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## BOERS TO CHECK METHUEN

### BURGHERS REMAIN IN VICINITY OF WEPENER.

They Are Keeping Brabant's Cavalry Busy and Making Life an Uncertain Quantity—Strong Position at Bloemfontein.

London, April 17.—Most of the live war news this morning is from Boer sources. The burghers continue to hold their ground in the vicinity of Wepener, at once keeping Brabant's cavalry busy and making life at Wepener an uncertain quantity.

The Boers claim several small victories, all of which are of course scouted by the London press.

General Delarey, it seems, has picked out General Methuen as an easy prey and is waiting for him between Hoopstad and the Vaal River.

Roberts has just discovered the Boers have a strong position about twelve miles northeast of Bloemfontein.

London, April 16.—News from the front this morning says the Boers who are besieging Wepener have been reinforced with men and guns and a big engagement is hourly expected.

Dalgety's position is completely surrounded, and unless the relieving column reported near at hand Friday moves rapidly there are grave fears that Wepener may fall. On the other hand if the British force from Bloemfontein arrives in time the Boers themselves will be hemmed in.

Thus the fate of the little garrison excites immense interest in London.

London, April 15.—A special dispatch from Bloemfontein says:

"A patrol of Royal Irish, with whom was Lord Rosslyn, has been captured. Lord Rosslyn, has been sent to Kroonstad."

Advices from Aliwal North say: "There was spasmodic cannonading at Wepener yesterday, which continued until 10 o'clock at night. A few distant shots were heard today."

St. Helena, April 15.—General Cronje, his wife, and three of his staff of the former Boer commando, who, with other Boer prisoners, arrived here on the Nobe and Wilkes on April 10, were landed today, accompanied by Colonel Keefe.

London, April 14.—Mafeking, hard pressed on every side by the Boers, and almost at the point of starvation, has now left but one hope of relief. This is through General Carrington's somewhat mysterious movement from the north.

Private telegrams from Bloemfontein received in London yesterday state that Lord Roberts has determined to send no further troops from the south to the succor of Baden-Powell's heroic garrison. Lord Methuen's force will probably be either recalled to Bloemfontein to take part in Lord Roberts' general movement towards Pretoria or will be directed to keep the Boers in check near Kroonstad until the general move begins.

London, April 13.—Quiet assurances are passed around among military men that Lord Roberts is employing his great army effectively and that the adventurous Boer commandos are likely to be smashed. Scraps of news—a detail here and another there—have reached England tonight over comparatively idle cables, but they do not illuminate the situation.

London, April 12.—Lord Roberts' official dispatches admit that the Boers are still active in the Orange Free State, but make no mention of the third Boer victory, alleged to have taken place at Meerksfontein. This fact is accepted by some of the London papers as evidence that the report is a fake.

No one seems to know exactly where Meerksfontein is situated. The only place of that name is eight miles south of Kroonstad, but no British force is known to have reached that point.

A report from Lorenzo Marquez says that 25,000 Boers with ninety guns are concentrated in the range of hills between Kroonstad and Winburg, that the whole line has been fortified, and that the position is almost impregnable.

London, April 11.—According to Douglas Storey, the Daily Mail's correspondent with the Boers, and whose dispatches hitherto have invariably been accurate, the Boers under Commandant Dewet won a third decisive victory over the British at Meerksfontein on Saturday, killing and wounding 600 and capturing 900 and twelve wagons, losing only five killed and nine wounded.

The Paris Herald's correspondent, writing from Pretoria, confirms the Storey dispatch, adding that what is left of the British column retreated towards Bloemfontein and asserting that within the week Dewet's flying column defeated the British thrice and captured a total of 1,800 prisoners, seven guns, and extensive booty.

### Pleased With Normal Building.

Marquette, Mich., April 16.—Members of the state school board were here Saturday looking over the Normal. This is the first time the board has been up since it was here last summer to lay out the site for the building. The structure is now completed. They express themselves as very well pleased with its appearance.

### Lady Elgin Survivor Dead.

Milwaukee, Wis., April 14.—John Roper, one of the few survivors of the Lady Elgin disaster, which occurred on Lake Michigan forty-one years ago, is dead. Mr. Roper lived in Milwaukee for the last forty-five years.

## HOUSE AND SENATE.

Proceedings of Both Branches and General News Notes.

Washington, April 16.—Foss, in House, opposed establishment of government armor plate factory. Cummings said United States bought armor cheaper than did any other nation.

Ways and Means committee will hear arguments on repeal of war taxes. Brewers want tax on beer reduced. Supreme Court decided, Congress cannot forbid express companies collecting war tax from shippers.

Elaborate ceremonies will mark inauguration of Allen as governor of Porto Rico.

Washington, D. C., April 14.—After an hour of routine business the house today devoted its session to hearing eulogies on the late Governor Oliver P. Morton of Indiana, in connection with the late acceptance of his statue, which has been placed in Statuary hall at the capitol by the state which he served.

Previous to this order of business fifty-three private pension bills were passed.

Beyond the passage of eighty-three private pension bills and some general measures of minor importance the senate transacted little business today.

The promotion yesterday of Assistant Secretary Cortelyou to be secretary to the President was followed today by the announcement from the executive mansion of two other appointments—namely: Benjamin F. Barnes of Pennsylvania, to be assistant secretary to the President; Rudolph Forster of Virginia, to be executive clerk to the President.

Washington, April 13.—Ill-health forced resignation of John Addison Porter, secretary to the president.

Bill introduced to increase salaries of director of census and his chief clerk.

The Mayflower will be the official craft of Governor Allen of Porto Rico. Efforts to consider Nicaraguan canal bill failed in house.

Washington, April 12.—Ex-Minister Denby gave American missionaries credit for open door in China. House passed resolution authorizing government depositories in dependencies.

C. H. Allen, assistant secretary of navy, appointed governor of Porto Rico.

Mason introduced bill to increase pay of employees in first-class postoffices. Senate refused to take up Nicaraguan canal bill by a vote of 15 to 33.

Pay of census supervisors in big cities may be increased.

No demand on congress to reduce the tariff on tea.

Burrows, in senate, spoke against seating Quay.

Washington, April 11.—House passed Foraker Porto Rican bill, under special rule to prevent amendment; yeas, 161; nays, 153.

Illinois Congressmen assured of favorable report on resolution to survey Illinois and Desplaines rivers with view to making deep waterway.

Lieutenant Colonel Webb Hayes will leave army, alleging its dignity has been insulted by a Sulu Date.

Senator Davis introduced bill to determine feasibility of establishing national park in Minnesota.

Senate passed bill appropriating \$3,000,000 for cable line to Honolulu.

Senator McMillan will introduce bill to re-survey great lakes.

Condition of Porto Ricans reported to be worse than ever.

Washington, April 10.—Senate committee unanimously declared Clark of Montana secured his election by flagrant bribery and should forfeit his seat.

Senate passed bill establishing a buffalo preserve in New Mexico.

Killed by Falling From Porch.

Chicago, April 14.—Mrs. Annie Luff, the wife of Thomas Luff, a policeman at the stock yards station, fell thirty feet from the rear porch of her flat at 115 East Fifty-third street yesterday afternoon and was killed. Mrs. Luff lived with her husband in the third flat, the rear of which overlooks the Hyde Park police station. She leaped against the porch railing, which gave way, and precipitated her to the brick pavement of the alley. She struck on her head and her neck was broken.

### Couple Weds by Telegraph.

Kansas City, Kan., April 13.—A marriage service by telegraph, with the bride and groom 200 miles apart, was carried out between Kansas City and Mulhall, Ok. T., at noon today. The groom was Andrew M. Candell, of Washington, D. C., an entomologist attached to the department of agriculture of the United States government, and the bride was Miss Penelope Curditt, of Perkins, Ok. T., the daughter of a prosperous farmer of that place.

### Historic Edifice Destroyed.

Concord, Mass., April 13.—The First Parish church, one of Concord's best-known historic buildings, was destroyed by fire early to-day. The loss is \$25,000. The church was on the site of the first structure, which was built in 1712, in which the First Provincial Congress was held in 1775. Many of Concord's noted men were buried from the church, and it was there that Emerson, Thoreau, and other literary men worshipped.

### A Big Haul.

Chicago, April 11.—Porch climbers invaded the Lake Shore drive and carried off \$20,000 worth of the family jewels and valuables from the residence of Orrin W. Potter. The members of the family were at dinner when the thieves gained access to the second story of the residence and ransacked the house at their leisure.

## UNION PICKETS START RIOT.

Serious Fight Between Non-Union and Union Workmen.

Chicago, April 14.—Corporation Counsel Walker, in a formal opinion to Chief Kiple yesterday, declared it the duty of policemen to stop "picketing" by the labor unions when it reaches the stage of intimidation or results in breach of the peace. He asserts the police must prevent "pickets" from gathering in number "sufficient to intimidate," that the "thoroughfares must be kept open to traffic and public convenience," and that "persons must be protected in their lives and property" and "the peace preserved always and everywhere within the city."

Chicago, April 13.—Rioting started by union pickets at the Merchants' Loan and Trust building, Clark and Adams streets, yesterday afternoon, resulted in seventeen men being injured more or less seriously. At 4:15 p. m. 200 pickets, led by a score of business agents, attacked thirty non-union men who were leaving the building, and in the ensuing fight revolvers were drawn and "battles" used.

A few moments later, at Dearborn and Adams streets, Miss Anna Baird, a well-dressed South Side woman, incited the union men to a fresh attack with cries of: "Get them!" "Don't let them take your bread from your mouths!" "Come on, boys!"

The rioters finally were dispersed by the police and special officers with drawn revolvers.

## DEMANDS A NEW CREED.

New York Minister Preaches a Remarkable Easter Sermon.

New York, April 16.—The Rev. Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst has aligned himself with Dr. Nevell Dwight Hillis. In his Easter sermon he said the Presbyterian Westminster confession of faith, with its tenet of election and non-election, had better be given a dignified place in the theological museum.

He said it was true that nobody preached it nowadays, and equally true, no doubt, that nobody believed the doctrine of eternal damnation, but that nevertheless it was printed on the flag of Presbyterianism. "It hurts us as a denomination. Men are staying out because it is here; men are going out because it is here," he said.

### Give Up Their Easter Finery.

Cleveland, O., April 16.—The women members of the East Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church have set an example in self-denial. Some time since they entered into an agreement to abstain from new Easter gowns and millinery and to devote the money which would have been used for that purpose to the raising of the church debt. They kept their promise and Sunday the amount of the debt—\$1,000—was contributed at the Easter service.

### Fear Gallifet Is Dying.

Paris, April 16.—It is reported that there is now no hope for the recovery of the Marquis de Gallifet, the French Minister of War, and that he has taken a sudden turn for the worse.

He was seized eight days ago with an inflammation of the left foot and pneumonia has followed.

### First to Suggest G. A. R.

Jacksonville, Ill., April 16.—The Rev. William J. Rutledge of Jacksonville, Ill., died yesterday, aged 83. He is credited with being the first to suggest the idea of the Grand Army of the Republic, which was afterwards carried into effect by Dr. Ben F. Stevenson.

## THE MARKETS.

Chicago.  
Wheat—No. 2 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 3 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 4 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 5 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 6 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 7 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 8 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 9 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 10 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 11 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 12 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 13 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 14 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 15 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 16 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 17 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 18 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 19 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 20 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 21 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 22 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 23 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 24 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 25 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 26 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 27 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 28 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 29 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 30 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 31 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 32 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 33 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 34 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 35 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 36 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 37 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 38 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 39 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 40 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 41 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 42 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 43 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 44 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 45 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 46 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 47 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 48 red, 67 1/2¢; No. 49 red, 67 1/2¢; 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## ENDURANCE.

How much the heart may bear, and yet not break!  
How much the flesh may suffer and not die—  
I question much if any pain or ache  
Of soul or body brings our end more nigh.  
Death chooses his own time; till that is sworn  
All evils must be borne.

We shrink and shudder at the surgeon's knife  
Each nerve recoiling from the cruel steel,  
Whose edge seems searching for the quivering life;  
Yet to our sense the bitter pangs reveal  
That still, although the trembling flesh be torn,  
This also can be borne.

We see a sorrow rising in our way,  
And try to flee from the approaching ill;  
We seek some small escape; we weep and pray;  
But when the blow falls then our hearts are still;  
Not that the pain is of its sharpness shorn,  
But that it can be borne.

We wind our lives around another life;  
We hold it closer, dearer than our own;  
Anon it faints and fails in deathly strife,  
Leaving us stunned and stricken and alone;  
But, ah! we do not die with those we mourn;  
This also can be borne.

Behold! We live through all things—  
Famine, thirst, bereavement, pain; all griefs and misery,  
All woe and sorrow; life inflicts its worst  
On soul and body—but we cannot die.  
Though we be sick and tired and faint and worn—  
Lo! all things can be borne.

—Chicago Standard.

## AT BLUE HOUSE LOCK

The life of Dorcas Heaven, who keeps the Blue House Lock, is somewhat lonely and monotonous. Her post is more or less of a sinecure, for but few barges pass along that bit of the canal. Indeed, the canal itself, though winding through the prettiest bit of country in the neighborhood, is only navigable during a wet season. After a drought it grows so shallow that cows are wont to stand derisively in the very middle of it, cooling their legs.

Elijah, husband of Dorcas, is a laborer on a farm some two miles off. As the path alongside the canal leads to nowhere in particular, there is not much traffic; but when a barge does come Dorcas "bustles her about sharpish," and there is a great to do. She looks upon herself as more or less the hostess of the occupants of the barge. "They change the weather and pass the time of day," their destination and their business are exhaustively discussed, and when at length stillness settles down over the Blue House, when there is no sound but the cry of a peewit or the rustle of a water rat in the rushes, Dorcas fetches a chair into the doorway and sinks upon it, exclaiming: "Law! what a paladum it have been, to be sure!"

On Sunday mornings Dorcas does not go to church, for "Elijah do like a bit of meat of a Sunday," and Dorcas is a good wife first and a good churchwoman second. She therefore defers her attendance until evening, when Elijah accompanies her. While the bit of meat is in course of preparation he strolls round for "a bit of a talk" with one "Ethni Harman, licensed to sell beer and tobacco," whose house of cheer lies on the outskirts of the town, and where the very latest electioneering news is to be had. Elijah has been heard to express an opinion to the effect that "there ain't no 'arm in going to church twice for them as it suits but once, along of my missus, be enough for I."

Had it been in Elijah's nature to be astonished at anything, he would have felt some surprise at the amiability with which Dorcas had lately speeded him on his way to "The cat and Compasses" on Sunday mornings. She had at one time been rather given to inconveniently suggesting "that them peas want sticking, and the salary be ready for banking," when Elijah would fain have been sunning himself upon the bench outside Ethni Harman's hospitable door, a mug of cider and a like-minded friend beside him. He usually fell in with his wife's suggestions, for he was a man who loved a quiet life, and Dorcas—when annoyed on Sunday—was apt to carry on her domestic duties with unnecessary vigor far into the night on Monday.

The fact was that late Sunday mornings had become for Dorcas the cornerstone of her week, and in this wise: It did not, as a rule, take long to get Elijah's dinner under way; this done, Dorcas would take her chair into the doorway and read her Bible. She generally chose the Book of Revelation, carefully forming the words with her lips and following each with gnarled and workworn forefinger. With Dorcas, as with many people whose lives are somewhat hard and monotonous, the prospect of a suite of rooms in one of the many mansions was extremely pleasant. Moreover, the Cotteswold peasant dearly loves any form of spectacle, and although Dorcas could not pronounce, far less understand, many of the words she met with, there was a sense of pageant all around her as she read; while her appreciation of the city which has "no need of the sun, neither of the moon to shine in it," was as purely sensuous as that of any disciple of Wagner himself.

"And now a little wind and shy," scattered the apple blossoms over the path, and the Sunday silence was broken by a clear child voice. To Dorcas such sound was as the skirl of the

pipes to a Highlander in a far country; her heart beat quick and her cheeks grew redder, and she rushed out to see who "was a-coming"; for Dorcas had "but away four" in the "cemetary" on the Fletborough Road, and one had lived to be four years old. Besides, to let any one pass the Blue House without "giving of 'em good-day!" was a thing she had never done—"not once in twenty years." So she laid her Bible on the chair, covering it with a clean white handkerchief, and crossed the few feet of garden which lay between her cottage and the towing path.

A sturdy little boy, in reefer coat and muffin cap, with round, fresh little face, and cheeks pink as the petals of the apple blossom nearest the calyx, danced with excitement on the bank as he watched his father gathering some yellow "flags" which grew at the water's edge. The attendant father—parents and such were always a secondary consideration with Dorcas—was not very successful, as the ground was soft and slippery.

"Is it wet down there, dad? Can I come? Oh, get that big one just over there! Won't muth be pleased? What dirty boots you'll have! Shall I hold your stick for you to cling on to?"

Then he noticed Dorcas. "Good morning!" said he with gay courtesy. "Isn't it a fine May morning?"

"It be that surely, little master!" answered Dorcas, in high delight. Then "the little gentleman's" dad—he never achieved a separate identity in the mind of Dorcas—scrambled up from the swamp in which he had been standing. He too, proved most approachable, and she learned that the youthful potentate in the reefer jacket had never walked so far before, that the "scraped out old quarry" just beyond the Blue House was his destination, and that he would probably come again next Sunday.

He came every Sunday morning all through that summer, and always with his dad. Sometimes they went tapping for fossils in the disused quarry, sometimes they came with butterfly nets and caught "Tortoiseshells" and "Wall Browns," and upon one great occasion a "Fritillary." But whatever they sought or whatever they caught, Dorcas was always, as who should say, "in at the death," and shared the excitement and the triumph with them.

The little gentleman was very friendly—a child is quick to recognize an admirer as any pretty woman—and it is possible that the attendant father understood and indulged the childless woman's craving for a child's affection. Sometimes Dorcas felt a qualm of conscience, and wondered whether her adored young gentleman ought not rather to be in church these sunny Sunday mornings; though had he been in church he certainly could have been nowhere in the neighborhood of the Blue House. But she was comforted when she heard that he went with his mother to a children's service in the afternoon. Henceforth she gave herself up to the study of natural history and the worship of her dear "little gentleman" with a light heart.

Even in winter he sometimes came "of a fine Sunday," and Dorcas would spend many hours of the following week vainly trying to determine whether she admired him most in a sailor suit or in the breeches and gettlers of which he was so proud. One never to be forgotten day the rain came down in torrents just as her sultan and his grand vizier reached the Blue House. They took shelter with Dorcas, and the sultan was graciously pleased to be lifted up that he might reach a certain mug from the top shelf of the dresser—a mug which had belonged to "im as were gone." Dorcas made gingerbread cats and ducks, and her artistic efforts went so far as to attempt a king "with a crown upon 'is 'ead." After regaling himself with these delicacies her sultan would hold up a rosy face, ornamented by sundry sticky streaks, to be kissed in farewell; and when she had watched him round the bend of the canal her eyes would grow dim, and she would go back to the Book of Revelation, murmuring to herself, "The Lord gave and the Lord 'ave took away. Blessed be the name of the Lord."

Of course, the many charms of the "little gentleman" were duly reported to Elijah, and the residence of Ethni Harman took on a reflected glory from the fact that it was but a stone's throw from that of her sultan.

It was a wet summer, and there came four wet Sundays, one after the other. Vainly did Dorcas try to fix her mind on the streets of Jasper, while all the time she was straining her ears for the sound of the little voice that never chimed into the stillness. She grew to hate the patter of the rain on the path outside; even the fact that the canal, for once, was full, and three barges passed in one week, did not console her. The gingerbread animals grew stale and crumbly between two plates, and the gorgeous mug, "A Present from Fairford," was put back on the top shelf of the dresser again.

The weather changed, and there came a lovely Sunday. Elijah set off to the "Cat and Compasses" as usual; Dorcas bustled about with a pleasant sense of expectation and went and stood on the towing path, her eyes fixed on the distant bridge. Some boys went by to bathe beyond the second bend, with laughter and shouting. Then the only sound was the hum of bees settled on the purple scabious growing atop the crumbling Cotteswold wall.

On Monday Dorcas could bear it no longer. "I be that tevey and nervous, I don't know what I be about," she remarked, as she locked the door of the Blue House and hid the key under the mat. Should a barge come—well, it must manage somehow! Barges were never in a hurry. She had come to a momentous decision. She was going to inquire after "her little gentleman." Whether he was ill or gone for a holiday or was merely forgetful, she would find out and end this dreadful suspense. She was a very simple-minded woman, but in her heart of hearts she felt a little sore with the grand vizier, for she had a notion that he was by no means ignorant of what these Sunday visits meant to her.

"I believe 'e'd 'ave come afore this 'e'd 'a' been let." A be that meels 'e'd 'a' wouldn't 'urt a viol, let alone a 'oman," she said to herself with a half sob. She was convinced that her

sultan could not forget so utterly the lumbest of his slaves. So she put on her best clothes and tight-elasticided boots, with lots of little white buttons adorning the "fronts."

At the Blue House, Dorcas was never either self-conscious or shy; but when she reached her sultan's palace, having timidly pushed open the drive gate, she became aware that the new boots creaked horribly, and that perspiration was dropping from her eyebrows into her eyes. Having mopped her face, and generally pulled herself together, she managed to reach the front door, though her knees trembled and her heart fluttered like a caged bird.

Never was such a noisy bell! It clanged and echoed in most alarming fashion; she wished that the stone steps would open and swallow her up. What would they think of her for daring to make such a clatter? Besides—and at the dreadful thought she nearly cried out—of course she ought to have gone to the back door.

For full five minutes she stood on the steps, listening for any sound inside the house, but all was perfectly quiet. She turned and went into the drive, meaning to go round to the back door, when it occurred to her to look back at the house; she had been far too nervous to do so as she came in. The lower windows were shuttered, and all the blinds were down. They had gone, then! and it was empty. "And they never didn't bring 'im for to say goodby," to me."

Life's little tragedies generally happen to the lonely. What in a full and happy life ranks but as an episode becomes an epoch in the sad-colored days of lean monotony. Dorcas wiped her eyes more than once on her way home, and wept heavily for many days. Elijah saw that she was fretting, and tried to distract her by news from town and occasional suggestions that she go over and "and see sister law" in an adjacent village; but beyond her necessary journeys to the town to buy such stores as she could afford, Dorcas never left home. She scrubbed the kitchen table till she grudged to sully its whiteness by so much as a yellow bowl, and she made herself a warm new winter dress, but, for all her industry, the time hung heavy on her hands, and she never forgot her "little gentleman."

The wet season was followed by an Indian summer of exceptional beauty. "The spirit of October, mild and boon," was in the air; the tottering Cotteswold wall, which laid its wayward length on the far side of the footway, was covered by sprays of crimson blackberry, mingled with the fluffy grayness of "old man's beard." Dorcas no longer started hungrily down the towing path on Sunday morning, but she did not forget; and, in token of her remembrance, the twenty-first chapter of the Book of Revelation was marked in her Bible by a little woollen glove with a large hole in the thumb. Her sultan had dropped it during his last visit.

The birds sang as though it were spring, and Dorcas began to read aloud to herself to keep her thought from wandering. "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes," whispered the kind Gloucestershire voice, when suddenly, above the triumphant voices of birds, above the soft wash of the water among the yellowing sedges, rang that clear sound for which the soul of Dorcas had hungered so orally.

"I wonder if the lady at the Blue House will know me again, Dad?"

It seemed as though the grand vizier had not been so greatly to blame after all. He had been suddenly called away to the north of Scotland and although he had left directions that before the sultan and the household followed him that potentate was to be taken to "say goodby" to the lady at the Blue House, although the sultan himself had repeatedly suggested the propriety of such a pilgrimage, his nurse had always considered the road too muddy.

"I thought, sir, as you was all gone fur good and all," said Dorcas, with a catch in her voice; "and I were taken to I never made no inquiries."

On his way home the grand vizier was rather silent. Once or twice he made a queer little face, and seemed to swallow something in his throat. At last he quoted, but not to the sultan. "By heavens, it is pitiful, the bootless love of women for children in Vanity Fair." The rosy faced child, who had been wondering why the usual Sunday service of gingerbread had been omitted, was rather surprised, but nevertheless asked curiously, "Are you thinking of the Blue House lady, Dad?"

His father stooped down hastily and kissed him.—Longman's Magazine.

### Russell Sage's Criterion.

Railroad people have an arrangement by which they can register the speed of a train. It looks like a steam gauge and is connected with the axle, so that the pointer registers the number of revolutions every minute. There are so many revolutions to the mile, and by an ingenious arrangement the number of miles an hour is shown upon the dial. The apparatus is expensive as well as delicate.

The late Jay Gould was one of the first to adopt it, and shortly after a register was placed in his private car. Russell Sage was making a journey with him and inquired what it was. Mr. Gould explained the mechanism and the usefulness of the machine with great care. Mr. Sage was silent for a moment, and then looking up inquired:

"Does it earn anything?"

"No, I think not," said Mr. Gould with a smile.

"Does it save anything?"

"No."

"Then I would not have it in my car."—Chicago Record.

Dominico, the barlequin, going to see Louis XIV at supper, fixed his eye on a dish of partridges. The king, who was fond of his acting, said: "Give that dish to Dominico." "And the partridges, too, sire?" Louis, penetrating the artfulness of the question, replied: "And the partridges, too." The dish was of gold.

If you want to see a strong organization look at the liquor dealers; if you want to see a weak one look at the consumers.



### Lack of Tact in a Hostess.

He was a very clever man, but he did not shine in general society. She was a clever hostess, and she believed that her guests who would not shine must be made to shine, and she knew the man very well. He had come in answer to her invitation under protest, but one must be agreeable to one's wife and oblige a friend occasionally. But it was not so bad as he had thought it would be. He found a congenial spirit almost immediately, and settled down for a good talk. The congenial spirit was another bright man. The hostess saw the two together and was shocked. She flew to them. "The idea," she said, "of you two men wasting yourselves on each other," and she took them to opposite corners of the room, where they would be more useful to the company at large. But there was a force of gravitation which gradually drew them together again, and they were soon lost to everything around them. But again the hostess discovered them and again they were separated. Then the man went to his wife.

"I am not going to stay any longer," he said. If he had been a boy he would have said: "I'm mad, and I'm going home." And he would not have been treated with more consideration if he had been a small boy. His wife was a woman of tact. "Very well," she said, "I am not ready to go yet, but you go and don't say anything about it and no one will know it." And he did go and no one did know it, and the hostess does not know even now that if she had not given such a good hostess one of her guests might have enjoyed himself more thoroughly.—New York Times.

### No Blush in Beggary.

Bad news gets credit for traveling ever so fast, but there are those who would pick the omnipresent beggar as a dangerous rival in speed.

Let a Carnegie hint at giving away his fortune and he has openings for every dollar within twenty-four hours. Let a Helen Gould charity be noted in print and the mendicant army is on the attack before sundown. Let the nation subscribe to a fund for the widow of a hero General like Lawton and the begging-letter writers are choking the mails before the money is in bank.

In decency there ought to be a limit to this whining blackmailery. Even beggary should somewhere be redeemed by a blush.

### Don't Throw Away Your Ribbons.

Clean colored ribbons that are only slightly soiled after this method: Fill a glass fruit jar about half full of gasoline, and place the soiled ribbons in the jar. Screw the cover on tightly and leave it closed for about six hours, shaking occasionally. Take out the ribbons and hang them to dry in the air until all odor has been removed. Be careful not to get the gasoline near a lighted stove or lamp, as it is explosive.

To wash white ribbons prepare a suds of soft water and white soap, wash the ribbons in this and allow them partially to dry. Take each ribbon while it is still damp and roll it smoothly over a card or piece of pasteboard, rolling a strip of muslin with it. Wrap the muslin around it last, so that the ribbon will be covered, and place the whole under a heavy weight. Leave until dry.

### Why Children Dislike the Bible.

The Rev. Edward Everett Hale says that the reason why so many young people and children do not like the Bible is because it is presented to them in a wrong way. They have erroneous views in regard to it. He believes that if treated as it ought to be young people would love it, and never wish to be through with it.

"This wonderful Hebrew literature," says Dr. Hale, "which has come down to us, is our greatest blessing if rightly understood. The boy or girl who has been taught to separate part from part, who knows where is history, and where is poetry, and where is sympathy, and where to look for simple fact—that is the boy or girl who loves the book."

### A Boer Custom.

When a Boer's children marry the, settle within a short distance of the original family homestead, generally several hundred yards distant. In this way in a few years a small village is formed on the family estate, which may consist of from 5,000 to 10,000 acres of uninclosed grazing ground. Every son when he marries is entitled to a share of the estate, which he is supposed to use for the support of himself and his family, and in that way the various estates grow smaller each generation. When the estate grows too small to support the owner, he "treks" to another part of the country, and receives from the state such an amount of territory as he may require.

### Directions for Sterilizing Milk for Babies.

Cleanse the bottles thoroughly before using, then pour into each, through a funnel, food sufficient for one feeding, but never fill them much higher than the seven-ounce mark.

Dry the neck of the bottle and cork it with clean, loose cotton. Do not let the food wet the corks.

Place the bottles on the rack and set the rack into the sterilizing chamber, and cover up tight with the lid and hood.

Fill the reservoir two-thirds full of water and place the apparatus over a moderate fire for one hour. If the milk is just from the cow, 40 to 50 minutes is sufficient.

The sterilizer may be used on a gas stove (turned low), kerosene stove, or an ordinary cooking stove; if over the latter, the griddle should not be re-

moved. If the water is not bubbling inside you need more heat. It must not be put on the fire without water in the reservoir, and the water should never be allowed to get lower than one inch from the bottom.

It is not necessary to place the bottles on the ice after removing them from the sterilizer. Leave in the cotton plugs until feeding time.

To warm the milk for feeding, put the bottle in a cup of hot water. Shake the bottle well so as to mix the cream into the milk; remove the cotton and draw on the nipple. Cold water should be poured into each bottle immediately after it is emptied to facilitate cleaning.

When about to cleanse, take very hot water with a trace of soap in it and some soda, brush the bottles inside and be careful that no particles of food adhere to the glass, rinse thoroughly and fill with boiled water, scalding hot. If any soda be left it will turn the milk pink.

Note.—A little common washing soda and water boiled in the sterilizer will cleanse the bottom should it ever become foul from sediment or spilled milk.

### The Ideal Mother.

The comfortable woman is the ideal mother. She has no nerves to be racked by the sound of laughing little voices and stamping little feet running through the halls. She is never too busy to listen to childish stories, and knows just how to sympathize, instead of condemn, when Tom comes home with a black eye that he got whipping that bully, Jack Jones, because he was torturing a sick kitten. You never hear of her children begging to go over to Mrs. Smith's to play because "we always have such good times there." Instead, her back yard is the rallying point for the neighborhood, and if sometimes she is oppressed by it a little she smiles, thinking that at least she knows what her children are doing when they are out of school.

### The Months to Marry in.

Some curious secrets as to matrimony are seen in the following statistics: May and November are the most marrying months. Fewer people are married in March than in any other month. When bachelors marry widows the widow is generally the older; but when widowers marry maids the maid is usually the younger.

### An Old Recipe Revived.

Here is a cure for love: Take twelve ounces of dislike, one pound of resolution, two grains of common sense, two ounces of experience, a large sprig of time and three quarts of cooling water of consolation. Set them over a gentle fire of love and sweeten with the sugar of melancholy. When cool, skim with the spoon of forgetfulness and cork it in the bottom of your heart. Take it in small doses when the spells come on. In extreme cases marriage is the only and surest cure.

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## COUNTY SEAT NEWS

Judge Carr, of Cassopolis, and Judge Coolidge, of Niles, were both at court Friday, and Judge Carr is hearing chancery cases.

The case of Chas. R. Shaw vs. Frank Norris, treasurer of Weesaw township, to restrain the defendant from collecting a drain tax, was ordered dismissed Friday morning.

The case of J. F. Peck vs. Levi L. Redden was partially heard and submitted.

The cases of John Curran vs. the Auditor General and Sarah P. Scribner vs. the Auditor General, to set aside drain taxes, will be held Friday afternoon.

**CIRCUIT COURT.**  
E. C. Ayer, by A. P. Cady, his attorney, has filed a bill against the Berrien Construction Company to obtain \$800 on a promissory note. He has also commenced a similar suit to obtain \$1,800 note. Mr. Ayer claims \$2,500 damages.

**LIQUOR LICENSES.**  
Geo. E. Schairer filed his liquor bond for a saloon in coloma village and a liquor license was issued.

**MARRIAGE LICENSES.**  
Charles A. Seabast, 32, Millie Reinke, 16, Galien.  
Caréy D. Dutton, 26, Cora V. Bennett, 20, Buchanan.  
Will W. Wertzberger, 22, Decatur, Ind., May L. Hopkins, 23, Benton Harbor.

**PROBATE COURT.**  
Maggie Ebersol filed her petition for the appointment of Joseph Shook as administrator of the estate of her

late husband, David Ebersol, deceased, late of Bertrand township. Hearing set for May 14 at 10 a. m.

**REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.**  
Eli R. Young to Peter T. Smith lots 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and part of lot 1, Moore's add to Niles \$2,750.  
Annie E. Dignan to Francis J. Dignan 1 1/2 acres in Niles \$1.  
Henry Fitterer to Alice E. Smith 1/2 lot 3 blk. 1 Galien, \$750.  
Chas. A. Seward to John Davis lot 3, block 14, New Buffalo, \$600.  
Darius Brown by adm'r. to Susan B. Feather lots 329 and 330 Berrien Springs, \$468.  
John Davis to Chas. Seward 50 acres in New Buffalo, \$850.  
A. B. Buck to Anna Kington lots 4 and 17 Niles, \$300.

Joseph C. Wicoff to Lyman Bown 40 acres in Berrien Springs \$3.00.  
John A. Summer to Arthur W. Hausler, property in Niles \$2,800.  
Allie J. Middleton to Lydia E. Allen, property in Bertrand \$100.  
Thos. L. Wilkinson to John J. Rugg, 60 acres in Lake, \$50.  
Bushrod Brown to Wm. C. Brown 20 acres in Chikaming, \$300.  
Jas. A. Wilkinson to Chas. Randall 1/2 of an acre in Chikaming \$25.

Fred C. Hathaway to Sarah M. Clark property in Buchanan \$350.  
Frederick Schray to Albert Nutt property in Buchanan \$650.  
Dennis Crowley to Margaret Crowley e 6 rds lot 71 Hoffman's add to Niles \$1.

Herman Muntz to Wm. Fedore property in Niles \$125.  
R. D. Dix to Betsey Jt. John lot 56 Berrien Springs \$400.  
Wm. H. Warner to Hugh W. Rose warm lots 24 25-26 blk J. Beeson's 1st add to Niles \$1500.

Thos. L. Wilkinson to Emily Corey 80 acres in Berrien \$30.  
John A. Arthur to Wm. Smith property in Buchanan \$1.  
Stephen A. Wood to Wm. Smith property in Buchanan \$5.

Ida S. Martin and J. E. Bachman to Arthur G. Bachman lot 9 O. P. Lacey's add to Niles \$140.  
A. G. Bachman et al to Ida S. Martin lot 6 O. P. Lacey's add to Niles \$450.

Andrew J. Kidd et al to Wm. H. Raxford lots 3 and 4 blk 10 New Buffalo \$600.

Edith J. Beardsley to Alice I. Hathaway property in Buchanan \$10.  
Geo. B. Richards to Alice I. Hathaway property in Buchanan \$1.  
Burton Jarvis to Alice I. Hathaway property in Buchanan \$1.

Benj. Field to Burton Jarvis property in Buchanan \$350.  
Gustavus A. Rose to John D. Walters fi blks e68 and 200 Virginia Co's add to New Buffalo \$30.

W. E. Curran to Arnold W. Pierce property in Weesaw \$500.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.**  
The Board of Supervisors convened in special session at 1:30 o'clock last Thursday afternoon to discuss the new tax law and receive instructions from the state commissioners.

For chairman of the board of supervisors the names of John Seel, Republican, and Ira R. Stemm, Democrat, were presented and John Seel was elected by a vote of 17 to 15.

On motion of Mr. Stemm, Mr. Seel was declared elected by acclamation. Mr. Seel made a speech in which he thanked the board for the honor which they conferred upon him by electing him chairman and said that he believed every supervisor would work for the best interests of the cities and townships and county at large.

The board of Supervisors Thursday afternoon voted to continue the present session until Saturday and do away with the June session.

Chairman Seel appointed the following committees:  
Judiciary—Alfred Baldrey, Ira R. Stemm; Homer Hess.  
Equalization of assessments—J. C. Lawrence, J. A. Peck, E. J. Willard, H. D. Poole, C. M. Smith, Erastus Murphy, Robt. Jones.

Finance—Chas. M. King, Jas. M. Babcock, E. N. Matrau.  
Sheriffs' justices' and constables' bills—W. S. Smith, Carl Shultz, J. B. Thompson.  
General claims—Andrew Shearer, S. S. Beall, Sam Miners.

County buildings—J. A. Peck, Alex Halliday, James Talmage.  
County poor—John W. Deaner, Josiah Caldwell, Joseph Richards.  
Roads and bridges—Homer Hess, Frank Norris, T. A. Walker.

Per diem and mileage—John M. Miller, E. S. Heckman, F. E. Minnis.  
Settlement with county treasurer—C. Byron Pratt, A. F. Howe, E. N. Matrau.

## THE CROCODILE.

His Live Toothpick, His Tears and His Way of Getting Caught in the Nile.

To say that the crocodile has seen his best days is but feebly to express the rapidity with which he is lapsing into the class of extinct animals. As a feature of modern Egypt he is perhaps rather a curiosity than a plague; and the traveler has to get far beyond the regions of the Delta before he can begin to hope for the chance of being introduced to one. Crocodile stories are no longer told; in fact, it is safer to trust to the sea serpent. Nothing can make the crocodile attractive, and even the man with the camera is shy of treating him as a subject—whether for personal or artistic reasons is not quite clear. Possibly, the crocodile resents being focussed as he formerly shrank from confrontation with a mirror—an ordeal which often led to his dying of chagrin, as supposed, at the sight of his own likeness. Moreover, the experienced photographer is wise in "taking no risks," remembering that the crocodile's tears are only a natural solvent which the saurian applies to the tougher form of animal food.

And this is where the legend of the toothpick properly comes in. Herodotus noticed the fact. He discovered that the crocodile made friends with a particular bird, which he allowed to enter his mouth in order, as the writer supposed, to rid the reptile of the leeches which infested his jaws. Pliny says nothing of these pests, but considers the complaisance of the crocodile to be due to the satisfaction he felt in having his teeth picked by the bird: "He taketh so great delight in this her scraping and scouring of his teeth and jaws." Both authors speak of the bird as a wren; later naturalists described it as a being as large as a thrush, while it has been reserved for the present generation of travellers to identify this useful friend of the crocodile as the spur-winged plover. Of the fact of the alliance there is not the least doubt. The operation has been frequently witnessed by numerous independent observers, one of the latest of whom considers that the bird does actually perform the functions of a toothpick, "a process which the crocodile enjoys." With such corroboration the narration of Herodotus, subject to qualification, as it must be at least to be taken seriously, and no longer regarded as the visionary idea of a mere fabulist.

In the Egyptian hieroglyphics the crocodile is represented by a single wavy line, so perfectly suggestive of the contour of the animal that it is quite impossible to escape from its meaning. It might stand as an excellent contemporary illustration of the text of Herodotus, neither author nor artist overstepping the modesty of nature. This was reserved for later times, in which arose so many of the myths and extravagances which we are ready to impute to the lack of practical knowledge by the classic writers.

When Fuller lucubrated so learnedly of the crocodile he doubtless felt that he was correcting the erroneous idea of an earlier period, and the following example of his erudition may serve to show how he set about the task: "The sovereign power of saffron is plainly proved by the antipathy of the crocodile thereto; for the crocodile's tears are never true, save when he is forced where saffron growth; whence he hath the name of saffron-fearer, knowing himself to be all poison and it all antidote." As to legend of the crocodile's tears, it can only be regarded as a myth grafted upon some of the reptile's observed habits. Probably because they could offer less resistance to his attacks women and children were especially liable to them, the office of the former as water carriers bringing them often to the Nile and the children naturally finding a playground on its shores.

Herodotus gives an amusing account of the manner in which the Egyptian brothers of the angle used to fish for crocodile, from which it would seem that they had taken a leaf out of the reptile's own book of strategy. They baited the hook with a large piece of hog's flesh, with which they made a real angler's "cast" into the middle of the river. And they employed a very special and alluring form of ground bait, consisting of a vigorous young porker, whom they anchored, Irish fashion, on the bank, and incited by divers irritating arts into energetic squealing. Entranced with the melodious sound, the crocodile was drawn to the shore from which it came, and being unable to get at the pig put up with the baited hook instead.

**Oldest Letter Carrier.**  
The oldest letter carrier in the United States is Charles A. Tyler, who is attached to branch station P of the New York post office. Mr. Tyler is seventy-five years of age and has been in the postal service in New York since 1845. Since 1880 he has carried the mail from station P to Governor's island. Twice a day he makes the trip, delivering the mail on the island and collecting it from the drop boxes at the same time. Mr. Tyler is hale and hearty and does not miss a day from his duties.

"I was a boy of fourteen years when I first began to deliver mail," he says. "The post office was then located in the old rotunda in City Hall park, at the corner of Center street. My father was a clerk in the office at the time. There were but twenty-three carriers then. Each of them was allowed to have an assistant, but these helpers were not permitted to enter the post office, and were required to give a pledge that they would perform their duty faithfully and promptly, meet the carriers at stated places and receive the mail for delivery each day. I was first employed as one of the assistants during the administration of President Polk, and continued until 1849. Then the California gold fever infected the employees, and I took the opportunity to obtain a clerkship, and served until 1850.

"At the time of the draft riots I shouldered a musket to aid in the defense of the post office against the mob. Seven incendiary fires started by the mob could be seen at one time from the roof of the post office building. Two of our number were killed and two wounded. Pistol balls, stones and missiles of every description flew past our heads. I escaped with only a slight wound in the wrist."

**Automatic Functions of the Mind.**  
Did you ever think how often you eat and never stick your fork in your eye? You always stick your fork in your mouth. If you ate in the dark it would be the same thing. You would never put out your eye by putting your fork in it. Why? Because your sub-conscious mind is doing its automatic duty and knows very well that you eat with your mouth and not with your eye.  
Many other actions are automatic. For instance, twenty people have gathered on a street corner to board a passing car. The very fact that they are there means that the car will stop. The first man has already signalled the motorman. So do the other nineteen, and the same thing happens if ten people gather to descend in an elevator. The first comer rings the bell. So do the other nine—purely automatically. The sign says "ring," so each man takes this sign to himself and rings.  
A shoemaker once had a shop in the basement of a large building down town. The shoemaker worked with his back to the door. Every time the door opened the shoemaker turned his head to the left to see who entered. For ten years the shoemaker worked and turned his head almost every hour in the day. Before many years had passed the shoe-maker's head turned automatically, and now that man has spent every cent of money he has ever made trying to be cured of this automatic habit. But his head still jerks, so that he looks over his left shoulder constantly.

**A Marvel of Good Taste.**  
Frank Daniels has a son who appears to be a chip of the old block. Recently the elder asked the younger: "My boy, when you are older, and done with your preparatory schools, what college do you want to attend?" "Vassar," was the unhesitating reply.  
"Um." And the comedian got up and softly whistled. "Huh! Hanged if I wouldn't like to go there myself!" —Detroit Free Press.

**Naval.**  
Once upon a time an exceedingly bad boy ran away to sea.  
But his rise was not as rapid as he had a right to expect, under the circumstances.  
When he had been six years in the navy without becoming an admiral his suspicions were aroused.  
"Possibly my father had no objections to my going to sea after all!" was the thought that thrust itself upon him.

Accordingly he wrote home. No the old man replied that he had had no objections, all right.  
"Then it's the bureaucrats keeping me down!" hissed our hero, livid with rage.

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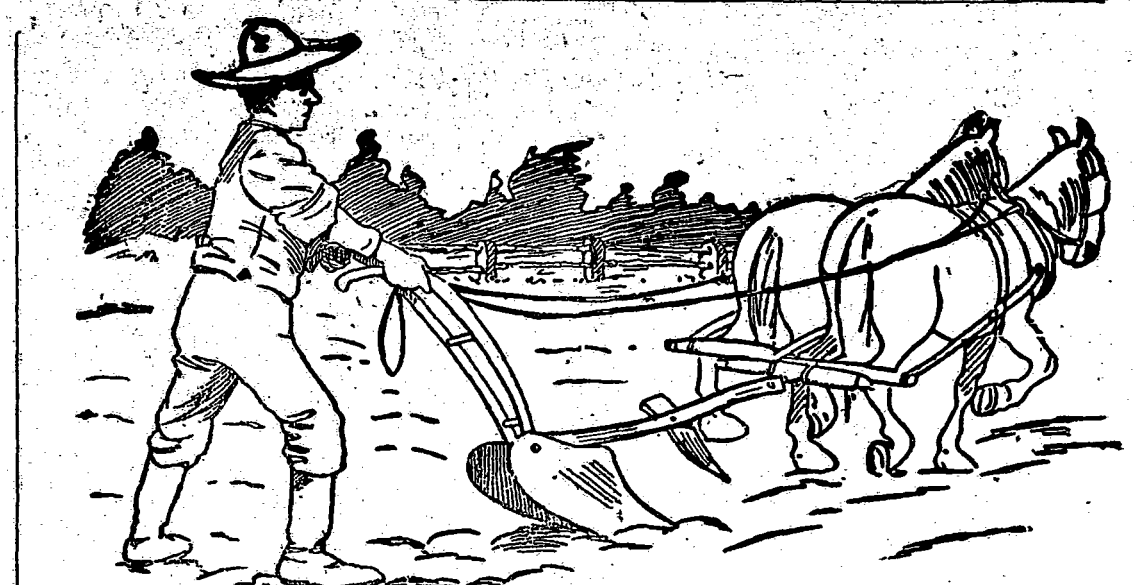
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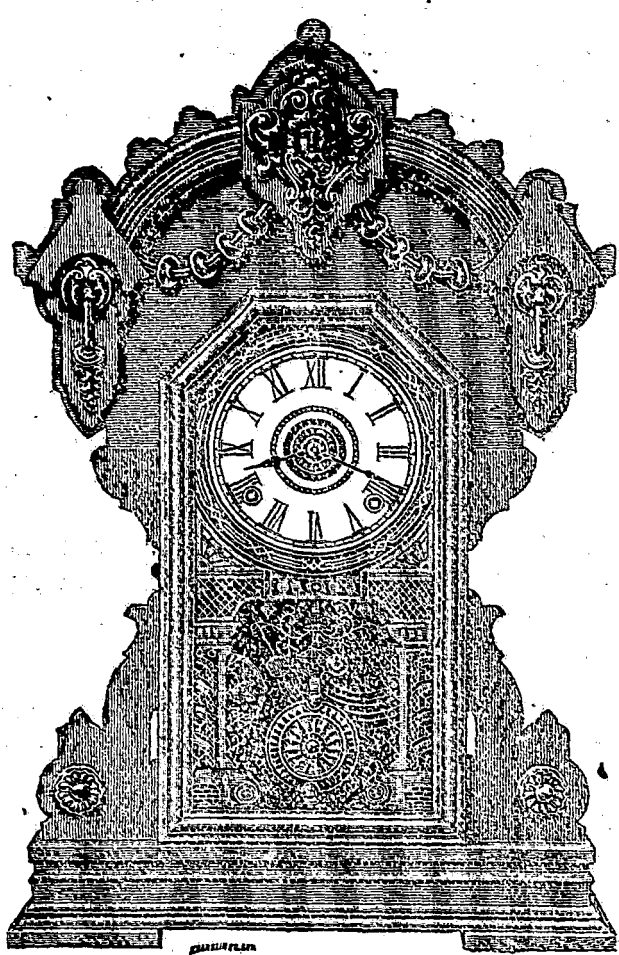
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## NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

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

For Sale—see local.

Graham & Morton's Time Table.

Estate of David Ebersol. See Legal.

The City Bakery has a change of adv. this week.

Van's Bakery and Restaurant has a list of good things in this week's issue.

Mrs. E. Parkinson has an advertisement calling attention to a fine line of hats.

A. Jones & Co., the Buchanan Jewelers, have a good lot of clocks they are advertising.

Richards & Emerson are advertising a fine line of Baby Carriages and Go Carts, in this week's issue.

Mr. Lyman Boardman has an adv. calling attention to his Crepon and Black Goods Sale which only lasts this week.

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THURSDAY, APR. 19, 1900.

The Three Oaks *Acorn* came out this week in a resplendent Easter cover which is bright, artistic and a credit to our wide awake exchange.

We are under obligations to Hon. E. L. Hamilton for a copy of his masterly address on the Porto Rican question, delivered in the House of Representatives on April 10. The speaker received many compliments for his effort.

Congressman E. L. Hamilton received a letter from the Central Republican assembly of Virginia, composed of colored voters, this week, in which he was informed that he had been elected an honorary member of the assembly. For his able and manly speech in the contested election case of Aldrich against Robbins. The assembly passed a vote of thanks for the member from the Fourth Michigan, and spread upon the records some highly laudatory references to his speech in favor of the colored voters of the south.

## Opened the Campaign.

The Republican County Convention was held yesterday at Berrien Springs and was as large and enthusiastic a gathering as has been seen for many years at the opening convention. The convention was called to order by Chairman A. N. Woodruff of the county committee, the call being read by Secretary D. H. Bower. The name of Dr. Fred R. Belknap of Niles was presented as temporary chairman, and in accepting the honor. Dr. Belknap made a rousing speech which was received with great satisfaction, the speaker being frequently interrupted by applause. Mr. D. H. Bower was named as temporary secretary. On motion it was carried that the committee on credentials be dispensed with, the temporary organization be made permanent and that the convention proceed to business. The officers were then sworn, and on motion Messrs Gus. M. Dudley, A. Vincent and E. C. Griffin were made a committee to apportion the delegates to the conventions.

Messrs. C. N. Sears, C. H. Farnum and A. N. Woodruff were made a committee on resolutions and resolutions were adopted fully endorsing President McKinley and his administration and foreign policy and uphold the acts of Hon. E. L. Hamilton, Congressman for this district, fully endorsing his position on all public measures.

Mr. H. H. Smith of Ionia who is president of the state league of republican clubs addressed the convention explaining the workings of the league, and at his suggestion a club was organized. The following is the list of Vice-Presidents, being one for each voting precinct in the county, Bainbridge, Thos. Hollinrake; Benton, J. M. Cunningham; Benton Harbor City, 1st w., J. C. Cole; 2nd w., F. H. Ellsworth; 3d w., H. G. Gray; 4th w., A. P. Cady; Bertrand, G. A. Correll; Buchanan, A. A. Worthington; C. F. Pears; Chickaming, David Knight; Galien, Chas. Swartz; Hagar, F. M. Emans; Lake, S. Mars, J. E. Burbank; Lincoln, Herman Cealka; New Buffalo, Carl J. Schultz; Berrien, W. H. Miller; Niles twp., A. D. Young; Niles City 1st w., Geo. Henkel; 2nd w., S. G. Deam; 3d w., Walter A. Noble; 4th w., J. E. Wyant; Oronoko, Gus M. Dudley; Pipestone, J. L. Hathaway; Royalton, F. B. Minnes; Sodus, C. M. King; St. Joseph twp., John Lane; St. Joseph City 1st w., F. A. Woodruff; 2nd w., C. M. Van Riper; 3d w., Geo. F. Hagg; 4th w., C. D. Jennings; Three Oaks, F. B. Hinchman; Watervliet, W. T. Hewitt; W. M. Baldwin; Weesaw, S. G. Penwell. The delegates were then named as follows: Congressional

District Delegate Convention at South Haven, Chas. H. Fagnum, J. J. Sterling, R. B. Gillette, A. L. Hammond, W. H. Scherer, Fred McOmber, E. F. Platt, W. F. Sesser, John Lane, A. N. Woodruff, N. V. Lovell, Andrew Shearer, John Graham, W. H. Keller, C. C. Hodges, F. H. Whipple, Isaiah Ryneerson, John Hamilton, William Stroup, W. H. Bullard. To the State Delegate Convention at Detroit: Philip Yund, W. A. D. Rose, V. M. Gore, S. H. Kelley, Chas. Bennett, Jas. Penwell, George Kephart, W. L. Wilson, Montgomery Shepard, Fred F. King, W. M. Baldwin, J. K. P. McCullough, S. A. Ferguson, Chas. F. Pears, George Searles, G. E. Drew, H. G. Bartlett, W. H. Valentine, A. D. Young, E. C. Griffin, B. F. Earl. The following were then named as the new county committee: August Dukeshier, J. T. Beckwith, Dr. J. C. Cole, S. H. Kelley, John Seel, H. R. Huntington, J. K. P. McCullough, Geo. W. Rough, O. P. Woodworth, J. C. Wenger, David Knight, Andrew Shearer, Wilmer M. Pratt, B. F. Swope, F. H. Whipple, Joseph Penwell, A. D. Young, E. C. Griffin, C. E. White, B. F. Earl, L. F. Brown, W. S. Martin, S. M. Clawson, W. H. Scherer, Gerald Handy, J. F. Gard, A. L. Church, C. W. Stratton, E. S. Kelley, A. L. Weatherwax, Alva Sherwood, C. B. Pratt, A. N. Woodruff, S. G. Penwell. The convention then adjourned, and the vice-presidents of the Republican clubs organized with the following officers: President F. A. Woodruff, St. Joseph; Secretary, D. H. Bower, Buchanan; Treasurer, F. P. Graves, Benton Harbor. The county committee met and organized by electing A. N. Woodruff of Watervliet, chairman; E. S. Kelley of St. Joseph, secretary, and Gerald Handy of Sodus, treasurer. The executive committee will be named later by president A. N. Woodruff. Thus closed one of the most harmonious conventions held in the county, and a presage of a brilliant republican victory in this county this fall.

Letters unclaimed remaining in P. O. at Buchanan, Mich., for week ending, April 17, 1900. John Huff, Mr. L. S. Cleaver, Lillie Chappell.

Geo. Noble, P. M. Mrs. L. G. Avery was called to Do-

Many Close to Death. Pittsburgh, Pa., April 13.—By the collapse of the four-story brick building at 113 and 115 Wood street, owned and occupied by the Armstrong & McKelvey branch of the National Oil and Lead Company, three persons were killed and several more injured today. One man, pinned down by broken beams, etc., sawed his way out to liberty. When he appeared he looked like a clown. One side of him was bright yellow and the other was red paint. Another man escaped by jumping from the second story to a shed with a young woman in his arms.

Fell Under the Wheels. Clare, Mich., April 13.—William Ship, of Port Burwell, Ont., who was on his way to Cadillac to work, fell under the wheels of an Ann Arbor freight train and both his legs were cut off at the knees. He died at noon.

Swindler in a New Place. Lansing, Mich., April 15.—The state board of health has been advised of an outbreak of smallpox in Locke township. The patient is a little three-year-old child. The source of the contagion is not known.

Sins of Eating. The majority of people are only too better for little food at bedtime. It should not be rich or of great variety. A few biscuits and cup of hot bouillon are excellent. More women sin through under-eating than over-eating. And all women sin in not distributing rightly the amount of food taken through the twenty-four hours. The common practice of putting into the stomach three times in twenty-four hours just as much food as it can hold, and then of giving it nothing whatever for twelve hours more, is about as illogical an arrangement as anybody ever devised. To the credit of the human race be it said that this is a habit that is not now universal.

Charges Against Preachers. Norfolk, Va., April 14.—Bishop Handy, the venerable presiding officer of the Virginia conference of the African Methodist Episcopal church, created somewhat of a sensation today by announcing that he had received letters making charges of drinking, dishonesty, and immorality against some of the preachers then on the conference floor. He said that he would place the entire matter in the hands of an investigating committee and that the guilty preachers need expect no leniency.

Storage Barn Burned. Crosswell, Mich., April 13.—A large storage barn belonging to the fax company here was destroyed by fire with its contents, two hundred tons of hay and a quantity of tow. Loss about \$8,000, with little insurance.

Gave Him a Testimonial. Lansing, Mich., April 13.—The employees of E. Bement's Sons this afternoon presented A. O. Bement, who leaves for Paris, with a solid gold Knight Templar's charm, set with diamonds.

## PERSONAL.

Mr. Geo Slater went to South Bend on Monday.

Mr. E. S. Kelley of St. Joseph was in town today.

Miss Martha Curran visited in Niles, Monday.

Chas. Smith, of Glendora, was in town Wednesday.

Mr. Glen E. Smith was in South Bend, on Tuesday.

John Renberger and family were in Galien Sunday.

Mr. A. C. Fellows visited relatives in Goshen Sunday.

Miss Grace Godfrey was in Chicago two days last week.

Mrs. Clara Smith and children went to Dayton Saturday.

Mr. T. L. Wilkinson, of Berrien, Springs was in town Monday.

Deputy Oil Inspector A. D. Young, of Niles, was in town Monday.

Rev. Jas. Provan attended Presbytery at Three Rivers last week.

Mr. Bird Lister returned home from Chicago, Tuesday evening.

Mr. Otis Bigelow, of Dowagiac, was in town Friday of last week.

Walter and Mertie Koons, of Dowagiac, were in Buchanan Sunday.

Mr. Arthur Scholes, of Three Oaks, visited relatives in town this week.

Miss Mary McFallon of Goshen, Ind., is visiting relatives in this vicinity.

Miss Adah Broceus is visiting Miss Annie Wheeler, at South Bend this week.

Mrs. A. A. Amsden is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Godfrey.

Mr. Chester Aldrich formerly of the Niles *Buzz* was a Buchanan visitor Monday.

Mrs. Jack Crandall and daughter of South Bend were over to Buchanan this week.

Geo. Anderson, of Benton Harbor, was calling on friends in Buchanan Wednesday.

Supt L. G. Avery was in St. Joseph last Saturday, attending the Teachers' Institute.

Comrade M. B. Gardner of the Soldiers Home was in town this week on a short visit.

Mr. and Mrs. John Long and Mr. Louis Lano visited relatives in Three Oaks over Sunday.

Mrs. L. G. Avery was called to Dowagiac Saturday by the death of Prof. Cunklin's child.

Mr. Osman C. Howe of Lansing was in town Monday and made the Record office a pleasant call.

Mrs. Wm. Osborn returned Wednesday from an extended visit with relatives in Ohio and Indiana.

Mr. C. T. Lee went to Dowagiac Saturday to spend a few days on account of a threatened attack of La Grippe.

Messrs B. D. Harper, F. A. Stryker and W. J. Miller attended the Masonic School of Instruction at Niles, Saturday.

Miss Maud Moore returned to her home in Benton Harbor Saturday, after an extended visit with Miss Mattie Smith.

Mrs. Clarence Upham, after spending a week visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. U. Drago, returned to her home in Mishawaka.

Mr. J. D. Lyon, of South Haven, C. L. Smith, of Kalamazoo, and Miss Emma Wheaton, of Galien spent Sunday with Miss Bessie Rose.

Mr. H. H. Smith of Ionia, President of the State League of Republican Clubs was in town this week the guest of his cousin, A. A. Worthington.

Rev George Sickafosse started on Saturday for Warsaw, Ind., where he conducted quarterly conference, on Sunday, leaving Monday morning for Lebanon, Pa., to attend the United Brethren Missionary Board, and from thence to New York City where he will attend the Ecumenical Conference of Missions, as a delegate from the United Brethren Conference.

## THE LUCKY ONES.

List of Census Enumerators for Berrien County.

The following are the names of the census enumerators for this county, as appointed by Supervisor B. S. Wing of Hastings, their commissions bearing date of April 12th: Bainbridge—H. E. Olds. Benton Harbor, 1, 2 w.—W. F. Ban- yon. Benton Harbor, 3, 4 w.—M. D. Wen- all. Benton, north—T. S. Berry. Benton, south—Winifred Wright. Berrien—Cyrus B. Grout. Bertrand—S. A. Ferguson. Buchanan twp.—C. E. Sabin. Chickaming—L. W. Gibson. Galien—L. L. Hinman. Hagar—C. H. Farnum. Lake, north—A. E. Holmes. Lake, south—H. E. Stearns. Lincoln—James L. Archer. New Buffalo—Niles, 1, 2 w.—W. H. Ballard. Niles, 3, 4 w.—Ella M. Smith.

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Niles twp.—C. B. Fritts. Oronoko—Guy C. Mars. Pipestone—S. M. Clawson. Royalton—J. R. Collier. St. Joseph, 1, 2 w.—L. E. Merchant. St. Joseph, 3, 4 w.—Grant O. Best. St. Joseph twp.—Leroy Peters. Sodus—Emerson Hogue. Three Oaks—Isaiah Ryneerson. Watervliet, west—Edward Russ. Watervliet, east—C. L. Weaver. Weesaw—S. M. Penwell.

Likes the Record.

Chicago, Apr. 11, 1900.

D. H. Bower, Esq.

Dear Sir:— Enclosed please find \$1.50 subscription for the Record for the next year. I like the Record for its general scope of information and because it is a live newspaper. I read it with as much interest as our local papers and can not very well get along without it.

Yours truly,

JOHN SUMMERFIELD.

Another Letter from Will Strawser.

Manila, P. I.

Mar. 1, 1900

Mr. D. H. BOWER,

Dear Sir,— I have been receiving the Record very regular ever since I have been over here, and I wish to thank you for your kindness in sending it to me as I keep posted on all events of any importance that takes place in the state and most important of all it has all the Buchanan news.

After I read them I send them to Robert Wells who is a member of "C" troop, 11th U. S. V. Cavalry, and I will try and have him send them to Harry Brown who is in Co. "E," 45th U. S. V. Infantry.

You will find enclosed a copy of the Manila Times which I think is the best paper published in Manila. It is an evening daily and contains about all the news of any importance we have over here.

You will also find enclosed a knit money purse which was made by a thirteen year old native girl and is entirely hand made. The natives are very adept at this kind of work.

Wishing you all the success which you, as editor of our leading county paper, deserve, I remain

WM. O. STRAWSER,

Co. I 4th U. S. Inf.,

Manila, P. I.

(The purse referred to in the above letter was a handsome silk purse, made of red and white silk and the pattern showed much ingenuity in the manner of the workmanship, and the editor will prize it very highly for the kindly feeling of the sender.)

Prof. R. J. Blake has rented Mr. S. P. High's house on Lake Street.

The water supply was shut off for three or four hours last night to enable engineer Geo. Howard to replace a broken sleeve.

The Monday Literary Club held a very enjoyable special meeting on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. E. S. Roe. A delightful Easter program was rendered.

## Raising Sugar Beets.

There is one strong point about growing sugar beets that should not be overlooked by the farmer, the only parts of the plant that make any draft on the soil that it grows upon are in the waste of the mill—the beet pulp. That can be taken back to the farm to restore fertility; and presumably, the feeding value of it is sufficient to cover trouble and cost of transportation. The sugar itself takes nothing from the soil: it is composed entirely of the two elements, carbon and oxygen, of which the atmosphere is an inexhaustible storehouse to which plants can help themselves at will. When a farmer sells wheat he is selling the fertility of his land; and there is no way to restore it except to get to the market and buy at high prices potash, phosphoric acid and nitrogen. —Exchange.

The Graham & Morton Transportation Co. will, commencing Sunday, April 15, inaugurate their daily service between St. Joseph, Mich. and Chicago. The steamer Louisville will leave St. Joseph each evening at 10 o'clock, arriving from Chicago each day at 5 P. M.

The Indiana, Illinois & Iowa R. R. Co. will, commencing Monday, April 16, run their trains on the new schedule. The north bound passenger train of the Vandalia Line arriving at South Bend at one o'clock will connect with the north bound passenger train of the I. I. & I., thus re-establishing through service between the Vandalia Line and the St. Joseph, South Bend & Southern Division. The afternoon train of the I. I. & I. will make connections with the South Bend Accommodation leaving South Bend in the afternoon, thereby making connections to all points on the Vandalia as far south as Logansport.

## Buchanan Market.

The following quotations are furnished the Record by the Niagara Mills, Bainton Bros. proprietors: Wheat..... 68c Oats..... 25c Corn..... 40c

## For Sale.

A fine yearling Durham Bull. In- of C. H. Ingles, Galien, Mich.

We are in receipt of the "Bachelor Girl," title of the new march and two step that is captivating the American people this season. Our readers can procure a professional piano copy of this 1900 march by sending 5¢ (silver) to E. G. VAN ORMAN, Publisher, 103 Williams St., Jackson, Mich. Orchestra and band leaders, please write.

## A Card of Thanks.

We wish to publicly express our sincere thanks to the neighbors and friends and especially the G. A. R. who so willingly assisted us in our late bereavement.

Mrs. GEO. CORVIN AND FAMILY.

Elson's have a fine line of pattern hats now on display. 2t

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Sardines, oil or mustard.....	15c
Bob White Sugar Corn.....	10c
Topmost Sugar Corn.....	12c
Columbia Baked Beans.....	12c
Tomatoes.....	10c
Topmost Peas.....	15c
Lobsters at 25 and.....	30c
Shrimp.....	15c
Blue Black Mackerel.....	15c
Glam Chowder.....	20c
Salmon.....	15c

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A girl to do general housework. Apply at Dr. Garland's residence.

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## BUCHANAN RECORD.

THURSDAY, APR. 19, 1900.

Entered at the Post-office at Buchanan, Mich. as second-class matter.

## LOCAL NOTES

Mr. Frank Merson took a carload of stock to Chicago Tuesday.

Master Leland Cassler is four years old to-day, and he is entertaining his young friends this afternoon.

Geo. Samson has lost a number of young lambs this spring, caused by the wild crows picking their eyes out so they had to be killed.

The Easter window, of Lyman Boardman's dry goods store, is an exceedingly artistic and tasty example of window decorations. Notice it when you pass by.

Miss Margaret, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Myler entertained a number of her little friends at an Easter party, Saturday afternoon. All present reported a good time.

Mr. H. O. Perrott is quite an enthusiast in poultry and takes great pride in his pure blooded Black Minorca chickens. He favored the Record office with a sample lot of eggs that were beautiful, and measured 7 1/2 inches in circumference one way and 6 inches the other. Mr. Perrott expects to sell a number of eggs for hatching purposes.

Rev. James Provan was appointed Moderator of Kalamazoo Presbytery at the meeting which were held last week at Three Rivers.

A great many deaths among children have occurred at Dowagiac recently. Several families lost two to four little ones. Measles complicated with whooping cough is the cause.

A number of Buchanan ladies gave a delightful dancing party to their gentlemen friends at the Pears-East Grain Co., last evening. About thirty-five couples were present and all had a delightful time. The music was furnished by Null's Orchestra, and Harry S. Rought was the caterer.

At the meeting of the Presbytery held at Three Rivers last week, a request was made to dissolve the pastoral relations between Rev. Jas. Provan and the Presbyterian Church at this place. Action on the matter was deferred until the next meeting of the Presbytery in September.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip H. Smith celebrated their silver wedding yesterday evening. About one hundred and fifty friends and neighbors assisted in the celebration, and all had a fine time. Many beautiful gifts were received by the host and hostess. The occasion was also the fiftieth birthday of Mr. Smith.

Mr. J. E. Miller, who has long been a faithful member of the Christian church of this place, has gladdened the hearts of that membership by purchasing the residence of Mrs. John Rice, cor. Detroit and Third streets, and presenting it to the church for use as a parsonage. Such actions as that of Mr. Miller is greatly to be commended.

At the township caucus, held, Saturday afternoon, Mr. H. F. Kingery was named as chairman, and Mr. John Graham, Secretary. The following delegates were selected: W. H. Keller, T. F. Cox, John Graham, A. A. Worthington, J. C. Wenger, G. W. Noble, I. L. H. Dodd, F. S. Lamb, Geo. Searls, Chas. H. Bradley, D. H. Bower, W. G. Hathaway, J. E. French, Jno. Montague, Erastus Kelsey, Salma Barmore, John Coveney, B. F. Needham, W. Brocuus, W. D. Sparks.

Buchanan base ball enthusiasts are elated over the fact that a Buchanan boy, Clayton Beistle, is pitching for the University of Michigan base ball team, and on Monday pitched a game between Michigan and Illinois at Champaign, Ill. in which the Michigan boys won by a score of 7 to 3. The Chicago Inter-Ocean in their account of the game says "In Beistle the Michigan Club has a very good pitcher, who in another year will make a star." Mr. Beistle will pitch for Michigan in the game with Notre Dame University next Saturday. Mr. Beistle is a son of Mr. John W. Beistle of this place.

A pretty home wedding was celebrated yesterday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Joanna Allen, who resides in Buchanan township. It was the occasion of the marriage of her daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to Mr. Chas. Frederick Boyle, a prosperous young farmer residing just west of town. The decorations were very neat and dainty, pink and white being the color scheme. The wedding march was played by Miss Kate L. Deering, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Jas. Provan of the Presbyterian church, the bride charmingly attired in a handsome travelling dress. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served under charge of Mrs. Fannie Devin assisted by Miss Sawyer. The young couple left for a wedding journey, after which they will reside at Mr. Boyle's farm. The presents were numerous and comprised both useful and ornamental gifts, that of the groom being a check for a good sized sum. The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Boyle extend their hearty congratulations and wish them a happy and prosperous journey through life.

A very pleasant and greatly enjoyed musicale was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Adams Tuesday evening by Miss Cora Bird's music class. The program consisted of nineteen numbers of a musical character. Many of the participants were very young and the grace with which they performed their parts showed that much care had been exercised in their preparation. Several very difficult pieces were presented by the older members of the class in an artistic and entertaining manner. At the conclusion of the program, her class, to show that her efforts were appreciated, presented her with a beautiful garnet set ring.

## DEATH RECORD.

The Altona (Kan.) Journal of a recent date has an account of the death of Mr. Howard C. Dodd, a former resident of Buchanan, and a nephew of Dr. E. S. Dodd. Mr. Dodd's death was a result of typhoid fever.

Geo. W. COLVIN was born in Montgomery Co. Ohio, Dec. 25 1822. He moved to Berrien Co. in 1832. He was married in 1850 to Miss Mary Fraser to whom were born two children of whom two are living, Dr. E. O. Colvin and Mrs. J. F. Montague. Mr. Colvin was an old soldier, having been three years in the service, a good citizen, and a loving husband and father. His battles are all over, he having fought a good fight and having now entered into eternal life. The funeral services were held at the home Easter Sabbath April 15 at two p. m. He was a member of the Presbyterian church. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. W. W. Wells.

LUELLA PARMENTER was born in Stark County, Ind., Jan. 18th, 1804, and died of bronchial consumption April 16th, 1900. When but a babe she came with her parents to New Carlisle, Ind. and in 1830 she came to Buchanan where she lived for about 16 years. In 1896 she changed her residence to Dowagiac, Mich. where she lived the balance of her life. She leaves a husband, Mr. Joseph Persons, three children, her mother, and one sister to mourn her departure. Ten years ago the past winter she became a member of the Christian Church in Buchanan, and has ever since been cheered by the blessed hope of a blissful immortality beyond the grave. In her last moments she expressed her entire resignation to the will of God, and died in the triumph of a living faith in Christ.

The funeral services were held at the Christian Church Wednesday afternoon and were conducted by Elder Wm. M. Roe, assisted by Elder W. B. Thomson. Interment at Oak Ridge Cemetery.

## Graham & Morton Crews.

The officers of the Graham & Morton steamers for 1900 have just been appointed and the crews of the fleet are all skilled sailors. Several of the old employees of the company have been promoted.

Capt. John Stewart will command the steamer City of Milwaukee the same as last year and the other officers are: Clerk, Clarence Heath; steward, Edward Noland; chief engineer, Chas. Barron; assistant engineer, James Mahoney; electrician, Fred Davis.

William Russell will be captain of the steamer City of Chicago in place of Captain Macintosh. Mr. Russell has been mate of this big side wheeler for several years and is one of the company's most trusted employees. Capt. Russell commanded the Chicago from July to the close of the season in 1898 and is an experienced seaman. The other officers will be: Clerk, Will Hancock; steward, Richard Sawyer; engineer, William McClure; assistant engineer, John Gostage; electrician, E. C. Winans.

The steamer City of Louisville will be commanded by Donald McLean, for many years captain of one of the L. M. & L. S. steamers. The remaining officers will be: Clerk, O. A. Shauman; steward, Mr. Prior; engineer, Bryan Beerman; assistant engineer, Adolph Zeich.

The pride of the fleet, the swift steamer Mary, will be in command of Captain W. A. Boswell, who has been in the employ of the company for several years; mate, Augustus Molaghen; clerk, not appointed; steward, Chas. Tibbitts; chief engineer Wm. Jonnson; assistant engineer, Charles Clark.

Tug Andy, captain, not appointed; engineer, James McAntee.

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## FLOWER SEEDS. BEST IN TOWN.

## W. H. KELLER,

BUCHANAN, MICH.

## LODGE ROOM SECRETS.

The Odd Fellows have organized a Picnic Association in Berrien County with B. D. Harper, of Buchanan, as President.

A special dispensation has been granted Buchanan Lodge No. 68, F. & A. M. to hold a special election for master to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Worshipful Master George Churchill, and the election will therefore be held at the next regular communication which will be held on May 14th.

Regular meeting of L. O. T. M. Tuesday, April 24. Election of Lady Commander.

The Maccabee banquet last Thursday evening at the Pears-East building was a big success, and nearly 150 were present. The following program was rendered,

Solo, Mrs. D. H. Bower; reading from David Harum, Mrs. Alex Emery solo, Mrs. D. L. Boardman; recitation, Mrs. F. A. Stryker; quartette, Mrs. D. H. Bower; Mrs. D. L. Boardman, Messrs. D. L. Boardman and Wm. Monro and male quartette, Messrs. East, Monro, Roe and Boardman.

## CHURCH NOTES.

### PRESBYTERIAN.

The regular services next Sabbath will be conducted by the pastor at the usual hours. Sabbath School at noon and C. E. Society at 6 p. m.

### CHRISTIAN.

Preaching by W. B. Thomson. Morning subject:—"Secret of Paul's Power." Evening subject:—"The Value of a Man."

See the beautiful millinery opening at Mrs. Binns' Millinery Parlor.

### Eighth Grade Examination Announcement.

The last Eighth Grade Examination will be held on Saturday, May 12, at the following places:—New Buffalo, Three Oaks, Galien, Buchanan, Niles No. 3, Bertrand No. 8, Buchanan No. 4, Bridgeman, Baroda, Stevensville, Bedinger, Berrien Springs, Long Lake, Berrien Centre, Ean Claire, Shanghai, Sodas, First, Millburg, Watervliet, Coloma, Hull (Benton), Fair Plain, Hagar No. 6, and Commissioner's office.

The examination will commence at 8 a. m.

Applicants will provide themselves with Foolscap paper, pen and ink. C. D. JENNINGS, Com.

dg. [SEAL.] C. M. VAN RIPER,  
(a true copy.) Register of Probate.

# THE CRUCIFIXION OF PHILIP STRONG.

By REV. CHARLES M. SHELDON,  
Author of "In His Steps: What Would Jesus Do?" "Malcom 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 threatens to withdraw his support from the church, unless he calls an insult to himself, and threatens to withdraw his support from the church, unless he calls an insult to himself.

Chapter IV.—Philip attacks the saloons and preaches against them to a large congregation. He calls upon his people to join with him in an attempt to exterminate them. Later he leaves his home 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 held 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.—They were warnings to leave town. The minister's wife begs her husband to leave the field for another, but instead 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 unexpectantly 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 man to heart and undertakes upon them. He requests his congregation to reduce his salary one half and fit up the parsonage for a refuge for homeless children.

Chapter XII.—Philip discusses his proposition with the trustees of his church who oppose his plan.

Chapter XIII.—Philip is again visited by the "Brother Man" who encourages him. The sexton of Philip's church, a negro, is converted and desires to join the church.

Chapter XIV.—Philip presents the name of the sexton to the church committee on admission, and the candidate receives a majority of the votes cast.

Chapter XV.—The sexton is rejected by the church. One who has been elected declines to be received into the church on account of the sexton's rejection, informing the members that the rejected man is caring for the son of his old master who is in poverty and sickness. Philip goes to see the sick man and administers communion. Philip at the evening services throws up his arms, utters a cry and falls backward. He is taken home and recovers.

The surgeon's prediction came true. Philip found himself weak the next day, but able to get about. In reply to numerous calls of inquiry for the minister Mrs. Strong was able to report that he was much better. About 11 o'clock, when the postman called, Philip was in his study lying on his lounge.

His wife brought up two letters. One of them was from his old chum. He read that first. He then laid it down and opened the other.

At that moment Mrs. Strong was called down stairs by a ring at the door. When she had answered it, she came up stairs again.

As she came into the room she was surprised at the queer look on Philip's face. Without a word he handed her the letter he had just opened and with the same look watched her face as she read it.

## CHAPTER XVII.

The letter which Philip had received and which his wife now read was as follows:

Rev. Philip Strong, Pastor Calvary Church, Milton:

Dear Sir and Brother—The seminary at Fairview has long been contemplating the addition to its professorship of a chair of sociology. The lack of funds and the absolute necessity of sufficient endowment for such a chair have made it impossible hitherto for the trustees to make any definite move in this direction. A recent legacy, of which you have doubtless heard, has made the founding of this new professorship possible. And now the trustees by unanimous vote have united upon you as the man best fitted to fill this chair of sociology. We have heard of your work in Milton and know of it personally. We are assured you are the man for this place. We therefore tender you most heartily the position of professor of sociology at Fairview seminary at a salary of \$2,500 a year and a preliminary year's absence, either abroad or in this country, before you begin actual labors with the seminary.

With this formal call on the part of the trustees goes the most earnest desire on the part of all the professors of the seminary who remember you in your marked undergraduate success as a student here. You will meet with the most loving welcome, and the seminary will be greatly strengthened by your presence in this new department. We are, in behalf of the seminary, very cordially yours, THE TRUSTEES.

Here followed their names, familiar to both Philip and his wife.

There was a moment of astonished silence, and then Sarah said:

"Well, Philip, that's what I call the finger of Providence!"

"Do you call it the finger of Providence because it points the way you want to go?" asked Philip, with a smile. But his face instantly grew so-

ber. He was evidently very much excited by the call to Fairview. It had come at a time when he was in a condition to be very much moved by it.

"Yes, Philip," replied his wife as she smoothed back his hair from his forehead, "it is very plain to me that you have done all that any one can do here in Milton, and this call comes just in time. You are worn out. The church is opposed to your methods. You need a rest and a change, and, besides, this is the very work that you have always had a liking for."

Philip said nothing for a moment. His mind was in a whirl of emotion. Finally he said: "Yes; I would enjoy such a professorship. It is a very tempting call. I feel drawn toward it. And yet"—he hesitated—"I don't know that I ought to leave Milton just now."

Mrs. Strong was provoked. "Philip Strong, you have lived this kind of life long enough! All your efforts in Calvary church are wasted. What good have all your sermons done? It is all a vain sacrifice, and the end will be defeat and misery for you. Add to all this the fact that this new work will call for the best and most Christian labor and that some good Christian man will take it if you don't—and I don't see, Philip, how you can possibly think of such a thing as refusing this opportunity."

"It certainly is a splendid opportunity," murmured Philip. "I wonder why they happened to pitch on me for the place?"

"That's easy enough. Every one knows that you could fill that chair better than almost any other man in the country."

"Do you mean by 'every one' a little woman of the name of Sarah?" asked Philip, with a brief return of his teasing habit.

"No, sir. I mean all the professors and people in Fairview and all the thinking people of Milton and every one who knows you, Philip. Every one knows that whatever else you lack it isn't brains."

"I'd like to borrow a few just now, though, for I seem to have lost most of mine. Lend me yours, won't you, Sarah, until I settle this question of the call?"

"No, sir. If you can't settle a plain question like this with all your brains, you couldn't do any better with the addition of the little I have."

"Then you really think, do you, Sarah, that I ought to accept this as the leading of the spirit of God and follow without hesitation?"

Mrs. Strong replied with almost tearful earnestness:

"Philip, it seems to me like the leading of his hand. Surely you have shown your willingness and your courage and your sacrifice by your work here. But your methods are distasteful, and your preaching has so far roused only antagonism. Oh, I dread the thought of this life for you another day. It looks to me like a suicidal policy, with nothing to show for it when you have gone through with it."

Philip spread the letter out on the couch, and his face grew more and more thoughtful as he gazed into the face of his wife, and his mind went over the ground of his church experience. If only—the good God had not given him so sensitive and fine tempered a spirit of conscientiousness. He almost envied men of coarse, blunt feelings, of common ideals of duty and service.

His wife watched him anxiously. She knew it was a crisis with him. At last he said:

"Well, Sarah, I don't know but you're right. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak. The professorship would be free from the incessant worry and anxiety of a parish, and then I might be just as useful in the seminary as I am here—who knows?"

"Who knows, indeed?" exclaimed Sarah joyfully. "At the same time she was almost crying. She picked up the letter and called Philip's attention to the clause which granted him a year abroad in case he accepted."

"Think of that, Philip! Your dream of foreign travel can come true now!"

"That is"—Philip looked out of the window over the dingy roof of a shed near by to the gloomy tenements—"that is, supposing I decide to accept."

"Supposing! But you almost the same as said—Oh, Philip, say you will! Be reasonable! This is the opportunity of a lifetime!"

"That's true," replied Philip.

"You may not have another such chance as this as long as you live. You are young now and with every prospect of success in work of this kind. It is new work, of the kind you like. You will have leisure and means to carry on important experiments and influence for life young men entering the ministry. Surely, Philip, there is as great opportunity for usefulness and sacrifice there as anywhere. It must be that the will of God is in this. It comes without any seeking on your part."

"Yes, indeed!" Philip spoke with the only touch of pride he ever exhibited. It was pride in the knowledge that he was absolutely free from self glory or self seeking.

"Then say you will accept. Say you will, Philip!"

The appeal, coming from the person dearest to him in all the world, moved Philip profoundly. He took the letter

from her hand, read it over carefully and again laid it down on the couch. Then he said:

"Sarah, I must pray over it. I need a little time. You will have reason"—Philip paused, as his habit sometimes was, and at that moment the bell rang, and Mrs. Strong went down stairs. As she went along she felt almost persuaded that Philip would yield. Something of his tone seemed to imply that the struggle in his mind was nearly ended.

The callers at the door were three men who had been to see Philip several times to talk with him about the mill troubles and the labor conflict in general. They wanted to see Philip. Mrs. Strong was anxious about the condition of Philip's health. She asked the men to come in and went up stairs again.

"Can you see them? Are you strong enough?" she asked.

"Yes; tell them to come up. I am comfortable now."

Philip was resting easily, and after a careful look at him Mrs. Strong went down stairs.

To her surprise two of the men had gone. The one who remained explained that he thought three persons would excite or tire the minister more than one. He had staid and would not trouble Philip very long. But the business on which he came was of such an important nature that he felt obliged to see the minister if he could do so without danger to him.

So the man went up, and Philip greeted him with his usual heartiness, excusing himself for not rising. The man took a chair, moved up near the couch and sat down. He seemed a good deal excited, but in a suppressed and cautious way.

"I came to see you, Mr. Strong, to tell you about a thing you ought to know. There is danger of your life here."

"Where?" asked Philip calmly.

"Here, in this neighborhood."

"Well," Philip waited for more explanation.

"I didn't want to tell your wife for fear of scaring her, but I thought you ought to know. Mr. Strong, and then you could take steps to protect yourself or get away."

"Go on. Tell me the worst," said Philip quietly as the man paused.

"Well," the man went on in a low tone, "two others and me overheard a talk last night by the men who run the Star saloon and den down by the Falls. They have a plan to waylay you, rob you and injure you, sir, and do it in such a way as to make it seem a common hold up. They seemed to know about your habit of going around through the alleys and cross streets of the tenements. We heard enough to make us sure they really and truly meant to deal foully by you the first good chance, and we thought best to put you on your guard."

The rummies are down on you, Mr. Strong, you have been so outspoken against them. And your lecture in the hall last week has made them mad. I tell you. They hate you worse than poison, for that's the article they seem to sell and make a living out of."

Philip had the week before addressed a large meeting of workmen, and in the course of his speech he had called attention to the saloon as one of the greatest foes of the wage earner.

"Is that all?" Philip asked.

"All, man alive! Isn't it enough? What more do you hanker after?"

"Of course I don't hanker after being held up or attacked, but these men are mistaken if they think to frighten me."

"They mean more than frighten, Mr. Strong; they mean business."

"Why don't you have them arrested, then, for conspiracy? If you overheard their talk, they are guilty and could be convicted."

"Not in Milton, Mr. Strong. Besides, there was no name mentioned, and the talk was scatteringlike. They are shrewd devils. But we could tell they meant you plain enough. Not to prove anything in court, though."

"And you came to warn me? That was kind of you, my brother," Philip spoke with the winsome affection for men that made his hold on common people like the grappling vine with loving tendrils.

"Yes, Mr. Strong, I tell you the rummies will almost hold a prayer meeting when you leave Milton. And they mean to make you trouble enough until you do leave. If I was you"—the man paused curiously—"if I was you, I'd get up and leave this God forsaken town, Mr. Strong."

"You would?" Philip glanced at the letter which still lay upon the couch beside him. "Suppose I should say I had about made up my mind to do just that thing?"

"Oh, no, Mr. Strong, you don't mean that!" The man made a gesture toward Philip that revealed a world of longing and of hunger for fellowship that made Philip's heart throb with a feeling of intense joy, mingled with an ache of pain. The man at once repressed his emotion. It had been like a lightning flash out of a summer cloud.

"Yes," said Philip, as if continuing, "I have been thinking of leaving Milton."

"That might be best. You're in danger here. No telling when some harm may come to you."

"Well, I'm thinking I might as well leave. My work here has been a failure anyway."

"What, a failure? Mr. Strong, you don't know the facts. There has never been a minister in Milton who did so much for the poor and the working-man as yourself! Let me tell you," the man continued, with an earnestness that concealed an emotion he was trying to subdue, "Mr. Strong, if you were to leave Milton now it would be a greater loss to the common people than you can imagine. You may not know it, but your influence among us is very great. I have lived in Milton as boy and man for 30 years, and I never knew so many laboring men attend

church and the lectures in the hall as during the few months you have been here. Your work here has not been a failure; it has been a great success."

A tear stole out of Philip's eye and rolled down and fell with a warm splash on the letter which lay beside him. If a \$2,500 call could be drowned by one tear, that professorship in sociology in Fairview seminary was in danger.

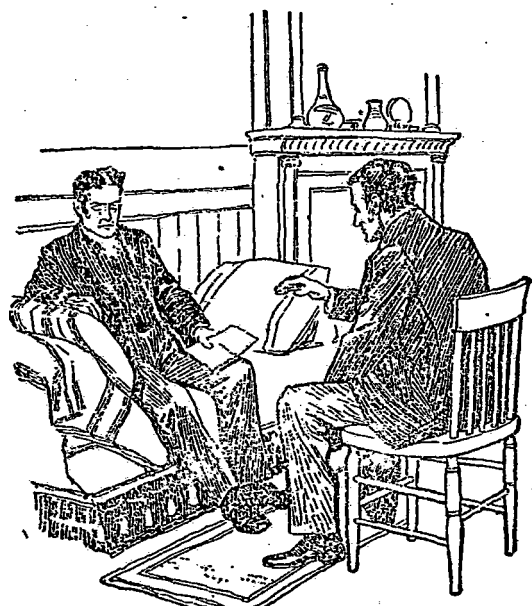
"So you think the people in this neighborhood would miss me a little?" he asked almost as modestly as if he were asking a great favor.

"Would they, Mr. Strong? You will never know what you have done for them. If the mill men were to hear of your leaving, they would come down here in a body and almost compel you to stay. I cannot bear to think of you going. And yet the danger you are in, the whisky men!"

Philip roused himself up, interrupting his visitor. The old time flash of righteous indignation shot out of his eyes as he exclaimed: "I am more than half minded to stay on that account! The rummies would think they had beaten me out if I left!"

"Oh, Mr. Strong, I can't tell you how glad we would be if you would only stay! And yet—"

"And yet," replied Philip, with a sad smile, "there are many things to take into the account. I thank you out of my heart for the love you have shown



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me. It means more than words can express." And Philip leaned back with a wearied look on his face, which nevertheless revealed his deep satisfaction at the thought of such friendship as this man had for him.

He was getting exhausted with the interview, following so soon on his illness of the night before. The visitor was quick to notice it, and after a warm clasp of hands he went away. Philip, lying there alone while his wife was busy down stairs, lived an age in a few minutes. All his life so far in Milton, the events of his preaching and his experiences in the church, his contact with the workmen, his evident influence over them, the thought of what they would feel in case he left Milton to accept this new work, the dissatisfaction at the thought of an unaccomplished work abandoned, the thought of the exultation of the whisky men—all this and much more surged in and out of his mind and heart like heavy tides of a heaving ocean as it rushes into some deep fissure and then flows back again with noise and power. He struggled up into a sitting position and with pain of body almost fell from the couch upon his knees and with his face bowed upon the letter, which he spread out before him with both hands, he sobbed out a yearning cry to his Master for light in his darkness.

It came as he knelt down, and it did not seem to him at all strange or absurd that as he knelt there came to his thought a picture of the Brother Man. And he could almost hear the Brother Man, say: "Your work is in Milton, in Calvary church yet. Except a man shall renounce all that he hath he cannot be his disciple." It mattered not to Philip that the answer to his prayer came in this particular way. He was not superstitious or morbid or given to yielding to impulse or fancy. He lay down upon the couch again and knew in his heart that he was at peace with God and his own conscience in deciding to stay with Calvary church and refuse the call to Fairview.

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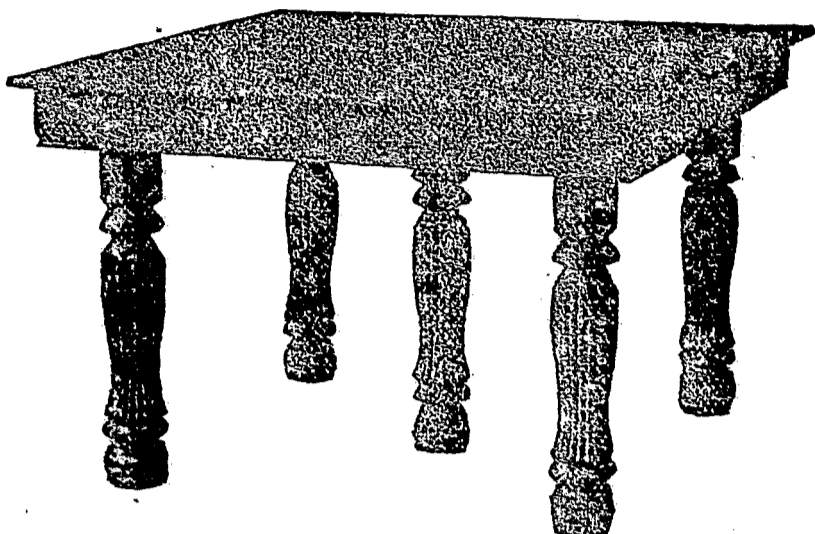
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DAYTON.

The rollers has arrived for the new mill.

Messrs. Batson and Peterson spent Sunday in Baroda.

Dr. Broderick of Buchanan was in town last week.

Miss Beulah Noyes received a lovely box of flowers on Easter.

Mr. John Sheldon is able to ride out after a serious attack of lung fever.

Mrs. Smith and children of Buchanan spent Sunday with her friend Mrs. Ferguson.

Bridgeman.

Mr. Jas. Chapman is home for a short visit.

Will Rouse is busy getting settled in his new home.

Mrs. Oavanaugh is quite ill. Mrs. Rouse is caring for her.

Miss Alice Smith spent Easter with at St. Joseph with Miss Carrie Brooks.

Bridgeman teachers attended the "Round Up" at St. Joseph on Saturday.

Plant digging has greatly thinned the ranks of the grammar school room.

Mr. C. M. Smith was in St. Joseph last week attending a session of the Board of Supervisors.

The Woodmen have purchased the lot next east of the Congregational church. Edson Stanard went to the county seat, Tuesday to make out the papers.

Fairland.

Fred Kuppennuss and Otto Rade-wald and family went to St. Joseph, Monday.

The Fairland Social club will meet at the home of Edgar Snuff next Saturday evening.

Miss L. D. Kershner has learned the weaver's trade and now occupies her brother Edgar's place at the carpet loom. Edgar is working for Mr. Snuff by the month.

Mr. Levi Sparks is getting quite feeble, and it is said Mr. Porter who has been ill for several weeks is rapidly nearing the sunset of his earthly life.

There will be a maple sugar social at the home of Frank Brown next Friday evening for the benefit of Morris Chapel Sunday School. A literary program will be rendered by the scholars.

A few weeks ago an industrious young German, of St. Joseph, bought Mr. Benhard's farm which is near here. He was engaged to be married within a week or so from the time he bought the farm. But the sprightly young city damsel went back on her beau who wished her to live a "hay seed" life.

BENTON HARBOR

April 17.

A carload of chairs has arrived for the opera house.

Two of our teachers will spend the summer in Europe.

The City of Chicago is being put in shape for the season's work.

It is now thought the new Bell opera house will open, May 8.

The Hebrew Easter, which lasts eight days, began last Saturday.

Dr. Parker, a resident of St. Joseph for 48 years, died last Friday night. Some of our grocers had strawberries for Easter, only 25 cents per quart.

The new May Graham was launched last Saturday and is ready for the machinery.

A meeting will be held in St. Joseph tomorrow night to organize a yacht club. They will perhaps give a race in June.

The board of education met last night and engaged all the present corps of teachers except five, who did not wish to teach again, and their places were filled by application. There are 27 teachers including Superintendent Wilson.

Mrs. Lydia Alden has begun a \$10,000 suit against Julius Muehling and his bondsmen alleging that her husband with whom she has lived over 50 years has within a few years taken to drink and used up a 120 acre farm and income of \$2,000 and that now she has to take in washing.

GALIEN.

Principal Marsh biked to Three Oaks, Sunday.

Mrs. Ruth A. Jones was in Niles, Saturday on business.

Charles A. Clark was in Chicago, Wednesday on business.

Charley Versaw, of Niles, was in town, Tuesday on business.

Clarence Smith, of Kalamazoo, was visiting friends in town over Sunday.

Glen Smith, proprietor of the Boston Bargain store, is on the sick list this week.

Mr. Elmer E. Finney, of South Bend, visited friends in Galien over Sunday.

Clyde Harris will start on the road for the Goshen Shirt Mfg. Co. on May first.

Mr. James Cuthbert, of Pullman, Ill., visited J. D. White and family here this week.

Mrs. Alice Rose, of Buchanan, is assisting G. A. Blakeslee and Co. in the store this week.

The heavy rains of this week have done much to help the looks of the crop wheat in this vicinity.

The school entertainment has again been postponed and a definite date has not been decided upon.

Dan. Kelly, of South Bend representing the Whiteman Bros. Grocers Co. was in town, Tuesday.

Our popular merchant, Dan. W. Swem, who has been ill during the past week is able to be around again.

A number of young people from here attended the dance at Bremer's Opera House in Three Oaks, Monday night.

Mr. Jerry Lyon, of this place, who is butter maker for the South Haven (Mich.) Creamery, was at home over Sunday.

The high school base ball club and the Galien Stars will cross bats in a game of ball at the old ball diamond, Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Lavine Johnson, of Elkhart, Ind., is in town this week, being called here by the sickness of her father, Mr. Wright Hiley.

An evidence of prosperity is the number of fine new barns being built, and improvements generally being made by farmers near this place.

Mr. Tom Gillette, who has as been acting as day operator in the M. C. office here during Operator Bert Steele's sickness, returned to Joliet, Ill., Monday.

Mr. Artemus Hall and Miss Theresa Phillips, of this place, were united in marriage at Glendora, Sunday. The young couple have the best wishes of the community.

A republican caucus was held in the town hall, Monday afternoon, for the purpose of selecting 8 delegates to attend the county convention at Berrien Springs.

Clyde Jerue has resigned his position as foreman in the Advocate office, and next week will go to Elkhart, Ind., where he has secured employment in the L. S. and M. S. railroad shops.

There is some good Board talent here, and a board should be organized to be in line for the campaign. Last campaign the Galien Board had the reputation of being one of the best musical organizations in the county.

Jay Hall, Otto Lyon and Frank Mann, of this place, left here, Monday morning with the Michigan Central "extra gang" enroute for Joliet, Ill., where they will lay steel. The boys took with them ample provisions and will board themselves in the car.

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FIRST GRADE.

Cappie Barnes entered school Monday.

Paul Roe has the chicken-pox.

The A class have begun our new supplementary reader—"First Steps in Literature."

In a spelling match Friday Florence Keller and Richard Wagner stood 100.

SECOND GRADE.

Wilfred Provan, the last of our whooping cough victims, returned to school this week, making our enrollment all present.

In Literature work the stories of "The Red Children" are proving very instructive and entertaining.

Mounting the scales of the horse chestnut buds to compare with the number of leaves as they develop is pleasant work for Nature Study.

SECOND GRADE.

John Clark has returned from Owen, Wis., and is in school again. Miss Gertrude Simmons and Master Hallett Smith were visitors Friday afternoon.

The biography of Franklin was read Tuesday.

Topics for this week are, "Lighting and Heating of the Earth"; "Sources of Light and Heat."

FOURTH GRADE.

We have learned a short selection on "April" this week.

A review of North and South America has begun. Also a review in Arithmetic of fractions.

The pupils are studying the lilac and making drawings of it.

Fred Best returned on Monday. He has been absent several months with rheumatism.

FIFTH GRADE.

Francis Walters brought a pretty geranium plant for the room.

Spring-beauties have made their appearance; several bouquets have been brought by the pupils.

Map-drawing has been occupying our attention for the past week. Winifred Wooden's map of Europe was the best.

Cora White gave an interesting description of "West Minister Abbey" Friday.

Gertrude Leonard has returned from her visit at Pontiac.

SIXTH GRADE.

Jay Shook of one division and Otis Mittan of the other wrote the best geographical conundrums. Elmer Ray and Margaret Devin guessed the greatest number.

The contest on technical physiological names was a close one. Carl Brunson wrote each with a definition and statement without a mistake and so was proclaimed victor.

We are glad to have an organ in the room again.

SEVENTH GRADE.

In the spelling contest last Friday afternoon the girls defeated the boys. Vera Fritts was the last to take her seat.

The drawing this week is the making of original wall-paper designs.

Our History classes have just completed the Revolutionary War and are now busy with review work.

EIGHTH GRADE.

The drawing class are at work on a view of Front Street, looking east from the Post office. The best drawing will be framed for Exhibition Day.

Vera Glidden and Ethel Stryker have received no discredit marks this month.

A number of pupils have drawn books from the Traveling Library. Others should avail themselves of this splendid opportunity to read good books.

Flavia Lough drew the best original design for a stained glass window.

The class in Literature are studying the life of "Alfred Tennyson" and will soon take up "Enoch Arden."

The school decided by vote that Charlie Marble drew the best design for the cover of a magazine, Easter Number.

Our stock of seeds is complete we have dwarf Essex rape; clover seed; timothy seed; millet seed; alfalfa seed; alsike seed; red top seed; Kentucky blue grass; June grass; Orchard grass; bromo inermis; pea beans; cow peas; spring rye; lawn grass and seed buckwheat.

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