

## Special Sale for July

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Fancy Prints, 3 1/2c yd. Full pieces.  
Indigo Blue, Calcutta, Mourning and Silver  
Gray Prints, 4c.  
Mercerized Waistings, 12 1/2c. Remnants  
Wool Suitings, 25c.  
Huck and Twill Towelings, 3c and 3 1/2c.  
17-inch half linen bleached Huck, 10c  
yard.  
36-inch Silkolines, 8c.  
White and Colored Percales at 5c, 7 1/2c,  
9c and 10c—under price.  
Standard Gingham, 5c.  
Closing out 10c Lawns for 5c; 5c Lawns  
for 2c; 10c Voiles for 5c.

**Umbrellas.**  
100 colored, fancy border, 26-inch Silk  
Umbrellas, \$1.75 each.  
100 Black Helvetia Umbrellas, 26-inch,  
fancy handles, \$1.00 each.

**Hosiery Dept.**  
We offer 75 doz. Ladies' Fancy Hose, six  
styles, 50c quality at 25c pair.  
We offer 50 doz. Men's 25c quality Fancy  
Hose at 15c pr.  
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worth 15c.  
Men's 50c Summer Underwear, 25c.  
Men's Ladies' and Children's 25c Under-  
wear, 15c.

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colors, at 10c and 25c—half price. Buster  
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at 10c.

Lazell's Fine Perfumes, in handsome  
packages: \$1.25 quality 50c; \$1.00 quality  
50c; 50c quality 25c; all while they last.  
Colgate's Toilet Water, 19c.

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Jelly Tumblers, tin tops, 3c and 2 1/2c.  
Water Tumblers, 2c and 3c.  
White Cups and Saucers, 5c.  
Dinner Plates, 75c dozen; Soup Plates,  
75c dozen.  
White Semi-Porcelain Dinner set, 100  
pieces, \$6.30.  
Decorated Semi-Porcelain, Dinner Set,  
100 pieces, \$5.00.

**Dress Goods.**  
We offer a table full of Printed Lace  
Stripe Lawns, worth 12 1/2c at 5c.  
Printed Dimities, worth 15c, at 7 1/2c;  
Mercerized checks worth 25c at 7 1/2c; Silk  
Muslins 10c yard; Printed Silk Mulls and  
Crepes 25c quality 15c; 50c quality Silk  
Mulls, Silk Stripe Crepes, white and colors;  
Mercerized goods, white and colors, choice  
25c yard. The prices are so low you may  
want to buy them for next summer prices  
while the goods last.

We offer 15c and 25c white goods at 10c  
yd. while they last.

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White waists \$1.45, reduced from \$2.00  
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### Narrow Escape at Coney Beach

While sailing on clear lake, Sunday  
afternoon, three boys, Fred Fuller,  
Kern Diggins and Jay Martin, nar-  
rowly escaped drowning. There  
was a very stiff wind and when trying  
to go on the starboard tack, the  
main stay broke causing the yacht to  
become unmanageable and capsized.  
One of the boys could not swim and  
got tangled in the rigging.

Fred Fuller was caught under the  
sail and got out just in time to catch  
Kern Diggins, who had gone under  
twice, but was unable to get him to  
the overturned boat, until Jay Martin  
came to his assistance. After calling  
for help for sometime, Wm. Barry  
came to their aid and landed them  
safely. One of the boys lost a gold  
watch, another his shoes, and a num-  
ber of loose articles on the yacht also  
found a resting place at the bottom  
of the lake.

"Si Plunkard," and his company  
of funny comedians, will be in this  
city, Friday, July 28. Remember  
the date and secure your seats early.  
Now on sale at Skeet's

\$8.50 Niagara Falls \$6.75

The Niagara Falls Excursion, to be  
run by the I. I. & I. R. R., on Wed-  
nesday, August 9th, 1905, will be a  
most delightful and inexpensive trip.  
Good to return on, or before Aug-  
ust 20th, 1905.

Low rates of fare from Niagara  
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between Cleveland and Buffalo, via  
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Trains leave I. I. & I. Stations after  
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and arrive in Niagara Falls on Thurs-  
day morning, in time for breakfast.  
The excursion will be first class in  
every particular, personally conduct-  
ed. It will run through solid, with-  
out stop, from South Bend, via the  
L. S. & M. S. and N. Y. C. & H. R.  
Stop over returning is allowed at  
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to visit Chautauqua lake, or other  
points in Western New York and  
Pennsylvania, or Eastern Ohio.

The rate from Zearing is \$8.50,  
from South Bend, \$6.75. Equally  
and proportionately low rates at  
intermediate points.

Sleeping car reservations should  
be made at once.  
Ask your ticket agent, or for sleep-  
ing car reservations, or other infor-  
mation, write to:

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Aug. 9.

## WILL NOT RUN BY AUG- UST 2

Trolley Line Will not be in Operation by  
That Date

It is extremely unlikely that there  
will be cars running into Berrien  
Springs by August 2, the day for the  
Young People's picnic, notwithstanding  
the hopes of the promoters of the  
picnic.

The line will be build a great part of  
the way, but there is some heavy  
work to be done, which will take  
considerable time, and thus far the  
work here in Niles is not completed  
by any means.

The big bridge across the river at  
Berrien will not be finished until Oct-  
ober, is the statement made today by  
a member of the contractor's force  
though the line will be built far as  
the east side of the river before many  
weeks.

No wiring has been done yet any-  
where on the line, though a few days  
ago there were a number of trolley  
linemen in town. The poles are up  
as far as the brick mill, and the track  
is laid to the over head bridge just  
beyond the mill.

A few days ago Contractor Town-  
send's steam shovel and locomotive  
were moved out on the track, and will  
probably be moved down the line as  
fast as the construction progresses.  
The shovel was secured for the pur-  
pose of cutting a roadway along the  
high bluffs near Berrien Springs, on  
the east side of the river.

The roadway is not ballasted yet be-  
tween Niles and the brick mill, a mile  
north; and some considerable time  
will be used up in this part of the  
construction.

Lately however, the work has gone  
along swimmingly, and Contractor  
Townsend has certainly proved the  
reports that he is a hustler.—Niles  
Sun.

### Three Oaks Township Wins in Supreme Court.

The supreme court has affirmed the  
decision of the Berrien county cir-  
cuit court in the case of Jerry Sher-  
wood vs. Ryneron and Stevens.

Ryneron is the township clerk of  
Three Oaks and Stevens the super-  
visor. Sherwood is an Indiana con-  
tractor who built a drain upon the  
order of former Drain Commissioner  
Morrow. The township officers set up  
the claim that the drain was never  
completed as the contract specified.  
Sherwood appealed to the circuit  
court for a mandamus to compel the  
officers to issue him an order of \$1,-  
000. Judge Coolidge refused to grant  
the mandamus.

Gore & Harvey were the attorneys  
of Sherwood and L. C. Fyfe for the  
township.

### Decide for Sunday Ball

Dowagiac, Mich., July 27.—After  
two trials, a jury in Justice Edward's  
court yesterday afternoon acquitted  
William Ackerman, manager of the  
Doe-Wah-Jack baseball team, of the  
charge of managing and abetting a  
game of ball on Sunday, July 16,  
between the Doe-Wah Jacks and the  
Sunnysides, of Mishawaka, Ind.

The jury in the first trial stood  
three for conviction and three for  
acquittal. A second trial was begun  
immediately after the first trial. It  
was the charity dodge which secured  
Ackerman's acquittal at the hands of  
the jury. Twenty per cent of the  
receipts of the game was given to the  
poor.

On Sunday, July 2, a game was  
played without molestation. The  
game two weeks later was attended  
by Sheriff Russey, who, after watch-  
ing seven innings, stopped the game  
and arrested Mr. Ackerman.

Dowagiac's Sunday baseball trou-  
ble dates back seven years, when Rev.  
R. H. Bready, then pastor of the  
First Methodist church, opposed Sun-  
day playing and was successful.

The calling of a grand jury for  
Cass county in September has placed  
the Sunday baseball sympathizers on  
the anxious seat, as Sunday violations  
was given as one of the reasons for  
calling the jury.

Read the Record.

## FOR FARMS AND FARMERS

Of Michigan Were Some Im-  
portant Legislative Meas-  
ures Enacted

### THE DAIRY AND FOOD BILL

What It Was Intended to Do, and Some  
Good Results of It's Early  
Operation

Lansing, July 27, 1905.

Under the operation of the act of  
the recent session the duties of the  
dairy and food department have been  
largely extended in their scope, and  
especially in their importance to the  
business and commercial interests of  
the state. It will be remembered  
that the bill was understood at the  
time to have been inspired and per-  
haps shaped by Governor Warner,  
and that his interest in it was in-  
fluential in securing its enactment  
into law. The features of the pro-  
posed act which occasioned most dis-  
cussion, and which were especially in-  
sisted upon by the governor as the  
vital part of the measure, were the  
provisions clothing the dairy and  
food commissioner with the duty of  
inspection and licensing of dairies,  
creameries, cheese factories, milk  
depots, and the like, and empowering  
him to appoint regular and special  
inspectors, and to enter upon prem-  
ises, in the performance of those  
duties. It is probable that the state  
will yet realize its good fortune in  
having at the head of its affairs at  
that juncture a man of practical  
knowledge of the subject, and of such  
appreciation of what the best interests  
of the dairy business demanded, as  
was "the cheese maker of Farming-  
ton" whom they selected one year ago  
for the office of governor.

The governor appointed and the  
senate confirmed, as dairy and food  
commissioner, Mr. A. C. Bird, from  
Oakland county, who had formerly  
served as secretary of the state board  
of agriculture; and for the position of  
deputy commissioner Mr. C. C. Lillie  
of Ottawa county, a practical  
stockman, dairyman and farmer, was  
secured. In the division of duties,  
the details of administration under  
the dairy provisions of the new law  
have fallen chiefly to Mr. Lillie, and  
those duties keep him abroad in the  
state the most of his time. Seven of  
the eight regular inspectors author-  
ized have been appointed and are in  
service, with some special inspectors,  
and it is aimed to visit every county  
in the state at least twice in the year.

Registration and license are required  
of all skimming stations, creameries,  
cheese factories, condensed milk  
factories and milk depots, where  
milk or cream is received from three  
or more persons, and all such are in-  
spected by the department with refer-  
ence to sanitary conditions and prof-  
itable methods, and their patrons  
and private farm dairies generally  
are visited and instructed so far as  
possible. Registration and license  
are also required from all parties  
selling milk or cream from wagon or  
store, and careful oversight is given  
to the requirements of cleanliness in  
premises where milk is produced,  
and of utensils and methods in hand-  
ling the product.

Dairy meetings are held in many  
parts of the state, for instruction of  
producers in methods for increasing  
the profits of the dairy industry, as  
well as for reaching and maintaining  
a high standard of quality in the in-  
terest of the public health. These  
meetings are conducted by Deputy  
Lillie, and have also as speakers the  
various inspectors, and often Gov-  
ernor Warner himself, who is quite  
at home in that field. Conductors of  
creameries and cheese factories test-  
ify to the good results from this  
work in the improvement of the pro-  
duct that comes to them, and have  
so given testimony to the benefit  
they have themselves derived from  
the department's expert instruction  
in manufacture, one case appearing  
where the value of the product of a

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creamery was admitted to be increased  
by such instruction at a rate that  
would yield ten thousand dollars a  
year above what they had been realiz-  
ing upon the volume of business  
they were doing.

Another feature of the department's  
work in this line is the monthly  
educational scoring test, the next  
one of which occurs in Detroit  
July 28, at which creameries and  
cheese factories and farm dairies are  
invited to send samples of butter and  
cheese to be rated by a commercial  
scorer, and samples are also analyzed  
by the state analyst to determine  
constituent parts, upon which depend  
both quality and profit. The depart-  
ment will grant diplomas to man-  
ufacturers whose butter or cheese scores  
not less than ninety-three points for  
the whole year. At the first test, in  
April, the extreme scores on butter  
were ninety-seven and eighty-one and  
on cheese, ninety-six and seventy-five.  
There were eighty-eight samples, all  
together. In June there were one  
hundred and twenty-two samples, of  
which Ypsilanti butter received the  
highest score, ninety-eight, Bear lake  
falling one-fourth of a point below  
that; and Fred M. Warner's Farming-  
ton cheese leading at ninety-six, with  
three others holding even at one-  
half point below that.

The new law also provided for the  
inspection of commercial feedstuffs  
for stock, which has a vital bearing  
upon the question of profit from the  
dairy. Michigan was suffering from  
the effect of similar laws in neigh-  
boring states, which drove the fraud-  
ulent and worthless foods out of their  
borders and dumped them upon us,  
so that the need of such protection  
was keenly felt by intelligent Michi-  
gan feeders. Adequate penalties are  
provided for adulteration or misrep-  
resentation of such foods, as well as  
for violation of provisions for secur-  
ing wholesome quality in dairy pro-  
ducts; and generally and specifically  
for adulteration of any articles of  
food or drink manufactured or sold  
in the state, and for neglect to correct  
unsanitary conditions in any bakery,  
confectionery or ice cream plant,  
which the new law empowers the  
commissioner to inspect.

### OLD BUCHANAN BOY

Honored by American Institute of Bank  
Clerks

Harry Richards, a former Buchan-  
an boy, and a brother of our town-  
man J. L. Richards, was honored by  
the Bank Clerk's at their meeting  
held in Minneapolis, last week, by  
being elected chairman of the commit-  
tee on arrangements.

Mr. Richards is now paying teller  
of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank  
at Minneapolis, one of the largest  
banks west of Chicago.

A St. Paul paper has the following  
to say concerning his election:

"The last day's session practically  
resolved itself into an ovation to G.  
H. Richards of Minneapolis, who  
was elected chairman of the commit-  
tee on arrangements, which is  
equivalent to the presidency of the  
association."

### LOW RATES TO CALIFOR- NIA

Via Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul  
Railway

On a number of days this summer  
low round-trip rates to California  
points are offered via the Chicago,  
Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway. Lib-  
eral return limits and stop-over pri-  
vileges. Two through trains every  
day from Union Station, Chicago,  
via Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul  
and Union Pacific Line. The Over-  
land Limited leaves 6:05 p. m., and  
makes the run to San Francisco in  
less than three days. The California  
Express, at 10:25 p. m., carries  
through tourist as well as standard  
sleeping cars, and the berth rate for  
tourist sleeper is only \$7. Complete  
information regarding rates, routes  
and train service sent on request.  
Colorado-California Book sent for  
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R. C. Jones,  
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## Before Inventory Sale of Boys' Clothing.

At saving prices to interest all who have clothing to buy for boys. This sale is a money saving occasion of the greatest importance, as we have decided to materially reduce our stock of boy's clothing before our semi-annual inventory.

Boys' wash suits in Russian and sailors, all made with bloomer trousers, ages 2 1/2 to 10 years, \$1.00 grades for 75c, \$1.50 for \$1.00, \$3.00 grades for \$1.50. \$3.00 grade for \$2.00.

Double and Single breasted suits, three piece suits and some two-piece suits with extra leather belt, in fancy chevrons and cassimere, sizes 9 to 16 years, values from \$5.00 to \$7.50 all at \$3.50 and \$4.00. Single and double breasted Norfolk suits in fancy mixtures, ages from 7 to 16 years, \$5.00 and \$6.00 values at \$3.50.

Boy's Russian, Buster Browns, sailors, Norfolk and double breasted suits in staple blues and fancy mixtures, the very finest makes and the very best values obtainable, at the original prices, \$5.00, \$6.50 and \$7.50, at \$3.50, \$4.00, and \$5.00.

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JULY 28, 1905.

### The Carnival at Niles Next Week.

The Hoosier Amusement Company will hold forth in Niles next week, and will be located on the Reddick lot, at the end of Main street, on the west side.

The carnival company's uniformed band gives concerts afternoon and evening.

The company carries 120 people and has been reorganized.

The shows open at 2.30 in the afternoon and seven in the evening. Admission to the grounds is free and each show charges an admission of ten cents. The paid shows are Fashionable Vaudeville, Snake Eating Bobo, Electric Wonderland, Ferris Wheel, Electric Palace, Merry-ground, Penny Picture Arcade, Old Plantation and The Train Robbery. Besides these shows there are about twenty concessions to refreshment and amusement stands of different classes.

The free acts are Nick Otte on the Spanish Rings, Signore Barlowe on the slack wire, Ed Young master of equilibrium, and Dare Devil Doole leaping the gap on a bicycle.

### A Free Scholarship

Any young man or woman who is a bona fide patron of this paper may secure free instruction to Music or Elocution.

The Ithaca Conservatory of Music, with the desire to stimulate the study of these arts, offers two scholarships to applicants from the State of Michigan, valued at \$100 each, and good for the term of twenty weeks beginning with the opening of the school year, September 14, 1905, in any of the following departments; Voice, Violin, Piano, Organ and Elocution. These scholarships are awarded upon competition which is open to anyone desiring a musical or literary education. Anyone wishing to enter the competition or desiring information should write to Mr. Geo. C. Williams the general manager of the Ithaca Conservatory of Music, Ithaca, N. Y., before September 1, '05.

### The Diamond Cure.

The latest news from Paris, is, that they have discovered a diamond cure for consumption. If you fear consumption or pneumonia, it will, however be best for you to take that great remedy mentioned by W. T. McGee, of Vanleer, Tenn. "I had a cough, for fourteen years. Nothing helped me, until I took Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, which gave instant relief, and effected a permanent cure." Unequaled quick cure, for Throat and Lung Troubles. At every drug store, price 50c and \$1.00, guaranteed. Trial bottle free.

## CORRESPONDENCE

### DAYTON

Mrs. E. Leggett visited relatives at Buchanan a few days this week.

Mrs. Sperm Redding is visiting relatives in Niles this week.

Miss Bernice Weaver was in Three Oaks Saturday.

Mrs. Ida Wilson of Three Rivers is visiting relatives here this week.

The Misses Susie and Jennie Ballard of Buchanan visited their grandmother Mrs. S. P. Phillips a few days. Caddie and Jennie Hall visited their parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hall Sunday.

Mrs. Bertha Leggett and children are on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Ida Strunk was in South Bend this week.

Miss Ruby Eldredge of Buchanan visited Mrs. Whitley, Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Miss Jane Bromley is visiting at Niles this week.

### BENTON HARBOR

Mrs. Wm. Robinson is spending a week at Fair Plain, the guest of her daughter Mrs. Dora Thayer.

In case a small park should be made in front of the Union depot. Mrs. Andrew Crawford of Chicago would erect a memorial fountain there in honor of her late husband.

Leonard Pierce a 10 year old boy from Watervliet, who fell from an opera house window was operated on at the Mercy on Tuesday and a piece of broken skull removed. He is in a critical condition.

While James Murdock was washing a window at Bruce and Stone's store last Monday, the board on which he was standing broke and threw him against the window. It broke and a piece flew into his left eye, destroying the sight.

Our Naval Reserves have received orders to start Friday for their annual practice cruise on board the training ship Yantic at Detroit. While gone, they will assist in the ceremonies at the opening of the new locks at the "Soo". All government boats on the lakes have been ordered to be present.

The bi-ennial session of the Patriots opened here yesterday in the general offices, with the delegates present. At the election of officers W. C. Hicks who has been Supreme Senator since the starting of the order nine years ago is likely to be supplanted by John Selfridge or Roman I. Jarvis, both of whom are out after the place.

Our picnic parties are very impartial this year. The Universalist S. S. went to Bailey's Gap today; The Baptists up the river via the Tourist to Somerleyton; The Congregational S. S. will go to Higan Park August 8th. and the Methodist and Presbyterian schools to Paw Paw lake August 1st. The Lady Maccabees will go to Eastman Springs next Friday and the W. R. U. to St. Joseph tomorrow. And still there are other plabes.

**Skeet's Ice Cream**  
Morning, Noon And Night.

## Weekly Climate and Crop Bulletin.

Grand Rapids, Mich., July 25, 1905.

The mean daily temperature for the week ended July 24 was 72.0 degrees, or 2.9 degrees above the normal, the average precipitation was 0.55 of an inch, or 0.08 of an inch above the normal; the sunshine averaged 75 per cent of the possible amount.

Much drier weather, especially in the central and southern counties, has been very favorable to haying and harvest work, while the hot, humid temperature of the early half of the week greatly forwarded the growth of corn, beans, potatoes and sugar beets and the maturity of oats and barley.

Haying is well advanced in all parts of the state and the bulk of a heavy crop is mostly well secured. Wheat and rye harvests have made splendid progress and in the central and southern counties a large part of both crops is secured in stack or barn. Barley has been maturing rapidly and a part of the crop is cut and scoured. Oats are filling nicely and in the southern counties so far matured that harvest will begin this week—earlier than for some years past.

All hoe crops are somewhat in need of cultivation, but otherwise in good condition. Corn has made splendid progress and is generally in tassel. Early potatoes are ripe, but their yield is only fair on account of the excessive wet weather, which prevailed during their growth; late potatoes are more promising. Beans, sugar beets and buckwheat are making good growth. Pasturage is good. Cherries in the more northerly counties are yielding well. Peaches continue promising and the early varieties are coming in the market. Plums are rotting somewhat. Pears are promising. The apple prospect is declining quite rapidly because the fruit is quite scabby and dropping badly.

C. F. SCHNEIDER.

Section Director.

### The Ninth Big Week.

The ninth big week of "It Happened in Nordland" at the Grand Opera House, Chicago, shows no waning of popularity, but night after night a nearly uniform capacity attendance is registered, much to the wonderment of the cynics and raincoats who saw failure and early withdrawal of the big play, way back where its hot weather engagement was first proposed. Lew Field's great spectacular comedy is the epitome of all that is beautiful, clever and desirable in musical comedy. Its score is replete with song hits and tuneful orchestration; its literature is refined, yet pregnant with drollery and wit; its scenic investiture is of its kind the most picturesque and costly, and its people are the choicest products of Broadway. One enjoys everything in sight and within hearing, later on to pause in remembrance to consider the wonderful step in advance made by this latest musical comedy, and the high standard it has set for its successors. The features of the production have time and again been enumerated, and it suffices to say that not one of them is other than entertaining to the highest degree, and musically, scenically and dramatically there is nothing left to wish for. "Nordland" is the greatest event of the Chicago theatrical season—a show that none can afford to miss.

## EXCURSIONS VIA THE PERE MARQUETTE

Niagara Falls, Alexander Bay, Toronto and Montreal.

Special low-rate Excursion to above points via the Pere Marquette and Michigan Central Railroads, or via Detroit & Buffalo Steamer Detroit to Buffalo on Thursday, August 3rd, 1905. Ask Agents for rates and particulars of trains, &c.

H. F. Moeller.

General Passenger Agent. Aug. 3.

### Summer Assembly, Frankfort.

Account the Congregational Summer Assembly at Frankfort, Mich., August 2nd to 23rd., round trip tickets will be sold at the rate of one fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale July 31st. August 1, 2, 7 & 8, good for return until Sept. 8rd.

H. F. MOELLER, G. P. A.

All coupons for the phonograph must be presented on or before August first. We will discontinue giving them on that date, and will not accept them unless presented as above.

D. L. BOARDMAN.

## THE LIONS AND THE LADY

Coming Attractions at the West Michigan Fair.

The coming West Michigan Fair, which will be held in Grand Rapids, September 18-22 1905, promises to exceed in interest and attractions any of the preceding fairs which have ever been held in the state.

The natural beauty of the grounds has been improved by the addition of beautiful shrubbery and much horticultural work. Lying along the shore of the beautiful Grand River, Comstock Park, where the Fair is held, is an ideal place to spend a day, and when there are added to the natural attractions the many interesting and educational features of the Fair, it becomes a wonderfully attractive offer in the way of amusements and education.

There have been many improvements made in the buildings. The Grand Stand, which has always been of good size, has been increased one-third, and the entrance has been changed so it is more convenient than ever before.

The track at the West Michigan Fair grounds is one of the best in the United States. It is a mile track, and exceedingly fast time has been made on it. The coming races, which will be held during the Fair, bid fair to be the most exciting and interesting that have ever been held in western Michigan.

The exhibits will all be on a larger scale than ever before. They will not only be larger individually, but larger collectively, for there will be more of them.

The amusement committee has been exceedingly fortunate in getting very valuable attractions which will be shown free every day during the Fair. Chief among them will be shown the heroic Adgi and her wonderful lions. It is said that Adgi bears a striking resemblance to the celebrated Calve, being a most beautiful woman with charming personality and complete command over her den of snarling lions. While the ordinary resorts make a charge for seeing these wonderful lions, the West Michigan Fair generously offers this free every day.

From week to week numerous other announcements will be made of the various attractions which will be given at the Fair. So, in planning your summer vacation, by all means include it a day or two days in the city of Grand Rapids to attend the West Michigan State Fair.

The West Michigan State Fair is distinctly a west Michigan project. It has always been successful, because it has behind it the most representative business men in western Michigan. Each one of them feels an individual interest in it. It is not a commercial, money-making scheme, but rather an exhibit of what can be done in western Michigan, and will appeal to all of the citizens of Michigan as an evidence of what is being done in the state.

There will be reduced fares on all of the railroads.

Grand Rapids will be in her most beautiful condition, and a general good time is promised everybody at the Fair.

The M. C. R. R. Co., will run a special Excursion train from Battle Creek to St. Joseph and return Sunday July 30th passing Buchanan 9:28 a. m. arriving St. Joe 11:00 a. m. returning leave St. Joe 6:30 p. m. Fare from Buchanan to St. Joe and return 40 cents.

M. L. JENKS

### BROUGHT TO LIGHT

Buchanan People Receiving the Full Benefit

There have been many cases like the following in Buchanan. These plain, straightforward statements will do much toward relieving the suffering of thousands. Such testimony will be read with interest by many people.

S. F. Snell, cigar manufacturer, of Division street, Dowagiac, says: "I found by experience that Doan's Kidney Pills is a medicine of rare value."

I had a severe lameness which was something unusual and when on my feet I had an aching across my loins. Doan's Kidney Pills gave me almost immediate relief and it was only a short time till the lameness and backache were a thing of the past. Doan's Kidney Pills did for me all that they claimed to do."

Just such emphatic endorsements can be had right here in Buchanan. Drop into W. N. Brodrick's drug store and ask what his customers report.

For sale by all dealers. Price 50. Foster Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. sole agents for the United States. Remember the name Doan's and take no other.



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# E. S. ROE,

The Hardware Man

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KELLER'S

The Place for fresh

## Fruit and Vegetable

Come look over our Glass Ware and Crockery  
Everything to suit the people

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Phone 27.

Buchanan, Mich.

### Races at Kalamazoo.

The Michigan short ship Circuit races will be held at Recreation Park, Kalamazoo, Aug. 1, 2, 3, and 4, and from present indications the Meeting promises to be one of the most successful ever given within the borders of the state. There will be 13 events on the program and the purses to be offered amount to \$6,800. The Entry list closed at midnight Tuesday, July 25 and included over 100 different horses, thus insuring big fields and plenty of interest. Races will be best three in five, mile heat.

Recreation Park is one of the banner racing parks of the middle West and has all conveniences for the care of horses and the accommodation of the crowds that will attend. The track is very fast and plenty of speed will be developed.

The program for the four days is as follows:

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1.	
2:15 Pace	\$ 400.00
2:27 Trot	400.00
The LaVerdo Cigar Purse.	
2:20 Pace	1000.00
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 2.	
2:20 Pace	\$ 400.00
The Burdick House Purse.	
2:10 Pace	500.00
The Merchants' and Manufacturer's Purse.	
2:20 Trot	1000.00
THURSDAY, AUGUST 3.	
The Union Label Purse.	
2:17 Pace	\$500.00
2:23 Trot	400.00
2:25 Pace	400.00
2:35 Trot	400.00
FRIDAY, AUGUST 4	
The Kalamazoo House Purse	
2:13 Pace	\$500.00
The American Hotel Purse.	
2:15 Trot	500.00
2:40 Pace	400.00

### Forced to Starve.

B. F. Leek, of Concord, Ky, says: "For 20 years I suffered agonies, with a sore on my upper lip, so painful, sometimes, that I could not eat. After vainly trying everything else, I cured it, with Bucklen's Arnica Salve." It's great for burns, cuts and wounds. At every drug store; Only 25c.

### SUPERIOR SERVICE

D. & B. Line Steamers Represent the Latest and Best in Marine Construction

Detailed description of the steamers Eastern States and Western States would be tedious. Possibly it may be abbreviated by saying that these new boats are not only the largest and latest but the best on any fresh water in the world. The finest hotel is not better in respect to furnishings. The rooms, sleeping comforts, ventilation and cuisine are altogether admirable on these truly palatial steamers.

Send a two cent stamp for illustrated booklet. Address D. & B. STEAMCOAT Co., Dept. B. Detroit, Mich.

### THE CHUTES

Chicago's Most Popular Public Park

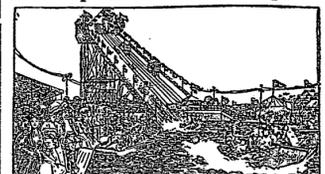
In the wonderful life of Chicago nothing is of more interest than The Chutes.

This brilliantly lighted, flag-enshrouded park at Jackson Boulevard and Kedzie Avenue is an ideal resort for gay throngs. Within its enclosure the "Velvet Coaster" gives thrilling mid-air rides. High overhead a marvelous flying machine offers hazardous adventure to the multitude.

"Shooting the Chutes" is a Chicago habit. Passengers go skyward on a gigantic steel structure. At a dizzy height gondolas start down a steep declivity over which rush cascades like the famous falls of Lodore.

The gay craft descend with the speed of the winds to the bosom of an artificial lake where they dash swiftly forward on foam-crested waves to a placid harbor.

While Weldon's big military band fills the park with music, rubber wheel cars laden with shouting, laughing merry-makers descend on undulating tracks like noiseless phantoms from a distant planet.



High overhead fly the machines of the Aerostat at a rate of 100 miles an hour. Were these devices not enough to delight, there are the Mystic Rill, an enchanted waterway, with boats that speed by "poppy fields" and "hanging gardens" peopled with fairies and genie; through a phantom "Zoo" that weirdly vanishes and strangely reappears; past a miniature world's fair; a haunted house that turns up-side-down; a mystifying radium cavern; "Psyche at the Well"; laughing gallery of comical anatomorphoses; electric theatre; motion pictures, Katzenjammer Castle, Figure Eight Toboggan, "Baby" railroad, double whirl, merry-go-rounds, giant carousels, Helter-Skelter, temples of palmistry, fortune-telling and clairvoyance, Japanese daylight fire-works, pyrotechnics by night and a thousand other devices. Seated in cool pavilions under a canopy of fluttering flags and myriads of vari-colored lights, patrons enjoy open air concerts and all these gay activities. For access to this world of amusement only ten cents is charged. All street cars transfer to the Chutes for one fare.

## MASSAGE

Having completed my course in facial massage care and treatment of the scalp, and manicuring, I am now prepared to do satisfactory work in any of these branches at your homes

EDNA L. HAYDEN.

Skeet's Chocolate Ice Cream.

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205-207 SO. MICHIGAN ST.  
SOUTH BEND INDIANA.

We are Having a Special Sale of  
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and all Hot Weather Goods including a full line of Straw and Panama hat, Negligee Shirts, Fancy Vests etc. It will play you to call. We are selling this class of goods at less than cost.

## Mutchler's Meat Market

YOU KNOW WHERE

### PERE MARQUETTE

TIME TABLE—June 25, 1905

Trains leave Buchanan as follows: For Hartford, Holland, Muskegon, Grand Rapids, Saginaw, Bay City, and the north; also New Buffalo, Michigan City, Porter, Chicago and the south and west, at 8:35 A. M. and 5:00 P. M.

Close connections at Bepton Harbor with Main Line trains north and south.

J. E. EVELY. H. F. MOELLER.  
Agent. Gen'l Pass. Agent

### MICHIGAN CENTRAL

"The Niagara Falls Route."

In effect June 15, 1905.

West	East
No. 18 * 7:40 a. m.	No. 6 * 12:42 a. m.
No. 48 * 10:38 a. m.	No. 16 * 5:11 a. m.
No. 48 * 2:38 p. m.	No. 2 * 10:40 a. m.
No. 3 * 5:45 p. m.	No. 14 * 5:59 p. m.
No. 47 * 6:27 p. m.	No. 22 * 5:29 p. m.

\* Daily \* daily except Sunday.

St. Joe, Benton Harbor Division.

m. a. m. p. m.	p. m. p. m. a. m.
7:30 1:00 lv. South Bend ar. 7:35 3:20 11:55	
5:30 7:57 11:27	Warwick 7:00 1:25 11:28
9:30 8:00 11:36	Galion 6:57 12:50 11:39
9:00 8:18 11:48	Glendora 6:45 12:39 11:50
8:30 8:25 11:56	Baroda 6:36 12:30 10:36
7:30 8:24 12:05	Derby 6:28 11:55 10:51
7:30 8:22 12:12	Vineland 6:22 11:50 10:45
8:53 12:25	Benton Harbor 6:13 11:00 10:37
10 9:05 12:35 ar. St. Joseph	lv. 6:00 11:00 10:35

All trains will be run daily except Sunday.  
At Galien the trains will be run via the main line station.

M. L. JENKS, Agent.

### BUCHANAN MARKETS

Week ending July 28 Subject to change:

Butter	14c
Lard	8c
Eggs	15c
Honey	14c
Beef	3c
Veal	4c
Pork	5c
Mutton	4c
Chicken	9c

Above quotations are on live weight only.

The Peare-East Grain Co., report the following prices on grain to-day:

Corn	50c
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## Dr. E. S. DODD & SON

Druggists and Booksellers.

Wish to thank the people for their patronage in the past and also wish to inform them that they are still doing business at the old stand.

Mr. J. Ellison Miller will manage the store and will be glad to greet his many old friends in Buchanan.

We always have a full line of drugs.

### Dodd's Sarsaparilla 75c

**A. Surprise Party**

A pleasant surprise party may be given to your stomach and liver, by taking a medicine which will relieve their pain and discomfort, viz: Dr. King's New Life Pills. They are a most wonderful remedy, affording sure relief and cure, for headache, dizziness and constipation. 25c. at any drug store.

Bring your printing to the Record.

For crockery, go to Wyman's, ft. Wm. Powers is having his house repainted.

For dinnerware, go to Wyman's, ft.

A new cement cross walk is being built across Day's Avenue at the Methodist church.

Complete stock of purses, pocket books, bill books, card cases, etc. BINNS' MAGNET STORE

Moles removed without injuring the skin. Guaranteed or money refunded, A. G. Morley, opposite the creamery.

### Skeet's Strawberry Ice Cream.

The dinner given by the Royal Neighbors, at the home of Mrs. O. H. Fuller, Tuesday, was well attended, there being about sixty present. The dinner was served in royal style and was partaken of by the company with a right good will.

Miss Myrtle Dutton, a former Buchanan girl, was married to Mr. W. C. Roelofs, of Elwood, Pa., on July 17. Miss Dutton is a sister of Mrs. Paul Skalla, of Niles, and is quite well known here.

Rev. H. N. Wagner, of Goodwill, South Dakota, has accepted the pastorate of the Presbyterian church in Buchanan and will move his family here in the near future. They will occupy the Charlwood house on Portage street.

A great amount of stock is being shipped to eastern markets, and nearly every day many carloads go through this place over the Michigan Central. Yesterday two trains went through, one with 47 cars and the other with 31 cars of cattle.

Chris Huse while cutting bands on the threshing machine at Ralph Allen's, yesterday morning, severely cut his arm. Part of the muscle of the fore arm was cut away. Dr. Peck dressed the wound, and found it necessary to take several stitches.

With little buckets of green paint, rural free delivery carriers soon will be giving the boxes along their routes a new coat. The postal authorities have not decided how much the carriers shall be allowed for each box painted, but the department will furnish the paint and brushes. Should any carrier decline to earn the extra money some one else will be employed.

The entire upper peninsula was shaken early Wednesday night by a severe earth quake, which was heaviest in copperdom, where considerable damage was done. Windows in residences and business places were smashed, and the interior of buildings partially wrecked. The entire copper country is in fear of the repetition of the shock, which had the force of a heavy dynamite explosion. In Hancock and Houghton buildings rocked like cradles, and dishes on tables were scattered around. Calumet & Hecla miners refused to go to work that night.

Unclaimed letters remaining in P. O. at Buchanan, Mich. for week ending July 25, 1905. Mr. Thomas McGee, S. R. Deihl. Postal, Cebia A. Squires.

G. W. NOBLE, P. O.

REWARD—Will be paid for the return of an umbrella with silver plated ornament with initials M. C. engraved on it. Umbrella was taken from the voting place on Main street at the last spring's election. Return to Record office and receive reward.

Mrs. H. O. Weaver has rearranging the interior of her millinery store the past week, and now has one of the finest places to be found in this part of the state. Large display cases have been added and several exceptionally fine large mirrors have also been put in position, which gives the room the appearance of being double its size.

The Evangelical Sunday School picnic was held at Coney Beach Clear Lake, yesterday, and was well attended, there being about 150 present. The day was spent in boating, bathing, etc., and a ball game between Chicago boys and the Buchanan boys, in which the local boys won by a score of 24 to 3. A picnic dinner was served to which the crowd sat down with a hearty appetite.

The M. C. R. R. Co. will run a Special Excursion train from Michigan City to Niagara Falls N. Y. on Thursday Aug. 3 passing Buchanan 3:41 p. m. arriving Niagara Falls 4:10 a. m. Aug. 4th. good returning not later than Aug. 6th. unless deposited with Joint Agent at Niagara Falls not later than 11:00 p. m. Aug. 6th. an extension can be had until Aug. 14th. by paying a fee of 25 cents at time of deposit. Rates from Buchanan to Niagara Falls and return \$6.75, Alex Bay N. Y. or Clayton N. Y. \$7.00 higher than Niagara Falls rate. Tickets good going only on special train.

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### PERSONAL.

John Jackson was a Galien visitor Thursday.

Francis Goodenough was in Galien Wednesday.

Mrs. J. H. Portz was a Niles visitor Thursday.

J. K. Wood was a Three Oaks visitor yesterday.

Miss Cora Bird was a Three Oaks caller, Wednesday.

Wm. Bohl is in Benton Harbor on business, this week.

John Needham was up from St. Joseph, Wednesday.

C. G. Whitney was here Wednesday from Charlotte.

Mrs. Fred Gelow, of Three Oaks, is visiting in this place.

Mrs. Alice Rose has been visiting in Galien a few days this week.

Mrs. Hattie Egbert, of Minneapolis is visiting her sister, Miss Ella Hahn.

Miss Anna Simmons went to Detroit yesterday for a two week's visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Elia Brant, of Benton Harbor, were Buchanan visitors this week.

Glenn Wilson, of Chicago, is spending a portion of his vacation in Buchanan.

Miss Bessie Moore and friend from Chicago, are visiting at the home of J. M. Rouch.

Mrs. Wm. Bohl went to New Buffalo, Wednesday, for a few days visit with relatives.

Miss Lulu Bush returned to South Bend, yesterday, after a few days visit in this place.

Mrs. Chas. Babcock has been visiting her son, Orlando, near Laporte, Ind., this week.

Mrs. Frank Ehenigar, of Michigan City, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Guyberson.

Miss Flora Clements, of Lindley, Ind., is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Medford Price.

Chas. F. Redden, of Pittsburg, Pa., came to Buchanan last night for a week's visit with his parents.

Miss Minnie Williams from Los Angeles Cal., has been the guest of Mrs. Hern for the past week.

Mrs. Frank Blodgett and little daughter, of Jackson, are visiting relatives and friends in Buchanan.

Mrs. Parker Scholes, son and daughter, of Chicago, are visiting at the home of H. S. Rough this week.

Miss Nellie Lohoff, started for her home in Holton, Mo., Thursday, after a short visit at the home of Leman Bristol.

Mrs. Esther A. Halin came home Thursday from South Bend, being called by the illness of her daughter, Mrs. F. Fritzen.

Miss Lizzie Perry returned to her home in Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, yesterday, after a short visit at the home of S. W. Redden.

Arthur Charlwood came back to Buchanan last night from West Point, Miss. He had to leave the south on account of his health.

Mrs. Wm. Barnes and children returned to their home in Chicago, yesterday, after spending a week with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Clout.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hess, and son Clayton, spent Sunday in Lindley Ind., with Mrs. Wm. Stroup. They visited in South Bend Monday, on the way home.

Marion Lewis, the dashing and ever pleasing soubrette of the J. C. Lewis Si Plunkard Co., is a win some little lady, a very clever artist and an elegant vocalist. She was formerly known as Miss Hatty Dalley and the past four seasons has played the Soubrette Role of Dora Page, with the Si Plunkard Co.

Regular services will be held at the Evangelical church next Sunday. All are cordially welcome.

An Experienced Social

The Ladies of the M. E. church will give an experienced social Saturday evening, July 29, on the lawn at Mrs. D. L. Mudger's residence. Ice cream and cake will be served. Bill 10 cents. A cordial invitation is extended to all to be present and hear the experiences and give an experience.

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A nice line of Home Made Cakes to select from.

Rye and Brown Bread  
Cream Puffs Saturday  
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J. H. PORTZ, Prop.

First publication July, 1905

Estate of Anna Foster, 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 10th day of July, A. D. 1905.

Present Hon. Frank H. Ellsworth, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Anna Foster, deceased, David Murphy, having filed in said court his petition praying for license to sell the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described, at public sale for distribution.

It is ordered, that the 7th day of August, A. D. 1905, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license to sell the interest of said estate in said real estate should not be granted.

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.

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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 10th day of July, A. D. 1905.

Present: Hon. Frank H. Ellsworth, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Susan H. Smith deceased Joseph L. Richards, having filed in said court his petition praying that a certain instrument in writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, now on file in said court be admitted to probate, and that the administration of said estate be granted to the executors named in the will or to some other suitable person.

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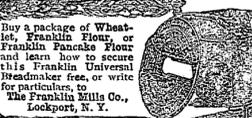
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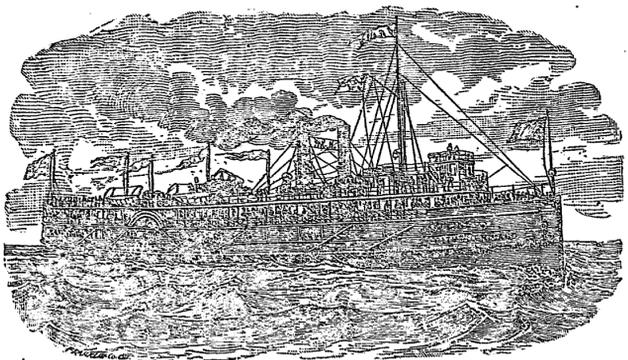
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By PERCIE W. HART

# The... Crimsons of the High Seas

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THE regular pacing of the sentry from side to side upon the level deck showed more than anything else that the huge floating mass of machinery and guns was lying at anchor in a sheltered haven. With one eye and one ear alert for possible disturbance of his present quiet, the marine utilized his other eye and ear for matters of a personal and private nature. Up forward a crowd of jackies were dispersing themselves in accustomed fashion. One couple had on boxing gloves, and their own agility, combined with the criticisms of surrounding mates, promised skill of no mean order in this form of manly exercise. A little apart from the rest and slightly screened from the full effect of the sun by an iron ventilating shaft two strangely diverse types of humanity lay stretched out upon the deck side by side. One was a big, dark complexioned Irishman, with the grime of coal dust worn into the very fiber of his skin; the other, an under-sized, ruddy checked youth, showed indications of gentle upbringing in every move that he made. To the uninitiated their uniforms appeared to be identical, but there were certain earmarks and signs which showed their ratings to the nautical mind—the former as a coal passer, the latter as a member of the gun's crew. The Irishman was at the moment merely sleeping—passing away an idle hour after the fashion of all animals and many men. His companion was reading, apparently with deep interest, from a copy of the "Iliad" in the original, for

about, but a modern specimen of the same class is a city. On the broad and open deck of the old time frigate, where cattle roamed the spar deck and motherly hens raised their families in the longboats, was felt the freedom of village life, but not so on the monster modern ironclad. Here is well represented the compact and busy city. Does not the ever present trolley bring the coal from bunker to furnace and carry ammunition to the guns? The machine shops are well equipped factories in every sense of the word. Electric light wires and water mains run in all directions, and cement paved decks are laid wherever they may seem to be necessary.

Both villages and cities, moreover, possess craftsmen of various kinds, and such useful individuals are never lacking from a warship's complement. In the bygone days sailmakers, riggers, carpenters and spun yarn weavers were absolutely essential. These have been succeeded in our present generation by stokers, pipe fitters, boiler-makers and electric linemen, but many of the other old callings continue to flourish in spite of the evolution from wooden hulls to steel ones and from shaking out the reefs in sails to piling on coal in the furnaces. Among those ship's craftsmen who have thus survived the era of change, and almost as important in these days of well fitting though simple uniforms as in those of cruder shape and lavish adornment, is that of the master tailor. It may take nine shoe tailors to make a man, but one on shipboard often turns out very creditable specimens.

Obadiah Todds (so was he entered up on the books of the United States battleship Rhode Island) had scarcely been inside the captain's cabin two minutes before he emerged therefrom hurriedly and very red in the face. The sentry grinned derisively, but Todds never even scowled back at him.

"Foolish, is it?" he muttered as he returned to his quarters forward.

"Foolish and nonsensical! Well, maybe it is, and then, again, maybe it isn't. Now, if he had said that there was no money available for supplying them at the moment I'd feel different. However, I may get a chance to try the thing before long, and then we'll see."

And he carefully placed the big bundle of cloth out of harm's way and betook himself to his ordinary duties. Obadiah Todds was a product of New England, a section of country which has brought to light more ingenious contrivances for aiding and supplementing the work of man than any other similar stretch of territory upon the whole globe's face. As became one of his blood, Obadiah was an inveterate inventor. His very latest scheme had just been most emphatically denounced by his captain. But still—following the blood strain which has given us sewing machines, typewriters and thousands of other typically useful articles in spite of much more serious obstacles than their simple denouncement by an official—Obadiah cherished his project as tenderly as ever.

"I really believe that our whole company has gone crazy upon the subject of improvement in the latest improved modern methods of naval warfare," remarked Captain Beresford somewhat irritably to his aid, who had just entered the cabin. "The ship's tailor is the latest enthusiast. He has just been to see me about having the men supplied with a crazy kind of bullet proof coat that he has patented. Had a model of the thing with him too. Lot of big steel spangles like, sewed on thick felt. Something on the idea of old chain armor, only Todds' variety of it looked more like fish scales than anything else. It's true enough, as he says, that the men about the superstructure are well nigh unprotected, but how on earth can you ask the enemy to fire only small arms at that particular spot? And Todds is just about the fiftieth today so far! One of the gunner's mates proposed a kind of an auger arrangement that was to be fitted upon the head of the shell, so that it would drill clean and clear right through one side of a ship and out the other. And then there has been Brownson with a wild and weird species of vernier for the range finders, and Lopincourt with something else. Anybody would think that I was the assistant secretary of the navy by the way they come after me."

And Lieutenant Mortimer discreetly kept in his pocket the diagram of a new and marvelous fleet evolution which he had spent the night hours of many weeks in formulating and conversed upon strictly nonprofessional topics with his chief.

Now, the specific order of the navy department had so decreed that the gallant United States battleship Rhode Island should be one of a fleet dispatched to contest the enemy's passage. After many weary days of watchful cruising one of the fast little dispatch boats came scurrying back to the main body with the news that there was a big bank of smoke to windward. Almost immediately strings of colored flags began going up and down upon the signal halyards of the American vessels, tall black arms wigwagged from the bridges like inspired scarecrows and little steam launches darted hither and thither through the fleet. The rather straggling procession of warships lined up with much greater accuracy of interval and its course changed so as to head directly toward the suspicious bank of smoke.

Some little while after another small craft, an unprotected cruiser this time, came back to report the enemy as actually close at hand. The dimly lit warship's flag signals were scarcely necessary to establish this last fact, however, for one of her two stubby masts was among the missing, and a portion of her superstructure had been cleared away with all the nicety of which a chance shot at long range is capable.

"The percentage of shattering as against facied wounds will be very large," argued Hughes in a gleeful tone of voice. "With one or two good cases involving the complete severance of the carotid artery, I"—To judge from their conversation at the mess table one might almost imagine that the chief surgeon and his assistant regarded the coming action as one especially designed to increase their store of professional knowledge.

"Did you see Hutton when you were aboard the Midget this morning?" queried Mortimer of Lopincourt as he passed the latter a desired sauce cruet.

"Yes," replied the one addressed.

"Poor chap looked awfully white around the gills, and so were all of his people, in fact."

"Sensick, I suppose?" interrogated the other.

"Yes," answered Lopincourt. "Those beastly little torpedo craft just throw themselves about like snappers upon the tail of a kite. It was all I could do to hold on, calm as it is today. Hutton has lost one of his men already. Thrown against the edge of the gun shield. Horrible! Another poor fellow was so battered up that I took him with me to the flagship for treatment. Whatever possessed Hutton to give up his comfortable berth with us and apply for that command?"

"He always was a torpedo enthusiast, even when we were at Annapolis together," replied Mortimer.

"By the bye, somebody told me that he was married on the very day we sailed?" queried Lopincourt curiously.

"Is it true?"

"Yes," replied the other, somewhat stiffly. "The date had been fixed before hostilities were reckoned upon, and it was carried out accordingly. I was his best man. He married my cousin, Lily Rodman."

"You don't say so!" ejaculated Lopincourt. "Gad! How romantic! I remember having seen Miss Rodman that was. They must make a fine looking couple, for she certainly is a devilish handsome girl."

The well trained stewards fitted noiselessly about supplying the wants of their uniformed superiors, for it was now twilight, and no battle could well be fought until the morrow.

It is good to see men eat heartily at any time. It is especially good to see leaders of other men eat heartily just before coming dangers. The account of it, passed along from the steward of the officers' mess to the marine corporal, and so from boatswain's mate to able seaman and loblolly boy, will have almost as much effect upon the common enemy as the great armor piercing projectiles now reposing so peacefully in their casings far down below the water line.

"I heard an awfully good story when I was west last summer," began Smithers in his usual inane fashion. "It seems—er—that there had been a cyclone quite recently. Most astounding things, those cyclones. Er—I was assured by any number of reputable citizens—er— But I'll tell you the story—and you can judge for yourselves. You see—"

"What weight of broadside per minute do you figure that the enemy can actually throw, sir?" queried Brownson in a portentous tone of voice. Brownson, it may be remembered, was the same individual who believed that he could give lessons regarding the proper verniers for range finders to the whole ordnance bureau.

"I'm sure I don't know," replied Lieutenant Beresford, "but I'd very much like to hear the rest of Smithers' cyclone story."

"Signal from flagship calling captains' conference at once, sir," announced an orderly, entering the mess room hurriedly and saluting as he spoke.

The lieutenant rose from the table, with a sigh. "Save some of that roast duck for me," were his parting words to the head steward.

The night set in dark and overcast. The air was heavy with the feel of an approaching storm center. While in no sense of the word quiet and subdued, the watch below were not nearly so boisterous as usual. There was considerable letter writing and some reverential Bible handling, but for most part the men utilized their hammocks as soon as they could be swung. The searchlights of the two hostile fleets kept flashing here, there and everywhere as they watched with jealous vigilance for signs of any untoward movement on the part of one another. In the early portion of the first morning watch the officer of the deck on board the Rhode Island was hanging over the taffrail, gazing somewhat mechanically at the gorgeous phosphorescent swirl of the wave crests, when a sea ball from close at hand aroused him.

"Ahoy there! Is Lieutenant Mortimer on deck?" was the cry.

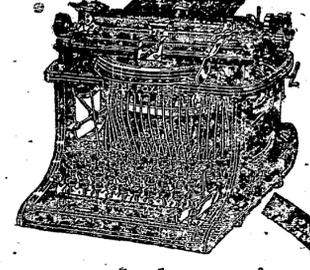
Instantly the quartermaster swung his great reflector around so that its light bore upon the point from which the voice proceeded. There, within biscuit throw, framed in the circle of the searchlight's brilliancy and standing in at startling contrast against the surrounding blackness, was a small, half submerged craft—a floating infernal machine—a devourer of whole ships—a torpedo boat. Puny and despicable enough she looked as, tossed like a wooden chip upon the waste of waters, she danced about in never ceasing movement. Upon her tiny bridge a tall figure wrapped in a dripping sea cape stood erect.

"Is that you, Ned?" replied Mortimer, for the watch officer was none other, in astonished tones.

"Yes, it's Ned—Ned Hutton," again spoke the other.

"What are you heading that way for?" began Mortimer. "You're surely not going back to—"

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