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	Dly	Dly	Exp	Exp	Exp
Grand Rapids Lv.	7.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	10
Middleville	1.20	1.27	6.25	12.13	8.40
Hastings	7.52	1.59	6.57	12.40	9.30
Jackson Ar.	9.50	3.50	9.00	12.50	5.20
Detroit Ar.	12.20	6.00	11.15	7.10	...
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WESTWARD BOUND.

STATIONS.	Pac	Spl	M'lh	Gr	Fr't
	EXP	EXP	EXP	EXP	EXP
Grand Rapids Ar.	5.00	6.40	11.45	10.29	4.05
Middleville	3.57	5.58	11.03	9.38	2.15
Hastings	3.20	5.40	10.40	9.10	1.03
Jackson Lv.	12.01	3.50	8.45	7.30	7.10
Detroit Lv.	8.45	2.00	6.30	4.35	...
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Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad.

Schedule in effect April 6, 1896.

NORTHERN DIVISION.	Leave	Arrive	
	Going	From	North
Trav. City, Pet'ky & Mack	7:25 a.m.	11:25 a.m.	5:15 p.m.
Cadillac	5:25 p.m.	11:25 a.m.	5:15 p.m.
Sauk	5:00 p.m.	11:00 p.m.	5:45 a.m.
Petoskey and Mackinaw	2:10 p.m.	7:10 a.m.	...

7:25 a.m. train has through cars to Saginaw
and parlor car to Petoskey and Mackinaw.
2:10 p.m. train has sleeping car for Petoskey
and Mackinaw.

MUSKEGON TRAINS.
GOING WEST.

Lv Grand Rapids. 12:25 a.m. 11:00 p.m. 5:40 p.m.
At Muskegon. 12:10 p.m. 2:10 p.m. 7:05 p.m.

GOING EAST.

Lv Muskegon. 4:20 a.m. 11:45 a.m. 4:00 p.m.
Ar Grand Rapids. 9:20 a.m. 12:55 p.m. 4:20 p.m.

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The Albion gentleman, it appears, sent the laureate a request for "an autograph and sentiment." No response came, and he sent another. That, too, was unanswered, and he wrote again.

This time he received a sheet on which the poet had written:

"A. Tennyson. Sentiment: 'Ask me no more.'"

Some readers may be in doubt whether more to admire the aptness of the laureate in quoting from himself, or the perseverance of the collector.

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CONSUMPTION

HOW THE CASH WENT.

THE FINANCIAL LEGISLATION OF CONGRESS REVIEWED.

Mr. Cannon Says the Appropriations Were Small and Economical, While Mr. Sayres Says They Were Enormous and Proligate.

As Viewed by Both Sides.

Chairman Cannon, of the House Appropriations Committee, and ex-Chairman Sayres Thursday made public a joint statement concerning the expenditures authorized by this Congress, discussing them from the Republican and Democratic standpoints respectively.

The total appropriations for the session, including permanent annual appropriations, is \$515,759,820.49.

Mr. Cannon's statement begins:

"The appropriations charged to this session include \$119,054,160 under the permanent laws, of which amount \$50,000,000 is for sinking fund and \$30,500,000 for interest on public debts, or \$3,355,614.40 more than was included at the last session of Congress in the statements of appropriations, and is on account of the increase of \$162,315,400 in the bonded indebtedness of the country by the present administration up to February, 1895, the interest and sinking fund charge on account of the later bond issue of \$100,000,000 in February, 1896, amounting to \$4,400,000, not being included in the estimates of permanent appropriations.

Increase in Public Debt.

"The increase in the principal and interest bearing debt of the country under the present administration amounts to \$262,315,400, which entails annual interest charge of \$11,492,616, and to meet the sinking fund obligations the further sum of \$2,623,154.

"During the administration of Mr. Harrison the principal of the interest bearing debt was reduced \$258,192,900 and the annual interest charges \$10,327,716.

"The regular annual bills, including deficiencies, as passed by the House made a reduction in the total estimates submitted by the executive of \$26,083,191.67;

\$1,406,000; defenses and armament, \$4,195,076; new warships, \$12,900,000; District of Columbia, \$125,000. Total, \$78,241,480.

He says that the total expenditures in one fiscal year have never been so great except during the civil war and exceed the assessed valuation of property in any one of the South Atlantic States.

In conclusion Mr. Sayres says:

"If the present Congress had rigidly refused authority for additional contracts and had appropriated only to meet the immediate or fiscal year requirements under existing ones, the next Congress and administration would have been in a position to largely reduce appropriations and expenditures, and the administration of the government could easily have returned to an economical method of expenditure. This, however, has not been done, and the majority in Congress must be held responsible for this grave dereliction in public life."

THE DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION.

Three Men Who Are Candidates for the Honor.

With the Republican nomination disposed of, the attention of the country will be directed toward Chicago, where the Democratic convention will meet July 7 to place in nomination candidates for President and Vice-President and adopt a platform. Who the nominees will be is a matter of conjecture, but, as press correspondents say, there is no longer any doubt that the platform will declare for the free coinage of silver. The silver element will control the gathering and will doubtless dictate the nomination. Whether they select an out-and-out silver man for President or take a milder one—solid silver with a gold lining—will depend upon circumstances that cannot be foreseen.

The present probabilities favor Horace Boiles, of Iowa, but there are other strong candidates, such as William R. Morrison of Illinois, Richard Park Bland of Missouri, James E. Campbell of Ohio, Claude Matthews of Indiana, and Benjamin R. Tillman of South Carolina. All of these are too well known to require even a brief biography. Mr. Campbell is the distinguished ex-Governor of Ohio, who defeated Foraker and was himself defeated by McKinley and Bushnell. He is about 50



CONGRESS ADJOURS—THERE IS JOY AT HOME AND ABROAD.

they were increased by the Senate \$22,920,442.30, and as they became laws they appropriate \$10,636,624.06 less than as passed by the Senate, \$12,283,818.24 more than as they passed the House, and \$13,374,373.43 less than the estimated requirements of the administration.

Excluding Rivers and Harbors.

"The regular annual appropriations, including deficiencies, made at the last session of Congress amounted to \$383,636,896.97, and included no river and harbor bill. Excluding the river and harbor act passed at this session, the regular annual bills as passed by the House appropriated only \$873,505,082.25, or more than \$10,000,000 less than was appropriated by the last Democratic Congress."

Mr. Cannon criticizes the Treasury Department because it has expended \$7,377,440 for the present year in collecting the revenue from customs estimated at \$163,000,000; whereas for the last fiscal year, 1892, under President Harrison's administration there was collected under the McKinley tariff act \$177,452,000 of customs revenue at a total cost of only \$6,607,517.

The bills establishing salaries, instead of the fee system, for officers of the United States courts, he says, will save \$1,000,000 annually and minimize frivolous and malicious prosecution, and special attention is called to the fact that Congress made no increases of salaries or employees in the Government department.

Table of Appropriations.

The following table of appropriations is given:

Fifty-first Congress	\$988,417,183 34
Fifty-second Congress	1,027,104,547 92
Fifty-third Congress	899,239,205 69
Fifty-fourth Congress—first session	515,759,820 49
The revenues for three fiscal years of the Harrison administration ending June 30, 1892, are given as \$1,150,631,214; expenditures, \$988,132,501; for the two complete fiscal years of Cleveland's administration, revenues, \$611,112,094; expenditures, \$723,720,578.	

Mr. Sayres' Statement.

Mr. Sayres, in his statement, says of the total appropriations for the session:

"This sum exceeds the appropriations made during the last session of the Fifty-third Congress by \$18,751,299.83, and those of the first regular session of that Congress by \$23,529,135.46. It is less than the appropriations by the second session of the Fifty-second Congress by only \$3,744,538.72, although at the latter session \$39,352,494.85 more was appropriated for pensions than at this session. It is more than those by the first session of the Fifty-first Congress by \$21,303,571.84, and \$25,464,040.80 less than the appropriations at the second session of the Fifty-first.

"The Senate, organized this session by a combination of Republican and Populist votes, placing the control of committees in the hands of Republicans, by its amendments to appropriation bills as they passed the House, proposed to increase the total \$22,920,442.30. By conferences between the two Houses this aggregate increase was reduced to \$12,283,818.24.

"The appropriations made at the second session of the Fifty-first Congress exceeded those made at the first session of the same Congress by \$46,767,612.64, or nearly 10 per cent. If the same proportionate increase should be made at the next session, then the appropriations will not be less than \$657,000,000."

Contracts authorized by this session he estimates as follows:

Rivers and harbors, \$59,616,404; public buildings, lighthouses and revenue cutters,

years of age. Claude Matthews is the farmer-statesman who since 1892 has been Governor of Indiana and has distinguished himself as an able executive. Benjamin R. Tillman first came into national prominence when as Governor of South Carolina he introduced the dispensary laws which placed the liquor traffic under the control of the State. He has since gained notoriety by his erratic course in the United States Senate.

MARION BUTLER.

North Carolina's Populist Senator and Father of the Bond Bill.

Marion Butler, the Populist, who is father of the bond bill passed by the Senate, is in Congress by grace of the sovereign State of North Carolina. Senator Butler is Matt W. Ransom's successor. He was made Senator in 1895, and this was a climax of a career which began on a North Carolina farm. Mr. Butler was born in 1863. His mother prepared him for college. The University of North Carolina graduated him in 1885, and then he began to be a lawyer. He studied for short time and then was called home. He was the first born, his father had died, and he must take care of the farm. He sowed and reaped and between times he looked after the education of his brothers and sisters. In addition, he taught at

On with the Kiss!

The Indianapolis Board of Health and the Superintendent of Education have put their heads together and have concluded to break up the injurious habit of kissing in public schools. Kissing, it must be understood, is not a part of the Indianapolis curriculum though it has been somewhat extensively practiced both in and out of schools for more than years that are remembered by the oldest inhabitant. Of course nobody in this scientific age is going to argue the germ theory with a health board, but from what we know of human nature the process of accumulating germs in this old-fashioned way will go on after post-mortems have pronounced deceased physicians free from destroying bacilli. For our part we rather like to take germs into our system if we may choose the base of supplies, and if we accumulate more is good for our health we can turn on the X rays, eradicate them and be ready for a fresh start. Thank heaven for the remedial power of science. On with the kiss, let it be joy unconfined!—Chicago Post.

Homesekers' Excursions South.

On the 15th and 16th of June, also July 6, 7, 20 and 21, and several dates during August, September and October, the Chicago and Eastern Illinois Railroad will sell first-class round-trip tickets, good 31 days from date of sale, for one fare, plus \$2.00, for the round trip, to all points in Florida and the South. Tracks, trains, time all the best. For further information address C. W. Humphrey, N. P. A., St. Paul, Minn. City ticket office, 182 Clark street, or C. L. Stone, G. P. & T. A., Chicago.

One of the articles of food most prized by the Chinese on the Pacific coast is dried duck. An American in Contra Costa County, Cal., has started a duck-drying business and has a monopoly of the Chinese trade. He buys hundreds of ducks from hunters, fills them with salt and hangs them in the sun for six weeks. They become as hard as sole leather and will keep indefinitely. The Chinese used to import their dried duck from China.

World's Columbian Exposition.

Will be of value to the world by illustrating the improvements in the mechanical arts, and eminent physicians will tell you that the progress in medicinal agents has been of equal importance, and as a strengthening laxative that Syrup of Figs is far in advance of all others.

The Only Way.

"But why do you not print a card and deny the accusation?" inquired the politician's wife.

"Deny it?" howled the politician, "and then have them prove it? No, I will treat it with contempt."—Truth.

"Ah! Tom, there is no greater charm than a peach-bloom complexion, such as the young lady had we heard extolling Glenn's Sulphur Soap." Druggists.

Studious to please, and ready to submit; the supple Gaul was born a parasite.—Johnson.

Every man having a beard should keep it an even and natural color, and if it is not so already, use Buckingham's Dye and appear tidy.

No man flatters the woman he truly loves.—Tuckerman.

I shall recommend Piso's Cure for Consumption far and wide.—Mrs. Mulligan, Plumstead, Kent, England, Nov. 8, 1895.

Fortune helps them that help themselves.

A SAD STORY.

The Trials, Hardships and Successes of a Wonderful Woman.

From the News, Elgin, Ill.

Certainly more like a romance, and an old-fashioned one at that, reads the sketch of the life of Mrs. E. Champion, who lives at No. 25 Melrose avenue, Elgin, Ill. Mrs. Champion, who is a second cousin of the Rt. Hon. John Bright, M. P., is now in her 82d year.

Her husband, George Champion, was an English merchant and ship master, who made trips to all the distant countries of the earth. In about the year 1842 he made his last voyage and was wrecked with all on board in a terrible storm off the coast of Africa. His partner and Mrs. Champion succeeded in getting the ship back to England and when it was sold and all debts paid the subject of this sketch started life once more in the village of Bridgewater, England, with two shillings in money and four small children.

A little business was started and with the aid of the children she made and sold fancy work. After a few years the oldest son came to America and in 1854 sent for mother and remaining children. The little business was sold, and the little family sailed away; but sad fate again seemed to follow this good woman. During the time taken for the voyage the son in America was taken ill and died and the termination of the voyage was mingled with the most terrible sorrow instead of the anticipated joyfulness. This brave woman did not turn back, she started for the West and located in Elgin.

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Danger Signals

More than half the victims of consumption do not know they have it. Here is a list of symptoms by which consumption can certainly be detected:

Cough, one or two slight efforts on rising, occurring during the day and frequently during the night.

Short breathing after exertion.

Tightness of the chest.

Quick pulse, especially noticeable in the evening and after a full meal.

Chilliness in the evening, followed by slight fever.

Perspiration toward morning and pale face and languid in the morning.

Loss of vitality.

If you have these symptoms, or any of them, do not delay. There are many preparations which claim to be cures, but Dr. Hcker's English Remedy for Consumption has the highest endorsements, and has stood the test of years. It will arrest consumption in its earlier stages, and drive away the symptoms named. It is manufactured by the Acker Medicine Co., 16 and 18 Chambers St., New York, and sold by all reputable druggists.

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President Cleveland has sent in 552 veto messages which is five times the number sent in by all his predecessors combined. No wonder he has decided to retire to private life.

James O'Donnell, for thirty-two years editor of the Jackson Citizen, aspires to the governorship of Michigan. If nominated and elected, we believe he would give our state efficient and economical government. He served the people eight years in congress as representative in the old third district, of which Barry county was a part, and no doubt she would roll up the same good old majority to make him governor if she has the chance.

The republican convention at St. Louis was called to order by temporary chairman Charles W. Fairbank, Senator John M. Thurston was made permanent chairman and the work of the convention is moving along smoothly when one considers the intense excitement that always prevails on like occasions. The platform contains a gold plank but favors free coinage on international agreement, also has a strong reciprocity plank. It is thought the nominations will be made this afternoon and evening. It is almost a certainty that McKinley will receive the nomination being placed in nomination by Foraker. Morton will be nominated by Depew, Quay by Hastings, Reed by Lodge and Allison by Baldwin. The vice-presidency is to be a free-for-all race with Morton, Evans, and Hobart for favorites.

LATE LITERARY NEWS.

It is said that every time the clock ticks a baby is born into the world—and it may be said with equal truth that every time the clock strikes the hour someone, somewhere, starts to work in some department of practical art work, to whom "The Art Amateur" then becomes an absolute necessity. To all and sundry such and many more, some account of the contents of the June issue will be of interest. It gives illustrated articles on Elementary Drawing, Pen and Pencil Drawing for reproduction, and newspaper work, Hints for Sketchers and Instructions for Book Illustrators, Flower Painters, Portrait Painters, Figure Painters, and Makers of Pictures on Pastel, China Painting articles illustrated and all of workman-like practicalness. (Montague Marks, 3 Union Square, New York. Price 35c, or \$4.00 per annum.)

YOUR SUMMER VACATION.

If you are planning your summer vacation, you can be greatly aided if you will send for a copy of the seventh annual Recreation Number of The Outlook, containing nearly one hundred pages of summer suggestions and a most complete list of summer resorts and routes. The price is 10 cents, but a copy will be sent to any one who mentions this paper and incloses two 2-cent stamps. Address The Outlook Co., 13 Astor Place, New York.

SCHOOL COLUMN.

[Edited by Flora J. Beadle, Com'r.]

I take occasion to answer through the school column many inquiries which have lately come to the office concerning teachers' examination.

First, School Law must be written upon by all candidates, and an average of 70 per cent, as in most of the other branches, must be made in this subject. Copies of the General School Laws of Michigan may be had from the Department of Public Instruction, Lansing.

Every teacher should have a copy of the school laws and become conversant with the same.

At the coming June examination only certificates of the second and third grades may be granted. We publish below the order of the examinations, so that those who are to complete one or two subjects only, may know the time for said examinations.

Thursday forenoon, arithmetic, grammar, penmanship, general history; Thursday afternoon, civil government, orthography, algebra, mental arithmetic; Friday forenoon, U. S. history, geography, theory and art, physics; Friday afternoon, physiology, reading, school law, botany. The above order of examinations will be strictly followed. At the time of the teachers' examination will also be conducted the examination of candidates for admission to the Agricultural College.

THE NASHVILLE RALLY.

It was the pleasure and privilege of the commissioner to witness the rally day exercises of the Nashville schools. Several district schools were represented and formed a part of the parade at 10:30 a. m.

Rev. Washington Gardner delivered an address "Does It Pay to Educate" before an attentive audience. The school-house was thrown open in the afternoon, and exercises of some kind were conducted in each of the departments. The work on exhibition was fine and nicely arranged and reflected much credit upon both teachers and pupils. The day was a successful and enjoyable one.

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A Complete Newspaper and Periodical Subscriptions are carried on at the Middleville News Stand, where you will also find a complete line of Law and School Blanks and Stationery.

Persons having Fat Stock to sell will please leave word at the market.

Bring your Dressed Veal and Poultry to this market. Poultry must be full dressed.

C. CLEVER.

PARENTAL CO-OPERATION.

We as teachers of the youth of our land are very forcibly impressed with the fact that if we wish to educate the boys and girls we must receive the hearty co-operation of every home—every father, every mother.

It is often found necessary not only to request pupils to master their lessons, but to require or demand it positively, and this is equally as true in the city and village schools as it is in the district schools.

When it is necessary to demand a pupil to do a certain thing, he often becomes displeased and would gladly make himself conspicuous by his absence from school. This is one of the times for the parent or guardian to co-operate, and if he does not at this critical moment, who can estimate the harm done the pupil? We know that we have such an official as "Truant Officer," but we also know that this will not reach all cases.

There are times in the school life of many children when their work becomes distasteful and their duties arduous. Times of dark unpleasant scenes; but in order for him to enjoy the bright sunshine of truth, he must pass through these scenes. It is the difficulties overcome, the obstacles surmounted, which gives us strength of character and mind. Easy tasks do not develop power. But if we wish to taste of the "Pierian Spring" we must drink deep. We must solve the hard problems, master the difficult lessons, before we are lifted into a clearer, purer atmosphere of knowledge.

So, parents, when your boy or your girl seems discouraged and wants to stay at home today, think, inquire into the case, see the teacher; lend a helping hand to the child in the form of kindness stiffened with firmness but see to it that he stays in school at these times, for they are the times that we need him most, and that he needs the school most.

Ignorance in our country in this age is almost a crime, and should be considered such, where one wilfully neglects his opportunities. We believe that our laws are weak from the fact that we do not require our unemployed youth to remain in school until they are at least eighteen years of age—or even older. If this were the case we would not witness the sad and painful of young boys and girls from fourteen to twenty-one years of age, walking our streets comparatively uneducated and in reality unfit for any calling in life, paving the way for other generations of ignorance and crime.

Education is power. So, parent and teacher, let us join heart and hand to educate the boys and girls for something in life, educate them to banish ignorance, crime and vice. The best thing a teacher can do for your boy or your girl is to help him to be a man or woman in the highest sense of the word. Are your boys and girls more manly, more womanly and honest than they were last year? Character is the one thing that survives amid the wrecks of the world. The world needs strong men and women—men and women who never betray a trust and who have the power to resist temptation.

TEACHER'S EXAMINATION.

The next regular teacher's examination will be held in Hastings (in court room) on June 18-19. At the same time will be conducted the examination of candidates for admission to the Agricultural College.

24-2 FLORA J. BEADLE, Com'r.

We are anxious to do a little good in this world and can think of no pleasanter or better way to do it than by recommending One Minute Cough Cure as a preventive of pneumonia, consumption and other serious lung troubles that follow neglected colds. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

DATED APRIL 15TH, 1896.

Mothers will find Chamberlain's Cough Remedy especially valuable for croup and whooping cough. It will give prompt relief and is safe and pleasant. We have sold it for several years and it has never failed to give the most perfect satisfaction. G. W. Richards, Duquesne, Pa. Sold by J. W. Armstrong, druggist. 23-4

Fine Stationery at the News Stand. *

Mortgage Sale.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage executed by Henry F. Ingram and Elizabeth, his wife, to George Guest, bearing date December sixth, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds in and for Barry County, on the fourteenth day of December aforesaid at half past four o'clock in the afternoon, in liber forty of mortgages, on page twenty-four, under the style of said mortgage, and the debt secured therein and interest by the terms of said mortgage, that if any interest shall become due and remain unpaid for thirty days thereafter, then both principal and interest shall forthwith become due and payable, and the option of the holder of the second part and the said party of the second part having, by virtue of his option, declared the whole amount of said mortgage due at once, and there being now due on said mortgage the sum of one hundred and forty dollars and twenty-five cents by reason of said option and declaration, and also an attorney fee of thirty-five dollars, stipulated and agreed in the said mortgage, to be paid as often as any proceedings shall be taken to foreclose said mortgage, and additional all costs and expenses by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained, and become operative; and, whereas, no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law or in equity to recover the debt secured to be paid by the holder of said mortgage, and party of the second part, therefore hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained, and of the statute in such case made and provided, the premises described in said mortgage, to wit: The north half of the southwest quarter and twenty acres from the north side of section nineteen (19) in town four (4) north range nine (9) west, containing one hundred acres of land, more or less, will be sold at public auction to the highest bidder, on Saturday, the fifteenth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and nine (1889), at the north front door of the court house, in the city of Hastings in Barry county, that being the place where the circuit court for the county of Barry is held. Notice of sale will be given by the sheriff of Barry county, on the eighth day of August, one thousand eight hundred and nine (1889), at the north front door of the court house, in the city of Hastings in Barry county, and the time of sale will be at half past four o'clock in the afternoon, and the time of sale will be at the time of sale of the property described in said mortgage, or as soon thereafter as the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that I shall sell at public auction, subject to the payment of principal, interest, and all costs and interest yet to become due on said mortgage, to the highest bidder, at the north front door of the Court House, in the City of Hastings, (that being the place where the Circuit Court for the County of Barry is held) Saturday, the fifteenth day of April, A. D. 1896, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage as aforesaid, with seven per cent, interest and all costs together with attorney fee of twenty-five dollars covenanted for in said mortgage.

The premises being described in said mortgage as all those certain pieces of parcels of land and being situated in the Township of Irving, County of Barry, and State of Michigan, and described as follows, to-wit: The south-west quarter of the south-east quarter of section eighteen (18) in town four (4) north range nine (9) west, and the south-west quarter of the north-east quarter of section nineteen (19) in said town four (4) north range nine (9) west; and the west half of the south-west quarter of the north-east quarter of said section nineteen (19) in said town four (4) north range nine (9) west; containing in all one hundred and forty acres of land, more or less.

DATED APRIL 15TH, 1896.

STATE BANK OF MIDDLEVILLE, Mortgagee.

HARTLEY E. HENDRICK, Attorney for Mortgagee. 16-13

Probate Notice for Hearing Claims Before Court.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, ss.

COUNTY OF BARRY.

Notice is hereby given, that by an order of the Probate Court for the County of Barry, made on the first day of May, A. D. 1896, six months from that date were allowed for creditors to present their claims against the estate of Rollin D. Jacob, late of said County deceased, and that all creditors of said County are hereby required to present their claims to said Probate Court at the Probate Office, in the city of Hastings, for examination and allowance, on or before the second day of November next, and that such claim be filed in the office of the Probate Court, on Saturday, the first day of August, next, Monday, the second day of November, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each of those days.

DATED May 1st, A. D. 1896.

CHAS. W. ARMSTRONG, Judge of Probate. 22-5

Mortgage Sale.

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made and executed by Arabella Stowell of Middleville, Michigan, to Miner S. Keeler, of the same place, on the 14th day of October, A. D. 1894, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Barry County, Michigan, on the 5th day of October, A. D. 1894, in Liber 38 of mortgages, on page 170, on which mortgage the sum of six hundred sixteen dollars and forty dollars, and an attorney fee of twenty-five dollars, provided for in said mortgage, the principal of said mortgage having been declared by said mortgagee and is hereby declared due by him by reason of the nonpayment of interest as required in said mortgage, and by virtue of the authority contained in said mortgage to declare the same due of which the mortgagor has had notice, and of proceedings having been instituted, either at law or equity, to recover said money so secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at the north front door of the court house, in the city of Hastings, that being the place where the Circuit Court for the County of Barry is held, Saturday, the 27th day of June, A. D. 1896, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due on said mortgage as aforesaid, with seven per cent, interest and all legal costs together with attorney fee of twenty-five dollars covenanted for therein. The premises being described in said mortgage as all those certain pieces of parcels of land situated and being in the village of Middleville, and city of Middleville, and County of Barry, State of Michigan and described as follows, to-wit: Lots number six (6) and seven (7) of block number twenty-seven (27) of Isaac N. Keeler's addition to the village of Middleville. Also lots number six (6) and seven (7) of block number twelve (12) of Stricker's addition to the village (now city) of Hastings according to the recorded plat of said addition.

DATED April 2d, 1896.

MINER S. KEELER, Mortgagee.

HARTLEY E. HENDRICK, Attorney for Mortgagee. 14-13

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SEVENTH

ANNUAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

WE wish to say to our old friends and patrons that we are in the trade to stay with the best assortments we have ever carried. We have made a large addition to our **Watches, Clocks, Jewelry and Silverware**, and will meet the prices of any house in Michigan for up to date good goods. We positively carry no low grade goods in stock. We have had 25 years at the bench repairing Watches, Clocks and Jewelry, and we guarantee as good work as can be done in any shop in the state. Our business in . . .

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Has increased almost double this last year and if you will give me your undivided trade I will show you prices you never dreamed of. The larger bill I buy the cheaper I can sell. We have just put in a new Decorated pattern and would like to have every lady's opinion of it. You are invited.

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All new and the latest styles, and with the advance in Wallpaper we will make prices as low as possible for new goods. We invite everybody to call whether you buy or not. We will try and use you well.

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W. E. Webb was presented with an
umbrella yesterday, the gift of his pu-
pils.

Mrs. Joanna Pike, on the 16th inst.,
left at the SUN office a twig containing
apple blossoms.

A physician would like an explana-
tion of the conundrum in regard to the
surgical operation mentioned in last
week's paper.

Mrs. Samuel Campbell entertained
the lady teachers of the school and a
number of other young ladies at tea
Monday evening.

For particulars of Streeter's Gun lake
opening and the Yankee Springs an-
nual picnic see Bowen's Mills corre-
spondence on first page.

Bills are out for the celebration at
Gun lake July 4th. Among the attrac-
tions will be a rope and wire walking,
base ball game and minor sports with
grand display of fire-works in the
evening.

DIED.

At the home of his parents in this
village on Wednesday morning, June 17, William G. Sherman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Sherman. Deceased
was born in the village and in the same
house where he died, January 26, 1881,
and was therefore 15 years, 4 months
and 22 days of age. He was the young-
est member of the family and a bright
active boy. Besides his parents he
leaves two brothers and three sisters
and a large circle of friends to mourn
his loss. The funeral service will be
in charge of Rev. B. Moore at the M.
E. church Friday at 10 o'clock. The
grammar department of the school will
join his many friends in offering a last
tribute of honor to the dead by follow-
ing the body to its final resting place.

K. OF P. MEMORIAL.

Last Sunday being Memorial Day a
large number of the K. of P. and Rath-
bone Sisters marched to the cemetery to
decorate the graves of the departed.
Then they returned to the Baptist
church where Rev. W. A. Biss
preached a forcible sermon manifesting
marked ability, to a full house. Text,
Psa. xlii-3. Subject, "The Art of Doing
Good." The following indicates the
line of thought: The practical value
of any truth depends largely upon the
use a person makes of it. The freshly
marked trail is full of meaning for the
experienced hunter, but it will avail
him nothing except he follow the trail
in the hope of securing the prey. The
speaker then went on to say that one
of the notable marks of our age is a
strong belief in the brotherhood prin-
ciple. The growth of fraternalism is
another remarkable feature. Cultivate
the art of doing good. The proper
spirit in which to practice the art
is the uplifting of character and often
witness the triumphs of God's grace.
The sermon was a noble one and
greatly appreciated by all present,
especially so by the visiting lodges, for
which they extended to him a hearty
vote of thanks.

Programs have been printed at the
SUN office for Dist. No. 2, Leighton,
eighth grade graduating exercises to
take place the 19th at Leighton Evan-
gelical church. Graduates: Bertha M.
McDowell, Rosa M. Steeby.

The Cold Spring Creamery Co. paid
its patrons for the month of May
\$2,444.24. They now have 301 patrons
besides the Freeport route. The latter
will be cut off soon as the Freeport
creamery which burnt can be rebuilt.

Fred Murphy of Kalamazoo, aged 17

years, died last week Wednesday from

the effects of cigarette smoking.

This should be a warning to many boys and

young men in our village. Deceased

was a cousin of M. F. Dowling of our

village.

H. F. Tegeler returned last week
Thursday evening from Watertown,
Wis., where he was called several
weeks ago to the bedside of his wife.
After several weeks' illness she died on

Wednesday, June 3. Besides her hus-
band she leaves a nine-year-old daugh-
ter to mourn her loss.

Congressman Thomas of Allegan was

in the village this a. m. and expressed

himself well pleased with James L.

Ackerson, candidate for cadetship.

The doctor did not forget to score us

one for discontinuing his SUN, but ad-
mitted the pay in advance system is

the only correct way to run a newspa-
per.

23f A. O. WILKINSON.

Ell Hill, Lumber City, Pa., writes, "I

have been suffering from Piles for

twenty-five years and thought my case

incurable. DeWitt's Witch Hazel

Salve was recommended to me as a pice

cure, so I bought a box and it performed

a permanent cure." This is only one of

thousands of similar cases. Eczema,

sores and skin diseases yield quickly

when it is used. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

HALF FARE TO GRAND RAPIDS.

On account of Sunday School Rally

at Grand Rapids the Michigan Central

will sell tickets on June 25 at rate of

one fare for round trip. Tickets good

on date of sale only.

25-1 J. E. GOGLE, Local Agent.

KENT COUNTY INSTITUTE.

H. R. Pattengill, superintendent of

public instruction, has sent out circu-
lars announcing the Kent county teach-
er's institute, which will open July 20

and close August 14. Every teacher is

urged to attend and no enrollment fee

will be charged. Commissioner A.

Hamlin Smith is chairman of the local

committee to whom letters may be writ-
ten for information.

Personal.

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any person afflicted with any special, chronic
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dress the leading physicians and surgeons of
the United States. Dr. Hathaway & Co., 70
Dearborn street, Chicago.

PERSONAL POINTS.

Guy M. Johnson was in the village
Monday.

Mrs. J. R. Cook was in the valley

city yesterday.

Wm. Pincomb was in Hastings on

business Saturday.

Gracie Dowling, who has been quite

sick is able to sit up.

Jas. Crossman of Caledonia was in

the village Monday.

Miss Anna Winters leaves the last of

the week for Dowling.

H. M. Rich returned home from the

University last evening.

Sheriff McEvitt of Hastings is in the

village on business today.

L. R. Johnson returned last week

from Edgley, N. Dakota.

F. W. Walker of Hastings was in the

village on business Monday.

Mr. Canfield of Portland was in the

village on business yesterday.

Mesdames Hendrick and Wilkinson

were in Grand Rapids Monday.

Robert and Tuttle Garrett went

awheel to Grand Rapids Saturday.

John Campbell and daughter, Edna,

spent Sunday with friends in Hastings.

George Wescott returned from Jack-
son Saturday, where he had been work-
ing.

Mrs. Chas. McQueen, who was taken

seriously ill on Friday last, is recover-
ing.

J. W. Saunders and wife spent Sun-
day and Monday with relatives in Char-
lotte.

Lou Goodyear of Hastings will go to
Germany, starting the 17th from New
York.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Brooks of Cal-
edonia were guests at J. W. Saunders'
Friday p. m.

Sidney and Bert Sliter and Will
Barth of Grand Rapids spent Sunday
at Gun lake.

Mrs. Horton Bryan of Charlotte was
in the village Tuesday looking after
her property.

Elmer Aubil's mother from Canada
is visiting him at his home south-west
of the village.

H. D. Saunders of Battle Creek is
spending the week with his brother, J.
W., and family.

Archie Secord returned Saturday
evening from Cathcart, Ont., where he
spent the winter.

Chas. F. Allen of Detroit called on
his mother-in-law, Mrs. Lou Boorn, on
Thursday of last week.

J. C. Otto and family have been
spending the week with relatives at
Lamont and Coopersville.

Miss Pollie Bruton was called to her
home at Niagara Falls on Tuesday by
the serious illness of her sister.

THE MIDDLEVILLE SUN

J. W. SAUNDERS, Publisher.

MIDDLEVILLE, MICHIGAN.

SPAIN TO LOSE CUBA.

CONTINUED WAR MAY RUIN THE EFFETE MONARCHY.

Barcelona Newspaper Containing an Editorial Expressing These Startling Opinions Is Promptly Suppressed in Havana by Capt. Gen. Weyler.

Spanish Paper Alarmed.

Advices from Havana, Cuba, say a sensation has been caused there by an editorial on the situation in the *Diario del Comercio*, the leading paper of Barcelona. Copies of the paper which reached Havana have been suppressed by Captain General Weyler. The subject of the editorial is Senor Sagasta's statement that the war is annually costing Spain 500,000,000 pesetas (about \$100,000,000) and 15,000 soldiers, but that the conflict may end in two years. The paper says: "The gravest is not what the liberal chief says, but what he withdraws. He knows the war will never terminate, except in the loss of Cuba. The treasury of Cuba will not have resources to cover the expenditures, nor has that of Spain. The powers of consumption are dried up, and agriculture, industries and business wholly ruined. We have to accept the economic catastrophe, colossal as it is, and admit both Spain and Cuba are ruined, and this catastrophe is due to the stupidities that followed the last revolution. Senor Sagasta very well says our arms are not to be folded before the prospects of the enormous sacrifices. And the prognostications of Weyler increase the point of gravity. When it is thought there will be much more than 500,000,000 pesetas spent annually, and many more than 15,000 Spaniards sacrificed, how and by whom is guaranteed the attainment of this force of twenty-four months from this date? And if the purposes of the general are not attained what shall we be gaining, and what are we to do then? The political conventions will soon meet in the United States, and they will fan the flames against Spain. Senor Sagasta will do well to plan a conflict before the chambers, because it is impossible for the country to accept either the plans of Weyler or the policy of war which is bringing us to anihilation with great velocity."

FINES WERE PROMPTLY PAID.

No Banishment for Johannesburg Reform Committee Leaders.

As soon as the decision of the executive council to release John Hays Hammond, George Farrar, Col. Rhodes and J. W. Leonard, the Johannesburg reform committee, upon the payment of fines amounting to \$125,000 each, was announced, Barney Barnato, the so-called "Kaffir King," went to the jail with a check for \$250,000 with which to pay the fines of Messrs. Hammond and Rhodes. He found, however, that the matter had already been arranged. Hammond, Farrar and Leonard have signed an agreement to abstain hereafter from any interference in the politics of the South African republic. Consequently the sentence of banishment imposed upon them has been suspended.

GOLD IN BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Richness Said to Surpass Anything South Africa Dreamed Of.

The great South African mining kings, Cecil Rhodes and Barney Barnato, have turned their attention to the newly discovered gold fields in the region lying west and southwest of Lake Kootenai, in British Columbia. Just north of the international boundary line, they have sent their own expert to investigate the prospects and report. He declares that the richness of the Rossland and Trail Creek Mountain regions far surpasses anything that South Africa ever dreamed of. This report will doubtless be followed by the investment of a large amount of capital in that section by those mining magnates and other wealthy Englishmen who follow their lead in such enterprises.

ANOTHER REVOLT IN COREA.

Insurgents Object to King's Stay in the Russian Legation.

The steamship Empress of Japan brings news that another rebellion is feared in Corea, owing to the protracted stay of the king at the Russian legation. The insurgents declare that the king's absence is a disgrace to the country. Twenty-two thousand men have already risen in revolt. Famine prevails in Tonquin owing to the prolonged drought and consequent failure of the rice crop.

National League Standing.

Following is the standing of the clubs in the National Baseball League:

W. L.	W. L.		
Baltimore ... 28	16	Pittsburgh ... 22	21
Cleveland ... 26	15	Brooklyn ... 23	22
Philadelphia ... 28	19	Chicago ... 24	21
Boston ... 25	18	New York ... 20	26
Cincinnati ... 27	20	St. Louis ... 13	31
Washington ... 23	20	Louisville ... 9	35

Standing of Western League.

Following is the standing of the clubs in the Western League:

W. L.	W. L.		
Detroit ... 25	14	St. Paul ... 20	19
Indianapolis ... 23	15	Milwaukee ... 23	22
Kansas City ... 22	19	Columbus ... 16	20
Minneapolis ... 23	19	Grand Rapids ... 14	20

Prison for Gen. Baratieri.

The Advocate General, in completing his address for the prosecution at the trial by court-martial of Gen. Baratieri, the Italian commander who was defeated by the Abyssinians at Adowa with the loss of about 12,500 men killed and wounded, demanded that the general be sentenced to ten years in a fortress, with the attendant penalties.

Many Masons Slaughtered.

It is reported that in the Indian revolt in Oaxaca, Mexico, Free Masons were attacked, particularly at Jaquila, where the Indians committed awful atrocities, burning prominent Masons alive. This has been denied, but the news is confirmed.

Blacklisting Is Forbidden.

Judge Collier, of the United States Court at Albuquerque, N. M., has issued an order to the receiver of the Atlantic and Pacific Railway forbidding the blacklisting of A. R. U. members.

BIG FLURRY IN WHEAT.

Jumps Two Cents in Chicago and Goes Back Nearly Three Cents.

Chicago wheat prices oscillated Monday with the eccentricity of a short pendulum in an old-fashioned clock. The effect was that of making one of the wildest markets of the year. July wheat opened with a rush at from 62½ cents to 62½ cents, and in a short time was crowded down to 61½ cents. Bull efforts were soon redoubled, however, and an exciting boom sent the cereal to 63½ cents, or a rise of 2 cents above the lowest price previously made. This, coming upon the total advance of 7 cents a bushel made last week, indicated the possibility of a further rise of a considerable amount. July closed Saturday worth from 61½ cents to 62. One of the primary upward "booms" given the market was due to Thomas' crop report showing a deterioration of 11 per cent in the condition of winter wheat during the month of May in the six principal States of its growth. The report indicated also a probability that the spring wheat crop would be 75,000,000 bushels smaller than that of the year before. To add to the situation the news from the foreign markets was that they were all higher. Immediately upon the posting of the very small decrease of 193,000 bushels in the visible supply for the week, as compared with a decrease of 2,490,000 bushels for the corresponding week of last year, the boom collapsed and prices fell to 60%.

NEAR TO THE CAPITAL.

Cuban Insurgents Burn Buildings in Sight of Havana.

The town of Guanabacoa, just across the bay from Havana, was excited considerably by an insurgent band burning various public buildings in the suburbs known as Cucuranao. The band exchanged shots with the government pickets. The insurgents made unsuccessful attacks upon the government outposts at Gabriel, Ceiba de Lagua and various points along the Pinar del Rio trocha, burning adjacent houses in their retreat. The government is hurriedly re-enforcing the old military trocha from Moron to Ciego de Avila in the hope of preventing Gomez from reinvading the central provinces with fresh insurgent forces from the east. Patriotic Spanish merchants in Havana, Cienfuegos and other Cuban ports are raising funds to buy and present to the government a new ironclad. The subscription already exceeds \$850,000. Madrid reports that the transatlantic liners Alfonso II and Reina Cristina, recently armed for war, will sail for Cuba in a fortnight.

Noted Actor Gone.

Frank Mayo, the well-known actor, died suddenly on a Union Pacific train west of Grand Island, Neb., Monday morning, of paralysis of the heart. Frank Mayo was an actor of the old school. He was born in Boston April 18, 1839. He ran away from home in his boyhood and set out for the California gold mines. He became a "super" in the American theater in San Francisco. Away back in 1859—on July 19—when he was 20 years old, Mayo got his first speaking part as a waiter in "Raising the Wind." He was again a "super" at the Maguire Opera House, and enjoyed the distinction of incurring the wrath of and being discharged by Junius Brutus Booth. He never got the salary, and returned to "Frisco, where he secured occasional engagements for a couple of seasons. Then he met Charles Wheatleigh and a change of fortune, for he was soon a member of Edwin Booth's company, playing De Mauprat in "Richelieu." In 1863 Mayo had become a "leading man" at Maguire's, and played with McKean Buchanan, Charles and Edwin Thorne, Mrs. John Wood and other famous ones. Mayo starred in Shakspearean repertoire and in "Virgins," "Richelieu," "The Marble Heart" and the like, but he is best known to the public as Davy Crockett, in which he first appeared in 1872. Mr. Mayo's daughter, Eleanor May, made her debut and an instantaneous hit in opera as Princess Bonnie in New York in 1883. Her stage career was cut short abruptly a year ago when she became the wife of Col. James Elverson, Jr., of the Philadelphia Inquirer.

Trade Exhibits Life.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: "It is highly suggestive that, with as little help as there is now from new business, markets are so nearly maintained. Summer is close at hand, and with new crops promising well and old stocks large, it is no wonder that the farm products are cheap. The factories and mills are still waiting for the rush of business seen last year, and in spite of narrow orders at present are generally holding on with much confidence. It is so late that gold exports no longer alarm, for the date of expected returns draws near. The opinion gains ground that more active business is to be expected after the conventions have been held and the safety and sufficiency of crops have been assured. Low prices at this season affect farmers very little, but the speculators who have bought from them for a rise. The wheat yield is estimated at half a billion bushels."

Colonel Robert T. Harvey Dead.

Col. Robert T. Harvey died suddenly at his home at Huntington, W. Va., Friday evening. He was 82 years of age and was in ordinary health. He was many years ago active in State politics and has an extended reputation throughout the State, Kentucky and Ohio. He has several sons who are also prominently known. One of them is W. H. Harvey, of Chicago, who is author of "Coin's Financial School"; another is Thomas H. Harvey, who for eight years has been judge of the Eighth judicial district of West Virginia.

Galantry of Bluejackets.

The Emperor of China has testified his appreciation of the gallantry shown by the bluejackets of the American warships in rescuing drowning persons in the recent terrible disaster resulting from a collision at Woo-Sung between the steamers *Onwo* and *New Chang* by presenting to the captain of each of Uncle Sam's cruisers in Asiatic waters an elaborately engraved and highly complimentary testimonial.

Tradesmen in Strains.

The extent of the blow that banks and heavy creditors received by the Smith & Nixon failure is shown by the inventory of liabilities filed at Cincinnati. The secured debts are \$369,412 and the unsecured \$205,271. This does not include direct liability on the firm's paper scattered over the country.

Lynch Three Men.

A mob of 300 men went to Bryan, Tex., late Wednesday night and took out of jail Louis Whitehead, George L. Johnson and Jim Riddick, who had been charged with assault, and hanged them.

MOST HORRID CHARGE

ALLEGED ARSON CAUSES DEATH TO THREE.

Suspected Man Nearly Lynched by an Angry Mob—Maryland Democrats Oppose Free Coinage—Dark Outlook for Turkey—Mrs. Dyer Hanged.

Three Burn to Death.

A fire which broke out in the village of Oklahoma, a suburb of Whiting, Ind., Wednesday morning at 3 o'clock, resulted in the loss of three lives, and John Chuchelski lies in jail charged with arson, possibly to be charged with manslaughter. The dead are: Mrs. Annie Homa, John Homa, 2-year-old son; Mamie Homa, 4-year-old daughter. The family lived over the saloon of Chuchelski and the charge is made that he set fire to the building. When the three charred bodies were pulled from the ruins a crowd of indignant people threatened Chuchelski with lynching and the constable took him away before a leader could be secured for the mob.

OPPOSE FREE COINAGE.

Democrats in State Convention at Baltimore Say They Want None of It.

By an overwhelming majority the Democrats of Maryland, in convention at Baltimore Wednesday, arrayed themselves against the 16 to 1 free coinage movement. The supporters of the free silver plank, although in a decided minority, were given a fair hearing in open convention, but the sentiment for a gold standard was unalterably fixed. Major Stewart of Talbot was the spokesman of the silverites in urging the adoption of a minority plank, but the convention, after voting it down, adopted the following by a *viva voce* vote: "Believing that the true interests of the people require that the earnings of agriculture and trade and the wages of labor should be paid in money that is intrinsically worth in all the markets of the world what it purports to be worth, we demand the maintenance of the existing gold standard of value, and further, that the Government shall keep all its obligations at all times redeemable and payable in money of the greatest intrinsic value and of the highest standard adopted by the civilized nations of the earth, and we therefore resolve to oppose the free and unlimited coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1." The resolutions also favor a tariff for revenue only and demand "the vigorous policy of President Cleveland."

BABY FARMER HANGED.

Mrs. Annie Dyer Executed to Have Killed Forty Innocents.

Mrs. Annie Dyer, the baby farmer, who was arrested April 9 on the charge of murdering many infants intrusted to her care, was hanged in Newgate prison, London, at 9 o'clock Wednesday morning. Mrs. Dyer was one of the most extraordinary criminals of the age, a wholesale, cold-blooded murderer. The police first became suspicious of her and her son-in-law, Arthur E. Palmer, early in April, when the bodies of a number of children, apparently strangled to death, were recovered from the River Thames, where they had been thrown, weighted down with bricks, etc. An investigation led to the arrest of Mrs. Dyer and Palmer. Letters found in her house showed that many of the parents with whom she and her accomplice had dealings were aware of the fate intended for the infants. These letters were from persons in all ranks of society. It was proved that since Christmas at least twenty children had been intrusted to Mrs. Dyer's keeping, and of this number only four were then living. In addition, prior to Christmas, many other children that had been placed in the woman's charge were unaccounted for and are admitted to have been murdered. A conservative estimate places the number of children killed at forty, but other estimates have it that as many as 100 infants were either strangled or drowned by Mrs. Dyer.

HINTS AT TURKEY'S FALL.

Significant Declaration of Austrian Minister Relative to Cretan Revolt.

In an address to the Austrian delegation Count Gelochofski, minister of foreign affairs, explained the foreign policy of the government, in the course of his remarks declaring that the situation in Crete was of such a character that it was impossible to say what would happen next. The condition of things prevailing in the island was due to the maladministration of public affairs by the Turkish authorities. Turkey ought to take measures in her European and Asiatic provinces which would justify confidence in the vital force of the Ottoman empire; otherwise Turkey's best friends, including Austria, would be unable to prevent the empire's fall.

RELIEF FUND CONTINUES TO GROW.

Affairs in the St. Louis storm-ridden district are taking on a more cheerful aspect. The relief fund continues to grow, until it has reached \$182,531. In all parts of the tornado district houses are being made habitable once more and demolished buildings are being rapidly rebuilt. In East St. Louis the work of restoration goes on steadily, and there is no abatement of the relief committee's work. Many people who were compelled to live in tents until their demolished homes are repaired are becoming accustomed to their new environments.

AMERICAN WHEAT FOR SPAIN.

Owing to copious rains early in May last, the condition of the Spanish grain crops has materially improved; still, according to United States Consul Fay, at Denia, owing to the diminished area of crops, Spain will import 600,000,000 pounds of wheat. He suggests that as no country is so favorably situated as the United States to supply this demand, this market may be secured by the establishment of direct steamship lines.

JOHN WOLTER'S TERRIBLE CRIME.

After having repeatedly threatened to kill his entire family, John Wolter, of Chicago, shot and fatally wounded his two stepdaughters Wednesday night. The shooting was the result of a quarrel over some property that belongs to Mrs. Wolter, but which Wolter has for a long time wanted her to deed to him.

WILMINGTON—WHEAT.

Wilmington—Wheat, No. 2 spring, \$3.50 to \$3.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.50 to \$4.50; wheat, No. 2 red, 5½c to 58c; corn, No. 2, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2, 17c to 18c; rye, No. 2, 33c to 34c; butter, choice creamy, 14c to 15c; eggs, fresh, 9c to 11c; potatoes, per bushel, 15c to 25c; broom corn, 2c to 4c per lb for common growth to fine brush.

INDIANAPOLIS—WHEAT.

Indianapolis—Wheat, \$3.00 to \$4.50; hogs,

BOLD ROBBERY.

Chicago Thieves Invade a Crowded Store and Make Off with the Cash.

Saturday evening about 9 o'clock two desperadoes entered the L. Klein department store on Halsted street, in Chicago, while it was thronged with customers, with numerous clerks behind the counters, and robbed the female cashier in her cage, getting away with their plunder, which amounted to between \$300 and \$500. The vast throngs of customers were terrorized and panic-stricken, women screamed and fainted, a fire alarm was raised, the robbers fired a shot or two and forced their way to the door, through which they made their escape. One of them was grappled by an employee of the store, but wrenched himself away and fled through the crowd. This is the ninth raid and robbery of the kind in two months. The store selected as the scene of crime is always near a police patrol box. The movements of the police are watched, and soon after they leave the box to depart on their rounds the hold-up is committed, as the thugs know that they will be without police interruption for a sufficient time to cover the crime.

MENACES AMERICAN TRADE.

European Colonial Policy May Shut Us Out of Africa.

Taking as his starting point the official announcement of the annexation by France of Timbuktu, the principal place in the Djallon country, a district larger than the State of Pennsylvania and quite as fertile, United States Consul Strickland, at Goree-Dakar, has made a most interesting report to the State Department upon the dangers threatening United States trade with Africa, owing to the rapid extension of the colonial possessions of the European nations. He shows how the French, by the imposition of a discriminating duty of 7 per cent, against foreign goods, have monopolized the markets of the French colonies and have thus crushed out the lucrative and growing trade which the United States already enjoyed in that part of the world.

OTHER'S HEROIC DEED.

A sad story of suffering and death following the recent cyclone in northern Kansas is that of Mrs. William Brannin, living on Ponca creek, near Morris. Mrs. Brannin's house, with its occupants and contents, slid into the creek and then the house was lifted up and blown away, leaving the family in the bed of the creek. Mrs. Brannin, with her 1-week-old baby in her arms, was pinned to the ground by brick and debris. For five hours she lay in this condition, with the rain pouring down in torrents. Soon the creek began to rise and the body was gradually becoming submerged. But with a fortitude and bravery born of love Mrs. Brannin held her child out of the torrent and saved its life.

NEW TAX LAW IS GOOD

STRONGLY COMMENDED BY THE AUDITOR GENERAL.

Delinquent List Gradually Growing
Less—About \$3,000,000 Due the State for Lands Bought In—Disbursements Exceed Receipts by \$231,407.

A Good Thing.

Advance sheets of Auditor General Turner's annual report for the year ending June 30, 1895, are given to the newspapers.

In the opening paragraph of the report the Auditor General states that the tax law of 1893, with the amendments of 1895, have more than fulfilled the expectations of the framers. At the present time, it is said, many old taxes are being paid and the lists of delinquent taxes are growing less. In the opinion of the Auditor General the refusal of the Governor to sign the clearance sale law passed by the last Legislature has contributed materially to this result, and saved the State nearly a quarter of a million of dollars. The Auditor is greatly antagonistic to clearance sales, and he discusses the subject at considerable length. "A few facts, but which were gathered from the records of this department on the request of several members of the Legislature during the session recently closed, will show the result of the clearance sales heretofore provided for. Seven such sales have been authorized and held, and from the entire number the sum of \$63,450.25 was realized, while during the five months preceding the compilation of these data, \$93,244.86 was received for sales from the State tax land list in the ordinary course of business under the general tax law of 1893. The seven clearance sales left but comparatively few descriptions upon which the accumulated taxes might be recovered by later sales, while in five months of the ordinary course of collections by sale of State tax lands, \$30,000 more was received than from the seven clearance sales, and over 100,000 descriptions remained upon the list, and sales therefrom are being constantly made.

The actual result of each of the clearance sales referred to was:

Sale of 1869, proceeds	\$2,596.60
Sale of 1870, proceeds	571.74
Sale of 1871, proceeds	1,673.39
Sale of 1872, proceeds	1,508.39
Sale of 1873, proceeds	1,470.99
Sale of 1874, proceeds	3,083.30
Sale of 1884, proceeds	52,558.54

Total amounts received from clearance sales \$63,462.95

"A graduated sale preceded the clearance sale of 1884, and from this a further sum was realized which is not included above.

"While it is true as before stated that these sales leave but few descriptions upon which the delinquent taxes can thereafter be realized, yet they do not clear the State tax land lists of a large number of descriptions which are held for long periods and constitute the really burdensome and valueless portion of the list. There are descriptions in some counties that are held for nearly or quite every year from 1860 down. With possibly an occasional exception, these lands are worthless and abandoned, and there is no advantage to be derived by assessing them from year to year, only to add another year to those for which they are held as State tax lands. I believe the State tax land lists will experience more relief from the operations of section 127 of the tax laws of 1893 than from all the graduated or clearance sales that could be held. If land is both valueless and abandoned there is no reason why it should be assessed year after year and again and again returned to the State tax land lists.

"There are two classes of buyers at clearance sales, but neither of them are purchasers of lands that are both worthless and abandoned. First there are the owners who have intentionally and habitually permitted their unpaid taxes to accumulate, in anticipation of such sales and of the consequent liability to avoid payment and to remove the tax lien 'for a song.' This class of bidders purchase only the lands to which they hold the title in fee.

"Then there are the speculators or investors, who purchase tax titles only on valuable lands, and very naturally are not disinclined to purchase at the lowest possible price. The two classes of buyers quickly arrive at an understanding that is mutually satisfactory. The result has already been given above."

Under the tax now on the books the Auditor General claims a material increase in the receipts from delinquent taxes. During the first year of the operation of the law the net receipts were \$751,309 in excess of the preceding year, while for the year just closed the receipts were \$582,712 greater than for 1893, making an average excess for each year of its operation of \$667,011, as compared with the last year under the previous tax law.

The principal amendments made to the law in 1895 relate chiefly to its administrative features and are having a tendency to strengthen it in that respect. There is still one important amendment which in the Auditor's opinion should be made to the law. At present the expense of advertising delinquent tax sales for sale, which amounts to 70 cents for each description, is not a lien upon the property, nor is it collectable until the land is actually sold. The State is thus called to pay the expense, which the Auditor thinks should be a charge against the property from the time the expense is incurred, that is, when the petition for decree is filed with the Clerk. The loss to the State by this defect in the law amounted in 1894 to \$14,319.60.

State tax land Vol. No. 10, recently prepared by the Auditor General, contains 112,000 descriptions of lands which have been bid in to the State and have not been redeemed. The amount of taxes, interest and charges due the State, counties, townships, cities and villages, upon these lands approximates \$3,000,000. While a part of this amount is for sales which have been declared invalid, yet every description, it is said, represents taxes due and unpaid.

It is stated that although the tax law now provides that State tax lands which have been bid in for more than three consecutive years and upon which no application has been made to purchase, redeem or pay, may be subject to homestead entry, no entries have been made, although a large number of applications have been received. The Auditor General thus explains why action has been deferred upon these applications:

"First," it is said, "it was not deemed advisable to invite homestead entries up-

on such lands unless there was a presumption that the title of the State was valid. This presumption was removed by the case of *Millard vs. Truxa, M.*, as to all land held under the tax sales of 1890 and 1891, the "dollar mark" being omitted in the tax record for those years. In numerous cases the Supreme Court has held that sales were void if not reported to the court as required by law. As before stated herein, no uniform form of report was furnished to county treasurers for any sale prior to that of December, 1893. In many counties no report was made of any prior sale, in others such reports as were made were fatally defective, and in others reports were made in some years and omitted in others.

"The sale of December, 1893, and all subsequent sales were reported in all counties on uniform blanks. It will be seen that under the rule adopted no deeds under section 127 would issue for lands in any county until after the sale of 1894. After that sale was made and reported, action was further deferred to await the conclusion of the legislative session of 1895, at which an important amendment to section 127, defining the term "abandoned" as applied to State tax lands, was adopted. Actions will now be taken under sections 127-134 in all counties where the sales of 1892 and subsequent years have been properly reported, and it is predicted that it will result in a material abbreviation of the list of State tax lands. In many counties, however, action will not be taken, for the reason before stated, until after the tax sale of the present calendar year, while in others no lands will be deemed subject to section 127 until after the sale to be held in 1896. I do not understand that it is claimed that the dealing under the section named will give the State any title that it does not already possess, but rather that its purpose is to remove the lands from the tax rolls until homesteaders acquire full title, and to place a record of the State's title (under which homesteaders will hold) upon the land records of the counties where the lands so deemed situated."

Several provisions of the general character laws for cities and villages are said to be inconsistent with the terms of the general tax law and should be amended by the next Legislature. There is also said to be imperative need for the earliest legislative consideration of the provisions of certain special charter acts which give authority for city tax sales for corporation taxes. In Grand Rapids the State is given no protection for the titles which it may have acquired in property which may be sold for delinquent city taxes, and serious loss can be the only result.

An anomaly in the tax system is represented by Isle Royal County. By an act of the last Legislature the county was attached to Houghton County for judicial purposes, while by a joint resolution adopted in 1889 the land records of the county were transferred to the Auditor General, who has since been ex-officio and de facto register of deeds for the county. The county is without local government, and the only tax levied is the State tax, which is apportioned by the Auditor General as in the case of other counties, but is never assessed against any given properties in the county or to individual taxpayers. Thus far the State has been at no loss by reason of the unique status of the county—the entire State tax apportioned to the county being paid by a corporation which holds the title to a large part of the territory; but, in the event of the failure to receive such voluntary payment, it would be difficult to determine what proceedings would enforce collection of the State tax apportioned to the county.

The greater regularity of the proceedings connected with the decree of sale against lands returned for delinquent taxes, it is said, may be fairly claimed to be due to a more perfect law, to the care exercised by circuit judges, to the later determination of certain questions by the Appellate Court, and to the greater care with which the petition and tax record have been prepared. To this desirable result, the Auditor declares, many prosecuting attorneys, county clerks and county treasurers have lent their best efforts. That portion of the report relating to the financial affairs of the State forms a subject for the contemplation of the taxpayer. The receipts of the State from all sources during the year were \$3,704,198.20 and the disbursements \$3,935,665.68, the disbursements exceeding the receipts by \$231,407.48, thus reducing the cash balance in the treasury to \$290,417.79. The bonded indebtedness of the State is still represented by \$19,000 of past due, non-interest bearing bonds adjustable at \$10,992.83.

There was paid during the year for the support of the insane \$465,489.61, of which amount \$25,715.63 was for the support of non-resident insane; \$33,787.64 for the support of the criminal insane and \$22,304.03 for the support of insane persons at the Wayne County asylum.

The cost of the transportation of children to the State public school was \$1,437.05; for returning children from the school, \$8.25; for conveying children to and from the industrial school for boys, \$4,443.06 and for the transportation of children to and from the industrial home for girls, \$1,275.35—a total of \$8,063.71. A total of \$13,178.73 was expended for the transportation of convicts.

The accounts with State institutions show the following summaries: Drawn from the State treasury, \$1,545,211.43; earnings, \$669,232.51; total, \$2,214,443.94. Disbursements—for current expenses, \$1,940,711.25; for buildings and special purposes, \$317,900.45; total, \$2,258,311.70, showing an excess of disbursements of \$43,867.76. The institution balances were \$237,443 on July 1, 1894, and \$194,218.70 July 1, 1895.

Among the other expenses paid by the State may be mentioned the expenses of members of State boards, \$9,531.18; salaries of State officers and clerks fixed by statute, \$80,076.92; salaries of extra clerks in the several departments during the year, \$197,409.04. Of this sum \$88,736.95 is chargeable to the expense of collecting delinquent taxes. The salaries and expenses of the judicial department of the State were \$150,964.87, of the legislative department \$123,029.67, and of the State banking department \$9,118.97. The awards of the Board of State Auditors aggregated \$178,375.20; the costs of suits paid by the State were \$14,547.41, and coroners' fees amounting to \$4,379.28 were paid. The cost of advertising the delinquent taxes of 1892, sold in December, 1894, was \$44,050.99, and a portion of this amount it is said, will be eventually recovered when the tax lien is cancelled by redemption or sale to individuals.

The annual reports of county treasurers show the amount of liquor tax paid to be \$1,825,998.37, the total number of dealers of all classes being 4,535.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.

OCCURRENCES DURING THE PAST WEEK.

Grand Rapids Reveres the Memory of Thos. D. Gilbert—Soldiers Monument at Ypsilanti Defaced—Judge Burlingame a Terror to Evil Doers.

Gilbert Bust Unveiled.

A bronze bust of the late Thomas D. Gilbert, the Grand Rapids banker, was unveiled in Fulton Street Park Friday afternoon as a memorial gift to the city from Mr. Gilbert's associates in business. The bust is of heroic size, the work of Lorado Taft of Chicago. It rests on a pedestal of granite and overlooks the street which Mr. Gilbert traveled for forty years in going to and from business. After a prayer by Rev. Daniel E. Bradley, addresses were delivered by Col. Geo. Briggs, George W. Thayer and President J. B. Angell of the State University. The memorial was presented by Col. Briggs and accepted in behalf of the city by Mayor L. C. Stowe. Mr. Gilbert was for twelve years a member of the Board of Regents of the State University, and held many local offices of trust and responsibility. He was lavish in charity and foremost in public movements.

Death of Ex-Governor Begole.

Ex-Gov. Josiah W. Begole died at Flint Friday night. The end came after a protracted season of illness due to a general breaking down of a once robust constitution consequent upon an injury received a year ago last February by a fall as he was about to enter a carriage at his home.

In the evening of a well-spent life and of an honored career Michigan's kind-hearted and generally beloved ex-Governor passed peacefully away, leaving as a rich legacy to his family an unshamed name that is held in honor wherever it is known.

Besides his wife, who had traveled life's pathway with him for more than half a century and proved a true helpmeet in his every undertaking, the deceased leaves two children, Mrs. Mary B., wife of W. C. Cummings of Otter Lake, and Charles M. Begole of Flint.

Ex-Gov. Begole was a pioneer in Masonry in that section of the State, having been made a member of the order about fifty years ago. He was a member of Flint Lodge, No. 23, F. and A. M., and of Genesee Valley Commandery, Knights Templar, and of the Mystic Shrine. He was for many years a member and communicant of the Presbyterian Church and a liberal contributor to its support.

Inlay City Doing Well.

The business men of Inlay City closed their places of business Friday afternoon, and headed by the Inlay City band, and followed by an ambulance, marched to the fair grounds at that place, dressed in fancy costumes, to play a game of baseball, the proceeds to be used for the benefit of the cyclone sufferers.

The players were chosen from among the men who could not play ball, and that fact called out a large crowd. No one was injured seriously. The proceeds amounted to \$45. Four Inlay City citizens sent a purse of \$400 to the cyclone sufferers. A purse of over \$200 was also raised by the citizens of the town.

The Children's Junior League of the M. E. Church raised a nice sum by giving an ice cream social, and the ladies of the place have sent clothing, bedding, etc.

Given the Limit.

Kryn Lindhout, of Grand Rapids, who was convicted of causing the death of Mary Tillema, was arraigned for sentence before Judge Burlingame and the court surprised everybody with the sentence passed. The jury recommended the respondent to the mercy of the court, but the evidence was conclusive against him and the recommendation was clearly a concession to the lone juror who hung out so long for acquittal. The attorney for the prisoner made a plea for clemency and Lindhout believed he would get off with a couple of years. When he stood up for sentence the court said: "The jury recommends you to mercy, but the court can see no reason for any." The court heard the evidence as well as any of the jurors, and after they have weighed the testimony and the responsibility of sentence rests with the court." The respondent was given the extreme limit of the law, fifteen years.

The Act of Vandals. One year ago when the soldiers' monument was unveiled at Ypsilanti, some dissatisfaction was expressed because a space at the base of the monument was filled in with the names of three ladies who formed a committee of the W. R. C. which rendered valuable service in raising money to aid the enterprise, the claim being made that it was a monument to the soldiers, and for that reason no woman's name should appear.

It has just been discovered that some one has been so mean as to chisel off the names of this committee. The ink was wet when the names were written on the base of the monument, and the date was stamped across the head of the check. It was made payable to Kornweber & Walther at the First National Bank. Kornweber & Walther cashed the check and deposited it next morning, and were notified that it was a forgery. Mr. Walther says he cannot remember who the forger was. He took the man to be the hardware company's bookkeeper.

The will of the late ex-Gov. Begole was filed in the Probate Court at Flint. The document was executed Nov. 25, 1885, and is in the handwriting of Mr. Begole. The hearing will be July 8 next. The home of the Governor, which is located on the corner of Court and Beach streets, and all the furniture and effects pertaining thereto, are given to his widow during her lifetime and then goes to his daughter, Mrs. Mary E. Cummings. He also gives his widow, in her own right, \$500 per year during her lifetime and the insurance which he carried upon his life, amounting to \$14,000. This amount to be in lieu of dower. His bank stock is left to his six grandchildren, who are each to receive their shares when they arrive at the age of 30 years. In the meantime, however, they are to receive the dividends of the same. The bank stock, at the time the will was made, amounted to \$40,000. For each of the grandchildren \$1,000 has been set aside for his or her education. A fund of \$500 is set aside, the interest to be used for procuring suitable headstones and to keep the burying lot in Glenwood cemetery in proper repair. The residue of the estate is to be divided between his widow and two children. His son and daughter are named as executors.

Minden City wants a pickle factory to locate in the village to help make things prosperous in the vicinity.

Andrew J. Bowne, widely known in Michigan banking and business circles, dropped dead at Grand Rapids of heart disease. He was president of the Fourth National Bank and of the Consolidated Street Railroad Company, and was largely interested in the Lowell and Hastings Railroad. He was one of the pioneer wool and grain buyers in the State, and at one time was one of the largest in the State. For forty years he lived at Hastings. His estate is to be divided between his widow and two children. His son and daughter are named as executors.

The annual reports of county treasurers show the amount of liquor tax paid to be \$1,825,998.37, the total number of dealers of all classes being 4,535.

The parents of Carl Williams, residing near Stockbridge, received word Saturday afternoon stating that their son was drowned while bathing in a lake near Anderson.

There must be a nice lot of color blind bicycle riders at Tawas City. Their recently organized cycling club has chosen as the club colors maroon and magenta. Think of it!

Monday evening at Merrill, a drunken man drove a team into a throng of people who had congregated to listen to a band, narrowly escaping killing several people. One boy was somewhat injured.

Fire loss of \$21,000 was caused at Bay City by the premature discharge of Buck & Leighton's stock of Fourth of July fireworks in the Republic House block. Buck & Leighton lose \$8,000, and George H. Schindelbette, \$13,000.

A Scotch terrier jumped out of a third-story window at Saginaw and was picked up apparently dead. Some Scotch whisky was applied, and the vitality of his race asserted itself, for he recovered, wagged his tail in thankfulness and trotted away.

John Hadley was arrested at Kalamazoo on a charge of embezzlement from Cateley & Co. He pleaded not guilty. Wm. McLaughlin was arrested charged with stealing a Clipper bicycle from Delano Allen. The wheel had lost its number and was painted yellow.

Mrs. Frank Weber, of St. Joseph, was on the lake shore near St. Joseph, where she had committed suicide by drowning. She had been in poor health for the past four months. Her brother committed suicide eighteen months ago by hanging and shooting himself.

Probably 7-year-old Eddie Thayer, of Jackson, for two years has kept the authorities busy chasing him down with signs he has stolen off the street in order to enjoy a pleasure ride. For this the law provided no punishment, except a jail sentence, on account of his youth. He will now be sent to Lansing to enter the boys' industrial school under the truancy law. The other day he stole a rig, and, desiring a Pingree campaign button, which was worn by another small boy, he stole the coat to which the button was attached, throwing the coat away after securing the treasured button.

A Ypsilanti man adopted a novel method of punishing his faithless wife, who had been caught meeting a married man clandestinely. He didn't storm, threaten divorce or knock the woman down, but got up a little party, to which he innocently invited his wife's lover, the wronged wife and three other persons. After a quiet, pleasant evening he suddenly arose and in the presence of all dramatically denounced the erring pair. The guilty wife wept and the guilty husband made abject apologies, and both promised reformation. The domestic atmosphere was cleared without bloodshed or litigation.

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THURSDAY, JUNE 18, 1896.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. M. M. Pinney Wednesday p. m., June 24.

There will be a grove meeting on the county line in the grove of Mr. Robbins near grave-yard, July 3, 4, 5, commencing at 2 p. m. All are invited. Come one, come all. Wm. D. Temkinson, pastor, assisted by ministers from other circuits.

Reading club will meet with Mrs. Brown on Wednesday. Readers, Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Spaulding; spelling mistress, Mrs. Saunders; critic, Miss Fannie Pratt; questions, Mrs. Cobb; subject for quotations, flowers. Author Elizabeth C. Stanton.

M. E. church, F. N. Janes, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at close of morning services. Epworth League, 6:30 p. m. Subject, "Popular Home Amusements Specified in '240 of M. E. Discipline." Leader, pastor. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m. All invited.

Baptist church, Walter A. Biss, pastor. Services, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject for morning, "Unrealized Visions." Sunday school at the close of morning service. Junior B. Y. P. U., 3:30 p. m. Senior B. Y. P. U., 6:30 p. m. Subject, "Are We Lights in the World?" Matt. vii:15, 16. Leader, Mr. Cater. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m.

Congregational church, H. Appleton, pastor. Services, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject for the morning, "Mountain Top Visions." Children's Day services in the evening (see program). Sabbath school at close of morning service. Junior C. E., 4 p. m. Subject, "What Are Some of the Troubles and Difficulties in Which You Wish Help?" Leader, Delia Willson. Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m. Subject, "Doubts and Difficulties." Leader, Miss Clara Ackerson. Teachers' meeting, Monday, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m. A welcome to all.

BAPTIST PROGRAM.

Program for Children's Day at Baptist church June 21. Exercises in the evening.

Voluntary Miss Olive Clever
Singing—Page 54 School
The Lord's Prayer (in concert) Choir
Responsive Reading School
Congregation Prayer Pastor
Singing—"Crown Him" Choir
Class Exercise—"The Floral Cross" Mrs. Hendrick's class
Recitation Clyde Hacker
Recitation Vesta Cook
Singing—"Scatter Precious Seed" Choir
Recitation Isaac Keeler
Recitation Hazel Biss
Recitation Walter Biss
Class Exercise—"Little Acts of Kindness" Mrs. Wilkinson's class
Recitation Katie Stevens
Emblematic Piece—"The Voyage of Life" Mesdames Robertson, Severance's Passes
Additional Apps and Help Pastor
Final Will Offered for the Pub. Society
Closing Song—"We March to Victory" Choir
Benediction

CHILDREN'S DAY AT CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

Program for Sunday evening June 21:

Flower Song—Solo Edith Bundy. Chorus Flower Girls
Prayer Pastor
Music Choir
Twenty-third Psalm School
Song George Armstrong
Recitation Mamie Matteson
Song Seven Little Girls
Recitation Raymond Barrell
Pansy Song—Solo Jessie Beach. Chorus Mrs. O'Brien
Recitation Dacie Belle Appleton
Recitation in German Arno Giese
Song Mrs. Gardner's Class
Class Exercises Miss Broughton's Class
Recitation Alice and Ursula Linski
Song Grace M. Dowling
Recitation Mary Pratt
Solo Lizzie Pierce
Recitation Bessie Richards
Recitation Ina Lawrence
Duet Nettie A. Southwick
Recitation Lilly Scoville
Song Leon Williams
Class Exercise Mrs. Otto's Class
Recitation Ross Williams
Song Glenn Blaik
Recitation Anna Belle Campbell
Music Choir
Recitation Clare Matteson
Song Mr. Appleton's Class
Remarks Pastor
Collection School
Song School
Benediction

BAPTIST AID SOCIETY.

The Baptist Aid society will meet in church parlors Friday, June 26. Business meeting at 4 p. m. Supper to be served from 5 to 7 p. m. by the following committee: Mesdames Hendrick, Hacker, Haalon, Harper, Johnson, Jamison, Kenyon and Keeler. All are cordially invited.

A VALUABLE PRESCRIPTION.

Editor Morrison of Worthington, Ind., "Sun," writes: "You have a valuable prescription in Electric Bitters, and I can cheerfully recommend it for constipation and sick headache, and as a general system tonic it has no equal."

Mrs. Annie Stehle, 2625 Cottage Grove Avenue, Chicago, was all run down, could not eat nor digest food, had a backache which never left her and felt tired and weary, but six bottles of Electric Bitters restored her health and renewed her strength. Prices 50 cents and \$1.00. Get a bottle at J. W. Armstrong's drug store.

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BAY VIEW CAMPMEETING.

An excursion rate of one first-class limited fare for round trip via Michigan Central railway. Date of sale July 6 to 16 inclusive, limited to return until August 15. J. E. GOOLE, Local Agent.

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When we consider that the intestines are about five times as long as the body, we can realize the intense suffering experienced when they become inflamed. DeWitt's Colic & Cholera Cure subdues inflammation at once and completely removes the difficulty. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

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Small in size, but great in results. DeWitt's Little Early Risers act gently but thoroughly, curing indigestion, dyspepsia and constipation. Small pill, safe pill, best pill. Dr. Nelson Abbott.

BACCALAUREATE.

The graduating sermon for the class of '96 was given at the Congregational church last Sunday evening, June 14.

The church was beautifully draped with the class colors (yellow and white) and decorated with plants and cut flowers. Several anthems were well rendered by the choir, scripture reading by Rev. W. A. Biss and prayer by Rev. F. N. Janes, after which Rev. H. Appleton, in an easy, pleasing manner, delivered the address. His text was Gal. vi:14 and the subject of the address was "The Power of All Controlling Ideas."

His first theme was: The demand of our age is for specialists, not in one profession but in all. The man who accomplishes the most good in this world and does well the greatest variety of things is the man that attends to, and conquers only one thing at a time.

One's mind is filled with ideas and an idea is a truth with a personality in it. Now, as all actions are the outgrowth of ideas, we can see that they become the impelling springs of all progress. They are the penetrating and combining power in all departments of human activity. Ideas lead some men to devote themselves to pursuit of fame, some to business, some become cranky on invention, some are bound in political life, but the grandest leading of all ideas is to be led to concentrate one's whole life to Christ and his gospel.

The idea of Jesus Christ and his cross is the one grand idea that is now coming to be more and more the idea of men. The one grand controlling idea was the one of Christ and his cross, and in a few well chosen and fitting words its importance was expounded.

His closing remarks which were not only based upon the subject of his address but also upon the class motto, were directed to the class of '96. To those who have so nobly fought the battles of Middleville school life he said:

"When you think of life, you who are now 'On the Threshold,' let me ask you, what is your idea of the future? Fame may come and kiss your life, riches may lay at your feet, you may be able to embrace all education as far as men and women can go, or you may be greatly honored by your fellows, but if you don't make the cross of Christ your controlling idea, you yourself will write at life's close, Failure. While, on the other hand, your life may be ever so humble, no crowd to cheer as you pass, but if you are filled with that grand idea, at the close of life God and you will write the letters that will blaze in beauty—'Success.'

Will you not then think of the cross of Christ until it becomes the one great thought of your lives and completely transforms you, so that you may be able to say "By it the world is crucified unto me and I unto the world." "Seek first the kingdom of God and its righteousness and after that all things shall be added."

Many other grand and uplifting ideas were set forth which will long be remembered by all present.

A CROWNING SUCCESS.

C. E. DeVos, editor of the Cooper-ville (Mich.) Observer, is a worthy example of what push and energy, with keen business propensities, will accomplish.

In conversation with your correspondent, Mr. DeVos said: "I was born in Keene, Canada, in 1855. In 1857 I migrated with my parents to Peoria, Iowa, received a common school education, drifted into the printing business, and removed to Battle Creek, Mich., where I became foreman in the large printing house of Gage & Son. I recently purchased the paper of which I am now editor. My life work has been very confining and exacting and, as a result, my health gave out and I broke down with nervous exhaustion and sleeplessness. I was in such a condition that I could not sleep until completely worn out, my appetite failed me and I had to choke down what little I did eat. About two months ago my attention was directed to Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer and I concluded to try it. It had a wonderful effect on me; in a few nights I was able to get all the sleep needed, my appetite returned and became as ravenous as a wolf's, my weight increased twelve pounds, my mind became clear and active, in fact, I was restored to health and I look and feel an entirely different man." Inquiry and observation has proved Dr. Wheeler's Nerve Vitalizer to be a truly wonderful cure for all nerve troubles, such as nervous prostration, spasms, mental depression, exhausted vitality, despondency and sexual general debility. For sale by J. W. Armstrong.

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ADVERTISED LETTERS.

MIDDLEVILLE P. O., June 13, 1896.

Letters addressed to persons named below remain unclaimed in this office and will be sent to the Dead Letter Office if not claimed by June 27, 1896:

NAMES. MRS. E. A. Damouth

Please say "advised" when asking for advertised letters.

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