

## Special Sales for December

### Silks

Geo. Wyman & Co. offer one table full of fancy silks, plaids, checks, stripes and brocades worth 75c to \$1.25 our price for this sale is 50c per yard. One line plain Taffeta silk 75c quality for 50c.

One line Black Taffeta silks at 35c, 45c and 55c very much under price. One line colored Silk Velvet remnants \$1.00 quality 25c. The price will recommend all the above.

### Umbrellas

We offer Ladies', Children's and Men's umbrellas for Christmas as low as 30c and as high as \$30.00 each, the finest line we ever had the pleasure of showing.

### Handkerchiefs

We offer one line of Embroidered Handkerchiefs for Ladies at 50c and 65c each, worth \$1.50.

### Dolls

We offer one lot Kid body dolls and dressed dolls for 15c and another lot for 35c each, we think they are worth your attention.

### Japanese Crockery

We offer an immense line of Japanese Crockery, Umbrella stands, Plates, Cups and Saucers, Sugars and Creamers, etc. etc.

We invite you to come and see our stock of goods for Christmas presents, you are liable to buy something, you might buy something to give away and think so well of it that you would keep it yourself.

COME AND SEE US  
**GEO. WYMAN & CO.**  
SOUTH BEND, IND.  
Closed evenings except Saturday

FUR  
SCARFS  
98c to \$25.00

HIGH GRADES - LOW PRICES  
**Flexners**

LADIES'  
COLLARLESS  
COATS  
BLACK, TAN  
ONLY \$6.98

Our Special Sales for December will be the largest ever attempted by us. When in South Bend call and see us.

#### DRESS GOODS

All the leading designs and colorings in Dress Goods can be found here at right prices

38 in. all wool Cheviots at 49c  
38 in. all wool Granite at 49c  
38 in. all wool Zibeline at 49c

#### MEN'S FURNISHINGS

We are closing out part of our Men's Furnishings to make room for a new department

50c Neckwear for 39c  
50c Underwear for 29c  
50c Negligee Shirts for 39c

#### LADIES' UNDERWEAR AND HOSIERY

Now is your opportunity to fill your Underwear Wants. The prices we quote for these goods are less than the same goods can be bought for today.

Ladies' Union Suits for 15c  
Ladies' Vests and Pants each 12 1-2c  
75c Union Suits for 59c  
25c Pileed Lined Hose 12c

#### SHOES SHOES

The celebrated E. V. SHERMAN \$2.50 Shoes for Ladies. This Shoe is guaranteed all solid stock and made in several styles for \$1.98

SOUTH BEND, IND.

## THE WARM SUNNY SKIES

Being Enjoyed by Those Who  
Lately Left our Wintry  
Zone For

### HOMES IN CALIFORNIA

All Arrive Safely, Are Happy and in  
Good Health.

Through the kindness of a friend, the RECORD today publishes news from the Buchanan pilgrims who lately left our snow bound coasts for the land of sunshine and flowers.

Mrs. J. Godfrey, in a recent letter says: "Thanksgiving day at 8:50 a. m., brought to us the Buchanan party. The thermometer stood 80 in the shade and they played croquet in our yard. The people were all well and happy and remained with us till the following Monday. Mr. Peacock has rented a large house and are boarding the whole party.

On Saturday Mr. Joseph Clout and Mr. William Merson both secured employment, Mr. Clout at \$2.25 and Mr. Merson at \$1.75 per day. Mr. Mead and Mr. Peacock have both secured employment at carpenter work at \$3.50 per day, Mr. Godfrey also working at the carpenter work at the same wages; Roy Mead has also secured work \$1.75 per day all are in good health and pleased with the climate, especially Mrs. Peacock.

### FAMILY DINNER

Reunion at Capt. and Mrs. Peck's  
Last Wednesday.

At the hospitable home of Capt. and Mrs. Peck, last Wednesday there occurred a family dinner, in which a large number of the members of the family participated. It was the occasion of two birthdays, Capt. Peck's 75th and Mrs. Peck's 72nd.

There were eight of the ten children present, and thirteen others, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law and grandchildren. There were fourteen members of the family absent. Capt. and Mrs. Peck were presented with a beautiful couch by their children.

The out of town guest were Mrs. S. H. Brener, of Elkhart, M. S. Peck, of Benton Harbor, M. A. Peck and family of Glendora, and A. J. Smith and family of Berrien Center.

It was a most joyful occasion and every participant hoped for many more anniversaries for the kind host and hostess, Capt. and Mrs. Peck.

### UNION SERVICE

Large Crowd Attend Temperance Meeting Sunday Evening.

Sunday evening at the Advent church there was held the first of a series of union temperance meetings. The address, delivered by Rev. W. J. Tarrent, was a practical gospel temperance talk, and the congregation listened with marked attention.

The building was crowded to the doors, standing room only being left in the rear of the church.

These meetings are given under the auspices of the Ministerial Association and are to occur the first Sunday in each month.

### New Club Formed

Last Friday evening a number of young ladies met on Moccasin avenue, house No. 11, and formed a club known as the B. D. F., better known as the "Its." Election of officers took place and the following were chosen: Miss Ethel Stryker, pres.; Miss Dora Bruce, vice pres.; Miss Maude Smith, sec.; Mrs. Bert Portz, treas. After this a three course luncheon was served and the president then made the statement that every one was requested to be present at each meeting for there was much to do between now and the holidays.

The young ladies adjourned to meet with one of the members on Portage street.

Read the Record.

## OFFENDER CAUGHT

Chas. Chubb, Who Forfeited  
\$500 Bond About a Year  
Ago, is Captured.

Chas. Chubb, who was arrested a year ago last May under the charge of stealing wheat from W. R. Rough and Benj. Chamberlain, and other farmers; and who was bound over to the circuit court and later left the state, was caught Friday afternoon in Niles by Deputy Sheriffs Richards and Pierce.

Upon the advice of Judge Coolidge, Mr. Chubb was taken to St. Joseph, and is now in the county jail. He will come up for trial tomorrow. His bondsmen went security for his appearance to the sum of \$500.

### ST. JOSEPH

A mighty chorus joins with Judge Coolidge in saying "The slot machines in the Twin cities must go."

Big Ben, the sea lion that escaped from the Lincoln park zoo, has not been seen "taking the air" in St. Joseph for a few days. Perhaps Ben has gone away, or perhaps there's other tobacco for the reporters' pipes these days.

People about the Twin cities are discussing with interest the vast difference in Mr. Wm. C. Hick's two tales, "Joachim's Daughter" and "The Burglary." Both styles seem to fit the Benton Harbor author perfectly.

The Salvation Army is doing a good work in the Twin cities. The members hope to give 40 poor families a sumptuous Christmas dinner.

"Local option!" is the cry about the cities just now. Many are wondering if the result will be the same as in previous years.

The large number of vacant houses about St. Joseph is not a subject of much pleasure to the worried landlords. "In the good old summer time," however, they expect better days.

### Modern Maccabees Elect Officers.

Tuesday, December 1 the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Com., H. C. Eisele; Lieut. Com., Chas. Ingalls, Record Keeper, W. Leiter; Finance Keeper, M. M. Knight; Chaplain, W. H. Chubb; Physician, Dr. Knight; Sergeant, F. Poyser; Master at arms, Joseph Swartz; 1st M. of G., A. Susan; 2nd M. of G., W. Boon; Sentinel, Chas. Blodgett; Picket, H. Blodgett.

### KIRMESS.

This very beautifully costumed entertainment will be given at the opera house Dec. 11, under the auspices of the Eastern Star. Nearly 75 performers, representing Uncle Sams, little nurses, Germans, Swiss, Turks and Irish. Reserved seats 25 cents, general admission 20c.

### Tax Notice.

Commencing Dec. 1 I will be in my office at Lee Bro's bank every week day for the purpose of collecting taxes.

W. J. MILLER  
Twp. Treas.

### That Throbbing Headache

Would quickly leave you, if you used Dr. King's New Life Pills. Thousands of sufferers have proved their matchless merit for Sick and Nervous Headaches. They make pure blood and build up your health. Only 25 cents, money back if not cured. Sold by W. N. Brodrick, druggist.

LOST—Thursday evening, a Northwestern University seal pin. Finder will please return to Miss Rutledge and receive reward.

Pianolas, the greatest of all piano players, at Elbel Bros., South Bend, Ind.

## ELLSWORTH'S STORE

### Special Bargains in Underwear.

50 dozen Women's fine ribbed vests and pants—silk trimmed hand finished in all sizes regular 50c quality, while they last.....39c  
Women's fine ribbed set snug union suits, silk trimmed hand finished.....98c  
Women's fine, twin needle fleece lined vests and pants splendid quality at.....49c  
Children's heavy ribbed fleece lined underwear in tan or natural color—25c per garment all sizes.  
Children's heavy fleece lined ribbed union suits—all sizes 24 to 34.....49c

### Hosiery For Men Women and Children.

We sell the Onyx and Pony Brand Brands of hosiery—none better to be had.  
100 dozen heavy ribbed fleece lined hose worth 25c pair now 19c pair or 3 for.....50c  
Special lot of women's heavy fleece lined full fashioned hosiery at 15c, 2 pairs.....25c  
Women's full fashioned imported Onyx Hosiery in all styles—all white feet, split soles—all black, lisle thread or fine cashmere, pair.....25c

### Furs at Popular Prices.

Small fur sets independent qualities—this season's popular styles in Scarfs, Muffs and Neckpieces are shown here in exceptionally complete assortments at prices easy to pay. A Fur Set will be a welcome Christmas present. We can take care of any fur want from the smallest Scarf to a Seal Skin Sack. No store in America can buy furs on better terms and it follows that no store can sell on better terms. For this great holiday sale we offer:

150 Fine Sable Fox Scarfs made of two sable fox skins, with brush tails and silk cord, worth \$20.00 and cannot be duplicated in Northern Indiana for less than \$20.00 for this sale at.....12.50  
Magnificent lot of neck scarfs from \$5.00 to \$35.00 each.  
Splendid lot of small furs in the shape of Stocks, Ties, Bat Wings, Cravats, etc. in Seal Beaver, Otter, Mink, Mole or Sable at \$5.00 to \$5.00 each.

### Silk Petticoats.

Special lot of heavy all Silk Taffeta Skirts with accordion pleated flounce or ruffled flounce in colors and black, worth \$6 while they last.....\$4.95  
Other Silk Petticoats at \$6.75, \$7.50, \$9.00, \$10.00 \$12.50, \$15.00, \$20.00 and \$25.00

### Great Holiday Sale of Umbrellas.

For men we offer a 28 inch, silk-warp gloria covered Umbrella with a choice selection of Congo, Box Wood and Fir handles, only 98c worth \$1.25 to \$1.50.

For women we have 26 inch Silk-warp Taffeta and Gloria Covered Umbrellas with Silver Swedge, Princess, Opera, Horn and Fancy Handles. Not an umbrella worth less than \$1.25, worth \$1.50. This sale's price only 98c—a bargain well worth your investigation.

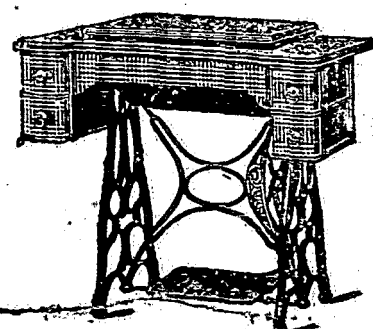
Mail orders will receive prompt attention.

**John Chess Ellsworth**

113-115 NORTH MICHIGAN ST.,

SOUTH BEND, - - INDIANA.

A Reliable Machine for a  
little money.



ONLY \$16.00

Made by The New Home Sewing Machine Co. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. No trouble to show machines.

F. W. Ravin, Agt.

Buchanan, Mich.

Lo-tus Pellets you will find are the best family pills, curing indigestion and constipation and all diseases of the liver and stomach. Small and easily taken, particularly intended for ladies and children. Large boxes, fifty pellets for 25c at Dr. E. S. Dodd & Son's.

WANTED—Faithful person to call on retail trade and agents for manufacturing home having well established business; local territory; straight salary \$20 paid weekly and expense money advance; previous experience unnecessary; position permanent; business successful. Enclosed self-addressed envelope. Superintendent Travelers, 605 Monon Bldg., Chicago. d. 22 p.

FOR SALE—Forty acres of land with a comfortable house and barn five acres of timber and a small orchard, situated one mile north of Dayton, Mich. For particulars inquire of Enos Holmes.

Pierce & Sanders have about 50 pair of those Sample Blankets at one-third off from regular prices and just as good, besides their regular line of Robes and Blankets which is the best and most complete carried in southern Michigan. Remember we are headquarters for Buggies, Wagons, Cutters, Bob Sleighs, Bells, Single and Double Harness and all kinds of Implements.

Look Us Over, See Our Line And Prices,

**Pierce & Sanders**

RAND-MENALLY  
OFFICIAL  
**RAILWAY GUIDE**  
25 CENTS  
166 ADAMS ST. CHICAGO.

Benton Harbor Abstract Co.—Abstracts of title. Real estate mortgage loans. Of 13124 Water St., Benton Harbor, Mich.  
Read the Record.



## CHRISTMAS IN FULL SWING AT SPIRO'S.

The store that serves you most faithfully every day, that takes advantage of no one, that carefully excludes all unreliable merchandise—that is the store to rely upon in the hurried Christmas shopping.

Our name on the package is a guarantee of that satisfaction which everyone has a right to expect.

### JUST WHAT THE MEN WANT

There is no store in South Bend more exclusively a men's store than Spiro's. What to buy for the men is easily solved here.

#### NECKWEAR AND SUSPENDERS.

An immense line of pretty neckwear, put up in fancy boxes, in all the prevailing shapes, ranging in price from 50c to \$2.50.

Mufflers and muffs, new patterns—stylish and full of comfort. Protect the neck, ears and face, 50c 75c and \$1.00. Fancy silk dress mufflers, \$1.00 to \$4.00.

Silk suspenders, put up one pair in a pretty box. Silk webs, calf-skin trimmings, gilt buckles. Pretty but not all show, they will wear well, 50c to \$4.00.

Silk, silkline and fannel night robes, in plain and fancy colors, \$1, \$1.50, \$2.50. Pajamas, \$1 to \$7.50.

#### HOUSE JACKETS ROBES AND WASH VESTS

Complete line of plain and fancy smoking jackets in large assortment of matelasse, velvets, kerseys and reversible golf cloths at prices from \$4.00 to \$15.00.

Dress gowns, \$2.00 to \$20.00

Bath robes were formerly a luxury—now they are a necessity, we carry a big line and make them a specialty, eiderdown, terry cloth and blanket robes, \$3.00 to \$12.00.

Wash vests are now worn for business and semi-dress. We have them in the new grays, white and fancy effects, from \$1.00 to \$5.00.

THE ONE PRICE CLOTHIERS.

**Sam'l Spiro & Co.**

119-121 South Michigan St.

**South Bend, Indiana.**

## BUCHANAN RECORD.

TWICE A WEEK

D. F. BOWER,  
EDITOR.

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

#### TERMS

\$1.25 per year, 65c for 6 months and 35c for 3 months. If paid promptly in advance when due the following rates will be made: \$1.00 per year, 50c for 6 months and 25c for 3 months.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1903.

We publish in today's Record the President's message. It will pay you to read it.

We publish in today's Record by request of one of God's saints an article on Brotherly love. It will not harm any one to read it and it may do some of us good.

### THE NEW IDEA IN JOURNALISM.

A new and pleasing innovation in the great metropolitan Sunday newspapers has been introduced by The Chicago Record-Herald in giving away with its Sunday edition The Chicago Record-Herald Sunday Magazine. In the Sunday Record-Herald Magazine readers of The Sunday Record-Herald will recognize the advent of a new epoch in journalism. On December 6th The Sunday Record-Herald began furnishing its readers without extra cost a magazine that surpasses the best illustrated weeklies in the beautiful execution of its color pages and equals them in any other particular. The magazine having a minimum size of sixteen pages will be printed on heavy enameled paper. At the present time eight pages will be in colors, four of which will be suitable for framing.

The beautiful highly illustrated pages in colors must be seen to be appreciated. Any newsdealer handling Chicago Sunday papers will be glad to show you a sample of the magazine and the advance pages for next Sunday if you will give him an opportunity to do so.

#### SCHOOL NOTES.

##### HIGH SCHOOL

School will close Friday Dec. 18, for a two weeks' vacation.

Several of the Buchanan teachers attended the institute in St. Joseph, last Saturday.

Mr. Crossman and Mr. Bradley, of the senior class, are studying pedagogy, expecting to take up the work of teaching, next fall.

##### WARD SCHOOL

Christmas songs and stories are the order of the day.

Herald Jenks and Helen Dillingham entered first grade last week.

A fire place developed from the oblong and circle, proved a very interesting lesson in drawing, Thursday. A new morning hymn was given to the pupils at the last music period.

## AN OPEN LETTER

Director Thomson, of Berrien County Fire Insurance Co.  
Sends Communication  
to Record Readers

To the Members of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Berrien Co., Mich.;

About twenty years ago when elected a director of your company in Cass county, I found we had an antiquated bylaw in regard to the use of steam threshers which many could not, and very few did, comply with. Thinking nothing could be done with such a bylaw in competition with the Cass county company with its short and liberal bylaws, our board was persuaded to adopt about the same which still remains the first clause of our bylaw.

But after the Juan M. Guy fire (when threshing) a few years latter, two of the old arbitrary requirements were reinstated, viz., an arbitrary distance and an arbitrary supply of water. Of the former there is now nothing to say as the arbitrary feature has been twice knocked out with the renewal of J. B. Thomson's policy and you can now make a contract to set nearer than 30 feet.

But as probably over four fifths of us do not comply with the arbitrary supply of water clause let us see what that means.

You may be threshing out of the shock (where no one complies with it) or threshing near barns or stacks with the wind blowing away from everything combustible. Your ladder and filled pails must be there. Your stock tank may be just as convenient or you may have three barrels of water standing around. You have not complied with the bylaw and are liable to have your claim rejected as they did one in Bainbridge (without a vote) where the engine was set less than 30 feet from the house without a permit.

They were told at that time that that bylaw never would be enforced without a protest. But thinking the surest way to its permanent repeal was to let them try to enforce it, I concluded to wait until there was a fair chance for its enforcement before I would ask for its repeal or amendment.

But there was a rule adopted whereby the insurance could only be forfeited when it should appear that the loss was plainly the result of the inability or neglect to comply with the arbitrary requirements of that bylaw. Last year a committee to revise the rules for publication omitted this one because they did not understand a plain English sentence, and thought the words "inability" and "neglect" referred to the prevention or putting out the fire instead of complying with that bylaw.

So it makes no difference where or

how a fire starts when threshing. You are now absolutely at the mercy of the board of directors.

After waiting over 15 years (threshing with steam is not as dangerous as some would have us believe) the opportunity came last fall and winter, when they did just as I expected they would, allowed the claims in plain violation of that clause of the bylaw in two or three cases.

My own was not one of them as the following resolution adopted at the May meeting of the board to counter act such talk will show:

"Resolved, That it was demonstrated to the satisfaction of this board that the fire in the barns of S. C. Thomson last September did not originate from the engine. Therefore, Sec. 14 of the bylaws in regard to steam threshers had nothing to do with the adjustment of his loss."

While it is a good thing that no one has lost their insurance thereby, there is just as loud a call for the appeal of those arbitrary requirements as if they had. For after being ignored once by the board it will have to continue to be or they cannot serve all alike.

Therefore at the June meeting I asked the board to amend the last clause so as to have it apply only when threshing near buildings or stacks, with the wind blowing toward any of them and to say only "ladder, pails and water," leaving the rest to your judgement under the circumstances which they refused to do.

As I do not wish to be a party to the enforcement of any such bylaw after being once ignored, nor would I thrash any longer with it, as it is liable to be enforced at the option of any board of directors, and as I cannot ask others to do what I will not do myself, I, therefore tender you my resignation as director to take effect at the annual meeting in February, when you can elect my successor,

Respectfully,

S. C. THOMSON.

Niles, Mich., Nov. 27, 1903.

Good People

When in South Bend and hungry call at Johnson's Cafe, 127 North Main street, for a good meal for a little money.

#### Notice to Royal Neighbors

The regular annual election of officers will occur next Friday evening, December 11 at the M. W. A. hall. It is desired that every member be present if possible.

MRS. FREDERIKA RUNNER.

#### Christian Church Notes.

The Ladies Aid Society will meet at the home of Mrs. H. O. Perrott, Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock. Regular mid-week prayer meeting at the home of Mrs. Calvin Myler; Thursday evening.

#### Ladies Bazar

The ladies of the Methodist church will open their bazar Thursday afternoon; at 2 o'clock in the Parkinson building north of the bank on Main street. A fine variety of dainty articles made by nimble fingers will be for sale. The bazar will be open from Thursday, day and evening the balance of the week.

#### There is Money in Feathers!

Special Offer for December Only—With each \$10 share\* of preferred 7% guaranteed stock purchased during December we will give free one \$10 share of common stock. Thus you get 7% per annum on your investment and at the same time stand a chance of doubling your money, as we believe the common stock will be worth \$10 per share inside of the next three to five years.

Remember this offer holds good for December only.

THREE "B." DUSTER Co.

J. L. Richards returned home on Sunday morning at 12:30 from Minneapolis, where he attended the funeral of Mrs. Richards' sister, Mrs. Ada Mansfield, on Thursday of last week. Mrs. Mansfield's death was very sudden. Monday when she arose she felt as well as she had for a long time, but shortly after, feeling nausea, she lay down. Becoming worse a physician was sent for. She continued to fail till night, and died during the night. Mr. Richards was delayed over six hours at Michigan City, owing to the boat in the draw bridge.

7 lb. best sweet potatoes, 25c at W. H. Keller's.

## OUR CHRISTMAS GOODS

are

**Absolutely New.**

**W. N. BRODRICK.**

## For Sale

Will sell my entire stock of Horse goods, Store fixtures and Tools. A chance for some young man wishing to start in business.

Until I do sell out I will sell my goods at reduced prices.

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Extensive lines of useful presents dear to the heart of every man. Exclusiveness and elegance define this collection, as we exhibit all the best ideas shown elsewhere in conjunction with many original novelties and our prices are always positively the lowest.

Men's House Coats and Smoking Jackets,  
Men's Bath Robes and Dressing Gowns,  
Men's and Boy's Fur and Cloth Caps, Men's  
Silk Mufflers and Neckwear, Men's and Boy's  
Gloves and Mittens, Suit Cases, Traveling  
Bags and Trunks. In fact everything practical  
for men's and children's wear.

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## FURS

From maker to wearer at very low prices. We also make to order, remodel and repair all kinds of FURS.

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232 S. Michigan St.,

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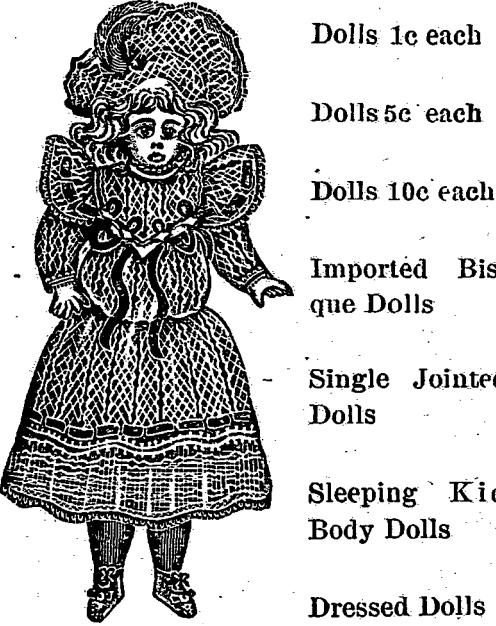


CHINA CUPS AND SAUCERS

All styles and decorations, latest patterns



### Complete Line Dolls



Dolls 1c each

Dolls 5c each

Dolls 10c each

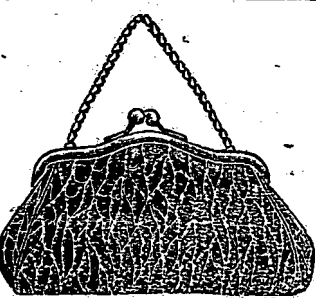
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Single Jointed Dolls

Sleeping Kid Body Dolls

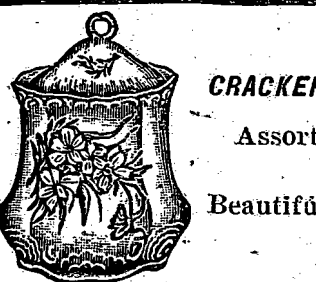
Dressed Dolls

Our prices on PURSES is the lowest this year that we have ever been able to give 5c, 10c, 15c, 25c, 50c, 85c.



WRIST BAGS

A good line and just what you want



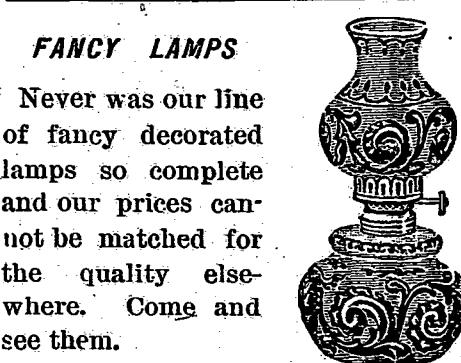
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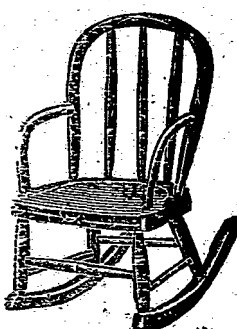
2-PIECE SUGAR AND CREAM SETS

Assorted Flower Decorations, and beautifully trimmed in gold. Just what you want for a Christmas Present



FANCY LAMPS

Never was our line of fancy decorated lamps so complete and our prices cannot be matched for the quality elsewhere. Come and see them.



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Different Styles to suit you.



GLOVES AND MITTENS

Lined and Unlined. Wool Gloves and Mittens. Good goods at the right price.

Fresh Oysters  
22 lb New Orleans Granulated Sugar - \$1.00  
21 lbs. Granulated Sugar - \$1.00  
12 Boxes Matches - 9c  
Gasoline per gallon - 15c  
Large sized Meat Platter - 05c  
3lb. can nice Yellow Peaches 12c  
Picnic Ham, per pound - 10c  
Try our 20c Coffee, best in town

Come in and see our Cash Register. We have something good to offer you.



**W. H. KELLER,**

Phone 27

BUCHANAN, MICH.



## DIRECTORY.

Buchanan Township and  
Village Officers :

### Township Officers

Supervisor..... J. L. Richards  
Clerk..... Fred W. Ravin  
Treasurer..... Wm. J. Miller  
Highway Com..... Wm. Wray  
Justice of the Peace..... Cha. E. Sabim  
School Inspector..... Mrs. Eliza Emery  
Health officer..... Dr. E. O. Colvin  
Township..... Chas. Bishop  
Board of Review..... Amos Spaulding

### Village Officers

President..... Geo. H. Black  
Clerk..... Glenn E. Smith  
Treasurer..... W. W. Treat  
Assessor..... S. A. Wood  
Col of Water Tax..... John C. Dick  
Health Officer..... Dr. Orville Curtis  
Attorney..... A. A. Worthington  
Chief Fire Dept..... Frank P. Barnes  
Marshals and St. Com..... John Camp  
Trustees Com Council..... Dr. O. Curtis  
Chas Bishop, C. D. Kent, Chas Pears,  
Henry F. Kingery, Dr. R. Henderson.  
Village..... John C. Dick  
Board of Review..... Geo. B. Richards

### Republican Township Committee.

A. A. Worthington, John Broceus,  
Herbert Roe.

### CHURCH NOTES AND NOTICES.

UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH.—Rev. W. J. Tarrant, pastor. Sunday services; preaching, 10:30 and 7:00 p. m.; Sunday school, 11:30 a. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening 7:30.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Rev. W. D. Cole, pastor. Sabbath services; preaching, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Christian Endeavor meeting 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening 7:30. All are cordially invited.

METHODIST CHURCH.—Rev. W. J. Douglass, pastor. Sunday services; preaching, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School 11:45 a. m. Epworth League 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday 7:30 p. m.

ADVENT CHRISTIAN CHURCH.—Rev. Chas. Shook, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School 11:45 a. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30; Cottage prayer meeting Tuesday evening at 7:30. Strangers always welcome.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH, corner Oak and Second Sts. Rev. J. A. Hahnhuber, pastor. Residence 47 Main St. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School 11:45 a. m. Young People's Alliance every Sunday at 6:30 p. m. Prayer service Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. All cordially welcome.

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5:30	5:30	8:00	8:00	6:30	11:15	12:50	12:50
8:00	8:00	8:15	8:15	6:45	11:00	12:35	12:35
6:30	6:30	8:25	8:25	6:50	10:55	12:25	12:25
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7:40	7:40	8:55	8:55	6:55	10:35	11:40	11:40
7:40	7:40	9:05	9:05	6:55	10:30	11:35	11:35
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Effective Sunday, Sept. 27, 1903, trains on the Benton Harbor Branch, between Benton Harbor and Buchanan, be will operated on the following schedule:

GOING NORTH				GOING SOUTH			
No. 5	No. 3	No. 1	No. 2	No. 4	No. 6	No. 8	No. 10
6:30	8:35	10:30	10:30	8:10	5:30	3:10	3:10
6:45	8:50	10:45	10:45	8:25	5:45	3:25	3:25
7:25	9:10	11:00	11:00	7:37	6:35	4:35	4:35
7:47	9:30	11:20	11:20	7:59	6:55	4:55	4:55
7:50	9:35	11:25	11:25	8:02	7:00	5:00	5:00
7:50	9:35	11:25	11:25	8:02	7:00	5:00	5:00
7:50	9:35	11:25	11:25	8:02	7:00	5:00	5:00
7:50	9:35	11:25	11:25	8:02	7:00	5:00	5:00
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Effective Sept. 27, 1903.

Trains leave Benton Harbor for Chicago and west at 3:15 a. m. 10:30 a. m. 2:11 p. m. 7:55 p. m. For Grand Rapids and north at 3:05 a. m., 10:30 a. m., 2:45 p. m., 7:55 p. m. For Saginaw and Detroit at 3:05 a. m., 2:45 p. m. For Muskegon at 3:05 a. m., 10:30 a. m., 2:45 p. m., 7:55 p. m.  
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Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath aught, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift.—Matt., v., 23-24.

The ancient Jews were great-givers. They loved their faith and because they loved it they were never backward in contributing to its support. The Temple was the one place into which the devout Israelite delighted to enter; and as often as he went in he took along with him his gift, which was humble or rich, according to the worshiper's means.

It might be a heifer, or a kid, or a pair of turtle doves, or a bunch of herbs, or box of gums for incense, or money, or, in case of the very rich, great bars of gold or silver bullion.

Now, Jesus, too, loved to go into the "House of the Lord," and one day while in the Temple He noticed the worshippers "bringing their gifts to the altar." The rich and the poor, the illustrious and the humble, the grandees in their princely robes and the beggars in their rags—He saw them all making their offerings to the "God of their salvation."

And as He stood looking at them He knew that behind the gifts were all sorts of motives—some noble and some ignoble. As He stood there looking on He knew that some of those gifts were beautiful in the eyes of the Father and that others were an abomination to Him.

He knew that the hearts of some of those thronging the altar were pure, sincere, unaffected, and that the hearts of others of them were mercenary and insincere; and by turns the lights and shadows played over His beautiful face—the lights born of the thought of the hearts that were true, the shadows of the thought of the hearts that were false.

And so in His great Sermon on the Mount Jesus said to the people, voicing the thought that had come to Him in the Temple:

"Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there rememberest that thy brother hath aught against thee, leave there thy gift before the altar, and go thy way; first be reconciled to thy brother, and then come and offer thy gift."

It is the prerogative of genius to be able to do that which shall be above criticism. Jesus, the supreme spiritual genius of all time, here pronounces the truth about which there is no room for controversy.

And this is the truth—that to attempt to worship God while we are estranged from our fellow men is a hollow mockery!

As the plain spoken evangelist puts it: "If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar." The statement hits hard, but its truthfulness cannot be questioned.

To go to church on Sunday to bow the head to Infinite Goodness, while in your heart there seethes and boils the bitterness of ill-will toward a fellow human being, is the very perfection of the monstrous and the horrible!

No matter how beautiful the church may be, no matter how eloquent the sermon, or powerful the prayer or sweet the music, you will get no good from the service if the hell-broth of hate bubbles in your heart.

The black thing in your unbrotherly heart will fling its shadow on the beauty of stained windows; will make the sermon dull, the prayer flat and insipid and the music a harsh discord.

But once in all the Bible is God defined, and here is the definition: "God is love." And of that definition here is the eternal corollary: "He that loveth not knoweth not God." It is a law of the spiritual universe—a law which not even God

Himself can change.

Not even God Himself can wipe out the truth of those awful words: "He that loveth not his brother abideth in death." Just so certain as two and two make four, just so certain as two straight lines can never inclose a space, just so certain it is that the heart that hates is dead—and will remain dead so long as the hate continues.

This is not preaching—it is the simple, solid, terrible eternal truth. Jesus knew all about this fearful truth, and that is why He spoke those words that day on the Mount.

He wanted His hearers to understand that before it was possible for them to worship God aright, and to worship Him profitably, it was necessary for them to ask themselves this question: "Do we hate anybody, or is there anybody who hates us?"

Jesus told them to settle that question first of all. Was there any estrangement? Was there any bad blood? Did the person bringing the gift hold malice toward some one, or did some one hold malice toward him? Then he must drop his gift, right then and there and go out and fix up the difficulty, so that there should be peace and good will.

That done he might come back and offer his gift, and go on with his devotions. Then the gift would be acceptable. Then the devotion would be a beautiful thing to behold.

Jesus saw clearly. There was no deceiving Him. He knew not only facts, but the great basic principles beneath the facts, and what He knew He fearlessly declared.

Not for one moment did he hesitate to inform men that under the giving of the gifts, and under the devotions which attended the giving, there was a more important thing still, which was none other than this—that we should love one another, that we should desire to do each other good, and not evil, all the days of our life.

Certainly Jesus believed in making offerings in the Temple, but before all offerings and before all devotion was that most beautiful and most holy thing—a loving heart.

Anna's Age.

A high school pupil answers the problem of the day.

Let x equal Ann's age, then from the problem 24 equal Mary's and 12 Ann's age, when Mary was x. Then Mary has lived as many years since she was x years old as Ann since she was 12. Then 24 minus x equals number of years Mary has lived since she was x, and x minus 12 equals number of years Ann has lived since she was 12. Then making the quantities equal 24 minus x equal x minus 12. Then 24 plus 12 equal 2x, or 36 equal 2x, x equals 18 or Ann's present age.

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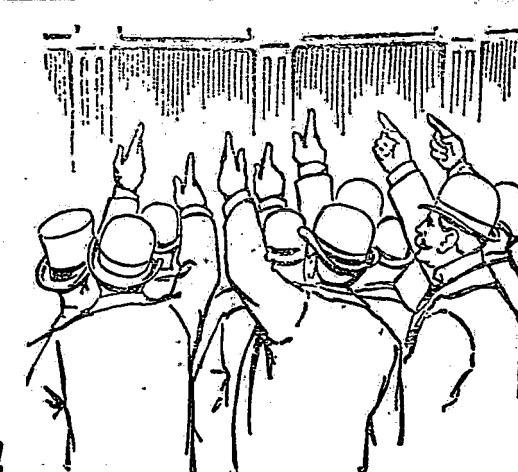
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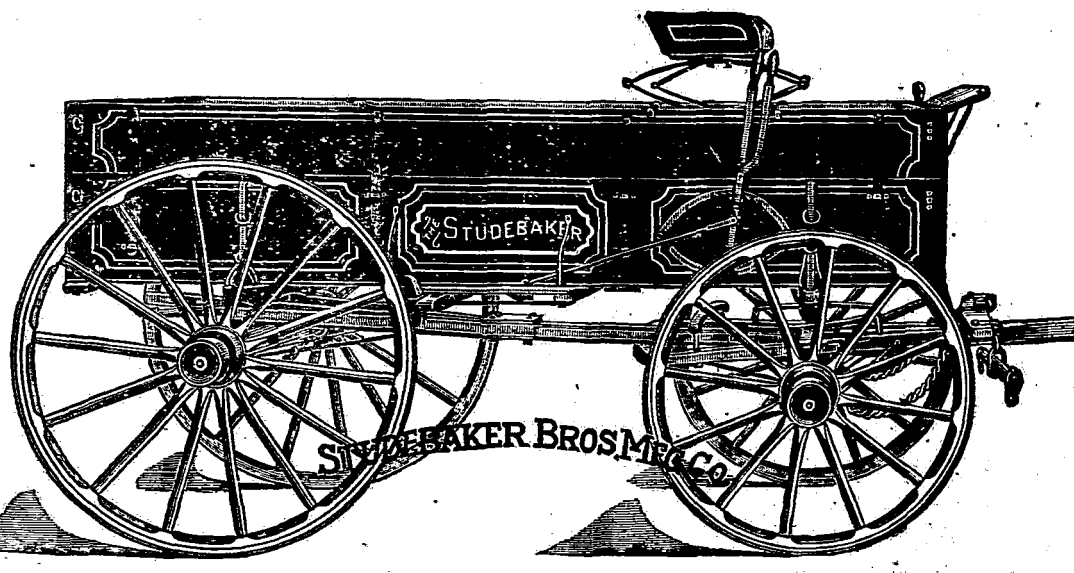
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"Where manual training has been tried it has proved eminently successful in reclaiming boys who would have otherwise been truants. Simple wood-working, iron-twisting, or forge work, would interest many a wayward boy. Domestic science would appeal more to the girls. It is to be hoped that manual training and domestic science will gradually be introduced as working features into every public and private school. Steps have already been taken along the above lines in some of the Detroit schools; but the scope of the work should be enlarged, especially in the poorer districts, and at the truant school."

The above is taken from "Juvenile Offenders in the City of Detroit," a paper by Richard A. Bolt, a student in the University of Michigan, who last year spent several months in Detroit investigating the so-called boy problem.

### Greeting From Mrs. Whitman.

Raton Pass, Col.,  
Dec. 2, 1903.

Dear Editor:

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From our car, the rear one, we could now and then see the engines and cars in front, first at the right, again at the left. The scenery is beautiful, canyons, rocks, high bare cliffs, etc., etc. I'm enjoying hugely every inch of the way. The poetic, Spanish peaks, have been in view all morning—patches of snow upon the top and rugged sides, and Pike's Peak, 100 miles away, was in sight for hours.

We just went through a half mile tunnel of midnight blackness, our car family laughed and shouted but not one screamed. Our train is over two hours behind time I wish all my Buchanan friends the pleasure of some time taking this trip and enjoying the grand scenery. Just added to our train a private car of Mexicans, making 13 coaches in all.

Regards to all,  
FRANC WHITMAN.  
Elect. Officers.

The Modern Woodmen held their annual election of officers Friday evening, and the following men were given the various positions as follows: V. C., I. L. H. Dodd; W. A., O. P. Woodworth; B., Al Emerson; C., W. F. Runner; E., Geo. W. Rose; W., Jno. Broceus; S., M. K. Spaulding; Member of Board of Managers, Harry Paul; Physicians, Drs. Brodriek, Garland, Peck and Colvin.

**Michigan State Teachers' Association Meeting.**

The fifty-first annual meeting of the Michigan State Teachers' Association will be held in Ann Arbor, Dec. 29; 30, and 31 next. Special railroad rates of one fare for the round trip, though not less than one and one half cents per mile where the regular fare is two cents per mile, have been made on all Michigan railroads.

**FOR SALE**—A go cart in good condition.  
Mrs S. A. Wood.  
t. f.

### Influx of Wolverines.

The following is clipped from the Riverside, Cal., Daily Press, of Dec. 2.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Peacock and three children, Miss Anna Mead, Alfred Mead and his son Roy Mead, Joseph Cloud and William Merson, all of Buchanan, Mich., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Godfrey of 1050 Walnut street, and Mr. and Mrs. G. Richardson who are now located on East Eleventh street, came from the same place only a few weeks ago.

These people were all induced to come to Riverside by the glowing reports of Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey, who have themselves been here but five weeks, and are all delighted with the town and the climate. They will make their homes here, and others from the same place will probably follow.

### WANTED

100 wood cutters. Apply to Will Hague, Buchanan, Mich. d. 18. p.

### Wine Lo-Ti

(Coooley's beef, iron and wine with nerving) is the perfect food tonic. There is no other like it or equal to it. Price 50c at Dr. E. S. Dodd & Son's.

### W.D. House

will run a bus line from Buchanan to Niles twice each day to meet the morning and evening cars of the Interurban Line from South Bend. Leaving Buchanan at 7 a. m. and 4 p. m. returning leaves Niles at 8 a. m. and 5 p. m. Fare for round trip 25 cents.

### Wine Lo-Ti

Made of beef, iron, wine, nerving, cascara and Aromatics, is the most perfect food tonic in existence. It agrees with all other medicines and never fails to give permanent strength and vigor. Pleasant to take, it increases the weight and improves the appetite. Large bottles, 50c at Dr. E. S. Dodd & Son's.

### BUSINESS CARDS

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**O. VILLIE CURTIS,** M. D., Physician and Surgeon Office, over Roe's Hardware. Telephone 32 Buchanan, Mich.

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Telephone from office to house accessible from the street at all hours of day or night. Office over Carner & Carner's shoe store. Residence, 15 Cayuga Street

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Phone, Residence and Office 112.

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Nitrous Oxide Gas Given in Extracting Teeth.  
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REDDEN BLOCK  
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**RICHARDS & EMERSON**  
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FRONT ST., BUCHANAN, MICH.  
Calls answered day or night

## Try for Health

222 South Peoria St.,  
CHICAGO, ILL., Oct. 7, 1902.

Eight months ago I was so ill that I was compelled to lie or sit down nearly all the time. My stomach was so weak and upset that I could keep nothing on it and I vomited frequently. I could not urinate without great pain and I coughed so much that my throat and lungs were raw and sore. The doctors pronounced it Bright's disease and others said it was consumption. It mattered little to me what they called it and I had no desire to live. A sister visited me from St. Louis and asked me if I had ever tried Wine of Cardui. I told her I had not and she bought a bottle. I believe that it saved my life. I believe many women could save much suffering if they but knew of its value.

*Surgeon General*

Don't you want freedom from pain? Take Wine of Cardui and make one supreme effort to be well. You do not need to be a weak, helpless sufferer. You can have a woman's health and do a woman's work in life. Why not secure a bottle of Wine of Cardui from your druggist today?

## WINE OF CARDUI

**FOR SALE**—A pair of light bobs Call on N. J. Slater. t. f.

**WANTED**—A few washings and ironings to do at home. Address Box 190 t. f.

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

**WANTED**—To buy, live Mink \$3.50 each. W. D. House. d. 6



DR. E. S. DODD & SON,

Largest and  
Finest  
Stock of

Perfumery,  
Talcum Powder,  
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Soaps,  
Florida Water,  
and  
Lavender Water  
in town.

Remember they are Colgate &  
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Take a look at our window.

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Good Meals  
Pleasant Rooms

Mrs. Nettie Lister,  
First door east of Buchanan Cash Grocery

## O. M. Marsh

Shoe repairing neatly done  
at Carner and Carner's. t f

Persons visiting South Bend  
and desiring a lunch can find a fine cup of  
coffee, sandwiches, fruits and ice  
cream at

Solari Bros.  
215-17 S. Michigan St.

## BUCHANAN STEAM LAUNDRY

Prompt Service

Good Work Guaranteed

W. E. PENNELL, Prop.

## LEGAL NOTES

Retail price paid for eggs. W. H.  
Keller.

10 lb Kit Family Whitefish 65c. at  
W. H. Keller's.

Oysters in all styles at all hours at  
Mrs. Nettie Lister's t. f.

We are offering a very complete line  
of tinware at right prices. W. H.  
Keller.

Come in and see our new cash reg-  
ister. We have something good to  
offer you. W. H. Keller.

LOST—Monday night, black and  
white striped silk scarf. Finder  
please leave at Record office. d. 8.

Do you desire to secure a beautiful  
single harness for a little effort? See  
the one in the Record window you  
can secure by a day or two of hus-  
ting.

# ANNOUNCEMENT!

With the passing of Thanksgiving our thoughts turn toward  
that great gift-giving day—Christmas—which is only a few weeks  
away. We've been preparing for the Holiday trade for weeks and  
weeks—brought the best here for you to select from—useful ar-  
ticles at prices that are sure to tempt you. No trouble finding just  
what you want at just the price. For a man's or a boy's Christmas  
present buy what he's going to buy for himself, and buy it where  
he buys—AT A MAN'S STORE.

Come and see our Christmas Haberdashery.

## NOTICE:

We urge early buying—while the stocks  
are at their best. Many of the finest fancies  
can not be duplicated. Select your goods  
now.

Meyer Livingston Sons.

SOUTH BEND, IND.

## BUCHANAN MARKETS

Week ending Dec. 8. Subject to  
change:

Bainton Bros. report the following:  
Butter 20c  
Lard 10c  
Eggs 24c  
Potatoes 40c  
Apples 30c  
Onions, new 50c  
Bainton Bros. report the following:  
Best Patent Flour - per bbl. \$4.40  
Golden Wedding " 4.00  
Lucky Hit " 3.80  
Daisy " 3.60  
Graham per 1/2 bbl. .20  
Corn Meal per 1/2 bbl. .20  
The Pears-East Grain Co., report  
the following prices on grain to-day:  
Wheat No. 2 Red and White. 82c  
Corn, yellow 32c  
Oats No. 3 white. 33c  
Rye 52c  
Clover Seed 5.00

## 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

7:45 a. m., 5:45 p. m.

The sleighing has continued very  
good.

Trade at Kent's the popular gro-  
cery.

New line of fresh nuts. W. H.  
Keller.

County Clerk, A. L. Church, is in  
Cuba for a brief time.

Saturday is the baked goods day at  
the M. E. Ladies' bazar.

Mr. James Haslett, of Three Oaks,  
well known here, is very ill.

WANTED—A woman to take care  
of office. Address Box 603. t f

You can buy fresh eggs at the Bu-  
chanan Cash Grocery 24¢ per dozen

Chinaware you are looking for? See  
the fine dinner sets at G. E. Smith &  
Co.'s.

Buchanan Cash Grocery headquar-  
ters for Christmas candy, nuts and  
fruits etc.

Buckwheat Flour only 21¢ per lb  
every sack guaranteed Buchanan  
Cash Grocery.

LOST—On Front street, Thursday  
afternoon, a black pocket book.  
Finder leave at Record office. d8

Dr. R. W. Baker, optician, of Ben-  
ton Harbor, will be at Mrs. Crotser's  
house on Friday December 11. d. 8.

The new time card of the M. C. R.  
R in today's Record is quite an im-  
provement for Buchanan over the old  
one.

Bainton Bros. at the Buchanan Cash  
Grocery keep the ball rolling and  
people who appreciate progressive  
merchants are taking advantage of  
their splendid offer.

W. H. Keller is displaying a fine  
line of holiday goods, see ad in to-  
day's Record. Mr. Keller is up to  
date, his assortment fine and prices  
popular. Call and see the display.

The approaching wedding of Miss  
Lily Belle Martin, of Dayton, and  
Mr. Ray A. Williams, of Kalamazoo,  
is announced. The couple will make  
their home in Kalamazoo.



\$7.50

Will go farther in buying a  
SIDEBORD

or any other piece of Furni-  
ture of us than anywhere else.

Our selections were never  
more complete, and advan-  
tages never greater for our  
customers.

Just investigate is all we  
ask.

Knoblock & Jones,

130 North Main Street,

South Bend, Indiana.

Fresh and crisp crackers at W. H.  
Keller's.

See Sturtz for Photographs, 129 St.  
Joseph street, South Bend, Ind.

Be thankful, and get some of the  
nice fresh oysters at W. H. Keller's.

Try a sack of The Best Buckwheat  
flour you ever used at W. H. Keller.

The great Weber Pianos at the old  
reliable music store of Elbel Bros.,  
Bend, Ind. t. f.

Just see the pretty potted plants  
displayed for sale at the ladies' ba-  
zaar.

Mr. N. Hamilton is confined to the  
house with illness; and much of the  
time is too dizzy to leave his bed.

A new time table has gone into ef-  
fect on the M. C., which gives sev-  
eral advantageous chances to Bu-  
chanan.

See the beautiful harness in the  
Record window offered for the large  
est number of subscribers to Feb. 1st  
1904.

FOR RENT—House and out build-  
ings, very cheap, one and one half  
miles from town. Enquire P.O. box  
15 or Record office. t f

Rev. W. J. Douglass received word  
on Sunday that his mother at Paw  
Paw was very ill. He started on  
Sunday evening to see her.

There will be a meeting of the S. S.  
Board of the M. E. church Tuesday  
evening at the home of Mrs. DeViney  
to arrange for Christmas. All are re-  
quested to be present.

Miss Grace Godfrey has been ap-  
pointed chief operator in the Sunset  
Telephone office in place of Miss Bes-  
sie Watkins, resigned.—Riverside,  
Cal., Daily Press.

Letters unclaimed remaining in P.  
O. at Buchanan, Mich., for week end-  
ing Dec. 1, 1903: Mrs. G. B. Hayes,  
Mrs. Sarah Boyle, Mr. Clyde B.  
Weaver, Mr. Harry Steele.  
G. W. Noble, P. M.

Mrs. H. D. Rough left Monday for  
her home in Goshen, Ind. A sale of  
some of the household goods Sat-  
urday afternoon disposed of many  
things. Lester will remain with his  
grandparents till after the holidays.

The state of Michigan has trained  
over 83,000 young men and women in  
its University. The importance of  
this training to the state and the na-  
tion is immense. The people should  
know what the University is doing to-  
day.

Saturday afternoon the trains on  
Michigan Central were delayed many  
hours on account of the draw bridge  
at Michigan City becoming unman-  
ageable and the men in charge not be-  
ing able to close it. The 5:20 train  
did not reach here till nearly mid-  
night.

Elmer Hawblitzell, Lakeville, say  
"Wine Lo-ti" (Conoley's beef, iron  
and wine with nerving) brought my  
wife out and done her more good than  
any other medicine we gave her.  
Give me two more bottles for my  
father." Price 50c a bottle at Dr. E.  
S. Dodd & Son's.

Mrs. Fred Poyser entertained a few  
friends at a musical Monday evening  
given in honor of her cousin Mr. Mc-  
Walker of Cassopolis. Mr. McWalk-  
er played several piano solos in a  
most delightful manner, intersperc-  
ing the classical numbers with the  
popular selections. Mrs. Poyser  
gave some very pleasing banjo num-  
bers. Mr. McWalker is a piano  
teacher and concert player, and will  
spend the season in South Bend with  
his classes.

## PERSONAL.

Mrs. Esther Parkinson spent Sun-  
day in Mishawaka.

J. W. Barnhurst has been in Chica-  
go this week, on business.

Mr. Will Brodrick is in Chicago  
buying his holiday stock.

Revilo Bartholomew, of Hinchman,  
has been in town for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Friday spent  
several days at Benton Harbor last  
week.

Miss Ruby Strawser entertained  
her mother from South Bend over  
Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cassell, of St.  
Louis, Mo., are visiting Mr. and Mrs.  
Geo. Hanley.

Mrs. Jennie Russell, Supt. of  
schools at Bridgeman, spent Sunday  
in Buchanan.

Miss Mae Hodges returned home  
Friday, after spending a week with  
friends in South Bend and Michigan  
City.

Miss Emma Knight, of New Car-  
lisle, has been a visitor at the home  
of her brother, J. L. Knight, the past  
week.

Messrs. Merle and Claude Anstiss,  
from north of Niles, spent Sunday  
with their uncle, Mr. J. P. Anstiss,  
of this place.

Mr. T. McWalker, of Cassopolis, a  
musician of considerable ability, spent  
Sunday in town, the guest of Mrs.  
Poyser and Mrs. Wilson.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Sutphen were in  
town over Sunday. They were ac-  
companied to South Bend by Miss Iva  
Shook, Mrs. Sutphen's sister.

Miss May Pendry, the music teach-  
er in our public schools, entertained  
her brother, Mr. William R. Pendry,  
of Pueblo, Col., as her guest over  
Sunday.

Conoley's Cough Balsam, made of  
wild cherry, horehound, spikenard and  
honey, is a perfect remedy for coughs  
and colds, particularly recommended  
for children. Pleasant to take and  
helps at once. 25c and 50c at Dr. E.  
S. Dodd & Son's.

The Buckeye and Wolverine Editor  
says: "Coldwater is short of print-  
ers, 16 having left the town during  
the year. If there is anything the  
ordinary tramp printer turns away  
from it is cold water." This unfor-  
tunately applies to some others be-  
side printers.

## Animals and Seasickness.

A French authority on seasickness  
makes the statement that cattle and  
giraffes are almost immune. Monkeys  
suffer considerably, but are cured by  
eating a raw onion. Horses suffer  
much, and some of them die from its  
effects. Tigers and elephants are also  
easily affected, whereas ice bears, ac-  
customed to the movement of ice floes,  
are never so happy as when on ship-  
board.

## Believed in Skilled Labor.

"The organist's wife told me this  
morning," said Mrs. Thornton, "that  
several of the pipes of the organ were  
out of order."

"Well," replied Mrs. Hadley, "I hope  
they'll get Mr. Jones, our old plumber,  
to fix them, and not those new plum-  
bers that have just set up on the cor-  
ner."

## Accounting For It.

"I see," said his colleague, "that  
there were some questions asked at the  
trial to which you didn't object."

"Were there?" said the lawyer. "Per-  
haps I was out of breath."—Puck.

## A Novelty to Him.

"Why do you always pick out the  
homeliest women to talk to?"  
"I never saw any before. I come  
from Cincinnati, you know."—Cincin-  
nati Commercial Tribune.

## She Got It.

He (time 11:30 p. m.)—And you will  
think of me when I am gone?  
She (suppressing a yawn)—I'll try to  
if you ever give me an opportunity.

Last Call!

# Holiday Bargains

Every thing consisting of the following will be Holiday  
Bargains.

100 piece China Dinner Sets.

PLAIN AND DECORATED

Lamps, all kinds at Reduced Prices.

Fancy China Plates, Berry Sets, Solid Sets

# Large Assortment of Novelties

Come in and if you find anything you want, we will  
make the price so that you will be satisfied.

G. E. Smith & Co  
GROCERS

# Red Hot Bargain Sale For December.

Crowning the old year with the greatest of bargain giving  
sales.

## The Finest of Lamps

## Plain and Decorated Dishes

Latest patterns and best Ware ever shown in Buchanan in Berry,  
Dinner and Tea Sets etc.

We believe in goods moving and giving the people the right kind of  
goods at the right season. When canning time was on, and people wanted  
fruit jars we made it possible for every one to buy fruit jars at a price lower  
than was ever known. And so will it be in buying your Christmas presents  
at the Buchanan Cash Grocery.

## Parlor Lamps.

All sizes elegantly decorated set on bronze metal ornamental base.

Lot No. 1001 former price \$6.50 cut for this sale \$4.19

Lot " 1002 " " 5.50 " " " 3.59

Lot " 1003 " " 4.75 " " " 3.19

Lot " 1004 " " 4.00 " " " 2.99

Lot " 1005 " " 3.25 " " " 1.99

Lot " 1006 " " 2.00 " " " 1.19

Lot " 1007 " " 1.50 " " " .69

Toilet Sets—Former price 2.50 " " " 1.89

Fancy decorated plates former price 30c now 19c

Rich decorated china Berry set former price \$2.00 now \$1.49

Rich decorated china Berry set former price \$1.75 now \$1.25

4 piece Glass sets former price 75c and \$1.00 your choice 29c

Dinner and Tea Sets.

56 piece decorated tea set former price \$6.00 now for \$3.99

100 piece dinner set latest design Johnson Bros. Imported

Semi-porcelain ware all strictly first class that has not been

duplicated in town for less than \$10.00 now \$8.50

Sound Stone Ware 4c per gal.

In groceries we are still giving our patrons our best endeav-  
ors, best goods at most popular prices.

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The great improvements constantly being made by the man-  
ufacturers of ready-to-wear Clothing enables us to offer you gar-  
ments this season that are astonishingly near perfection.

Our Overcoats are hand-  
worked over living models  
Prices from \$10 \$40

Made from best woven fabrics, lined with richest and heav-  
iest silk, satin and serge linings, 42 to 52 inches in length—the  
longer being the most correct.

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See 104 Water St., Benton Harbor, Mich.



# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The president's message has been transmitted to congress. Its principal features are as follows:

The country is to be congratulated on the amount of substantial achievement which has marked the past year both as regards our foreign and as regards our domestic policy.

With a nation as with a man the most important things are those of the household, and therefore the country is especially to be congratulated on what has been accomplished in the direction of providing for the exercise of supervision over the great corporations and combinations of corporations engaged in interstate commerce. The congress has created the department of commerce and labor, including the bureau of corporations, with for the first time authority to secure proper publicity of such proceedings of these great corporations as the public has the right to know. It has provided for the expediting of suits for the enforcement of the federal antitrust law, and by another law it has secured equal treatment to all producers in the transportation of their goods, thus taking a long stride forward in making effective the work of the interstate commerce commission.

The preliminary work of the bureau of corporations in the department of labor has shown the wisdom of its creation. Publicity in corporate affairs will tend to do away with ignorance and will afford facts upon which intelligent action may be taken. Systematic, intelligent investigation is already developing facts the knowledge of which is essential to a right understanding of the needs and duties of the business world. The corporation which is honestly and fairly organized, whose managers in the conduct of its business recognize their obligation to deal squarely with their stockholders, their competitors and the public, has nothing to fear from such supervision. The purpose of this bureau is not to embarrass or assail legitimate business, but to aid in bringing about a better industrial condition—a condition under which there shall be obedience to law and recognition of public obligation by all corporations, great or small. The department of commerce and labor will be not only the clearing house for information regarding the business transactions of the nation, but the executive arm of the government to aid in strengthening our domestic and foreign markets, in perfecting our transportation facilities, in building up our merchant marine, in preventing the entrance of undesirable immigrants, in improving commercial and industrial conditions and in bringing together on common ground those necessary partners—industrial progress—capital and labor.

## Capital and Labor.

The consistent policy of the national government, so far as it has the power, is to hold in check the unscrupulous man, whether employer or employee, but to refuse to weaken individual initiative or to hamper or cramp the industrial development of the country. We recognize that this is an era of federation and combination, in which great capitalistic corporations and labor unions have become factors of tremendous importance in all industrial centers. Hearty recognition is given the far reaching, beneficent work which has been accomplished through both corporations and unions, and the line as between different corporations, as between different unions, is drawn as it is between different individuals—that is, it is drawn on conduct, the effort being to treat both organized capital and organized labor alike, asking nothing save that the interest of each shall be brought into harmony with the interest of the general public and that the conduct of each shall conform to the fundamental rules of obedience to law, of individual freedom and of justice and fair dealing toward all. Whenever either corporation, labor union or individual disregards the law or acts in a spirit of arbitrary and tyrannous interference with the rights of others, whether corporations or individuals, then where the federal government has jurisdiction it will see to it that the misconduct is stopped, paying not the slightest heed to the position or power of the corporation, the union or the individual, but only to one vital fact—that is, the question whether or not the conduct of the individual or aggregate of individuals is in accordance with the law of the land. Every man must be guaranteed his liberty and his right to do as he likes with his property or his labor so long as he does not infringe the rights of others.

## Government Receipts and Expenditures.

From all sources, exclusive of the postal service, the receipts of the government for the last fiscal year aggregated \$500,396,674. The expenditures for the same period were \$500,099,007, the surplus for the fiscal year being \$54,297,667. The indications are that the surplus for the present fiscal year will be very small, if indeed there be any surplus. From July to November the receipts from customs were, approximately, \$9,000,000 less than the receipts from the same source for a corresponding portion last year. Should this decrease continue at the same ratio throughout the fiscal year the surplus would be reduced by, approximately, \$30,000,000. Should the revenue from customs suffer much further decrease during the fiscal year the surplus would vanish. A large surplus is certainly undesirable. Two years ago the war taxes were taken off with the express intention of equalizing the governmental receipts and expenditures, and, though the first year thereafter still showed a

surplus, it now seems likely that a substantial equality of revenue and expenditure will be attained. Such being the case, it is of great moment both to exercise care and economy in appropriations and to scan sharply any change in our fiscal revenue system which may reduce our income. The need of strict economy in our expenditures is emphasized by the fact that we cannot afford to be parsimonious in providing for what is essential to our national well being.

## Needs of Financial Situation.

The integrity of our currency is beyond question, and under present conditions it would be unwise and unnecessary to attempt a reconstruction of our entire monetary system. The same liberty should be granted the secretary of the treasury to deposit customs receipts as is granted him in the deposit of receipts from other sources. In my message of Dec. 2, 1902, I called attention to certain needs of the financial situation, and I again ask for consideration of the congress for these questions.

[The president commends the work of the international monetary conference and advises its continuance.]

A majority of our people desire that steps be taken in the interests of American shipping, so that we may once more resume our former position in the ocean carrying trade. But hitherto the differences of opinion as to the proper method of reaching this end have been so wide that it has proved impossible to secure the adoption of any particular scheme. Having in view these facts, I recommend that the congress direct the secretary of the navy, the postmaster general and the secretary of commerce and labor, associated with such a representation from the senate and house of representatives as the congress in its wisdom may designate, to serve as a commission for the purpose of investigating and reporting to the congress at its next session what legislation is desirable or necessary for the development of the American merchant marine and American commerce and incidentally of a national ocean mail service of adequate auxiliary naval cruisers and naval reserves. While such a measure is desirable in any event, it is especially desirable at this time, in view of the fact that our present governmental contract for ocean mail with the American line will expire in 1905. The establishment of new lines of cargo ships to South America, to Asia and elsewhere would be much in the interest of our commercial expansion.

## Immigration.

We cannot have too much immigration of the right kind, and we should have none at all of the wrong kind. The need is to devise some system by which undesirable immigrants shall be kept out entirely, while desirable immigrants are properly distributed throughout the country. At present some districts which need immigrants have none, and in others, where the population is already congested, immigrants come in such numbers as to depress the conditions of life for those already there. During the last two years the immigration service at New York has been greatly improved and the corruption and inefficiency which formerly obtained there have been eradicated. This service has just been investigated by a committee of New York citizens of high standing, Messrs. Arthur v. Briesen, Lee K. Frankel, Eugene A. Philbin, Thomas W. Hynes and Ralph Trautman. Their report deals with the whole situation at length and concludes with certain recommendations for administrative and legislative action. It is now receiving the attention of the secretary of commerce and labor.

## Naturalization Frauds.

The special investigation of the subject of naturalization under the direction of the attorney general and the consequent prosecutions reveal a condition of affairs calling for the immediate attention of the congress. Forgeries and perjuries of shameless and flagrant character have been perpetrated not only in the dense centers of population, but throughout the country, and it is established beyond doubt that very many so called citizens of the United States have no title whatever to that right and are asserting and enjoying the benefits of the same through the grossest frauds. It is never to be forgotten that citizenship is, to quote the words recently used by the supreme court of the United States, an "inestimable heritage," whether it proceeds from birth within the country or is obtained by naturalization, and we poison the sources of our national character and strength at the fountain if the privilege is claimed and exercised without right and by means of fraud and corruption.

The federal grand jury lately in session in New York city dealt with this subject and made a presentment which states the situation briefly and forcibly and contains important suggestions for the consideration of the congress. This presentment is included as an appendix to the report of the attorney general.

## Public Land and Postal Frauds.

In my last annual message, in connection with the subject of the due regulation of combinations of capital which are or may become injurious to the public, I recommended a special appropriation for the better enforcement of the antitrust law as it now stands, to be expended under the direction of the attorney general. Accordingly (by the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation act of Feb. 25, 1903, 32 Stat., 854, 904), the congress appropriated for the purpose of enforcing the various federal trust and interstate commerce laws the sum of \$500,000, to be expended under the direction of the attorney general in the employment of special counsel and agents in the department of justice to conduct proceedings and prosecutions under said laws in the courts of the United States. I now recommend, as a matter of the ut-

most importance and urgency, the extension of the purposes of this appropriation, so that it may be available, under the direction of the attorney general and until used, for the due enforcement of the laws of the United States in general and especially of the civil and criminal laws relating to public lands and the laws relating to postal crimes and offenses and the subject of naturalization. Recent investigations have shown a deplorable state of affairs in these three matters of vital concern. By various frauds and by forgeries and perjuries thousands of acres of the public domain, embracing lands of different character and extending through various sections of the country, have been dishonestly acquired. It is hardly necessary to urge the importance of recovering these dishonest acquisitions, stolen from the people, and of promptly and duly punishing the offenders.

Through frauds, forgeries and perjuries and by shameless bribes the laws relating to the proper conduct of the public service in general and to the due administration of the postoffice department have been notoriously violated, and many indictments have been found, and the consequent prosecutions are in course of hearing or on the eve thereof. For the reasons thus indicated and so that the government may be prepared to enforce promptly and with the greatest effect the due penalties for such violations of law, and to this end may be furnished with sufficient instrumentalities and competent legal assistance for the investigations and trials which will be necessary at many different points of the country, I urge upon the congress the necessity of making the said appropriation available for immediate use for all such purposes, to be expended under the direction of the attorney general.

## Need For Treaties Making Bribery Extraditable.

Steps have been taken by the state department looking to the making of bribery an extraditable offense with foreign powers. The need of more effective treaties covering this crime is manifest. The exposures and prosecutions of official corruption in St. Louis, Mo., and other cities and states have resulted in a number of givers and takers of bribes becoming fugitives in foreign lands. Bribery has not been included in extradition treaties heretofore, as the necessity for it has not arisen. While there may have been as much official corruption in former years, there has been more developed and brought to light in the immediate past than in the preceding century of our country's history. It should be the policy of the United States to leave no place on earth where a corrupt man fleeing from this country can rest in peace.

## Alaskan Boundary.

After unavailing attempts to reach an understanding on the Alaskan boundary question through a joint high commission, followed by prolonged negotiations, conducted in an amicable spirit, a convention between the United States and Great Britain was signed Jan. 24, 1903, providing for an examination of the subject by a mixed tribunal of six members, three on a side, with a view to its final disposition. Ratifications were exchanged on March 3 last, whereupon the two governments appointed their respective members. Those on behalf of the United States were Elihu Root, secretary of war; Henry Cabot Lodge, a senator of the United States, and George Turner, an ex-senator of the United States, while Great Britain named the Right Hon. Lord Alverstone, lord chief justice of England; Sir Louis Amable Jette, K. C. M. G., retired judge of the supreme court of Quebec, and A. B. Aylesworth, K. C., of Toronto. This tribunal met in London on Sept. 3 under the presidency of Lord Alverstone. On the 20th of October a majority of the tribunal reached and signed an agreement on all the questions submitted by the terms of the convention. By this award the right of the United States to the control of a continuous strip or border of the mainland shore, skirting all the tidewater inlets and sinuosities of the coast, is confirmed; the entrance to Portland canal, concerning which legitimate doubt appeared, is defined as passing by Tongass inlet and to the northwestward of Wales and Pearse islands; a line is drawn from the head of Portland canal to the fifty-sixth degree of north latitude, and the interior border line of the strip is fixed by lines connecting certain mountain summits lying between Portland canal and Mount St. Elias and running along the crest of the divide separating the coast slope from the inland watershed at the only part of the frontier where the drainage ridge approaches the coast within the distance of ten marine leagues, stipulated by the treaty as the extreme width of the strip around the heads of Lynn canal and its branches.

While the line so traced follows the provisional demarcation of 1878 at the crossing of the Stikine river and that of 1899 at the summits of the White and Chilkoot passes, it runs much farther inland from the Klehini than the temporary line of the later *modus vivendi* and leaves the entire mining district of the Porcupine river and Glacier creek within the jurisdiction of the United States.

[The president here recapitulates the details of the imbroglio between European powers and Venezuela and the reference of certain points of the controversy to The Hague tribunal through the influence of the United States. This he calls a victory for American diplomacy and a triumph for international arbitration. He advocates an extension of international law to exempt all private property at sea from capture of destruction by forces of belligerent powers.]

## International Arbitration.

Last year, the interparliamentary union for international arbitration met at Vienna, 600 members of the differ-

ent legislatures of civilized countries attending. It was provided that the next meeting should be in 1904 at St. Louis, subject to our congress extending an invitation. Like The Hague tribunal, this interparliamentary union is one of the forces tending toward peace among the nations of the earth, and it is entitled to our support. I trust the invitation can be extended.

Early in July, having received intelligence, which happily turned out to be erroneous, of the assassination of our vice consul at Beirut, I dispatched a small squadron to that port for such service as might be found necessary on arrival. Although the attempt on the life of our vice consul had not been successful, yet the outrage was symptomatic of a state of excitement and disorder which demanded immediate attention. The arrival of the vessels had the happiest result. A feeling of security at once took the place of the former alarm and disquiet. Our officers were cordially welcomed by the consular body and the leading merchants, and ordinary business resumed its activity. The government of the sultan gave a considerate hearing to the representations of our minister; the official who was regarded as responsible for the disturbed condition of affairs was removed. Our relations with the Turkish government remain friendly. Our claims founded on inequitable treatment of some of our schools and missions appear to be in process of amicable adjustment.

## Relations With China.

The signing of a new commercial treaty with China, which took place at Shanghai on the 8th of October, is a cause for satisfaction. This act, the result of long discussion and negotiation, places our commercial relations with the great oriental empire on a more satisfactory footing than they have ever heretofore enjoyed. It provides not only for the ordinary rights and privileges of diplomatic and consular officers, but also for an important extension of our commerce by increased facility of access to Chinese ports and for the relief of trade by the removal of some of the obstacles which have embarrassed it in the past.

I trust that the congress will continue to favor in all proper ways the Louisiana Purchase exposition. This exposition commemorates the Louisiana purchase, which was the first great step in the expansion which made us a continental nation. The expedition of Lewis and Clark across the continent followed thereon and marked the beginning of the process of exploration and colonization which thrust our national boundaries to the Pacific.

The acquisition of the Oregon country, including the present states of Oregon and Washington, was a fact of immense importance in our history, first giving us our place on the Pacific seaboard and making ready the way for our ascendancy in the commerce of the greatest of the oceans. The centennial of our establishment upon the western coast by the expedition of Lewis and Clark is to be celebrated at Portland, Ore., by an exposition in the summer of 1905, and this event should receive recognition and support from the national government.

## Development of Alaska.

I call your special attention to the territory of Alaska. The country is developing rapidly, and it has an assured future. The mineral wealth is great and has as yet hardly been tapped. The fisheries, if wisely handled and kept under national control, will be a business as permanent as any other and of the utmost importance to the people. The forests, if properly guarded, will form another great source of wealth. Portions of Alaska are fitted for farming and stock raising, although the methods must be adapted to the peculiar conditions of the country. Proper land laws should be enacted and the survey of the public lands immediately begun. Coal land laws should be provided whereby the coal land entryman may make his location and secure patent under methods kindred to those now prescribed for homestead and mineral entrymen. Salmon hatcheries, exclusively under government control, should be established. The cable should be extended from Sitka westward. Wagon roads and trails should be built and the building of railroads promoted in all legitimate ways. Lighthouses should be built along the coast. Attention should be paid to the needs of the Alaska Indians. Provision should be made for an officer, with deputies, to study their needs, relieve their immediate wants and help them adapt themselves to the new conditions.

I recommend that an appropriation be made for building lighthouses in Hawaii and taking possession of those already built. The territory should be reimbursed for whatever amounts it has already expended for lighthouses. The governor should be empowered to suspend or remove any official appointed by him, without submitting the matter to the legislature.

## The Philippines and Porto Rico.

Of our insular possessions, the Philippines and Porto Rico, it is gratifying to say that their steady progress has been such as to make it unnecessary to spend much time in discussing them. Yet the congress should ever keep in mind that a peculiar obligation rests upon us to further in every way the welfare of these communities. The Philippines should be knit closer to us by tariff arrangements. It would, of course, be impossible suddenly to raise the people of the islands to the high pitch of industrial prosperity and of governmental efficiency to which they will in the end by degrees attain, and the caution and moderation shown in developing them have been among the main reasons why this development has hitherto gone on so smoothly. Scrupulous care has been taken in the choice of governmental agents and the entire elimination of partisan politics from the public service. The condition

of the islanders is in material things far better than ever before, while their governmental, intellectual and moral advance has kept pace with their material advance. No one people ever benefited another people more than we have benefited the Filipinos by taking possession of the islands.

## Preservation of Forests.

The work of reclamation of the arid lands of the west is progressing steadily and satisfactorily under the terms of the law setting aside the proceeds from the disposal of public lands.

The study of the opportunities of reclamation of the vast extent of arid land shows that whether this reclamation is done by individuals, corporations or the state, the sources of water supply must be effectively protected and the reservoirs guarded by the preservation of the forests at the headwaters of the streams. The necessity for perpetuating our forest resources, whether in public or private hands, is recognized now as never before. It is recommended that all matters pertaining to forest reserves, except those involving or pertaining to land titles, be consolidated in the bureau of forestry of the department of agriculture.

The cotton growing states have recently been invaded by a weevil that has done much damage and threatens the entire cotton industry. I suggest to the congress the prompt enactment of such remedial legislation as its judgment may approve.

No other class of our citizens deserves so well of the nation as those to whom the nation owes its very being, the veterans of the civil war. Special attention is asked to the excellent work of the pension bureau in expediting and disposing of pension claims. During the fiscal year ending July 1, 1903, the bureau settled 251,982 claims, an average of 825 claims for each working day of the year. The number of settlements since July 1, 1903, has been in excess of last year's average, approaching 1,000 claims for each working day, and it is believed that the work of the bureau will be current at the close of the present fiscal year.

## Extension of Civil Service Rules.

During the year ended June 30 last 25,566 persons were appointed through competitive examinations under the civil service rules. This was 12,672 more than during the preceding year and 40 per cent of those who passed the examinations. This abnormal growth was largely occasioned by the extension of classification to the rural free delivery service, and the appointment last year of over 9,000 rural carriers. A revision of the civil service rules took effect on April 15 last, which has greatly improved their operation. The completion of the reform of the civil service is recognized by good citizens everywhere as a matter of the highest public importance, and the success of the merit system largely depends upon the effectiveness of the rules and the machinery provided for their enforcement. A very gratifying spirit of friendly co-operation exists in all the departments of the government in the enforcement and uniform observance of both the letter and spirit of the civil service act.

## The Army and Navy.

The effect of the laws providing a general staff for the army and for the more effective use of the national guard has been excellent. Great improvement has been made in the efficiency of our army in recent years. Such schools as those erected at Fort Leavenworth and Fort Riley and the institution of full maneuver work accomplish satisfactory results. The good effect of these maneuvers upon the national guard is marked, and ample appropriation should be made to enable the guardsmen of the several states to share in the benefit. The government should as soon as possible secure suitable permanent camp sites for military maneuvers in the various sections of the country.

I heartily congratulate the congress upon the steady progress in building up the American navy. We cannot afford a let-up in this great work. To stand still means to go back. There should be no cessation in adding to the effective units of the fighting strength of the fleet. Meanwhile the navy department and the officers of the navy are doing well their part by providing constant service at sea under conditions akin to those of actual warfare. Our officers and enlisted men are learning to handle the battleships, cruisers and torpedo boats with high efficiency in fleet and squadron formations, and the standard of marksmanship is being steadily raised. The best work ashore is indispensable, but the highest duty of a naval officer is to exercise command at sea. It is eminently desirable that a naval general staff should be established.

## Isthmian Canal.

By the act of June 28, 1902, the congress authorized the president to enter into treaty with Colombia for the building of the canal across the isthmus of Panama, it being provided that in the event of failure to secure such treaty after the lapse of a reasonable time recourse should be had to building a canal through Nicaragua. It has not been necessary to consider this alternative, as I am enabled to lay before the senate a treaty providing for the building of the canal across the isthmus of Panama. This was the route which commended itself to the deliberate judgment of the congress, and we can now acquire by treaty the right to construct the canal over this route. The question now, therefore, is not by which route the isthmian canal shall be built, for that question has been definitely and irrevocably decided. The question is simply whether or not we shall have an isthmian canal.

When the congress directed that we should take the Panama route under treaty with Colombia, the essence of the condition, of course, referred to, was that the government which controlled that route, but to the route itself; to the

territory across which the route lay, not to the name which for the moment the territory bore on the map. The purpose of the law was to authorize the president to make a treaty with the power in actual control of the isthmus of Panama. This purpose has been fulfilled.

For 400 years, ever since shortly after the discovery of this hemisphere, the canal across the isthmus has been planned. For two score years it has been worked at. When made it is to last for the ages. It is to alter the geography of a continent and the trade routes of the world. We have shown by every treaty we have negotiated or attempted to negotiate with the peoples in control of the isthmus and with foreign nations in reference thereto our consistent good faith in observing our obligations, on the one hand to the peoples of the isthmus and on the other hand to the civilized world, whose commercial rights we are safeguarding and guaranteeing by our action. We have done our duty to others in letter and in spirit, and we have shown the utmost forbearance in exacting our own rights.

## Repudiation of Treaty by Colombia.

Last spring a treaty concluded between the representatives of the republic of Colombia and of our government was ratified by the senate. This treaty was entered into at the urgent solicitation of the people of Colombia and after a body of experts appointed by our government especially to go into the matter of the routes across the isthmus had pronounced unanimously in favor of the Panama route. In drawing up this treaty every concession was made to the people and to the government of Colombia. We were more than just in dealing with them. Our generosity was such as to make it a serious question whether we had not gone too far in their interest at the expense of our own, for in our scrupulous desire to pay all possible heed not merely to the real but even to the fancied rights of our weaker neighbor, who already owed so much to our protection and forbearance, we yielded in all possible ways to her desires in drawing up the treaty. Nevertheless, the government of Colombia not merely repudiated the treaty, but repudiated it in such manner as to make it evident by the time the Colombian congress adjourned that not the slightest hope remained of ever getting a satisfactory treaty from them.

## Revolution in Panama.

The people of Panama had long been discontented with the republic of Colombia, and they had been kept quiet only by the prospect of the conclusion of the canal treaty, which was to them a matter of vital concern. When it became evident that the treaty was hopelessly lost the people of Panama rose literally as one man. Not a shot was fired by a single man on the isthmus in the interest of the Colombian government. Not a life was lost in the accomplishment of the revolution. The Colombian troops stationed on the isthmus, who had long been unpaid, made common cause with the people of Panama, and with astonishing unanimity the new republic was started. The duty of the United States in the premises was clear. In strict accordance with the principles laid down by Secretaries Cass and Seward, the United States gave notice that it would permit the landing of no expeditionary force, the arrival of which would mean chaos and destruction along the line of the railroad and of the proposed canal and an interruption of transit as an inevitable consequence. The de facto government of Panama was recognized.

Under such circumstances the government of the United States would have been guilty of folly and weakness, amounting in their sum to a crime against the nation, had it acted otherwise than it did when the revolution of Nov. 3 last took place in Panama. This great enterprise of building the interoceanic canal cannot be held up to gratify the whims or out of respect to the governmental impotence or to the even more sinister and evil political peculiarities of people who, though they dwell afar off, yet, against the wish of the actual dwellers on the isthmus, assert an unreal supremacy over the territory. The possession of a territory fraught with such peculiar capacities as the isthmus in question carries with it obligations to mankind. The course of events has shown that this canal cannot be built by private enterprise or by any other nation than our own; therefore it must be built by the United States.

## New Treaty With Panama.

Every effort has been made by the government of the United States to persuade Colombia to follow a course which was essentially not only to our interests and to the interests of the world, but to the interests of Colombia itself. These efforts have failed, and Colombia, by her persistence in repudiating the advances that have been made; has forced us for the sake of our own honor and of the interest and well being, not merely of our own people, but of the people of the isthmus of Panama and the people of the civilized countries of the world, to take decisive steps to bring to an end a condition of affairs which had become intolerable. The new republic of Panama immediately offered to negotiate a treaty with us. This treaty I herewith submit. By it our interests are better safeguarded than in the treaty with Colombia which was ratified by the senate at its last session. It is better in its terms than the treaties offered to us by the republics of Nicaragua and Costa Rica. At last the right to begin this great undertaking is made available. Panama has done her part. All that remains is for the American congress to do its part, and forthwith this republic will enter upon the execution of a project colossal in its size and of well nigh incalculable possibilities for the good of this country and the nations of mankind.