

## Special Sale of Silks for April

Geo. Wyman & Co. offer the greatest bargains in silk ever offered by us.

One lot all around fancy silks in cut lengths at 50c per yd., worth up to \$1.00

One lot embroidered Pongees, including plain for 65c per yard.

One lot printed Foulards for shirt waist suits 75 cts.

One lot check summer silks, 65c, 75c to \$1.25, the best quality is 36 inches wide.

One lot brocaded wide Pongee \$1.00.

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## Special Sale of Hosiery and Underwear for April

Geo. Wyman & Co. offer for April some stockings, short and long, at astonishing low prices.

Children's 1-1 ribbed stockings, extra quality 1-1 and 2-1 ribbed stockings 10c pair, sizes 5 to 10.

Boys' heavy 2-1 ribbed 15c.

Seconds of ladies' black cotton hose, plain and ribbed 25c quality 10c

Ladies two-thread black cotton hose, fine, 55c pair, \$2.75 dozen.

Men's black split foot, excellent 10c, also colors, plain and fancy 10c.

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Ladies' low neck summer vests, 10c, worth 15c to 25c.

Ladies knit lace trimmed drawers, size 4, 25c quality, 10c pair.

Ladies' high neck, long and short sleeve vests, 25c quality, 15c.

Boys' 25c quality summer shirts and drawers 15c.

Misses' union suits 15c.

Men's random summer shirts and drawers, 37 1/2c for the 50c quality.

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**GEO. WYMAN & CO.**  
**SOUTH BEND, IND.**

Closed evenings except Saturday

## J. C. REHM

One of Buchanan's Progressive Business Men.

Among the business men of Buchanan there are a number of progressive up to date young men, one of whom is J. C. Rehm, proprietor of the Racket Store.

Mr. Rehm is a native Hoosier having been born in Fort Wayne; when but a lad he moved with his parents to La Grange Co., Indiana, near Lima,



where he worked on a farm and went to school till he was 19 years of age, when he engaged for some time as a carver and later was employed in a grocery and general store.

Mr. Rehm is entirely free of all bad habits, which with his physical training on the farm has developed both a healthy brain and body. He has never been sick a day in his life.

In 1899 he came to Buchanan and opened the Racket store September 9. The following month he formed a life partnership with Virginia Barnhart by being united in matrimony. Together they have labored patiently to build up a lasting business. There have been worry and toil but with it the sunshine as well.

Mr. Rehm is naturally of a retiring disposition not given to blowing a trumpet before him, but he has patiently continued to make his business attractive. His motto is "small profit and quick sales, spot cash," which has brought a continual increase in business until now his business is larger than ever before.

His stock consists of a general variety of all kinds of notions. The store is always clean, bright and at-

tractive. There is no old stock as his system of business does not allow any accumulation.

He is a member of the Maccabee lodge and the Evangelical association, a teacher in the sabbath school and president of the Young People's Alliance having been re-elected to this last office on Friday evening for another six months. Politically Mr. Rehm is affiliated with the Republican party when he does not vote for prohibition. He believes in prohibition and has been voting that ticket for several years in the hopes of some way to help blot from our fair land, the curse of intemperance.

We would add that while Buchanan has many business men of whom she may be proud, Mr. Rehm stands in the front ranks.

### EXPENSIVE HABIT.

Mrs. W. R. Rough has Ed Bird Arrested for Profanity.

PLEADS GUILTY—PAYS FINE.

Justice Sanders Decides That \$8 45 Will Cover the Case.

On Wednesday, Ed Bird while moving the Shafer sister's household goods, seemed to Mrs. Rough to be more destructive to the lawn than necessary, which had just been graded and seeded in grass, so she requested her husband to go and speak to him. This angered Mr. Bird and he proceeded to swear at Mr. Rough when Mrs. Rough thought she would try what she could do, and Mr. Bird being unawed by crinoline wearer proceeded to pour forth a swear or two or more, when Mrs. Rough decided to proceed in a more effective way than moral suasion, and had him arrested.

Mr. Bird appeared before Justice Sanders on Saturday morning and plead guilty to the charge of profanity and paid a fine of \$8.45.

This ought to be a warning to users of profane language. Sooner or later it will cost dear.

### A Love Letter.

Would not interest you if you're looking for a guaranteed Salve for Sores, Burns or Piles. Otto Dodd of Ponder, Mo. writes: "I suffered with an ugly sore for a year, but a box of Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured me. Its the best Salve on earth. 25¢. at Wm. Brodrick's drug store,

## LAST HARVEST GATHERED

The Reaper Who so Many Years Gleaned From Harvest Fields, at Last, is Gathered With the Sheaves.

### JOHN SIMONTON HELMICK

Died on Saturday Morning at the Home of Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Clark.

There comes a time when every human being must succumb to the great and inevitable reaper—death. The young may die and often do, thus escaping, as we know, the many burdens of life; when those who came to maturity, having fitted themselves for life's duties, fall a prey to the great reaper, it is cause for sadness but when those who have fulfilled their allotted time are called to their long home, there ought to be joy that the journey over life's tempestuous sea is passed, and a haven of rest reached where there "shall be no more death nor sorrow, neither shall there be any more pain; and God shall wipe away all tears."

John S. Helmick had lived a long life of usefulness, he was a kind and loving father, a devoted friend, an excellent neighbor, an esteemed citizen. He has filled his life with many kind and worthy deeds. As a child he came into this county when it was a wilderness, he has helped do his part to make it what it is to day, he has borne many hardships and burdens but always with the cheerful uncomplaining spirit. For seventy consecutive years, he worked in a harvest field. His journey is completed and at last he is at home enjoying the fruits of all the years of toil, as he garnered many sheaves from the field of wheat so let us think of him to day garnered safe in the mansions above.

### Buchanan's Young Men.

Influencing Different Parts of the World.

Some time ago Mr. Frank S. Whitman, one of the rising young men of Buchanan, went to San Pedro Cal., on account of his health. In a letter to his mother, Mrs. Franc Whitman, he informs her that he has been appointed the first city engineer of the place which has a population of 3000 and is rapidly growing. All his friends will be pleased to know of his good fortune.

### Man Sent as Mail Matter.

A London man discovered recently one of those hidden resources of the London postoffice which has hitherto been suspected by very few people. He called at the general postoffice to consult the directory as to a certain private address of a customer who lives in a remote part of Balham. He mentioned casually to the man in charge of the express parcel counter that he did not know the locality, but it was necessary for him to see the customer immediately.

He received this reply: "I will send you there, if you like, sir; the fee is 3 pence per mile." The city man accepted the offer, and in telling the story he says: "Then, in response to a bell, a smart youth came to my side and, tapping me on the arm, said: 'Are you express for Balham, sir? This way, please.' The youth carried in his hand a printed slip with the description of myself under the heading of an article required to be delivered. I was detained on the street through meeting my partner. The youth, saluting me respectfully said in a reproachful voice: 'You are express, sir,' and I thereupon resumed my journey. The youth delivered me safely, and my customer signed a document testifying to the safe receipt of the article consigned."

Our printing will please you. Give it a trial.

## EXCITING RUNAWAY

Buchanan Young Man Caused Commotion in Niles.

Saturday night, while John Portz was driving toward his former home, in Niles, he met with quite an accident, which however did not result in any serious damage to Mr. Portz or any of the many pedestrians who were passed by his runaway horse.

At a certain place in the road Mr. Portz was passed by a double rig followed by a horse and buggy, the latter attempted to drive past the double rig, just at the time when Mr. Portz was passing the former; as the road was not wide enough to accommodate three vehicles abreast comfortable, the wheels collided, and the blow being so sudden and forcibly, Mr. Portz was thrown out of his seat to the ground. When he had disentangled himself from the lap robe which he had over him, his horse had gone. He was about a mile from Niles and walked the balance of the distance, and upon reaching Niles found that erstwhile quiet town wild with excitement. He saw the horse just completing his first round, as horse and buggy had been making a complete circuit of the town just missing people at every bound. Robes and cushions were scattered about the city streets promiscuously as the horse had dashed up one street and down the other. Finally the horse stopped in front of a straw barn and was caught.

Mr. Portz recovered robes, blankets cushions, etc., looked the vehicle over for breaks and scratches but found none except where the wheel had been struck by the buggy in the road; examined himself and discovered only one finger slightly hurt, then sat down and drew a long breath and thanked his lucky stars that nothing worse had happened.

Later in the evening he returned to Buchanan driving what appeared to be a docile horse.

### Notice.

Now is the time to examine your roof, if it is rusty or leaks and needs patching get it painted and patched with Jordan's Roof Enamel. It makes no difference how bad a condition it is in, Jordan's Roof Enamel will stop its rusting, and make it absolutely waterproof. We will paint and patch it for you or sell you the enamel. All work guaranteed. Leave orders at Jordan's grocery, Phone 16

### Sunday School Union.

The committees of the Buchanan-Berrand Sunday School Union met Monday afternoon in the office of Attorney A. A. Worthington and decided to hold the spring convention at the Presbyterian church in this village the third Saturday and Sunday in May.

A committee of two was appointed to select three persons from each church to assist in canvassing the town to ascertain how many persons of Sunday School age were not attending Sunday School.

It was decided to have the Union Bible study meeting for the Sunday school teachers in the village each Monday night at I. L. H. Dodd's office over his drug store.

The County Convention to be held in the fall will be at one of the churches in this village.

Save your money! We guarantee Coonley's Tonic Ext. of Sarsaparilla at 50c a bottle equal to any of the \$1.00 Sarsaparillas made. It is a perfect blood purifier, curing Blood Poison, Syphilis, Pimples, Eczema, Dizziness, and Blood troubles of all kinds. Large bottles and small dose only 50c at E. S. Dodd & Son's.

### No Trespassing.

No trespassing will be allowed on the farm of O. M. Tabor. Any one wishing to visit the cave must get permission from the owner.

O. M. TABOR.

## ELLSWORTH'S STORE

### Great Wash Goods Sale This Week

Ten Thousand Yards of Foreign and Domestic Wash Goods Bought at Less Than 50c on the Dollar on Sale at Fifteen Cents Per Yard.

### THIS IMMENSE PURCHASE OF WASH GOODS CONSISTS OF

2,000 yards of fine Silk Ginghams and light colorings, always sold for 50c per yard, this week per yard 15c	Scotch and English manufacture—regular 35c and 45c qualities, this week, per yard 15c
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2,000 yards of Fine Shirtings, of	1,000 yards of fine imported Madras Cloths, worth 25c and 35c per yard, this week, per yard 15c

### 20PER CENT DISCOUNT PER CENT 20

### TWO HUNDRED STUNNING TAILOR-MADE SUITS

In Voiles, Veilings, Etamines, Chevots and Broad Cloths. Styles different from others; more exclusive. We have just two hundred Suits in stock in one hundred different styles, combining the best efforts of skillful designers with perfect workmanship. The coming summer season, with lack of space for our big Wash Goods stock has prompted us to offer during the May Sale Twenty Per Cent Discount on this entire line. In addition we will make any alterations necessary to guarantee a perfect fit free of charge.

### 20PER CENT DISCOUNT PER CENT 20

### MILLINERY DISPLAYS AT ELLSWORTH'S

Are constantly changing. New ideas arrive daily. Fashionable millinery at nominal cost is this department's specialty. Parisian patterns, leading American ideas and the hats our own expert trimmers make for you, all marked at pleasing low figures.

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The very latest styles in Hats copied from the season's swellest creations. Priced generously low, only \$2.48

SPECIAL VALUES IN \$5 HATS. Flower Hats, an almost limitless showing at this popular price, tastily made of flowers, ribbons,

New line of Children's Tuscan Hats in all the latest and newest shapes, \$2.50. Children's school hats 19c to 50c

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SOUTH BEND, -- INDIANA.

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### LADIES' SHOES

### MISSES' SHOES

### CHILDREN'S SHOES

### BABIES' SHOES

### MEN'S SHOES

### BOY'S SHOES

### RUBBER SHOES

Neat and nobby lines of suitings. Prices within the reach of all. Goods that will wear. Goods that will stay by.

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D. F. BOWER,  
EDITOR.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 1903.

**Profanity.**

If there is one thing more useless and disgusting than any other thing, it is profanity. There is a disposition on the part of the people to some way put a stop to this growing habit.

We believe that if those who are best acquainted with persons given to this habit would go to them kindly when not excited or angry and endeavor to show them the uselessness of such a habit and how it is seen by others and patiently strive with them they could do great good, for few people are so far gone in degrading habits that they can not be reached if they are approached with the proper spirit. Then if the Christian people with their efforts would remember them to the Father of all in their prayers how many would be reached. Christian men and women, how many persons of this kind have you mentioned in your prayers and then sought to do them good? Yes; there are some that can not be reached by any kindness, do what you will.

It is then that the civil authorities ought to be appealed to, and our informant says that the case against Mr. Bird is just the beginning as they are determined to stop this practice so far as possible for them to do so. They ask that we mention that the Bird case serve as a warning.

**COUNTY SEAT NEWS**

Benton Harbor people were before the grand jury Friday afternoon to testify as to the keeping open of saloons and other unlaw matters. Mayor Starr of St. Joseph said he had had offices in Benton Harbor and knew of gambling going on in the same building, the place being well patronized.

The grand jury brought in one more indictment before adjourning and this was also suppressed but it was stated that it was for a St. Joseph saloon keeper, making in all four saloon keepers of St. Joseph thus far indicted. The jury was then excused until Monday morning at 11 o'clock.

John Ray of this place was excused for the balance of the term.

A Baroda woman named Martha Hauser, is among those who have told their grievances to A. M. Randall foreman of the grand jury, and asked to have a hearing.

On Monday Vineland was under investigation, the same old evil, the liquor question being the cause of many troubles.

The April term of the circuit court opened Monday.

Attorney O'Hara was given a week's more time to make his motion for a new trial in the Schaefer murder case and consequently Edward Schaefer did not receive his sentence.

The bill of exceptions in the Harry Brunke manslaughter case was settled Monday by Judge Coolidge, and the case will go the supreme court. The prisoner will soon be at liberty, until the matter is disposed of by the circuit court.

**Buchanan's Business Openings.**

Under the above head we will publish from time to time business opportunities as we see them, and any one desiring information and addressing the Record we will do all we can to furnish information desired.

There are a number of very desirable and beautiful sites in Buchanan for the building of a fine hotel, and there is nothing that is more needed or would pay better than a first class hotel. It could be filled both summer and winter, for certainly we have the most natural advantages of any town in this part of the county. Some one having money to invest profitably could do well to look into this.

**Broke Into His House.**

S. Le Quinn of Cavendish, Vt., was robbed of his customary health by invasion of Chronic Constipation. When Dr. King's New Life Pills broke into his house, his trouble was arrested and now he's entirely cured. They're guaranteed to cure, 25c at W. N. Brodrick's drug store.

**CRIMINAL MARRIAGES.**

State Should Inquire Into Health and Fitness of Those Contemplating Matrimony.

Dr. John S. Scudder, pastor of the First Congregational church, Jersey City, N. J., says: "The rights of unborn generations is a branch of ethics which has been largely ignored, but which ought to form a part of our moral philosophy. If a man has no right to poison his child with arsenic or strychnine, he certainly has no right to bring a child into the world with the poison of hereditary disease in his blood. In either case he is equally responsible and reprehensible. We call ourselves a civilized people, and yet what monumental ignorance exists in regard to life, what criminal indifference respecting the welfare of coming generations!

"In the absence of suitable conscientiousness on the part of parents, the state should intervene and rigidly make an examination of all couples intending to marry, and give licenses only to those who are healthy and fit to be fathers and mothers. The state has a right to place restrictions on marriage. Drunkards, incorrigible criminals, insane and idiotic people, and such as are afflicted with consumption, scrofula and other diseases likely to injure the next generation, should be denied the privilege of wedlock, or certainty of reproducing their kind.

"A birth forbidden by law should be considered as a criminal offense, and the parents should be punished by fine or imprisonment

"Science, not caprice, should be the arbiter of life, and domestic sentiment in some cases must be sacrificed for the general good.

"The limitation of offspring when parents are competent to marry is as yet a question for the parents to determine themselves. Poor people in our overcrowded cities, who allow themselves the luxury of six or eight children when they know their income is not sufficient to properly feed, clothe and shelter them, are positively cruel. The ambition of a man of small means should be to rear two children, instead of ten, as heretofore, and give his children an opportunity to taste a few of the good things of life. Let the rich have large families! They ought to have them, for they have the means to provide for them."

**Young People's Alliance.**

The Y. P. A. met in the Evangelical church Friday evening for their regular monthly business meeting. After the business was transacted the semi-annual election of officers took place which resulted as follows: J. C. Rehm, president; Clayton Houseworth, vice president; John Lyddick, recording secretary; Mrs. J. C. Rehm, corresponding secretary; Newton Barnhart, treasurer; Lurilla Kirn, organist; Mary Conrad, chorister; John Lyddick and Clayton Houseworth, ushers.

"U. S. Corn Cure for Ladies is the best I ever used; it took off my corns without burning a bit." M. P. Mears 789 Fairmont St., Cleveland, Ohio. Only 15c at E. S. Dodd and Son's.

**Fruit Prospects.**

The past week or ten days have been anxious ones for the fruit raisers. Mr. James White says the peach crop has been seriously injured and that the crop will be short.

Mrs. Brown, who has had years of experience with grapes, says that many of the grapes, especially the early varieties, are killed.

Mr. J. S. East predicts the largest peach crop for years but says that the early plums are injured, also the early strawberries, but that there will still be plenty.

Mr. A. E. Houseworth says his peach crop is in splendid condition.

Supt. Mercer has just received a letter from Mr. Don O. Brillhart formally principal of our high school. Mr. Brillhart has been admitted to the bar and has hung out his shingle in his home city, Kendallville Ind. He has won his first case and feels that his prospects of success are good. He wishes to be re-membered to his Buchanan friends.

**How's This?**

"We offer one hundred dollars reward for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's catarrh cure." F. J. CHENEY & Co., Toledo, O. We the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm. West & Truxax, wholesale druggists, Toledo, O. Waiding, Kinman & Marvin, wholesale druggists Toledo, O. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

**IN MEMORIAM**

JOHN SIMONTON HELMICK

Was born in Warren County, Ohio, February 28, 1828 and died at the home of his sister, Mrs. R. V. Clark, in Buchanan, Mich., April 25, 1903, at the age of 80 years, one month and twenty-five days. He had been failing in health for more than a year, but was confined to his room only about six weeks previous to his death. Patiently he waited the end.

At the age of 18 years he came, with his parents to the wilds of Michigan, here he met the fate of all pioneers—many privations, hardships and self denials, which surroundings served to prepare him for the arduous duty of performing his part in building up a civilization in his adopted home. At the age of 22 he returned to his former home in Ohio, and on January 7, 1845, was united in marriage to Miss Tabitha Thompson. In May of that year, after earning the money to purchase a horse and light wagon, they placed their outfit therein and started on their long and lonely journey to Michigan, where a home was, to be carved out of the wilderness. They settled on 80 acres and erected a dwelling a few rods west of where Mt. Tabor Grange hall now stands. This was made an ideal home by the mutual efforts of husband and wife.

One son, Allen J. Helmick, came to this home, and was reared with every indulgence and sacrifice that fond parents could lavish. An adopted son, E. J. Helmick, resides in Worthington, Minn. They also reared an orphan girl, now the wife of Wm. Swingle, of Shelby, Mich.

On August 23, 1883, death claimed John's helpmate, and shortly afterwards the home was broken up, since which time he has made his home with his children and friends.

Two sisters and four brothers survive him, and three sisters and one brother preceded him to the other world.

Brother and Sister Helmick united with the Oronoko Class of the M. E. church nearly forty years ago, and entered sincerely into the work. Their home was always open, and their hands and hearts always ready for their part in promoting the best interests of their chosen faith.

The funeral was held Monday at 2 o'clock at the Grange hall conducted by Rev. W. J. Douglass, and the interment was made at Burke school cemetery where all the Helmicks who have died in this vicinity are buried.

**Ambassador White's Diplomatic Reminiscences to Appear in "The Century."**

Andrew D. White, who has been resting quietly in Italy since his release from the cares of the German Embassy at Berlin, has just sent to The Century Magazine the first part of a manuscript upon which he has long been engaged, consisting of reminiscences of his diplomatic life. The present part covers his recollections of Beaconsfield, the Emperors William I and Frederick, Bismarck, Browning and other famous European statesmen and writers. Further papers include recollections of his recent embassy to Berlin.

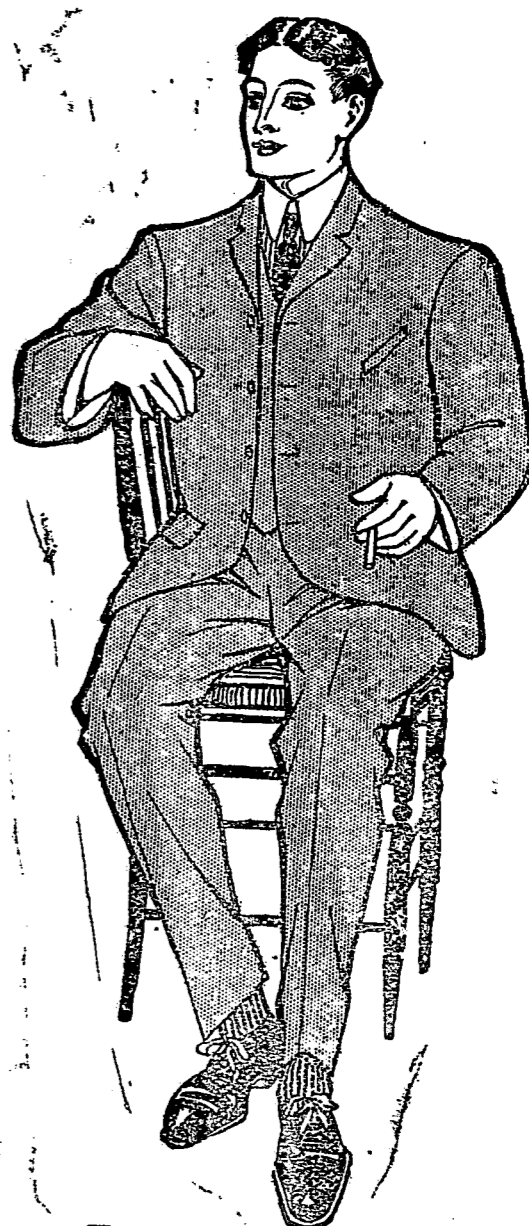
Dr. White, who is a graduate of the famous Yale class of '53, has filled many diplomatic positions, beginning with an attacheship of the United States legation in St. Petersburg when he was a very young man. He was special commissioner to Santo Domingo in 1871, commissioner to the Paris Exposition of 1878, minister to Germany 1879-81 (his first mission to Germany), minister to Russia 1892-94, member of the Venezuelan Commission of 1896-97, member of the Peace Commission at the Hague, and ambassador to Germany (his second mission) from 1897 until his recent resignation and retirement.

The recollections of such a life are sure to be of very great interest. The papers will begin to appear in an early number of The Century.

**Confessions of a Priest.**

Rev. Jno. S. Cox, of Wake, Ark., writes, "For 12 years I suffered from Yellow Jaundice, I consulted a number of physicians and tried all sorts of medicines, but got no relief. Then I began the use of Electric Bitters and feel that I am now cured of a disease that had me in its grasp for twelve years." If you want a reliable medicine for Liver and Kidney trouble, stomach disorder or general debility, get Electric Bitters. It's guaranteed by W. N. Brodrick. Only 50c.

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**SCHOOL NOTES.**

The 3rd grade observed Tuesday as the birthday of Frederick Proebel. The story of his life was told to the pupils.

The B class of the 4th grade are studying about coffee.

The 6th graders are very glad to have twelve names in the merit list, for not leaving the room last week.

The 5th grade had a spelling contest between the A and B division. Mae Tarrant of B side and Fred Wood of A class carried off the honors. They will wear the stars until next Friday when another like contest will be given.

B class grade 6 are getting along very nicely in denominate numbers.

The 7th grade enjoyed a walk to the woods last Friday afternoon.

Lester Rough of the 3rd grade came out a head in the spelling contest Friday.

Ethel Godfrey made a final visit to the 8th grade Friday afternoon.

The 6th graders decided to plant a tree at home on Arbor day.

The south side of the 7th grade won in the historical contest by two, Friday afternoon.

Pupils of the 3rd grade are very much interested in their aquarium.

The 4th grade are learning three new songs.

The A class of the 6th grade have taken up in Geography a very interesting subject, the West Indies.

The 7th grade spelling lesson for Friday was made up of the words misspelled for Thursday.

The A class of the 3rd grade are studying factors and ratios.

The A class 4th grade had a written lesson in fractions.

**Schedule for Season.**

The high school base ball team have completed the schedule of the dates for games for the balance of the year which are as follows: May 2, Dowagiac vs. Buchanan, at Buchanan; May 9, St. Joseph vs. Buchanan, at Buchanan; May 16, Niles vs. Buchanan, at Niles; May 23, Dowagiac vs. Buchanan, at Dowagiac; June 4, Carroll Hall (Notre Dame) vs. Buchanan, at Buchanan.

The personnel of the Buchanan team and substitutes is as follows: Fred Knight, Clarence Van Every, Fred Lyddick, Jesse Spinnetta, Burton Brocius, Fred Douglass, Elmer Wray, Riley Zerbe, Cleve Brant, and Oscar Morris.

Read the Record.

**TACOMA'S BIG SAW MILL.**

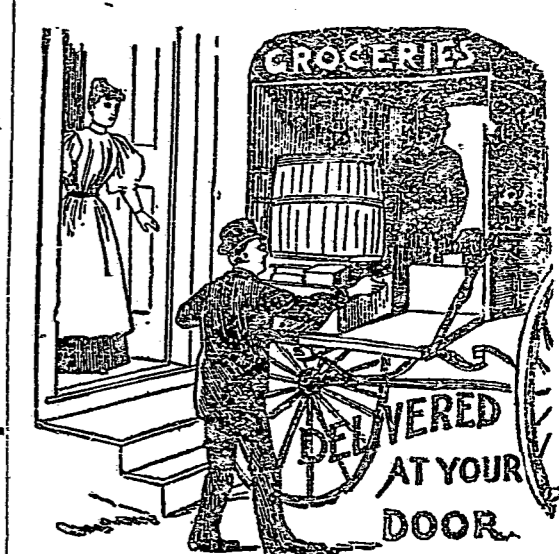
With one Exception it is the Largest in the World.

At Tacoma I visited a sawmill said to have a greater capacity than any other in the United States, and with one exception (in Norway), the greatest in the world. It is, in fact, two separate mills, covering a wide, low flat, with docks on the sound where ships can be loaded at the door of the yards. Here the logs from the camp which we visited are sawed. They are dumped from the railroad cars into ponds of water and held until the mill is ready to cut them into lumber. Mr. Royce showed me through this great establishment, with its devices for handling the enormous logs of fir and cedar, hemlock and spruce, which come to it daily.

Nearly every step in the long process is performed by some human-like machine. Logs weighing many tons are handled like jackstraws, pulled out of the water, whirled over, lifted about, gripped, slabbed off, turned again easily, and, directed, by the swift and sure judgement of the expert sawyer, driven through bandsaws of great gang-saws, cutting twenty boards or more at once, and finally trimmed to certain lengths—everything moving at once, smoothly, with absolute exactitude. In fifteen minutes from the time the log enters the mill it has been reduced to lumber of several grades; the poor parts have been whittled up into lath and shingles, the slabs have been shot out on a great pile for firewood, and the remaining bark, sawdust and refuse have been carried away to the fire heap. This mill cuts 100,000,000 feet of lumber and 90,000,000 shingles a year, and its product goes the world over—to Australia, Hawaii, China, South Africa, South America and Europe.—From Ray Stannard Baker's "The Conquest of the Forest" in the May Century.

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  - 18 lbs. granulated sugar \$1.00
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  - 3 cans good corn 25c
  - 1 can corn 6c
  - 10 bars family soap 25c
  - 5 gal. oil 60c
  - Lion Coffee 12c
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 \$1.25 and \$1.50.  
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 Hot Water Bottles, 75c, \$1.25  
 \$1.50 and \$1.75.

Bulb Syringes 40c, 50c, 75c, \$1.00  
 and \$1.25.

Warranted Pure Para Gum Rubber.

Sole agents for Bunte  
 Bros. & Spoerh's Fine  
 Candies in pound and  
 half pound boxes.

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 DRUGGISTS AND  
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**BUCHANAN, MICH**

**BOARDERS WANTED**  
 By meal, day or week.  
 Convenient to business part of city.  
**ONE DOOR NORTH EXPRESS OFFICE**  
**MRS. C. CROTHER**

**Nimble Nickel.**  
 I will furnish any goods advertised  
 in this paper or any where else in the  
 U. S. at the advertised price.  
**B. F. MORLEY.**  
 Phone 38.

**LOCAL NOTES**  
 New tomatoes at W. H. Keller's  
 Try Munson for repairs of all kinds.  
 t. f.  
 The Morman church in Galien is  
 nearly completed.

**FOR SALE**—My home on Berrien  
 St. Mrs. E. E. Johnson. m 26.  
 Fresh string beans, lettuce celery,  
 asparagus and tomatoes at Smith's  
 grocery.

Rooms to rent corner of Oak and  
 North Fourthstreets. Inquire of Mrs.  
 M. L. Cox. m 1

Specially attractive colors and de-  
 signs in wall paper, Tapestry and  
 burlaps effects. Steve Arney, next to  
 post office.

Dr. Ullery, of Niles, was called  
 here to see Mrs. David Murphy of 4th  
 street, who has been critically ill for  
 many months.

Mr. C. E. Allen, of Chicago, was  
 called here Saturday on account of  
 the serious illness of his sister, Mrs  
 D. C. Murphy of 4th street.

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

**LOST**—Sunday April 19 a small bor-  
 dered handkerchief with a \$5 bill tied  
 in the corner. Finder please leave at  
 Record office and be rewarded.  
 m 1.

**U. S. Corn Cure** for Ladies is a per-  
 fect cure for hard or soft corns, Bun-  
 ions and calouses. Use it once and  
 you will use no other. Only 15ct  
 E. S. Dodd & Son's.

Wm. D. House, the liveryman, has  
 bought several new RUBBER TIRED  
 HUGGIES and will sell all hi. steel  
 tired buggies at a bargain, also several  
 ets of harness both single and double.  
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There was quite an exodus of peo-  
 ple Monday, as big and little, old  
 and young wended their way to the  
 Bend, to enjoy Ringling Bros' mam-  
 moth show. The day was fair, and  
 every livery stable rig in the village  
 was engaged before Monday morning.

Mrs. F. Eisele of Portage Prairie en-  
 tertained at a Sunday dinner in hon-  
 or of her sister, Miss Lulu Moyer of  
 Buchanan. Covers were laid for ten.  
 Among those present were the Misses  
 Delia and Bertha Korn, Edith Swartz,  
 Mrs. Fannie Page and the Messrs Wm  
 H. Long, Greeley Korn, Arthur Eisele  
 and Ed Smith.

Mr. Cornelius Smyer, South Bend,  
 says: "Give me another bottle of your  
 Wine Lo-ti-Coonley's Beef, Iron and  
 Wine with Nerveine, I took a bottle  
 last Spring and it helped me just like  
 you said, I slept better right away." It  
 is sold by E. S. Dodd & Son's. La  
 rge bottles 50c. Take no other for  
 there is no other equal to it.

Week ending Apr. 24. Subject to change:	
Butter	20c
Eggs	12c
Potatoes	" "
Apples	60c
Cabbage	per lb 1+
Flour	per bbl. \$4.00
Flour Patented	" " 4.40
Buckwheat Flour	5 80
Corn Meal	per 100 lbs. 2.00
Lard	11c
The Pears-East Grain Co., report the following prices on grain to-day:	
Wheat No. 2 Red.	69c
Corn, yellow	40c
Oats No. 3 white.	34c
Rye No. 2	46c
Beans, hand picked bu.	\$2.00
Hay, No. 1 timothy	\$10.00

**Closing of Mails.**  
 GOING EAST  
 9:15 a. m., 12:15 and 4:45 p. m.  
 GOING WEST  
 7:45 a. m., 12:15 p. m., 3:15 p. m.,  
 6:00 p. m.

GOING NORTH  
 9:15 a. m., 4:45 p. m.  
**ARRIVING OF MAIL AT DEPOT FROM THE EAST**  
 5:45 and 8:13 a. m., 12:33, 3:40  
 and 6:35 p. m.  
**FROM THE WEST**  
 5:20 and 9:45 a. m., 12:40, 5:19 and  
 6:28 p. m.  
**FROM THE NORTH**  
 7:45 a. m., 12 m.

Cough drops at W. H. Keller's.  
 None such pie fruit at W. H. Keller's.

A large pair of scissors 10¢ at W. H. Keller's.  
 Mr. John Beck, who was very ill last week, is improving.

**LOST**—A bunch of keys, finder will please return to Record office.

A good place to buy your meats and groceries. Glenn E. Smith & Co.

Lion and XXXX coffee 12 cents per lb. at Jordan's grocery, phone 16.

Try those hams and bacon, English sugar cured at G. E. Smith's meat market.

**GOOD PASTURE**—For horses or cattle. Inquire of S. C. Cook, Clear Lake Farm.

**WANTED**—A girl for general house work \$3 00 per week, permanent place. Apply to the Record.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood have moved to Mishawaka, Ind., where Mr. Sherwood has taken a position.

New lines of Wall Paper in all the late patterns arriving this week. Steve Arney, next to post office.

**FOR RENT**—Very desirable suite of rooms in the Post office block. Inquire at Lee Bros. & Co's. Bank.

**LEFT**—At the Presbyterian church several months ago, a black silk cape. Owner may have same by paying for this ad.

**LOST**—Over a week ago a pair of child's glasses. Finder will return to Record office and be paid for their trouble.

H. G. Wagner in writing to Dr. Knight from Pacific Grove Cal., states that his family are all well and enjoying life.

"Strength and vigor come of good food, duly digested. 'Force', a ready to-serve wheat and barley food, adds no burden, but sustains, nourishes, invigorates." t f

**Spring Millinery**—The very smartest creations of fashion in Women and Misses Trimmed Hats and Jaunty Walking Hats at the very lowest prices at Mrs. H. O. Weaver's.

W. D. House will run a 'bus to South Bend every Thursday leaving Klondike livery at 7 o'clock, returning leaves street car depot at 4 o'clock 50¢ round trip. Engage seats. \*\*

John Millard, South Bend says: Coonley's Tonic Ext. of Sarsaparilla is the best medicine made, it cured me of a terrible Eczema after all other blood medicines had failed." Be wise and take it first, only 50c a large bottle at E. S. Dodd & Son's.

A number of the smaller school boys came from Niles Saturday to play a game of ball with the school boys here. The score stood 22 to 2, Buchanan boys being the winners. The boys were about 15 years old.

The supper served by the Methodist ladies Friday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Garland was well attended in spite of the stormy day. The people came between showers and after enjoying the supper remained for a pleasant program rendered during the evening. A guessing contest was engaged in by a number of those present, which proved very interesting.

## PERSONAL.

Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Marvin are in town.

J. H. Keller was in South Bend, Thursday.

Oscar Kruff, of South Bend, was in town Thursday.

John Graham, of Chicago, came Monday for a few days' visit.

Mabel Kissinger, of Three Oaks, was home over Sunday.

Geo. Vincent, who is employed in Battle Creek, spent Sunday at home.

Mrs. Max Edwards, who has been in Detroit for some time, has returned.

Mr. and Frank Boechling, of Michigan City, are visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Baker and children, of Niles, spent Sunday in town.

Misses Sadie Haslett and Emma Gingrich came up from Three Oaks Friday.

Mr. D. E. Lyon, of Mt Pleasant, has been visiting his cousin, Mrs. Geo. J. Richardson.

Glenn Wilson, the cousin of Ward Smith, who is employed in Three Oaks, spent Sunday here.

M. L. Knight and wife, of Berrien Springs, were guests of his brother Dr. M. M. Knight over Sunday.

Miss Gertrude Siders, of South Bend, was the guest of Miss Grace Mutchler Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Blanche K. Bowers was called to Chicago Sunday evening by the serious illness of her son, Charles.

Ada Broceus, Alice and Belle Haslett, who are employed in Three Oaks, came home for a visit over Sunday.

Mrs. Robt. Franklin and baby, who have been in Chicago for some time visiting her parents, returned the first of the week.

Mr. and Mr. Steve Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Canfield and Mr. Samuel Miles visited Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dressler.

Miss Cora Dumbolton, who is employed in Three Oaks, came home for over Sunday, bringing with her as guest, Miss Frances Johnson.

Dr. Benj. Koons and daughter, of Welcome, Wis., arrived in town Saturday afternoon, called here by the serious illness of his father, E. E. Koons.

Lloyd Dumbolton, of New Mexico, is at home visiting his mother and brother. He has been away for a couple of years and surprised the home people.

Mrs. E. S. Dodd spent a few days in Chicago last week on account of the illness of her nephew, Geo. Crits, who died and was buried on Sunday.

Miss Nancy Lawson, who has been in Chicago for several days the guest of Miss Mabel Eastman, returned yesterday bringing Miss Theo. M. Clarke, of Iowa, who will visit her for some weeks.

James Conway is in Niles having his eye treated.

Mr. Geo. Parkinson who has been engaged in the shoe repairing has closed up his business.

The ladies' aid society of the Presbyterian church will meet promptly at 2:30 Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Geo. Howard.

**FOUND**—On Dewey Ave opposite the school building a pair of glasses Owner can have them by calling at the Record office and paying for this ad.

Lo-tus Pellets are perfect Liver, Nerve and Kidney Pills. Small and pleasant to take, take them once and you will keep them always in the house. Large boxes, fifty Pellets for 25c at E. S. Dodd & Son's. Take no other.

Ward Smith, son of Mrs. Lou Smith met with a painful accident Friday afternoon. He had been suffering for two or three days with a severe sore throat and on that account was not at work. Friday afternoon as he was feeling somewhat better, he took the opportunity to give his gun a thorough cleaning, and in the process forced the ram rod through the fore-finger of the left hand; the rod went entirely through the finger protruding some inches beyond. A physician was summoned to dress the wound. Unless the bone was injured the wound will probably not be serious.

**Important to Mothers.**  
 Examine carefully every bottle of CASTORIA, a safe and sure remedy for infants and children, and see that it bears the Signature of *Wm. W. Parke*.  
 In Use For Over 30 Years.  
 The Kind You Have Always Bought.

## UNITED DO WE STAND

If We Wish to Succeed in Our Efforts in Bringing Manufacturing Industries to Our Village, We Must Unite.

## DIVIDED DO WE FALL.

If Each Person, Who Has an Idea Must Have That Carried Out or Nothing, We Will Fail.

The efforts of John Morris and the other business men of the village the past few weeks, have resulted in a good showing, and there is no doubt that the money can be raised to make a creditable start in securing industries to Buchanan.

Each one cannot have things done as he thinks the only wise way but if each is willing to concede some points all may get on a common platform. Failure in the past is no real cause for discouragement.

All the members of the Improvement Association and those who desire to join are invited to meet at the Commercial Club rooms this, (Tuesday) evening, at 8 o'clock, where the matter will be discussed.

Apples. W. H. Keller.  
 New tomatoes, -radishes, onions. W. H. Kellers.

18 lbs. best granulated sugar 98¢. Jordan's grocery, phone 16.

Sweet Potatoes. W. H. Keller.  
 Croquet sets, base ball goods, Hammocks, etc. Binns' Magnet store.

1 lb. cracked 85¢ old government Java coffee only 20¢. Jordan's, phone 16.

Razors, scissors, pocket knives, butcher knives, etc. Binns' Magnet store.

Tenna VanEvery has taken a position in the drug store of W. N. Brod-rick.

New Line of Baskets. W. H. Keller  
 Keep your eye open for the soda fountain at Brodric's the latter part of the week.

Fishing tackle, hammocks, reading matter, cigars and chewing gum. Binns' Magnet Store.

John Catherman and wife came from South Bend, Saturday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Will House.

Mackerel. W. H. Keller.  
 Portage Prairie Farmers Club will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rhoades Friday May 1st.

The Millionaire Tramp was played to a large house Saturday night, and was an interesting drama with parts well sustained.

After May 1, C. Bell will remove his shoe shop from under the Record office, to the room formerly occupied by Geo Parkinson.

Rev. Cole of Brooklyn, Mich., who occupied the Presbyterian pulpit on Sunday gave two most excellent and helpful discourses.

Mrs. Wallace Riley, Mrs. John Beistle, Mrs. Geo. Diehl and Mrs. Harry Couse went to Galien Saturday and spent the day with Mrs. John Burris.

Mrs. Emma Pears, who has been quite ill with a recurrence of her old trouble, improper circulation, is improving. Mrs. Devin has been staying with her for the past few days

Meeting at club rooms, tonight at 8 o'clock, of the Improvement Association. All members are expected to be present also all who desire to see industrial works secured in Buchanan.

Monday being a very fine day, the farmers had splendid opportunity for work and the attendants at the circus in South Bend could not have asked for any thing better, all of which tended to make the village quiet.

Mr. A. E. Houseworth is one of the intelligent young men engaged in agriculture in the community, and is also busy putting out a large corn crop. He has planted this spring 300 peach trees, 140 apple trees, and 100 plum trees.

Mr. Geo. Fales, mail clerk on the Pere Marquette R. R., while weighing the mail on Saturday, caught his hand in the scales tearing the flesh in the muscles of the thumb. The wound is very painful and Mr. Fales has been carrying his hand in a sling ever since.

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**HUB.**  
 SOUTH BEND, IND.  
 We show the most attractive line of Men's Suits and Overcoats at \$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00, of any house in the city.  
 Pony Rig No. 2 Given Away Free—Try a Dollar's Worth.



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 A shower of "HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS" special value.  
 Remember we sell to all alike, as our goods are all marked in plain figures.  
 Do not delay coming to "THE RACKET" for Brooms, Carpet Beaters, Carpet Tacks, Upholstery Tacks, Hammers and all kinds of brushes.  
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**E. S. ROE**  
 THE HARDWARE MAN,  
 Has a fine line of HARNESSES, COLLARS and STRAP WORK  
**SEE HIM**

**Saves Two From Death.**  
 "Our little daughter had an almost fatal attack of whooping cough and bronchitis," writes Mrs. W. K. Haviland, of Almonk, N. Y. "but when all other remedies failed, we saved her life with Dr. King's New Discovery. Our niece, who had Consumption in an advanced stage, also used this wonderful medicine and today she is perfectly well." Desperate throat and lung diseases yield to Dr. King's New Discovery as to no other medicine on earth. Infallible for Coughs and Colds. 50c and \$1.00 bottles guaranteed by W. N. Brodric. Trial bottles free.

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 and Board by the meal or by the week. Nice pleasant sleeping rooms.  
**MRS. W. F. RUNNER**  
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 Shoe repairing neatly done at Carmer and Carmer's. t f

**ROOMS and MEALS**  
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**Osmicure Medicinal Soap**  
 antiseptic, for infants, toilet, bath 25c

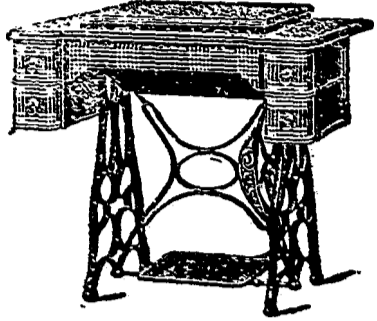
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 You have a want for good harness generally. If many a man were compelled to go about in as cheap, ill-fitting togs as those to which he condemns his horse, he would learn to appreciate well made harness. You'll like ours. We see that it fits the horse and makes rapid harnessing a pleasure.  
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A complete line of Toilet Articles.

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BUCHANAN, MICHIGAN.

Something Doing in prices this week at

**Del Jordan's**

Sugar has advanced and will go higher, but this week we will sell

- 18 lbs. granulated sugar.....98c
- 7 lbs. best rolled oats.....25c
- 7 bar Lenox soap.....25
- 6 bars Lenox soap wrapped in a.....25c
- large honeycomb towel.....25c

We are still selling the famous 30 cent M and J coffee for 20c per pound

Just received an invoice of cracked 35c Old Government Java coffee. We sell this lot as long as it lasts for only 20c per pound

- Lion and XXXX coffee per pound.....12c
- A fine 70c uncolored Japan tea.....60c
- “ 80c “ “ “.....50c
- “ 50c “ “ “.....40c

A fine line of bananas, fruits, nuts, etc.

**DEL JORDAN'S**  
GROCERY  
Phone 16 All Goods Delivered

**Bertha Roe**  
Again invites you to try her HOME MADE

**BREAD  
CAKES and  
PIES**

Cottage Bakery.

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OFFICIAL  
**RAILWAY GUIDE**  
25 CENTS  
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**Magazine  
Reviews**

**Before and After the War.**

One of these furious leaders at the South declared that if we would secede from the Union there would be no war, and if there should be a war, we could “whip the Yankees with children’s pop-guns.” When, after the war, this same gentleman was addressing an audience, he was asked by an old maimed soldier: “Say Judge, ain’t you the same man that told us before the war that we could whip the Yankees with pop-guns?”

“Yes,” replied the witty speaker, “and we could, but, confound ‘em, they wouldn’t fight us that way.”

From “My First Command and the Outbreak of the War,” by Gen. John B. Gordon, in the *May Scribner’s*.

**“What Shall we Eat?”**

Every day the same old question, What shall we eat for breakfast, for luncheon, for dinner? assails us with monotonous regularity the patient housewife who seeks to provide good living for the family in agreeable variety at a moderate cost. There is a daily department in The Chicago Record-Herald which is intended to answer this question satisfactorily every day in the year. It is entitled “Meals for a day,” and provides menus for the three meals every day with the necessary recipes. These menus and recipes are carefully selected by The Record-Herald’s household editor, and cash prizes are awarded to the best that are received. Housewives everywhere are invited to participate in the competition. For full particulars see the “Meals for a Day” department in The Chicago Record Herald.

**Andrew Jackson’s Love for His Wife.**

Jackson’s wife died suddenly just after he had been elected President. It was a great blow to him, and he was never the same again, though his strength of will and his desperate courage fought with this infinite pain. For the rest of his life he lived as she would have had him live, guided his actions by the thought of what his wife living would have him do—loving her still, with the love that passeth all understanding.

As the years went by, this love became almost sacred. Every night before he retired he read her prayer-book, with her miniature, which he always wore in his breast, placed beside it. He was a lover still at seventy-eight, for just before he died he said, with lingering tenderness, “Heaven will be no heaven to me if I do not meet my wife there.”

He declined the sarcophagus fit for an emperor, that he might be buried as a simple citizen, in the garden by her side. His last words were of her: his last look rested upon her portrait, that hung directly opposite his bed, and if there be dreaming in the dark, the vision of her brought him peace at last.—*May Woman’s Home Companion*.

**Lee’s Life of Queen Victoria.**

The first year of Victoria was marked by a general election, which returned Melbourne and the Whigs to power, in spite of the capital made by the Tories of the Queen’s subjection to their rivals. Mr. Lee notes that in the new House of Commons Benjamin Disraeli, destined to be Queen Victoria’s favorite minister, first secured a seat, and that his future rival, Gladstone, was returned for the third time for Newark. Both were Tories, but Gladstone’s subsequent change of front scarcely warrants Mr. Lee’s use of the phrase, “the apparent strength of his convictions.” The biographer is much more happily inspired in his brief discussion of Lord Durham’s Report, which at the very outset of the Queen’s reign “proved that the grant of self government to British colonies was the sole safeguard of a permanent colonial empire, and that allegiance to the throne voluntarily resting on the natural patriotic sentiment of the colonists, and on no prescribed or compulsory obligations, was the strongest, if not the only practicable, link wherein to bind the distant dependencies of a monarchy to the mother country.”

The irony of history is nowhere better illustrated than in the consequences of that Canadian Revolution which seemed an inauspicious beginning for a young Queen’s reign and embarrassed a much more experienced politician—to wit, Martin Van Buren. The abortive uprising clinched, as it were, lesson taught to generations before by the American Revolution, and laid, through Durham’s Report, the broad basis on which the modern British Empire was to be reared. The rearing of that empire was undoubtedly the most conspicuous feature of the Queen’s long reign; and although, as Mr. Lee points out, she can scarcely be said to have been specially influential in its upbuilding, the intense loyalty to her person that animated her widely-distributed subjects, particularly during the latter years of her reign, will always make her name a memorable one in the annals of Greater Britain. In matters little whether on a nearer view we are forced to smile at the innocent vanity that made her a willing victim to Disraeli’s blandishments, when he secured for her the title of Empress of India. Perhaps it will matter just as little that at the time of her death another subtle politician, in whom she too blindly confided, plunged her into a war deemed unrighteous by a large portion of Christendom and rife with consequences that cannot yet be estimated. The reign of Queen Victoria will always be invested with an imperial dignity of a far higher type than that with which Disraeli’s imagination busied itself—the dignity of almost unlimited benevolence and of responsive loyalty so adequately celebrated in the stately verses of Tennyson, so grievously travestied in the shrill outbursts of some of his successors.—By Prof. W. P. Trent in the April—June *Forum*.

**THE REAL “LITTLE WOMEN.”**

A Letter From Miss Alcott’s Sister About the Four Girls.

Doubtless many of the girl readers of *St. Nicholas*, who have also read and enjoyed “Little Women,” will be interested in the following letter, written thirty years ago to two young girls of that day, who had sent a letter to Miss Alcott herself, asking if the characters in “Little Women” were real persons, and if the story were true. In due time they received the following letter in reply—Editor, *Concord*, Jan. 20, 1871.

Dear Julia and Alice—From your note to Miss Alcott I infer that you are not aware that she is at present in Italy, having gone abroad in April last, with the intention of remaining a year or more, trying to get well. But knowing how pleased she would be with your friendly note, I think perhaps a word from sister “Meg” will be better than leaving it unanswered and far better than that any “little woman” should feel that “Jo” was unkind or ungrateful.

Of course you know that neither “Meg” nor “Jo” are young and pretty girls now, but sober old women, nearly forty years of age, full of cares and troubles like other people, and that although nearly every event in the book is true, of course things did not happen exactly as they are there set down.

You ask if “Amy” is not May Alcott, and I can truly say she is her very self, and she is the only one of the “Little Women” who would, I think, realize your ideal drawn from the story. She is indeed, “Lady Amy,” and a fair and noble woman, full of graces and accomplishments, and, what is better far, a pure and generous heart. “Jo,” “Beth” and “Amy” are all drawn from life, and are entirely truthful pictures of the three dear sisters who played and worked, loved and sorrowed together so many years ago. Dear “Beth”—or Louie, as we called her—died, after long suffering twelve years since. She was a sweet and gentle creature, and her death was a so great sorrow to poor “Jo” that she has never been quite happy since her “conscience” was laid away under the pines of Sleepy Hollow. “Meg” was never the pretty vain little maiden who conquered and made herself so charming. But “Jo” always admired poor, plain “Meg,” and when she came to put her into the story she beautified her to suit the occasion, saying, “Dear me, girls, we must have one beauty in the book!” So “Meg,” with her big mouth and homely nose, shines forth quite a darling, and no doubt all the “little women” who read of her admire her just as loving old “Jo” does, and think her quite splendid. But, for all that, she is nothing but homely, busy, and, I hope, useful “Annie” who writes this letter to you.

As for dear old “Jo” herself, she was just the romping, naughty, topsyturvy tomboy that all you little girls have learned to love; and even now, when care and sickness have made her early old, she is at heart the same loving, generous girl. In “Little

Women” she has given a very truthful story of her hays and mishaps, her literary struggles and successes, and she is now enjoying her well-earned honors and regaining her health in travel with her sister Amy. They are spending the winter in Rome, in a delightful circle of artists, receiving attentions and honors that make proud the heart of the sister left behind. “Amy” is in the studio of a well-known painter, working hard to perfect herself in her chosen art, while “Jo” is resting and gaining strength and courage for her promised “Little Men,” of which I imagine “Meg’s” boys, Freddie and Johnnie, are to be the heroes.

You inquire about “Laurie.” The character was drawn partly from imagination, but more perhaps from a very nice boy Louisa once knew, whose good looks and “wheedlesomeness” ways first suggested to her the idea of putting him into a book. She has therefore put upon him the love-making and behavior of various adorers of her youthful days.

Dear little friends, if I have told you all you wish to know, and shown that you need have no fear of being thought “intrusive,” perhaps sometime you will honor “Meg” herself with a letter.

Be assured she will be glad to hear from any of the “little women.”

Sincerely yours,  
ANNIE ALCOOT PRATT.  
—In *May St. Nicholas*.

“Souvenir of Lincoln’s Birthplace.” I have just had issued from the press a handsome booklet, entitled “Souvenir of Lincoln’s Birthplace,” which is profusely illustrated with 25 artistic half tone engravings of the cabin in which President Lincoln was born and of scenes on and around the old Lincoln farm. This is the first time this historic spot has thus been brought before the public. The booklet is interesting, is of historical value and would adorn any parlor or library. The book is endorsed by Col. J. G. Milby, Commander of Lincoln G. A. R. Post 56.

The book will be mailed to any address, post paid, for only 25c, silver or stamps. Address

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Fifty dollars will be the price of a ticket to San Francisco or Los Angeles, and return, from Chicago, via the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul and Union Pacific line, leaving Chicago May 3, or any day from 12 to 18 inclusive. Tickets will be good to July 15. Less than three days from Chicago to San Francisco is the time of the new overland service via this line.

If you are ever going to visit California you should go this summer. Not only will the cost be nominal, but you will find the month of May a most pleasant season for the trip. There is no more delightful summer resort in the United States than Los Angeles with its mountains fifteen miles north and its sea-coats fifteen miles south. There is no more fascinating city in America than San Francisco.

A sojourn on the Pacific Coast will put new breath in your lungs, richer blood in your veins, stronger muscles in your limbs, and greatly increase your knowledge of the country you live in.

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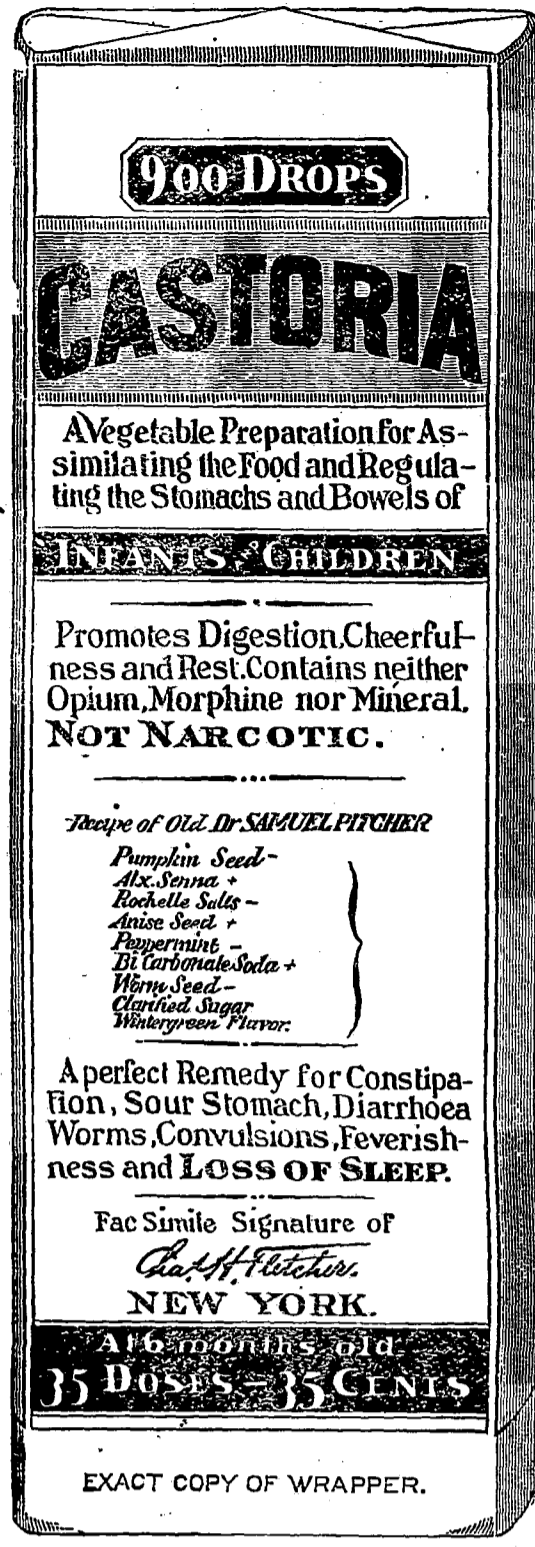
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