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SPECIAL SALE

For December.

Geo. Wyman & Co. Offer for December

1,000 pieces all silk satin taffeta ribbon, all colors; No. 40 at 15c, yd. No. 60 at 18c; No. 80 at 20c; No. 100 at 25c. Also 175 pieces fancy ribbon No. 60 at 15c, 25c quality. We also offer Fans at 25c. to \$5.00 very much under price.

We offer ladies' fine linen drawn work and hemstitched handkerchiefs, made to sell at 50c. for 25c each. Our lines of hemmed and hemstitched handkerchiefs from 2c. up are far superior to any we have ever shown.

We have the finest line of handles in our Umbrellas for Christmas.

We have a superior line of Dolls of the Kestner manufacture, 25c, 50c, to \$10

We have a new line of Bronze figures never shown by us before.

Also Iris Art ware and Teplitz Art ware, very choice.

We have solid gold shell finger rings 25c, 50c, and \$1.00

New Chatelaine bags, in leather and beaded 25c to \$10.00.

We offer in dress goods department dress length 6 to 7 yds. in colors, a \$1.75 to \$2.50 per piece that will interest you. We are selling many Trunks, Bags and suit cases this year for Christmas.

We are closing out our Ladies' Hats very cheap.

Our business is to buy and sell goods, we do not buy goods to keep. We do not marry our goods, they are yours for a small consideration.

Geo. Wyman & Co. offer Christmas and other goods for less money than anywhere else.

COME AND SEE US
GEO. WYMAN & CO.
SOUTH BEND, IND.

Closed evenings except Saturday

KNOBLOCK & JONES

OF SOUTH BEND

Will Save you money on anything in

FURNITURE!

Always Best Goods for the
Least Money.



Horse Sale Day.

A number of farmers and others interested in horses have been figuring on a day when people having horses to sell can meet men wishing to buy. The first meeting will occur on Tuesday, Jan 27, 1903. and it is proposed that the fourth Tuesday of each month thereafter be known as Horse Sale Day. Men at Chicago and elsewhere say they will come ready to buy. That is the object in having a day set, for sellers will stand a poor chance for a deal unless there may be buyers present.

The idea is not to have the premium horses merely exhibited but to have any horse or mule with any value at all brought to this place where buyers can see and make an offer. It will save an immense amount of searching and dickering and will result in sales that will be an object to seller and purchaser.

During winter weather and, perhaps for a longer period, headquarters for this enterprise will be at the old Burdick stables now operated by Clyde McOmber. There is plenty of room there and a good chance to exhibit stock of any sort.

Further reference to this matter will be made by The Era as the date for the initial meeting approaches.—Berrien Springs Era.

A Million Voices

Could hardly express the thanks of Homer Hall, of West Point, Ia. Listen why: A severe cold had settled on his lungs, causing a most obstinate cough. Several physicians said he had consumption, but could not help him. When all thought he was doomed he began to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption and writes—"It completely cured me and saved my life. I now weigh 297 lbs." It's positively guaranteed for Coughs, Colds and Lung troubles. Price 50cts. and \$1.00. Trial bottles free at W. N. Brodriek's drug store.

TAX NOTICE

The tax roll of State, County, and Township taxes has been delivered to Herbert Roe and taxes may be paid at Lee Bros' Bank.

WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS SAY

Various Comments About the Power and Its Use.

Niles, Mich., Dec 23.—While the populace of Buchanan is still up in arms against Millionaire C.A. Chapin's project of transmitting power from his dam in the St. Joseph river at that place to South Bend, some of the less belligerent citizens are about to lay before the village council and before Mr. Chapin, a proposition which promises to prove mutually beneficial.

These men realize that it will be long before Buchanan will be in position to use the immense power the dam furnishes, but they aim to provide for the future by getting Chapin to furnish a bond as guarantee that he will at any future time make good the offer he recently made the village in a letter, the salient points of which are as follows:

"To any industry locating in Buchanan after the first day of January, 1903, consuming not less than 100 horse power and employing at least one man per horse power, I will furnish power free for one year and for the next successive year at one-half the current rates at Buchanan, for like power, provided that the aggregate consumption of power of such institutions is not more for any one year than 1,000 horse power. During all subsequent years the above mentioned power will be furnished at reasonable rates which rates will be established hereafter as the occasion arises."

Mr. Chapin will also be asked to include a clause to the effect that he will sell in the village any quantity of power, to be derived from the dam at a reasonable price at any future time there is demand for it. The promoters of the movement also suggest that the village lease two large factory buildings that have long been vacant and offer rent free for one and one-half years to any concern that will locate there and employ 100 men.

H. H. Hofsford, Mr. Chapin's confidential agent, is reported to have said that Chapin will accept the above mentioned proposition to avoid litigation. It is expected the village council will gladly do likewise, thus allowing the power to be transmitted to South Bend until Buchanan can use it ever.—South Bend Tribune.

South Bend Times: And now, after all the noise, it is said that C. A. Chapin's electric power horse was built just outside the town limits of Buchanan. The dam is inside, but Chapin has power, not dams, to sell. It is to be hoped that the committee on revision of state school books will kindly see that Berrien Springs, Mich., is put back upon the St. Joseph river instead of 15 or 20 miles away as some of the maps now show. It won't cost so much if the geography moves the town.

Niles, Dec. 23.—A delegation of Buchanan people have gone to Chicago upon the invitation of Charles A. Chapin, owner of the Buchanan water power, where they will investigate a factory company employing 200 skilled workmen that is desirous of locating outside of Chicago. Mr. Chapin has assured the committee that in case a bonus is required that he will attend to all such little details as that. The delegation was accompanied by Dixon S. Coffeen, president of banks at Niles and Buchanan and owner of the old furniture factory building at Buchanan.

If Mr. Chapin secures such an industry for Buchanan it seems hardly probable that the citizens will persist in their opposition to Mr. Chapin's plan to transmit the unused power from the Buchanan dam to South Bend.—Benton Harbor Evening News.

Buchanan, Mich., Dec. 23.—Chas. A. Chapin, the millionaire who is interested in electric power in this town claims to have secured for Buchanan a Chicago factory employing 200 people and having a pay roll of \$15,000 a month. The character of the concern is not announced. It is said it will be in operation in this place by Feb. 1. A party of prominent Buch-

anan people has gone to Chicago to investigate.

Mr. Chapin proposes to give the factory free electric power for 18 months and cheap electric power at the expiration of that period. It is said the company has made an offer on two good sized factory buildings, one belonging to the First bank and the other to Messrs. Woomer and House. It is the opinion of some that if Mr. Chapin really succeeds in locating this large plant in this place the citizens who have objected to his transmitting power to South Bend will withdraw their objections.—South Bend Tribune.

Conservative residents of Buchanan and Mr. Chapin are likely to agree on some scheme that will result profitably to both sides of the power question. Mr. Chapin will offer power at rates that will attract business unless Buchanan proves to be an undesirable point for manufactures, which is not probable. If any power is not needed it will trouble any court on earth to find how Buchanan can be harmed by having it transmitted to a point where it may be needed. At any rate, a long, costly lawsuit would breed bad blood that would be sure to hurt the town for all time. The fact that power can be sold on the spot cheaper than when conveyed by wire for some distance gives Buchanan a good start and should enable the town to attract establishments that will use it.—South Bend Times.

Niles, Mich., Dec. 23.—While there is still considerable excitement in Buchanan regarding the proposed transmission of power from the Chapin dam to South Bend, some of the leading citizens are entertaining a proposition which seems eminently fair. This proposition requires that Mr. Chapin put up a bond to guarantee the fulfillment of the offer made in his letter to the president of the Buchanan Improvement association, offering not less than 100 horse power for concerns employing not less than one man per horse power, to which it is proposed to add a clause to the effect that he will sell any amount of power up to 4,000 horse power in Buchanan at any time in the future that the village can use it. Mr. Chapin is said to favor the proposition, which will soon be laid before the village council.

In the event of the acceptance by both parties of the proposition above mentioned, the promoters propose that the village lease the two large factory buildings that have been vacant for years to concerns that will locate there and employ not less than 100 men each. However, this arrangement would not materially interfere with the transmission of power as such factories would not use upwards of about 100 horse power each.—South Bend Times.

Coonley's Beef, Iron and Wine with Nervine brought my wife right out last year; give me two more bottles for my father." Elmer Hawblitzel, Lakeville, Ind. Large bottles 50c at Dr. E. S. Dodd & Son's.

Wedding of Mr. Allen and Miss Engle.

Miss Lena M. Engle, of Dowagiac, and Mr. E. Seba Allen, Wasco, Ill., formerly of Dayton, Mich., were united in holy matrimony, Wednesday, December 24. The wedding took place at the country home of the bride's parents, Rev. C. D. Tubbs, of Paw Paw, officiating. The ceremony was unpretentious but very impressive and occurred at high noon. Miss Engle and Mr. Allen are both well known in this part of the state and their many friends join in wishing them a happy future.

Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Allen, Mr. Levi Allen, and Mrs. Emma Dempsey and daughter, Dayton; Mrs. Jennie Vite and daughter, Indiana; Mrs. E. G. Pangborn and son and Miss Gertrude Dewey, Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Engle and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wells, Cassopolis; Mr. Carey J. Tremmel, Buchanan; Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hampton, Glenwood, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wertman, Cedar Creek; Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Wyman, Eau Clair; Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Beebe, Pokagon; and Mrs. J. M. Hamilton, Galien.

AT Ellsworth's Store

Wonderful Selling of Good Merchandise at less than Cost.

This Store has made enormous purchases for the New Year. These have commenced to arrive. We need room, all broken lines and odd lots of goods left from the Christmas trade, we have marked way down to clean them up quick. You will invest in them if you see them. So come down for bargains these next few days.

Great Clearance of Wool Waist Cloths

Beautiful patterns, all wool fancy flannels, regular 50c quality on sale at 29c. All wool fancy French and Imported waist flannels worth 75c, on sale at 49c per yard.

1000 Remnants of Fine Fleece Black Flannellette

Remnants of 3, 5, and 10 yard lengths, on sale as follows: 3 yards for 12c. 5 yards for 19c. 10 yards for 39c each. Get down early for these.

Wonderful Sale of Women's and Children's Cloaks at Less than Cost of Materials.

15 Women's half fitting 45 in. coats, of good Kersey, Mercerized lining, original price \$12.50, on sale at \$2.69.
12 Women's 27 in. half fitting coats of excellent quality of Kersey, blue, tan, red and blacks, original \$9 coats, on sale at \$4.50.
Women's tan, castor and black Kersey coats, velvet trimmed, original price \$12.50, on sale at \$2.69.

12 Women's 27 in. half fitting coats of excellent quality of Kersey, blue, tan, red and blacks, original \$9.00 coats, on sale at \$4.50.
Women's tan, castor and black Kersey coats, velvet trimmed, original price \$12.50, on sale at \$6.75.
Women's tan, black, handsomely trimmed coats, half fitting satin lining, original \$25 coats, on sale at \$12.50.
Women's swell 50 in. coats, with or without fur trimming, regular \$25 to \$40 each, your choice \$12.50.

Two Lots of Fine Wool Capes—Worth up to \$10.50 Each on Sale \$1.00

This lot of capes consist of black wool astrachan and fancy golf capes.

Furs—Furs

One lot of fur collarettes at \$2.30
Electric seal muffs, worth \$4.50 at \$1.98
Near seal coats regular \$35 coat \$22.50
Astrachan cape of whole skins, regular \$30 valve at \$17.50

Waists

One lot of all wool flannel waists worth \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$2.00 each, on sale at 49c each.

Fancy Sofa Pillows

Every Pillow reduced to sell at once.
Pillows that were 39c reduced to 25c
" " " 48c " " 35c
" " " 98c " " 69c
" " " 2.50 " " \$1.25
Pillow Tops at 5c, 15c, and 50c, actually worth 19c, 50c and \$1.00.

Ladies' Aprons

Slightly soiled, regular 50c, 75c and \$1.00 aprons on sale at 25c, 39c and 49c each.

Pillow Shams and Dresser Scarfs—Beautiful Patterns

All shams and scarfs that were 25c, on sale at 15c.
All shams and scarfs that were 50c, on sale at 25c.
All shams and scarfs that were \$1.00, on sale at 50c.

Great Reduction in All Wool Blankets.

One lot of 11-4 fine wool white blankets, slightly soiled, worth \$5.00 on sale at \$3.95.
One lot of \$10-4 tuxedo white blankets, slightly soiled, worth \$2.50 on sale at \$1.95
Fancy robe blankets, regular \$1.00 quality, 75c pair.
Fancy baby blankets, regular 75c quality at 89c each.

Mail orders will receive prompt attention.

John Chess Ellsworth

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We have on sale the most complete assortment of the best made coughs known. A great variety in style of frames and in any color desired. If you need a cough, of any kind we will make it greatly to your profit if you will visit our store. All goods delivered free of expense and in perfect condition. Our entire stock was never so replete in big bargains—and this seasons creations surpass all former efforts. When in South Bend make this store your headquarters, we shall be pleased to meet you.

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"Coonley's Cough Balsam cured my boy of a bad cough after he had kept us awake for a week. It is the best cough medicine made." Charles Murdock, South Bend. Price 25c and 50c at Dr. E. S. Dodd & Son's.

Coonley's Tonic Ext. of sarsaparil purifies the blood, cures Catarrh, Rheumatism, Pimples, Syphilis, and Blood Poison. Large bottles 50c at Dr. E. S. Dodd & Son's.

Every family should have its household medicine chest—and the first bottle in it should be Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup. Nature's remedy for coughs and colds.

U. S. Corn Cure For Ladies stops pain and soreness at once, always cures, and is guaranteed. 15c at Dr. E. S. Dodd & Son's.

"Coonley's Beef Iron and wine with Nervine did me lots of good last year; give me a bottle for my wife." Edward Herring, South Bend Large bottles 50c at Dr. E. S. Dodd & Son's.

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South Bend's
New Store

Headquarters

HOLIDAYS

BUCHANAN RECORD.

D. F. BOWER,
EDITOR.

TERMS \$1.25 PER YEAR

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

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 30, 1903.

Happy New Year to each reader,
our subscribers and their neighbors.

For many days we have had continuous snow although the weather has not been very cold, at no time lower than about 13 degrees above zero; in this respect we have been more favored than many other places where they had severe cold with the storm.

Free Advertising

Buchanan has no cause of complaint, at the free advertising she is now getting. It is almost an impossibility to pick up any newspaper without seeing an article about Buchanan, we have copied a few that our readers may know what they are saying about us. We will endeavor to keep you informed.

HAPPY NEW YEAR.

When your hands, head, and heart are busy each day with your daily avocation the time flies swiftly and soon the year passes by.

We can hardly realize that almost a year has gone since we have identified ourselves with you, and we hope to show as long as our lot is cast with you, that we are interested only in what is best, we hope to do this not so much in words as actions. And now this first new year in Buchanan we wish to say our desire for each member of our Record family and for the entire village that you may have a prosperous New Year.

MICHIGAN BEET SUGAR.

The beet sugar manufacturers of Michigan had a meeting at Saginaw, on Tuesday of last week and adopted resolutions protesting against the ratification of any treaty with Cuba, which reduces the present tariff on sugar and requesting the Michigan senators and representatives in Congress to use their influence to defeat any treaty which will result in injury to the sugar industry of Michigan.

There are sixteen beet sugar factories in Michigan located as follows: Bay City, Rochester, Caro, Alma, Holland, Kalamazoo, Carrollton, Mount Clemens, Crosswell, Mount Pleasant, Charlevoix, Owosso, Marine City, Lansing, Saginaw and Sebawing. Owosso has a capacity of 1,000 tons a day, the others have capacities of 500 to 600 tons, with the exception of those at Marine City and Holland which produce 850 tons a day.

The Michigan beet sugar factories pay big profits; one of them as high as 40 per cent dividends upon its stock. The Caro factory paid 25 per cent last year in addition to buying a new plant. The offices of the factory at Charevoix have furnished a statement to the stockholders, promising a dividend 5 1/2 per cent per year upon 100 days operation, and up to 88 per cent per year if conditions were favorable. This is based upon the payment of \$5.00 a ton to the farmers of Charlevoix for beets. An average beet crop of 6,000 acres will show a net profit to the farmer of \$150,000.

The profits of the Michigan beet sugar factories has been so large that they have become a temptation to the sugar trust, and it is thought they control seven and have a large interest in fourteen.

Farmers of Berrien county, be interested in a beet sugar factory! Because some one failed, do not let that frighten you, nothing will bring you better returns.

FIRE SWEEPS THE INDEX

Mr. John A. Childs, Well Known Here
Among the Losers.

Fire broke out in The Index building and spread to the Essex flats Tuesday night just as the employees of The Index were quitting work. It left the offices of The Index and the home of Mr. John A. Childs, who resided above, wrecked, and the west wing of the Essex flats were in the same condition. The roofs of both buildings were burned through, that of The Index sagging in and being entirely ruined. The loss on The Index property, in both realty and personal property, amounted to \$6,000. The loss on the Essex building was \$1,000.

For fine custom work call on J. J. Krenzberger, Merchant Tailor,
211 South Michigan St.
South Bend.

DESERTED HIS WIFE

Fay Graffort, Editor of the Buchanan Argus, Leaves Buchanan Under a Cloud.

Fay Graffort, erstwhile editor of the Buchanan Argus, mysteriously disappeared from that place last Tuesday morning, and the people of our neighboring burg are puzzled as to his whereabouts.

Graffort left on Tuesday morning for Three Oaks, taking with him \$150 worth of calendars which he had printed and bills for same. Before leaving Buchanan he tipped it off to a few intimate friends that he was tired of Buchanan and that he had concluded to seek a more congenial abode. He also "touched" quite a number of business men of Buchanan before his departure for small amounts, stating that he was a little short for Christmas and needed some change. It is presumed that after collecting the \$150 at Three Oaks Graffort took the first train for Chicago.

In addition to leaving Buchanan under a cloud Graffort also deserted his wife, who had no knowledge that he was going to leave the city. Back of his departure there is a story of a "woman in the case" who resides at Chicago and whom it is alleged Graffort was in the habit of visiting frequently.

Graffort's wife was a Miss Mattie Scott, daughter of Mrs. Sarah Scott, a well known resident of Buchanan. They were married four years ago.

The missing editor has been in charge of the Argus for about a year or since it was purchased from Pearl Woodworth by Graffort's wife. His absence did not result in the suspension of the paper for his wife has taken charge of the plant and with the aid of the office force succeeded in getting out the regular issue.

Friends of Graffort are responsible for the statement that he confided to them some time ago his intentions of leaving Buchanan, but not until he was in shape to make a first class haul.—Niles Sun.

There are numerous reports in circulation about the absconding editor but as we can not vouch for the truth of any of them we refrain from repeating them.

He is gone; that is a certainty, and when his escapade is over we would not be surprised to see him back with a plausible story. We certainly are in sympathy with his wife or any one who suffers through the evil of others, it being hard enough to suffer for one's own evil deeds.

The Pride of Heroes.

Many soldiers in the last war wrote to say that for Scratches, Bruises, Cuts, wounds, Corns Sore Feet and Stiff Joints, Bucklen's Arnica Salve is the best in the world. Same for Burns, Scalds, Boils, Ulcers, Skin Eruptions and Piles. It cures or no pay. Only 25cts. at W. N. Brodrick's drug store.

Court and County News.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Francis M. Caldwell to E. B. Weaver and wife lot in Buchanan \$450.

The case of Arthur L. Pearl vs the township of Benton will go to the supreme court once more. If the supreme court sustains the verdict of \$5,000 awarded by the Berrien circuit jury, the case will end. If, perchance the supreme court should decide in favor of the township, the case must be tried for the fifth time in the circuit court here. The interesting case came to a close in the circuit court last Saturday evening at 4-10 o'clock, the jury having been in session four hours and fifteen minutes. It is understood that the jury favored damages from the start but the main question under discussion was the amount. When the case was tried the first time in 1896, the jury awarded Pearl \$5,000. The second jury gave him \$8,800.

Castle Square Opera Co of New York City will, with a company of 55 people, produce "King Dodo" at Benton Harbor, Jan. 7. The M. B. H. & C. R. R. will sell tickets at 50 cents for the round trip, and the train will return at 11.30 P. M.

Harry S. Potter of St. Joseph, who met death in Chicago on Monday by falling from a twelve-story window at the Great Northern Hotel, was a very fine young man and thoroughly respected at his home. There is no doubt that he was unconscious when he fell.

Dinner Party.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Andrews entertained at Christmas dinner. Covers were laid for fifteen.

The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Searls, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Searls and daughter of Helena, Montana, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wells and family, Mrs. Sada Andrews and daughter, Miss Vera Fritts and Mr. Perry Kline of Fort Worth, Texas.

Teacher's Institute

On Saturday, Jan. 10, there will occur here a gathering of the teachers of the county.

The following program will be rendered: 9 a.m. Reading Circle Review 1 p. m. Singing, Power of Possession, R. D. Kean; Solo, Mrs. Crossman; Music in Public schools, Edna Seymour; How shall the Country Boy and girl secure a High School Education? Chas. Rodden.

Foils A Deadly Attack.

"My wife was so ill that good physicians were unable to help her", writes M. M. Austin, of Winchester, Ind but was completely cured by Dr. King's New Life Pills." They work wonders in stomach and Liver troubles. Cure constipation, sick headache. 25cts. at W. N. Brodrick's drug store.

R. R. Notes.

Negotiations which have been going on for some time between the Battle Creek Grape Juice Co. and the South Haven & Eastern R. R. were closed in Chicago Friday night. Both parties were satisfied. Agreements were made between General Manager, Edward Maher representing the S. H. & E. R. R. and Mr. Harley Squier for the Grape Juice Co involving the construction of a new factory at Paw Paw within the next 90 days. This plant will crush 1500 tons of grapes and product not less than 200,00 gallons of grape juice in the coming season. The grape growers of Van Buren County view the arrangement of a sure and certain market with great satisfaction and are well pleased with the vigorous and enlightened policy of the South Haven & Eastern in taking active steps to attract new industries to its lines.

The new plant will be constructed near Kalamazoo Street in Paw-Paw and will adjoin the land structures of the S. H. & E. Employment will be given to nearly 50 people.

Mr. Squier of the Grape Juice Co. together with Mr. Maher, and Traffic Manager, W. P. Squier of the Milwaukee, Benton Harbor & Columbus Ry visited Scottdale on the line of the M. B. H. & C. Ry. Saturday. Beyond an admission by Mr. Maher that the purpose of the visit was to show to the Grape Juice Co. the possibilities of this part of the County in grape production nothing was learned. Mr. Maher is always reticent until ready to take definite action. It is clear however that as the management of both roads is identical and has shown a lively interest in the development of the territory served by these railways some plan is afoot to induce the location of Grape Juice plants at Scottdale.

To do this much will depend on the attitude of the grape growers and the quantity of the crop. Scottdale in the quantity and quality of its crop deserves and will receive the attention of the M. B. H. & C. Ry. and of investors.

The great development of grape juice as a healthful beverage promise much growth of the grape juice industry and consequent property to the grape growers along the lines of the M. B. H. & C. Ry. and the South Haven & Eastern R. R.—the Traffic Arteries of Van Buren and Berrien Counties.

DOCTORS GUILTY OF FRAUD.

Battle Creek Men Have Been "Curing" Diseases by Mail.

Detroit, Mich., Dec. 23.—Drs. James M. Peebles, Walter T. Bobo and Charles M. Green, of the people's Institute of Health, Battle Creek, Mich. were convicted by a jury in the United States district court here yesterday of violating the postal laws. A 30 day stay of proceeding will prevent immediate sentence.

It was charged that advertisements of their mental "cure" by mail for all sorts of ills constituted an attempt to obtain money by fraud. During the trial Dr. Bobo testified that he believed Dr. Peebles had a healing power like that of Jesus, only that the doctor's power was smaller. Dr. Bobo admitted that if a patient at a distance manged to procure Dr. Peebles' signed instructions and followed them faithfully the cure would not be effective if the patient had not paid the fee of \$1.

It is said the People's institute had been doing a flourishing business.

Latest Fashion Notes

BERRY-RED A FASHIONABLE COLOR. This handsome gown of berry-red zibeline, has a bolero waist, which is shortened to disclose a-tucked lower portion. The stylish collar has tab extension, and a scarf of black taffets is knotted over the bust. The skirt is tucked at the top to hip-yoke depth, and is outlined by strappings stitched with Corticelli spool silk; fancy ornaments are added. The sleeves follow the fashionable Du Barry shaping.



All shades of red are in vogue from the blushing cherry tints, to the richer darker shades ranging from dahlia to wine, mahogany, claret and cedar. For the house there is nothing more charming than a red gown, relieved with a touch of black and white on the waist. The skirt could be plaited, with a generous sweep, and a similar embellishment displayed in the waist and voluminous sleeves. Red hats covered with shaded dahlias, or scarlet petaled roses, are smart, and ball and dinner gowns of geranium-colored crepe have almost displaced the pinks and blues.

Family Gathering

John Perrott entertained on Xmas day, his son and daughter's and their families, among them being H. O. Perrott and family, L. Munson and family, H. M. Case and family of Three Oaks and Fred Edinger and family, of Three Oaks.

Jolly Surprise

Monday morning Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Lewis were much surprised by the unexpected arrival of their relatives who came for a brief visit. The party were Mr. and Mrs. John Babcock and family, Mrs. Mary Jane Babcock and two daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Babcock and children, these all are from the country near by. There were also Miss Holden of Flint, and Mr. Proud of Clio. They formed a jolly family gathering around the dinner table, and made a scene long to be remembered.

Kalamazoo is to establish a municipal coal yard. A special committee from the council has been appointed to procure a site, and an overwhelming sentiment in favor of the scheme not only in the council, but among the citizens in general, prevails. The details of the plan have not been developed, but it is a scheme to get coal and sell it to all classes at cost. Niles citizens would be elated if some such movement were started here.—Niles Star.

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Decorated China Plates, Cups and
Saucers,

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We are giving Bigger Values than ever before. In Order to do so, we have bought an extra Large Assortment, and have decided to give Our Customers the Benefit of the Lowest Prices ever made on Lamps, Berry Dishes, 100 Piece Dinner Sets, Water Sets, etc. This proposition, to say the least, is Worth Investigating. We Would Suggest that you Come in early while the Assortment is large.

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Buchanan, Mich.

Some
Xmas
Goods

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These we will
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WINTER STOCK

NEW YEAR'S IN RUSSIA

In the smaller cities of Russia New Year's day is in the Twelve Days' festival. The Russians in many parts have held to the old ways from time immemorial. The preparations for the season begin early in November. The host of some great house begins to lay in stores of salted beef and sausages, liqueurs, etc. The hostess calls on all her friends and invites young and old. Next day she is succeeded by the nurse, who makes the same rounds of visits. Her duty is to invite especially the young ladies. She is hailed with joy, and the lady of the house hastens to mix for her the cup of wine. She delivers her errand and is plied with questions as to the invited and rejected. But the most important question is, "Who are the elected?" These are the young men invited by the hostess for the girls, or "fair maidens," as they are called. The duty of the young man thus designated is to look after the amusement and pleasure of his "fair maiden" during the "twelve days." The responsibility of the choice lying with the hostess, she has to be careful in her selection.

But the invitation has again to be repeated, this time by the master of the house in the person of his servant, or "swat," who, with mace in hand, performs his mission. On entering each house he offers a prayer before the shrine of the saint to which it is dedicated. He then delivers the invitation in the name of his master and mistress. At first, according to etiquette, the invitation is refused, but after much pressing it is finally accepted. When the day arrives, the young ladies who are the heroines of the season appear in a sledge accompanied by their mother and favorite companion, generally a girl of inferior rank, who sits at their feet. This sledge is followed by another containing tresswomen charged with caskets and dressing boxes. Other sledges follow—the longer the procession the greater honor to the house visited. On the arrival the host and hostess meet the guests at the gate, bow without speaking and conduct them into the house.—New York World.

Self Approval.

"Have you kept your New Year's resolutions?"
"Yes, I have faithfully kept a New Year's resolution that I made three or four years ago."
"What was it?"
"Never to make any more resolutions."—Washington Star.

An Arrested Intelligence.

"Charlie Binks isn't as slow as he seems."
"How is that?"
"He woke up yesterday and asked what year it is."

His Happy Calls.

Wilkins—How many calls did you make yesterday?
Dilkins—Three, and, say, it was the best game of poker I ever sat in!

THE OLD and THE NEW

The New Year came to the Old Year's door.
When the sands were wasting thin,
And the frost lay white on the Old Year's thatch,
And his hand grew chill as he slipped the latch
To let the New Year in.
And the New Year perched in the Old Year's chair,
And warmed by the Old Year's fire,
And the Old Year watched him with wistful gaze
As he stretched his hands to the fading blaze
And cinders of dead desire.



And the Old Year prated, as Old Years will,
Of summer and vanished spring,
And then of the future, with grave advice,
Of love and sorrow and sacrifice
That the seasons' round would bring.
And the New Year listened and warmed his heart
In the bloom of the Old Year's past,
But he gave no heed of the thorns that lay
In the bud and blow of a coming day.
And, nodding, he dreamed at last.
The New Year came to the Old Year's door
And warmed in the Old Year's chair,
And the Old Year talked till the New Year slept.
Then forth in the night he softly stepped
And left the New Year there.
—Harper's Bazar.

Magazine Reviews.

Wood Engraving.

That engraving on wood seems likely to become, like line engraving on steel, almost a lost art, is but the natural consequence of the invention and perfecting of the various processes of photo-mechanical reproduction. There are many reasons why this should be so. It is not only that the mechanical processes are both actually and relatively cheap.

The gain in literal fidelity is indisputable; there is no tedious waiting for the tardy engraver; there is no intrusion of his personality into the result. These considerations are commercially effective, and of more weight with both publishers and public than realization of the shortcomings of the process print. The blurring of some qualities and over-accentuation of others in the mechanical reproduction, the inevitable omission of that intangible vivifying which for want of a better name, may be called the soul of the work, is commonly overlooked. And with the improvement of photography by which more accurate rendering of tone values is secured, there is much reason to fear that the day of wood engraving is almost at an end.

But the end is not quite yet, however, for the greatest of all wood engravers has not yet laid down his tools. Mr. Timothy Cole's series of wood engravings after old masters of painting may without exaggeration be said to represent the crowning achievement of art. This is high praise, but not more than is deserved. Professor John C. Van Dyke does not put it too strongly when he says that the series "cannot be regarded as other than monumental." The high standard set in the "Old Italian Masters" and "Old Dutch and Flemish Masters" is fully maintained in Mr. Cole's new collection of eight and forty examples of the "Old English Masters." In cutting the blocks for these, Mr. Cole was constantly occupied for nearly seven years. Many of the plates have appeared in the Century Magazine, but in their present form they gain much from heavier paper and more careful printing.

THE OIL WAR OF '72.

Miss Tarbell's Third Standard Oil Paper in McClure's

The third paper of Miss Tarbell's History of Standard Oil, which appears in the January McClure's, tells the story of "The Oil War of 1872," and tells it as no great industrial battle has ever been told before. The Oil War of 1872 was war, and when Miss Tarbell has finished, one realizes that it was magnificent, too. It is the first great crisis in the drama. For the first time in our industrial history combination and competition are pitched against each other on a grand scale. Miss Tarbell tells how the oil regions—the producers and independents—woke up one morning to find the enemy upon them—a gigantic coalition bearing down on all sides; from the north, John D. Rockefeller, with all the strength of his recently assimilated Cleveland refineries; from the south, capitalists of Pittsburg and Philadelphia, allied under the hated name of the "South Improvement Company;" and back of both—the source of their union—the railroads with their rebates. That is the situation at the beginning of the article. Read it through, and you will see how a background for battle scenes can be built up out of rebates and schedules and other of the instruments and appliances of peace. Miss Tarbell's History of Standard Oil is, perhaps, the best reading that any magazine is giving us to-day.

A CONVERSATION WITH POE.

What he Thought of Shelley, Tennyson Keats, and Other Poets.

The perennial interest in Edgar Allan Poe is strongly appealed to in the January Century which has a "find" in the "The Poe-Chivers Papers," comprising new letters of Poe, an elaborate description of him by his friend, Dr. Chivers and his report (in part) of his judgment of English poets. Poe asked Chivers how he liked Shelley:

"I consider him one of the greatest poets that ever lived," I answered him. "His Cenci I consider not inferior, as a true dramatic poem, to

the very best of Shakespeare's plays. In fact, in some senses it is superior to anything that Shakespeare ever wrote."

"In passion he was supreme, but it was an unfettered enthusiasm unguided by the amenities of Art," answered he.

"And it was the clairvoyant fortuitousness of intuition," answered I. "Like St. John on the Island of Patmos he beheld his celestial visions of the coming of the New Jerusalem of Man with the couched eyes of one of God's holiest Prophets."

"His principal forte was powerful abandon of rhythmical conception," answered he. "But he lacked just that Tennysonian Art necessary to the creation of a perfect Poem. You are mistaken in supposing that passion is the primum mobile of the true Poet, for it is just the reverse. A pure Poem proper is one that is wholly destitute of a particle of passion."

"Then you admire Tennyson?" asked I.

"Yes I consider him one of the greatest Poets that ever lived," answered he.

"My God! Poe how can you say that?" asked I, in surprise. "Why, his poems are as effeminate as a phlegmatic fat baby. He is the most perfect Greek-statuesque, if you please, in his conceptions, of any man that has ever lived since the days of Pericles."

"This is just what constitutes him one of the greatest geniuses that ever lived," answered he. "Passion has nothing to do with pure Poetry; for every drop of passion that you infuse into any poem just so far you materialize, deteriorate and render it no Poem. A pure Poem is a rhythmical creation of beauty wholly destitute of every thing but that which constitutes purity, namely, 'theristity.'"

"Well, but this would not only bring you in conflict with the time honored opinions of the world, but be the establishing of a new mode of criticism among nations," said I.

"True, but that does not give me a moment's concern," answered he, with an imperial self-consciousness of his own importance, as well as the perfect knowledge of the purity of the truth that he had just spoken.

"If what you say be true, then two-thirds of every thing that Shakespeare ever wrote is absolutely good for nothing," said I.

"Certainly it is good for nothing. Nothing is good for any thing except that which contains within itself the essence of its own vitality," answered he. "Otherwise it is mortal and ought to die."

"Then if this be the case,—if all the Poetical works in the world were pruned of their excrescences,—there would be very little real Poetry left," answered I.

"Very little indeed; but just enough to show that what I say of Poetry is true."

"Then Byron, Wordsworth, Coleridge, Montgomery, Southey and many other world-renowned Sons of Song would fare badly."

"But no worse than they deserve," answered he, very peremptorily.

"What do you think of Keats?" asked I.

"He was the greatest of any of the English Poets of the same age, if not at any age," answered he, with the air of a man who was not only conscious of his own consummate ability, but who had, long before, deliberately formed his opinions. "He was far in advance of the best of them, with the exception of Shelley, in the study of his themes. His principal fault is the grotesqueness of his abandon."

THE ASSAY OF ARTHUR

How he Achieved the Adventure no Other Man Might Hope to Compass.

Then in all the hush of that wonder-stricken multitude of royal and lordly folk did that one youth—crimson-clad, like a flame—ascended the steps that led to the Anvil. And as he ascended the steps, lo! a sunbeam fell through a crevice of the canopy and smote upon his head, so that his hair and his budding beard shone like a glory, and the fillet of gold upon his brows shot forth a spark like unto a star. So in goodly wise did he approach that great assay.

And, now, setting his knee to the Anvil he grasped the hilt of the Glave with both his sinewy hands; and bent his frame to the assay, and drew. Then, lo, as once before, but now in the plain sight of all the world, the shining blade slid slowly and smoothly out from its iron matrix, and be-

hold, Arthur held it in his hands within the sight of all!

A moment there was a dead and perfect silence; then, like a thunder-clap, there burst forth in one great shout the sound of an hundred thousand voices uplifted in deafening acclamation. And then, as though a wind of fury had smitten it, that whole great multitude arose from where it sat in a tumult of tossing arms, of yaving hands, and of shouting lips. For lo! the sword was drawn! The miracle had been achieved within the sight of all!

Thrice Arthur whirled the Sword about his head, flashing like lightning. Then, setting the point against the face of the solid iron, he drave it smoothly and swiftly back into its embedment whence he had drawn it. A second time he drew it forth; a second time he whirled it thrice about his head; a second time he drave it back into the bosom of the iron Anvil. Then once again he drew it forth and so thrice, in the eyes of all the world, did he achieve the adventure that no other man but he might hope to compass.—From "The Story of King Arthur and his Knights" by Howard Pyle in January St. Nicholas.

McClure's Magazine has just closed the most successful and prosperous year in its history. It has been permanently enlarged to make room for new and broader editorial plans. There will be timely and important articles, character sketches of great men, reports of all that is going on in the world of science, exploration, politics, arts and letters. In fiction, McClure's stories of real life, of heroism, love and adventure will be unsurpassed as heretofore. The illustrations will be brighter and better than ever.

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Special meeting of L. O. T. M. Sat-
urday night. Guards Banner, Bear-
ers and all members requested to be
present.

Eastern Star Lodge will hold a pov-
erty p at the home of Stephen
Scott, Wednesday evening. Every-
body invited. A prize for the most
poverty looking individual.

The Sunday trains on the South
Haven & Eastern and the Milwaukee,
Benton Harbor & Columbus Railways
are still running on the regular sche-
dle; they have come to stay.

Rev. J. R. Neirgath went to Cal-
ifornia, Mich. on Tuesday where he
will give a lecture entitled "Tri-
umphs of Manhood" before the young
people's society of the Evangelical
church on Tuesday evening.

Mr. S. N. Smith, brother of Mrs.
L. Richards Sr., was in the rail-
road wreck which recently occurred
at Wainstead, Canada. He was badly
shaken up, but not seriously hurt.
It was so terrible an accident that one
wonders any body in it escaped.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hanley have
been entertaining a jolly little house
party over Christmas tide. Their
guests were Miss Dorothy Mathews
and Mr. George T. Woodbury, of
Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. F. E. New-
berry, of St. Louis. Mr. and Mrs.
John Broceus and son joined the party
at dinner on Xmas day.

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Home Gathering.

Jesse A. Waterman, printer of Chi-
cago, the University Printing Co.,
Myrtle Waterman, order clerk, with
the Standard Varnish Co., Chicago,
Loren Waterman, Student at Flint
School, for the deaf, were all home
at their parents for Christmas. This
is the first Christmas the entire family
have been at home for over ten years.
Mr. and Mrs. Waterman are very
proud of their family and justly so.

Birthday Surprise.

The tenth grade very agreeably
surprised Miss Vera Fritts, Friday
evening, the occasion being her
sixteenth birthday. Dainty refresh-
ments were served and a delightful
evening was spent by all present. The
grade left at an "early hour". Miss
Vera is home from the St. Roses A-
cademy at L'Paorte for a two weeks
vacation.

Before departing the young people
presented Miss Vera with a large bot-
tle of perfume.

A. O. U. W. Officers.

At the annual election of the A. O.
U. W., officers were chosen as follows:
Jno. Alliger, P. M. W.; F. A. Stryker,
M. W.; Burgess Miles, Foreman; Eli
Helmick, Overseer; S. A. Wood,
Recorder; V. M. Baker, Financier;
E. Ham Receiver; W. G. Hathaway,
Guibe; John Paxton, I. S. Watchman;
Ben. Sheterly, O. S. Watchman; F.
A. Stryker, Representative; S. A.
Wood, Alternate.

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At the annual election of D. of H.
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Knight, C. of H.; M. Sheterly, L. of
H.; B. Markley, C. of J.; Fannie Bak-
er, Recorder; J. E. Wood, Financier;
May Stryker, Receiver; Hazel Baker,
Usher; A. Z. Camp, I. S. Watchman;
Sarah Paxton, O. S. Watchman; M.
A. Cauffman, Rep. J. E. Wood, Alt.

The annual congregational meeting
of the Presbyterian church will occur
on Monday evening Jan., 5.

There will be no prayer meeting at
the Presbyterian church this week
owing to repairs being made in the
basement.

When you once have had a taste of
those "Perfection Wafers" you will
thank the originators for calling your
attention to them.

Mr. Wm. D. House has purchased
the Klondike livery barn on Oak St.,
from Newton Batchelor, and will
hereafter be on hand to welcome all
his old as well as the new patrons.

A series of evangelistic meetings
will begin in the Advent church Jan.
5. Elder Shook will be assisted by
Elder A. E. Bloom, of Monticello,
Miss., who is not only a fine speaker,
but an excellent singer.

Owing to the rush before the holi-
days and the accumulation of work
we neglected our mailing list, but
the past few days we have been cor-
recting it. Please look at your labels
and if they are not right inform us
at once so that they may be corrected.

Miss Fanny Mead very pleasantly
entertained the B. O. B's. and the J.
N. R's. at her home on Christmas
day. This was also her birthday, and
after a delightful afternoon the B. O.
B's. presented Miss Fanny with a very
pretty gift. She proved herself a
charming entertainer, and all had an
excellent time.

Monday evening the sleigh load of
young people were taken by Mr. J. L.
Knight to the home of Lulu and Ber-
ton Broceus where they were very
pleasantly entertained. They com-
pose the high school society of the
B. O. B's. and J. N. R's. and much
enjoyed the occasion.

Mrs. Clara S. Cowles, of Battle
Creek, department chaplain of the
Ladies of the G. A. R. will be the
guest of Juliet M. Baird department
president, the latter part of the week
and will meet with the Ladies of
Wm. Perrott Circle No. 20, Friday
evening, January 2nd. A good turn-
out is requested.

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PERSONAL.

Rollo Roe of Chicago is in town.

Miss Winfred Noble is in Chicago.

W. H. Keller was in Niles Mon-
day.

J. L. Knight went to South Bend
Monday.

Mr. Carson French is home for
the holidays.

Dr. Martin Steel was in town the
last of the week.

Miss Jean Earl is making a week's
visit in South Bend.

Mrs. Nellie Black Miller is away
on an extended visit in Illinois.

Mr. L. P. Munson and wife took
Christmas dinner at F. G. Hall's.

Mrs. P. D. Bennett and sons are
visiting with W. H. Keller this week.

Mrs. T. H. Merrill has gone to
Chicago to remain for several weeks.

H. I. Bronson who teaches in
Elmira, Mich. is home for the holi-
days.

Mr. C. E. Hamlin of Chicago was
a visitor at his mother's on Christ-
mas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Vanderslice
spent Christmas with relatives in
New Troy.

Rev. and Mrs. Marvin returned
Saturday from a visit with relatives
in Tecumseh.

Mrs. Mary Ke dahl of Chicago is
spending the holidays with Edith
Kynearson.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Edinger and
son were entertained at F. G. Hall's
last Saturday.

Miss Edith Irwin who teaches in
the public school at Escanaba is home
for the holidays.

Miss Julia Parketon from Hesperia
Mich. spent Christmas with her uncle
G. N. Parkton.

Mr. Bert Beistle, of Galien, is
spending a few days as guest of Mrs.
Melvin Beistle.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Case and son
of Three Oaks were visitors of F. G.
Hall's last week.

Miss Carrie Lewis has gone to
spend a few days with relatives in
the country near Galien.

Mr. Maurice Grossman of Clevel-
and was the guest of Miss Ethel
Parkinson over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Hamilton and
family spent Christmas with Mrs.
Plimpton in Benton Harbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Monroe and Mr. and
Mrs. Arthur Jones and families
spent the holidays in Joliet, Ill.

Messrs. John and H. O. Perrott
and families were guests at the home
of F. G. Hall's Saturday of last week.

Mr. Chas. Slocum and daughter
Pearl of Grand Rapids, are here, the
guests of Mrs. Mary Slocum of Front
St.

Mrs. A. M. Parketon of Hesperia
Mich. who is well known here is visit-
ing his brother G. N. Parkton of
Oronoko township.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Weaver of Chicago
Ill. and son Geo. and wife of Omaha
spent Christmas at the home of Mr.
and Mrs. A. Emerson.

Mrs. Anna Williams and Miss
Carrie went to New Carlisle for
Christmas and from there to Bremen
Ind. to spend New Year's.

Miss Carrie Parketon has returned
from a visit with relatives in Bille-
new Ohio accompanied by her cousin
Harry C. Haskins who will make a
short visit.

Mrs. James Stewart and daughter
Gertrude of South Bend Ind. were
in town this week the guests of Mrs.
Stewart's sister, Mrs. O. P. Wood-
worth.

Mrs. and Mrs. Wm. Broceus and
Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Long spent Xmas
at Battle Creek as guests of Chas.
Broceus and wife. Messrs Broceus
and Long returned home Friday the
ladies returned Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Park of Cope-
mish, Mich. are making two weeks
visit with Mr. Park's mother Mrs.
Park. Fay and Dwight Walton of
South Bend and Mr. and Mrs. Robt.
Walton and families spent Christmas
with Mrs. Parks.

Change of Laundry Days.

On and after Jan. 1, we will wash
Tuesdays and Thursdays instead of
Tuesdays and Fridays.

Electrical Laundry.

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The cottage prayer meeting of the
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evening of this week at the home of
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Thirteenth Annual Xmas

The thirteenth annual Xmas gath-
ering of the family of Mr. and Mrs.
Michael Cauffman was held at the
home of their son, Jacob E., Dec., 25,
1902.

Regardless of the very stormy
weather, there was a very good at-
tendance. The number present was
thirty-five. Those present from away
were, R. M. Cauffman of Centerville,
Mich., Riley Cauffman and S. E. Nus-
baum of South Bend, Ind.

The forenoon was spent in social
visiting, music and placing the pres-
ent's upon the tree. At one o'clock
dinner was announced. We were
then ushered into the dining room
where two tables were spread with
many good things to eat, prepared by
the hostess and other members of the
family. At sight of the tables, like
all other children, we wished Xmas
would come oftener. After all had
partaken of the bounteous dinner the
house was called to order by the pre-
sident, John W. Cauffman, we were
then favored by some very nice mus-
ic, after which Master Carson Cauff-
man recited in a most pleasing man-
ner, also Miss Mabel Cauffman re-
sponded with a recitation very appro-
priate for the occasion which was
enjoyed by all, followed by the
secretary's and treasurer's report of
the meeting. The following officers
were elected for the ensuing year:
President, J. W. Cauffman; Vice Pres-
ident, H. I. Cauffman; Secretary, Ma-
Best; Treasurer, Mrs. Eliza Smith.

Our next Xmas gathering will be
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie
Clemens. This closing the business
meeting we proceeded to relieve the
tree of its burden which was well filled
with presents for both young and
old.

As the hour was getting late we
concluded to say good-bye and wish-
ing for many, many more such merry
Xmas times, we took our departure,
and all pronounced Mr. and Mrs.
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Burnett Peters Dead

Several weeks ago the generous
people made up a purse to send Mr.
Peters to California. The Woodmen
through Mr. W. F. Runner have taken
particular interest in him. After
getting to California and remaining
for a few days he had a desire to re-
turn east. He came as far as New
Mexico, when he again returned to
California, but he did not improve.

On Friday Mr. Runner had a tele-
gram from F. W. Preson, Ontario,
California, saying Mr Peters could
last but a few days. On Sunday
another was received, saying he had
died at 1:30 p. m. The body will be
forwarded home at once, but will
probably not reach here before Fri-
day.

It seems especially sad as he leaves
a widow and two sons, who have the
sympathy of the community in their
deep sorrow.

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C. E. Elect Officers.

The Christian Endeavor Society of
the Presbyterian church elected offi-
cers last Sunday night with the fol-
lowing results: President, Clara
Hubbell; vice president, Prin. J. W.
C. Brown; secretary, Blanche Wells;
treasurer, Agnes Slocum; organist,
Effie Sellers; assistant organist, Clara
Hubbell.

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tiring officers for their interest in the
work, and especially to Mr. Schreiber,
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NEW YEAR'S BLUE RIDGE

SPEAKING of New Year's," said the Nevadaian, "I always call to mind this time of year the blowoff we boys give a young doctor chap who came up to Blue Ridge just at the time that camp was the liveliest, to which I might add that though the days of the Ridge was few in the land, as the book says, while it did last there was no camp on the Pacific slope from Puget sound to the Rio Grande that could furnish as much fun in a week as transpired in Blue Ridge every twenty-four hours.



But the sport didn't need no medicine. It was not, as you might say, a sickly neighborhood, which it seems

hand it to him when he bid him goodbye at the stage office next day. Then I sent for Doc and said that old bullet wound in my leg was on strike again, took my prescription and promised to pay next day.

"I don't suppose any doctor in the world ever had as busy a day as ours did that day. It seemed like every man in camp was sick. There was trouble about noon because the boys ran out of names of diseases, but I went up to Doc's office and copied out a lot of names from one of his books, and then we kept things booming. Some of the younger boys got stuck on the names of sicknesses I dealt out to them to make a choice from and played the whole deck, which seemed to puzzle Doc somewhat.

"Well, the next day we met and marched around to the stage about starting time, and there was Doc, looking a little worried, but he looked a lot more surprised when he saw all his patients so callish.

"We gave him a sendoff and an envelope. "Did you ask what was in the envelope? I disremember the odd dollars, but it was enough over \$5,000 to leave him that clear after he had paid his expenses down to the bay."—New York Journal.

HOLIDAY DECORATIONS.
Old Fashioned Greens Were Rosemary, Ivy and Bay.

The old fashioned holiday greens were rosemary, ivy and bay, but in the 2,000 tons of wreathing and decorating material which it is estimated that we now use every year there is a much greater variety. Best loved of all is the glossy red berried holly. "Holm" was the old English name for it, and it is thought to be identical with the "greenwood tree" of British ballads and of Robin Hood fame. On our side of the Atlantic the American holly, *Ilex opaca*, is found from Maine, where it grows as a shrub, to North and South Carolina, where it lifts a symmetrical cone of dark, shining leaves set with scarlet berry clusters along a beautiful trunk of gray and silver to the height of seventy or eighty feet.

Delaware and Maryland are usually credited with furnishing the best grades of holly to the holiday market, but their "Three X" brand, as seen after shipment to northern cities, is not so finely berried as the Carolina holly, plentiful in the regions around Asheville.—Country Life in America.

New Year's Calls.
New Year's calling in New York was purely the outgrowth of an early Dutch custom, yet strangely enough many of the descendants of the early Dutch settlers fought against the continuance of a practice which they declared had long since passed beyond the bounds to which the fathers limited it and had been made the excuse for great excesses on a day which ought to be given over to the forming of good resolutions.

In the early days of Manhattan Island the male Dutch settlers every New Year's day started out as a matter of duty to visit the houses of all their friends. The good wives who received them were arrayed in their Sunday finest and had bowls of steaming hot punch upon the "best room" table. The latter day Dutch descendants denied the punch and said it was coffee. The irreverent latter day champions of New Year's calling denied the punch also and told their opponents that their forefathers would not know a punch if they saw it and that they drank nothing but ill smelling hot gin.

Whatever it was that the good burghers drank, they succeeded in calling within the compass of the day upon every family of any note on Manhattan Island.

A New Year's Cyclone.
Is that a cyclone ragin?
Is the roof a-tumbin' down?
Is that a earthquake shakin'
All the winders in town?
Is that the river roarin'
Above its banks of green?
Has Gabriel blowed his trumpet
To make the dead serene?

They stood and heard in terror
While loud the noise arose,
Like the warwhoops of the Indians,
The shouts of foreign foes,
But a voice brought better comfort
(Let not the sainted scoff):
"Thar ain't a bit of trouble;
That's daddy swearin' off!"
—Atlanta Constitution.

A Time of Peril.
Clarissa—I'm always glad when New Year's day is safely over.
Fidella—Yes; it is a saddening anniversary.
Clarissa—Oh, I don't mean that Clarence and I always have a horrid quarrel suggesting improvements in each other's conduct.

GLENDORA
Sherwood Penwell, of Hartford, spent a few days with relatives last week.

Mrs. L. H. Kempton and children went to Niles on Christmas day for a short visit with friends.

Mrs. Austin Adams will visit her daughter, Mrs. Hemenway, in Laporte, during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. George Boyce leave for Mansfield, Ohio, for a week's visit with relatives and friends.

Miss Winnie Morley will spend the holiday vacation at her home.

Mrs. Chas. Lemon is moving to Baroda to take advantage of the schools for her children.

Grandma Norris is very sick, at her home in Galien. It is feared she will not recover.

The Rebechka Degree initiated seven new members on Saturday night, and many more will be taken in at the next meeting.

The L. O. T. M. were invited to Baroda, again, last Friday. The day was spent in an enjoyable way and we trust profitable.

The Disciple Sunday school will give a pleasing entertainment on Christmas eve, a tree and appropriate exercises to accompany.

The first of the lecture course was given last Thursday night to a full house, by Auditor General Powers, of Cadillac. His subject was well chosen and highly appreciated. We all felt that more such talks ought to be listened to. County Commissioner Jennings was present and by song added to the delightfulness of the occasion.

Mrs. Alvin Morley is spending a few days with her parents, at New Buffalo.

Carl Wright entertained his father and mother and sisters with their families, on Christmas day.

Mrs. John Spade, of New Troy, spent a few days with her brother, Mark Kimbel, last week.

KELSEY DISTRICT.
The entertainment and box social given by the Kelsey School was a success notwithstanding the rainy evening and the proceeds amounted to almost \$10.00.

Several bass solos given by County School Com., C. D. Jennings, were enjoyed immensely and his daughter showed herself to be an accompanist of rare talent.

GEYER SCHOOL
Christmas Exercises were held Friday evening.

A program consisting of songs and recitations was rendered by the pupils. A well filled Christmas tree was an interesting part of the entertainment in which all the parents and children took part.

Santa Claus made his usual appearance to the great delight of the little ones.

Prevention of Hydrophobia.
The Secretary of the State Board of Health says:

"The recent death from rabies (hydrophobia) in Saginaw seems to prove that new and faster methods of work must be planned and adopted if deaths from this dreadful disease are to be prevented.

Many such important questions can be gone over and decided by a conference of local and State health officials, which is to be held at Ann Arbor, January 15 and 16, 1903.

A little because it is different from the usual Christmas gifts, most because there is nothing that fills the place of the St. Nicholas, a year's subscription to the price of all children's magazines should be among the Christmases presents this year of every girl and boy in the land. Some youngsters will want to frame the pretty certificate of subscription which sets forth and declare in solemn phrase the facts of their subscription, duly signed and sealed, and every one lucky enough to find it on tree or stocking will be made merry by its promises of a year's good times.

Saved at Grave's Brink.
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