prohibition.

With greetings to all our friends.
 E. R. BLACK,
 934 E. Chestnut, Jeffersonville, Ind.

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OBITUARY.

SARAH ETTA ANSTISS was born in Buchanan April 18th, 1874, died at Three Oaks, March 15th, 1900, buried at Three Oaks, March 18th, 1900. "Sadie" as she was familiarly known, was loved by all who knew her. At the age of 14 she gave her heart to God, and her name to the Methodist Church and was faithful to the obligation taken.

She was married to Arthur Scholes June 6th, 1897 at her father's home in Buchanan. They began housekeeping at Three Oaks where all the days of her happy but brief married life was passed. Neighbors and family alike testify to her kindness and helpfulness. She will be missed in the factory, the Church, by her class in Sunday School, and her associates who knew her worth, but more than all she will be missed in the home. Husband and Mother will never forget the promise made to meet her in Heaven. Father, Brother and Sisters all may find comfort in Him in whom she trusted.

"For all may learn in hours of faith,
 The path to meet and sense unknown,
 That life is ever lord of death,
 And love can never lose its own."

The funeral services of Edward E. Barnhardt took place, Tuesday, at 10:00 a. m., in the Evangelical church eleven miles west from here, Rev. J. R. Neigarth officiating. For the last few years Mr. Barnhardt with his family lived in Chicago where he found steady employment. He was a diligent young man and was loved by all.

Mr. Barnhardt was but 81 years old, in the midst of life, when the dreadful disease, pneumonia of the lungs ended his earthly career.

He was born, Dec. 25th, 1868, and died, March 1900.

He leaves to mourn his early departure a sorrowing wife, two sons, father, mother, two brothers, one sister and many loving friends and neighbors.

your wall paper early and don't fail to consult with Harry Binns.

Last week's Michigan Mirror published by the Flint School for the Deaf has an article describing the recent fire at the school, in which much praise is given Mr. Jesse Waterman, Buchanan boy, who is a student at that school.

Don't fail to see our line of good, sound, serviceable, kitchen pattern. BINNS. Next P. O.

Mrs. Hern entertained the members of her Sunday School class last evening at her home. Fifteen were present and all had a royal good time, music, games and social enjoyment passing the time only too quickly. Delightful refreshments were served.

LODGE ROOM SECRETS.

A Practical Demonstration.

We clip the following account from the *Ionia Sentinel* of March 16 which will be interesting reading to all Maccabees and those who are interested in fraternal insurance.

The "open review" of Wabasis tent No. 144, K. O. T. M.; last evening, proved both a novel as well as an interesting one. Over 300 Maccabees and their gentlemen friends had assembled when commanner Lauster called the meeting to order and welcomed them. A very interesting program followed.

Record Keeper Welch read the original records of the review held over 15 years ago, at which time Sir Knight Parker—the special guest of the evening and now 70 years of age—was admitted to the tent. The minutes showed only eight Sir Knights present at that review and that after waiting some time for the commander and lieutenant to put in an appearance, without success, Sir Knight Fred Cutler Jr., was chosen to preside. Little did the few members present at that now memorable review dream of its importance and peculiar connection with the remarkable meeting of last night.

Fred Cutler Jr. followed Sir Knight Welch and talked about the early days of the tent, its wonderful growth and prosperity, also bringing out the special features of the order—the old age benefit—which was the occasion of last night's meeting—the paying to Sir Knight Parker, who had attained the age of 70, his first installment of said benefit, closing with handing to him, in behalf of the Great camp, a draft for \$100. The scene was an inspiring one and only those present can imagine the emotions of the beneficiary as he received and accepted the payment of the "real thing."

Sir Knight Parker, who may be remembered as a former chaplain at the S. H. of C. here, responded in one of the most feeling and eloquent addresses it has been the pleasure of the tent to hear in many a day. Being a "living ex. m. le" of the old age benefit of the order, he; as no one else, could espouse its merits and the actual fulfillment of its promises.

Mr. Parker stated he had paid into the order since his connection with it for assessments and dues the sum of \$397.50 and now receives a paid up certificate for \$2,000, from which he receives semi-annually \$100, the balance if any being paid to his widow at death.

Sir Knight Kling, finance keeper, followed with some further figures showing the little cost of carrying a protection in the order and the number of assessments that have been paid in during the past years.

A special meeting of the Grand Lodge I. O. O. F. of Michigan will be held at Benton Harbor on Thursday, March 29. The session will begin at 9 o'clock a. m. and continue through the day and evening.

The Maccabee banquet to be given by the losers to the winning team at the recent membership contest, will be held next week, and as a consequence the winners are "licking their chops" in anticipation and the losers are saving their change to foot the bills.

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For 18 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp. The illustration is only two-thirds actual size. Color a delicate pink, with jewel setting and gold trimmings. Best enamel finish, stylish and durable.

"The Lion's Bride."
Mailed free for 12 lion heads cut from Lion Coffee wrappers and a 2-cent stamp. An unusually fine picture, from the brush of the noted German artist, Gabriel Max. It is founded on Chamisso's poem, "The Lion's Bride." The story is interesting, and we send with each picture a handsome folder, containing copy of the poem and telling all about it. Size, 15x26 inches.

"Dorothy and Her Friends."
A bright, cheery picture.
For 8 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.
A bright, cheery picture, representing a little girl playing with her chickens and her rabbits. The predominant colors are rich reds and greens. Size, 15x26 inches.
For 10 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp, we will mail it framed, ready for hanging.

50-Foot Clothes Line.
Given for 15 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.
Made of closely braided cotton threads, strong, and will give the best of satisfaction.

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Stylish Belt-Buckle.
Handsomely gold-plated, with Roman finish, and set with ruby colored jewel in the center. This will be welcomed for "dressed-up" occasions by the ladies who like to wear different colored sashes. The gold-finish goes well with any of them. Given for 20 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

Ladies' Apron.
Made of good quality lawn, with alternate ruffles and tucks; broad hem at bottom, and is neatly gathered at waist. A very superior and stylish article. Size, 36x40 inches.
Given for 20 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

Fruit Picture.
Size, 16x24 inches. Given for 8 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

See it Fly!
The celebrated box kite now so popular. Thirty inches long and comes safely folded, but can quickly be spread to fly. Every American boy wants one, and older persons also are interested.
Mailed free for 40 lion heads cut from Lion Coffee wrappers and a 2-cent stamp.

Box of Colored Crayons.
For 10 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.
Fine wax crayons, fifteen different colors, accompanied with outline pictures for coloring. Each crayon is wrapped with strong paper, to prevent breaking.

Ladies' Scissors.
Length, five inches, suitable for cutting, trimming and general household use. Given for 12 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

Child's Drawing Book.
A collection of nice outline pictures bound into book form with sheets of tissue paper between them. The leaves. On these tissue paper pages the children can trace the pictures beneath, thus affording enjoyment, as well as instruction to the hand and eye. These drawing books and the box of crayons go very well together. There are six different kinds, and each drawing book requires 6 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

Naval Box Kite.
Given for 20 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.
never tire of playing.

Mantel Clock.
By express, prepaid, for 110 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.
Frame beautifully finished with gilt. Stands 5 inches high. A beauty and good time-keeper.

Razor.
Given for 35 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.
A first-class razor, made of best English steel, and extra hollow-ground.

Rubber Dressing Comb.
For 10 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.
Length, 7 inches, full size and weight. Made of genuine India rubber, finely finished. Appropriate for a ladies' dressing-case or for use in the household.

Game "India."
Similar to "Parchesi," which has been played in eastern countries since before the dawn of history. The illustration shows plan of the game, with usual counters, dice and dice-cups accompanying it. A game which people never tire of playing.
Given for 20 lion heads and a 2-cent stamp.

This Cat Traps Birds.
Over in New Jersey there is a cat that traps sparrows. Mrs. Brown, the owner of this remarkable cat, lives on the top floor of a four story brick house in Greenville. One of the back bedroom windows overlooks a neighboring roof, one of the ledges of which is not more than three feet from the window. Mrs. Brown is very fond of birds and until recently was accustomed to strew birdseed and crumbs over the ledge for the sparrows.
She soon noticed, however, that her big coal black cat Fanny was not respecting the laws of hospitality and could not resist the opportunity afforded of breaking her fast with one or two sparrows. All Fanny had to do was to leap the intervening three feet from the window sill upon the stone flagging on the roof, and one poor little sparrow, sometimes two, would be quivering between her paws. Mrs. Brown at once stopped feeding them, there being no way of keeping the cat from the window, in the hope that the poor little victims of her well meant kindness would come no more.
This, however, did not suit Fanny at all. She set about devising some means by which the little sparrows, which, although they still came, would not tarry upon seeing that their accustomed crumbs were not there, could be gotten to stay as before. She finally hit upon something and immediately set upon carrying it into execution. Her mistress, who sat reading in an easy chair in a corner of the room, saw Fanny jump on the window sill, carrying in her mouth a little bag containing seeds, and from there leap down to the roof. Curious to see what the cat was about, Mrs. Brown got up very quietly and went to the side of the window and watched the cat emptying the bag on the ledge and then spreading the contents for a little distance with her paws. When all was ready she jumped back to the sill and took her accustomed stand behind the flower pots. Some few minutes after Fanny was making a meal of two sparrows—the result of her successful trapping.

The Secret of Ventriloquism.
"Ventriloquism as a vaudeville specialty is about played out," said a veteran showman who passed through the city this week. "It was always a great fake. Of course, we know now-a-days that there is no such thing as 'throwing the voice,' and that it is simply an illusion in which the eye plays a bigger part than the ear. For instance a man is seated on the stage with a mechanical dummy on his knee, and you hear a voice. The man's face is stiff and the jaws of the dummy are wagging—naturally you jump to the conclusion that the voice comes from the doll. If you were right beside them you would know better, but you are too far away to exactly locate the sound. That's the principle of the whole thing, but in the old days the voice throwing theory was generally accepted.
"I remember in the season of '89-'90 I was manager for a clever prestidigitator who was also a ventriloquist. He claimed to be able to throw his voice forty-two feet, and 'land it in a space ten inches in diameter,' as you might speak of pitching a baseball or a quoit. It was a most absurd contention, but he stuck to it—even to me in private, and we had a stock story we used to work off on the country papers, about his appearing at a coroner's inquest and making the corpse accuse a suspected person of murder. 'At that instant,' the climax ran, 'a hollow voice issued from the dead man's throat.' It was a very thrilling yarn, and, in the course of time, my boss got to believe it himself, and would narrate the details with every evidence of good faith.
"During the performance he used to order everybody off the stage, but occasionally I would sneak around behind and listen through a peep-hole, and it was wonderful how the illusion was lost. Frequently, on the road, he would be embarrassed by requests to 'throw his voice' into this thing or that to further some practical joke, and he would always reply that 'his larynx was a trifle inflamed.' Still he was a capital ventriloquist—one of the very best, I believe, that was ever in the business."

Curious Climatic Condition in Bolivia.
At Alto Crucero water freezes every night of the year and the thermometer frequently falls to 6, 8 and 10 degrees below zero. There are no facilities for artificial heat—not even a fireplace—and people keep themselves warm by putting on ponchos and other extra wraps. Mr. Grundy, who has charge of the smelter at Maravillas, says that this winter the thermometer has frequently fallen to 8 degrees below zero in the sitting-room of his residence, but the family have felt no discomfort from the lack of stoves and furnaces, and have sat around the evening lamp reading and chatting just as they are accustomed to do at an ordinary temperature.
At noonday the sun is intensely hot, because of the elevation and the rarity of the atmosphere, and blisters the flesh of those who are not accustomed to it. There is a difference of 20 and sometimes 30 degrees in the temperature of the shade and the sunshine. Water will freeze in the shade while twenty feet away men may be working in their shirt sleeves.
The natives seem to be entirely unaccustomed to cold and go about barefooted and barelegged over the ice and the stones indifferently without regard to the temperature; but they have a way of heaping the blankets on their heads and wrapping up their faces to keep the pure air out of their throats and nostrils. The women who herd the flocks are often out on the mountains for weeks at a time without shelter or anything to eat except parched corn, strips of dried meat, and coca leaves, which are the most powerful of nerve stimulants.—Chicago Record.

A Writing Corner.
A writing corner can be easily fixed up in a home where it is impossible to provide a desk proper. The table itself consists of a board shaped like a quadrant of a circle, fitted into the corner of the wall at a convenient height, and supported by and nailed to wooden brackets screwed to the wall. Above the table there can be a little corner cupboard for a relay of stationery and ink. A wrought-iron suspended lamp with a rose or amber shade, fixed to the wall, will light the corner.

Not Afraid of Exertion.
Miss (to new footman)—One thing more, Jean. Your predecessor, whom I have discharged, was constantly paying attentions to the parlor maid.
Footman (interrupting)—Yes, madam, I'll take his place in that matter—certainly!

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Chicago & Kalamazoo Accom., No. 91, 8:12 A. M.
Bost., N. Y. & Cbl. Special, No. 15, 12:09 P. M.
Mail, No. 8, 3:08 P. M.
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St. Joseph, South Bend & Southern Railway.

Time Table in effect Nov. 26, 1899.

Southward trains		Northward trains	
No. 8	No. 1	No. 2	No. 4
p. m.	a. m.	a. m.	p. m.
5:30	10:30	8:55	2:35
6:30	10:30	8:48	2:25
5:38	10:45	8:38	2:19
5:45	0:58	8:28	2:11
5:54	1:01	8:19	2:05
6:08	1:14	8:17	1:48
6:45		7:30	1:15
			a. m.-p. m.

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No. 22	No. 23	No. 23	No. 22
1:18 p. m.	7:55 a. m.	7:55 a. m.	1:18 p. m.
No. 24	No. 25	No. 25	No. 24
5:16 p. m.	1:57 p. m.	1:57 p. m.	5:16 p. m.
No. 28	No. 27	No. 27	No. 28
8:32 a. m.	6:13 p. m.	6:13 p. m.	8:32 a. m.

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TIME TABLE
In effect Nov. 26, 1899. Trains leave South Bend as follows:

FOR THE SOUTH.		FOR TERRE HAUTE	
No. 21, Ex. Sun.	No. 22	No. 22	No. 21
8:45 A. M.	1:45 A. M.	1:45 A. M.	8:45 A. M.
No. 3, Ex. Sun.	No. 4	No. 4	No. 3
11:45 A. M.	6:15 P. M.	6:15 P. M.	11:45 A. M.

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Milwaukee, Benton Harbor & Columbus Railway Co. Time Table.

EFFECTIVE SUNDAY, OCT. 22, 1899, AT 12:05 O'CLOCK A. M.

GOING SOUTH.		GOING NORTH	
No. 3	No. 4	No. 2	No. 1
Ex. Sun.	Ex. Sun.	Ex. Sun.	Ex. Sun.
8:00	8:00	10:00	5:35
4:50	7:42	*Oakland	10:20
4:32	7:33	Berrien Springs	10:30
4:23	7:21	*Royal	10:40
4:16	7:14	*Royal on	10:54
4:00	7:00	Benton Harbor	11:10

*Pass Station.
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STATE OF MICHIGAN, in the Circuit Court for the County of Berrien in Chancery.
Nose Stepanich, Complainant
vs.
Matthew Stepanich, Defendant
Said pending in the Circuit Court for the county of Berrien in Chancery at St. Joseph, Mich., on the 30th day of January, A. D. 1900.
In this case it appearing from affidavit on file, that the Defendant Matthew Stepanich is not a resident of this State, but resides at the city of Chicago, in the State of Illinois, on motion of Grave and Wilson, complainant's solicitors, it is ordered that the said Defendant Matthew Stepanich cause his appearance to be entered herein, within four months from the date of this order, and in case of his appearance that he cause his answer to the complainant's Bill of Complaint to be filed, and a copy thereof to be served on complainant's solicitors, within twenty days after service on him of a copy of said bill, and notice of this order; and that in default thereof, said bill be taken as confessed by the said non-resident defendant.
And it is further ordered, that within twenty days the said complainant cause a notice of this order to be published in the BUCHANAN RECORD, a newspaper printed, published and circulating in said county, and that such publication be continued there at least in each week, for six weeks in succession, or that he cause a copy of this order to be personally served on said non-resident defendant, at least twenty days before the time above prescribed for his appearance.
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DEAD MAN'S ISLAND.

NO MAN WHO SETTLES ON IT EVER SURVIVES.

A Long, Bloody History—Haunted by a Murdered Indian, It Bears Fruit Suggestive of Tragedy—The Sights and Sounds May Be Due to Lively Imagination.

At the mouth of Trinity river, between two narrow passes is a patch of ground known as Dead Man's Island. It is hardly more than ten acres in extent, low and swampy—and almost inaccessible, but it is the home of more gruesome stories and strange vegetation than any other piece of ground of equal size in the whole State of Texas. During Mexican rule, and up to the time of the outbreak of the war for Texas independence, the island, and much of the land surrounding it, was owned by the Anahuac tribe of Indians. Dead Man's Island is said to have been the individual property of the last chief of the tribe. He was murdered there when the Mexicans were driven from the old town of Anahuac, for treasures he had in his possession, supposed to have been left in his care by some of Lafitte's men.

From that day the island seems to have been a fatal place to all who have settled upon it. Some hunter or fisherman takes possession of it every year, thinking to break the fatal spell, but none so far has been known to escape with his life. Some die suddenly, without apparent cause; others disappear mysteriously, and are never heard of again. Some are murdered by unknown agencies, others take their own lives, or lose them by flood or fire, or are destroyed by lightning and the sudden coming of storms.
Boatmen passing the island at night report many strange sights and sounds. An Indian maiden and spectral canoe have been met by many, a mile or more from shore, and at times when their stancher crafts had all they could do to combat the storm's waves and live. Often, in sailing through West Pass, piercing cries, as if caused by mortal pain, reach the ears. At other times, usually on calm,

starlit nights, the sounds of mirth revelry fill the air. These things happen, and are heard and seen, when it is known that there is not a living soul on the island.

All this is ascribed to the curse of the murdered Indian chief. The scenes and sounds at night are certainly uncanny enough to come from such a source. But if the nights around Dead Man's Island are uncanny, the days upon it are no less so.

On the north side of the island is a fringe of short thorny bushes, the leaves of which, in the autumn, turn gleaming red, hang pendant, and resemble dripping drops of blood so closely as to startle the beholder. The foliage is very scant, with only two or three leaves to the twig. On the top most twig hangs a large fruit, which at a distance appears to be blue, but which upon closer inspection proves to be a deep purple in color, and in shape resembles a human heart very closely. When touched with the hand it seems to shrink, and quivers visibly, and feels cold and clammy. It is said that the juice of this fruit pressed out and prepared in a certain way, makes a very powerful intoxicant. The bushes, from the shape of their fruit probably, are known among the hunters and fishermen in the vicinity as Indian heart, and grow nowhere except on the island.

Near the centre of the island is a small pond, around which grows a plant that resembles the banana in leafage. In the late Autumn it bears a peculiar fruit. This fruit is shaped like a human hand, except that it has only three fingers and a thumb. The fingers and thumb show the joints of the knuckles very plainly, the tips are furnished with a hard substance for nails and the palm shows the lines that are seen in the human hand. The part of the fruit, representing the hand and wrist is coppery in color, but the fingers are red as if bloody with murder. Some fishermen claim to have eaten of it, and say that it tastes like a half ripe plantain.

There is another shrub that grows on the island which is a strange mixture. No two leaves on it are alike in shape, size or color. It blooms profusely all the year round, but the flowers are of every variety imaginable, and no two of them smell the same, or

bear the least resemblance to each other.

The sights and sounds at night may perhaps be due to old stories and lively imaginations. But the fate that overtakes those that try to live on the island and the strange plants that grow there are facts which no man who has been there can dispute.

How Washington Tried a Guard.

"You can ride well, shoot straight, obey your superiors and never question a command?" asks Gen. Washington of a candidate for his Guards, in E. S. Brook's excellent new story, "In Blue and White," from the press of the Lothrop Publishing company.

Humphrey saluted. "That's what I try to do, General," he said.

"To saddle, sir! Catch me that boy!" Humphrey was in the saddle at once, galloping headlong down the green slope.

"That boy was a colored servant of man's age and stature. Hearing a horse come thundering upon him, he flung his watering pail into the air with a yell and made for a clump of trees.
But that sort of chase had been one of Humphrey's amusements on his father's farm behind the Nyack hills. At a gallop he passed the flying darkey, turned, doubled and wheeled as the man tried to dodge. And finally he reined his horse suddenly still, and with one hand clutching the runner's collar-band, lifted the darkey from his feet, wheeled about and saluted the General.

"Golly, massa!" exclaimed the captive. "I never was cotched better by any gentleman in my life."
And Humphrey began to suspect that he had been put to a cut-and-dried test.

The best workers are those who know when to rest.

Not Afraid of Exertion.
Miss (to new footman)—One thing more, Jean. Your predecessor, whom I have discharged, was constantly paying attentions to the parlor maid.
Footman (interrupting)—Yes, madam, I'll take his place in that matter—certainly!

THE CRUCIFIXION OF PHILIP STRONG.

By REV. CHARLES M. SHELDON,

Author of "In His Steps: What Would Jesus Do?" "Malcolm Kirk," "Robert Hardy's Seven Days," Etc.

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SYNOPSIS.

Chapter I.—Philip Strong, a minister, receives two calls, one to a college town, where he may live a quiet, scholarly life, to his liking, the other to a manufacturing town, where there is plenty of work to do among the laboring classes. He accepts the more active field.

Chapters II and III.—Philip discovers that a number of his wealthy parishioners have property rented for saloons and gambling houses. He interviews one of them and is advised that he had better not stir the matter up. The next Sunday he preaches upon the subject, and Mr. Winter, one of his most prominent parishioners rises from his seat and walks out of the church. The same evening Mr. Winter calls on the minister and resents what he calls an insult to himself, and threatens to withdraw his support from the church, retires in high dudgeon. The sermon creates great excitement, and the next Sunday a large crowd attends Phillips church, expecting a sensational sermon, but Philip disappoints them, preaching on an entirely different subject.

Chapter IV.—Philip attacks the saloons and preaches against them to a large congregation. He is upon his feet to join with him in an attempt to exterminate them. Later he leaves his house to visit a sick child, and a man on the opposite side of the street fires two shots at him.

Chapter V.—Philip, has been severely though not mortally wounded. His assailant is arrested and at Philip's request is brought before him. Philip assures him that he bears him no ill will and prays for him.

Chapter VI.—Philip preaches on the Sunday question and makes new enemies. Coming home one evening he finds his wife in a faint on the floor, a knife stuck into the back, and two anonymous scrawls, one addressed "To the Preacher," the other "To the Preacher's Wife."

Chapter VII.—There were warnings to leave town. The minister's wife begs her husband to leave the field for another, but just as he prepares to continue war against the devil there and in his own fashion.

Chapter VIII.—Philip astonishes his parishioners by proposing to move their church edifice into tenement district. He speaks to the laboring men at their hall and unintentionally influences them against the rich by holding up the selfishness of many of the rich people. When he goes home he is informed that a mob is threatening Mr. Winter at his residence.

Chapter IX.—Philip goes to the scene of trouble and rescues Mr. Winter from the mob.

Chapter X.—Philip preaches against wasteful expenditures when the poor are in need and is visited by a stranger who asked for food and shelter who tells his benefactor that he lives too extravagantly for one who preaches against extravagance. Philip calls him "Brother Man."

Chapter XI.—Philip takes the words of the stranger in to heart and acts upon them.

"I said a month ago that the age in which we live demands a simpler, less extravagant style of living. I did not mean by that to condemn the beauties of art or the marvels of science or the products of civilization. I merely emphasized what I believe is a mighty but neglected truth in our modern civilization—that if we would win men to Christ we must adopt more of his spirit of simple and consecrated self-denial. I wish to be distinctly understood as I go on that I do not condemn any man simply because he is rich or lives in a luxurious house, enjoying every comfort of modern civilization, every delicacy of the season and all physical desires. What I do wish distinctly understood is the belief, which has been burned deep into me ever since coming to this town, that if the members of this church wish to honor the Head of the church and bring men to believe him and save them in this life and the next they must be willing to do far more than they have yet done to make use of the physical comforts and luxuries of their homes for the blessing and Christianizing of this community. In this particular I have myself failed to set you an example. The fact that I have so failed is my only reason for making this matter public this morning.

"The situation in Milton today is exceedingly serious. I do not need to prove it to you by figures. If any business man will go through the tenements, he will acknowledge my statements. If any woman will contrast those dens with her own home, she will, if Christ is a power in her heart, stand in horror before such a travesty on the sacred thought of honor. The destitution of the neighborhood is alarming. The number of men out of work is dangerous. The complete removal of all sympathy between the church up here on this street and the tenement district is sadder than death. Oh, my beloved"—Philip stretched out his arms and uttered a cry that rang in the ears of those who heard it and remained with some of them a memory for years—"these things ought not so to be! Where is the Christ spirit with us? Have we not sat in our comfortable houses and eaten our pleasant food and dressed in the finest clothing and gone to amusements and entertainments without number while God's poor have shivered on the streets and his sinful ones have sneered at Christianity as they have walked by our church-doors?

into the tenement district, that we might give ourselves to the people there. The idea is the same in what I now propose. But you will pardon me if first of all I announce my own action, which, I believe, is demanded by the times and would be approved by our Lord."

Philip stepped up nearer the front of the platform and spoke with an added earnestness and power which thrilled every hearer. A part of the great conflict through which he had gone that past month shone out in his pale face and found partial utterance in his impassioned speech, especially as he drew near the end. The very abruptness of his proposition smote the people into breathless attention.

"The parsonage in which I am living is a large, even a luxurious, dwelling. It has nine large rooms. You are familiar with its furnishings. The salary this church pays me is \$2,000 a year, a sum which more than provides for my necessary wants. What I have decided to do is this: I wish this church to reduce this salary one-half and take the other thousand dollars to the fitting up the parsonage for a refuge for homeless children or for some such purpose which will commend itself to your best judgment. There is money enough in this church alone to maintain such an institution handsomely and not a single member of Calvary suffer any hardship whatever. I will move into a house nearer the lower part of the town, where I can more easily reach after the people and live more among them. That is what I propose for myself. It is not because I believe the rich and the educated do not need the gospel of the church. The rich and the poor both need the life more abundantly. But I am firmly convinced that as matters now are the church membership through pulpit and pew must give itself more than in the later ages of the world it has done for the sake of winning men. The form of self-denial must take a definite, physical, genuinely sacrificing shape. The church must get back to the apostolic times in some particulars and an adaptation of community of goods and a sharing of certain aspects of civilization must mark the church membership of the coming twentieth century. An object lesson in self-denial large enough for men to see, a self-denial that actually gives up luxuries, money and even pleasures—this is the only kind that will make much impression on the people. I believe if Christ was on earth he would again call for this expression of loyalty to him. He would again say, 'So likewise whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple.'

"All this is what I call on the members of this church to do. Do I say that you ought to abandon your own houses and live somewhere else? No, I can decide only for myself in a matter of that kind. But this much I do say: Give yourselves in some genuine way to save this town from its evil wretchedness. It is not so much your money as your own soul that the sickness of the world needs. This plan has occurred to me: Why could not every family in this church become a savior to some other family, interest itself in the other, know the extent of its wants as far as possible, go to it in person, let the Christian home come into actual touch with the un-Christian—in short, become a natural savior to one family? There are dozens of families in this church that could do that. It would take money. It would take time. It would mean real self-denial. It would call for all your Christian grace and courage, but what does all this church membership and church life mean if not just such sacrifice? We cannot give anything to this age of more value than our own selves. The world of sin and want and despair and disbelief is not hungering for money or mission schools or charity halls or state institutions for the relief of distress, but for live, pulsing, loving Christian men and women who reach out live, warm hands, who are willing to go and give themselves, who will abandon if necessary, if Christ calls for it, the luxuries they have these many years enjoyed in order that the bewildered, disheartened, discontented, unhappy, sinful creatures of earth may actually learn of the love of God through the love of man. And that is the only way the world ever has learned of the love of God. Humanity brought that love to the heart of the race, and it will continue so to do until this earth's tragedy is all played and the last light put out. Members of Calvary church, I call on you in Christ's name this day to do something for your Master that will really show the world that you are what you say you are when you claim to be a disciple of that one who, although he was rich, yet for our sakes became poor, giving up all heaven's glory in exchange for all earth's misery, the end of which was a cruel and bloody crucifixion. Are we Christ's disciples unless we are willing to follow him in this particular? We are not our own. We are bought with a price."

When that Sunday service closed, Calvary church was stirred to its depths. There were more excited people talking together all over the church than Philip had ever seen before. He greeted several strangers as usual and was talking with one of them, when one of the trustees came up and said the board would like to meet him, if convenient for him, as soon as he was at liberty.

Philip accordingly waited in one of the Sunday school classrooms with the trustees, who had met immediately after the sermon and decided to have an instant conference with the pastor.

CHAPTER XIII.

The door of the classroom was closed, and Philip and the trustees were together. There was a moment of embarrassing silence, and then the spokesman for the board, a nervous little man, said:

"Mr. Strong, we hardly know just what to say to this proposition of yours this morning about going out of the parsonage and turning it into an orphan asylum. But it is certainly a very remarkable proposition, and we felt as if we ought to meet you at once and talk it over."

"It's simply impossible," spoke up one of the trustees. "In the first place, it is impracticable as a business proposition."

"Do you think so?" asked Philip quietly.

"It is out of the question!" said the first speaker excitedly. "The church will never listen to it in the world. For my part, if Brother Strong wishes to—"

At that moment the sexton knocked at the door and said a man was outside very anxious to see the minister and have him come down to his house. There had been an accident or a fight or something. Some one was dying and wanted Mr. Strong at once. So Philip hastily excused himself and went out, leaving the trustees together.

The door was hardly shut again when the speaker who had been interrupted jumped to his feet and exclaimed:

"As I was saying, for my part if Brother Strong wishes to indulge in this eccentric action he will not have the sanction of my vote in the matter. It certainly is an entirely unheard of and uncalled for proposition."

"Mr. Strong has no doubt a generous motive in this proposed action," said a third member of the board, "but the church certainly will not approve any such step as the giving up of the parsonage. He exaggerates the need of such a sacrifice. I think we ought to reason him out of the idea."

"We called Mr. Strong to the parsonage of Calvary church," said another, "and it seems to me he came under the conditions granted in our call. For the church to allow such an absurd thing as the giving up of the parsonage to this proposed outside work would be a very unwise move."

"Yes, and more than that," said the first speaker, "I want to say very frankly that I am growing tired of the way things have gone since Mr. Strong came to us. What business has Calvary church with all these outside matters, these labor troubles and unemployed men and all the other matters that have been made the subject of preaching lately? I want a minister who looks after his own parish. Mr. Strong does not call on his own people. He has not been inside my house but once since he came to Milton. Brethren, there is a growing feeling of discontent over this matter."

There was a short pause, and then one of the members said:

"Surely if Mr. Strong feels dissatisfied with his surroundings in the parsonage or feels as if his work lay in another direction he is at liberty to choose another parish. But he is the finest pulpit minister we ever had, and no one doubts his entire sincerity. He is a remarkable man in many respects."

"Yes, but sincerity may be a very awkward thing carried too far. And in this matter of the parsonage I don't see how the trustees can allow it. Why, what would the other churches think of it? Calvary church cannot allow anything of the kind for the sake of its reputation. But I would like to hear Mr. Winter's opinion. He has not spoken yet."

The rest turned to the mill owner, who, as chairman of the board, usually had much to say and was regarded as a shrewd and careful business adviser. In the excitement of the occasion and discussion the usual formalities of a regular board meeting had been ignored.

Mr. Winter was evidently embarrassed. He had listened to the discussion of the minister with his head bent down and his thoughts in a whirl of emotion both for and against the pastor. His naturally inclined business habits contended against the proposition to give up the parsonage. His feelings of gratitude to the minister for his personal help the night of the attack by the mob rose up to defend him. There was with it all an undercurrent of self-administered rebuke that the pastor had set the whole church an example of usefulness. He wondered how many of the members would voluntarily give up half their incomes for the good of humanity. He wondered in a confused way how much he would give up himself. Philip's sermon had made a real impression on him.

"There is one point we have not discussed yet," he said at last, "and that is Mr. Strong's offer of half his salary to carry on the work of a children's refuge or something of that kind."

"How can we accept such an offer? Calvary church has always believed in paying its minister a good salary and paying it promptly, and we want our minister to live decently and be able to appear as he should among the best people," replied the nervous little man who had been first to speak.

"Still, we cannot deny that it is a very generous thing for Mr. Strong to do. He certainly is entitled to credit for his unselfish proposal. No one can charge him with being worldly minded," said Mr. Winter, feeling a new interest in the subject as he found himself defending the minister.

"Are you in favor of allowing him to do what he proposes in the matter of the parsonage?" asked another.

"I don't see that we can hinder Mr. Strong from living anywhere he pleases if he wants to. The church cannot compel him to live in the parsonage."

"No, but it can choose not to have such a minister!" exclaimed the first speaker again excitedly, "and I for one am most decidedly opposed to the whole thing. I do not see how the church can allow it and maintain its self respect."

"Do you think the church is ready to tell Mr. Strong that his services are not wanted any longer?" asked Mr. Winter coldly.

"I am, for one of the members, and I know others who feel as I do if matters go on in this way much longer. I tell you, Brother Winter, Calvary church is very near a crisis. Look at the Goldenes and the Malverns and the Albers. They are all leaving us, and the plain reason is the nature of the preaching. Why, you know yourself, Brother Winter, that never has the pulpit of Calvary church heard such preaching on people's private affairs."

Mr. Winter colored and replied angrily: "What has that to do with this present matter? If the minister wants to live in a simpler style, I don't see what business we have to stop it. As to the disposition of the parsonage, that is a matter of business which rests with the church to arrange."

The nervous, irritable little man who had spoken oftener rose to his feet and exclaimed: "You can count me out of all this, then. I wash my hands of the whole affair." And he went out of the room, leaving the rest of the board somewhat surprised at his sudden departure.

They remained about a quarter of an hour longer discussing the matter, and finally, at Mr. Winter's suggestion, a committee was appointed to go and see the minister the next evening and see if he could not be persuaded to modify or change his proposition made in the morning sermon. The rest of the trustees insisted that Mr. Winter himself should act as chairman of the committee, and after some remonstrance he finally, with great reluctance, agreed to do so.

So Philip next evening, as he sat in his study mapping out the week's work and wondering a little what the church would do in the face of his proposal, received the committee, welcoming them in his bright, hearty manner. He had been notified on Sunday evening of the approaching conference. The committee consisted of Mr. Winter and two other members of the board.

Mr. Winter opened the conversation with considerable embarrassment and an evident reluctance for his share in the matter.

"Mr. Strong, we have come, as you are aware, to talk over your proposition of yesterday morning concerning the parsonage. It was a great surprise to us all."

Philip smiled a little. "Mrs. Strong says I act too much on impulse and do not prepare people enough for my statements. But one of the greatest men I ever knew used to say that an impulse was a good thing to obey instantly if there was no doubt of its being a right one."

"And do you consider this proposed move of yours a right one, Mr. Strong?" asked Mr. Winter.

"I do," replied Philip, with quiet emphasis. "I do not regret making it, and I believe it is my duty to abide by my original decision."

"Do you mean that you intend actually to move out of this parsonage?" asked one of the other members of the committee.

"Yes," Philip said it so quietly and yet so decidedly that the men were silent a moment. Then Mr. Winter said:

"Mr. Strong, this matter is likely to cause trouble in the church, and we might as well understand it frankly. The trustees believe that as the parsonage belongs to the church property and was built for the minister he ought to live in it. The church will not understand your desire to move out."

"Do you understand it, Mr. Winter?" Philip put the question point blank.

"No, I don't know that I do wholly," Mr. Winter colored and replied in a hesitating manner.

"I gave my reasons yesterday morning. I do not know that I can make them plainer. The truth is I cannot go on preaching to my people about living on a simpler basis while I continue to live in surroundings that on the face of them contradict my own convictions. In other words, I am living beyond my necessities here. I have lived all my life surrounded by the luxuries of civilization. If now I desire to give these benefits to those who have never enjoyed them or to know from nearer contact something of the bitter struggle of the poor, why should I be hindered from putting that desire into practical form?"

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CORRESPONDENCE

THREE OAKS.

Mrs. J. Parrey is seriously ill.
A. J. Woolman, of New Carlisle, was in town last Friday taking orders for clothing.
Your correspondent wishes to correct an error in the Three Oaks items of last week. The village trustees elected were Walter Phelps, Marvin Phillips and Frank Breese.
The funeral of Mrs. Arthur Scholes was held at the M. E. Church last Sunday at 2 p. m. Although the weather was not pleasant, the large number present was proof of the fact that the deceased had many friends.
Rev. Peschman, of Evanston, conducted the quarterly meeting at the M. E. Church last Sunday.

DAYTON.

Beulah Noyes spent Sunday in Michigan City.
Frank White started for his new home in Howard City Monday. Will Feltie goes with him.
Mrs. Floyd Weaver visited in New Carlisle last week.
Our young people gave Will Feltie a surprise party Wednesday evening. All had a good time.
Mrs. B. Ferguson is able to be out again after an attack of Lagrippe.

BERRIEN SPRINGS.

Mr. Green left on Monday for Grand Rapids, from which place he expects to be sent as relief operator to some point on the Pere Marquette railroad.
The entire community was startled last week, Tuesday by the sudden death of U. J. Davis. Heart failure was supposed to be the cause. The funeral was held, Friday afternoon at the house, and was largely attended.
Misses Nellie and Eda McCollister came from Chicago, Friday to attend Mr. Davis' funeral.
The old county buildings in this place have been sold to the People's University.

Bridgeman.

A. E. Roundy's baby has been quite sick.
Landlord Schuler is making things hum in the hotel business.
Rev. Mr. Pryer will preach his farewell sermon here next Sunday.
Miss Lottie Campfield is spending a few weeks in Chicago.
Mr. Paulstein has moved out to the Calvin Myer place.
The Woodmen will make a strong effort to build a large hall this season.
The drama, "Ten nights in a Bar Room," has been given in Stevensville and Baroda and the total receipts amount to nearly \$70. After the play at Baroda the troupe were treated to a sumptuous feast by Dr. Bartlett of that village.
The school meetings are at last at an end. The school board with Mr. J. Whitten were elected as building committee.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Lottie Campfield to R. J. Stahelin at the Congregational church on March 28.

Fairland.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Benhard went to St. Joseph, Monday on business. They have sold their farm to a German.
Emory File went St. Joseph, Monday to attend court as a jurymen.
Wm. Matthews returned, Thursday to his work in Chicago Heights.
Mr. Porter is no better at present writing.
Mr. Guy Irwin has an incubator and over 200 young chicks.
Dwight Walton is home from Valparaiso where he has been attending school.
While cutting wood last week, David Wright fell and injured his side so he is unable to work.
The Fairland Social Club received an invitation to attend the wedding of two of its members, Miss Bertha Benhard and Mr. Albert Kuppernuss at the home of Miss Benhard, Wednesday evening, March 14th. The club members all went but the wedding ceremony had been performed by the German minister of Niles at 3 p. m., so all the club got was the

wedding supper while the bride and groom were presented with a beautiful dining room table and a set of chairs to match by the club. About 80 guests were present and a joyous good time was had.

The next club meeting will be Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kuppernuss.

GALLEN.

Bert Swem has been at home during the past week, from Quinnesse, Mich., where he has been teaching, his school has closed on account of epidemic of scarlet fever.

The dance which was to have been given in the town hall Friday night by the Dancing Club, has been postponed as the music could not be secured for that date.

A tramp who had fallen asleep between the bumpers fell from a freight train going at 40 miles per hour, here Thursday night. It was a miracle that he was not instantly killed. As it was he was badly bruised up and dazed for some time. The fellow would not give his name but said his parents resided at Baroda, Mich.

The Democratic Union Caucus will be held in the town hall Saturday afternoon.

Frank Simpson, of Avery, was in town Tuesday on business.

Will Mell and Ed Wansborough were in St. Joseph Wednesday on business connected with the Timothy Smith estate.

The progressive Carrom Club met Friday night at the home of Floyd Prince. Miss Meryl Prince was the champion player of the evening and received first prize, and Miss Mary Gardner was awarded the Booby trophy.

Glen Smith, proprietor of the Boston Bargain Store, is confined to the house this week with rheumatism.

Miss Josie Reece returned from 8 Oaks Saturday. She has been working in the Featherbone factory at that place.

Undertaker J. D. White was in New Troy Tuesday, having charge of the funeral of Mrs. Dolly Ray.

Conductor Myers, formerly of the 8 S. now wears a 3 I. uniform. The new company make no mistake in retaining Mr. Myers, as he is a courteous and efficient official.

The Republican Township Caucus was held in the town hall Saturday afternoon and the following ticket placed in nomination: Supervisors, Andrew Shearer; Clerk, Charles Swartz; Treasurer, Samuel C. Jackson; Highway Commissioner, Edward Babcock; School Inspector, Don D. Dennison; Justice of Peace, Benj. F. Yaw; Member Board of Review, S. A. Dennison; Constable, Charles Lyon, Lyman Jefferys, John Hamilton, David L. Zaring.
School District No. 1 has been closed on account of an epidemic of measles.

Roland Potter gave a social dance at his home north of town Saturday night. A number of young people from town attended and report a fine time.

Ora Hall who has the scarlet fever and is quarantined has had his telegraph instrument placed by his bedside, and the boys on the line keep him posted as to what is going on in town.

The quarantine was raised from Byron Dennison's home Thursday.

Miss Grace Haskins, of Three Oaks, visited her aunt, Mrs. D. D. Conwell of this place over Sunday.

Dr. S. A. Clark is much better this week. A trained nurse is in attendance from Hahneman hospital, of Chicago.

Wood Tripp, of Pullman, Ill, is visiting his mother, Mrs. John Tripp here this week.

Charles Sebring was in Niles Monday on business.

Sam Dungan, the new star outfielder of the Chicago Base Ball Club played with the team here a number of years ago. He was a foreman in the Blakeslee saw mill and is well known in this place.

A New Book on the Nicaragua Canal.
One of the business men of Chicago, Mr. Henry I. Sheldon, who has been over thirty years in active business there, has recently of Nicaragua Canal measure and just how the canal is to be constructed. He has made a report on the country, the people and their customs, the climate, where the labor is to be obtained, the probable cost of the canal, the chances of selling our manufactured goods in those countries, the opening there for our young men who wish to get a start in life, and similar points of interest. A copy of the report has just been received by our Public Library.

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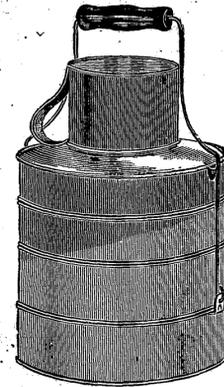
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Chancery Sale.

STATE OF MICHIGAN. The Circuit Court for the County of Berrien, in Chancery.

Gordon S. Dudley, Complainant, vs. Sadie Laflin, Edward L. Yarlett, Eugene Vigneron, The Milwaukee Avenue State Bank, an Illinois Corporation, Thomas S. Morgan, and Isaac Jenkins, defendants.

In pursuance and by virtue of an order and decree of the Circuit Court for the County of Berrien in Chancery made and entered on the 8th day of March, 1900, in the above entitled cause, notice is hereby given that upon Thursday, the 3d day of May, 1900, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day, I, the subscriber, one of the Circuit Court Commissioners in and for said County of Berrien in the State of Michigan, shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at the South front door of the Court House of said County in the City of St. Joseph in said County, all that certain piece and parcel of land situated and being in the Township of Chikaming, County of Berrien, and State of Michigan, described as follows, viz:

The West half (1/2) of the South three-fourths (3/4) of the East half (1/2) of the South-west quarter (1/4) of Section Two (2) Town Seven (7) South Range Twenty (20) West, containing thirty (30) acres of land more or less.

JOHN C. ST. CLAIR, Circuit Court Commissioner, Berrien County, Mich. Solicitors for Complainant, Benton Harbor, Business address, Center Bldg. Benton Harbor, Dated, St. Joseph, Mich., March 16, 1900. Last publication May 3, 1900.

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