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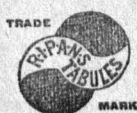
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EAST CALEDONIA.

Mr. Wesley Dutcher of Byron is visiting his brother, David, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Carpenter of Rockford are visiting relatives in this place this week.

Miss Lulu Baker attended the commencement exercises at Middleville Thursday evening.

Ed Lynn of McCord Sundayed at Wm. Schrader's.

Albert Tobey and wife and daughter, Edith, spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Dan Lewis, of Lowell.

Miss Della Snow of Grand Rapids visited Bertha McWhinney Sunday.

Miss Allie Vincent, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Thompson, for several weeks, has gone to Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rathbun spent Sunday with the former's sister, Mrs. Henry Menzies, of LaBarge.

Mrs. Hartness visited her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Dutcher, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Rathbun of Albion, Ind., who have been visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity, returned Monday.

Mrs. Fred Thomas of Mantion spent a few days with her sister, Mrs. Clarence Dutcher, last week and this week they are visiting her sister, Mrs. Bertha Canfield, of Ada.

The Rosenbergs held their annual reunion at Campau lake Saturday. A number from this place attended and all report a good time.

Miss Gertie Baker closed a successful year of school in Dist. No. 9, Friday, by having a picnic on the banks of the Thornapple.

Eli Hill, Lumber City, Pa., writes, "I have been suffering from Piles for twenty-five years and thought my case incurable. DeWitt's White Hazel Salve was recommended to me as a pile 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.

W. E. Bowen took in Hastings, Irving and Middleville on business last Tuesday.

J. W. Briggs went to Assyria on county drain business Wednesday.

OTSEGO WILL CELEBRATE.

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NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL

Association, Buffalo, N. Y.

July 7 to 11, 1896.

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NEIGHBORHOOD NOTES.

BOWEN'S MILLS.

Mr. Geo. West's oldest son by his first wife, who lives in Bay City, is visiting his father for the first time in over forty years. He was an old soldier and eighteen months he was penned up in rebel prisons, and on returning to Michigan had heard his father had died near Coldwater. To make sure, he wrote the county clerk and from him learned that a Geo. West had died there; but it proved to be another West and, through his sister, and she, too, supposed their father dead, he learned of his residing here. It is needless to say it was a happy reunion.

Judge Cole and wife, former probate judge, visited J. W. Briggs and Judge Armstrong Saturday and Sunday.

Bert Bradley, who has been quite sick for a few days, is able to be around again.

Bill posters for a big show in Hastings next month plastered the shops over with paper showing all the wild animals from the south to the north pole and a three-ring circus performance. What's the use of paying for it when you can get it free?

Mr. Herrington, the gentleman that caught the big fish, caught another monster, but the fish made such a struggle for liberty and plowed through the waters of Gun lake with such force that when the fish was close at hand he made a terrible plunge and, like the Irishman's flee, he was gone. Mr. Herrington thinks it would tip the scales at sixty or seventy pounds.

Many went from here to see and hear the graduating exercises last Thursday evening and we think all felt well paid for going. The scholars did well in rendering their parts.

The fire we saw Thursday evening proves to have been Jay Tinker's barn. Two young men that work the place drove their horse in the barn and a cat frightened the horse in such a manner that a lantern sitting near by was knocked over and in an instant the barn was afire and burned to the ground. We learn that it was insured in the Barry and Eaton.

Children's Day was a success in every respect. Many people came from a distance.

Haying and harvesting have commenced in good earnest. But never before were cut-worms known to be so plenty and to do so much damage in gardens and whole corn fields of two plantings. Many farmers have planted over three times and some have got disgusted and sowed millet or buckwheat. One old soldier farmer said the cut-worm stood guard and gave the order, march and destroy, whenever a field of corn was planted.

We never saw apple trees so loaded and looking so fair as at the present time.

Ed Haines has just completed a stone basement for his barn.

Middleville people are starting a new resort at the head of Barlow lake in Andrew Stokoe's woods, a beautiful location. They are putting up a building for shelter.

When the air is just right we frequently hear Middleville church bells at this place.

The blowing of the factory whistles in your village in honor of McKinley's nomination, it is said "by some, was enough to awaken the dead and make them rise in their graves and hurrah for McKinley, too.

Mr. Editor, with the mercury hovering around 90° in the shade, the following recipe for a beverage is highly recommended: Ice tea, ice cold lemonade, ice cream and sometimes a long neck bottle labeled hop tea, just off the ice, all of which makes a good tonic.

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Her place in the school-room has been filled by Mrs. E. C. Apey during her indisposition.

Glenn Crawford of Grand Rapids visited old friends here the past week.

Mrs. Carrie Kinsey visited old friends in Paris last week.

Miss Maggie Wilson of Grand Rapids spent Sunday at home.

The laundry of Witmer Bros. at Mackinac Island was burned last week. It was under the management of A. M. Witmer. It was uninsured.

Mrs. Bowman of Oakland visited her sister, Mrs. E. W. Clark, this week.

Chas. H. Andrews, who is attending college at Hartsville, Ind., has returned home for the summer vacation.

Miss Lou Hutchins of Casnovia visited Miss Kate Konkile the past week.

Miss Blanche Stone, who taught school the past year at Sparta, has returned home for the summer.

Bert Shisler of Ridgemount, Ont., who came here to investigate the affairs of his father, Joseph Shisler, who recently suicided, returned home Saturday.

The commencement exercises of the High school will be held Friday evening, June 26.

O. C. Whitney and wife spent Saturday and Sunday at Wayland.

IRVING INKLINGS.

Endeavor next Sunday evening will be led by Mrs. Horton Dunning. Subject, "True Manliness and Womanliness." Ps. xxxviii:1-11.

The Dorcas society will be entertained Friday afternoon by Mrs. Appleton and Mrs. Strong in the church parlors.

Rev. Freeman will fill the M. E. pulpit in Hastings next Sunday and Jesse Cobb of Middleville will conduct the services here.

Mrs. Minnie Spaulding is at Hastings attending the commencement exercises.

Rev. R. D. Freeman and J. T. Pierson were in Grand Rapids Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Horton Dunning and children visited her sister at Lake Odessa last week. Mr. D. went over to spend Sunday.

Roy and Seamer Andrus of Ann Arbor are out on the farm for the summer. Glad to see them back.

H. C. Strong was in Grand Rapids on business Wednesday.

Miss Manda Poff spent Sunday with her brother at Nashville.

Mrs. Irma Mathews closed her school in the Wilcox district with a picnic, Tuesday. It is needless to say the children had a jolly time.

Rev. Albert of Japan will give a free lecture in the Congregational church Wednesday evening, July 8. His subject will be "Japan as It Is Today." This will be a rare treat and it is hoped he will be greeted with a good house.

The lawn social at Mr. Watkins' last week Tuesday was a very pleasant occasion.

Mrs. Nettie Donovan and children of Grand Rapids are visiting at L. Watkins'.

NORTH IRVING.

Left over from last week.

Will Johnson's people of Yankee Springs visited their parents and Grandma Matthews at this place Sunday.

Mrs. Matthews does not gain strength very fast.

Mrs. Coulter has been suffering very much with rheumatism lately.

Fanny Myers and Dell Fausey of Hastings attended the entertainment Friday evening and the entertainment was good, too.

William Mitchell attended K. of P. services at Middleville Sunday.

E. Springer and wife of Plainwell visited their daughter, Mrs. F. Roberts, and family over night last week.

Haying and harvesting is the order of the day; but then, you know, those new binders must be used. Wm. Mitchell, Geo. Hubbard, B. Walker each have new machines. John Trego has bought a second-hand machine. Hurrah for the Pony Deering binder and McKinley. These are the reasons for good times at this place.

Schools are out, so the teachers are at home again. And, by the way, they say one of them likes teaching so well, intends taking a school of one scholar for life. Tell you about it later.

Frank Ingram is home at present.

John Trego's horses took most too much liberty last Saturday at Hastings. Having tied them securely, as he supposed, was busily engaged with his errands; when he came to see if his horses were all right, found they were gone. Inquiring of a man near, found they got frightened at some parrots and hats and started to leave the place; but a young man happened to see them

and think quick enough to jump in the back of the buggy and by crawling where the lines were, stopped them and put them in brick barn, for which Johnny was very thankful. Please lift your hats and close your umbrellas while passing horses.

League services led by Etta Hubbard Sunday evening.

Funeral services of Mrs. Smith from near Lowell, but formerly of this place, were conducted by Rev. R. D. Freeman's brother, Edwin, Sunday p. m. Though not a preacher in general, his talk was very fine indeed.

A special election is to be held in the city of Hastings July 13, with the hopes of bonding the city for \$10,000. If carried, \$4,000 will be paid on the Water Works bond and the balance to erect a city hall.

PARMELEE PICKINGS.

Just one McKinley man in Parmelee and no more.

The Sunday morning rain was needed and did much good to growing crops. The oat and corn crops look promising.

Not getting any news from Duncan Lake last week, we surmise that Rusticus must have been at St. Louis attending the bankers' convention.

Will Kepkey and partner attended the lawn social at Lew Smith's in East Caledonia last Tuesday evening.

Miss Lillie Moxon, who is a teacher in the silk mills at Belding, is spending her vacation with her parents and other friends in Parmelee.

John Broughton spent Sunday afternoon in Parmelee.

Haying and harvesting has commenced in earnest in this locality. John Mongerson has the finest crop of hay we have seen.

The supervisor is in Hastings this week.

E. R. Skiff shipped several car loads of ties from this station today.

The exercises at the M. E. church Sunday evening more than met our expectations. The church was more than filled and the program was well carried out. All did well, so says the verdict.

We met the editor this morning and we take it that he must have been on the hunt for blackberries. We noticed he had his shoes on.

Mr. and Mrs. Abner Skiff of Leighton visited with E. R. and family Sunday.

Wallie Watson and family enjoyed Tuesday fishing on Baker lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Swer Abram spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Allen on East Church street.

Sam'l Carlisle spent Wednesday a. m. with friends in Parmelee.

Johnnie Carlisle and best girl of Orangeville enjoyed Saturday and Sunday with Mr. Jenkins' people.

Mrs. Skain of Grand Rapids is visiting her mother, Mrs. Parmelee, for the present.

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.

YANKEE SPRINGS.

Harvest has commenced.

Geo. Williams and family of Grand Rapids were guests of J. H. Cook and wife Sunday.

Miss Nina Hall is staying with her grandmother in Baltimore.

Children's Day will be observed at Oak Grove next Sunday.

Miss Ida Page is helping her sister, Mrs. Orton, this week.

Several farmers here have purchased new binders within the past week.

Jay Tinker's barn burned down last Thursday evening. The fire caught from a lantern being tipped over. Insured.

Mrs. O'Connor returned from Carlton Centre Saturday where she has been visiting her son, John.

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 a conversation with your correspondent, Mr. DeVos said: "I was born in Keene, Canada, in 1855. In 1857 I migrated with my parents to Pella, 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, fits, mental depression, exhausted vitality, despondency and sexual general debility. For sale by J. W. Armstrong.

BUSINESS IS BEGUN.

Republican National Convention in St. Louis.

PARTY HOSTS THERE.

Perfect Sea of Faces Confronts the Speaker.

C. W. Fairbanks, of Indiana, the Temporary Chairman—Permanent Organization Quickly Made with Senator Thurston, of Nebraska, as Presiding Officer—The Great Auditorium Filled to the Roof—Early Sessions Are Short—Convention Scenes and Incidents.

On Tuesday at noon the biggest national convention that has been held by the Republican party since its organization in 1856, when Fremont was nominated, was called to order in the flag-festooned hall which the people of St. Louis erected for its accommodation. It was a great procession that tolled up to the convention hall under the noonday sun. Nine hundred and nine delegates, a like number of alternates and thousands of spectators were admitted to the auditorium. Tickets were in high demand, and all St. Louis—that is, all St. Louis which had a pull on the big sergeant-at-arms—strained a point to be present.

The following table shows the number of delegates each State and territory sent to the convention:

Alabama	22	Montana	6
Alaska	2	Nebraska	16
Arizona	2	Nevada	6
Arkansas	16	New Hampshire	6
California	18	New Jersey	20



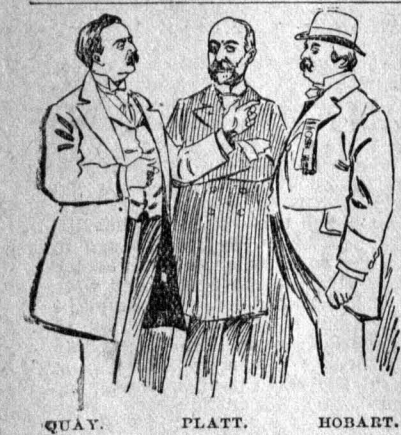
THOMAS H. CARTER.

Colorado	8	New Mexico	6
Connecticut	12	New York	72
Delaware	2	North Carolina	22
Dist. of Columbia	2	North Dakota	6
Florida	2	Ohio	46
Georgia	16	Oklahoma	4
Idaho	6	Oregon	8
Illinois	48	Pennsylvania	64
Indiana	30	Rhode Island	8
Indian Territory	2	South Carolina	18
Iowa	20	South Dakota	8
Kansas	20	Tennessee	24
Kentucky	26	Texas	30
Louisiana	16	Vermont	8
Maine	12	Virginia	24
Maryland	10	Washington	12
Massachusetts	28	West Virginia	8
Michigan	18	Wisconsin	24
Minnesota	18	Wyoming	8
Mississippi	18		
Missouri	84		

Total, 908. Necessary for a choice, 455. Of this total there were no less than 128 contested seats, distributed as follows: Alabama 20, California 4, Delaware 6, Florida 8, Georgia 10, Kentucky 2, Louisiana 12, Mississippi 18, New York 12, North Carolina 2, Pennsylvania 2, South Carolina 18, Tennessee 4, Texas 30, Virginia 4 and Arizona 6.

Arrangement of Seats.

There were 500 seats on the platform, all of which were taken up by the distinguished guests. The fifty-one members of the national committee sat immediately in the rear of the speaker's stand, while to either side of it were the 550 representatives of the press, including the Associated and United Press. The delegates were seated by States directly in front of the speaker's stand in the very center of the hall, while the alternates were seated on either side. Surrounding these were the thousands of seats for the spectators, with as many more in the gallery that completely encircled the big hall. There was no lack of conveniences in the great hall. Half a dozen long-distance telephones connected it with every important city east of the Mississippi river, and not less than 200 telegraph wires placed San Francisco, Winnipeg, Montreal, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Washington, Baltimore, Jacksonville, New Orleans, Galveston and all intermediate towns and cities in direct communication with the convention. For the special use of the representatives of McKinley, Reed, Allison and other presidential candidates, sound proof boxes containing long-distance telephones were placed at the foot of the stairs in the rear of the speaker's stand. From these it was possible for the friends of the candidates to talk directly to them and consult them on every



QUAY. PLATT. HOBART.

Important move that was made or contemplated in the convention hall.

Crowd Begins to Gather.

At 10 o'clock the band of forty pieces took its place in the gallery above the speaker's stand, and at 10:20 struck up the rousing air, "Black America." Soon after the spectators began to stream through the entrance which opened into the lower gallery. Hundreds of assistant sergeants-at-arms and ushers were scattered about the hall and galleries. Just

before 11 o'clock the thunder of arriving clubs outside the hall was heard, and the Alabama delegation appeared at the main entrance and marched to their seats in the pit. The contesting delegations from the State of Delaware, both in full force, the one headed by ex-Senator Higgins and the other by Mr. Addicks, were among the first to arrive.

At 11:20 Senator Carter, chairman of the national committee, who was to call the convention to order, arrived and gave his final instructions to the secretaries and reading clerks. Within a few minutes the delegations began crowding into their places. The arrival of the notables, however, was not attended by any demonstrations. The most famous of the Republican leaders seemed to be unrecognized from the galleries, but were warmly greeted by their friends on the floor. Senator Lodge, who is at the head of Reed's New England delegation, and who was the general of the radical politicians, was besieged on every hand as he walked down the aisle. The venerable "Dick" Thompson, of Indiana, who participated in the Clay-Jackson campaign of 1832 and has been a conspicuous figure at every Republican convention since the organization of the party, attracted much attention. He bears his 87 years sturdily and looked full of vigor. The Ohio delegation, headed by the dashing Foraker and doughty Hanna, who as McKinley's manager has made himself famous within a few months in the world of politics, passed down to their places, directly in front of the speaker's stand, without a demonstration of any kind. All was confusion on the floor in the final moments preceding the calling of the convention to order.

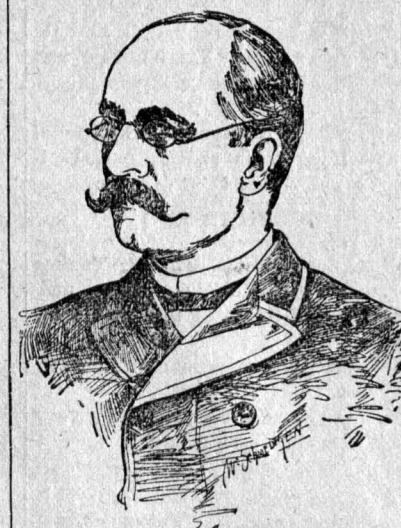
The hands of the clock were at 12:30 when Chairman Carter of Montana unwaistcoated and with widespread shirt bosom, stepped forward and with three fierce cracks of his gavel, by way of preliminary, sought to make his voice pierce the general rustle. The attempt was a futile one, however. He was exhorting the supernumeraries who crowded the aisles between delegates' seats to "please retire." These gentlemen failed to hear him, but his injunction was rapidly carried into effect by hustling badged officials, who swept down the aisles with more vigor than ceremony. Then there was an interval of comparative quiet, while Mr. Carter announced the prayer by Rabbi Sale. The thousands struggled up to their feet when they caught the significance of the rabbi's outstretched hands and stood for three minutes with bowed heads. The rabbi prayed with open eyes, and applause followed his prayer.

Chairman Fairbanks' Speech.

The first real demonstration of the convention came when Chairman Carter introduced Charles W. Fairbanks of Indiana as the temporary presiding officer. William H. Sutherland of the New York delegation seconded Mr. Fairbanks' nomination, and his selection was indorsed by the unanimous vote of the delegates. As Mr. Fairbanks stepped forward to deliver his speech a wave of applause ran around the galleries. He spoke from memory, with an occasional reference to a pad he half concealed in his left hand. His allusion to the protective tariff elicited an outburst of McKinley enthusiasm, which was repeated when he reached that portion of his speech enunciating the Republican doctrine of currency, and the demonstration reached its climax when he announced the unalterable opposition of the party to a "30-cent dollar." As he closed with a declaration that the issue was protection and honest money, against free trade and free silver, the convention heartily cheered.

Mr. Fairbanks then assumed the gavel and the real work of the convention began. William Lamb of Virginia moved the adoption of the rules of the last convention to govern this, pending further action, and for the roll-call of States, in response to which the various State chairmen were to announce their delegates. At the suggestion of Gen. Grosvenor, the lists were handed up to the platform to be read by the clerk.

The announcement of Henry M. Teller to be Colorado's man on the resolutions committee gave the silver men their first chance to make their presence known, and they improved it by shrill cheers which



PERMANENT CHAIRMAN THURSTON.

had their center in the Colorado section. There were more cheers for Senator Dubois of Idaho, the young silver leader; for Gen. Lew Wallace, the author-politician and friend of ex-President Harrison; for Henry Cabot Lodge, whose name brought a flutter of flags which the Bay State men had tied to their canes, and for Merriam of Minnesota. When New York was reached John Raines was complimented and Edward Lauterbach got a volley. Gen. Grosvenor's name was applauded, and Foraker received a quick burst of sharp cheering.

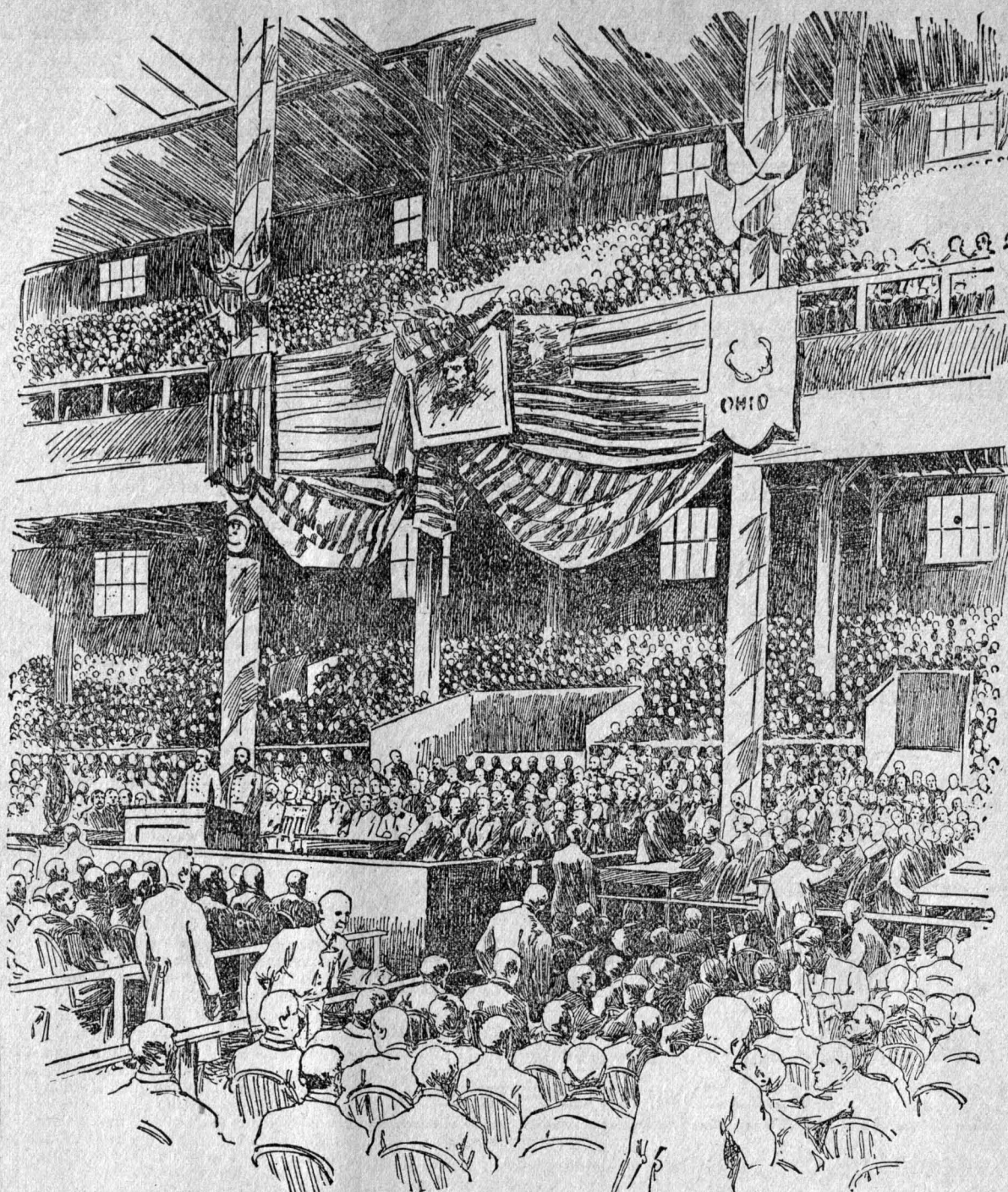
At 1:50 Grosvenor moved that the convention adjourn until Wednesday morning at 10. The motion was carried, and there was a confused rush for the entrances.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

Convention Permanently Organized with Thurston as Chairman.

The gavel was wielded Wednesday morning by Temporary Chairman Fairbanks, who was obliged to hammer vigorously when, at 11:40 o'clock, he attempted to quell the tumult into working order. On the platform at his left stood the portly form of Mark Hanna, and beside him, with a friendly hand on his shoulder and pouring some confidences into Mr. Hanna's ear, was Thomas Carter of Montana, the retiring chairman of the national committee. For five minutes Mr. Fairbanks rested on his ease while the ushers perspired in futile attempts to persuade or compel compliance with the chairman's request. The convention was in comparative order upon the introduction of Dr. Wilbur G. Williams, pastor of the Union Methodist Episcopal Church of St. Louis, who made the prayer. As he

THE REPUBLICAN NATIONAL CONVENTION IN SESSION.



lifted his head at the conclusion of the prayer the crowd sank back in their seats and the convention was again under way. Senator Lodge, of Massachusetts, rose to ask for the committee on resolutions



THE MCKINLEY CLUB OF CANTON.

the privilege of sitting during the progress of the convention, reporting that the sub-committee had completed the platform, and that it was being considered by the full committee. Minor matters were brought to the attention of the convention by Powell Clayton, of Arkansas, and by a colored delegate from Alabama.

The chairman's call for the report of the committee on credentials met no response and that committee was passed. The report of the committee on permanent organization was received and adopted "mid loud protestations from some of the dissenters."

When the reading clerk, who intoned the committee's report to the house, announced the name of John M. Thurston of Nebraska to be permanent chairman there was an eruption of flags and cheers from the delegates.

Senator Sewell, of New Jersey, and Congressman Sereno Paine, of New York, were designated to escort the permanent chairman to the platform. They marched down the main aisle, while the delegates jumped to their feet fluttering flags and handkerchiefs and cheering shrilly. Mr. Fairbanks met the trio as it ascended the steps, and grasped the Nebraska Senator by the hand. Thurston faced the arena with his hands clasped behind him and began to speak. He said:

Gentlemen of the Convention: The happy memory of your kindness and confidence will abide in my grateful heart forever. My sole ambition is to meet your expectations and I pledge myself to exercise the important powers of this high office with absolute justice and impartiality. I bespeak your cordial co-operation and support to the end that our proceedings may be orderly and dignified, as before this have been all the deliberations of the supreme council of the Republican party.

Eight years ago I had the distinguished honor to preside over the convention which nominated the last Republican President of the United States. To-day I have the further distinguished honor to preside over the convention which is to nominate the next President of the United States. This generation has had its object lesson, and the doom of the Democratic party is already pronounced. The American people will return the Republican party to power because they know that its administration will mean:

The supremacy of the Constitution of the United States; the maintenance of law and order; the protection of every American citizen in his right to live, to labor, and to vote; a vigorous foreign policy; the enforcement of the Monroe doctrine; the restoration of our merchant marine; safety under the stars and stripes on every sea. In every part; a revenue for all governmental expenditures and the gradual extinguishment of the national debt; a currency "as sound as the government and as unimpaired as its honor," whose dollars, whether of gold, silver or paper, shall have equal purchasing and debt-paying power with the best dollars of the civilized world; a protective tariff which protects, coupled with reciprocity which re-



EXTREME TYPES IN DELEGATES. From Florida. From the East.

procures, thereby securing the best market for American products and opening American factories to the free colage of American muscle; a pension policy just and generous to our living heroes and to the widows and orphans of their dead comrades; the governmental supervision and control of transportation lines and rates; the protection of the people from all unlawful combinations and unjust exactions of aggregated capital and corporate power; an American welcome to every God-fearing, liberty-loving, Constitution-respecting, law-abiding, labor-seeking, decent man; the exclusion of all whose birth, whose blood, whose condition, whose practices would menace the permanency of free institutions, endanger the safety of American society or lessen the opportunities of American labor; the abolition of sectionalism—every star in the American flag shining for the honor and welfare and happiness of every commonwealth and of all the people; a deathless loyalty to all that is true and American, and a patriotism as eternal as the stars

The punctuation of almost every sentence of the address was a period of yells, rounded off with a fringe of applause and stamping, and the delegates rose and waved their hats, flags and handkerchiefs with a prolonged cheer when Mr. Thurston finished.

As the demonstration ceased a letter was read from J. Henry Fort, chairman

seating of the Addicks and Cuney delegations in Delaware and Texas, and the recommitment of all other contests, than Mr. Fort demanded the previous question on the adoption of the majority report. Mr.



MCKINLEY PEOPLE AT THE OHIO HEAD-QUARTERS.

Hepburn moved to substitute the minority report.

There was a general breaking up of benches and girding up of loins. The Pennsylvania delegation was in an up-

REPUBLICAN NOMINEES FOR PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT.



of the committee on credentials, announcing that the committee would be unable to report until afternoon. Thereupon Gov. Bushnell of Ohio moved that the convention take a recess until 2 o'clock. The motion was carried with a roar, and at 11:23 Chairman Thurston declared the convention in recess.

Proceedings in the Afternoon.

The people returned to the hall after the recess, hoping that the candidates would be nominated during the day and knowing that at any rate the hostilities would begin. As soon as the convention came to order, Mr. Fort of New Jersey moved to order the fore with the report of the committee on credentials and the war was on. He reported that the Addicks people were unseated in Delaware and the Cuney people in Texas and as for the other contestants the committee on credentials had accepted the report of the national committee. Congressman Hepburn of Iowa was alongside to stand for the minority. No sooner had he completed reading the minority report, which recommended the

roar. Platt dodged along the line of the New York delegation jutting down figures on a slip of paper. The leaders from the Southern States wrestled with the negro delegates. In Missouri corner Major Warner and Chauncey L. Filley glared at each other. The galleries sent down a confused sound of eager voices, and then, as the chairman's gavel fell, the hall became as quiet as if every man and woman of the 12,000 people had ceased breathing, and the roll call proceeded. When the roll call of States was completed there was a minute of anxiety while the clerks footed up the totals. When Chairman Thurston announced the result, 568 3/4 for ordering the previous question and 339 1/4 against it, the McKinleyites howled themselves hoarse. The report of the committee was declared adopted, and the convention adjourned, with the crowd still cheering and laughing, after a day of burning interest.

The siege of Puerto Ortez, Honduras, incident to the recent civil war in Nicaragua, has been raised.

MCKINLEY THE MAN.

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Both Candidates Nominated on First Ballot.

Nominations Are Made Unanimous and Delegates and Spectators Go Wild with Enthusiasm—Platform Adopted Advocating the Single Gold Standard—Free-Coinage Delegates Sever Their Connection with Former Associates—Detailed Description of Closing Scenes of the Convention.

The Republican national convention completed its work Thursday night. William McKinley, of Ohio, was nominated for President and Garret A. Hobart, of New Jersey, for Vice-President on a platform that declares for a protective tariff and the single gold standard. The total vote cast for McKinley was 661 1/2. Seed received 84 1/2, Quay 60 1/2, Morton 58, Allison 35 1/2 and Cameron 1. No sooner had the chairman announced the result than Senator Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts moved to make the nomination unanimous. Among the first to second this were Gen. Hastings of Pennsylvania and Thomas Platt of New York. Gen. Henderson of Iowa followed. Amid a storm of howls, tooting of fish horns, waving of banners and the playing of the band the motion was put and carried. The pandemonium was so great that the chairman could not be heard.

When Senator Foraker, as chairman of the Ohio delegation, arose and cast 49 votes for the Buckeye man, the ballot stood 467 1/2 for McKinley. Instantly the convention burst into a storm of enthusiasm. The roll call was continued, but it was only a matter of form. There was a moment of suspense until the vote had been announced, and then the vast assemblage burst into cheers and shouts of the wildest enthusiasm.

The first ballot was completed at 5:40, and it was 6 o'clock before the chairman was able to gain order and to recognize Senator Lodge, who moved that the nomination of McKinley be made unanimous. This served to bring forth another uproarious outburst.

After McKinley's nomination had been made unanimous and the chair had so declared, the convention proceeded to name a candidate for Vice-President. The names of G. A. Hobart of New Jersey, H. Clay Evans of Tennessee, Lippitt of Rhode Island, Walker of Virginia and Bulkeley of Connecticut were placed in nomination. The nomination of Hobart, like that of McKinley, was decided on the first ballot, and afterward made unanimous.

The third day's session of the Republican national convention was called to order by Chairman Thurston at 10:30 o'clock Thursday forenoon. Five thousand people stood outside the convention hall clamoring for admission and quarreling with doorknockers. Inside the hall there was a restless activity among the delegates and visitors and an eager desire to see the wheels move.

Chairman Thurston without any preliminaries plunged into business by announcing that the first thing on the program was the report of the committee on

resolutions. Senator-elect Joseph B. Foraker, of Ohio, crowded to the front, climbed the steps and presented the platform, while the audience and delegates followed the reading with intense interest.

At the conclusion of the reading Senator Teller presented a silver substitute for the gold plank in the platform, and made a strong speech in defense of the bimetallic views of the white metal men. After he had spoken to the resolution Foraker moved to lay it on the table. The gold men voted 518 1/2 to a total silver representation of 105 1/2. Foraker then moved the previous question on the adoption of the platform, and the platform was adopted, a separate vote being taken on the financial plank, resulting: Yeas, 812 1/2; nays, 110 1/2.

As soon as the platform with the gold plank was adopted the silver men from Colorado, Idaho, Montana and Utah, headed by their leaders, arose and marched out of the convention hall, renouncing the Republican party and its declaration of principles.

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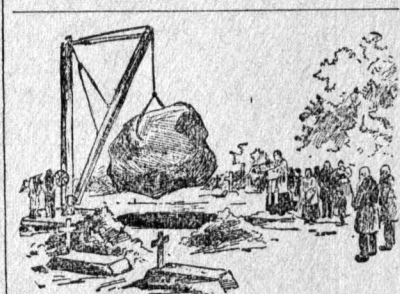
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instantly amalgamated with the mass of steel, although this did not make him an Amalgamated steel worker. The amalgamation came too late for that.

Then got together, in all the solemnity which attaches to the British public funeral, the officials of the War Department. They discussed the tragedy. It was a weighty subject. It was decided that it would be a profanation of the dead to use the metal containing the remains of Mr. Moriarity in the manufacture of ordnance. The remains could not be separated from the metal. If it could have been ascertained what part of the mass contained the body, the piece might have been separated and turned over to the widow, but this was impracticable, the idea obtaining that the remains must be generally diffused among the twelve tons. It seemed indelicate, at least, to have the body of Mr. Moriarity incorporated into a number of cannon and used in conjunction with the steel in dealing death to the enemies of Queen Victoria. As the only way out of the difficulty, it was gravely decided to bury the twelve tons of steel with benefit of clergy.

There never was such a funeral. That of the hero of Mark Twain's story, who got woven into fourteen yards of carpet, was not a marker to it. Owing to the great weight and bulk of the deceased and his surroundings the body was not removed to his humble cabin. The wake was held out in the open and people came from far and near to attend it.

No hearse could contain the body, and no team could pull it to the cemetery, so a grave was dug right there. It was the biggest grave ever dug. Then it was necessary to rig a huge derrick to lower the deceased into the grave. A clergyman of the Church of England read the burial service; the choristers sang a requiem and amid the sobs and tears of the widow and the dead man's friends and the creaking groans of the derrick, all that was mortal of Mr. Moriarity was tenderly laid in the earth, together with twelve tons of good steel he had involuntarily surrounded himself with.

Mr. Moriarity is perhaps the only man who was ever first cremated and then buried. There in his lonely tomb he will lie until the last trumpet calls him to separate himself from his environments and Gabriel calls to him, "Are ye there, Moriarity?"

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If there is evil in the speech, it is proof that there is evil in the heart.

The man who is not conscious of his own faults has no charity for another.

An honest man is believed without an oath, for his reputation swears for him.

No matter what church he belongs to, that man is on the road to heaven whose heart has said good-by to sin.

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NOTES ABOUT SCHOOLS AND THEIR MANAGEMENT.

Needed Improvements in City Schools Suggested by a School Superintendent—Defective Primary Work Shown in High School Graduates.

Improvements in City Schools.
The public schools of America are, and ought to be, distinctively American. But, like everything else to which the people contribute their money, the schools have been the victims of much unwise interference. The people of various cities have demanded of the schools the employment of unsuitable persons, the introduction of improper texts, and in other ways have hindered their progress by unthinking and imprudent legislation. The result of this interference has been to press upon many school systems a local and political influence that has been hurtful, though often done with proper motives.

The school legislation of the future will need to adopt some measures that will rid the schools themselves of the dominance of unwise, party-influenced, and friend-rewardmen. The school systems should be run by school men, and not by politicians. What incentive have school officers to labor and to learn if their plans for improvement are blasted by the rude hands of prejudiced boards? It was suggested to me once that it would be an improvement in the school laws of our country if an examination for members was required as well as an examination for teachers.

Akin to this suggestion is: That school superintendents should have entire control in the selection of teachers in the course of study and in the conduct of the schools. Boards of education, representing the tax-payers, ought to control the finances, paying of officers and teachers, building of houses, and cost of supplies. Beyond that they should trust the officers whose business it is to know. If the officers prove unworthy and unreliable, they should be impeached and removed. It is a golden rule to pay an official well, let him alone, but watch him closely. The supervisors are often held responsible for errors in the schools that they were powerless to prevent. Make the work of school supervision a profession, require the officers to surround themselves with proper help, and then hold them responsible for the result. I believe that if school officers, instead of inexperienced members, were allowed to select teachers and textbooks, the tone of our schools would at once improve.

This would be the way to procure better teachers. The profession responds to the demand. If high grade capacity, founded on experience and training is demanded in the schools, at once the attention of applicants is turned to that kind of qualification. If we will require better capacity, we shall get better capacity. So long as election goes by favors, there is no guarantee that the schools are safe. Some of these days we shall reach the golden point in our city schools where the laws will require that no teachers shall be employed except who have had liberal preparation in schools designed for the training of teachers. But few teachers can do scientific teaching unless they have had scientific preparation. Some may happen upon good methods by accident, but the majority are empirics, and empiricism in school work is as deadly as quackery in medicine.

This independence of officials will bring an improvement in the course of study of our schools. We need today a revolution in the method of school work, based upon proper principles of education. These principles are but simply understood by the profession, and by the general public not at all. The few who plead for better things, for work outside of texts, for better texts themselves, and for a degree of teaching that cannot be comprehended in a text are derided as visionary. Many of our teachers are mechanical, many of our courses of study are unscientific, and those who know better are rendered powerless by the law and are laughed at in their helplessness. Many of the old methods of teaching, many of the old texts in use are adhered to because the school committees are averse to change, the people complain of expenses, and everybody is willing to let well enough alone. It is time we had more radicals to face the people and tell them the whole truth, regardless of personal effect.

Another evil that the future only will remedy, and that is the assignment of too many children to one teacher. I have seen a system where sixty children was the allowance, in another instance eighty were on the roll of one teacher, and in one case a poor teacher was doing her best with a class of one hundred and twenty pupils. I should say that the average in large city systems was fifty pupils to a teacher. I know this to be the case in most of the Southern school systems. This is too much for one person to do properly. An ideal school would limit the number of graded pupils to thirty or twenty-five for each teacher. This, however, will require more schools, more school-houses, all of which will cost more money. The solution of that difficulty is found only in enlarging school facilities so as to afford opportunity for the best work.

The last point I shall make is that, since we commit ourselves to education at the public expense, there should be no limit this side of thoroughness. Every kind of education belongs to the public school scheme. The education of a child should begin as soon as he can leave his mother's arms. Therefore schools should claim him as soon as he can learn anything. Therefore the infant play-schools, the kindergartens, logically belong to the public

school systems. I know of no reason why the State should keep its hands off until the child is seven years of age, and has learned many wrong things. I look for our city schools in the future to reach down and take hold of the three-year-olds and start them in the proper roads of learning. Likewise, there is no reason in morals why any kind of education should be barred. Popularly, we think only of a literary training in public schools. But logically children are entitled to musical, artistic, and industrial education. They are entitled to be trained from the very beginning for life's work and for life's joys. Ultimately we shall see our city schools reach out their arms to enfold the very infants, and then keep them under the proper nurture until they can be delivered to the State as worthy citizens, ready for any work.

I have emphasized these points: that school officials should be allowed more liberty, should have more ability, should be endowed with courage, and should shoulder more responsibility. This will result in uniform work over the country, better teachers in our schools, and better teaching in consequence. This, with fewer children to each teacher and an enlargement of our educational schemes to take hold of the very child and to include every kind of education for him, will comprehend improvements devoutly to be wished for.

Fortunately, we are improving. There are errors, of course. These we shall be rid of in after years. We are groping in uncertain light for many things. Still, our schools are like our country, young, but vigorous and determined. Like overgrown boys, they are awkward and move uneasily, but exercise will bring grace and strength. They contain no seeds of disease, and all they need is care and culture to make them the pride of the land.—Lawton B. Evans, Superintendent Schools Augusta, Ga.

Graduation Gowns.

For every young girl who is about to take her departure from school, seminary, academy or college, there is one burning subject of thought and discussion, and that is her graduation gown. White is traditionally the color for the girl graduate, and the latest fashions warrant no departure from the tradition. Even a creamy white is prohibited by the strictest adherents to the prevailing modes. A dead chalk-white is the only admissible hue, and fortunately, it is the most becoming one to the fresh young faces which the gowns are to accompany. When the graduate once realizes that she must conform to this absolute purity of color, she will attempt no little individual vagaries in the line of tinted ribbons or figured muslins, and she will allow her bunch of deep-red roses to be the only exception to the rule. It is not necessary, or even desirable, that the graduate's flowers should be of white.

In choosing the material of the gown let fineness and sheerness be the prime requisites. Of the various pretty stuffs that combine these good qualities fashionable dressmakers single out white organdie as the most correct. And so far the daintiest gowns which have been fashioned for the students of the fashionable uptown schools are of this material. Organdie is of course absolutely sheer and transparent and requires a lining. The young girl of extravagant tastes will demand that this lining be of stiff white silk. The more modest graduate will be contented with a muslin lining, and her gown will be quite as correct, and possibly a little more in harmony with the standards of simplicity set for her. Very thin white muslin may take the place of organdie, if desired, or mull is admirably adapted to produce the clinging effect that some girls will strive for. Dotted Swiss, though rather old, may be effectively used.

As for accessories, they should be few. White suede gloves reaching to the bottom of the sleeve whether that be at wrist or elbow, white suede ties over white silk stockings, a very simple white fan, and, if the graduate can so fortify herself by the thought of scholastic glory as to deny herself all jewelry, she will have achieved a commendable feat. The most epoch-making essay that is delivered will be all the more impressive for its simple background.

Shows Defective Primary Work.

Professor Frank Hall, of Waukegan, created quite a stir in a convention of teachers at the University of Chicago by declaring that 50 per cent. of the graduates from our high schools cannot spell all the words in the common school primer. Professor Hall backed up his declaration with the statement that he had the statistics to support his contention.

Professor Hall's statement commands more than ordinary consideration because of his high standing as an educator. While the more zealous friends of the high school end of our public school system will take issue with Professor Hall, it is doubtless true that his claim is based upon experience and extended observation. If it is true it does not reflect upon the high school instruction so much as some of the educators seem to think. The fact is, such a condition of things shows defective training in primary and grammar grades. The high schools cannot be expected to supply the deficiencies of primary instruction. The pupil is admitted to the high school on the reasonable assumption that he has been drilled in the elemental essentials of a common school education.

Professor Hall's discovery is merely another argument for better salaries, better teachers and a higher standard of efficiency in the lower grades. We need fewer botanists and better spellers; fewer astronomers and more grammarians.—Chicago Times-Herald.

A snow of blossoms and a wild of flowers.—Tickell.

The Inventive Yankee.

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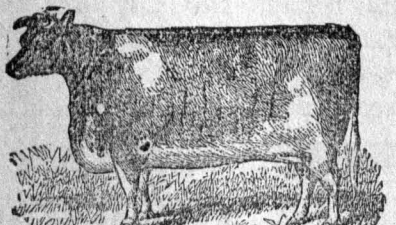
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THE MIDDLEVILLE SUN
J. W. SAUNDERS, Publisher.
Entered at the Middleville, Mich., Postoffice
as second-class matter.
THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 1896.
The Iron Age says it might as well
be acknowledged now as later that the
real trouble with business is that this
is presidential year.
Had Cleveland's pronouncement for
gold been made before nearly two-thirds
of the democratic state conventions
had declared for free silver, it would
have been more effective and in much
better taste.
It is announced at Washington that
Senator Gorman is to be the adminis-
tration candidate for the presidential
nomination at Chicago, on a gold plat-
form, and that Mr. Whitney, of New
York, (who engineered Mr. Cleveland's
nomination so cleverly four years ago,) is
to attempt a like service for Mr.
Gorman at the coming democratic
national convention next month. To be
handicapped by the support of an ad-
ministration that has in less than three
years and a half disposed of over a
hundred million dollars surplus and
increased the bonded indebtedness of
the government over five hundred mil-
lion dollars is enough to sink any can-
didate, be his prospects ever so good,
to very depths of disaster and defeat.
However, the nomination for president
on the democratic ticket is but an empty
honor this season at best.

We had the privilege on Saturday of
looking over a republican ticket in the
hands of Geo. C. Smith, which has by
age become quite a keepsake, being for
the year 1865. It read as follows:
Supervisor—Denison S. Bugbee.
Clerk—Jonathan G. Barrows.
Treasurer—Isaac N. Keeler.
Justice—William W. Paull.
School Ins.—George D. Lewis.
Com. Highways—Rawson White.
Com. Highways, to fill vacancy—John
A. Robertson.
Constables—E. Hamilton Wade, Al-
bert D. Badcock, Joseph C. Bray, The-
ophilus A. DeRiemer.
These men were all elected and serv-
ing at the close of the war. Messrs.
White, DeRiemer, Paull and Keeler
have passed beyond. Messrs. Wade
and Bray are still residents but the
other five are scattered, some living in
the west. In those days there were
but 43 subject to draught and some of
those could not pass muster and the
town had 7 to raise as a quota from the
township. Among the seven were Geo.
C. Smith, Lorenzo Cane, John Allen,
George Millard and Amos Grenham.
The town paid \$200 bounty to those who
enlisted. They were also promised
\$100 by the state supervisor and enroll-
ing officer, John F. Emory, but the
amount was not raised.

SCHOOL COLUMN.
[Edited by Flora J. Beadle, Commr.]
How shall we make the work of our
rural schools more efficient in develop-
ing better citizens? This is the great
question throwing its shadow across
the sunset of the 19th century, and it
seems futile for me to attempt to
answer this cry. And yet this is the
question that every teacher should ask
himself, and earnestly and honestly
try to answer.
The country schools must, in the larg-
est measure, educate the citizens of
this republic. A republican govern-
ment, a democracy, can not be main-
tained without efficient country schools.
This view of the situation no intelligent
person may doubt. We shall attempt
to point out some ways in which the
country schools may be made more
efficient. We shall not advance theo-
ries untried, but give some results of
work.
Our first suggestion is that school
grounds and school rooms should be
such as to awaken a love of the beau-
tiful, that the life within may grow
beautiful through association with
that which is beautiful without. To
this end the school yard and the school
room should be made clean and attrac-
tive. We would teach agriculture,
study plants, study soils,—the surround-
ings of rural schools,—make this work
the basis of language work. This work
should also be our work in geography
during the initial years of school life.
With such school grounds and such
school rooms presided over by genuine
child-loving teachers the better nature
of the child would be developed and we
would see springing up on every hand
more efficient citizens.
How may this be done? By uniting
patrons and teachers in the great work
of education in our country schools.
This will develop an educational sen-
timent that will not stop short of the
school rooms and school yards we have
suggested. What we as teachers want
to do is to go into the country homes
and schools and go to work. Let the
district patrons and teachers and older
pupils have their reading course, their
evening lectures, their educational
revivals and you shall see an educa-
tional sentiment spring up that shall
answer the question inspiring this arti-
cle. The patrons will respond to any
influence which will build up their
school, when we as teachers demon-
strate what and how it can be done.
This is our work as teachers, and its
results will be more efficient schools,

and more efficient schools mean better
citizens.
We would make another suggestion.
Education should mean business. Busi-
ness methods do not sufficiently control
the work of education in many of our
schools. While on a visit to a school
room recently we were greatly pleased
with the air of business prevailing.
Fifteen minutes were allowed for writ-
ing exercises, and all the school were
writing in a few seconds after the
teacher gave the signal, and they con-
tinued to write until the time for the
writing had expired. This business-
like method characterized every recita-
tion. Its effect on the school, on the
neighborhood was good. We visited
another school where lack of business
was painfully evident and pupils and
patrons had little interest in the school.
Education in the latter school, like
the earth in the beginning, "was with-
out form and void." Let us be terribly
in earnest in this work of education,
and let business stamp all our efforts.
If we do our work in a business-like
way we can unite all the forces of the
district for more efficient schools.
Another suggestion: Get a good
teacher and allow him to teach the
school in his way. Say to the teacher,
there is your work, do it. Many
schools are made failures by meddling
patrons. A conductor is employed to
run a train, a doctor to prescribe for a
patient, and so on.
Let us employ a teacher to teach, not
to keep school, and let them know and
feel that so long as they do teach the
boys and girls the way to a higher,
more efficient citizenship they need
fear neither fossils nor examinations.

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Chancery Order.
State of Michigan, in the Circuit Court for
the County of Barry. In Chancery.
Emily L. Irving, Complainant
vs.
James Irving, Defendant.
Suit pending in the Circuit Court for the
county of Barry in Chancery. Fifth Judicial
Circuit, at the city of Hastings, in the
county, on the 18th day of June, A. D. 1896.
In this cause, it is satisfactorily appearing to
me by affidavit that said defendant, James
Irving, is not a resident of the state of Michi-
gan, but resides in the state of Minnesota,
on motion of Wm. L. Cobb, solicitor for the
complainant, it is ordered that the said de-
fendant cause his appearance to be entered
herein, within four months from this date,
and that in case of his appearance he cause
his answer to the complainant's bill of com-
plaint in this cause to be filed, and a copy
thereof to be served on the complainant's
solicitor, within twenty days after service
of a copy of said bill, and a notice of this
order; and that in default thereof, the said
bill be taken as confessed by the said de-
fendant.
And it is further ordered, that within
twenty days after the said complainant cause
this order to be published in the MIDDLE-
VILLE SUN, a newspaper published and
printed in said county, and that such publi-
cation be continued for one week, for
six weeks in succession, or that she cause a
copy of this order to be personally served
on said defendant, at least twenty days be-
fore the time herein prescribed for his ap-
pearance.
FRED W. WALKER,
Circuit Court Commissioner.
WM. L. COBB,
Complainant's Solicitor.
REGISTER IN CHANCERY CERTIFICATE.
STATE OF MICHIGAN,
COUNTY OF BARRY, ss.
I, John G. Nagler, Register of the Circuit
Court for the County of Barry IN CHAN-
CERY, do hereby certify that the above and
foregoing is a true and correct copy of Order
of Publication entered therein in the above
entitled cause in said court, as appears of
original record now in my office. That I
have compared the said copy with the original,
and it is a true transcript therefrom, and of
the whole thereof.
In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto
set my hand and affixed the seal of said
court, at Hastings, this 19th day of June, A.
D. 1896.
JOHN G. NAGLER,
Register in Chancery.
Notice for Hearing Claims.
STATE OF MICHIGAN, ss.
COUNTY OF BARRY, ss.
Notice is hereby given, that by an order of
the Probate court for the county of Barry,
made on the 29th day of May, A. D. 1896,
six months from that date were allowed for
creditors to present their claims against the
estate of Manley A. Baldwin, late of said
county deceased, and that all creditors of
said deceased are required to present their
claims to said Probate court, at the Probate
office, in the city of Hastings, for examina-
tion and allowance, on or before the 30th day
of November next, and that such claims will
be paid on or before the 30th day of Novem-
ber next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of
each of those days.
Dated May 29th, A. D. 1896.
CHAS. W. ARMSTRONG,
Judge of Probate.

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Mortgage Sale.
Default having been made in the condi-
tions 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-
four, in the office of the county of Barry,
Michigan, on the fourteenth day of Decem-
ber aforesaid at half past four o'clock in the af-
ternoon, in the forenoon of the twenty-sixth
day of January, 1896, the principal and
interest secured therein and thereby by the
terms of said mortgage, that if any interest
shall be due and remain unpaid for thirty
days thereafter, then both principal and
interest shall forthwith become due and
collectable at the option of the party of the
second part and the said party of the second
part having by virtue of his option, duly
exercised the same, and also an attorney
fee of thirty-five dollars, stipulated and
agreed in the said mortgage, to be paid as
often as any proceeding should be taken to
foreclose said mortgage, in addition to all
other legal costs, by which default the power
of sale in said mortgage contained, has be-
come operative; and, whereas, no suit or
proceeding has been instituted at law or in
equity to recover the debt secured to be paid
in and by said mortgage or any part thereof.
Notice is 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: All that certain
pieces or parcels of land situate in the town-
ship of Irving in the county of Barry and
state of Michigan, and described as fol-
lows, to-wit: The north half of the south-
west quarter and twenty acres from the
north side of the south half of the south-
west quarter of section three (3) 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 ninety-six,
at the north front door of the court house,
in the city of Hastings in said Barry county
(that being the place wherein is held the cir-
cuit court for the county of Barry) at ten
o'clock in the forenoon of said day, to pay
said debt, interest, attorney fee and the
costs of this foreclosure.
May nineteenth, one thousand eight hun-
dred and ninety-six. **GEORGE GUEST,**
WM. L. COBB, Mortgagee.
Attorney for said Mortgagee. 21-13

Mortgage Sale.
Default having been made in the payment
and conditions of a certain mortgage made
and executed by Horace C. Wood and Martha
Wood of Irving, Michigan, to State Bank
of Middleville, of Middleville, Michigan,
dated the 10th day of April, A. D. 1894,
and recorded in the office of the Regis-
ter of Deeds for the County of Barry
and State of Michigan on the 11th day of
April, A. D. 1894, in Liber 38 of Mortgages,
on page 138. On which mortgage there is
claimed to be due at the date of this notice
the sum of four hundred and twenty-three
and sixty-nine one-hundredths dollars, and
also the further sum of two thousand dollars
and interest thereon from April 10th, A. D.
1896, yet to become due, together with an at-
torney fee of twenty-five dollars covenanted
and provided for in said mortgage, and no suit
or proceedings either at law or in equity
having been instituted to recover said mon-
eys so secured and due on said mortgage or
any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue
of the power of sale contained in said mort-
gage, and the statute in such case made and
provided, notice is hereby given that I shall
sell at public auction, subject to the pay-
ment of principal of two thousand dollars
and interest yet to become due on said mort-
gage, 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) on Saturday, the 15th day of July,
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 afore-
said with seven per cent. interest, and all
legal costs, together with said attorney fee
of twenty-five dollars covenanted for in said
mortgage.
The premises being described in said mort-
gage as all those certain pieces or parcels of
land lying and being situate 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
half of the north-west quarter of section
nineteen (19) in said town four (4) north
range nine (9) west, and the west half of the south-
east 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, ss.
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 Rollie D. Jacob, late of said
County, deceased, and that all creditors of
said deceased are 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 claims will be heard before said Court,
on Saturday, the first day of August, and on
Monday, the second day of November, next,
at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each of these
days.
Dated May 1st, A. D. 1896.
CHAS. W. ARMSTRONG,
Judge of Probate.
22-5

Mortgage Sale.
Default having been made in the condi-
tions of a certain mortgage made and exe-
cuted by Arabella Stowell of Middleville,
Michigan, to Miner S. Keeler of Middleville,
Michigan, dated the 4th day of October, A. D.
1894, and recorded in the office of the regis-
ter of deeds for Barry county, Michigan, on
the 5th day of October, A. D. 1894, in Liber
of mortgages on page 170, on which mort-
gage there is claimed to be due at the date
of this notice the sum of six hundred sixteen
and 100/100 dollars, and an attorney fee of twenty-
five dollars, provided for in said mortgage,
the principal of said mortgage having been
declared due by said mortgagee, and is hereby
declared due by him, by reason of the non-
payment 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 said mortgagee has had
notice, and no suit or proceedings having
been instituted, either in law or equity to
recover said moneys so secured by said
mortgage or any part thereof, and 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) on Saturday,
the 27th day of July, A. D. 1896, at ten 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
said attorney fee of twenty-five dollars
covenanted for therein. The premises being
described in said mortgage as all those cer-
tain pieces or parcels of land situate and
being in the village of Middleville and city
of Hastings, in the county of Barry and 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. Keel-
er's addition to the village of Middleville.
Also lots number six (6) and seven (7) of block
number twelve (12) of Striker's addition to
the village (now city) of Hastings according
to the recorded plat of said addition.
Dated April 15th, 1896.
MINER S. KEELER, Mortgagee.
HARTLEY E. HENDRICK,
14-13 Attorney for Mortgagee.

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ANNUAL ANNOUNCEMENT.
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brate than at Gun Lake. *

Hodge & Lee are building an addition
to the rear of their store.

Miss Daisy L. Dowling leaves tomor-
row for a three weeks' visit with friends
in Lansing.

The remodeling of Mr. Clever's resi-
dence is about completed and adds
another good improvement to Fremont
street.

Last Friday Ward W. Stratton rode
on his wheel 125 miles in 14 hours,
stopping for three showers and three
punctures.

Mrs. J. W. Saunders met her old
chums and members of the Charlotte
Literary club and spent Tuesday after-
noon with them near Chester at Mrs.
Lucy Betts'. Fifteen members of the
old society were present and had a most
enjoyable time.

The Congregational church has re-
ceived two coats of paint making a
grand improvement in its appearance,
being a very light drab with trimmings
of slightly darker shade. The society
feels very grateful to the proprietors
of the three hardware stores of our village
and citizens who so generously donated
material and money toward the im-
provement.

The Prairie school closed last Satur-
day, where Miss Louie Hall has taught
a very successful term and made many
friends. The scholars rendered some
fine songs and recitations and were
made happy by receiving gifts from
their teacher. Little Wilbur Garrett
and Florence French were the prize
winners for not being absent nor tardy
during the term.

Stolen from W. J. Clixby, Thursday
evening, June 18, '96, at Middleville,
one Clipper Bicycle No. 20, Wheel No.
7673; enameled new rose color; handle
bars enameled and new tips on end;
pedal crank loose on right side of
wheel; tire on rear wheel new; new bi-
cycle lock on front part of wheel; toe-
clips on pedals; automatic seat, covered
with felt. Sheriff McKevitt offers a re-
ward of ten dollars for return of wheel
and \$25 for thief.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs.
John Carveth will be pained to learn of
the latter's death, which occurred at
Chicago the 19th inst. Deceased was
brought to Grand Rapids and funeral
services were held at their home on
Pleasant street on Monday last. Quite
a large number of relatives and friends
from here attended the funeral. Mrs.
Carveth has resided in this place since
she came here with her parents from
Canada when a child, and by her sweet
disposition and womanly character en-
deared herself to a large circle of
friends, who will mourn with the bereft
husband and daughter in their great
loss. Mrs. Carveth has been in poor
health for some time, but for the past
few months we understood she was
much improved and her sudden demise
was entirely unexpected.

The Children's Day exercises at the
Baptist church last Sabbath evening
was a pleasing affair. The church was
beautifully decorated for the occasion
and the little ones were very entertain-
ing. Among the most interesting part
of the evening's enjoyment was the em-
blematic piece entitled "The Voyage of
Life." It was illustrated with a real
boat with sails and trimmed with flags
and water lilies. A banner, chart,
compass and anchor was furnished.
Accompanied with appropriate reci-
tations by the girls, and the boys were
the sailors who manned the boat with
virtue, goodness, temperance, brotherly
kindness, etc., and with appropriate
songs it had a very pleasing effect.
The choir rendered some very choice
selections and, taking all together, it
was a happy Children's Day. The
short but pithy address by the pastor
won a good collection for the S. S.
work.

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25-4 H. L. HOWARD, Middleville.

SUMMER SCHOOL.

The Middleville Summer School will
begin June 29. Algebra, physics and
the third grade branches will be taught.
Tuition \$4.00 for the term of five weeks.
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FOURTH OF JULY EXCURSION RATES.

July 3 and 4 tickets will be sold to all
stations on the Michigan Central at
rate of one and one-half cents per mile
each way for the round trip, good re-
turning not later than July 6.
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Pass the good word along the line.
Piles can be quickly cured without an
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bott.

PERSONAL POINTS.

J. E. Gogle and family were in Grand
Rapids Sunday.

Dr. Nelson Abbott was in Grand
Rapids Sunday.

Rev. F. N. Janes is entertaining a
son from Albion College.

Miss Libbie Smith of Prairieville is a
guest at A. D. Thomas'.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Armstrong are
in Grand Rapids today.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. S. Bassett have
returned from Big Rapids.

Mrs. A. A. Dibble and son Victor are
visiting her parents in Otsego.

T. C. Winters of Grand Rapids is
visiting relatives in the village.

Fred O. Stokoe is expected home
from Albion the last of the week.

Mrs. Sarah Fenton is spending a
couple of weeks in Grand Rapids.

Miss Grace Harris returned today
from a few weeks visit in Muskegon.

George Sumner of Traverse City, is
now pattern-maker at the brass factory.

Mrs. H. M. French and children went
to Grand Rapids Wednesday on a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Searles have been vis-
iting friends in Lansing and Eaton Rap-
ids.

N. C. Thomas and wife of Dorr were
in attendance at the graduating exer-
cises.

Mrs. C. E. Stokoe and children left
this morning on a visit to friends in
Ohio.

Edwin Freeman of Winona, Minn., is
the guest of relatives in and about the
village.

Mr. and Mrs. Seely of Grand Rapids
were in attendance at the graduating
exercises.

Mrs. Sophia Wyman of Sebawa, Ionia
Co., is the guest of her sister Mrs. A.
Wakefield.

Mrs. Markham of Big Rapids is vis-
iting her parents Mr. and Mrs. A. L.
McDowell of Leighton.

E. D. Matteson and Miss Clara Syl-
vester of Nashville spent the latter part
of last week in the village.

Mrs. Brayman and granddaughter of
Mancelona were guests at A. Wake-
field's the first of the week.

Messrs. Mosier and Stockbridge of
Wayland were in the village Tuesday
posting Fourth of July bills.

Mrs. Carrie Stafford and son George
of Grand Rapids are visiting her chil-
dren southwest of the village.

Jud. Masters of Chicago was the
guest of his parents H. Masters and
wife the latter part of last week.

Miss May Toot returned to her home
in Grand Rapids after several days' vis-
it with her aunt Mrs. W. S. Gibbs.

Mrs. J. C. Martin, Mrs. M. A. Mitch-
ell, Mrs. H. L. Moore and Miss Libbie
Broughton are in the Rapids today.

Miss Anna Breeza of Wisconsin is
the guest of her cousin Miss Maggie
Coman at her home southwest of the
village.

O. B. Barber of East Caledonia was
in the village Tuesday on business and
favored the SUN with a call and sub-
scription.

Mrs. S. A. Gillette of South Haven is
expected next week on a visit with
Mrs. W. L. Cobb and other friends in
the village.

Miss Eva Belle Clixby of Grand Rap-
ids visited her brother, Will J. Clixby,
and Miss Marguerite Caldwell the lat-
ter part of last week.

Thomas Harwood and family of
Grand Rapids were guests of Mr. and
Mrs. H. J. Chapman and were outing
at Gun Lake last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Sackett of Ver-
montville, and W. H. Sackett, an
uncle, were guests of W. C. Sackett
and wife over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Wood of Caledonia
were guests of W. Scoville and
family Sunday. They drove over in
their brand new top carriage.

Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Ferguson spent a
couple of days the first of the week
with Dr. C. E. Doyle at Augusta. Dr.
Doyle's many friends in the village will
be pleased to learn that Charlie has
a large ride and is prospering.

Marx Reubens and family, who were
the guests of his brother-in-law, J. E.
Ackerson, and family the latter part of
last week, returned to their home in
Lowell, Saturday. Hazel Hendrick ac-
companied them for a few days' visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Lutz and Mrs. Stewart
of Allegan, were guests of C. H. Hay-
ter and family Sunday. They thought
they would surprise them supposing it
to be their twentieth wedding anniver-
sary, but found shortly after their
arrival they were five days ahead of
time.

Geo. S. Bassett has resigned his
position as teacher in the Nashville
summer school but has accepted a po-
sition as assistant principal in the Nash-
ville schools for the coming year. He
will have charge of the work in chem-
istry, physics and botany. Mr. B. is
an excellent instructor and will with-
out doubt give our sister village satis-
faction in his department of their
schools.

When we consider that the intestines
are about five times as long as the body,
we can realize the intense suffering ex-
perienced when they become inflamed.
DeWitt's Colic & Cholera Cure subdues
inflammation at once and completely
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PERSONAL.

MY DEAR FRIEND:—

We wish to inform you that for ten
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We shall make an absolute cut of **25 per cent**
from former spot cash prices.

You can now purchase the wheel
you have talked about so much, if you ever can.
These prices are good on every make of wheel
we handle except "Clippers," and are good till
July 4th. You will positively not get another
chance this year to buy a good wheel at such
prices.

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WHITNEY VERY BUSY

HE TRYING TO ARRANGE A COMPROMISE.

Hopes that Loyalty to Party Will Prove Greater than Love for Silver

—Views of a Montana Republican Statesman—Japan's Calamity.

Whitney May Do It.

A New York dispatch says: The only thing that William C. Whitney, the general of the sound-money Democrats, could be induced to say was in reply to a question if the Democrats had an even chance against McKinley. "I think they have," Mr. Whitney had numerous conferences at his home and was busy with his secretaries and clerks dictating letters and telegrams to different parts of the country. He has discovered, it is reported, that in several States the love of silver is not so great as the opposition to a third term for President Cleveland. Mr. Whitney will go to Chicago as a private citizen. He is firm in his intention not to be a delegate to the convention. The men who will lead the opposing factions in the Democratic national convention were all in New York. All of them will talk with friends upon this subject, but none of them will agree to have his views quoted in the newspapers, for each side is wary these pre-convention days. There were enough hints thrown out by the leaders of the silver Democracy—Senators George Vest of Missouri, Harris of Tennessee and Walthall of Mississippi—who were in the city, to show that these gentlemen, while loving silver, love the Democratic party more. They are no more bitter now against the gold standard than they were in the extra session of Congress, called to repeal the Sherman act. Then these gentlemen were among the most active of Senator Gorman's lieutenants in arranging the compromise which President Cleveland repudiated.

NEW PARTY LAUNCHED.

Senator Teller Put Forward as a Presidential Candidate.

Representative Charles S. Hartman, of Montana, was asked what effect he thought the action of the bimetallic delegation in repudiating the gold-standard plank of the Republican platform would have upon the coming campaign. "If all the bimetallic forces of the country can be centered upon a candidate," he replied, "there will be no difficulty, in my judgment, in having a bimetallic President and a bimetallic Congress elected this fall. The end and aim of all the supporters of bimetallicism should be to promote the nomination of the strongest candidate that can be obtained. As the result of a very careful and extensive examination of the question through personal interviews and by correspondence, I am convinced that Mr. Teller, above all others, is infinitely the strongest man we can nominate. The action of the retiring delegates from the Republican convention was the proper course to pursue, and should Mr. Teller be made the standard-bearer of the bimetallic forces, his election would follow by an overwhelming majority." The silver men who walked out of the national Republican convention issued an address to the country the following day, announcing the launching of a new party and putting forward Senator Henry M. Teller of Colorado as a candidate for President.

HOW THE VOTE STOOD.

McKinley's Success Was Amply Assured from the Very Start.

	McKinley	Reed	Mor-	Quay	All-
	Votes	187	ton		son
Alabama	22	19	2	1	
Arkansas	16	16	1		
California	18	18			
Colorado	8	1			
Connecticut	12	7	5		
Delaware	6	6			
Florida	8	6	2		
Georgia	28	22	2	2	
Idaho	6	8	6		
Illinois	48	46	2		
Indiana	30	30			
Iowa	20	20		20	
Kansas	20	20			
Kentucky	20	26			
Louisiana	16	11	4	1/2	1/2
Maine	12	12			
Maryland	15	1			
Mass.	20	19	20		
Michigan	28	28			
Minnesota	18	18			
Mississippi	18	17			
Missouri	34	34			
Montana	6	6			
Nebraska	16	16			
Nevada	6	3			
N. Hamp.	8	8			
New Jersey	20	19	1		
New York	72	17	1	55	
N. Carolina	22	19 1/2	2 1/2		
N. Dakota	6	6			
Ohio	46	46			
Oregon	8	8			
Penn'sia	64	6		53	
Rhode Isl'd	8	8			
S. Carolina	18	18			
S. Dakota	8	8			
Tennessee	24	24			
Texas	30	21	5		3
Utah	6	3			
Vermont	8	8			
Virginia	24	22	1		
Wash'n	8	8			
W. Virginia	12	12			
Wisconsin	24	24			
Wyoming	6	6			
Azoria	6	6			
New Mex.	6	6			1
Okl. Ter.	6	4	1		
Ind. Ter.	6	6			1
Dist. of Col.	2	1			
Alaska	4	4			

Totals—622 661 1/4 84 1/2 58 61 1/4 35 1/2
aOne absent in Mississippi.
bMontana—One for Cameron; four blank.
cNevada—Three absent.
dTexas—One absent.

Ten Thousand Lives Lost.

It is now estimated that 10,000 people were drowned by the tidal wave on the island of Yesso, the northern part of Japan, which accompanied a succession of frightful earthquakes, lasting about twenty hours. In addition to the town of Kumaishi, which was totally destroyed, many other coast towns have been washed away entirely or in part.

Cattle on the Dakota Ranges.

The annual spring round-up at Pierre, S. D., is completed and the stockmen are more than pleased over the result. There has been a good increase in calves, and "not a carcass found" has been the report of the different parties. Indications point to a most profitable cattle year.

Walling Found Guilty.

The trial of Alonzo M. Walling, jointly indicted with Scott Jackson for the murder of Pearl Bryan Jan. 31, ended at Newport, Ky., with conviction and penalty fixed at death.

CLEVELAND TO DEMOCRACY.

Counsels Adherence to Gold Standard and Exhorts His Party to Fight Silver.

In reply to a request from the New York Herald for a statement concerning the Democratic situation President Cleveland Tuesday night sent the following to that newspaper: "I refuse to believe that when the time arrives for deliberate action there will be engrafted upon our Democratic creed a demand for the free, unlimited and independent coinage of silver, because I know the Democratic party is neither unpatriotic nor foolish and because it seems so clear to me that such a course will inflict a very great injury upon every interest of our country which it has been the mission of Democracy to advance, and will result in the lasting disaster to our party organization. There is little hope that, as a means of success, this free-silver proposition, after its thorough discussion during the political campaign, will attract the majority of the voters of the country. My attachment to true Democracy is so strong that I consider its success as identical with the promotion of the country's good. This ought sufficiently to account for my anxiety that no mistake be made at our party convention. In my opinion no effort should be spared to secure such action of the delegates as will avert party demoralization. It is a place for consultation and comparison of views, and those Democrats who believe in the cause of sound money should there be heard and be constantly in evidence. A cause worth fighting for is worth fighting for to the end. If sound-money Democrats suppose there is danger of a mistake being made, such danger should stimulate their activity in averting it, instead of creating discouragement. I am very far from arrogating to myself a controlling influence upon the policy of my party, but as an unflinching Democrat, who has been honored by his party and who desires hereafter no greater political privileges than to occupy the place of private in its ranks, I hope I may not be blamed for saying this much at this time in the interest, as it seems to me, of the grand old organization, so rich in honorable traditions, so justly proud of its achievements, and always so undaunted and brave in its battles for the people's welfare."

COL. CROFTON ASSAILED.

Said to Be Physically Unfit to Longer Command Fort Sheridan.

Col. R. E. A. Crofton, in command of the Fifteenth infantry at Fort Sheridan, has been pronounced physically unfit for active service by the post surgeon, Major Henry Lippincott, and his assistant surgeon, Captain Charles E. Woodruff. Acting upon the report of the post surgeon, Major General Merritt, commander of the Department of the Missouri, has forwarded a recommendation to the Secretary of War that the colonel be ordered before a retiring board for examination. For a long time matters at the post have not been running smoothly. Col. Crofton has been in several shooting scrapes with his subordinates. He declares he is as physically sound as ever, and says this latest move is the work of his enemies.

COUNTRESS IS BEATEN.

Judgment Rendered in the Libel Suit Against Countess Russell.

In the queen's bench of the high court of justice, before Baron Pollock, in London, hearing of the libel action brought by H. A. Roberts, master of the Bath College, against Countess Russell, £3,000 damages being claimed, came up. The suit is an outgrowth of the action brought by the countess against Earl Russell, her husband, for a judicial separation, in which shocking allegations of immorality were made. The defense is that the statements were made in good faith and without malice. Judgment was rendered in favor of the plaintiff, with costs. Countess Russell, it was stated in court, had made a written withdrawal of the charges and had at the time tendered an apology.

Cun & Co.'s Review.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: "Speculative reaction has not in the least changed the business outlook. The fictitious prices made for wheat and cotton meant no good except for individuals, and the change to prices more nearly in accord with actual relations of demand and supply only conforms to conditions which have been well known for months. The attack on stocks was so plainly artificial that its influence passed with the day, and neither in foreign relations nor in domestic business was there anything to justify alarm. The Government report as to wheat indicated a much smaller yield than anybody really expects, but that has become so much the rule that the report had no real influence, and the principal effect was the serious depression caused by large sales in anticipation of the report, which seemed to be thoroughly known in advance to some speculators."

Vilas Denies a Rumor.

Senator William F. Vilas, at Milwaukee on his way north for a short vacation, denies the report that he declared he and President Cleveland would vote for McKinley. "There is not a word of truth in it," he said. "I have never entertained such a purpose, and I never heard Mr. Cleveland say a word which would give the least suspicion that he had so declared. The story is fiction, pure and simple; an election canard, when everything goes." He did not believe there would be a bolt at the Chicago convention unless the silver men bolted.

He Had an Exciting Career.

Yankton, S. D., has just celebrated the eighty-sixth birthday of W. M. Moore, who first visited the town while on a trip for the American Fur Company in 1836. Mr. Moore served through the Black Hawk, Mexican and border wars of Kansas, and subsequently through the rebellion, besides engaging in innumerable small skirmishes with the Indians during his early life in the West.

Judge Parker's Busy Day.

At Fort Smith, Ark., Judge Parker, in the United States Court, passed the death sentence upon Frank Carver, Dennis Davis, George W. Wilson, Jesse and John Noire for murders committed in the Indian territory. The day of execution is set for Thursday, July 30, and makes eleven candidates for the gallows during that month.

In a Peck of Trouble.

J. W. Fuller, a bank swindler, who has just served three years in the southern Indiana penitentiary, was taken to Philadelphia to be tried for passing a forged check.

Fatal Sport.

William Swartz, while playing ball Sunday at Pataakala, Licking County, Ohio, was struck on the head by a pitched ball and died in a few minutes.

GOMEZ AT THE GATES

STARTLING STATEMENT COMES FROM LONDON.

Spaniards Helpless Before the Insurgent Forces—Over Two Hundred Lives Lost by the Sinking of the Steamer Drummond Castle.

City of Havana Likely to Fall.

London dispatch: The News Tuesday says: "The Junta of the Cuban revolutionists are men of fewer words than their Spanish opponents, but they now assert that they have something to say, and have accordingly said it. They announce that they have broken the Spanish fortified line and that Gomez is at the gates of Havana. If it is not true they will look foolish; if it is the Spanish generals will appear in that light. We shall know soon one way or the other. The Spanish authorities hitherto have had the dispatch of news from the island all to themselves, but their average of about one and a quarter government victories a day may be regarded as rather too high. Gomez is the leader who baffled Campos last summer. The marshal threw 30,000 men across the island to prevent the insurrection from spreading to Puerto Principe. Gomez with 250 men made a feat at two separate points and then passed through the middle of the line without losing a man. His present success may be a fable, but this is history."

SINKS WITH ALL ON BOARD.

Steamer Drummond Castle Strikes a Rock Off the French Coast.

The British steamer Drummond Castle, from Cape Town for London, struck a rock Tuesday night while hugging the French coast and sank three minutes later, with 144 passengers and 103 officers and crew on board. The vessel sank and disappeared entirely in about three minutes after striking. Only two boats were launched and one of these is believed to have been lost. The passengers must have been asleep when the vessel struck. Seafaring men believe the Drummond Castle, while at full speed, struck the ledge, ripped open the water-tight compartments and the greater part of the ship's bottom, slid across the ledge or went down in the deep water on the outside. It is thought that an important witness in the trial of Dr. Jameson and other citizens and mining men of the Transvaal, with their families, were on the vessel. The Drummond Castle belonged to the famous Castle line of steamships running between South Africa and London.

BEECHER'S SON ON TRIAL.

He is Charged with Unlawfully Using Another Man's Name.

The trial of Henry Barton Beecher, son of Henry Ward Beecher, for forgery was begun Tuesday in the criminal branch of the Supreme Court in New York. His counsel includes his brother, W. C. Beecher, and Francis L. Wellman. The latter represented the State in the prosecution of Erastus Wyman, whose case resembles Col. Beecher's in its main point. Mr. Beecher is charged with having signed the name of "F. S. Bond, vice-president" (of the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway), "Per A. S. B. P. S." to an application for casualty insurance in the American Casualty Company without having authority to do so, and with having received his share in commissions and dividends of the insurance on a policy based on that unauthorized application. The Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul denies that it ever applied for the insurance.

CLAIM JUMPING IN SOUTH DAKOTA.

Land Speculation in a Portion of the Yankton Reservation.

Reports from the ceded portion of the Yankton Indian reservation are to the effect that many claims now covered by soldiers' declaratory statements are being "jumped" by parties who want the land for homes. It appears that many of these statements have been filed in the names of soldiers who have been dead for years, and others who had used their homestead rights on lands in other parts of the State, upon which they are now residing.

Parson Thorp Confesses Bigamy.

Sheriff Davis of Rawlins, Wyo., went to Denver and took charge of Rev. C. M. Thorp, the evangelist, who is wanted in Wyoming to answer to a charge of bigamy. Thorp, who admits that he has a wife living in Iowa, married a young girl at Evanston, Wyo., May 30, and deserted her in three days. Charges of perjury and swindling are also made against him.

Mechanics Meet at Denver.

Every incoming train Monday brought to Denver a large number of members of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics, whose twenty-eighth annual convention was held there. It is estimated that fully 18,000 members of the order attended. The proceedings occupied four days, after which many of the visitors made excursions into the mountains.

He Will Settle on the Gallows.

The Supreme Court of Tennessee sentenced Bart Green, colored, to be hanged in Jackson July 29 for the murder of Miles P. Mitchell, a wealthy farmer of Hardman County, Dec. 16, 1895. Mose Pertler, Green's accomplice, died of nervous prostration and fright in the Nashville, Ill., jail, where the two had been taken to escape a mob.

Pastor is Fighting a Circus.

A circus was billed at Mexico, Mo., for Saturday, but Rev. Joseph Pritchett, pastor of the M. E. Church, made the announcement from the pulpit that there would not be a Christian at the show. He did not think a Christian would go, even to take his children.

Signs of Labor Trouble in Ohio.

Three hundred strikers from Berea, O., marched to North Amherst and camped with ten days' provisions. The sheriff is there with eighty deputies. The secretary of the State Board of Arbitration attends, and the State militia may be called out to prevent trouble.

Jealousy Ends in a Tragedy.

In Owsley County, Ky., at Buffalo Creek, Mrs. J. McIntosh killed Mrs. Polly Ann Fox, wife of the notorious James Fox, who is now serving a ten-year sentence in the penitentiary for counterfeiting. The killing is the result of jealousy over a man.

Gold Reserve in the Treasury.

Tuesday's statement of the condition of the treasury shows: Available cash balance, \$266,620,179; gold reserve, \$104,281,504.

THUNDERING AT THE GATES.

Cuban Insurgents Cause Explosions Which Create Panic in Havana.

Havana was startled Saturday night by two explosions. It was soon found that the stone bridges of Christina and Concha and the aqueduct of Fernando Septima were the points that had suffered from the dynamite. The bridges were partially destroyed, and the pipes on the aqueduct, upon which the city is dependent for its water supply, were much damaged. It cannot yet be stated how extensive is the damage done or how long it will require to remedy it. The dynamite was placed by agents of the insurgents. The greatest apprehension is felt on account of the secrecy and effectiveness with which the insurgents have been able to carry out the plan. Fever and smallpox have broken out, which, in the unwholesome state of affairs, threatens to become epidemic. Many are suffering from measles, and there is much intestinal trouble among the inhabitants owing to poor and insufficient food. The failure of the water supply under these conditions is a dire calamity.

HIS SALOON RUNS ON WHEELS.

"Jointist" Pierce Will Keep to the County Line to Avoid Legal Trouble.

Jake Pierce, a Topeka, Kan., "jointist," who was heavily fined by the authorities of Tonganoxie, started out Friday with a saloon on wheels and proposes to supply the thirsty farmers and travelers from the roadside. Pierce bought an old wagon and wormed team of horses. On the running gear of the wagon he has a cabin in which to live. In the rear end is the trap door through which he dispenses red liquor. He proposes to thus travel through the country and violate the prohibition law. When he suspects trouble from county authorities he gives notice that he will drive across the county line and continue business at the old stand.

Maniac Shoots a Banker.

While seated at his office desk reading letters President George H. Wyckoff of the Bank of New Amsterdam, at New York, was shot and probably fatally wounded Monday by Charles Clark, a homeless man, who demanded \$6,000 cash. The banker mildly refused the preposterous demand, little dreaming that his life would be the forfeit of his refusal. On the instant, almost, the lunatic discharged a revolver at him. The wounded banker staggered out of the office into the main room of the bank and then two more shots told the horrified clerks and customers that the tragedy was not yet complete. Baffled, the lunatic had turned the weapon upon himself, with probably fatal effect.

Rich Strike of Gold Quartz.

Rich strikes of gold quartz are being made at Bear Gulch, Beaver and Nigger Hill, fifteen miles west of Spearfish and twenty-six miles from Deadwood, S. D., assaying from \$20 to \$40 a ton. The largest gold nuggets ever found in the hills have been taken out of this district by placer miners, some weighing as high as eight ounces. The district is swarming with prospectors staking claims. Representatives of some of the large mining companies are following up the stampede.

Goes Thirty Days Without Sleep.

An open challenge to the whole world has been issued by John Sullivan, an employe of the Sweden iron furnace at Philadelphia. He has lived for thirty days without sleeping a minute, and he wants to wager that no one else in the wide world can accomplish a similar feat.

Church to Fly the Flag.

The children of Trinity Congregational Church at Cleveland presented the church with an American flag, and it will float every Sunday. Rev. A. E. George said churches should be patriotic enough to fly the flag. He thinks the custom will become universal.

Suspension of Two Banks.

At Cheney, Wash., the First National bank and the Bank of Cheney have suspended payment. The First National's deposits are small and will probably be paid in full. The affairs of the Bank of Cheney are a matter of speculation.

Would Kill the Superintendent.

At Iron Mountain, Mich., an attempt was made to kill Captain Martin Golds-worthy and family, of the Chapin mine. Two sticks of dynamite were exploded under their house, wrecking the structure badly. Nobody was injured.

Sanitarium Is Burned.

At Santa Fe, N. M., St. Vincent's Sanitarium, conducted by sisters of charity, was burned, and the hospital annex was gutted by the fire. The loss amounts to \$100,000; insurance, \$8,000.

THE MARKETS.

Chicago—Cattle, common to prime, \$3.50 to \$4.75; hogs, shipping grades, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, fair to choice, \$2.50 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, red, 58c to 59c; corn, No. 2, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2, 17c to 18c; rye, No. 2, 32c to 33c; butter, choice creamery, 14c to 15c; eggs, fresh, 9c to 11c; new potatoes, per bushel, 25c to 35c; broom corn, common to choice, \$25 to \$50 per ton.

Indianapolis—Cattle, shipping, \$3.00 to \$4.50; aogs, choice light, \$3.00 to \$3.50; sheep, common to prime, \$2.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, 58c to 60c; corn, No. 1 white, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 22c.

St. Louis—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$4.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, red, 61c to 62c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 26c to 27c; oats, No. 2 white, 17c to 18c; rye, No. 2, 31c to 32c.

Cincinnati—Cattle, \$3.50 to \$4.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.50; sheep, \$2.50 to \$3.50; wheat, No. 2, 63c to 64c; corn, No. 2 mixed, 28c to 30c; oats, No. 2 mixed, 19c to 20c; rye, No. 2, 36c to 38c.

Detroit—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$4.50; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.50; sheep, \$2.00 to \$3.75; wheat, No. 2, red, 65c to 66c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 21c to 22c; rye, 34c to 36c.

Toledo—Wheat, No. 2, red, 63c to 65c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 27c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 19c to 21c; rye, No. 2, 33c to 35c; clover seed, \$4.40 to \$4.50.

Milwaukee—Wheat, No. 2 spring, 58c to 59c; corn, No. 3, 26c to 28c; oats, No. 2 white, 19c to 20c; barley, No. 2, 31c to 32c; rye, No. 1, 32c to 34c; pork, mess, \$7.00 to \$7.50.

Buffalo—Cattle, \$2.50 to \$4.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$3.75; sheep, \$2.25 to \$4.00; wheat, No. 2, red, 68c to 69c; corn, No. 2 yellow, 32c to 33c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 24c.

New York—Cattle, \$3.00 to \$4.75; hogs, \$3.00 to \$4.00; sheep, \$2.00 to \$4.25; wheat, No. 2, red, 64c to 66c; corn, No. 2, 34c to 35c; oats, No. 2 white, 22c to 23c; butter, creamery, 11c to 16c; eggs, West-ern, 11c to 12c.

BADGERS BEAT YALE.

EASTERN ATHLETES ARE EASILY DOWNED.

No Match for the Brawny Boys from Wisconsin—New Jersey Man Makes an Interesting Find—Walling Must Hang for Pearl Bryan's Murder.

Wisconsin Wins from Yale.

With brawny shoulders, on which the muscles stood out in bunches, firmly set jaw and each face glowing with excitement, the varsity eight from the University of Wisconsin crossed the finish line a dozen lengths in advance of the Yale freshman crew at Lake Saltonstall, near New Haven, Conn., Thursday afternoon, their backs swaying in perfect rhythm and driving their oars through the clear water of the lake with a power of young giants. Not since the famous Hillsdale four visited the East with their "get-thar" stroke carried everything before them, has been seen such a phenomenal crew. The time for the two mile race was 12:06. After the race the Wisconsin crew placed their boat on board the special train and were taken to New Haven, where they spent the night. They started for Milwaukee Friday.

INTERESTING INDIAN RELICS.

New Jersey Man Stumbles Onto a Number of Prehistoric Things.

An important discovery of Indian relics was made a few days ago in the deep recesses of a place called the Great Swamp, just south of Dacosta, near Egg Harbor City, N. J. The remains of an Indian encampment or village are plainly in evidence. Large numbers of spearheads, arrowheads and portions of pottery have been found in the village. George W. Wolford stumbled upon it while exploring the swamp. When Mr. Wolford discovered the village a canoe was firmly imbedded in the mud and a cedar full eight inches in diameter was growing from it. In attempting to extricate the boat from the roots the discoverer unfortunately broke it into sections. A large portion of the remains of the craft have been carried away by relic hunters. The canoe in its entirety measured sixteen feet three inches in length and had almost four feet beam. Its great size would seem to indicate that it was used as a war canoe. Back from the stream, on a little knoll, were found numerous pieces of broken pottery and rude cooking utensils. Large pieces of flint were found imbedded in hard wood that had become petrified. Perfect arrowheads were unearthed. Numerous mounds which, it is believed, were the burial places of the Indians, were found.

WALLING SENTENCED TO DEATH.

Jointly Indicted with Scott Jackson for the Murder of Pearl Bryan.

The trial of Alonzo M. Walling, jointly indicted with Scott Jackson for the murder of Pearl Bryan Jan. 31, ended Thursday at Newport, Ky., with conviction and the penalty fixed at death. The testimony, his own included, showed that he knew Scott Jackson's purpose in taking Pearl Bryan there ever since Jan. 1. One of these purposes was to procure an operation, another was to poison her and leave her room, another was to give her cocaine, paralyze her vocal organs and cut off her head. He heard the sentence with indifference.

Fierce Fire in a Mine.

At Hazleton, Pa., fire broke out Wednesday in Stockton mine and threatened serious consequences. The breaker on the surface, which is worth hundreds of thousands of dollars, was destroyed. The Lehigh Valley and Cox Brothers' mines, which adjoin the Stockton, were also threatened. It is supposed that a spark from a lamp of one of the men employed in removing pumps ignited timbers.

Say the Gold Is Mica.

The excitement over the alleged discovery of gold in Buffalo County, S. D., is practically over. Some of the parties living near the scene of the alleged discovery still profess to believe that the gumbo thereabouts is full of gold, while others who have carefully investigated the matter say that the "gold" is nothing but mica, which is found in gumbo deposits in various parts of the State.

Postoffice Robbers Commit Murder.

Postoffice Inspector McMechen, of Denver, Colo., received a dispatch Wednesday saying the postoffice at Liberty, N. M., had been robbed, and the deputy postmaster and two other men killed when pursuing the robbers. Liberty is a star route office, 112 miles east of Las Vegas, and it is believed the robbers fled to Indian territory.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

THE PREACHER ENFORCES A MOST UPLIFTING TRUTH.

God Is in the Blade of Grass at Our Feet as Well as in the Clouds—Our Mental and Spiritual Incapacity Touched Upon—Divine Inspiration.

Only Little Things.

A most uplifting truth is presented in Dr. Talmage's discourse of last Sunday. His text was Matthew x, 23: "Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? And one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father."

You see the Bible will not be limited in the choice of symbols. There is hardly a beast or bird or insect which has not been called to illustrate some divine truth—the ox's patience, the ant's industry, the spider's skill, the hind's surefootedness, the eagle's speed, the dove's gentleness and even the sparrow's meanness and insignificance. In oriental countries none but the poorest people buy the sparrow and eat it—so very little meat is there on the bones and so very poor is it what there is of it. The comfortable population would not think of touching it any more than you would think of eating a bat or a lamprey. Now, says Jesus, if God takes such good care of a poor bird that is not worth a cent, will he not care for you, an immortal?

In Minute Affairs.

We associate God with revolutions. We can see a divine purpose in the discovery of America, in the invention of the art of printing, in the exposure of the gunpowder plot, in the contrivance of the needle gun, in the ruin of an Austrian or Napoleonic despotism, but how hard it is to see God in the minute personal affairs of our lives! We think of God as making a record of the starry host, but cannot realize the Bible truth that he knows how many hairs are on our head. It seems a grand thing that God provided food for hundreds of thousands of Israelites in the desert, but we cannot appreciate the truth that when a sparrow is hungry God stoops down and opens its mouth and puts the seed in. We are struck with the idea that God fills the universe with his presence, but cannot understand how he en-camps in the crystal palace of a dewdrop or finds room to stand between the alabaster pillars of the pond lily. We can see God in the clouds. Can we see God in these flowers at our feet?

We are apt to place God on some great stage, or to try to do it, expecting him there to act out his stupendous projects, but we forget that the life of a Cromwell, an Alexander or a Washington or an archangel is not more under divine inspection than your life or mine. Pompey thought there must be a mist over the eyes of God because he so much favored Caesar. But there is no such mist. He sees everything. We say God's path is in the great waters. True enough, but no more certainly than he is in the water in the glass on the table. We say God guides the stars in their courses. Magnificent truth! But no more certain truth than that he decides which road or street you shall take in coming to church. Understand that God does not sit upon an indifferent or unsympathetic throne, but that he sits down beside you to-day and stands beside me to-day, and no affair of our lives is so insignificant but that it is of importance to God.

In the first place, God chooses our occupation for us. I am amazed to see how many people there are dissatisfied with the work they have to do. I think three-fourths wish they were in some other occupation, and they spend a great deal of time in regretting that they got in the wrong trade or profession. I want to tell you that God put into operation all the influences which led you to that particular choice. Many of you are not in the business that you expected to be in. You started for the ministry and learned merchandise. You started for the law, and you are a physician. You preferred agriculture, and you became a mechanic. You thought one way. God thought another. But you ought not to sit down and mourn over the past. You are to remember that God arranged all these circumstances by which you were made what you are.

Man Proposes.

Hugh Miller says, "I will be a stonemason." God says, "You will be a geologist." David goes out to attend his father's sheep. God calls him to govern a nation. Saul goes out to hunt his father's asses, and before he gets back finds the crown of regal dominion. How much happier would we be if we content with the places God gave us! God saw your temperament and all the circumstances by which you were surrounded, and I believe nine-tenths of you are in the work you are best fitted for. I hear a great racket in my watch, and I find that the hands and the wheels and the springs are getting out of their places. I send it down to the jeweler's and say, "Overhaul that watch and teach the wheels, and the spring, and the hands to mind their own business." You know a man having a large estate. He gathers his working hands in the morning and says to one, "You go trim that vine," to another, "You go weed those flowers," to another, "You plow that tough globe," and each one goes to his particular work. The owner of the estate points the man to what he knows he can do best, and so it is with the Lord.

I remark further that God has arranged the place of our dwelling. What particular city or town, street or house you shall live in seems to be a mere matter of accident. You go out to hunt for a house, and you happen to pass up a certain street and happen to see a sign, and you select that house. Was it all happening so? Oh, no. God guided you in every step. He foresaw the future. He knew all your circumstances, and he selected just that one house as better for you than any of the 10,000 habitations in the city. Our house, however humble the roof, and however lowly the portals, is as near God's heart as an Alhambra or a Kremlin. Prove it, you say. Proverbs iii, 33, "He blesseth the habitation of the just."

I remark further that God arranges all our friendships. You were driven to the wall. You found a man just at that crisis who sympathized with you and helped you. You say, "How lucky I was!" There was no luck about it. God sent that friend just as certainly as he sent the angel to strengthen Christ. Your domestic friends, your business friends, your Christian friends, God sent them to bless you, and if any of them has proved traitorous it is only to bring out the value of those who remain. If some die, it is only that they may stand at the outposts of heaven to greet you at your coming.

You always will have friends, warm hearted friends, magnanimous friends,

and when sickness comes to your dwelling there will be watchers; when trouble comes to your heart there will be sympathizers; when death comes there will be gentle fingers to close the eyes and fold the hands and gentle lips to tell of a resurrection. Oh, we are compassed by a body-guard of friends! Every man, if he has behaved himself well, is surrounded by three circles of friends—those of the outer circle wishing him well; those in the next circle willing to help him, while close to his heart are a few who would die for him. God pity the wretch who has not any friends!

Divine Allotment.

I remark again that God puts down the limit to our temporal prosperity. The world of finance seems to have no God in it. You cannot tell where a man will land. The affluent fall, the poor rise. The ingenious fail, the ignorant succeed. An enterprise opening grandly shuts in bankruptcy, while out of the peat dug up from some New England marsh the millionaire builds his fortune. The poor man thinks it is chance that keeps him down; the rich man thinks it is chance which hoists him, and they are both wrong. It is so hard to realize that God rules the money market and has a hook in the nose of the stock gambler, and that all the commercial revolutions of the world shall result in the very best for God's dear children.

My brethren, do not kick against the divine allotments. God knows just how much money it is best for you to lose. You never gain unless it is best for you to gain. You go up when it is best for you to go down. Prove it, you say. I will—Romans viii, 28, "All things work together for good to them that love God." You go into a factory, and you see twenty or thirty wheels, and they are going in different directions. This band is rolling off this way, and another band another way, one down and another up. You say, "What confusion in a factory!" Oh, no. All these different bands are only different parts of the machinery. So I go into your life and see strange things. Here is one providence pulling you one way and another in another way. But these are different parts of one machinery by which he will advance your everlasting and present well being.

Now you know that a second mortgage and a third and fourth mortgage are often worth nothing. It is the first mortgage that is a good investment. I have to tell you that every Christian man has a first mortgage on every trial, and on every disaster, and it must make a payment of eternal advantage to his soul. How many worriments it would take out of your heart if you believed that fully. You buy goods and hope the price will go up, but you are in a fret and a frown for fear the price will go down. You do not buy the goods using your best discretion in the matter and then say, "Oh, Lord, I have done the best I could. I commit this whole transaction into thy hands." That is what religion is good for, or it is good for nothing.

There are two things, says an old proverb, you ought not to fret about. First, things that you can help, and second, things which you cannot help. If you can help them, why do you not apply the remedy? If you cannot help them, you might as well surrender first as last. My dear brethren, do not sit any longer moping about your ledger. Do not sit looking so despondently upon your stock of unsalable goods. Do you think that God is going to allow you, a Christian man, to do business alone? God is the controlling partner in every firm, and, although your debtors may abscond, although your securities may fail, although your store may burn, God will, out of an infinity of results, choose for you the very best results.

Rule and Regulation.

Do not have any idea that you can overstep the limit that God has laid down for your prosperity. You will never get one inch beyond it. God has decided how much prosperity you can stand honorably, and employ usefully, and control righteously, and at the end of the year you will have just so many dollars and cents, just so much wardrobe, just so much furniture, just so many bonds and mortgages and nothing more. I will give you \$100 for every penny you get beyond that. God has looked over your life. He knows what is best for you, and he is going to bless you in time, and bless you for eternity, and he will do it in the best way. Your little child says, "Papa, I wish you would let me have that knife." "No," you say, "it is a sharp knife, and you will cut yourself." He says, "I must have it." "But you cannot have it," you reply. He gets angry and red in the face and says he will have it, but you say he shall not have it. Are you not kind in keeping it from him? So God treats his children. I say, "I wish, heavenly Father, to get that." God says, "No, my child." I say, "I must have it." God says, "You cannot have it." I get angry and say, "I will have it." God says, "You shall not have it." And I do not get it. Is he not kind and loving and the best of Fathers? Do you tell me there is no rule and regulation in these things? Tell that to the men who believe in no God and no Bible. Tell it not to me!

A man of large business concludes to go out of his store, leaving much of his investments in the business, and he says to his sons: "Now, I am going to leave this business in your hands. Perhaps I may come back in a little while and perhaps not. While I am gone, you will please to look after affairs." After awhile the father comes back and finds everything at loose ends, and the whole business seems to be going wrong. He says: "I am going to take possession of this business—you know I never fully surrendered it—and henceforth consider yourselves subordinates." Is he not right in doing it? He saves the business. The Lord seems to let us go on in life, guided by our own skill, and we make miserable work of it. God comes down to our shop or our store and says: "Things are going wrong. I come to take charge. I am master, and I know what is best, and I proclaim my authority." We are merely subordinates. It is like a boy at school with a long sum that he cannot do. He has been working at it for hours, making figures here and rubbing out figures there, and it is all mixed up, and the teacher, looking over the boy's shoulder, knows that he cannot get out of it, and cleaning the slate, says, "Begin again." Just so God does to us. Our affairs get into an inextricable entanglement, and he rubs everything out and says, "Begin again." Is he not wise and loving in so doing?

A Good Backing.

I think the trouble is that there is so large a difference between the divine and the human estimate as to what is enough. I have heard of people striving for that which is enough, but I never heard of any

one who had enough. What God calls enough for man man calls too little. What man calls enough God says is too much. The difference between a poor man and a rich man is only the difference in banks. The rich man puts his money in the Washington bank, or the Central bank, or the Metropolitan bank or some other bank of that character, while the poor man comes up and makes his investments in the bank of him who runs all the quarries, all the mines, all the gold, all the earth, all heaven. Do you think a man can fall when he is backed up like that?

You may have seen a map on which are described with red ink the travels of the children of Israel through the desert to the promised land. You see how they took this and that direction, crossed the river and went through the sea. Do you know God has made a map of your life with paths leading up to this bitterness and that success, through this river and across that sea? But, blessed be God, the path always comes out at the promised land. Mark that! Mark that!

I remark again that all those things that seem to be but accidents in our life are under the divine supervision. We sometimes seem to be going helpless and anchorless. You say, "If I had some other trade; if I had not gone there this summer; if I had lived in some other house." You have no right to say that. Every tear you wept, every step you have taken, every burden you have carried, is under divine inspection, and that event which startled your whole household with horror God met with perfect placidity, because he knew it was for your good. It was part of a great plan projected long ago. In eternity, when you come to reckon up your mercies, you will point to that affliction as one of your greatest blessings.

God has a strange way with us. Joseph found his way to the prime minister's chair by being pushed into a pit, and to many a Christian down is up. The wheat must be flailed; the quarry must be blasted; the diamond must be ground; the Christian must be afflicted, and that single event, which you supposed stood entirely alone, was a connecting link between two great chains, one chain reaching through all eternity past and the other chain reaching through all eternity future—so small an event fastening two eternities together.

A missionary coming from India to the United States stopped at St. Helena while the vessel was taking water. He had his little child with him. They walked along by an embankment, and a rock at that moment became loosened, and falling instantly killed the child. Was it an accident? Was it a surprise to God? Had he allowed his servant after a life of consecration to come to such a trial? Not such is my God. There are no accidents in the divine mind, though they may seem so to us. God is good, and by every single incident of our life, whether it be adverse or otherwise, before earth and heaven God will demonstrate his mercy.

I hear a man say: "That idea belittles God. You bring him down to such little things." Oh, I have a more thorough appreciation of God in little things than I have in great things. The mother does not wait until the child has crushed its foot or broken its arm before she administers sympathy. The child comes in with the least bruise, and the mother kisses it. God does not wait for some tremendous crisis in our life, but comes down to us in our most insignificant trials and throws over us the arms of his mercy.

Development.

Going up the White mountains some years ago I thought of that passage in the Bible that speaks of God as weighing mountains in a balance. As I looked at those great mountains, I thought, can it be possible that God can put these great mountains in scales? It was an idea too great for me to grasp, but when I saw a blue bell down by the mule's foot on my way up Mount Washington then I understood the kindness and goodness of God. It is not so much of God in great things I can understand, but of God in little things.

There is a man who says, "That doctrine cannot be true because things do go so very wrong." I reply it is no inconsistency on the part of God, but a lack of understanding on our part. I hear that men are making very fine shawls in some factory. I go in on the first floor and see only the raw materials, and I ask, "Are these the shawls I have heard about?" "No," says the manufacturer; "go up to the next floor." And I go up, and there I begin to see the design. But the man says: "Do not stop here. Go up to the top floor of the factory, and you will see the idea fully carried out." I do so, and, having come to the top, see the complete pattern of an exquisite shawl. So in our life, standing down on a low level of Christian experience we do not understand God's dealings. He tells us to go up higher and higher until we begin to understand the divine meaning with respect to us, and we advance until we stand at the very gate of heaven, and there see God's idea all wrought out—a perfect idea of mercy, of love, of kindness. And we say, "Just and true are all thy ways." It is all right at the top. Remember there is no inconsistency on the part of God, but it is only our mental and spiritual incapacity.

Some of you may be disappointed this summer—vacations are apt to be disappointments—but whatever your perplexities and worriments know that "man's heart deviseth his way, but the Lord directeth his steps." Ask these aged men in this church if it is not so. It has been so in my own life. One summer I started for the Adirondacks, but my plans were so changed that I landed in Liverpool. I studied law, and I got into the ministry. I resolved to go as a missionary to China, and I staid in the United States. I thought I would like to be in the East and I went to the West—all the circumstances of life, all my work, different from that which I expected. "A man's heart deviseth his way, but the Lord directeth his steps."

So, my dear friends, this day take home this subject. Be content with such things as you have. From every grass blade under your feet learn the lesson of divine care, and never let the smallest bird flit across your path without thinking of the truth that two sparrows are sold for a farthing, and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father. Blessed be his glorious name forever. Amen.

Laziness.—There ought to be no place for laziness in the church. The lazy Christian is a contradiction in terms. Christianity is an aggressive thing. The man who cannot do his share of the lifting or fighting leaves just so much more for his fellows to do. A live church can not waste time in discussing what should be done with the sleepyheads and the tricksters.—Rev. W. H. G. Temple, Congregationalist, Seattle, Wash.

MIRROR OF MICHIGAN.

FAITHFUL RECOUNTING OF HER LATEST NEWS.

Oceans of Small Fruits Shipped from Benton Harbor and St. Joseph—Cyclone Sufferers Still in Dire Straits—Awful Death of Two Men.

\$75,000 Needed.

Gov. Rich has issued still another appeal for cyclone relief. The people of the State, he says, do not appreciate the great need of the sufferers. W. G. Hinman, of Pontiac, has received only about \$10,000 in cash and three carloads of lumber. Less than one-half the amount needed is as yet forthcoming. The Governor appeals for \$30,000 more money and 30 carloads of lumber. Appeals are coming in from Guilford township, Tuscola County; Otter Lake, Lapeer County, and Thetford, Genesee County. In conclusion, the Governor says: "That the times are hard and money scarce is not denied, but could the people of the State realize the condition of these afflicted people this appeal to their generosity would not be needed."

Short State Items.

Alpena will try to secure next year's meeting of the great camp of the Maccabees.

Andy Connors, a Jackson tough, who has just been released after serving two years for picking an old soldier's pocket, was arrested Friday, charged with picking the pocket of another old soldier.

ROUSTABOUTS UNLOADING A FRUIT VESSEL FROM MICHIGAN.



Never since the days when the red men gathered wild berries and plucked the native grapes from the sunny hillsides along the St. Jo river has there been such a fruit year in Michigan. Raspberries, currants, blackberries, strawberries and gooseberries are being gathered in unusual quantities, peaches already are larger than walnuts and apples are well "set" and promise a big crop. Everything is two and three weeks ahead of its usual season. Strawberries are shipped to Chicago in quantities which have taxed the capacity of the Graham & Morton boats that handle them. The early morning boats arrive at about 4:30, loaded daily with upward of 20,000 cases of the fruit

named Allis, who had just drawn his pension.

The third annual conference of the health officers of Michigan will be held at Ann Arbor July 16 and 17. Many valuable papers will be read and discussed, and a large attendance is expected.

Some excitement prevails in Bayport over the discovery of lead and silver. A sample sent to Ann Arbor for analysis contains one part silver and one part lead. A vein of this ore five feet deep has been struck. Land has advanced to a high figure.

The cemetery trustees of Lansing have adopted an effective plan for bringing to time well-to-do citizens who have failed to meet payments on notes given in part payment for their cemetery lots. They have announced that if these overdue obligations are not liquidated within a reasonable time the bodies buried in the lots of the delinquents will be disinterred and buried in the potter's field and the delinquents dispossessed of their lots.

Oakland County is overrun with agents soliciting insurance against cyclones. "There's a \$5,000,000 advance in our business," said an agent, "and now is the time to push business. There's one thing in our favor, which is generally against us. Women generally kick on their husbands' investing in insurance. But now the women are frightened to death of the wind and beg their husbands to insure against the terror of the Western plains."

Those St. Joseph reform women mean business. They succeeded in closing the saloons Sunday, but a lot of thirsty ones went to Benton Harbor and brought back bottles of beer, which they proposed quietly to drink in a restaurant. Scarcely had they uncorked, when a finely dressed lady walked in, ordered a cup of coffee and, as she sat down, gave them the most piercing stare they ever encountered. She was a "spotter." The men drank their beer, but there was no joy in their faces till the woman departed.

At Grand Rapids, the new smokestack for the street railway company was practically completed, and the work of tearing down the inside scaffolding was commenced. To get up inside the chimney a little car drawn by a single pulley was used and this was connected with a stationary engine a little distance from the base of the stack. Thursday afternoon two workmen pulled the wrong signal on the bell rope and the engineer sent them higher. The top of the car struck the cross-beam and the whole thing fell crashing seventy feet to the ground. John Wood died in the ambulance on the way to the hospital. His back, arms and legs were broken. His companion, Benjamin McColl, was injured in almost the same way, but reached the hospital alive. The physicians give no hope of his recovery.

George Delong, a Benton Harbor berry picker, has fallen heir to a fortune of \$150,000 by the death of an uncle in the St. Louis tornado. He has proved his claim. The fortune is in real estate.

A boiler in the Michigan salt works at Marine City exploded. The block took fire and was destroyed. William Mowbray, night foreman, was caught in the wreck and burned to death. John Hale's head was perforated and he died an hour later. Peter Booth, a fireman, had his left arm blown off and is badly scalded. The loss is \$50,000.

The funeral of the late ex-Gov. Alpheus Felch, who was chief executive of Michigan in 1846 and 1847, and also United States Senator in the days of Webster, Clay and Calhoun, was held at Ann Arbor Tuesday afternoon. Among those attending were Gov. Rich, ex-Gov. Luce, President Angell, Judge Cooley, Supreme



EX-GOV. FELCH.

Judges Moore, Long, Montgomery and Hooker. The aged Governor was 92 years old at his death. Upon learning of the death of ex-Governor Felch, Gov. Rich issued a proclamation of eulogy, and ordered that business be suspended in all State departments Tuesday, the day of the funeral. Alpheus Felch was born in Maine in 1806. He was educated at Phillips Exeter Academy and Bowdoin College, and was admitted to the bar in

THE GREAT K. O. T. M.

SPLENDID GROWTH OF THIS EXCELLENT ORDER.

Great Fraternal Army and Business Organization of 65,000 Men in Michigan Alone—Synopsis of Their Work During the Past Year.

The Army of Maccabees.

The celebration of the fifteenth anniversary of the great camp for Michigan, Knights of the Maccabees, and the first biennial review held since the change in the laws from annual to biennial sessions, was held at Saginaw.

Great Record Keeper Watson's report covers many important matters, and is so comprehensive and yet so condensed that its interest demands the selection of some of the leading subjects for publication.

During the term ending Dec. 21, 1895, there has been admitted to the order 13,897 endowment members, whose average age was 30 years, 7 months and 2 days, or 1 year, 4 months and 28 days lower than the average age of new members admitted during the previous fiscal year. The number of social members admitted during the last term was 2,694, making a total of endowment and social members admitted of 16,591.

The net increase of endowment membership for the term ending Dec. 31, 1895, was 6,227, and in social membership 157, a total net increase of 6,384, or 1 1/2 per cent larger increase than that for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1894.

The total number of deaths during the term was 456, 148 of which took place in the last half of 1894, and 308 during the year 1895, being an average death rate of 5.39 per 1,000 endowment members. The death rate during the previous fiscal year was 5.50, or eleven one-hundredths higher than during the present term.

A reference to the report for the '94 term shows that 57 tents were organized, with a charter membership of 1,657. During the last six months of '94 the number of tents organized was 22, with a total charter membership of 730; and during the year 1895 there were organized 39 tents, with a total charter membership of 1,161, or a total of 61 tents organized and 1,891 charter members admitted to the order during the term, the average of endowment members being 31 years, 8 months and 2 days.

The great record keeper's report shows the management expenses for the last eighteen months to have been 98 cents per capita per year on the average membership, as against \$1.28 per capita on the average membership for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1894, a reduction of 30 cents per capita per year on the management expenses from what it was during the previous fiscal term.

The average amount paid into the endowment fund by deceased members was \$38.24, or a total of \$17,437.44; the previous term \$31.44, an increase of \$6.80 per member over the previous year.

The average age of deceased members was 38 years, 9 months and 12 days, an increase of 9 months and 10 days over the average age of deceased members in the previous term.

The total amount paid in death and disability benefits since the organization is \$2,231,386.00.

The average amount of one assessment per member during the term has been \$1.59, and the average amount of protection carried by each member is \$1,419.62, or an average cost to the membership, per \$1,000, of \$6.60, which amount includes \$1.00 per capita tax.

In his report Great Commander Boynton said: "There is no recognized fraternal beneficial order in existence in this country that has as large a membership in a single State jurisdiction as is found in the order of the Maccabees in Michigan. Just think of an army of 65,000 men today joined together in a fraternal brotherhood in a single State! Add to this 23,000 women in the auxiliary branch of the Great Camp, joined together by similar ties, and we have a grand total of 94,000 men and women marching under the Maccabee banner in this great jurisdiction. A much larger number than the combined membership of all other similar societies in Michigan."

The sick and accidents branch has never been self-sustaining and was always a source of expense to the order. It was decided to abolish this feature of Maccabeesism.

Major N. S. Boynton, of Port Huron, was re-elected great commander by an overwhelming vote, and it was made unanimous. The other officers elected were as follows, the first three being unanimously: G. L. C., Devere Hall, Bay City; G. R. K., Thos. Watson, Port Huron; G. F. K., Robert J. Whaley, Flint; G. M. Ex., Edwin Eaton, Hudson; G. Chap., Oscar Allyn, Grand Rapids; G. sergeant, E. R. Royce, Sault Ste. Marie; G. M. at A., Wm. T. Evans, Pentwater; F. first M. of G., Emil S. Shelling, Houghton; G. second M. of G., Geo. Lutz, Ann Arbor; G. sentinel, Geo. C. Ray, West Bay City; G. picket, Not L. Johnson, Jackson; J. D. Long, of Detroit, and Fred Cutler, Jr., of Ionia were added to the members of the executive committee.

The next session will be held in Kalamazoo the third week in August, 1898.

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Chas. L. Minar, Yankee Springs; Sadie Pfendesteller, Middleville.	19-21
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ADVERTISED LETTERS.

MIDDLEVILLE P. O., June 20, 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 July 4, 1896:

NAMES.

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THE MIDDLEVILLE SUN

THURSDAY, JUNE 25, 1896.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

E. J. Freeman, Professor of natural science in the state Normal school at Winona, Minn., now on a visit to his mother and many friends of this place, will speak at the M. E. church next Sunday evening, June 28. Usual services of the day. All invited.

F. N. JAMES, Pastor.

Congregational church, H. Appleton, pastor. Services 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject for the morning, "Business and Religion Combined." Subject for the evening, "How to Manage Your Wife." Sabbath school at the close of morning service. Junior C. E., 4 p. m. Subject, "What Makes a True Man and a True Woman?" Leader, Earle Russell. Y. P. S. C. E., 6:30 p. m. Subject, "The Manliness and Womanliness." Psalm xxxvii:1-11. Leader, Miss Daisy Dowling. Teachers' meeting, Monday, 7:30 p. m. Prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30 p. m. W. H. M. U. in church parlors Friday afternoon. Junior Mission band Saturday afternoon at Mrs. A. A. Matteson's. A welcome to all services.

The Epworth League meetings Group No. 8 of Grand Rapids district held in the M. E. church yesterday in three sessions were well attended and interesting. We hope to receive a full report from the secretary for publication next week.

Resolved, That we have derived a great amount of spiritual good from this group meeting, and that we may go forth as loyal Epworth Leaguers lifting up the fallen and trying to win souls to Christ.

Resolved, That we extend our hearty thanks to the Epworth League and friends of Middleville who have so cheerfully opened their church and homes to the visiting delegates and workers of the League, and we hereby wish them Godspeed in their work.

GEO. S. BASSETT,
ELLA ROBERTS,
CHATTIE LAKE.

MARRIED.

MINAR-PFERDESTELLER—At the home of the bride's uncle, Mr. Frank Andrews, June 20, 1896, by Rev. H. Appleton, Miss Sadie Pfendesteller of Middleville, to Mr. Charles L. Minar of Bowen's Mills.

CARD OF THANKS.

A devoted wife and loving mother has gone to be at rest and we desire to express the gratitude of our hearts to the many kind friends that have aided us in so many ways during her long and continued illness. We thank you again and again.

GEO. BAKER AND CHILDREN.

A CARD.

To the many kind friends and neighbors:

We, the undersigned, most respectfully tender our heart felt thanks and gratitude for their kindness and assistance during our late affliction and bereavement, during the painful sickness, death and burial of our loved one, and youngest son and brother. Permit us to wish you health and happiness, with every other blessing earth can afford; and may we all grow better with advancing years, coming ever in mind that sad affliction come to all, realizing that it is God's will and purpose.

MR. ANDREW SHERMAN & FAMILY.

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, Hanlon, Harper, Johnson, Jamison, Kenyon and Keeler. All are cordially invited.

CONG'L AID SOCIETY.

The Congregational Aid society will meet in the church parlors Friday, July 3. Ladies to entertain: Mrs. M. A. Dietrich, Mrs. G. Dexter, Mrs. G. E. Gardner, Mrs. A. M. Gardner, Mrs. R. T. French, Mrs. M. M. Hodge, Mrs. W. J. Hayward. Tea served from 5 to 7. A cordial invitation to all.

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COMMENCEMENT.

A large crowd gathered at the Congregational church last Thursday evening to listen to the commencement exercises which are events of much importance in Middleville, and the surrounding country as well, as the church is always crowded to its utmost capacity and many not able to gain admittance at all. Notwithstanding the extreme heat, they sat with great patience and gave close attention to the entire program. The rostrum was decorated with flowering plants and ferns, conspicuous among them was a night blooming cereus, magnificent. The class motto, "At the Threshold," was suspended above the class. Yellow and white were the class colors.

The exercises opened with prayer by Rev. W. A. Biss and closed with benediction by the same. The musical parts were a cornet solo by Prof. F. A. Mills, vocal solos by Miss Belle Cook and C. N. Webb, and quartet singing by Misses Belle Cook, Maude P. M. Messrs. W. A. Pinney, C. N. Webb, pianist, Miss Olive Clever. The musical features were highly successful and pleasing.

The salutatory by Charles Sylvester was exceptionally good and delivered in a business like manner. A greeting of kind words, bright thoughts, welcoming teachers, class mates and all at the threshold of life as well as of knowledge. And hinted that the presence of so large an audience must be a sign of their approval of past endeavors, and of encouragement for the future.

Essay—"Be Brief" by Vera Grosfend contained many helpful suggestions if heeded. Advice to be brief in writing business letters, in talking business let your statements be concise and to the point. Brevity and punctuality the two important factors toward success.

Myron Freeman entertained the audience with an oration—"The Corner Stone of the Republic," which dated back to the ancient states called republics when the sovereign power was exercised by an hereditary aristocracy. Spoke of our perfect government and benefits of free education. A splendid effort.

The class history by Wm. Jordan was cleverly written, revealing facts and anecdotes regarding members of the class in an amusing manner.

Miss Frona Carveth told us "Life is what We Make it," we reap as we have sown. The world has for us just what we have for it, if we have the right kind of will power our lives will grow and broaden like the oak. An excellent production of truths and well delivered.

Oration, "The Cuban Question" by Leroy C. Thomas. His well expressed views on the subject indicated that he was a well informed young man on the political affairs of his country and he delivered his oration in a most praiseworthy manner.

Miss Jennie Stanford read an essay subject "Beyond the Alps Lies Italy." Saying that this applies to school life, beyond the graduating from our high school lies great probabilities. That if one is possessed with the right motives and intentions no boundary lines can include the influence of such person.

Henry Pierce gave an oration, subject "Education the Basis of Success." He said many people asked whether higher education paid, and proved by many instances that it does pay. Aim high, and though we fail in our attempt, let us remember "Not failure, but low aim is crime."

Xenia Thomas gave the class prophecy and fulfilled her task excellently. Her imaginative abilities are good, wit and humor sparkled here and there.

James L. Ackerson's oration on "Gettysburg" was a fine effort and nicely rendered reflecting great credit on the youngest student of the class, fourteen.

Aaron V. Clark gave a good talk on "Push," what it has done and can accomplish. Electricity, the world's fair and other examples of push and energy, the cause of all action, also force and its origin. It was a good subject well handled.

"The Monroe Doctrine" was the title of an excellent oration by Nathan Moffitt in which he reviewed the features of this policy and showed his familiarity with the political issues of the day. It was rendered in a most admirable manner.

The valedictory by Miss Lena Griswold was eloquent and forceful; as this is perhaps the greatest honor that can be conferred upon a member of a class, we will say for Miss Lena that she merited this high honor and acquitted herself nobly.

No finer program was ever given in the history of our High school, and all who took part did credit to themselves, their instructors and the school.

Prin. A. O. Wilkinson in behalf of the board of education presented the members of the class with High school diplomas and in his address propounded some excellent advice and urged them to continually spur on for new honors. He impressed the truths that they were expected to pay for value received and that in life they would find that the question "What can you do?" will be often asked than "What do you know?"

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was over, but the memory of the evening will live forever.

The floral offerings by friends of the graduates were numerous and very beautiful.

ANNUAL MEETING AND BANQUET OF THE ALUMNI.

On Friday evening at the Congregational church, President G. L. Keeler called to order the fourth annual business meeting of the association. E. D. Matteson sang a solo, "She Was a Soldier's Sweetheart," after which the president very feelingly said that he was much pleased to see so many present, notwithstanding the threatening weather. He spoke in highest terms of our school system and urged the importance of studying for specialists, pointing out how important it is that at this day and age all who would seek high position and desirable situations should be the master of some profession, art, business or trade. Before taking his seat he thanked them for making him president of the society one year ago.

The secretary's report was read and approved.

The treasurer's report showed a deficit of 53 cents last year with \$22.65 on hand at the present time. Report was accepted as read.

A solo, "Sweetest Story Ever Told," was sung by Mark S. Johnson.

Next in order was election of officers for ensuing year which resulted as follows:

President—Mark S. Johnson.
Vice-President—Jesse W. Cobb.
Secretary—Vera P. Cobb.
Treasurer—Mrs. Gattie Keeler.

Ex. Com.—G. L. Keeler, Libbie M. Broughton, Robert B. Ferguson.

Geo. L. Matteson was called on for a song, who furnished a substitute in his brother, E. D., who sang "The Pardon Came Too Late." The musical numbers were well rendered and the remarks enjoyed. However, there was manifested less enthusiasm and a smaller attendance than last year.

The meeting adjourned and all repaired to the parlors below where a banquet was in waiting. The large room had been exquisitely decorated with flowers, and bunting of the class colors, yellow and white, and presented a pleasing appearance. When all were seated at the tables, numbering 64, Rev. R. Duane Freeman was asked to return thanks, after which an elaborate supper was served.

At the close of the meal the toastmaster, Mr. E. D. Matteson, after a few preliminary remarks, introduced Dr. L. P. Parkhurst who welcomed the class of '96. He congratulated them upon having completed their course of study thus far and urged them not to rest here but to keep pushing on and on, as the senior class here can only lay a foundation for a higher education to be obtained in the colleges and other institutions of learning. If you have the pluck and energy you can get through; lack of funds is often the making of a man. He closed by speaking in high terms of the class of '96 and

especially as one of its members has been favored with a cadetship.

James L. Ackerson of '96 responded by saying that in behalf of the class he would return thanks to the association for their kind and hearty welcome. He said, "We gain inspiration from the past alumni. This marks a new era in our lives; last night we were scholars, tonight we are numbered among the alumni. Our ambition is to press forward realizing that he who has only a common school education is not so well prepared to battle with the conflicts of life as those who can and will attain a higher education. As a class we have the honor of being the youngest ever graduated."

Robert B. Ferguson, class of '95, was introduced and offered the toast "Progress." He spoke of the progress of the 19th century, of distinguished men who had arisen from the low walks of life to honor and glory and that we should take courage as we are all common people. We should cherish these alumni meetings as we find them at the threshold and the cross-roads of life, they are the impetus that urges us onward.

The toastmaster introduced George L. Matteson, class of '92, as his little brother, who spoke upon "Then and Now." He gave numerous illustrations in his school life from his first day up to the commencement day exercises, which had the motto, "He Conquers Who Perseveres," and said if we would practice the good rules laid down in school we would then conquer. He spoke of the high ambitions of youth and then as we grow older, how different are our plans.

The toastmaster introduced Mark S. Johnson, class of '89, in a happy manner who spoke on "Rural Pleasures." He enumerated some of the advantages and disadvantages in a rural life and closed with the suggestion that the former can, although deprived of daily intercourse with society and learned people, largely make up for this by the reading of our best literature. A suggestion which most of our rural brethren might well follow.

The program having been completed the toastmaster called on Prof. Edwin Freeman of Winona, Minn., who gave good advice and a general good talk on education, interspersed with a few political hits. His remarks were enjoyed and a pleasant social time was had until about midnight.

WAYLAND WORKINGS.

Left over from last issue.

Hay making is the present order of business.

Some miscreants stole the Junior C. E. funds Sunday while the treasurer was in attendance at church.

Removal of the debris from the school-ground began Monday.

Wm. Bechtel has engaged with McCormick & Co.

Wayland Maccabees proceeded to live up at Hopkins the 11th inst. Dorr is the next tenting ground.

The "unknown" stole a buggy from S. Cole's barn last week.

Rev. C. W. Marshall delivered the baccalaureate sermon Sunday evening. Theme, "We Know in Part."

Wheels and Gun lake continue to vie as to which shall form the object of greater attraction for Waylanders this season.

The Wayland youth will be given the privilege of celebrating the Fourth in the good old way.

Mr. Otis Harwood and Miss Lela Hicks were married at the home of the bride's parents at 11 today, Elder M. B. Rawson officiating.

The following announcement regarding the Commencement exercises is clipped from the School Column: Graduates—Lizzie M. Avery, Nellie M. Keen, J. Earle Marshall, John J. Short, Ray E. Gilbert, Roy L. Spaulding, Charles A. Shields. The graduating exercises will be held in the Church of Christ, June 19, at 8 p. m. Owing to the fact that heretofore the crowd that usually congregates at these exercises have been so great it has been deemed advisable to charge an admission fee at the door, and those who do not receive invitations and complimentary tickets will be expected to pay 25 cents at the door. The following is the program:

March.....Fannie Hoyt
Invocation.....Rev. M. B. Rawson
Male Quartette—"Welcome Tonight".....White
Class History.....Lizzie M. Avery
The Successful Man.....Roy L. Spaulding
Mixed Quartette—"Against the Tide".....

When Shall We Full Grow?.....John J. Short
Diligence Insures Success.....Chas. A. Shields
Male Quartette—"Eggs for Your Breakfast in the Morning".....Breh
The Pathfinder.....J. Earle Marshall
Class Prophecy.....Nellie M. Keen
Mixed Quartette—"When My Ship Comes Over the Sea".....

Work Makes the Man.....Ray E. Gilbert
Presentation of Diplomas.....E. M. Y. Young
Male Quartette—"Good Night".....White
Benediction.....Rev. C. W. Marshall

The commencement exercises were a success and all expressed themselves as pleased with the work of the pupils.

And now that the days begin to shorten we may hope for a drop in mercury.

Sowed corn 5 1/2 feet high is now seen upon the farm of Jas. Huttleston.

The S. S. rally at Allegan the 24th inst. promises to be the largest in the history of the association.

The G. R. & I. time card now reads: North, 8:29 a. m., and 1:05 and 7:40 p. m. South, 8:15 a. m., and 2:45 and 6:48 p. m.

The M. E. S. S. picnic at Gun lake Friday.

Dr. Turner had a lively run-a-way Monday.

Don't forget that the Fourth stops with Wayland this year.

Local base-ballists are watching Grand Rapids carefully and mark with joy that it has given Columbus a seat in the lower line.

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Butter.....	10
Eggs.....	9
Chickens (full dressed).....	4 5
Beef (dressed).....	4 4
Veal.....	4 40
Hogs (dressed).....	3 00
Lard.....	7
Tallow.....	3 4
Hides.....	15 30
Pelts.....	8 10 00
Hay (timothy).....	7 00 9 00
Hay (clover).....	1 50
Wood (dry maple).....	10 13
Oil (retail).....	12
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From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Dimonale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist Church at Rives Junction she was brought down with Pneumonia succeeding La Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." Trial bottles free at J. W. Armstrong's drug store. Regular size 50c. and \$1.00. 1

DUNCAN LAKE.

Left over from last week.

Farmers are commencing their haying to some extent.

Ira Gillaspie has moved from Chas. Pike's house near the mill and is occupying a part of Mr. W. Ackerson's residence.

Art Conklin is doing some carpenter work for Iva Adam.

There was a dance at Mr. Andler's last Friday evening; about thirty young people (mostly from Leighton) enjoyed a good time. Mr. Andler and wife are excellent neighbors.

Myron Kilmer, assisted by Mr. Andler, has been improving the drive-way to his barn; also making other improvements.

Henry Brower of Caledonia called on your correspondent Saturday.

Henry Long has planted several acres of beans on Orange Thomas' place near Duncan Lake school house. Henry means to be a deacon. Fifteen bushels constitutes one.

Duncan Lake solid for McKinley.

Chas. Pike has bought an engine to run his mill when the water is low. Charles says he will have it running in a few days.

Mrs. Freshney and daughter, Lizzie, visited Mrs. D. Bechtel Sunday.

Quite a number from this place attended Children's Day exercises at the M. E. church at Parmelee Sunday evening. The program was excellent and was well rendered by the children.

Some from this place think of attending rally day at Grand Rapids Thursday.

John Scheidel from Caledonia has been doing some carpenter work for Jo Grottofield last week.

Our teacher had two day's vacation last week, going to her home at Hastings.

Fishermen are plenty around the lake. Don't think they get very big bauls.

Myron Kilmer runs his own milk wagon from here to Caledonia.

Mr. James Perdne, an old soldier residing at Monroe, Mich., was severely afflicted with rheumatism but received prompt relief from pain by using Chamberlain's Pain Balm. He says: "At times my back would ache so badly that I could hardly raise up. If I had not gotten relief I would not be here to write these few lines. Chamberlain's Pain Balm has done me a great deal of good and I feel very thankful for it." For sale by J. W. Armstrong, druggist. 23-4

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR

Meeting Washington
D. C. July 7 to 13, '96.

For the above occasion the Michigan Central will on July 4, 5, 6 and 7th sell tickets Middleville to Washington and return at one first-class limited fare for the round trip. Tickets will be limited to continuous passage in each direction and good to return until July 15th; an extension of time at Washington can be had by leaving tickets with Joint Agt. at Washington; for particulars enquire of J. E. GOGLE, Local Agent. 26-1

If it required an annual outlay of \$100 to insure a family against any serious consequences from an attack of bowel complaint during the year there are many who would feel it their duty to pay it; that they could not afford to risk their lives, and those of their family for such an amount. Any one can get this insurance for 25 cents, that being the price of a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. In almost every neighborhood some one has died from an attack of bowel complaint before medicine could be procured or a physician summoned. One or two doses of this remedy will cure any ordinary case. It never fails. Can you afford to take the risk for so small an amount? For sale by J. W. Armstrong, druggist. 23-4