

Mill Remnant Sale

The Greatest Sale we ever Inaugurated

Geo. Wyman & Co. offer during February, or until sold, Remnants and Run of the Mill goods at half price. Any one can offer you goods at full price, but we can sell you goods at half price and have the goods to deliver.

Silks and Dress Goods

One counter fancy silks, also plain taffeta, remnants and run of the mill, 50c yard.

Fancy embroidered Nainsooks, fancy dotted and striped mull, satin stripe cotton Batiste, all 25c quality at 12 1/2 c.

Fancy woven stripe Lawns 10c. White mercerized waists 75c worth to 50c at 20c yd. also 45 and 65c. White lace stripe lawns 5, 7 1/2 10c. Remnants 10c India linen 5c yd. Wool dress goods remnants at half price—you never saw such goods for the money.

Domestics

Standard prints, full pieces and remnants 3c, 4, 5c. Short lengths in gingham 5c to 7c. Mercerized gingham 10c, 12 1/2 c. 36 inch Porcelains 6c to 10c. 36 inch silkolets 8c. 6-4 Popperell brown muslin 9 1/2, 8-4 12 1/2 c.

Hosiery and Underwear

Run of the mill children's stockings, 25c quality 10c. Men's shirts and drawers 50c quality 25c. Flannel overshirts, 75c quality 25c. Men's stiff bosom shirts, \$1.00 quality, sizes 16 1/2 and 17, 25c. Sample—Lined gloves and mittens for men, women and children at half price—ladies' golf gloves, 50c quality 25c.

Cloak Stock

Ladies' walking skirts \$4 quality \$2; \$6 quality \$3. Dress skirts \$5 quality \$2.50. Flannellette wrappers 75c; Percale wrappers, \$2 quality \$1. Ladies' muslin night dresses, skirts, drawers, chemise 25c. Children's dresses, \$1 quality 50c. Children's and ladies' cloaks at half price.

Millinery

All winter hats at less than half price—50c and up.

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

Closed evenings except Saturday

Suicide Prevented.

The startling announcement that a preventive of suicide had been discovered will interest many. A run down system, or despondency invariably precedes suicide and something has been found that will prevent that condition which makes suicide likely. At the first thought of self destruction take Electric Bitters. It being a great tonic and nerve will strengthen the nerves and build up the system. It's also a great stomach, liver, and kidney regulator. Only 50c Satisfaction guaranteed by W. N. Brodrick, druggist

All winter goods
25 per cent off.
G. W. Noble.

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

U. S. Corn Cure for ladies is clean and colorless, sure and safe, stopping the pain at once and curing in a few days. Price 15, two for 25c at Dr. E. S. Dodd & Son's.

House's bus line to Niles will be discontinued till the first of April, then will run twice each day. A single rig to Niles and return \$1.00, if stabled while there.

Elmer Hawblitzell, Lakeville, says "Wine Lo-ti" (Coonley's beef, iron and wine with nerve) 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.

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

Wine Lo-Ti.

Made of beef, iron, wine, nerve, 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.

FOR SALE—House and 2 lots, barn, chicken house, shop and woodshed and plenty of fruit, on South Portage street. For particulars enquire of Valentine Schram, Portage street.

Humor and Philosophy

By DUNCAN M. SMITH

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PERT PARAGRAPHS.

Sometimes a man wishes the married knot was not.

Even though they are made of worsted they are kid gloves if they are children's size.



The man on a spree does not count the costs. The judge tends to that.

Silence is golden, but you can't collect on it.

Since slippers were made to be worn on the feet, the small boy thinks they should be used for that purpose.

If you succeed in beating another man's game do not become inflated and go back to show him how you did it.

In a competition for the meanest landlord there are few men who would not want to enter the man to whom they pay rent.

When a man's mother-in-law is worth a million he thinks the newspaper jokes on the subject are positively stupid.

Crying is the cheapest form of amusement in which a woman can indulge.

When a man gets the mitten from a girl it generally pinches.

Even though a man is comfortably settled on Easy street he is apt to find some flaws in the pavement.

The only difference between pants and trousers is the price.

We have not the combined testimony of Solomon's wives that he was the wisest man who ever lived.

The man who tries to learn to skate after he is thirty makes a hit both with the ice and the spectators.

Korea Follows Russia's Lead. St. Louis, Feb. 23. — Korea has withdrawn from participation in the Louisiana Purchase exposition, and has officially notified the management of the exposition to that effect.

The Death Penalty.

A little thing sometimes results in death. Thus a mere scratch, insignificant cuts or puny boils have paid the death penalty. It is wise to have Bucklen's Arnica Salve ever handy. It's the best Salve on earth and will prevent fatality, when burns, sores, ulcers and piles threaten. Only 25c at W. N. Brodrick's drug store.

Be Sure You're Right

Then Go Ahead, is Good Advice for Municipalities as Well as Individuals.

Buchanan has one of the finest electric power houses in this section of the country; and the village is equipped with poles and wires, which in a few days could be put in first class condition.

Mr. Chapin offers to light the village at as reasonable a price as can be secured anywhere, yet at the last council meeting, he offered to light certain streets a month on trial, and his proposition was not even considered. Is that right?

Former Buchanan Lady Married.

VAN GORDEN—BENEDICT

Mrs. Clara Holmes Benedict of this city and G. B. Van Gorden of Carbondale, Pa., more recently of Schenectady, N. Y., were married at the home of the bride, at 3:30 o'clock this afternoon, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Robert Clements, pastor of the Presbyterian church, in the presence of a few intimate friends. The bride is well known in Cortland, and has been for the past twelve years a highly successful teacher in the city schools, while the groom is a prominent contractor and an influential citizen of Carbondale, now engaged in business in Schenectady.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Gorden will make Cortland their home for a short time, but later expect to reside in Schenectady.—Cortland, (N. Y.) Standard.

Mrs. Van Gorden is a sister of Mrs. J. L. Knight of this place.

DAYTON.

Remember the candy social at the Woodman hall Saturday evening. Ladies bring a box of candy for your sweethearts.

Miss Agnes Ernsperger, of Niles, visited her parents over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Weaver and Mrs. O. Weaver visited A. C. Weaver and family, Friday.

Mrs. Bramel, wife of Senator C. W. Bramel, of Laramie, Wyoming, is visiting her brother, A. C. Weaver and family.

Quite a number attended the church social at Mr. and Mrs. A. Ernsperger's Monday evening. The evening was spent in singing and playing games. Mr. Allen was auctioneer, and the proceeds \$9, are to be used for minister's salary.

Mrs. Met Glendene is quite sick.

Republican Village Caucus.

The Republican Village Caucus will be held in Rough's Opera House Monday evening, March 7, at 7:30 o'clock, for the purpose of placing in nomination, candidates for the village offices to be elected, March 14th, and for such other business as may come before it.

GEO. W. NOBLE,
A. A. WORTHINGTON,
I. L. H. DODD,
Village Committee

Don't miss Laurant the great magician, at Rough's opera house tonight.

Use Chase and Sanborn's high grade coffee. W. H. Keller.

Farmers' Attention!

For the sake of the RECORD patrons we have arranged to distribute a limited number of Horticultural reports. If you want one bring or send the coupon in today's RECORD, at once, as no one will be refused, and they will soon be gone.

If you desire to have one sent by mail send 7 cents for package, and postage.

BUCHANAN RECORD

Please send me a copy of Horticultural report for the year 1902.

HOPEFUL OUTLOOK

Although the Committee to Laporte Failed to Accomplish Anything

MR. CHARLES A. CHAPIN

Has Placed Himself on Record as Willing to Lend a Hand.

Messrs E. S. Roe, Wm Bainton and H. H. Hosford, committee to interview Mr. Chapin on the power question, went to Niles on Tuesday and returned in high spirits. Mr. Chapin received them very cordially and cheerfully granted forty horse power for two years, for the wagon works in prospect.

Wednesday Amos House and Chas. Bishop went to Laporte to see Mr. Turnbull and the parties interested, saying that we were ready to accept their proposition in regard to the wagon works.

The committee were not able to see any of the parties interested except Mr. Turnbull. The failure to see any of the parties will no doubt not make any difference, as the men are the most reputable and it is no doubt that as we have accepted their proposition, it may be safely counted as an assured thing.

Birthday Surprise Party

Tuesday evening, at the rural home of Mrs. A. Tichenor, a large number of her friends gathered in honor of her birthday, bringing many very pretty gifts as reminders of the occasion.

There were over 80 persons present, the event being in the nature of a surprise for Mrs. Tichenor. A merry social hour was enjoyed and an appetizing luncheon was served, the guests lingering late to enjoy the hospitality of their hostess.

The out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. John Tichenor, of Dowagiac, who are being entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Roe.

Monday Club.

The M. L. Club met with Mrs. E. S. Roe. After the opening exercises Mrs. Roe led in the history lesson, which covered the period of Chas. I's reign and the Protectorate of Oliver Cromwell. Mrs. Williams furnished a well prepared paper on the Puritans which was read by Mrs. Howard. John Milton was the subject of Miss Hahn's paper. Famous English Preachers was ably handled by Mrs. Johnson. Mrs. Phelps gave an interesting talk with selections, on John and Charles Wesley.

The club received a very interesting letter from Mrs. Peacock who is spending the winter in California. After roll call the club adjourned to meet with Mrs. I. L. H. Dodd Feb. 29.

School Notes.

WARD SCHOOL.

The attendance during the past week has been quite small owing to sickness.

Bernice Gymberson won in the first grade spelling contest Friday.

Only nine immunes in second grade. The remaining 23 pupils are kept at home with measles.

Will Keep Cool.

S. C. Cook says they have filled the ice house at Clear lake farm with beautiful ice from the lake, 18 inches thick. It makes one's mouth water even now to think of the delicious ice cream and other cool goodies that will be served there next summer.

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.

GRASS AND ALFALFA.

Growing Together in Unity and Making Fine Cattle.

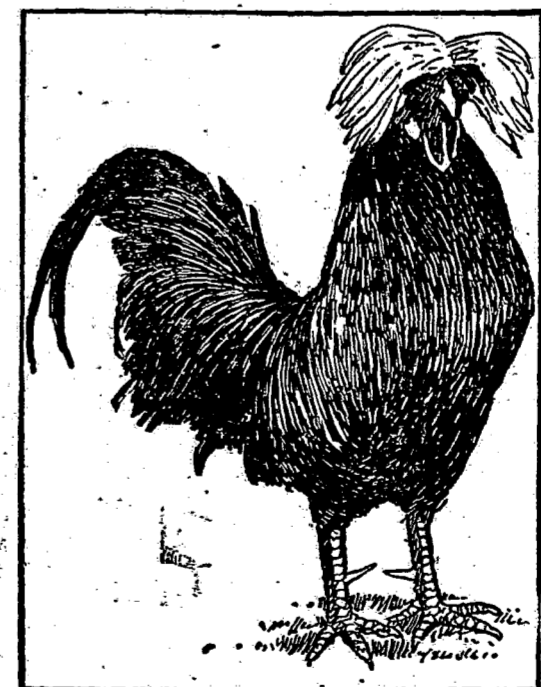
At the Pittsboro (Ind.) institute we had Mr. J. N. Shirley of Boone county to talk about alfalfa. He owns a hundred acre farm, fifty of which are in alfalfa and fifty in blue grass, and his business is the growing of cattle. Excepting a little grain to calves in their first year the feed is blue grass and alfalfa in the summer and alfalfa hay in the winter. Mr. Shirley says he does not like to plow, and he sees no use of doing so. He has a herd of Herefords and produces fancy cattle without any particular labor except that of making hay and feeding it. The scheme was so novel to me for an eastern state and the memory of criticism of myself for reporting examples of success difficult of acceptance by the uncircumcised and nonelect was so recent that I made inquiry of Mr. Shirley's neighbors and others who know his farm, and they say that this farm is run just as it is represented.

According to my notes of Mr. Shirley's talk the story runs as follows: Eight years ago he sowed one and a half acres in the spring where his wheat had failed. It was rich black soil, and twenty pounds of seed per acre were used. The next year he sowed more land, part of it clay soil, on which the alfalfa did equally well. One year he seeded eighteen acres at the last working of the corn, sowing the seed ahead of the cultivator and covering it two inches deep. It was a showery fall, and a good stand was got on all except two and a half acres. He has sown any time from April to August with good results. There are now fifty acres on the farm, and some of the blue grass on the other fifty acres will be plowed up and seeded to alfalfa. No effort will be made to kill the blue grass out by cultivation of a crop, but he expects it to come in with the alfalfa, occupying the surface with its roots while the alfalfa uses the soil down below the surface. Some grass and alfalfa are now growing together, dwelling together in unity and making choice pasture.

While Mr. Shirley is keeping his cattle on blue grass and alfalfa and some mixture of alfalfa and timothy and is growing fine Herefords for breeding and for the block without grain after the first year, it does not follow that alfalfa without grain will give satisfactory results to others. It will to some, probably; not to all. His blue grass is heavy, and that is a great feed. Lots of the credit is due to the grass. But we should see that alfalfa is less difficult to grow than some have supposed and that if we can produce the five to seven tons per acre that Mr. Shirley gets—or the half of it—we have a cheap and wonderfully rich feed. Alfalfa is to be grown far more extensively in the states east of the Mississippi than it now is. The experiments in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and other states prove its adaptability to a wide area of soils.—Alva Agee in National Stockman.

Desirable Fowls on Small Places.

The Polish are a class of poultry very much liked by fanciers and breeders who have small places and can give them the proper attention, says American Agriculturist in presenting the accompanying cut. They are probably



WHITE CRESTED BLACK POLISH COCK.

the handsomest class of poultry, their large topknots and brilliant coloring making them very attractive. The White Crested Black are solid black in color except the topknot, which is pure white. The fowls are medium in size and lay beautiful white eggs.

Hastening the Rhubarb.

Give the rhubarb plants in the garden a heavy dressing of fine old compost. If you wish a few early stalks place kegs or boxes over some of the plants and heap over them some horse manure.

No Match for "Philadelphia Jack." Chicago, Feb. 23. — Jack O'Brien, of Philadelphia, disposed of Charlie Mack, of Milwaukee, in the third round of a six-round bout. Mack was knocked down several times in the second round.

SLEIGHING PARTIES

Everybody is now Taking Advantage of the Fine Sleighting

AND ENJOYING THEMSELVES

Hospitable Country People Welcome Their Village Friends.

As it is not altogether probable that our small spell of cold weather and fine sleighing will continue longer than a couple of months more, everybody that is so fortunate as to own a horse and sleigh or have any friends that do, is taking advantage of it.

Tuesday morning George Hanley drove into town with a large sled fitted up with a number of seats and comfortable wraps, which was filled in less time than it can be told with 17 ladies of the Presbyterian aid society who were to be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hanley at dinner.

Several others drove in their own conveyances and 22 presented themselves at the bounteous dinner, as only can be supplied from the larder of well-to-do and prosperous farmers, of which Mr. Hanley and his good spouse stand at the head.

It needs not to be told that all present enjoyed the day to the full and voted that when Mr. and Mrs. Hanley extended invitations again none would be missing.

It is wonderful how quickly an open door to the hospitable home is found by all, and of all the open doors and hospitable homes there is none more so than L. S. Bronson's, as the load taken out by Harry Perrott can verify. Mr. and Mrs. Bronson are never surprised at such small things, as they are always prepared for them. Young and old were soon enjoying music and games and lastly but not the least by any means, abundant refreshments were served, and the party bled themselves homeward all voting to return at the first opportunity.

30 CLUB.

The weekly meeting of the 30 Club was held with Mrs. Ed Weaver, Wednesday, a large number being present.

Low Wallace was the author studied and interesting papers on "Wallace as a Statesman" by Mrs. Daisy Rough, and "Wallace as an Author" by Mrs. Ida Bishop, were read. Quotations from Ben Hur were given at roll call, after which the ladies enjoyed some music from the gramophone, "Lead Kindly Light" and other beautiful selections being played.

Mrs. Mayme Boyle then gave a synopsis of "Fair God" which evinced much study and elicited genuine interest.

After adjournment, the ladies were treated to a marsh mellow toast and coincidentally experienced much merriment.

Mrs. D. L. Boardman was a guest of the club.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Boyle, on March 2.

Wanted

Special Representative in this county and adjoining territories, to represent and advertise an old established business house of solid financial standing. Salary \$21 weekly, with expenses, paid each Monday by check direct from headquarters. Expenses advanced, and horse and buggy furnished when necessary; position permanent. Address, The Columbia, 680 Monon Bldg., Chicago, Ill. m. 1

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

NEW SPRING SUITS FOR LITTLE BOYS

The first ripples of spring newness have started in our Children's Department. Enough new styles have arrived and are on exhibition to interest any mother who has begun to plan her boy's spring outfit.

These snappy little suits for boys 2-12 to 8 years are fresh from two of the best New York makers of boys' clothing, S. W. Peck & Co., and Sam'l Rosenthal. It isn't often you get so good a chance to select new goods ahead of the season, but this is one of those unexpected opportunities that Spiro's are always planning, and you'll do wisely to make the most of it.

A GLIMPSE OF FIVE BRAND NEW STYLES

The Buster Brown Norfolk, in fancy mixtures; with regular collar covered with white-detachable one, black bow and belt and bloomer trousers—the newest thing with strap and buckle at the knee—or regular short pants if preferred.

The Buster Brown Russian suit of royal blue or brown serge, with white chevron and plain white leather belt, very stylish.

The new Peter Thompon Blouse suit with small high-out collar—without dickey—and with U. S. emblem on sleeve. In navy blue serge, with white trimmed collar and small black tie.

The new Buster Brown suit in royal blue serge, double breasted, trimmed with brass buttons and belt; has brass buckle white collar and tie to match.

For the older boys, 8 to 16 years, the new double breasted two piece suits are the styles that will be largely worn. The Norfolks are in navy blue serge, chevrons and fancy mixtures.

The Buster Brown suits are sold exclusively here and the bloomer trousers are a novelty that we are the first to show.

We believe we sell more boys' clothing than any other South Bend clotheirs; we know that we have and hold the leadership.

THE ONE PRICE CLOTHIERS.

Sam'l Spiro & Co.

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South Bend, Indiana.

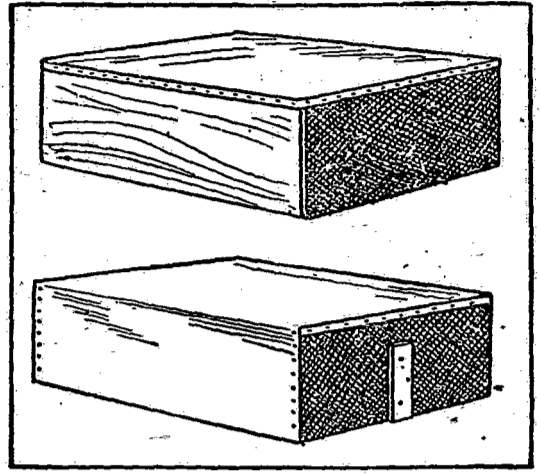
FARM GARDEN

PLANT PROTECTORS.

Devices For Shielding Early Plants From Frost, Winds and Bugs.

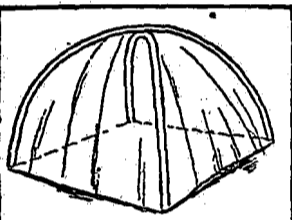
Get your plant protectors ready, for there will be little time to do so later on. T. Greiner gives designs and descriptions in Farm and Fireside for some useful-homemade devices for protecting early plants from frost and cold winds and from bugs.

First is the simple box frame, a box without top or bottom, say a foot square and four to six inches high. A



BOX WITH MUSLIN TOP—MUSLIN COVER WITH END BOARDS.

square piece of cloth or netting may be tacked over the top. A similar device is made of stiff paper, with a piece of cheesecloth sewed or pasted right over a square opening cut into the top, the sides being held down by pieces of wire bent in double pin shape. For another device a piece of netting may be tacked in two end boards, each end board being provided with a small sharpened stake (nailed on the outside), which when pushed into the ground will hold the end boards in place, with the cloth stretched tightly between them over the plants. Even a large piece of cloth or netting and a few sticks will do the business. We can take some pieces of willow twigs or other pliable wood and stick a couple of them crosswise into the ground in the form of a bow over



WILLOW TWIGS AND MUSLIN.

the top of plants or a single plant and place the piece of cloth over this frame, holding the edges down by banking a little soil up over them, or we may simply push one or more little sticks slantingly into the ground and over the plant or plants and cover with netting, or the netting may be simply placed directly over the plants in loose folds. Cheesecloth may be considered preferable to ordinary mosquito netting. The latter is rather coarse and would not prove an effective barrier to thrips and other small insects that might do damage. All these devices are simple and perhaps as effective as any more elaborate or more costly ones.

FARMERS' INSTITUTES.

Some Things They Are Accomplishing—The Independent Institute.

The demand for farmers' institutes is genuine when local communities are willing to pay all expenses in case the state is unable to grant their requests, says Alva Agee in National Stockman. In the first week of January I attended two such meetings in Indiana while on my way to Minnesota. The first one was at Carthage, and it has not been my privilege to be present at a more enthusiastic meeting anywhere this season. There is a sufficient number of the Friends at Carthage to remind one constantly of towns in Chester county, Pa. Evidences of prosperity are on every hand. The last few years have been exceptionally profitable ones in the corn belt, and the farmers are very glad that they are on earth.

At this institute we had Mr. S. F. McMahon and Mrs. Virginia Meredith, two veteran institute instructors of the state. Mr. McMahon probably knows as much about corn as is known, and that means a great deal. It has been a revelation to me to learn how thoroughly these breeders of corn have studied and developed this grain. They are after an ear of corn that is so formed that it contains a high percentage of grain that is rich in protein, high in vitality and very prolific. That means deep, wedge shaped, thick grains, with big germs, all placed on a cob that holds its thickness to the tip and that is covered with grain to the very tip. There are states farther east whose corn growers would be pleased and profited by the information Mr. McMahon has about our great American cereal.

Mrs. Meredith is a farmer and a breeder of Shorthorn cattle whose reputation extends over many states. She has been successful because she has ability and a love for her work. From her example we do not infer that women should or should not turn to farm management for a livelihood. All depends upon the individual. We do learn, however, that if an individual has ability and natural inclination that person may win in practical farming, whether man or woman.

The other independent institute was at Pittsboro, Ind., in the corn belt, where hogs have been adding to the wealth of the people. Many ladies attended the meeting, and the institute committee arranged early in the season to secure Mrs. J. W. Bates, one of the well known Indiana workers, to discuss topics of special interest to housekeepers. The interest of the people in all subjects on the programme was of the sort that should cause all speakers to do their best work.

AX HANDLES.

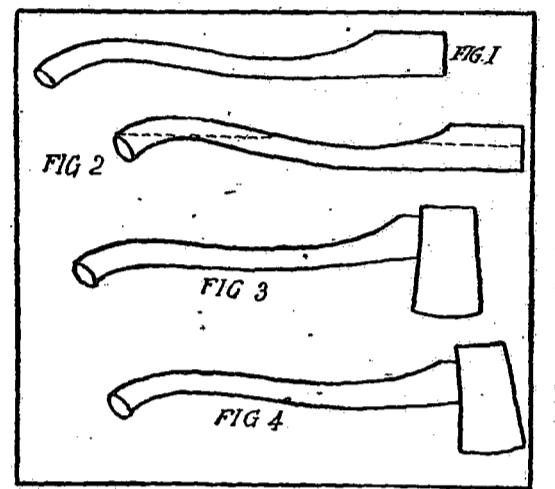
Heart or Sap Wood—Curved or Straight—Hanging the Ax.

When buying an ax handle always select one that is made entirely from the sap wood or the heart wood, but never one that is made partly of each, for it will split along the line of union. Handles made from sap wood are more elastic and better for chopping, and a man will not tire or get sore so quickly when using one, says an Orange Judd Farmer correspondent.

I prefer those made from the heart wood for splitting, although they are not so durable. The proper length and curve of the handle depend upon the habit and method of chopping of the user. With a long handle a man will strike a much harder blow, but with a short handle he will strike oftener, so there is practically no difference in the work accomplished.

The curve, too, depends upon the habit of the user. A curved handle has no advantage over the one that is perfectly straight. Most people prefer the curved because they are accustomed to its use. As a rule, the straight handle is more durable. The size of the handle depends upon the muscular development of the user. If it is too small it will cramp the fingers, and if too large it will lame the hands and wrists.

If one will examine the end of a piece of wood he will see that it is made of layers, each layer representing the growth of one year. Wood splits much more easily along these lines than across them; hence when



AX HANDLES AND AXES.

selecting an ax handle always choose one in which the layers are parallel with the line of force, as shown in Fig. 1. If they are at right angles, as in Fig. 2, a few days' use will cause the handle to split along the dotted lines shown. The difference in quality in this respect is so marked that many dealers sort their handles and make the price of one about double that of the other.

In hanging an ax considerable attention should be paid to the kind of work which is to be done. For small wood hang an ax pointing in, as shown in Fig. 3. For very large trees hang it squarely across or at right angles to the handle, and for splitting, especially block wood, hang it out according to Fig. 4. This gives one a chance to strike a heavy blow squarely across the block, using the whole bit of the ax, and without making a tiresome bend of the back with every blow. The relative position of the blade and handle may be changed by inserting a small wedge in the eye of the ax, either above or below the handle, as occasion may require.

Alfalfa in Western Nebraska.

As yet alfalfa is a new thing to a large percentage of the stockmen of Cherry county, but the acreage increases every season. J. H. Batchelor, a big stockman, seeded forty acres to alfalfa a year ago last May, cut three times during the season and got a ton to the acre each time. He believes alfalfa growing will be one of the important factors of the live stock business of western Nebraska within the next few years. In speaking of his venture Mr. Batchelor says: "The first essential to its success is loose soil. Those who have tried it find that it thrives on blue stem ground and gives the best of satisfaction. When a ranchman gets three tons of feed off one acre of ground he is making two blades of grass grow where one grew before and more. Those who have grown it are more than pleased with results and predict that it will cut a big figure in the range countries in time. As a result of my experience I am going to break up a hundred acres for alfalfa next spring. I am going to investigate methods of seeding, and if I find that it can be successfully grown 'sod' I will seed the ground right after it is turned."—Orange Judd Farmer.

Echoes From the Press.

When scalding a hog put it in a cask or trough and throw three or four handfuls of air slaked lime over it, then put in your boiling water. It will make the bristles fly, says an Orange Judd Farmer correspondent.

Cannibals of Africa are said to prefer pork to human meat. Savage practices have thus been checked by cultural methods, and the pig attracts attention as the greatest civilizer of the age.

Fourteen ounces of pins welded into a solid mass were found in a cow's stomach at one of the Chicago packing houses. That cow must have been full of good points.

This going to a farm for a living is serious business, with the chances against any one who thinks that farming is a soft job or an easy business to learn.

Farmers in sentiment occupy a middle ground between capital and labor, with little sympathy for the method of either.

Pure food laws should not be objectionable to the honest citizen, while the practices of the dishonest class should be checked by legislation.

Farmers who fail to read regularly think in ruts.

AMERICA'S BEST Coffee

BELL'S MOCHA AND JAVA



Packed in One-Pound Dust-Proof Cartons

This Coffee is a special blend of the best South American Mocha and Java and is selected by our special agent from private growth plantations. It is superior to any offered heretofore at a moderate price and is

GUARANTEED TO PLEASE THE MOST FASTIDIOUS TASTE.

BEST for the Money Ever Offered in This Country.

We Control the ENTIRE PRODUCTION OF THESE COFFEES.

J. H. BELL & CO.
62 & 64 Michigan Ave., Chicago

Eighth Grade Social

Last evening at the home of her father, Wm. Proud, Lily Proud of the eighth grade, entertained about 20 of the eighth graders. The evening was spent very pleasantly in playing games, after which refreshments were served and all voted Miss Proud an exceptionally fine entertainer.

Puts an End to it All.

A grievous wail oftentimes comes as a result of unbearable pain from overtaxed organs. Dizziness, backache, liver complaint and constipation. But thanks to Dr. King's New Life Pills they put an end to it all. They are gentle but thorough. Try them. Only 25c. Guaranteed by W. N. Brodrick, druggist.

That was a shrewd remark which an old merchant made recently to a young merchant: "Handle goods of reputation, my boy," said he. And he was worth listening to, for he had made a fortune in a little country town. Below are goods with a national reputation, consumers and it will pay you well to buy them. Bell's Mocha and Java Coffee, 20c lb., subject to market fluctuations; Bell's Banner Coffee, 30c lb.; Bell's Imperial Coffee, 35c lb.; Bell's Crown Brand Coffee, 40c lb.; Bell's O. G. Plantation Coffee (best in the world), 45c lb. Sold only in one-pound sealed packages, moisture and dust-proof. Ask for Bell's coffees and get the best.

WANTED—Men or women local representatives for a high class magazine. Large commissions. Cash prizes. Write J. N. Trainer, 80 East Washington Square, New York, N. Y. t. f.

D. L. Boardman will give 1/4 off on all woolen dress goods during the coming week.

C. B. Treat & Co's. Real Estate Bargains

Buchanan, Berrien County Mich.

One 23 acre farm, good house, extra large barn, lots of fruit. - One 7 acre farm, good house, lots of fruit. Two 10 acre farms, no buildings, excellent fruit land. The above described property is west of town, in city limits; all within ten minutes walk of the post office.

Eight 10 acre farms under high state of cultivation, no buildings; no better land for fruit than this. - One 80 acre farm, no buildings, choice land. One 167 1/2 acre farm, modern house, good barn, well fenced. All situated about 1 mile south of town.

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One 100 acre farm, good buildings, some timber, apple and peach orchard. Good dairy farm, situated 2 1/2 miles northwest of town.

One 100 acre farm, fair buildings, good soil, apple and peach orchard. One 40 acre farm, fair buildings, apple and peach orchard, good fruit land. One 20 acre farm, fair house, no barn, good fruit land. The three above places are situated about 4 miles north of town within 1/2 mile from the siding on the Pere Marquette railroad.

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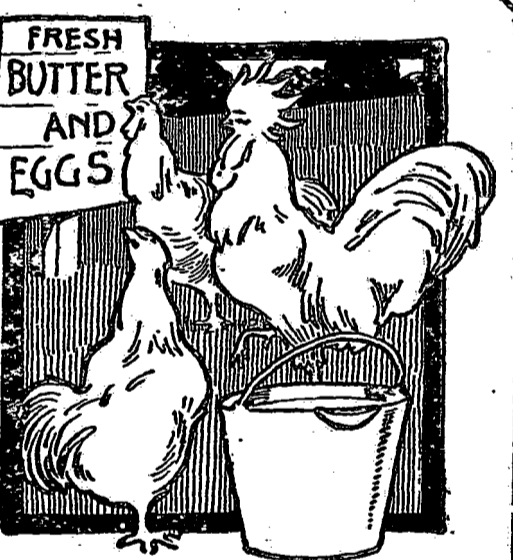


China

Dainty and Serviceable; Decorated and Plain, all kinds Special Sale of all kinds of chinaware this week.

The Racket

J. C. Rehm.



Lion Coffee.....12c
Arbuckle's Coffee.....12c
XXXX Coffee.....12c
Corn Meal per sack.....10c

W. H. KELLER,
BUCHANAN.

Every Saturday there is a special sale on some article at the Buchanan Cash Grocery. Attend these sales and buy your groceries for less money than the credit groceryman can buy them at.

Coolley'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.

Some stock to close at a price.

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D. F. BOWER, EDITOR.

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

TERMS

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FEBRUARY 26, 1904.

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False and Injurious Reports.

It is quite surprising how a false report will be circulated; yesterday every person that one met told the story that the wagon factory deal had fallen through, that they had no intention of coming to Buchanan at all, but were working Laporte for all they could get.

It is quite as strange how such a report could have started at all, unless it a mere repetition of what some persons may have thought, and possibly expressed, for if we remember rightly, we heard a lack of confidence expressed Monday evening, at the business men's meeting.

It does not seem that the committee could have circulated such a report, certainly the member whom we interviewed did not, although he did not seem to be as sanguine as he was on Monday evening.

It is quite unfortunate that a committee of business men should go to interview the Laporte parties without previously informing them of their coming or finding out when they could be seen. These men, no doubt are honorable, and men of business, who cannot be found sitting around in some store or club house. The member of the committee we saw was sick, which prob-

ly accounted for the discouraging view he took and it may be that he had come in contact with some influence that affected him, but he positively stated that the committee had not seen one of the monied men, as one was on the bench in court being a judge, another was in Chicago, and the third was traveling.

So far as we can see, there is no reason to suppose that the conditions are any different from what they were on Monday evening, as Mr. Turnbull, who was seen by the committee, is just as desirous of coming to Buchanan as he has been.

Let the committee make an appointment to meet these men as soon as possible, then go to Laporte and remain till they do see them.

Since writing the above, we have seen both the remaining members of the committee, and it is certain that without their seeing one of the principals, they are willing to let the matter go by default.

Later—H. H. Hosford telephoned to Judge Richter and he says that they have decided nothing in regard to the wagon works, and arranged to have a committee from here meet them as soon as possible. He will write or telephone Mr. Hosford when to meet them.

Looks as if something could be done if the proper move was made.

Murdered

Last Saturday evening at about 9 o'clock, at the corner of Vestula avenue and Bronson street, in South Bend, Wm. Runyan, a young druggist, was killed while in a combat with an unknown man. The conflict was seen by a number of persons, all of whom seem to have run from the scene to get some weapon with which to attack the assassin, who in the confusion escaped.

Up to the present writing no one has been captured on whom the guilt can be positively placed, although several persons have been arrested and released, while Wm. Bowell, of Plymouth, Ind is still being held.

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"The Niagara Falls Route."
TRAINS EAST.
 LEAVE BUCHANAN.
 Detroit Night Express, No. 8.....12:42 A. M.
 News Express, No. 46.....5:11 A. M.
 Mail, No. 3.....9:49 A. M.
 Grand Rapids Special, No. 42.....3:03 P. M.
 Train No. 14.....5:19 P. M.
 Chicago & Kalamazoo Accom., No. 22.....6:28 P. M.
 Train No. 44 due about 7:10 p. m. will stop to let off Chicago passengers.
TRAINS WEST.
 LEAVE BUCHANAN.
 No. 37 Pacific Express 4:17 a. m. stop only to let off passengers.
 East Mail No. 3.....5:45 A. M.
 Chicago & Kalamazoo Accom., No. 15.....9:12 A. M.
 Train No. 43.....10:48 A. M.
 Train No. 45.....2:46 p. m.
 Mail, No. 5.....3:40 P. M.
 No. 23, 6:15 p. m. will stop to take Chicago passengers.
 No. 47, Chicago & Kalamazoo Express 7:32 P. M.
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BUCHANAN BRANCH
 Effective Sunday, Jan. 17, 1903,
 trains on the Benton Harbor Branch,
 between Benton Harbor and Buchanan,
 will be operated on the following
 schedule:

GOING NORTH	GOING SOUTH
No. 5 No. 3 Trains run week p. m. a. m. days only	No. 2 No. 4 a. m. p. m.
4 10 10 Lv. Buchanan...Ar 5 53 10 55 Ar. Benton Harbor...Lv	8 40 3 10 7 30 1 30

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 Making close connections at Benton Harbor for St. Joe, South Haven, Muskegon, Grand Rapids, Saginaw, Petoskey, Laporte and Lacrosse.

Trains leave Benton Harbor for Chicago and west, 6:50 a. m., 11.16 a. m., 4 p. m., 3:20 a. m.

For Grand Rapids and north, 2:52 a. m., 7:22 a. m., 12:10 p. m., 7:05 p. m.
 H. F. MOEHLER, A. E. KETCHUM, G. P. A. Agt.

Cleveland, Cincinnati, Chicago and St. Louis R. R.

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 The popular route between Michigan Cities and all Southern points,
 Trains carrying passengers leave Niles as follows:

GOING NORTH	GOING SOUTH
Daily ex. Sunday	Daily ex. Sunday
No. 22.....7:52 a. m.	No. 23.....8:24 a. m.
22.....12:50 p. m.	25.....1:35 p. m.
34.....5:30 p. m.	27.....6:15 p. m.

CLAUDE SMITH, Agent, Niles, Mich.

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Estate of Robert H. Coveney, Deceased.
 STATE OF MICHIGAN, the Probate Court for the County of Berrien,
 At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of St. Joseph in said County, on the 23rd day of February A. D. 1904.
 Present: Hon. Frank H. Ellsworth, Judge of Probate.
 In the matter of the estate of Robert H. Coveney, deceased.
 Herbert Roe, administrator, having filed in said Court his final administration account, and his petition praying for the allowance thereof and for the assignment and distribution of the residue of said estate.
 It is ordered, that the 21st day of March A. D. 1904, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.
 It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the **Buchanan Record**, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.
 (A true copy)
 ROLAND E. BARR, Judge of Probate.
 Registrar of Probate.
 Last publication Mar. 11, 1904.

OFFICIAL CALL

For Republican State Convention, May 18, 1904

AT GRAND RAPIDS
 For the Purpose of Electing Delegates to the National Convention.

The Republican State Central Committee, with headquarters at Detroit, has issued the following call, signed by Chairman Gerrit J. Diekema and Secretary Dennis E. Alward.

The State Convention of the Republicans of Michigan is called to meet at the Auditorium, in the city of Grand Rapids, on Wednesday, May 18, 1904, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of electing four delegates-at-large and four alternate delegates-at-large to the Republican National Convention to be held at Chicago, June 21st, 1904, a Chairman of the Republican State Central Committee and two members thereof from each congressional district; also for the purpose of placing in nomination fourteen candidates for Electors of President and Vice President of the United States, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the Convention.

In accordance with the resolution of 1876 and 1900, every county will be entitled to one delegate for each five hundred of the total vote cast therein for Governor at the last election in a Presidential year (November, 1900) and one additional delegate for every fraction amounting to three hundred, each organized county being entitled to at least two delegates.

The Republican State Central Committee recommends that the several Republican County Committees for the ensuing two years be chosen at the County Conventions, which elect delegates to the State Convention hereby called, and that the organization and membership of such County Committees, together with Post office addresses, be at once forwarded to the secretary of the State Central Committee, at Clare, in order that early and systematic work may be begun and carried on throughout the coming campaign.

Great Success
 The Candy Social at the Coveney School on Friday Evening.

The announcement in the **RECORD** of a candy social at the Coveney school house on Friday evening brought together a splendid gathering of young people, which was highly enjoyed by all.

Among the prominent features were a number of pieces by the Buchanan high school orchestra and the closing farce called "A Surgical Operation," which were greatly enjoyed by all present, the room being taxed to its utmost. One of the pleasing features was the netting of \$14.50 which will be used in supplying additional needs of the school.

Miss Grace Mutchler the teacher, is a pleasing, progressive young lady and bound to make her mark in the world.

UNCOMMON WISDOM.
 Buchanan People Should Profit by a Neighbor's Experience

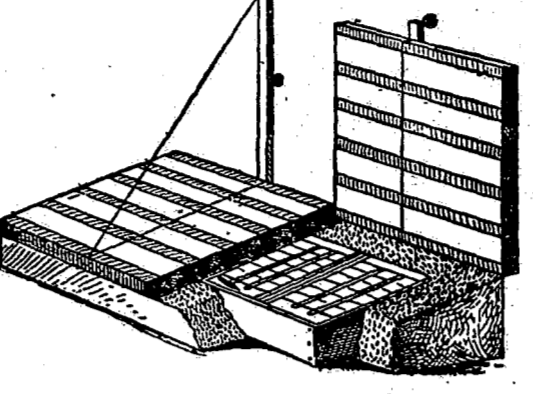
It's a wise man who profits by the experience of his friends and neighbors. Here is a chance to do it, and every man, woman or child in Buchanan who knows the misery of a bad back, the nervousness and restlessness caused by kidney complaint or the annoyance of urinary disorders, will show uncommon wisdom to profit by this citizen's advice.

Mrs. H. H. Hughes of 185 Ogden Ave., Benton Harbor, whose husband is employed on the bridge gang for the Big Four, says: "I never got so much relief in such a short time as I did from Doan's Kidney Pills. For quite a while I had a dull pain and miserable feeling in my back, at times very severe. My husband used Doan's Kidney Pills some two years ago for backache and other kidney trouble, and was wonderfully benefited, in fact cured; so they were no new remedy to me. They acted promptly and stopped the pain and miserable feeling in my back. Doan's Kidney Pills are a reliable remedy, and I do not hesitate to recommend them."
 For sale by all dealers, price 50c. Foster Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name, Doan's, and take no substitute.

FARM AND GARDEN

A HANDY PLANT FRAME.

Easily Made and With a Convenient Device in the Way of a Cover. There are a great many people who take an interest in gardening whose incomes and positions do not admit of their having a greenhouse. A number of gardening enthusiasts thus placed do, however, possess a garden sash or



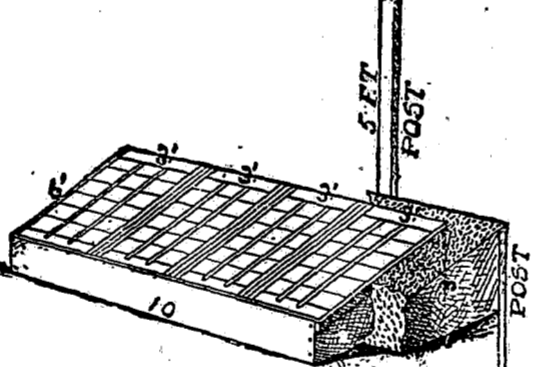
HALF OF THE OUTER FRAME OPENED.

two, and there are others still who would and could possess them were it not for the tedious work during cold weather of covering and uncovering the sash lights, shoveling snow and other disagreeable things. The illustration herewith presented depicts a handy, simple and inexpensive device. We take an ordinary garden frame of four lights, the average proportion being 6 by 12 feet, each sash being six feet long by three feet wide. At the back the frame ordinarily stands three feet high and eighteen inches high in front. Around this ordinary frame we have to make an outer frame of rough plank, leaving a space between the two of eighteen inches, which has to be filled in afterward with fresh leaves, stable manure or litter, preferably stable manure and leaves mixed.

Hinged to the back of the outer frame, as shown in the illustration, we have a permanent cover for the top. This is also made of rough planking, is nine feet long, three or six feet wide, as desired, and six or nine inches thick. As will be seen from the illustration, this is merely a frame packed full of salt hay.

At the back of the outer frame and nine or ten inches away from it is firmly placed an upright post 6 by 6 inches and rising nine feet above the top of the outer frame. On the top of this post a pulley is fixed; a wire is run from the front of the outer covering over the top of the pulley and attached to a weight at the back. This weight can be of any rough material so long as it counteracts or balances the weight of the covering. It is merely to aid in raising and lowering the covers in the same way as window sashes are raised. This is very much superior to mats or litter, which many people still use, and the danger of breaking glass is done away with. Moreover, on a bright day when the covers are raised—being at the back or north side of the frame—they act as a shelter, and air can be much more safely admitted.

With such a frame and covering the season for growing lettuce in frames can be greatly extended. Parsley and violets can be kept nicely all winter, and work can be resumed much earlier in spring. In the illustration one guide post and wire are shown for the raising and lowering of two covers. This simplifies the illustrations, but if it is desired one can be used for each sash, and in such cases the covers could be made stronger.—James T. Scott in **American Gardening**.



INNER FRAME.

Young People Turn to Manual Arts. It has been decided to open an agricultural department in the Mount Hermon school, founded at Northfield by the evangelist, Dwight L. Moody. The various courses of instruction planned will be under very competent direction, and the new department is expected to become most important to the school work. This is the first industrial course established in the school, which is not an institution of technical instruction, and serves to show the growing interest in technical and industrial education that is manifesting itself throughout the country. Young men and women are turning more and more to the manual arts as a means of livelihood, and they are bringing to them the enthusiasm heretofore directed in circumscribed channels. They demand an equipment which shall make their work a science as sure as mathematics and insure positive results, and to meet these demands the schools and colleges are opening departments where such studies may be carried on.—**New Idea Magazine**.

Cabbage Plants.
 Sow seed of Jersey Wakefield in flats filled with light, loamy soil the last of February. Sow thinly, cover lightly and place the boxes in a gentle hotbed or any warm, sunny situation. When the plants are strong transplant them into flats one and a half inches apart each way. As growth begins gradually expose them to the open air on all favorable days. Late in March remove to a cold frame and harden off before setting them in the open ground.

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Mr. E. E. Windsor, Niles, Okla., writes:—Enclosed find Money Order for \$1.00 for a box of Nature's Remedy Tablets. I have used your Nature's Remedy since 1892. For over ten years it has kept my family in good health. I am an old man, eighty years old next January and find your medicine the one thing needful to my good health.

Mrs. R. J. Longfield, Grand Rapids, Mich., writes:—I have used Nature's Remedy for Rheumatism and it has entirely cured me. When I began taking it I was in bad shape, my bones ached, in fact I had pains all over my body. It has toned my whole system, cured my Rheumatism, and I now feel fine. I used Nature's Oil with the Nature's Remedy and found it quite a benefit.

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 Responsible for This Severe Winter. We Think That he Caused THE OLD WEATHER MAN
 To Think About the Winter Sixty-one Years Ago.

On the 17th day of November it began to snow and the sight of it brought to the mind of Homer Hathaway a winter 61 years ago, when it began to snow on November 17; so he told the story for the **RECORD** readers, and it looks as if Homer was responsible for this winter, as from the 17 day of November it has snowed at intervals until the present time. The first snow fell on dry ground, and Mr. Frank Merson and the other weather prophets said, "this snow will not last. Snow that falls on dry ground does not stay." But, alas! all the prophets failed as the very first snow that fell laid on the ground, or was mixed with it, where it still remains. Almost a hundred days of continuous sleighing and mountains of snow, Homer, the people think you will have to be held responsible.

B. O. B. Meeting.
 The B. O. B's met Saturday afternoon at the home of Lulu Broceus after the business meeting games were played and refreshments were served. The novelty of log riding was enjoyed coming home.

Rejected Patents.
 There are many rejected inventions in the Patent Office at Washington. If properly prosecuted, patents can be obtained for a majority of them. Last year we procured, for client, 243 patents in cases that had been rejected. Those having applications or delayed should write us. Our charges are moderate and contingent on success. C. A. S now & Co., Opposite U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C.

Public Sale
 On Thursday, March 3, 1904, commencing at 10 a. m., C. D. Sheldon will have a public sale at his home in Bakertown 2 1/2 miles south and west of town.

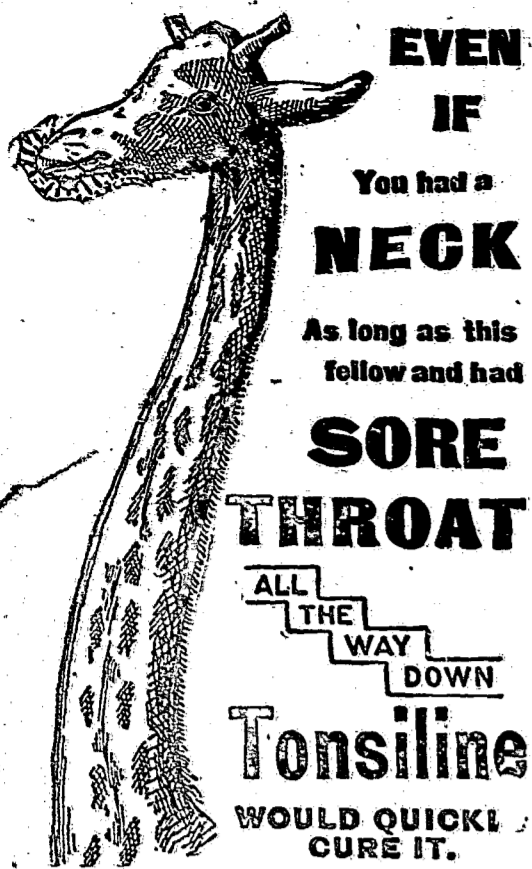
The following goods will be sold: 5 horses, 3 cows, 800 bushels of corn, 1 ton timothy hay, 3 wagons, 1 cutter, 1 Oliver plow, 3 drags, 2 corn plows 1 1/2 set heavy double harness, 1 single harness 1 Planet jr Cultivator and attachments, 24 potato crates, 1 Singer sewing machine 1 heating stove and various other articles. F. Starkweather will act as auctioneer.

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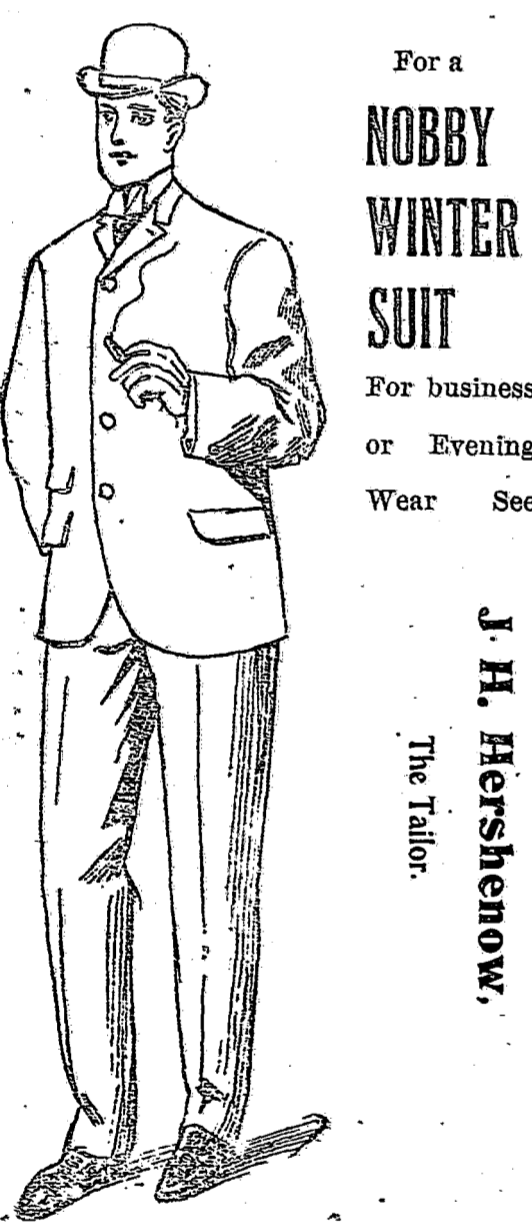


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The Blazed Trail

By **STEWART EDWARD WHITE**

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For the first time the lumbering man's face lost, during a single instant, its mask of immobility. His steel blue eyes flashed; his mouth twitched with some strong emotion. For the first time, too, he spoke without contemplative pause of preparation.

"That's the way to talk!" he cried. "Go with you? Well, I should rise to remark! You're the boss, and I always said it. I'll get you a gang of bully boys that will roll logs till there's skating in Tophet."

Thorpe left, after making an appointment at his own hotel for the following day, more than pleased with his luck. None the less, he anticipated his next step with shaky confidence. He would now be called upon to buy four or five teams of horses and enough feed to last them the entire winter, and he would have to arrange for provisions in abundance and variety for his men; he would have to figure on blankets, harness, cook camp utensils, stoves, blacksmith's tools, iron, axes, chains, cant hooks, van goods, palls, lamps, oil, matches, all sorts of hardware—in short, all the thousand and one things, from needles to court plaster, of which a self-sufficing community might come in need. And he would have to figure out his requirements for the entire winter. After navigation closed he could import nothing more.

Deep in these thoughts he wandered on at random. He suddenly came to himself in the toughest quarter of Bay City.

Through the summer night thrilled the sound of cachinnations pointed to the colors of mirth. A cheap piano rattled and thumped through an open window. Men's and women's voices mingled in rising and falling gradations of harshness. Lights streamed irregularly across the dark.

Thorpe became aware of a figure crouched in the doorway almost at his feet. The flickering rays of a distant street lamp threw into relief the high lights of a violin and a head. The face upturned to him was thin and white and wolfish under a broad white brow. Dark eyes gleamed at him with the expression of a fierce animal. Across the forehead ran a long but shallow cut from which blood dripped. The creature clasped both arms around a violin. He crouched there and stared up at Thorpe, who stared down at him.

"What's the matter?" asked the latter finally.

The creature made no reply, but drew his arms closer about his instrument. Thorpe made a sign to the unknown to rise.

"Come with me," said he, "and I'll have your forehead attended to."

The eyes gleamed into his with a sudden savage concentration. Then their owner obediently arose.

Thorpe now saw that the body before him was of a cripple, short legged, hunchbacked, long armed, pigeon breasted. The large head sat strangely top-heavy between even the broad

CHAPTER XVI.

THREE weeks later the steam barge Pole Star sailed down the reach of Saginaw bay.

Thorpe had received letters from Carpenter advising him of a credit to him at a Marquette bank and inclosing a draft sufficient for current expenses. Tim Shearer had helped make out the list of necessities. In time everything was loaded, the gang-plank hauled in, and the little band of argonauts set their faces toward the point where the Big Dipper swings.

The weather was beautiful. Each morning the sun rose out of the frosty blue lake water and set in a sea of deep purple. The moon, once again at the full, drew broad paths across the pathless waste. From the southeast blew daily the lake trades, to die at sunset and then to return in the soft still nights from the west.

The ten horses in the hold munched their hay and oats as peacefully as though at home in their own stables. Jackson Hines had helped select them from the stock of firms changing locality or going out of business. His judgment in such matters was infallible, but he had resolutely refused to take the position of barn boss which Thorpe offered him.

"No," said he, "she's too far north. I'm gettin' old, and the rheumatics ain't what you might call abandonin' of me. Up there it's colder than hades on a stoker's holiday."

So Shearer had picked out a barn boss of his own. This man was important for the horses are the mainstay of logging operations. He had selected also a blacksmith, a cook, four teamsters, half a dozen cant hook men and as many handy with ax or saw.

"The blacksmith is also a good wood butcher (carpenter)," explained Shearer. "Four teams is all we ought to keep going at a clip. If we need a few axmen we can pick 'em up at Marquette. I think this gang 'll stick. I picked 'em."

There was not a young man in the lot. They were most of them in the prime of middle life, between thirty and forty, rugged in appearance, "cocky" in manner, with the swagger and the oath of so many buccaneers, hard as nails. Altogether Thorpe thought them about as rough a set of customers as he had ever seen. Throughout the day they played cards on deck and spat tobacco juice abroad and swore incessantly. Toward himself and Shearer their manner was an odd mixture of independent equality and a slight deference. It was as much as to say, "You're the boss, but I'm as good a man as you any day."

Constituting the elite of the profession, as they did, Thorpe might have wondered at their consenting to work for an obscure little camp belonging to a greenhorn. Loyalty to and pride in the firm for which he works are strong characteristics of the lumberjack. For this reason he feels that he owes it to his reputation to ally himself only with firms of creditable size and efficiency. The small camps are for the youngsters. Occasionally you will see two or three of the veterans in such a camp, but it is generally a case of lacking something better.



"What's the matter?"

shoulders. It confirmed the hopeless but sullen despair that brooded on the white countenance.

At the hotel Thorpe, examining the cut, found it more serious in appearance than in reality. With a few pieces of sticking plaster he drew its edges together.

Then he attempted to interrogate his find.

"What is your name?" he asked.

"Phil."

"Phil what?"

Silence.

"How did you get hurt?"

No reply.

"Were you playing your fiddle in one of those houses?"

The cripple nodded slowly.

"Are you hungry?" asked Thorpe, with a sudden thoughtfulness.

"Yes," replied the cripple, with a lightning gleam in his wolf eyes.

Thorpe rang the bell. To the boy who answered it he said:

"Bring me half a dozen beef sand-

wiches and a glass of milk, and be quick about it."

"Do you play the fiddle much?" continued Thorpe.

The cripple nodded again.

"Let's hear what you can do."

"They cut my strings!" cried Phil, with a passionate wail.

The cry came from the heart, and Thorpe was touched by it. The price of strings was evidently a big sum.

"I'll get you more in the morning," said he. "Would you like to leave Bay City?"

"Yes!" cried the boy, with passion.

"You would have to work. You would have to be chore boy in a lumber camp and play fiddle for the men when they wanted you to."

"I'll do it," said the cripple.

"All right; then I'll take you," replied Thorpe.

The cripple said nothing nor moved a muscle of his face, but the gleam of the wolf faded to give place to the soft, affectionate glow seen in the eyes of a setter dog. Thorpe was startled at the change.

A knock announced the sandwiches and milk. The cripple fell upon them with both hands in a sudden ecstasy of hunger. When he had finished, he looked again at Thorpe, and this time there were tears in his eyes.

A little later Thorpe interviewed the proprietor of the hotel.

"I wish you'd give this boy a good cheap room and charge his keep to me," said he. "He's going north with me."

Thorpe lay awake for some time after retiring. Phil claimed a share of his thought. In an hour or so he dozed. He dreamed that the cripple had grown to enormous proportions and was overshadowing his life. A slight noise outside his bedroom door brought him to his feet.

He opened the door and found that in the stillness of the night the pool deformed creature had taken the blankets from his bed and had spread them across the doorsill of the man who had befriended him.

opened, and soon between-decks was cumbered with boxes, packing cases, barrels and crates. In their improvised stalls the patient horses seemed to catch a hint of shore going and whinnied. By 10 o'clock there loomed against the strange coast line of the Pictured rocks a shallow bay, and what looked to be a dock distorted by the northern mirage.

"That's her," said the captain.

Two hours later the steamboat slid between the yellow waters of two outlying reefs and with slackened speed moved slowly toward the wharf of log cribs filled with stone.

Thorpe knew very well that the structure had been erected by and belonged to Morrison & Daly, but the young man had had the foresight to purchase the land lying on the deep water side of the bay. He therefore anticipated no trouble in unloading, for while Morrison & Daly owned the pier itself, the land on which it abutted belonged to him.

From the arms of the bay he could make out a dozen figures standing near the end of the wharf. When, with propeller reversed, the Pole Star bore slowly down toward her moorings, Thorpe recognized Dyer at the head of eight or ten woodsmen. It looked suspicious.

"Catch this line!" sung out the mate, hurling the coil of a hand line on the wharf.

No one moved, and the little rope after a moment slid overboard with a splash.

The captain, with a curse, signaled full speed astern.

"Captain Morse," cried Dyer, stepping forward, "my orders are that you are to land here nothing but M. & D. merchandise."

"I have a right to land," answered Thorpe. "The shore belongs to me."

"This dock doesn't," retorted the other sharply, "and you can't set foot on her."

"You have no legal status. You had no business building in the first place"—began Thorpe, and then stopped with a choke of anger at the futility of arguing legality in such a case.

The men had gathered interestedly in the waist of the ship, cool, impartial, severely critical. The vessel swung her bow in toward the dock. Thorpe ran swiftly forward and during the instant of rubbing contact leaped.

He alighted squarely upon his feet.

The men were on him again.

Without an instant's hesitation he rushed on Dyer and with one full, clean in-blow stretched him stunned on the dock. For a moment there was a pause of astonishment. Then the woodsmen closed upon him.

During that instant Thorpe had become possessed of a weapon. It came hurtling through the air from above to fall at his feet. Shearer, with the cool calculation of the pioneer, had seen that it would be impossible to follow his chief and so had done the next best thing, thrown him a heavy iron belaying pin.

Thorpe hit with all his strength and quickness. He was conscious once of being on the point of defeat. Then he had cleared a little space for himself. Then the men were on him again more savagely than ever. One fellow even succeeded in hitting him a glancing blow on the shoulder.

Then came a sudden crash. Thorpe was nearly thrown from his feet. The next instant a score of yelling men leaped behind and all around him. There ensued a moment's scuffle, the sound of dull blows, and the dock was clear of all but Dyer and three others who were, like himself, unconscious. The captain, yielding to the excitement, had run his prow plump against the wharf.

Some of the crew received the mooring lines. All was ready for disembarkation.

Bryan Moloney, a strapping Irish-American of the big boned, red cheeked type, threw some water over the four stunned combatants. Slowly they came to life. They were promptly yanked to their feet by the irate river men, who commenced at once to bestow sundry vigorous kicks and shakings by way of punishment. Thorpe interposed.

"Quit it," he commanded. "Let them go."

The men grumbled. One or two were inclined to be openly rebellious.

"If I hear another peep out of you," said Thorpe to these latter, "you can climb right aboard and take the return trip." He looked them in the eye until they muttered and then went on: "Now, we've got to get unloaded and our goods ashore before those fellows report to camp. Get right moving and hustle!"

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Thorpe made no reply.

With thirty men at the job it does not take a great while to move a small cargo thirty or forty feet. By 3 o'clock the Pole Star was ready to continue her journey. Thorpe climbed aboard, leaving Shearer in charge.

"Keep the men at it, Tim," said he. "Put up the walls of the warehouse good and strong and move the stuff in. If you get through before I return you might take a scout up the river and fix on a camp site. I'll bring back the lumber for roofs, floors and trimmings with me and will try to pick up a few axmen for swamping. Those fellows won't bother us any more for the present, I think. But it pays to be on deck. So long."

When Thorpe returned to the bay he found the warehouse complete. Shearer and Andrews, the surveyor, were scouting up the river.

"No trouble from above, boys?" asked Thorpe.

"Nary trouble," they replied.

The warehouse was secured by padlocks, the wagon loaded with the tent and the necessaries of life and work. Early in the morning the procession—laughing, joking, skylarking—took its way up the river trail. Late that evening, tired, but still inclined to mischief, they came to the first dam, where Shearer and Andrews met them.

"How do you like it, Tim?" asked Thorpe that evening.

"She's all right," replied the river man, with emphasis, which for him was putting it strong.

At noon the following day the party arrived at the second dam. Here Shearer had decided to build the permanent camp. Injun Charley was constructing one of his endless series of birch bark canoes. Later he would paddle the whole string to Marquette, where he would sell them to a hardware dealer for \$2.50 apiece.

Injun Charley looked up and grunted as Thorpe approached.

"How are you, Charles?" greeted Thorpe reticently.

"You gettun pine? Good?" replied Charley in the same tone.

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The truth is Shearer had managed to inspire in the minds of his cronies an idea that they were about to participate in a fight. He retold Thorpe's story artistically. The men agreed that the "young fellow had sand enough for a lake front." After that there needed but a little skillful maneuvering to inspire them with the idea that it would be a great thing to take a hand to "make a camp" in spite of the big concern up river.

Shearer knew that this attitude was tentative. Everything depended on how well Thorpe lived up to his reputation at the outset. But Tim himself believed in Thorpe blindly. So he had no fears.

A little incident at the beginning of the voyage did much to reassure him.

Thorpe had given orders that no whisky was to be brought aboard. Soon after leaving dock he saw one of the teamsters drinking from a pint flask. Without a word he stepped briskly forward, snatched the bottle from the man's lips and threw it overboard. Then he turned sharp on his heel and walked away without troubling himself as to how the fellow was going to take it.

The occurrence pleased the men, for it showed them they had made no mistake. But it meant little else. The chief danger really was lest they become too settled in the protective attitude. As they took it, they were about, good-naturedly, to help along a worthy greenhorn. This they considered exceedingly generous on their part, and in their own minds they were inclined to look on Thorpe much as a grown man would look on a child.

Fine weather followed them up the long blue reach of Lake Huron, into the noble breadth of the Detour passage, past the opening through the Thousand Islands of the Georgian bay, into the St. Mary's river. They were locked through after some delay on account of the grain barges from Duluth and at last turned their prow westward in the Big Sea water, beyond which lay Hiawatha's Po-ne-mah, the Land of the Hereafter.

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Wall paper, new stock, new styles, new prices.
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The Ladies Aid Society, of the Larger Hope church, will meet with Mrs. Nora Sparks, Mar. 2, at 2 p. m.

Diphtheria relieved in twenty minutes. Almost miraculous. Dr. Thomas' Eclectic Oil. At any drug store.

Laurant the magician at Rough's Opera House Friday night. Reserved seats at Van Meter's Wednesday morning.

A party of friends from Niles came over in a sleigh Monday afternoon, being guests at the home of Postmaster and Mrs. G. W. Noble.

An experience social will be held at the U. B. parsonage March 2. Supper will be served from five to eight. 15c pays the bill, come and get your supper.

A fine lot of primroses, primula obconica, cinerarias all colors now in bloom, also raffia in natural and colors, for basket work; now on sale at River street Greenhouse.

Mr. A. L. Griswold is lying very ill at his home on Portage street. For a long time he has been a sufferer from dropsy, but complications have now arisen which make his recovery doubtful.

Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Garland are preparing to move into the property on Dewey avenue, which they recently purchased from Mr. and Mrs. Alexander. The latter family will, for a time, occupy the ground floor of Mrs. Foster's house, corner Main street and Dewey avenue.

FOR SALE—A 2 horse tread power and cutter all complete. One of the greatest fodder savers that any farmer can have upon a farm. I have seen farmers all through Wisconsin cut their hay, corn stalks for the stock, also all their wood. This outfit is as good as new.
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Week ending Feb. 26. Subject to change:
W. H. Keller reports the following:
Butter 20c
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Eggs 24c
Potatoes 75c
Apples 25 to 40c
Onions, 90c
Retail price of Flour is as follows:
White Lily 4.80
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Home Rule 4.80
Golden Medal 6.20
Graham 30c
Corn Meal 10c
The Pears-East Grain Co., report the following prices on grain to-day:
Wheat No. 2 Red and White. \$1.03
Corn, yellow 70 lbs. 41c
Oats No. 3 white. 41c
Rye; 60c
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.

7 pounds prunes 25c. W. H. Keller.
Large bottle good mustard for 10c at W. H. Keller's.

Largest package mince meat in town 10c. - W. H. Keller's.
Kerosene oil 12 per gal., or 5 gals. 55c. Buchanan Cash Grocery.

FOR SALE—Or rent a farm having good buildings. Inquire at Raccoon office t. f.

Paint, alabastine, wall paper, shades brushes, varnish, enamels etc.

BINNS' MAGNET STORE.

WANTED—Five copies of the Niles Republican of May 11, 1899, at once, 50 cents will be paid for them.

Tuesday evening the Lady Macca bees had initiation, followed by a social evening, refreshments were served.

You save all middlemen's profit by buying your flour at the Buchanan Cash Grocery. They retail flour at wholesale prices.

Dr. E. S. Bell, oculist, will be at Dr. Emmons' office Buchanan, Thursday Mar. 24. Glasses fitted and all diseases of the eye treated. m. 22.

Scald head is an eczema of the scalp—very severe sometimes, but it can be cured. Doan's Ointment, quick and permanent in its results. At any drug store, 50c.

Mrs. A. F. Ames entertained the Colonial Dames this week, a very pleasant social evening being enjoyed by those present. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Emma Pears.

Dr. E. S. Bell, oculist of Chicago, was in Buchanan yesterday, at Dr. Emmons' office. The doctor is a pleasing and cultured gentleman, and enjoying a good practice in Buchanan. His next visit will be Thursday Mar. 24.

The Y. P. A. of the Evangelical church will have a candy sale on Tuesday night, March 1, 1904, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Lyddick. The young men will furnish the money and the young ladies the candy. They invite your presence.

Monday evening, Mrs. Belle Long entertained a number of friends at her rural home; her son-in-law, Mr. Refner, was home from one of his trips, and the guests gathered that evening on his account. Music and games passed the evening, all enjoying the occasion.

Services next Sunday at the Christian church as follows: 10:30 a. m., "History of the Redemption Reproduced in History of the Redeemed," blackboard talk. The subject of the evening service "Christ the Shepherd," 7:00 p. m., will be a blackboard talk also.

Wednesday evening at the home of Attorney A. C. Roe a number of friends and neighbors had a very pleasant social time. An impromptu program of music and readings was rendered very acceptably. The gathering enjoyed a very interesting address by Elder F. T. Porter, state Evangelist of the Christian church.

Notice.
Rural Route Patrons. Subscribe for all papers and magazines through your carrier. Greatly reduced rates. Ask him for them.

PERSONAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chamberlain are in town.

John Graham returned yesterday from a trip to Sedan, Kansas.

Attorney Worthington and C. F. Pears were in St. Joseph Wednesday.

Jos. Gilbert of Indiana Harbor spent a few days in town recently, returning home Monday.

Mrs. E. Parkinson returned from Chicago, yesterday, where she has been on business several days.

Roy Hamilton, who has been in the signal service of the Michigan Central at Battle Creek, is home for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Vanderslice went to Chicago today, to spend a few days with the latter's mother and sister.

Max Edwards, who has been home for several days, started out on Wednesday for another trip, going from here to Marion, Ind.

Chauncey Jackson, who has been spending the winter in Vermont, has returned and is again with Mr. Snyder, at his farm on the prairie.

Mr. Alfred L. Sewell, of Niles, who many years ago was proprietor of the Buchanan Independent, was in town this week, the guest of his son Franklane Sewell.

Harry Portz the baker at Mrs. Roe's who has been on the sick list for some days, has gone to Niles until further improvement. His wife accompanied him.

Frank Barnes is seriously ill with pneumonia, having been sick since Tuesday.

Mrs. Philip Friday is quite ill and unable to teach; her grade is being taken by Mrs. W. E. Pennell, an Ypsilanti alumnus.

The Epworth League of the M. E. church will give a leap year party at the home of Ruth East, on Monday evening of next week.

Special sermons will be delivered in the U. B. church Sunday morning and evening. If you are in trouble come and hear them they will help you. Good singing by the choir.

Miss Theoda Treat, teacher of the Kelsey district, was brought home yesterday from school suffering with the grip. School will be closed until she recovers sufficiently to resume work.

Mr. and Mrs. Burkett of Mishawaka are proud parents of a baby who came Tuesday. They are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Wooden.

Mrs. Burkett will be remembered as Mildred Wooden.

The funeral services of Alvin Bates, an esteemed gentleman who lived about five miles north of Buchanan, were conducted in the Christain church today at 2 p. m. Mr. Bates was a brother of Mrs. Birdsell and father of Edward Bates of Buchanan.

As a recreation, and rest from professional labors, Dr. M. M. Knight is quite a chicken fancier, knowing how to raise most toothsome and well fattened fowls for table use. The editor recently enjoyed a share of a most palatable capon, which proved the doctor's ability to successful raise chickens.

Yesterday Mrs. M. A. Burditt gave a dinner party to a number of the ladies of the Advent church in honor of Mrs. Otis Harding. The occasion was a very delightful one and reflected great credit on the hostess and the ladies were unanimous in their praises, as every person present enjoyed the event.

The people living in the river bend know how to have a good time and they are making splendid use of it during this fine weather. Last Saturday evening about 65 of them rang the door bell at the commodious and pleasant home of Ben C. Geyer, and that was equivalent to saying a royal time was enjoyed.

1/4 off on all woolen dress goods the coming week at Boardman's.

COUPON MEN'S DAY
Saturday Feb. 27, 3 to 5 and 7 to 9 p. m.

Mrs. Anna Williams, mother of Miss Carrie and Chas. Williams, of Buchanan, died today at noon, after an illness of several days, with pneumonia. The death was sudden and unexpected.

Baked Goods
And fancy articles for sale by the ladies of the M. E. church at Runner's drug store, Saturday, Feb. 27, beginning at 10 a. m.

War Bulletins
It is reported that the Japanese have landed in Possiet Bay near Vladivostok and advanced to Hunchun. This report has produced consternation among the European civilians residing in the line of march.

It is also reported that the Russian government bureau at Valadivostok has withdrawn elsewhere.

There is considerable bitterness among the Russians against the Americans on account of the commander of the Vicksburg refusing to unite with the commanders of other foreign war ships, in a protest against the fighting which resulted in the destruction of two Russian war ships, Variag and Korietz.

Washington Party
In commemorating the birthday of Geo. Washington, Miss Beulah Jenks entertained at her home Moccasin Av. and 4th street, on Monday evening, seventeen couples of her friends, in a manner befitting the occasion. The evening was spent in games and music, the High School orchestra furnishing the music for the occasion.

The decorations were the national colors; the favors for the guests were miniatures of Geo. Washington.

Refreshments were served and consisted of ice cream and cake, lemonade and a choice selection of candies. The evening passed altogether too rapidly for the participants and when the hour arrived for dispersing the only regret was that our honored George has but one birthday anniversary a year. Miss Currier assisted in entertaining.

One Thing and Another.
Kansas has a seed corn breeders' association limited to twenty members.

It has become an annual practice for the Montana experiment station to feed a car load of steers and jamps for shipment when finished.

Oat straw when dried and well cured is an excellent feed for sheep. They are fond of it, and it assists in putting on fat rapidly.

A fair outlook for the canning industry throughout the central west is reported by Orange Judd Farmer.

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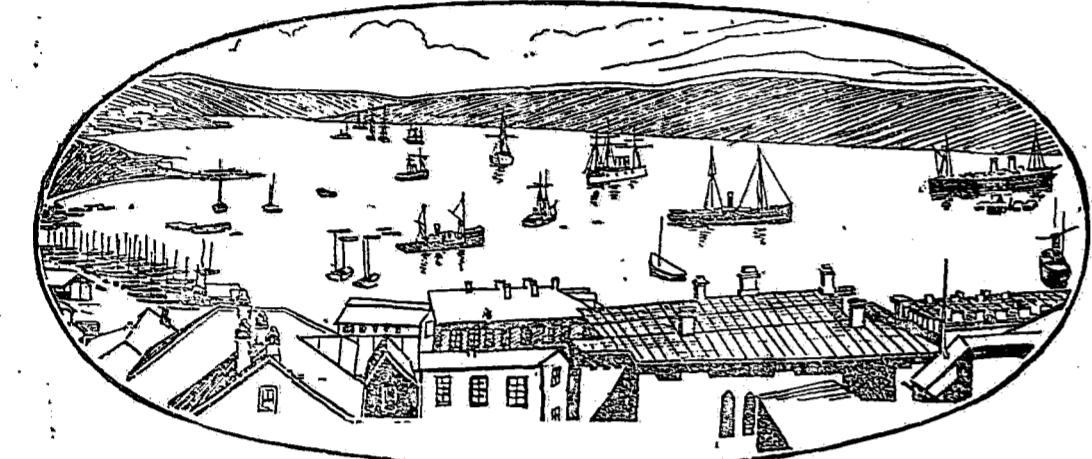



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CZAR NICHOLAS II. AS A MAN OF WAR.

Despite the fact that he suggested The Hague arbitration tribunal, the czar is fond of war maneuvers, and in the cut he is shown at the head of his staff.



VLADIVOSTOK, RUSSIA'S ICEBOUND HARBOR IN SIBERIA.

The harbor of Vladivostok was formerly icebound in winter, but now during part of the winter it is kept clear by means of great ice crushing steamers built for the purpose.

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GENERAL MASATAKE TERAUCHI.
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FARM AND GARDEN

A WAGON BED.

Useful For Carrying Stock and in Other Farm Work.

Some of his neighbors built a wagon for carrying sheep and hogs which proved so convenient that a correspondent gives its dimensions and plan in New England Homestead: The frame for the bed is 14 feet long and 3 feet 8 inches wide. The sidepieces are of 7 by 2 inch stuff and the end pieces of



WAGON BED.

8 by 2 inch, allowing an inch difference for tongue and groove flooring. There should be four crosspieces to secure the bottom of the bed. Bolt these an old buggy tire and have straps made with a hole in each end. Five of these should be bolted on each side and two on each end, as shown in cut. Standards which are to slip into these are made of 1 1/2 by 2 inch stuff 40 inches long.

For slats get poplar four inches wide by three-quarters inch thick. Bolt these to the standards four inches apart. The top railing is made extra strong by putting on an extra strip which has a quarter inch groove. A tenon should be cut in the top of each upright to fit into this. The corners at the top should be fixed with ordinary strap door fastenings bent around the corner, fastened at one end and with a staple over which to slip the other. These can be held in place by small wooden wedges to fit the staple. By means of this strap fastener at the corner the sides and ends can be quickly unfastened and taken off, and the bottom can then be removed with ease. The wagon will carry twenty sheep or hogs at a load. I have also found it most useful in farm work. Taking off the sides, I have a good bed for holding fodder, tobacco and other things. Aside from your own labor it is very inexpensive.

ALKALI LANDS.

Methods of Reclamation—Conditions in the Lower Arkansas Valley.

Several methods for the reclamation and utilization of alkali lands have been tried. Prominent among these are the removal of alkali crusts by scraping, the washing away of the surface concentrations by heavy flooding, the utilization of partly unproductive lands by special cultivation of alkali resistant crops and the application of gypsum to the lands. All of these may, under certain conditions, be of value in aiding the removal of the alkali salts and in rendering the fields capable of cultivation, but in the reclamation of lands containing considerable quantities of alkali they are all inefficient.

The application of gypsum is beneficial, particularly in the presence of black alkali or sodium carbonate. By chemical reaction the less injurious white alkali or sodium sulphate replaces the carbonate. This, however, still leaves an excess of the sulphates in the soil. Where there is practically no black alkali in the soil, this means of improving the condition of the alkali lands does not apply. Where there is also an abundance of gypsum in the soils it is unlikely that the black alkali will ever give any trouble.

The only method for the reclamation of alkali lands which effects a permanent restoration is thorough drainage. Its absolute success in lowering the water table, destroying the capillary connection between the underground water and the surface and in removing in solution large quantities of alkali salts, has already been demonstrated not only by artificial drainage systems, but in nature as well. The question of the cost of a system of artificial drainage is, however, the determining factor in its utility for the purpose.

In the lower Arkansas valley there are many small tributary valleys or draws extending into plains and traversing in many cases the alkali lands. It frequently happens that these local drainage channels are not continuous, though with but slight expense they could be made so by cutting open drainage ditches along their axes. The construction of such ditches would in itself remove a large quantity of seepage water and greatly improve the condition of neighboring lands. For the complete reclamation of the lands, however, a system of lateral drains having their outlet into the main drainage channel could be constructed.

Open lateral drains are somewhat less expensive than tile drains, considering first cost, but the former not only interfere with cultivation, but in the lower Arkansas valley require frequent cleaning and constant attention, as they fill up rapidly with tumbleweeds, which are blown about in great numbers by the winds and so are more expensive in the end.—M. H. Lapham.

Getting Greatest Value From Crops.

Various farm products will represent a cash value greater than current market price for the same if fed to live stock and marketed in the form of meat. This assertion is based by the Montana experiment station on the fact that during the winter of 1899 and 1900, while clover was being sold in the stack at \$5 per ton, \$7.93 was secured by the station by feeding clover to sheep. It required 11.8 pounds of clover to maintain a lamb and produce a pound of grain. One ton of clover produced 169.5 pounds of mutton, which at \$4.08 per hundredweight gave the above result.

NOTES ON HOTBEDS.

What Can Be Grown in the Hotbed. An Early Start Desirable.

The question as to what can be grown in a hotbed often arises. Very much depends upon the kind of plants grown and how closely the space is occupied. For purposes of comparison a 5 1/2 by 12 foot hotbed was used, and the kinds of plants were onions for transplanting, tomato, lettuce, radish, beets, cabbage, cauliflower, cucumber and melon. With the hotbed must also be included a cold frame of the same size. The bed was sown April 1 as follows: One sash of onions, two of tomatoes and one of lettuce, cabbage, cauliflower and radish. The onion seed of course was sown very late, which was bad practice, and the plants occupied the space until too late for further use. All seeds were sown four inches apart in drills. The tomatoes were transplanted when the second set of leaves appeared and simply occupied the same space as when standing in the drills.

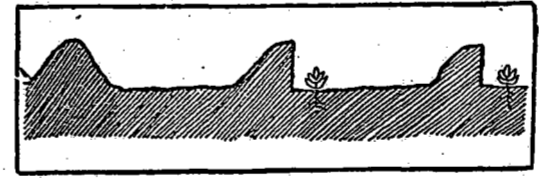
May 3-4 300 plants were potted and removed to the cold frame, and the remainder were left in the bed until sold or otherwise disposed of. The potted plants were all used at home, and by an accident 150 of these were destroyed after planting in the open ground. These were replaced from the hotbed, and the remainder, mostly sold by the dozen, brought \$7.50. A portion of the cold frame by filling and banking with manure was used for hotbed, into which the cabbage, cauliflower and lettuce were transferred from time to time. Of the cabbage and cauliflower plants 200 were planted out and the rest sold for 50 cents.

The first radishes were ready for use April 17, and thirty-two bunches were grown at 62 cents. These were followed by beets for transplanting. As the lettuce and cabbage plants were transferred to the second bed the space was used for cucumber and melon plants started in berry boxes. Forty-six in all were thus put in and later were transferred to the cold frame. Of the beets, sufficient were grown to set 200 feet of drill and onion plants enough to set 30 by 40 feet of space. The lettuce sold during the month of May amounted to \$3.50. Considerable was also planted in the open ground of which no account is taken. These results are not to be taken as the maximum or minimum, but rather a medium of what may be accomplished with the hotbed and cold frame.

An earlier start would very likely have added considerable to the amount grown. There comes a time when plants will no longer thrive well in the hotbed, but will do much better in the open ground. So, generally speaking, there is much to be gained by an early start. For the kitchen garden, where only a bed or two will be found practical, then of course the time of starting must be arranged to accommodate the greatest variety of plants. One kind will require more time than some other, and holding plants in the beds after they are ready to go out for soil and weather conditions to become favorable is poor practice. Onions, for instance, for best results should have gone in four to six weeks earlier than April 1, as also lettuce and early cabbage. For extra early the tomatoes should have been started at least by March 15, and two crops of radishes might easily have been grown.—J. E. Morse in Rural New Yorker.

A Plan For a Good Farm Garden.

Should the ground slope to the west, plow or throw the land up into sharp ridges, the tops of which should be four feet apart. The ridges should run from east to west, the object being to have the south side exposed to the full rays of the sun very early in the spring. For an extra early crop of potatoes, peas, beans, etc., take a spade and throw out the dirt on the south half of the ridges and cover the things planted with the richest dark colored soil that



EARLY PLANTING.

may be at hand. The north half of the ridge should remain undisturbed so as to shelter the young plants on the south side, and in case the nights are very cold or there is real danger from an unexpected frost the plants can be easily and quickly covered with large sheets of daily or weekly newspapers and the plants thus be effectually protected. Whenever the mercury in the thermometer falls as low as 34 degrees the plants should be covered immediately. After the plants are well established and two or three inches in height scatter enough nitrate of soda along each side of the plants to give the soil a grayish appearance and work it into the surface soil, being very careful, however, not to use too much nitrate and to keep it from coming in contact with the stem or roots of the plants. As originally outlined in Farm and Fireside, this plan was for the fall, when the soil if of clay and not underdrained received a heavy coating of well rotted barnyard manure which was plowed or spaded to thoroughly intermix it with the soil and was afterwards ridged, as shown.

Marketing Ducks.

In nine weeks ducklings should weigh four and a half pounds each and are ready for market. They should be marketed before the pinfeathers begin to grow, which is likely to occur after the ninth week. Ducks are best killed by cutting into the base of the brain at the roof of the mouth. Before killing the feet of the birds should be caught in a loop, with head hanging downward. Immediately after being killed the picking (dry) should be done. Care should be taken to prevent injury of any kind to the carcass.

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