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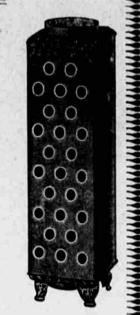
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Though distant plash of restless wave is heard.

What seeth it but rocks, unchanging, That forward lean with frown and men-

ace drear? A little pool shut in from rim to rim, Though life abundant sweeps so fast and near.

Yet mirrored in its heart are sky and

And faint reflection of the rising moon, That brings new life to overflow its bars; The full flood-tide shall break upon it

Therefore, my soul, with inmost peace endure

Enforced inaction in a time of stress; Here or hereafter is the moment sure, Thy life's flood-tide shall break on thee to bless.



Van Kess's Honeymoon.

BY ADA MAY KRECKER. (Copyright, 1901, by Daily Story Pub. Co.)

The boyshad sent for Ashbee to help the hammock and lay there, keeping them. "She's the sort of thing a fellow never forgets," Dalbiac had written. "Sweeps everything before her without any body being able to impress her. We fellows are not at swords' points; I'd God-speed any lucky chap who got a run oh her. You're a pretty clever one and say your heart's of marble so you'd better come over and vindicate us."

After that Ashbee had rather looked for something superb, and during his first few moments *beside Miss Rozelle's hammock was perhaps at some loss to understand the potency of allurements which radiated from so nondescript a face and figure and certain boyish attitudes that flavored of a boarding-house hoyden out for fun. The apple of a score of glowing masculine eyes and the sole inspiration of half as many appealingly diligent tongues, the little lady in the middle of the evening suddenly leaped out of her hammock to scamper across to a cluster of wall-flowers. A number of men trailed after her. Ashbee, whose conversation with her had sparkled, turned fretfully to Dalbiac with:

"It's her blasted indifference that drives you donkeys mad. Why don't you get up a rival game? I see there are lots here that are worth while."

"That's where you're off it, Goosie," Dalbiac answered. "We'll all back you in anything you try but the chestnutty jealousy trick is no go. You should see her egging us on! But 1 thought you probably would be getting busy with the lady by this time so made other plans for the evening. Come along!"

"Thank you, I'll stay here," Ashbee rejoined thoughtfully, remaining in the very chair he had first chosen for an inspection of the lioness, and soon



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been somewhat piqued and if Rozelle would not speak neither would he. It seemed a full half hour when she at last observed:

"I don't believe you care especially for women's society, do you?"

"That would be a rather rude admission to make to you, Miss Rozelle.' "Oh, no, you mustn't mind me," the girl laughed. "I think that's fine and wish I could talk with you. You won't care just for one evening will you? When it's almost over at that!"

This irresistible ingenuousness melted away every barrier to a long and delectable tete-a-tete. As the two parted Ashbee suggested that they go for a walk on the morrow, and when she cried "Jolly!" he smiled a thousand times while reflecting upon the instantaneousness of his success. "A

little coolness; that's all she needed!' As for the others, printer's ink cannot portray the paralysis that seized the knot of young fellows and all the cloud of witnesses at the hotel as one after another, by little and little they perceived the miracles that were be-

ing wrought by Ashbee's hands. It was that gentleman's second night at the hotel and the moon swam from out a cloud-at half after eleven to illumine his large frame and to glisten on the auburn tints of Miss Rozelle's dark tresses as the two meandered in and out among the shrubbery on the lawn. The third night, and when the circles along the verandah had been broken up for the night certain discerning eyes spled a rowboat floating down with the tide, they two alone within. At the hop a day or two later Ashbee had Miss Rozelle's best dances and at intervals between erally got it wrong, most of them adbore off with her to lover's crevices among the palmy decorations. One morning she tripped over to the stalation of the verandah had been perfected and the empty chairs were
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'but Ashbee's heart isn't marbly any

more." "Comfort yourself with the reflection that the substance that affects marble is acid," Van Ness laughed in rejoinder. He alone of all the men had been impervious to the effects of Ashbee's glories. The affair had rather entertained him and that despite tha favors in the way of promenades. Still told. he had never made further headway and seemed contented with whatever gilts the petite goddess provided him, aiways good-naturedly laughing over the fuming of others, assuring them that the game was not worth their agonies.

At about the end of Ashbee's second week, however, it appeared for the moment that the young woman had returned to the old love. She rose with her customary abruptness from the circle of trousers, remarking that crisp. perhaps Van Ness would fancy an airing. He sprang up hurriedly to take advantage of this wonderful suggestion with every mark of delight. But they were not away long. Soon Ashbee, with a suspicion of vaingloriousness, asserted an unimpaired power over the belle by drawing her away for a walk of his own, thus summarily repudiating and avenging his slights.

In the secret places of his heart, however, there was the most penetrating humility. Its marbleness was merely a shrine for very penitential prayers. Ashbee had flirted and gayly deceived ever since he had first donned the insignia of his sex's dress or even before, but he still bewailed every gentle heart he had afflicted. He felt now that it would not do to have this one more girl imagine he was serious when-well, when everything was a joke Rozelle must be warned, even if it was going to be very hard and very awkward. So when they came out among the walnuts where he had always waxed most sentimental he began softly and slowly with:

"Miss Rozelle, I wonder whether you can understand a really frivolous knows it's going to hurt somebody at | slight. a very vulnerable place—and all for his own amusement?"

Rozelle said nothing.

"Rozelle, girl, you hurt me when you are so quiet, and I've got to tell you. LYCEUM THEATER-"Barbara Frietchie."-Sat. I'm just that kind of a villain, There, it's mighty tough to say it. But don't you know I've acted the simple since I've met you. I don't-"

His interlocutor continued ominously suppressed. He blundered the more. "But there are lots of nice fellows who would roll over in the mud if they thought it would please

moon; we thought we'd do something out of the ordinary, you know, and it's been lots of fun. But between you and me, we're going back to the common rut of cooing bridal couples tomorrow morning, way up in the mountains all by ourselves. So good-bye, Mr. Ashbee, and don't feel too surprised and don't try it on other girls"

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Imagine the indignation of the insulted Englishman, who, upon making complaint to the host, was asked as a cab."

Caratt. Stc.

Detroit—Wheat—No 1 white, 1 car at stc. No. 3 red, 2 cars at 82½; May, 20,000 bu at 85½c, 10,000 bu at 85½c, 10,000 bu at 85½c, Corn—No 3 yellow, 2 cars at 63½c. Oats—No 3 white, 1 car at 50c, 1 car at 43½c.

Chicago—Wheat—No 3 spring wheat, 1 car at 40½c.

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"That's the man!" The whispered Chicago—Wheat—No 3 spring wheat, 75½c; No 2 red, 80½c; No 2 oats, 45¾æ464½c; No 2 white, 48¾æ49½c; No 3 white, 48¼æ48¾c; corn 6½c. Corn—No 2 winter red 86½c. Corn—No 2 white 71c. No 2 yellow 70½c and No 2 mixed 70c. No 3 white 70c. Oats—No 2 mixed 50c on track, No 2 white 52c. reply: "Why, that's the United States ambassador." — Philadelphia Telegraph.

Name Difficult to Pronounce. While Professor Virchow has been an indefatigable worker in science and politics all his life, on one thing he surrendered, years ago, convinced that

pronunciation of his name. The English, the French, the Italians, the Russians, all had their own way of accosting him, and even the Germans gendressing him as "Wircho" (the German been sentenced to five years' imprison-W being pronounced like the English ment at Cameroons, West Africa, for V). The correct pronunciation, ac- impaling a negro on a ramrod. A

way) .- New York Post.

Twenty-eight Perlahed.

The bar tug Tattosh reports that the British ship Nelson, Capt. Perriam, turned turtle and went to the bottom with its entire crew. The Nelson left Astoria, Ore., Nov. 25. Monday night it was back at the river's mouth, and was reported to have shifted its eargo. It had a bad list to starboard, and could go on only one tack. Tuesday afternoon the tug Tatoosh went out and picked up the Nelson, passing fled with no little ferocity for the peoa hawser. It was the intention of the Tatoosh to remain with the ship dur- same time Cromwell and "King Huding the night. The gale was too severe and the Nelson broke from the fact that before the conqueror's arrival tug and then turned turtle, sinking at Rozelle had vouchsafed him some few once. The Nelson carried 28 men, all

Roasted Her Baby.

Mrs. J. Fred Meyers, living five miles from Correstionville, wrapped her five months' old baby in a blanket, put her in the oven of the kitchen stove to keep warm, and went out in the yard to gather fuel. Half an hour later, when she came back the fire in the stove had blazed up and the room was filled with smoke. Rushing to the oven she found the blanket and clothing in flames. The infant was dead; its arms and legs burned to a

News in Brief.

The will of the late George M. Pullman has been filed for probate in Callfornia. The estate does not exceed \$500,000. His widow has asked for letters of administration.

Walter Cavanaugh. who forced by setting up statues to Oliver Crom-Daisy Wheeler, his 17-year-old sweetheart, to steal \$1,200 from her mothet and elope with him, has been sentenced at Kansas City, Mo., to five years' imprisonment.

Thomas J. Hampton, colored, who was hanged at Lake City, Fla., Friday for a double murder committed nine years ago, displayed remarkable nerve, and smoked a cigar to the very moment the black cap was adjusted. He confessed to five murders.

Albert Louis Leopold Napoleon Bonaparte, a descendant of the illustrious "little corporal's" family, has been saved from a pauper's grave in Philadelphia by friends. For 12 years Bonaporte was an inmate of the insane ward of the Philadelphia hospital.

It is stated that there has been no marked change for the worse in the condition of Rear Admiral W. T. who feels how a Cromwell ought to be Sampson. However, he is now, as he has been since he came to Washingman, a regular chump, you know that ton, in very feeble health, and his goes and does all sorts of things he chances for withstanding any serious ought not to, plays with fire when he strain upon his vitality are said to be

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT. WEEK ENDING DEC. 14.

DETROIT OPERA-Viola Allen .- "Palace of the King."-Evenings at 8. Wednesday Mat. at 2. Mat. 25c. Eve., 15, 25, 50 and 75c.

WHITNEY GRAND-"The Man Who Dared."-Mat. 10c, 15c, and 25c. Evenings, 10c, 50c, 3.c.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit—Cattle—Good butcher steers, \$4.60@5.00; light to good, \$3.75@4.50; light to good butcher steers and helfers, \$3.25@4.45; light thin helfers, \$2.25@3.15; mixed butchers and fat cows, \$2.75@3.75; canners and common thin butchers, \$1.50@2.75, Bulls—Good shippers, \$3.50@4.00; light to mud if they thought it would please you. I've been thinking, and hoping that perhaps you cared for Van Ness a trifle! Now, he's a fine fellow, that boy. He's worth your while. I'm not; I'm—"

Then the lady spoke.

"Stop it, Mr. Ashbee. Never mind. It's all right. I'm a villain, too. Mr. Van Ness has told me all about it from the beginning. You see I have known that he's worth while. I—I'm married to him. We're on our honeymarried to good, \$1.50a5.05.

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Cincinnati-Cattle-Good milch cows are scarce and firmer, but the medium, com-mon milchers are little wanted and very slow of sale. Heavy steers choice, \$5.45@
5.5 nominal, fair to good \$4.65@5.35, oxen
\$2@4.35, butchers' steers choice \$4.60@4.90,
fair to good \$3.60@4.50, heifers good to the court of St. James that one would cows \$2.45@3.25, canners \$1.50@2.35, comwags \$1@1.75, stockers and feeders \$2.25@4.35, Hogs—Selected heavy shippers \$6.15@

Skips \$4.50@5, and roughs \$4.50@5.70. Sheer —Best wethers \$3.50@3.60, good \$3.25@

Grain, Etc

Produce. Eggs of absolute freshness are hard to

of the markets. This is the dull season for beans.
Apples are quoted at \$4.50 to \$5 for best Petatoes, home grown 782 in car lots,

William Bossman, an insane man, it was useless to struggle against his smashed plate glass windows in the fate any longer. This thing was the business portion of Eaton, O., during an insane frenzy. Loss, \$5,000, Lord Curzon, viceroy of India, when

touring in Burmah, crossed the Goktolk viaduct built by Americans and drawn by American engines,

A merchant named Wittenberg has

JUST LIKE CARLYLI.

Savage Epistle from the Blographer of Oliver Cromwell.

An unpublished and most characteristic letter of Carlyle's has recently appeared in the London Times. He had been asked to subscribe toward the raising, at St. Ives, of a statue to the Protector, and his adherence was qualiple who presumed to celebrate at the son," the great railroad speculator. The project for the Cromwell monument lapsed, and St. Ives waited until the other day for a memorial of its greatest citizen. The dedication, the Times correspondent assures us, passed off without the "ocean of flummery and mere idle balderdash," which Carlyle deprecated. The biographer of Cromwell writes: "My private suspicion, I confess, is that the present generation of Englishmenwho have filled their towns with such a set of 'public statues' as were never before erected by any people, ugly brazen images (to mere commonplace adventurers with titles on them, and even sometimes to mere paltry scoundrels, worthy of immediate oblivion only), and who have winded up their enterprises in the statue or memorial line by subscriping £25,000 to a memorial for King Hudson—are not likely to do themselves or anybody much good well. I fear they have forfeited the right to pretend to remember Cromwell in a public manner. Cromwell's divine memory, sad, stern and earnest as the gods, says virtually to them, Forget me and pass on, ye unhappy canaille; carry your offerings to King Hudson and strive to emulate him!' Nevertheless, I have privately resolved, if such a thing does go on, to subscribe my little mite to it on occasion, and to wish privately that it may prosper much better than I can with any assurance hope. I think it will be very difficult to avoid the introduction of such an ocean of flummery and mere idle balderdash into the affair (if the 'public' are fairly awoken to it) as will be very distressing to any one honored by the nation that produced him."-New York Evening Post.

Islands in the Indian Ocean,

If you should want an island-that is, an uninhabited island-for the purpose of occupying it alone, Robinson you need have no trouble in finding one if you see fit to make a journey to the Indian Ocean. In the waters between Madagascar and India you can find more than 15,000 of them, where there is not a human being and where you can, if you will, be monarch of all you survey. An English traveler has recently been among the small islands that dot the western end of the Indian Gcean to make an inventory of them and reports that he counted 16,100 and found only about 600 of them inhabited. Now, there is a good chance for any one who may want an island. These particular islands are not large, as islands go, but very many of them are sufficient for the purpose of a Robinson Crusoe or any other novel hero, or for even a small colony of shipwrecked mariners or other persons who might be cast on one of them or seek for the purpose of making a home pretty much out of the busy world.

Tons of Dutch Cheese.

In the Dutch town of Alkmar, on the great northern canal, about twenty miles from Amsterdam, which is noted for being one of the biggest cheese markets in the world, not less than 5,000 tons of cheese are disposed of in the course of twelve months. The Dutch cheeses are made in spheres of three sizes, respectively, of four pounds eight pounds, and twelve pounds in weight, and the best quality fetches about twenty guilders, or about thirty-five shillings, per 100 pounds. Immediately after being weighed and marked off the barrows are taken to the canal boats nearby, and then the cheeses which they contain are rolled one by one into the hold, through a wooden chute, to be transported to their various destinations. Before exportation they are given a coating of vegetable red, and it is in this guise they are known and recognized the world over.

Why Big Fish Get Away. It is perfectly plain that large fish

are more apt to e cape than small ones. Their weight and activity, combined with the increased trickiness and resourcefulness of age and experience, of course, greatly increase their ability to tear out the hook, and enhance the danger that their antics will expose a fatal weakness in hook, leader, line or rod. Another presumption, which must be regretfully mentioned, arises from the fact that in many cases it is the encounter with a large fish which causes such excitement, and such distraction and perversion of judgment, as leads the fisherman to do the wrong thing, or fail to do the right thing, at the critical instant.—Grover Cleveland in Philadelphia Saturday Evening Post.

Oh! So Thin.

"I think that's an excellent idea," remarked the new boarder, as he finished his soup. "Ah," said Mrs. Starvem, "not used to beginning your dinner with soup, eh?" "Soup? I thought | table Compound could cure Miss it was hot water to prevent dyspepsia' LaMonte-why not you? Try it -Philadelphia Press.

The church that flourishes itself is often far from flourishing.

FUNNY KIND OF SNAKE.

Falls Apart When Attacked But Comes Together Again.

In certain parts of Pennsylvania, says a modern Ananias, there is occasionally found a reptile known as the joint snake. When attacked, according to the stories told by old settlers, it flies in pieces, each part taking care of itself. A bark peeler named Osterhout attacked one of these the other day near Shamokin, and, to his utter amazement, it broke all up, each section jumping off in a different direction. In the course of an hour he returned the same way, and was utterly amazed to see it all together, except the tail piece.

After waiting a few moments, he saw the 'tail coming up to join the body, taking sharp, quick little jerks. It came nearer and nearer until within a few inches of the three-quarter snake, when it gave a sudden jump and hitched on in the proper place, with a fuss resembling the popping of a cap. Osterhout knocked it to pieces several times, and each time it came together again.

He carried his amusement too far, however, in throwing the tail across the creek, "just to see," he said, "how long it would take to catch up," but it never caught up. The snake was carried to the house, where a new tail is beginning to grow out to replace

Physicians Much Interested.

Northport, Mich., Dec. 9.-The medical men are just now eagerly discussing a most remarkable cure of a severe case of Kidney Disease in this county. Mr. Byron O. Leslie of Northport has for years been a victim of kidney derangements, with all the consequent pain and annoyance. He was gradually growing worse and as the disease advanced he became very despondent, often wondering if he would have to endure this suffering all his lifetime.

But at last he found a remedy that cured him in Dodd's Kidney Pills. He was much pleased, but did not say much about it lest the good effect he experienced would not last. Now, however, after months of continued good health he has concluded that he is permanently cured and his announcement of this has caused a profound sensation among the physicians and the people who knew of his apparently hopeless condition.

Women on German Railroads.

Women in this country have as yet made but little headway in the service Crusoe like, or to use it for romantic of the railroads, but in Prussia the fiction or any other purpose, to the head of the state railways has anexclusion of all others in the world, nounced that for the future as many women as possible will be employed by them in these posts suitable for women. They will hold positions at the ticket offices, telegraph offices, be telephone clerks at the counting offices and at the goods offices. In Prussia a great number of women are already employed in various government posts and each year sees fresh openings made for them.

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"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM: - I was in an awful state for nearly three years with a complication of female troubles which three physicians called by different names, but the pains were all the same. I dreaded the time of my



MABELLE L. LAMONTE.

monthly periods for it meant a couple of days in bed in awful agony. I finally made up my mind that the good doctors were guessing; and hearing from different friends such good reports of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, I tried that. I bless the day I did, for it was the dawning of a new life for me. I used five bottles before I was cured, but when they were taken I was a well woman once more. Your Compound is certainly wonderful. Several of my friends have used it since, and nothing but the best do I ever hear from its use." - Yours, MABELLE L. LAMONTE, 222 E. 31st St., Chicago, Ill. \$5000 forfelt if above testimonial is not genuine.

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The Diamond Bracelet

By MRS. HENRY WOOD,

Author of East Lynne, Etc.

CHAPTER XI.-(Continued.)

"Even than my love; Alice, you like meet the dead here." me more than you admit. Unsay your words, my dearest, and give me hope."

"Do not vex me," she resumed, in a tion. pained tone; "do not seek to turn me from my duty. I-I, though I scarcely like to speak of these sacred things, Frances returns her thanks to Mr. Gerard, I have put my hand on the Hope for his polite inquiries," conplough; even you cannot turn me tinued she in a tone of pi ue, and honback.

"Tell me one thing, Gerard; it will be safe. Was the dispute about Frances Chenevix?"

"And you could refuse her! You that you were not?" must learn to love her, for she would make you a good wife."

"Much chance there is now of my making a wife of any one."

"Oh, this will blow over in time; I feel it will. Meanwhile-

"Meanwhile you destroy every hopeinterruption. "I love you alone, Alice; I have loved you for months, truly, fervently, and I know you must have seen it."

should give to one of earth, the love way, Frances, and what to do." you will give to Frances Chenevix. Think of me as one rapidly going; soon to be gone."

"Oh, not yet!" he cried in an imwilled.

"Not just yet; I hope to see you return from exile. Let us say farewell while we are alone '

for footsteps were heard. Gerard snatched her to him, and laid his face his counting house." upon hers."

"What cover did you say the book had?" demanded Frances Chenevix of Gerard, who was then leaning back up. Frances." on the sofa, apparently waiting for her, "A mottled? I cannot see any- I don't believe you guilty; you know thing like it."

"No? I am sorry to have given you the trouble. Fanny. It has gone, perhaps, amongst the 'has beens.'"

carriage stopped. Can they be come the servants put me into this." home?"

next room, whence the street could be of arrest." seen. A carriage had stopped, but not "I have managed that; they are goat their house. "It is too early for ing to let me square up by installthem yet," said Gerard.

"I am sorry things go so cross just heard of?" now, with you, Gerard," whispered Lady Frances. "You will be very dull down in a caldron, as the Colonel calls

all. And the bracelet may turn up, pected to be solved." and Lady Sarah be sporting it on her | "And they will suspect me! What arm again and I never know that the is the matter with your dress?" cloud is off for me. No chance that' any of you will be at the trouble of ting it down, and turning round for writing to a fellow."

er the bracelet turns up or not, I will ner did it for me." write you sometimes, if you like, Gerard, and give you all the news."

"You are a good girl, Fanny," returned he, in a brighter accent, "and I will send you my address as soon as I have got one. You are not to turn you find it's offensive.'

yourself, Gerard."

So Gerard Hope got clear off into exile. Did he pay his expenses with the proceeds of the diamond bracelet?

CHAPTER XII.

The stately rooms of one of the finest houses in London were open for the reception of evening guests. Wax lights, looking innumerable when reflected from the mirrors, shed their rays on the gilded decorations, on the fine paintings, and on the gorgeous dresses of the ladies; the enlivening strains of the band invited to the dance and the rare exotics emitted a use: sweet perfume. It was the West End residence of a famed and wealthy city merchant of lofty standing; his young wife was an earl's daughter and the admission to the house of Mr. and Mrs. Lady Adela Natherleigh was coveted by the gay world.

"There's a mishap!" almost screamed a pretty looking girl. She had dropped her handkerchief and stooped for it, and her partner stooped also; in his hurry he put his foot upon her thin, white dress, she rose at the same moment and the bottom of her skirt was torn half off.

'Quite in:possible that I can finish the quadrille," quoth she to him, half took it, and nobody must dare put in in amusement, half provoked at the misfortune. "You must find another. partner, and I will go and get this repaired."

She went upstairs; by some neglect, the lady's maid was not in attendance. and too impatient to ring and wait for her, down she flew to the housekeeper's parlor. She was quite at home in the house, for she was the sister of its mistress. She had gathered the damaged dress up in her arms, but her white petticoat fell in rich folds around her.

"Just look what an object that stupid-" And there stopped the young lady; for instead of the housekeeper and lady's maid, whom she ex-

should just as soon have expected to

"How are you, Lady Frances?" he said, holding out his hand with hesita-

"Lady Frances! I am much obliged to you for your formality. Lady oring him with a swimming ceremony of courtesy.

He caught her hand. "Forgive me, Fanny, but our positions are altered-He contracted his brow, and nodded. at least mine us; and how did I know

"You are an ungrateful-raven." cried she, "to croak like that. After getting me to write you no end of letters and all the news about everybody, beginning 'My dear Gerard,' and ending 'Your affectionate Fanny,' and being as good to you as a sister, you ful feeling I thought to take to cheer meet me with 'My Lady Frances!' me in my exile!" was his impatient Now, don't squeeze my hand to atoms. What on earth have you come to England for?"

"I could not stop there," he returned with emotion; "I was fretting away "Love me still, Gerard," she softly my heartstrings. So I took my resoluanswered, "but not with the love you tion and came back; guess in what

"How should I know? To call me 'Lady Frances,' perhaps."

"As a clerk; a clerk to earn my bread. That's what I am now. Very ploring tone, as if it were as she consistent, is it not, for one in my position to address familiarly Lady Frances Chenevix?'

"You never spoke a grain of sense in your live, Gerard," she exclaimed, She spoke the last words hurriedly, peevishly. "What do you mean?" "Mr. Netherleigh has taken me into

"Mr. Netherleigh!" she echoed in

surprise. "What, with that-that-"That crime hanging over me. Speak

"No: I was going to say that doubt. that, Gerard."

"I am in his house, Frances, and I came up here tonight from the city to bring a note from his partner. I de-"Listen," said Alice, removing her clined any of the reception rooms, not hand from before her face, "that was a caring to meet old acquaintances, and

"But you had a mountain of debts Frances and Gerard flew into the in England, Gerard, and were afraid

ments. Has the bracelet never been

"Oh, that's gone for good; melted it, and the diamonds reset. It remains "Ay; fit to hang myself, if you knew a mystery of the past, and is never ex-

"Matter enough," answered she, lethis inspection. "I came here to get "I will," said Lady Frances. "Wheth- it repaired. My great booby of a part-

"Fanny, how is Alice Seaton?" "You have cause to ask for her. She is dying.'

"Dying!" repeated Mr. Hope in a hushed, shocked tone.

"I do not mean actually dying this proud, mind, and be off the bargain, if | night, or going to die tomorrow; but she is dying by slow degrees, there is Frances laughed. "Take care of no doubt. It way be weeks off yet; I

cannot tell." "Where is she?"

"Curious to say, she is where you left her-at Lady Sarah Hope's. Alice could not bear the house after the loss of the bracelet, for she was so obstinate and foolish as to persist that the servants must suspect her even if Lady Sarah did not. She felt, and this spring Lady Sarah saw her, and was so shocked at the change in her, the extent to which she had wasted away, that she brought her to town by main force, and we and the doctors are trying to nurse her up. It seems of no

"Are you also staying at Colonel Hope's again?"

"I invited myself there a week or two ago to be with Alice. It is pleasanter, too, than being at home."

"I suppose the Hopes are her to-

"My sister is. I do not think your uncle has come yet." "Does he ever speak of me less re-

sentfully?" "Not he; I think his storming over it has only made his suspicions stronger. Not a week passes but he begins again about that detestable bracelet. He is unalterably persuaded that you a word in your defense."

"And does your sister honor me with the same belief?" demanded Mr. Hope bitterly.

"Lady Sarah is silent on the point to me; I think she scarcely knows what to believe. You see I tell you all freely, Gerard.'

CHAPTER XIII.

Before another word could be spoken Mr. Netherleigh entered. An aristocratic man, with a noble countenance. He bore a sealed note for Mr. Hope to deliver in the city.

"Why, Fanny!" he exclaimed to his sister-in-law, "you here?"

"Yes; look at the sight they have pected to meet, nobody was in the made me," replied she, shaking down table, and members of both parties, as room but a gentleman-a tall hand- her dress for his benefit, as she had they went out, kicked it toward the some man. She looked thunderstruck; previously done for Mr. Hope. "I am door. and then slowly advancing and star- waiting for some one of the damsels ing at him as if not believing her to mend it for me. I suppose Mr. A Machias, Me., house which was Hope's presence has scared them built in 1765 is receiving its third coat "My goodness, Gerard! Well, I away. Won't mamma be in a fit of of shingles.

rage when she sees it, for it was new tonight.'

Gerard Hope shook hands with Lady Frances, and Mr. Netherleigh, who had a word of direction to give him, walked with him into the hall. As they stood there, who should enter but Colonel Hope, Gerard's uncle. He groups of buildings in that state. Aside started back when he saw Gerard.

stuttered he. "Mr. Netherleigh, is he broad and liberal pian on which it will one of your guests?"

"He is here on business," was the

his nephew, "you can come back, can war with Spain." you, when the proceeds of your theft in Calais, I hear; how long did the bracelet last you to live upon?"

"Sir," answered Gerard, with a pale starring. I asserted my innocence at the time, Colonel Hope, and I repeat it now."

"Innocence!" ironically repeated the Colonel, turning to all sides of the hall, as if he took delight in parading the details of the unfortunate past. "The trinkets were spread on a table in Lady Sarah's own house. You came stealthily into it-after being forbidden it for another fault-went stealthily into the room, and the next minute the diamond bracelet was missing. It was owing to my confounded folly in listening to a parcel of women that I did not bring you to trial at the time; I have only once regretted not doing it, and that has been ever since. A little wholesome correction at the penitentiary might have made an honest man of you, Good-night, Mr. Netherleigh! If you encourage him in your house, you don't have me."

Now another gentleman had entered and heard this; some servants also heard it. Colonel Hope, who firmly believed in his nephew's guilt, turned off peppery and indignant; and Gerard, giving vent to sundry unnephewlike expletives, strode after him. The Colonel made a dash into a street cab and Gerard walked towards the city.

Lady Frances Chenevix, her dress right again, at least to appearance, was sitting to get her breath after a whirling waltz. Next to her sat a lady who had also been whirling. Frances did not know her.

"You are quite exhausted; we kept it up too long," said the cavalier in attendance on the stranger. "What can I get for you?"

'My fan; there it is. Thank you. Nothing else."

"What an old creature to dance herself down!" thought Frances. 'She's 40, if she's a day." The lady opened her fan and pro-

ceeded to use it, the diamonds of her rich bracelet gleamed right in the eyes of Lady Frances Chenevix. Frances looked at it and started, she strained her eyes and looked again; she bent nearer to it and became agitated with her emotion. If her recollection did not play her false, that was the lost bracelet.

She discerned her sister, Lady Adela Netherleigh, and glided up to her. "Adela, who is that lady?" she asked pointing to the stranger.

"I don't know who she is," replied Lady Adela, carelessly. "I did not catch the name. They came with the Cadogans."

"The idea of your having people in your house that you don't know!" indignantly spoke Frances, who was working herself into a fever. "Where's

Sarah, do you know that?" "In the card room, glued to the

whist table." Lady Sarah, however, had unglued herself, for Frances only turned from Lady Adela to encourage her.

"I do believe your lost bracelet is in the room," she whispered in agitation. "I think I have seen it."

"Impossible!' responded Lady Sarah

(To be continued.)

KICKING A BILL OUT.

Document Actually Kicked Out of House

of Commons. Sir John Knight, a stout old Tory member for Bristol, who in the year 1693 proposed to kick a bill out of the house of commons, got into sad trouble. It was a measure for the naturalization of foreign Protestants, and Sir John, in the course of a violent invective, exclaimed: "Let us first kick the bill out of the house, and then let us kick the foreigners out of the kingdom," this observation being aimed at William's Dutchmen, if not at the king himself. But what Sir John only proposed to do with this bill the commons actually did with another obnexious measure in 1770, says Good ____rds. The peers had presumed to alter a money bill by striking out a provision which offered a bounty upon the exportation of corn. The commons, indignant at the treatment of their deputation, who had been contumaciously ejected from the peers' chamber, and further incensed by the fact that on another occasion Burke had been kept waiting three hours at the door of the upper house with a bill sent up by the commons, took the present opportunity to show in emphat'c manner that there was at least one privilege on which they would not allow the peers to encroach. The amendment was promptly rejected, and with it the bill. The speaker tossed the document over the

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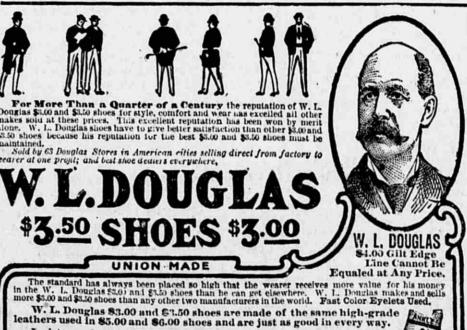
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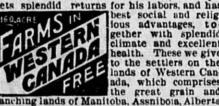
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By THE way, what has become of the Hon, Marcus A. Hanna and his presidential boom?

Tom Johnson for president in 1904, is probably the best proposition the Democrats have made.

MICHIGAN'S legislature convenes in regular sessions about four times too often for the good of the State; and a tax-ridden public is not sighing for any extras, thank you.

No more whisperings and sly winks in the White House. Teddy talks right out loud and the crafty politician who begs favors for his pets on the Q.T., does not like it a little bit. The president acts like a man who has nothing to conceal.

Senator Hoar's proposal to place all the anarchists by themselves on archists will kill the king—and that the best of all.

"LET no guilty man escape," said President Grant, The Grand Rapids Herald evidently would substi tute the word "Democrat" for "man," for though it is hot after the water boodlers, (which is al right) it says not a word about a scandal concerning which as good a Republican as Kent county ever had assured us he would come clear

tell us that "The Democratic party is hopelessly divided." Seems to us Henry has done his share at split-flourish; and this without regard to the long will boodleism and bribery flourish; and this without regard to the long will be leaded to the long will be leade ting the old party up the back; and the name of the party locally in yet he would like to be its next can-Mr. Watterson.

THE Grand Rapids Herald calls very loudly for the prosecution of all who were concerned with Salsbury in the water deal scandal, Would the Herald also favor an investigation of the charges of boodcounty and gubernatorial campaigns in Kent? "Consistency," etc.

THE Detroit News quotes Gov. Bliss as saying: "I will not call a special session unless it is demanded by the whole State;" and then publishes a cartoon representing Senator McMillan as the "whole State." Now, The Lenger has no great admiration for either Bliss or Me-Millan; and the aforesaid cartoon Ridge, Wis. from her doctor after he may truthfully depict the Gover- had vamly tried to care her of a nor's subserviency to the million- frightful case of tomach trouble and aire senator; but that is no reason why all Michigan should be taxed formed and she constantly grew for a special session of the Legislature to enact laws for the single county of Wayne. Special session?

THE growing popularity and fame of Homer Warren as opposed to machine politics and bossism, augurs well for the Republican party of Detroit and of the State as well. THE LEDGER man attended school with Homer in the seventies and heard his voice in song long before an island, is the best thing that has it shared the fame of "The Sword happened lately. Herr Most says of Bunker Hill:" and if there is he will be king, and while it is truth in the maxim, "The boy is somewhat amusing to think of a father of the man," we are sure that nesday. king over a people whose only idea | Homer Warren is more deserving is no ruler and no law, still the an- of honor and trust than many politicians who have been honored by will be another good thing, perhaps the people or have purchased their way to high places with ill-gotten millions. Homer, "Twenty Years Village Sunday. Ago" isn't in it with the years that have passed since you instigated the charivari of your own sister on her wedding night; and we have not met since; but here's an old time greeting and a prediction of honor she has always lived. She departed this and success for you in the political life Nov. 26, 1901, aged 65 years, 6 months

Brother Conger, why is this thus? parties to unite in a campaign increased. Consequently she was always ones.

EDITOR WATTERSON of Louisville against corruption in public office. at home hardly ever going off the farm. came all the way to Ann Arbor to As long as voters place party above She was a great reader and thus passed didate for president. The breach molasses barrel and thieves gather friends are left to moure her loss. Several cannot be closed on that proposition, about public plunder; and the latter | months ago the deceased submitted to a use a party name solely as a cloak, In New York City the toughs flocked with the Democrats, in Philadelphia they hide under the Republican wing. New York has read her thieves a lesson; but the City of Brotherly Love is still in the hands of the gang. There never was a leism and corruption in the last time when men of honor and bravery were more needed than at present. To help drive thieves and corruptionists from public office is the duty of every reputable citizen.

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[Last week's letter] Fred Miller of Sparta made a short visit with his sister, Mrs. Geo. M, Parker, Wed-

Wm. H. Parker has just returned from a visit with his daughter, Mrs. Jane Rose

G. W. Crosby and wife entertained J. L. Smith and wife of Lowell Center Thanksgiving and E. B. Smith and wife of Lowell

Dan Dickson and wife entertained the Dickson family to a bountiful Thanksgiving dinner. There were twenty-one in all.

Miss Maria Yerkins was born in Sharon, Michigan, May 23, 1836, and came with her parents to Vergennes in 1840, where and 3 days. She was a member of the M. E. church and a true and earnest THE LEDGER wishes it were pos. Christian woman. When a young girl she

Krum cemetery beside her parents, a brother and a sister. One sister, Mrs. Mary Bennett, and a host of relatives and surgical operation for the removal of a cancer and never fully recovered but gradually failed until the end.

Of Benefit to You.

D. S. Mitchell, Fulford, Md: "During a long illness I was troubledwith bed sores. was advised to try DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve and did so and with wonderful results I was perfectly cured. It is the best salve on the market." Sure cure or piles, sores, burns. Beware of counterfe^fit L. H. Taft & Co

Cascade. [Last week's letter.]

Bert Auble and wife are moving to their new farm in Cascade this week.

R. Slayter has reshingled his house. Mrs. M. Carlton has rented her farm for hree years. Frank Carlton, the former renter and his family have moved to Mrs.

Palmer's house in this village. Timothy Markle is visiting his children in Grand Rapids.

S. J. Thompson and wife of Grand Rapids visited his brother Sunday.

Mrs. A. Auble and sons and Isaac Auble spent Thanksgiving at the home of their sister, Mrs. Sarah French, near Dutton, all were pleasantly surprised to find three cousins, Oliver Angell, wife and sister of Lansing also there.

S. Quiggle and wife enjoyed a visit from an old schoolmate now of Grand Rapids whom they had not met in 30 years.

Saved His Life.

"I wish to say that I feel I owe my life o Kodol Dyspepsia Cure" writes H. C. Chrestenson of Hayfield, Minn. "For three years I was troubled with Dyspepsia so that I could hold nothing on my stomach. Many times I would be unable to retain a morsel of food. Finally I was confined to my bed. Doctors said I could not live. 1 read one of your advertisments on Kodol Dyspepsia Cure and thought it fit my case and commenced its use. I began to improve from the first bottle. Now I am cured and recommend it to all." Digests your food. Cures all stomach troubles L. H. Taft & Co.

Vergennes Station-Alton.

Mrs. Delaney died Monday noon at the ripe old age of 94. She was one of the pioneers of this place and was highly respected by all who knew her.

The Ring saw mill has been undergoing repairs and is now ready for business Willis DeCraw and family of Bol ter visited his mother, Mrs. Jay Mosher, Fri-

Mrs. Dorus Church was on the sick list

MAKE ...

Xmas Money Count

Those items we have in our lines of hollday goods are sensible, pleasing ones, the kind that give full returns in usefulness and enjoyment for every cent of cost. We have made an extra effort this year to get practical as well as the newest and most attractive gifts in our lines and we have put prices on them that will appeal to those who want worthy goods at the lowest possible

In justice to yourself and those you buy for you should see what we have before making selections. We have told you previously something of the articles carried, but telling is largely in vain, you will have to see them to appreciate goods and prices.

> We want you to see them and save.

Cook's Drug and Book Store.

Mrs. Sheridan of Canada was called to the bedside of her mother, Mrs. Delaney. The annual election of officers and trustees of the Christian church will be held at the church Saturday afternoon, Dec. 21, at 2 o'clock. A large attendance is desired, C. R. Porter and wife returned Friday from a two week's visit with Muskegon

Used by the ladies of fashion all over he world. It's without doubt the greatest beautifier ever offered the American woman 35c. Made by Madison Medicine Co.

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Town Line.

Geo. Murray has rented the farm known as the Patterson forty. Ira Wesbrook went to Hastings Monday

Merton Reynolds is home from Grand Rapids with the mumps.

Pratt Lake

The farmers are bailing hay, shredding cornstalks, threshing cloverseed, working on the road, hauling wood to market or from California to help expose. sible for honest men of all political ing and as she grew older the affliction Mrs. Richard McGee is among the sick at Lansing. Last week it was the Fat Stock show at Chicago.

Those who have been ailing are reported to be on the gain.

H. Proctor is visiting friends at Pewamo

Mr. Demary and family will move from Mrs. English's farm in the the near future.

M. D. Sneathen, ships his apples to his sister in Indiana and receives \$1 per bushel for the first and second grades.

Quite a large audience attended services at the M. E. church Sunday, regardless of the rain, to listen to Dr. Graham

Harrison Tubbs is spending the winter in Cincinnati, working at the carpenters's

WANTED-Several persons of character and good reputation in each state(one in this county required) to represent and advertise old established wealthy business house of solid financial standing. Salary \$18.00 weekly with expenses additional, all payable in cash each Wednesday direct from head offices. Horse and carriage furnished when necessary. References Enclose self-addre-sed stamped envelope Manager, 316 Caxton Building, Chicago

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We are nearing the end of this sale. Lowell men are never slow to buy what clothes they need when "Marks" announces a sale. Mothers bring their children here because they know that we carry the kind of clothes that wear. Young men come because our K. N. & F. suits and overcoats have all the style and quality to be found in tailor made clothes costing twice as much.

We still have a big stock to select from-the biggest stock in town, including the Stylish Long Overcoats like the "Mansfield" and "Goodwin." They are the kind that are being worn everywhere by the best dressers. Come in and get fitted up for the holidays. Do you know of anything better than a good suit or overcoat, underwear shirts, sox, or other furnishings

For an Xmas Present

Men's Suits

4 Button Cutaway Sack, blue black invisible stripe cheviot, Italian lined, French faced, satin piped K N & F make. Former price \$8.50 For this sale only

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Former price 13,50
This sale only

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padded shoulders, fancy sleeve lining yoked and piped H. S. & M. make.

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Genuine all wool Dickie Kersey pants of brown plaid. Former price 2.25 1.48 This sale only

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35 doz all wool Shaker socks Former price 20c 13c For this sale only

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20 Doz. Undershirts and Drawers,

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and drawers, good weight Former price 50c 35c For this sale only

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10 Doz all wool brown undershirts and drawers, Former price 1.25 For this tale only

22 Doz Boys undershirts and drawers sizes 24 to 34, fleece lined, extra gaod quality Former price 40c 25c o this sale only

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5 doz Sweaters, extra heavy, warrantd all cotton, medium weight, ormer price 50c For this sale only

5 doz Sweaters, extra heavy, warranted all cotton. If you find any wool in them bring them back. Former price 65c 42c For this sale only

21/2 doz all wool sweaters, fancy striped orplain. Former price 1.75 For this sale only

2 doz all woot sweaters, fancy stripe pineapple stitch, assorted colors Former price 2. 50 For this sale only

Ducking Coats

Brown and black ducking coats blanket lined, corduroy collar Former price 1.25 74c For this sale only

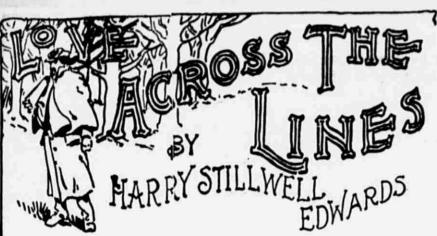
Black rain proof ducking coats blanket lined with black corduroy collar. Former price 1.75 For this sale only

Extra heavy gray rain proof coat lanket lined, corduroy collar Former price 2.25 For this sale only

Remember the place.

MARKS RUBEN.

Cast Side



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CHAPTER I-Story opens in Richmond, Va., on day Fort Sumter surrendered. Dr. Francis Brodnar makes remarkable request of his friend, Dick Somers, to which Somers finally agrees. He is to marry, blindfolded, a woman whose name he is not to know, ask no ques-tions, and finally, when she is out of the power of certain enemies, is to grant her an honorable divorce.

CHAPTER II-According to the agreement, Somers is mysteriously married to a young woman, who is called Frances, and being left with her, they fall in love with each other. Upon her insistence he lights a match in the dark room, that they may see each other. A pistol shot rings out. Somers falls with a scalp wound just as Brodnar comes to take him away. He is conveyed to the doctor's office.

CHAPTER III-Somers, on his recovery, receives telegram to report to war office immediately. He learns Frances is well, and asks the doctor to tell her "Richard Somers passes out of her life to serve his country. His duty done, please God, and she needs his arm, he will follow her to the end of the earth."

CHAPTER IV-Woman named Louise is visited by Raymond Holbin, the father of her child, who has not kept his promise to marry her, and who bears a striking resemblance to Dick Somers. She tells of having, in her desperation, shot a man who she thought was he.

(HAPTER V-Frances' father, John Brookin, makes his will bequeathing her certain property upon condition that she marry Holbin, his stepson. Just before he dies she disillusions his mind of notion that she had been disloyal to him, and tells him a friend has wished her to say to him: "Ask Raymond Holbin what he has done with Louise (the dying man's niece); for he is the man who betrayed her by a mock marriage, and took her abroad.'

CHAPTER VI-Holbin's absence from the Brookin funeral is noticed. He is busy in the deserted residence of de-ceased unraveling the mystery of the con-nection between the shooting, told him by Louise, and the implied charge against him made by Frances. He finds evidences of a rival's presence in Frances' room, and his evil mind fills with suspicion of the pure girl.

CHAPTER VII-Holbin decides to ask Dr. Brodnar if he knows the man who was shot in Frances' room. The doctor asserts he had been shot there, and that he suspected Mrs. Brookin (Holbin's mother) of being the woman who fired the shot, which, he declares, missed its

mark. CHAPTER VIII-Baffled in attempt to learn anything from Dr. Brodnar, Hol-bin turns to Frances, but is again unsuccessful. However, by a skillful move, the man has made a most powerful impression upon the woman he hopes to

CHAPTER IX-Holbin having exhausted all his resources for information concerning the victim of the shooting, at last turns to Frances 'old mammy, but again fails.

CHAPTER X-Upon this he goes to his mother's room and makes a clean breast of the facts. She summons Dr. Brodnar, and demands to know the information he possesses who then denounces her libertine son, who comes out of his concealment in the room and attacks the doctor with a knife. The doctor escapes, sees Frances long enough to tell her what he knows about Somers' assailant, and drives away. Misconstruing his meaning, thinking Louise had been jealous on account of Somers' attentions to her, she visits Louise full of sympathy for latter's troubles, but nothing comes up to throw the distrust out of her mind.

CHAPTER XI-Frances becomes a nurse for the wounded soldiers brought to Richmond. A wounded federal came under her care. He has been with Capt. Somers, who had at the same time been desperately wounded. Frances' love and trust for Somers returns upon this news

CHAPTER XII-Louise has an interview with Holbin, and later with his mother. She has come into possession of evidence proving a common-law marriage. Mrs. Brookin sees necessity of getting her finally and forever out of the way, but temporarily yields to all demands, and agrees upon full reparation.

CHAPTER XIII—Holbin wins the grati-tude of Frances by offering to esport her wounded federal (now well on the road learned reason of Frances' interest in the soldier. The next day this soldier is found dead, shot in the back.

Upon the same day the confederate relief picket found a federal soldier her I carried him to the front. After lying dead within their lines. He he left me I found these papers in the had been shot from behind with a pistol held so close to his coat that The fellow's captain is Richard it was burned by the powder. The affair afforded but a few minutes' discussion, for the explosion of firearms was almost incessant at times. and dead men in June, 1862, were plentiful around Richmond. The only part of the mystery worth considering from the military standpoint was how the man got through the lines at that particular place. A watch taken from his body contained the names of Capt. Richard Somers and the regiment to which he was attached, and also the likeness of an elderly woman. It was surmised that the victim of the pistol shot was a deserter and robber; that he had been captured and killed while attempting violence or an escape. The officer into whose possession the watch drifted was in charge of a burial party next day under a flag of truce, and, learning that Capt. Somers was among the troops opposite, sent the watch to him with a courteous explanation. The gratification of Capt. Somers was only equaled by his bewilderment. Many weeks before he had intrusted the jewel to his faithful artilleryman, and this soldier, he had been assured, was left dead upon the bloody battlefield. His conclusion was that some one had robbed the body at that time and had been overtaken by fate while engaged in some other nefarious enter- us. I do not know the law, but they nally opened the locket and found dish-golden hair and on the narrow the risk. If Frances were really marribbon with which it was tied the ried before the will was signed, she name "Frances," he was involved in | cannot comply with its requirements.

a hopeless mystery. He was within sound of the Richmond church bells that morning, and between the intervals of fighting and moving to new positions he had already in imagina-

CHAPTER XIV.

tion entered that city. The name

thus sent was the only tidings of

Frances he had ever received, and it

made him a sadly happy man.

Locked within his own room, Raymond Holbin drew from his pocket the packet of papers taken by him from the murdered man with the official crime. The order read: "Pass the bearer, Thomas Riley, paroled prisoner, through the lines." "It will not do Loiuse much good, anyway," he said, "even were I disposed to give it to her." The name "Martha Somers" upon the sealed packet attracted his attention, and he recognized in a Delaware address beneath the home of the dead soldier's description of the aloud: battle in which he was wounded, and guessed that the packet contained the papers given to him to deliver. Holbin

would hardly have troubled himself to wade through a score of farewell pages from a soldier to his mother, and would have promptly destroyed the whole collection, but that the remaining envelope, addressed to Richard Somers. lay before him, and upon it his eye caught the Brookin crest.

"This is very different," he said to himself with interest. "Let us see but once. what Frances has to say to the fellow." He broke the scal and read:

"I send you back, well and free, the man who saved your life; I found him grievously wounded-a prisoner. It is all that I have been able to do in return for your kindness to me, a stranger, and for the wound you received in my house. Think me not indelicate when I say that the in folded the letters into their places. sweetest memory my heart carries is in the memory of your face beneath the match that night and of the words graved in your locket, and over which I have placed a message to you. Forgive me: it can never matter much, for a sea of blood rolls between us. Good night. God be with you till we meet-in Heaven. "FRANCES."

Holbin sat gazing blankly upon the lines. His head was in a whirl.

"Her husband! her husband! Pshaw!" he exclaimed with an uneasy laugh, springing to his feet and beginning to walk the floor, "this comes of the damnable work out yonder to-day; my nerves are simply unstrung." He took a bottle from his dresser, poured out a stiff drink, and tossed it off with one gulp. Then he went back to his table and, picking up the letter, read aloud: "wound received in my house" -"your face beneath the lighted match." As he stood thus the letter slipped from his hand. "Louise!" he whispered, "the man whom Louise shot!" Not in all the vicissitudes of his wild career had Holbin received such a shock of surprise. His mind, dazed and bewildered, could not arrange a deduction beyond the discovery that Richard Somers was the man around whom so much of mystery had gathered, and that Frances referred to him in the tender word "husband." He laid his hand upon the bell-cord and hesitated; then his wicked smile came back again as he pulled it.

"Tell your mistress I shall be glad if she will favor me with her presence here," he said to William. When, a few minutes later, Mrs. Brookin came into the room he failed to hear her. "What is it, Raymond?" she asked.

He roused himself and spoke rapidly. "Frances got her wounded soldier a pass through our lines, and to please buggy where he had dropped them. Somers."

"Richard Somers!"

"And now, madam, read the note rom Frances to him and let me congratulate you upon-" She read it rapidly, and when her

mazed face was lifted he added: "Your son-in-law."

"I do not understand! What does

t mean?" "Answer that question for me, mother; my head has ceased to be of any

assistance. Undoubtedly, however, the woman who you lead me to believe gave you her promise to marry me some day is already in point of law Richard Somer's wife and has forfeited her right to any part of her father's estate. Madam, fortune favors the bold; I congratulate you!" His manner betrayed an intense excitement and bit-

"Wait, wait!" said the woman, quietly, her eyes riveted upon the letter. "It seems that he was her husband that night. Was not that night prior to the signing of the will?"

"Yes, the night before." The son, looking upon his mother's face, could find no evidence of satisfaction there. It was ghastly. "Why, what is it now?"

"A stronger will and a clearer head than we imagined has been at war with prise. But when Capt. Somers cas- were trying to defeat the will in advance. It does defeat it in some way therein a long, slender curl of red- or our enemies would not have taken

and the law will not demand an impossibility."

"Well!" He bent forward, his voice reduced to a whisper.

"We have lost, you and I. Except for my pittance, we shall be beggars upon the day that Frances comes of age; and that day is near at hand." A long silence followed, and then the

eyes of mother and son met. "Do you not share alike if the will fails?"

"No. The intention of my husband will be operative; only the condition fails. There is no hope that way." His mother looked from him and spoke slowly.

"Is there no remedy?" he asked. "Yes. If Richard Somers is not living when Frances comes of age, or should Frances-"

"Mother, mother, take care!" The words burst in sudden energy from the wretched man. "Lift a hand to harm but one hair of her head, and, by the Mother of God-'

"Hush! Hush!" she said, quietly. "You love her; that is enough. She is

safe." "Swear it."

"Read the other letter," she said, disregarding him. "It is likely that a man would mention his wife in his last letter to his mother." Raymond order for which he had committed the stripped off the envelope and shook two letters to the table. One, unsealed, was addressed to Mrs. Martha Somers. "Nothing but gush," he said, running his eye hurriedly over the lines. Mrs. Brookin had picked up the other, which

was addressed to Dr. Brodnar. "We are getting to the heart of the mystery," she said. "Read this one." Raymond read in silence first, and Richard Somers. He remembered then then, leaning forward, excitedly read

"Go to the girl I married at your request and say death has dissolved the bond. Break the news to her as gently as possible, for I have been vain enough to believe that the child leves me. You pre-

pared the way by your partiality, and her oneliness and excess of gratitude accomplished the rest. Let me confess that I have been foolish enough to love her and to dream that some day you would permit me to return and openly seek her out. But this cursed war has killed my dream, Brodcar, and if this letter reaches you, it will be after it has killed your friend also! Go to her and say that since he met her Richard Somers has loved her as a man loves

There were other lines dealing with the friendship between the two men while in Paris and containing a tender farewell.

"It is now plain to me," he said. "The meddlesome secondrel Brodnar is the author of the whole plot!" Mrs. Brook-Her hands were without a tremor.

"Let them keep their secret. To inform them is to arm them. We will continue to be-their dupes. Richard Somers may not be living when Frances reaches twenty-one; who can tell? The man who lost those letters has, I suppose, ere this made a full report."

"The man who lost the letters, mother, has reported elsewhere with a bullet through his heart." "Raymond!"

"What does it matter? We are killing them in front of our lines every day. One behind counts for little, He had a pass; I needed it. I need it now more than ever." The woman's face glowed with a sudden light.

"You are too rash, my boy; take no steps before consulting me. In the meantime these papers have no value for us. Burn them, burn them now! But no! give me the letter to Brodnar; it may be valuable some day as evidence that Richard Somers is dead." One by one Holbin held the others over lighted matches and saw them vanish into cinders. His mother placed her hand upon his shoulder. "Raymond, you are again planning

"I know what I am doing! Do not seek to influence me."

to cross the lines-"

"What do you mean' "There is no time for explanation, nor is there any need, for you already understand. It is sufficient to say that I am going across the lines for more than one purpose now."

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"That is one," he replied, "and men who serve their country in time of war are forgiven many things. I am in possession of that which will secure for me a review of my case and restore to me my commission. I have offered my sword to the confederacy once; the next time I will offer it point first!"

"You have valuable information for sale. Is that what you mean? Go slow upon that line; if you draw your sword against Virginia openly you sacrifice all interests here. Better be a friend to both sides, and when you come back with proofs that Richard Somers is really dead all may yet be well. If she is free at 21 the will is binding, even if it were held that she has not already sacrificed her interest."

"Come what may," he said, passionately, "while I live Brodnar shall never see Frances Brookin the wife

In truth of Richard Somers." "Nor while I live," said his mother; "there is my hand upon it." "Keep out of it, mother, keep out,

or you will regret it!" said the wretched man. "Ungrateful boy! Where is your promise? Do you repudiate that?

Have you forgotten your danger?" "No, but she shall not suffer at your hands. Leave her to me. And, mother, if you ever find us dead together in that room downstairs, have no thought of me. The man who has

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rushed from her presence.

neither love nor revenge has noth-

ing to live for." He seized his hat and

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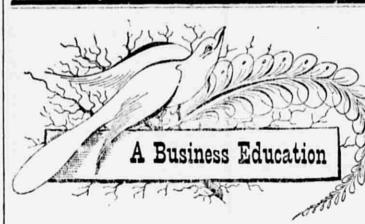
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COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Special meeting of the Lowell Village Council held in the parlors of the City Bank on Friday afternoon, Dec. 6, 1901. Meeting called to forder by President Van Dyke.

Present Trustees Flanagan, Lee, Look, Nicholson, Watts and White, Full Board. Meeting called for the purpose of receiving the report of the Special Committee on street railway franchise.

The Special Committee to whon was referred the matter of the petition of Messrs. Hawks and Angus for the franchise to construct and operate a street railway within the Village of Lowell submitted the following which on motion by by Trustee Watts was passed by the following vote, Yeas Flanagan, Lee, Look, Nicholson, Watts and White. Nays none.

An ordinance granting unto James D. Hawk and Samuel F. Angus, their heirs, successors and assigns, the right to construct, maintain and operate a street railway in the Village of Lowell, Michigan.

Be it ordained by the Village Board of Village of Lowell, Michi-

SECTION 1. That James D. Hawks and Samuel F. Angus, heir heirs, successors and assigns, be and hereby are granted the permission and right to construct, maintain and operate a street railway to be operated by electricity or other modern street westerly to Amity street; of the new bridges become the prop-Broadway from Main street North- erty of said grantees, their heirs, Elm street from West Water of said bridges shall be washed out, of Section Two, together with the property of said village. right and privelege to construct on from any damages resulting to prop-

SECTION 2. Said proposed street railway shall consist of a and assigns have no control. single standard guage track on the said switches, turnouts and Ys, as said grantees, their heirs, successors | have the right to carry passengers, and assigns shall from time to time baggage, United States mail, exdeem necessary, except that no press and freight, and shall charge switch, .turn-out or Y shall be and receive for carrying passengers put into Main street between over said line of railway or any part Washington, East side, and Hudson | thereof within the corporate limits streets, without the consent of the on a continuous passage one way, Village Council. The construction five cents for each passenger, and and equipment of said railway shall shall carry children under five years be of the first class and such as to of age, when accompanied by parleast interfere with the necessary ents or guardians, free. and ordinary public uses of said street. "T" rails of not less than upon the further condition that the seventy pounds (70 lbs.) weight per cars of said railway shall be proyard shall be used. All poles shall be pelled by electric power, or such wooden, straight, shaved and kept other modern motive power, exceptpainted. Whenever the said Village ing steam, as said grantees, their the sixty days above mentioned, of Lowell shall pave any portion of heirs, successors and assigns may the streets occupied under this may from time to time deem exfranchise, the said grantees, their heirs, successors and assigns shall shall not exceed ten miles per hour replace such wooden poles with on Main street between Washington iron poles along such portion so paved.

of such structure.

The said grantees, their heirs, points within the corporate limits. successors and assigns shall construct three suitable iron bridges, the piers, abutments and foundations | shall restore all portions of said for the same to be of stone masoury, street and the pavement and cross to be of the same length and width | walks thereon, which' it may be as the present bridges, for the | necessary for them to remove, alter passage of electric cars and vehicles or misplace during the construction and for the free use of said village of the railroad under this franchise, SECTION 11. This ordinance and dollar sizes. A sample bottle sent free for public travel across Flat river and shall leave the same, as nearly shall take effect immediately upon by mail, also a book telling about Swampbetween East Water and West as practicable, in as good condition the filing of the acceptance provided Water streets over the three channels as before having been disturbed. for in this Section.

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or sluiceways crossing Main and Bridge streets, provided that the planking shall be of three inch oak plank. Said bridges shall be mainmotive power, excepting steam, with tained by and at the expense of said the necessary switches, turnouts, Village of Lowell except as to the Ys, poles, wires appliances and stone and iron work of such portions equipments, to operate the same of said bridges as are occupied by upon and along the following streets the tracks of said grantees, their in said Village of Lowell, namely: heirs, successors and assigns. All Bridge street from the Easterly cor- the timber, spiling, planks and porate limits, westerly to Main materials of the old bridges and street, Main street from Bridge abutments shall on the completion erly to West Water street, West successors and assigns. The work Water street from Main street of construction of said bridges when Northerly to the Northerly corpor- commenced shall be carried to the ate limits, Chatham street from earliest practicable completion. A Broadway Westerly as far as now suitable driveway for teams shall be platted, being to the Westerly kept open during the process of quarter section line of Section two: such construction. In case any Westerly as far as platted, being or destroyed through any defect of to the Westerly quarter section line construction, they shall be rebuilt of section Two; Amity street from at the expense of said grantees, Main to Chatham street; Main street | their heirs, successors and assigns, from Center street westerly to West- otherwise at the expense of said erly corporate limits. West Avenue | Village of Lowell except as to the from the Southerly corporate limits stone and iron work of such portions Northerly as far as platted, being to of said bridges as are occupied by the Southerly quarter section line the tracks of said railway. In case of Section Two; Center Avenue said grantees their heirs, success-

SECTION 3. This grant is made Chatham street or Elm street, or upon condition that the construction over West street been between Main of the street railway shall be comand Chatham street, an approach for meuced within one year from the an over-head crossing of the tracks date of passage of this ordinance, of said railway over the Pere Mar- and that the entire railway herein grantees their heirs, successors and in operation within two years from assigns shall save the city harmless the date of the passage of this ordinance; not counting the time erty owners by reason of the erection | delayed by compulsory legal process or by causes or reasons over which said grantees their heirs, successors

SECTION 4. Said grantees, their heirs, successors and assigns

SECTION 5. This grant is made pedient. The speed of such cars (East side) and Hudson streets and eighteen miles per hour at other

SECTION 6. Said grantees, their heirs successor's and assigns

All tracks located in portions of streets which have been improved cil adjourned. or put to an established grade shall conform to the grade of the street; the upper surface of the rails shall be laid flush with the surface of the The Finger Posts Marking the Many By Paths of street and shall be laid in such at manner as to disturb as little as practicable the free passage of vehicles over the same. If at any of said streets or any portion there! of, upon which track are laid under this ordinance, said grantees, their all conform to the new grade.

such portions of said streets as the Village Council may direct, before construction, such location to be depot, Lowell, Mich., says 'For determined by said Council within some time I had been bothered more ten days after request to the Village or less with nervousness which President by said grantees, their affected my vision, at times it apheirs, successors and assigns, for, such location. And in case such location is not made by the Village Council within the ten days above Pills at Look's drug store and they provided for said grantees, their did me a great deal of good invigheirs, successors and assigns may orating and relieving the nerves of proceed to lay their tracks according their high tension. I have no to their own location.

All portions of the tracks of said Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills railway which are laid in portions are sold at 50c a box at dealers or of streets which have been im Dr. A. W. Chase, Medicine Co., proved or put to an established Buffalo, N. Y. See that portrait grade shall at the expense of said and signature of Dr. A. W. Chase, grantees, their heirs, successors and M. D. are on each package. assigns, be filled with gravel be tween the rails and 12 inches outside of same, and shall be maintained and kept flush with the rails roasted and just arrived. for the period of one year from thetime of the laying of such tracks. In case the said Village of Lowell shall at any time pave or repaye any portion of any of the streets occupied under this franchise, said. grantees, their heirs, successors and I commenced using One Minute Cough assigns shall at their own expense Cure," writes Rev. Jas. Kirkman, evangepave or repave that portion of such' street so paved or repaved as may 'from maladies of this kind," One Minute lay between their tracks and 12 Cough Core affords immediate relief for inches outside of same, which paying shall be done according to the Lowell for the paving of the balance the children. They like it.

SECTION 7. Whenever it may become necessary in the construcfrom the Southerly corporate limits ors and assigns shall at any time tion or repair of said railway on its' northerly as far as platted, being to abandon said railway, said bridges appurtenances to alter or interfere the Southerly quarter section line shall revert to and become the with any of the municipal wiring, the same shall be restored in as good condition as before and shall Crescent Avenue, to the Kent County Court be done at the expense of said House, in the City of Grand Rapids, in the grantees, their heirs, successors and County of Kent, in the State of Michigan, assigns and under the direction and pursuant to license and authority granted to the satisfaction of the village electrician. In case it shall become Michigan, all of the estate, right, title and quette railroad provided that said provided for, shall be completed and necessary in the construction of said interest of the said deceased of, in and to railway to cut or trim any shade or ornamental trees, the same shall be known and described as follows, to-wit done under the direction of the President of the Village, Said grantees, their heirs, successors and assigns shall remove the ice and snow from such parts of the streets 7w as may be occupied by their tracks and spread the same evenly over the balance of such street.

SECTION 8. If said grantees, their heirs, successors and assigns shall fail or neglect to perform or fulfill the covenants herein contained then after sixty day's notice (said notice to be in writing given by the Village Board of the Village of Lowell and to contain a clear and definite statement of the failure or neglect complained of) the rights, privileges, interests, commissions and authority hereby granted, shall thenceforth cease and be forfeited unless said grantees, their heirs, successors and assigns shall, within comply with this ordinance in the particulars mentioned in said notice.

SECTION 9. The grant, powers and privileges conformed in this ordinance shall be extended for and be limited to a period of thirty (30

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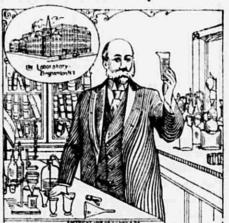
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a jury upon the charge of subordina- | the building, which was used for filltion of perjury. The senator himself and his associates in the Salsbury case were completely overwhelmed this morning when Judge Newnham announced his decision in the contempt proceedings, and not only refused to quash the contempt case, but ordered the prosecutor to begin criminal proceedings against the Ionia senator. In the meantime the court will hold the contempt matter in abeyance so that if the prosecution should fall down in the criminal case, the court will still be able to deal with the of-

The Biggest Yet.

The Eastern States, first of the two big sidewheel passenger steamers now verdict was unanimous for murder in under course of construction for the the first degree. "We find the prisonnew Detroit & Buffalo line, was launched from the Wyandotte yards of | gree," said the foreman, Wiseman the Detroit Shipbuilding Co. Saturday. | trembled from head to foot, and his The Eastern States is twenty-four feet longer than the City of Erie of the C. & B. line, and when completed will the prisoner be sentenced immediately. be the biggest passenger boat on the great lakes, having sleeping accommodations for 750 persons, or about onethird more than the North West and North Land of the Northern Steamship Co., now operating between Buffalo and Chicago.

Exit Salsbury; Enter Taggart.

Moses Taggart, attorney-general of Michigan from 1885 to 1888, was elected successor to City Attorney Lant K. ler of the treasury department back Salsbury at a special session of the in the sixties. Senator Burrows intro-Grand Rapids council Saturday. When duced in the senate a joint resolution the council assembled Salsbury's resignation was received. In it, besides relinquishing his office, he insisted upon his innocence. The resignation accepted, the republicans nominated Taggart and the democrats named Ernest Bullen, law clerk in the city attorney's office. Taggart wen on the first ballot, with the vote cast on party lines.

A Bad Bank,

William Addler, a boarder at the Bay View hotel, Grand Rapids, who has been working in a local lumber yard, had \$770 in his trunk at his hotel, the earnings of three years, which he expected soon to take to his family residing in the lower part of the state. Some one stole the sum and he is penniless.

Postoffice Robbed.

The safe at the postoffice of Ogden Center was touched last night and about \$541 was taken. Postmaster David Pifer has no clue to the thieves. The combination was worked by the burglars, who appeared either to know it or to have acquired it through accident or skill.

J. W. Soree, of Soree & Waters, Ionia blacksmiths, dropped dead Monday afternoon with one hand on the

The Hotel Iroquois at Sault Ste. Marie is being remodeled and enlarged by dividing the large dance hall

children have the disease. that contains Battle Creek. The Wabash Responsible.

Following is the coroner's verdict as to the Wabash railway wreck of the inquest having been held over the body of George Youmans, killed in the wreck:

"Said Youmans came to his death in Seneca township, Lenawee county, Michigan, in a certain railway train on the Wabash railway, about a mile and a half east of Seneca station on November 27. About 6:45 p. m., on the said day, he received certain injuries by reason of a collision between trains 4 and 13, of which injuries Youmans instantly died. That said collision was caused by the negligence of the said Wabash Railroad Co., and the trainmen of said train 4, said railway company being negligent in a failure to provide train 4 with a headend brakemen, according to rule 210, vide proper signals at the place of meeting of trains 4 and 13.

"Engineer Aaron T. Strong is found negligent for failing properly to un-

derstand and obey order 82. "Conductor George J. Martin was negligent in failing to signal said engineer to stop, and failing to apply the air brake when the engineer did not give the proper signal immediately after the station signal at Seneca, according to rule 41 of the special rules

of the said company. "Fireman John Bastien was negligent in failing to remind the engineer of order No. 82, when said engineer failed to give the proper signal and slow up at Seneca. Brakeman Anthony W. Dittman was negligent in failing to signal the engineer to stop, and failing to apply the air brakes until after the said train passed the sta-

Engineer Strong says he is satisfied with the verdict.

Over 100 Were Killed.

The persistent efforts of the Wabash officials to minimize the number of killed in the recent wreck are given a stunning blow by the statements of Rev. Fr. Francis Beccherini, whose information is to the effect that over 100 Italians are killed or missing. The Detroit priest bases his figures upon the testimony of fifteen injured in the hospital at Peru. He questioned them on the matter while ministering to their spiritual needs, and states that they all agreed as to the appalling proportions of the calamity. These Italians had comparatively accurate knowledge as to the number of their countrymen on the train, and after being acquainted with the list of survivors assert that more than a hundred are either dead or unaccounted for. This largely increases the generally accepted estimate of victims and confirms the theory that scores of human bodies were absolutely consumed in the coaches which burned,

Blown to Atoms.

The head of one man was all that Michigamme several weeks ago, has could be found of two workmen who been abandoned on account of the ice. an explosion occurred there Wednesday. The victims were Linus Shiveley and John Nelson. There was who is a sister of his second, only a Senator George E. Nichols must face about a ton and a half of powder in ing caps employed in setting off giant powder. No one knows the cause of the explosion, but it is supposed one of the men dropped a cap on the ground, causing it to explode, as the least jar will set them off. Many windows in Ishpeming and Negaunee were broken by the concussion. The loss to the company will reach several thousand dollars.

Wiseman Gets Life.

On Thursday Henry Wiseman was found guilty of murdering Mrs. Ellen Huss, in Royal Oak, a year ago. The jury was out exactly one hour and 15 minutes. It was learned, however, that only one ballot was taken and the er guilty of murder in the first dehead dropped upon his breast. Prosecuting Attorney Rockwell moved that Judge Smith ordered the prisoner to stand up and he then sentenced him to imprisonment for the rest of his natural life in Marquette prison.

Michigan's Claims.

Senators McMillan and Burrows have promised Ralph W. Stone to do all in their power to assist in collecting the \$30,006 of civil war claims which were rejected by the comptrolauthorizing the secretary of the treasury to investigate Michigan's claims, similar joint resolution will be introduced in the house. It will be left optional with the secretary of the treasury to either approve the claims himself or refer them to a court of claims.

Very Sensational Suicide, The suicide of Nelson Culver in Hamilton Thursday was of a sensational character. He was an inmate since, and had to be watched. Yesterday he was missed from his home, and a search was commenced. He was located in the top of a tamarack tree, 50

feet from the ground, and kept his would-be rescuers at bay by occasional shots from a gun, which he had carried with him. Finally, tiring of the amusement, the poor fellow turned the weapon on himself and blew his brains high in the air for some time before Culver was 40 years old.

Held for Perjury.

Charles H. Beecher, son of George L. Beecher, of Detroit, who declared under oath before Judge Ralston, in the Quarter Session court, Philadelphia. September 13 last, that he was induced to marry Carrie Matson Dear-The smallpox epidemic in Escanaba born, of Boston, in New York last Janshows no signs of abating. A woman of the name of McLain, and her three liquor and opiates, was held in \$1.500 born, of Boston, in New York last Jan- field is 21 years old. hildren have the disease.

An effort will be made to split old

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MINOR MICHIGAN MATTERS.

Sherman, Wexford county, will have twelve street lamps.

A Negaunee hunter got the three deer allowed him with only two shots. The citizens of Iron Mountain will petition for a municipal electric lighting plant.

Thirty thousand dollars has been KING EDWARD'S CORONATION, Both Phones No. 35. raised for the beet sugar factory at Fowlerville.

It is reported that a branch of Dowie's Zion will be started in Grand Haven soon.

Willim Hand was held up and robbed in Howard City by two men Thursday night. What is supposed to be asphaltum

has been discovered at the new mill

race in Buchanan. Beets that have tested 21 per cent of sugar have been raised by farmers

in the vicinity of St. Louis. James Tate was killed at Muskegon Sunday by the bursting of a fly wheel

at the Central Paper Co.'s plant, Lizzie Sheldon, aged 14, of Coldwater, with a revolver that she didn't know was loaded, shot her sister in the shoulder. The girl is paralyzed.

The Kalamazoo telephone girls threaten to strike on account of a new rule by the Michigan Telephone Co. docking them for being late to work. A Washington dispatch conveys the

news that Representative H. C. Smith has selected Frank E. Priddy to succeed "Doc." Smith as postmaster of Chas. Bonnell of Lincoln township escaped from the Kalamazoo insane

to his home. He will be returned to the asylum. Asa Draper, an aged and respected citizen of Franklin township, fell from a buggy Saturday and broke his neck.

asylum and walked all the way back

He died instantly. He was subject to fainting spells. Beginning at midnight on Dec. 30 the Michigan Central road will operate under the general railroad laws of Michigan, which means a 2-cent rate

on the main line, Rep. H. C. Smith, of Michigan, will introduce a bill providing that the postoffice department shall maintain mail boxes in connection with the rural mail delivery service.

Seneca Litchard, the man who was struck by an electric car 25 days ago, is still unconscious at the University hospital. He occasionally mumbles incoherent words.

The Stephenson Lumber Co., of

Walls, Mich., have bought the Kirby-Carpenter Co,'s brick mill complete and will move it to Walls in the spring for use as a hard wood mill. Search for the bodies of George W. and Abel Levin and Emil and Albin

Carison, who were drowned in Lake Alvin T. Hewitt, of Vienna, and Cora Underhill, of Lenawee county, were married at Flint Monday. The groom secured a divorce from his first wife,

month ago. It is expected that the Chicago & Detroit electric line will be running cars to Detroit by spring. Grading on the Battle Creek division has been finished half way from Marshall to Battle Creek.

There are many cases of smallpox in the state which are being treated locally as Cuban itch, cedar itch or chickenpox, and as a consequence the disease is spreading. It is now reported at 73 places. A. Horning's 7-year-old daughter

started a fire with kerosene oil, an explosion followed and the child was covered with blazing oil. Before assistance could reach her she had been literally cooked to death, A Niles policeman named Ullery has published in a local paper a challenge

to F. W. Cook, editor of another paper, to fight a duel to the death, the weapons to be revolvers of 38 calibre. and the distance 10 paces. 'S'death! Belud!

A \$200,000 chemical plant will be erected in St. Louis, and excavations will begin immediately. The old bromide wells will be used and several new ones sunk. The institution will employ 200 men and will run night and day.

After an idleness of several years the Argo flouring mill at Northville is to be opened again. The mill is one of the oldest flour mills in this section of the country, having been built when the country was almost a wilderness.

Many parents of children attending the west side public schools of Bay City have become alarmed by the preand also similar claims by Ohio, Illi- valence of chicken pox among the nois and Indiana, and if they are school children of that district. School found to be all right, to pay them. A rooms are almost deserted as a result of the scare.

Ira Taft, an 18-year-old student of the Webberville high school's last year's graduating class, took laudanum Saturday on account of pique at the Leather, New Amsterdam, Broadway, actions of a 15-year-old school girl who refused his tender of a photograph, H will probably pull through.

The body of A. W. Covert of Owosso, was found setting against a log in of the Kalamazoo asylum a few years the woods near Carland yesterday afternoon, with a shotgun between his knees. The charge had entered his breast. He had announced the purpose of going hunting and is not known to have had any troubles.

Tuesday the supreme court denied the mandamus' asked by Journal Clerk Sam F. Cook of the house, to compel the auditor general to audit his claim out. His body dangled from a limb for mileage from Rock river, Alger county, to Lansing-about \$80. Cook's it could be recovered by his friends. legal residence is in Alger county, but he lives in Lansing.

The crime for which Howard Burchfield, of Charlotte, goes to prison for 10 years is the throwing of a pop bottle into a crowd on Aug. 29, the second day of the Elks' carnival, the missile striking Leonard Green, of Eaton Rapids, eausing a compound fracture of the skull, which resulted in the boy's death 36 hours later. Burch-

Detroit is not the only place in which they have received notice.

NEWS FROM ALL SECTIONS.

The South After One Hundred Mil- Dentistry and Surgery a Specialty Livery, Feed and Sale Barn lion Dollars.

Morse Has Eight New York Banks-Another Consolidation of Bank Interests King Edward's Diamond Orders are 75 Cents Per 100. Dazzling, and so are the Queen's.

The Coronation Costumes.

The designs for the coronation robes have finally been decided on. King Edward will wear a cloth-of-gold under-jacket embroidered with palm branches and the shamrock, rose and thistle. On the king's stole the cross of St. George, the royal crown and the rose, shamrock and thistle will be woven in gold thread. His cape will be a magnificent garment, decorated with silver eagles and fleur-de-lis and the national floral emblems. Over 3,-000 precious stones, diamonds, pearls, rubies, sapphires and emeralds will be included in the king's crown. There will be 1.360 pure white diamonds and 1.270 rose diamonds. The historic ruby which the king of Castile gave to the Black Prince in 1367, and which was subsequently worn by Henry V. at Agincourt, is in the center of the crown placed in the heart of a Maltese cross. The queen will wear robes almost exactly similar to those of Queen Adelaide, which will be brought to Marlborough house from Brodie castle, where they are kept as heirlooms. In spite of their age they are in excellent

Phillipines Domestic Territory. The United States Supreme court teen Diamond Rings Case," and in-States from the Philippine Islands after the exchange of the peace treaty with Spain.

The opinion was handed down by Chief Justice Fuller. The opinion was adverse to the claims of the government on the ground that the Philippine Islands were, at the time the rings were brought in, American territory. Ceasing to be foreign territory, they became domestic territory, he said. The decision in the De Lima Porto Rican cases were cited at length and it was held that the resolutions adopted by congress concerning the Philippines were not sufficient to change the situation.

Mr. Perkins' Journey,

Weather-beaten and traveled-stained after a pilgrimage by wagon and on foot from Wyandotte, Mich., a distance of something like 700 miles, Harvey B. Perkins and his family arrived in Baltimore Wednesday night at the pier of the Baltimore, Chesapeake & Atlantic railway, and took passage on the steamer Avalen for Cambridge, Dorchester county. In the party were Mr. Perkins, his wife, Mrs. Ella B, Perkins, his two sons, Burton H., and Nelbert G. Perkins, and a youth named Lawrence Hills, who joined the cavalcade at Sandusky, O. The family were farmers near Wyan dotte, and are seeking the genial climate of the eastern shore of Maryland in the hope that the health of Mr. Perkins, the elder, may be improved.

A Hundred Million Wanted. At a meeting of prominent citizens of Atlanta, Ga., a movement was inaugurated, the successful termination of which means the enrichment of the south by more than \$100,000,000 for the purpose of educating the people. The object of the plan is to secure the return from the United States government of the money collected from the southern people during the period of reconstruction as cotton tax, and also the fund derived from the sale of captured and abandoned property during and immediately following the civil war. A committee was appointed to present a memorial to congress praying for a return of the tax fund, which it is urged was illegally col-

A Rival of Morgan.

Charles W. Morse, "Ice King," telephone promoter and financier, has obtained control of the National Hide and Leather Bank, making eight banks in New York city where his word is law. This bank is an old one. The eight banks which this new star in the financial firmament absolutely controls are the Hide and Garfield and Commercial, all national banks, and the Bank of the State of New York, Twelfth Ward and Ganevoort banks, state institutions. Their combined capital is \$4,650,000, and the aggregate of their deposits \$32,-318.200.

A Fraud Order.

The Postmaster-General has issued a fraud order against Wilbur S. In an unanimous opinion rendered Graves, of Monroe, Mich., barring him from the use of the mails. According to the department Graves advertised "choice winter apples" at a very low price. To parties who remitted the price no response was made. Graves was called on Nov. 26 to show cause why the fraud order should not be issued, but had left Monroe.

> The State bank of Williamsville Ill., was robbed of \$4,000 in cash and jewelry valued at several thousands of dollars.

William Kasten, of New York, who was about to be ordained a Roman Catholic priest, has married Miss Jennie Steckwell, of Morristown, N. J.

Thomas Paterson Goudie, the bookkeeper of the Bank of Liverpool, who rested.

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THE MERITS OF RECIPROCITY.

President Defends the Workings of the Protective Tariff-Construction of the Nicaraguan Canal Urged, and the Laying of a Cable to Hawaii and the Philippines-Changes in the Present Militia Laws Recommended-The Navy.

A comprehensive synonsis of President Roosevelt's message to Congress is given be-

To the Senate and House of Representatives: To the Senate and House of Representatives:
"The Congress assembles this year under
the shadow of a great calamity. On the sixth
of September, President McKinley was shot
by an anarchist while attending the PanAmerican Exposition at Buffalo, and died in
that city on the fourteenth of that month.
"Of the last seven elected Presidents, he is
the third who has been murdered, and the
bare recital of this fact is sufficient to justify grave alarm among all loyal American
citizens. Moreover, the circumstances of this,
the third assassination of an American President, have a peculiarly sinister significance. dent, have a peculiarly sinister significance. Both President Lincoln and President Gar-field were killed by assassins of types unfortunately not uncommon in history. President Lincoln falling a victim to the terrible passions aroused by four years of civil war, and President Garfield to the revengeful vanity of a disappointed office-seeker. President McKinley was killed by an utterly depraved criminal belonging to that body of criminals who object to all governments, good and bad who object to all governments, good and had alike, who are against any form of popular liberty if it is guaranteed by even the most just and liberal laws, and who are as hostile to the upright exponent of a free people's sober will as to the tyrannical and irresponsi-

It is not too much to say that at the time of President McKinley's death he was the most widely loved man in all the United States; while we have never had any public man of his position who has been so wholly free from the bitter animosities incident to public life. There could be no personal hatred of him, for he never acted with aught but consideration for the welfare of others. No one could fail to respect him who knew him in public or private life. The defenders of those murdererous criminals who seek to excuse their criminality by asserting that it is exercised for political ends, inveigh against wealth and irresponsible power. But for this assassination even this base apology cannot be urged."

The President speaks in the highest terms of the personal and public virtues of Mr. Mc-Kinley. Describing the nature of the assas-sination and the motive that inspired it, the message continues:

Motive of the Assassin-

"The blow was aimed not at this President, but at all Presidents at every symbol of government. The anarchist, and especially the anarchist in the United States, is merely one type of criminal, more dangerous than any other because he represents the same depravity in a greater degree. The man who advocates anarchy directly or indirectly, in any shape or fashion, or the man who apologizes for anarchists and their deeds, makes himself morally accessory to murder before the fact. The anarchist is a criminal whose the fact. The anarchist is a criminal whose perverted instincts lead him to prefer confu-sion and chaos to the most beneficent form of social order. His protest of concern for workingmen is outrageous in its impudent falsity; for if the political institutions of this country do not afford opportunity to every honest and intelligent son of toil, then the door of hope is forever closed against him. The anarchist is everywhere not merely the enemy of system and progress, but the deadly foe of liberty. If ever anarchy is triumphant its triumph will last for but one red moment, to be succeeded for ages by the

gloomy night of despotism. Would Exclude Anarchists.

"I earnestly recommend to the Congress that in the exercise of its wise discretion it thould take into consideration the coming to this country of anarchists or persons professing principles hostile to all government and justifying the murder of those placed in authority. No matter calls more urgently

for the wisest thought of the Congress.

"The Federal courts should be given jurisdiction over any man who kills or attempts to kill the President or any man who by the Constitution or by-law is in line of succession for the Presidency, while the punishment for an unsuccessful attempt should be proportioned to the enormity of the offense against our institutions.

"Anarchy is a crime against the whole human race; and all mankind should band against the anarchist. His crime should be made an offense against the law of nations, like piracy and that form of manstealing known as the slave trade for it is of far blacker infamy than either. It should be so declared by treaties among all civilized pow-

The Trust Problem.

"The tremendous and highly complex industrial development which went on with ever accelerated rapidity during the latter half of the nineteenth century brings us face to face, at the beginning of the twentieth, with very serious social problems. The old laws, and the old customs which had almost the binding force of law, were once quite sufficient to regulate the accumulation and distribution of wealth. Since the industrial changes which have so enormously increased the productive power of mankind, they are no longer sufficient.

orthe creation of great corporate fortunes has not been due to the tariff nor to any other governmental action, but to natural causes in the business world, operating in other countries as they operate in our own.
"It is not true that as the rich have grown richer the poor have grown poorer. On the contrary, never before has the average man, the wage-worker, the farmer, the small trader, been so well off as in this country and at the present time. There have been abuses connected with the accumulation of wealth; yet it remains true that a fortune accumu-ated only on condition of conferring immense incidental benefits upon others. Suc-cessful enterprise, of the type which benefits all mankind, can only exist if the conditions are such as to offer great prizes as the re-

wards of success. The captains of industry who have driver the railway systems across this continent, who have built up our commerce, who have developed our manufactures, have on the whole done great good to our people. Without them the material development of which we are so justly proud could never have taken place. Moreover, we should recognize taken piace. Moreover, we should recognize the immense importance to this material development of leaving as unhampered as is compatible with the public good the strong and forceful men upon whom the success of business operations inevitably rests.

Caution Is Urged.

"An additional reason for caution in dealing with corporations is to be found in the international commercial conditions of to-The same business conditions have produced the great aggregations of cor-porate and individual wealth have made them very potent factors in international commer-cial competition. America has only just begun to assume that commanding position in the international business world which we believe will more and more be hers. It is of the utmost importance that this position be not jeeparded, especially at a time when the overflowing abundance of our own natural resources and the skill, business energy, and mechanical aptitude of our people make foreign markets essential. Under such conditions it would be most unwise to cramp or to fetter the youthful strength of our

'Disaster to great business enterprises can never have its effects limited to the men at the top. It spreads throughout, and while it is bad for everybody, it is worst for those farthest down. The capitalist may be shorn of his luxuries; but the wage-worker may

latem will generally be both unwise and inenotive unless undertaken after calm inquiry are with sober self-restraint. Much of the ar. with sober self-resiraint. Much of the legislation directed at the trusts would have been exceedingly mischievous had it not also been entirely ineffective. In dealing with business interests, for the government to undertake by crude and ill-considered legislation to do what may turn out to be bad, would be to incur the risk of such far-reaching national disaster that it would be preferable to undertake anti-national

able to undertake nothing at all.

"All this is true; and yet it is also true that there are real and grave evils, one of the chief being over-capitalization because of its many baleful consequences; and a resolute and practical effort must be made to

Government Supervision. "It is no limitation upon property rights or freedom of contract to require that when or freedom of contract to require that when men receive from government the privilege of doing business under corporate form, which frees them from individual responsibility, and enables them to call into their enterprises the capital of the public, they shall do so upon absolutely truthful representations as to the value of the property in which the capital is to be invested. Corporations engaged in interstate commerce should be regulated if they are found to exercise a license working to the public injury. It should be as much the aim of those who seek for social betterment to rid the business world of crimes of cunning as to rid the entire body politic of crimes of violence. Great corporations exist only because they are created tions exist only because they are created and safeguarded by our institutions and it is therefore our right and our duty to see that they work in harmony with these insti-

Publicity Remedy for Trusts.

"The first essential in determining how to deal with the great industrial combinations is knowledge of the facts—publicity. In the interest of the public, the government should have the right to inspect and examine the workings of the great corporations engaged in interstate business. Publicity is the only sure remedy which we can now invoke. What further remedies are needed in the way of governmental regulation, or taxation, can only be determined after publicity has been obtained, by process of law, and in the course of administration. The first requisite is knowledge, full and complete—knowledge which may be made public to the world.
"Artificial bodies, such as corporations and

joint stock or other associations, depending upon any statutory law for their existence or privileges, should be subject to proper governmental supervision, and full and accurate information as to their operations should be made public regularly at reasonable intervals. "The large corporations, commonly called trusts, though organized in one state, always do business in many states, often doing very little business in the state where they are incorporated. There is utter lack of uniformity in the state laws about them; and as no state has any exclusive interest in or power over their acts, it has in practice proved im-possible to get adequate regulation through state action. Therefore, in the interest of the whole people, the Nation should, without in-terfering with the power of the states in the matter itself, also assume power of super-vision and regulation over all corporations doing an interstate business. This is especally true where the corporation derives a portion of its wealth from the existence of me monopolistic element or tendency in its usiness. There would be no hardship in such supervision banks are subject to it, and in their case it is now accepted as a simple matter of course. Indeed, it is probable that supervision of corporations by the National government need not go so far as is now the case with the supervision exercised over them

in order to produce excellent results.
"I believe that a law can be framed which will enable the National government to exercise control along the lines above indicated; profiting by the experience gained through the passage and administration of the Interstate-Commerce Act. If, however, the judg-ment of the Congress is that it lacks the constitutional power to pass such an act, then a constitutional amendment should be

by so conservative a state as Massachusetts,

submitted to confer the power.

"There should be created a Cabinet officer, to be known as Secretary of Commerce and Industries, as provided in the bill introduced at the last session of the Congress. It should be his province to deal with commerce in its broadest sense including among many other things whatever concerns labor and all matters affecting the great business corporations and our merchant marine.

Restriction on Immigration.

"With the sole exception of the farming interest, no one matter is of such vital mo-ment to our whole people as the welfare of the wage-workers. If the farmer and the wage-worker are well off, it is absolutely certain that all others will be well off, too. It is therefore a matter for hearty congratu-lation that on the whole wages are higher to-day in the United States than ever before in our history, and far higher than in any other country. The standard of living is also higher than ever before. Every effort of leg-islator and administrator should be bent to secure the permanency of this condition of things and its improvement wherever possi-ble. Not only must our labor be protected by the tariff, but it should also be protected so far as it is possible from the presence in this country of any laborers brought over by contract, or of those who, coming freely, yet represent a standard of living so depressed that they can undersell our men in the labor market and drag them to a lower level. I regard it as necessary, with this end in view, to re-enact immediately the law excluding Chinese laborers and to strength-

en it wherever necessary in order to make its enforcement entirely effective.

"So far as practicable under the conditions of government work, provision should be made to render the enforcement of the eighthour law easy and certain. In all indus-tries carried on directly or indirectly for the United States government women and chil-dren should be protected from excessive hours of labor, from night work, and from

work under unsanitary conditions.
"The most vital problem with which this country, and for that matter the whole civ-ilized world, as to deal, is the problem which has for one side the betterment of social conditions, moral and physical, in large cities, and for another side the effort to deal cities, and for another side the effort to deal with the tangle of far-reaching questions which we group together when we speak of "labor." Very great good has been and will be accomplished by associations or unions of wage-workers, when managed with forethought, and when they combine insistence upon their own rights with law-abiding report for the rights of others. The display of spect for the rights of others. The display of these qualities in such bodies is a duty to the Nation no less than to the associations themselves. Finally, there must also in many cases be action by the government in order to safeguard the rights and interests of all. Under our Constitution there is much more scope for such action by the state and the municipality than by the Nation. But on points such as those touched on above the

National government can act.
"Our present immigration laws are unsate isfactory. We need every honest and effi-cient immigrant fitted to become an American citizen, every immigrant who comes here to stay, who brings here a strong body, a stout heart, a good head, and a resolute purpose to do his duty well in every way and to bring up his children as law-abiding and God-fearing members of the community. But there should be a comprehensive law enact-ed with the object of working a threefold improvement over our present system. First, we should aim to exclude absolutely not only all persons who are known to be believers in anarchistic principles or members of an-archistic societies, but also all persons who are of a low moral tendency or of unsavory reputation. This means that we should re-quire a more thorough system of inspection abroad and a more rigid system of examina-tion at our immigration ports, the former be-

ing especially necessary.

The second object of a proper immigration law ought to be to secure by a careful and not merely perfunctory educational test some intelligent capacity to appreciate Amer-ican institutions and act sanely as Ameri-can citizens. This would not keep out all anarchists, for many of them belong to the intelligent criminal class. But it would do wnat is also in point, that is, tend to decrease the sum of ignorance, so potent in producing the envy, suspicion, malignant passion, and hatred of order, out of which anarchistic sentiment inevitably springs. Finally, all persons should be excluded who are below a certain standard of economic fitness to enter our industrial field as competitors with American labor. There should be proper proof of personal capacity to earn an American living and enough money to in-sure a decent start under American condi-tions. This would stop the influx of cheap labor, and the resulting competition which gives rise to so much of bitterness in American industrial life; and it would dry up the springs of the pestilential social conditions in our great cities, where anarchistic organizations have their greatest possibility of

Question of Reciprocity.

"There is general acquiesence in our present tariff system as a national policy. The first requisite to our prosperity is the continuity and stability of this economic policy. Nothing could be more unwise than to dis-turb the business interests of the country by any general tariff change at this time. Doubt,

ence in the past has shown that sweeping revisions of the tariff are apt to produce conditions closely approaching panic is the business world. Yet it is not only possible, but eminently desirable, to combine with the but eminently desirable, to combine with the stability of our economic system a supplementary system of reciprocal benefit and obligation with other nations. Such reciprocity is an incident and result of the firm establishment and preservation of our present economic policy. It was specially provided for in the present tariff law.

"Our first duty is to see that the protection granted by the tariff in every case where it is needed is maintained, and that reciprocity be sought for so far as it can safely be done

is needed is maintained, and that reciprocity be sought for so far as it can safely be done without injury to our home industries. Jus ing to the individual case, remembering al-ways that every application of our tariff pol-icy to meet our shifting national needs must be conditioned upon the cardinal fact that the duties must never be reduced below the point that will cover the difference between the labor cost here and abroad. The well-being of the ways ways were labor as a name of the cardinal fact that the duties must be a second or the second of the second or the second of the second or the secon of the wage-worker is a prime consideration of our entire policy of economic legislation. "Subject to this proviso of the proper pro-tection necessary to our industrial well-being at home, the principle of reciprocity must command our hearty support. The pheno-menal growth of our export trade emphasizes the urgency of the need for wider markets and for a liberal policy in dealing with foreign nations. Whatever is merely petty and vexatious in the way of trade restrictions should be avoided. The customers to whom should be avoided. The customers to whom we dispose of our surplus products in the long run, directly or indirectly, purchase those surplus products by giving us something in return. Their ability to purchase our products should as far as possible be secured by so arranging our tariff as to enable us to take from them those products which we can use without here to come our products. which we can use without harm to our own industries and labor, or the use of which will be of marked benefit to us. "We have now reached the point in the development of our interests where we are

not only able to supply our own markets but to produce a constantly growing surplus for which we must find markets abroad. To secure these markets we can utilize existing duties in any case where they are no longer needed for the purpose of protetion, or in an needed for the purpose of protetion, or in any case where the article is not produced here and the duty is no longer necessary for revenue, as giving us something to offer in exchange for what we ask. The cordial relations with other nations which are so desirable will naturally be promoted by the course thus required by our own interests. "The natural line of development for a policy of reciprocity will be in connection with those of our productions which no longwith those of our productions which no long er require all of the support once needed to establish them upon a sound basis, and with those others where either because of natural or of economic causes we are beyond the reach of successful competition. "I ask the attention of the Senate to the reciprocity treaties laid before it by my pre-

Our Merchant Marine. "The condition of the American merchant marine is such as to call for immediate remedial action by the Congress. It is discreditable to us as a Nation that our merchant marine should be utterly insignificant in comparison to that of other nations which we overtop in other forms of business."

'American shipping is under certain great American shipping is under disadvantages when put in competition with the shipping of foreign countries. Many of the fast foreign steamships, at a speed of fourteen knots or above, are subsidized; and all our ships, sailing vessels and steamers alike, cargo carriers of slow speed and mail carriers of high speed, have to meet the fact that the original cost of building American ships is greater than is the case abroad that the wages paid American officers and seamen are very much higher than those paid the officers and seamen of foreign competing countries; and that the standard of living on our ships is far superior to the standard of living on the ships of our commercial rivals. "Our government should take such action as will remedy these inequalities. The American merchant marine should be restored to

the ocean. "The Act of March 14, 1900, intended un equivocally to establish gold as the standard money and to maintain at a parity therewith all forms of money medium in use with us, has been shown to be timely and judicious.
The price of our government bonds in the
world's market, when compared with the
price of similar obligations issued by other nations, is a flattering tribute to our public credit. This condition it is eminently desir-

able to maintain. "It many respects the National Banking Law furnishes sufficient liberty for the proper exercise of the banking function but there seems to be need of better safeguards against the deranging influence of commercial crises and financial panics. Moreover, the currency of the country should be made responsive to the demands of our domestic trade and

Reduction of Revenues.

"The collections from duties on imports and internal taxes continue to exceed the ordinary expenditures. The utmost care should be taken not to reduce the revenues so that thre will be any possibility of a deficit; but, after providing against any such contingency, means should be adopted which will bring the revenues more nearly within the limit of our

actual needs. "I call special attention to the need of strice economy in expenditures. The fact that our national needs forbid us to be niggardly in providing whatever is actually necessary to our well-being, should make us doubly careful to husband our national resources, as each of us husbands his private resources, by scrupulous avoidance of anything like wasteful or reckless expenditure.

Regulation of Railroads. In 1887 a measure was enacted for the reg

ulation of interstate railways, commo cardinal provisions of that act were that railway rates should be just and reasonable and that all shippers, localities, and commodities should be accorded equal treatment. A what were supposed to be the necessary pow-ers to execute the provisions of this act. "That law was largely an experiment. Ex-

perience has shown the wisdom of its pur-poses, but has also shown, possibly that some of its requirements are wrong, certainly that the means devised for the enforcement of its provisions are defective. 'The act should be amended. The railway

is a public servant. Its rates should be just to and open to all shippers alike. The government should see to it that within its furis diction this is so and should provide a speedy inexpensive, and effective remedy to that end At the same time it must not be forgotten that our railways are the arteries through which the commercial lifeblood of this nation flows Nothing could be more foolish than the enactment of legislation which would unnecessarily interfere with the development and operation of these commercial agencies. The subject is one of great importance and calls for the earnest attention of the Congress.

The message points out the value of American forests and the necessity for their conservation, and urges the construction and

maintenance of reservoirs and irrigating systems for the reclamation of the arid lands of the West. Of the water rights it says: "In the arid states the only right to water which should be recognized is that of use. In irrigation this right should attach to the land reclaimed and be inseparable therefrom Granting perpetual water rights to others than users, without compensation to the public, is open to all the objections which apply to giving away perpetual franchises to the public utilities of cities. A few of the Western states have already recognized this and have incorporated in their constitutions the doctrine of perpetual state ownership of

water. Development of Hawail.

"Our aim should be not simply to reclaim the largest area of land and provide homes for the largest number of people, but to create for this new industry the best possible social and industrial conditions; and this requires that we not only understand the existing situation, but avail ourselves of the best experience of the time in the solution of its problems. A careful study should be made, both by the nation and the states, of the irigation laws and conditions here and abroad. Ultimately it will probably be neces-sary for the nation to co-operate with the several arid states in proportion as these states by their legislation and administration show themselves fit to receive it.

"In Hawaii our aim must be to develop the territory on the traditional American lines. We do not wish a region of large cities tilled by cheap labor; we wish a healthy American community of men who themselves till the farms they own. All our legislation for the islands should be shaped with this end in view; the well-being of the average home-maker must afford the true test of the healthy development of the islands. The land policy should as nearly as possible be

"It is a pleasure to say that it is hardly more necessary to report as to Porto Rico than as to any state or territory within our continental limits. The island is thriving as never before, and it is being administered efficiently and honestly. Its people are now enjoying liberty and order under the protection of the United States, and upon this we rejoice over the good fortune of any of

any other portion of our country. given them the great gift of free access for their products to the markets of the United States. I ask the attention of the Congress to the need of legislation concerning the pub-lic lands of Porto Rico.

Progress in Cuba.

"In Cuba such progress has been made to-ward putting the independent government of the island upon a firm footing that before the present session of the Congress closes this will be an accomplished fact. Cuba will then start as her own mistress; and to the beautiful Queen of the Antilles, as she unfolds this new page of her destiny, we extend our heartiest greetings and good wishes. Else-where I have discussed the question of reciprocity. In the case of Cuba, however, there weighty reasons of morality and of national interest why the policy should be held to have a peculiar application, and I most earnestly ask your attention to the wisdom, indeed to the vital need, of providing for a substantial reduction in the tariff duties on Cuban imports into the United States. Cuba has in her constitution affirmed what we de sired, that she should stand, in international with us than with any other power; and we are bound by every consideration of honor and expediency to pass commercial measures in the interest of her material well-being.

The Philippine Problem.

"In the Philippines our problem is larger, They are very rich tropical islands, inhabited by many varying tribes, representing widely different stages of progress toward civilization. Our earnest effort is to help these people upward along the stony and difficult path that leads to self-government. We hope to make our administration of the islands honorable to our nation by making it of the highest benefit to the Filipinos themselves; and as an earnest of what we intend to do, we point to what we have done. Al-ready a greater measure of material prosperity and of governmental honesty and effici-ency has been attained in the Philippines

than ever before in their history.
"In dealing with the Philippine people we must show both patience and strength, for-bearance and steadfast resolution. Our aim is high. We do not desire to do for the islanders merely what has elsewhere been do for tropic peoples by even the best foreign governments. W hope to do for them what has never before been done for any people of the tropics—to make them fit for self-government after the fashion of the really

ree nations.
"To leave the islands at this time would mean that they would fall into a welter of murderous anarchy. Such desertion of duty on our part would be a crime against hu-manity. The character of Governor Taft and of his associates and subordinates is a proof, if such be needed, of the sincerity of our ef-fort to give the islanders a constantly increasing measure of self-government, exactly as fast as they show themselves fit to exercise it. Since the civil government was es-tablished not an appointment has been made in the islands with any reference to consider-ations of political influence, or to aught else save the fitness of the man and the needs of the service.

'There are still troubles ahead in the islands. The insurrection has become an affair of local banditti and marauders, who deserve no higher regard than the brigands of por tions of the old world. Encouragement, rect or indirect, to these insurrectos stands on the same footing as encouragement to hostile Indians in the days when we still had In-dian wars. As we will do everything in our power for the Filipino who is peaceful, we will take the sternest measures with the Filipines who follow the path of the insurrecto and the ladrone.

"The time has come when there should be

additional legislation for the Philippines Nothing better can be done for the islands than to introduce industrial enterprises. than to introduce industrial enterprises. Nothing would benefit them so much as throwing them open to industrial development. It is therefore necessary that the Congress should pass laws by which the re-sources of the islands can be developed; so that franchises (for limited terms of years) can be granted to companies doing business in them, and every encouragement be given to the incoming of business men of every

kind.
"I call your attention most earnestly to the Philippines, to be continued from the Philippines to points in Asia. We should not defer a day longer than necessary the construction of such a cable. It is demanded not merely for commercial but for political and military considerations.
"Either the Congress should immediately

provide for the construction of a government cable, or else an arrangement should be made by which like advantages to those accruing from a government cable may be secured to the government by contract with private cable company.

Recommends Nicaraguan Canal.

"No single great material work which remains to be undertaken on this continent is of such consequence to the American people as the building of a canal across the Isthmus connecting North and South America. While its beneficial effects would perhaps be most marked upon the Pacific coast and the and South Atlantic states, it would also greatly benefit other sections. It is em-phatically a work which it is for the interest of the entire country to begin and complete as soon as possible; it is one of those great works which only a great nation can undertake with prospects of success, and which when done are not only permanent assets in the nation's material interests, but standing monuments to its constructive ability.
"I am glad to be able to announce to you that our negotiations on this subject with Great Britain, conducted on both sides in a spirit of friendliness and mutual good will and respect, have resulted in my being able to lay before the Senate a treaty which if ratified will enable us to begin preparation for an Isthmian canal at any time, a: which

guarantees to this nation every right that it has ever asked in connection with the canal. In this treaty, the old Clayton-Bul-wer treaty, so long recognized as inadequate to supply the base for the construction and maintenance of a nacessarily American ship canal, is abrogated. It specifically provides that the United States alone shall do the work of building and assume the responsi-bility of safeguarding the canal and shall regulate its neutral use by all nations on terms of equality without the guaranty or interference of any outside nation from any quarter. The signed treaty will at once be laid before the Senate, and if approved the Congress can then proceed to give effect to the advantages it secures us by providing for the building of the canal.
"The true end of every great and free peo-

ple should be self-respecting peace; and this nation most earnestly desires sincere and cordial friendship with all others. Over the entire world, of recent years, wars between the great civilized powers have become less and less frequent. Wars with barbarous or and less frequent. Wars with barbarous of smi-barbarous peoples come in an entirely different category, being merely a most regrettable but necessary international police duty which must be performed for the sake of the welfare of mankind. Peace can only be kept with certainty where both sides wish to keep it; but more and more the civilized peoples are realizing the wicked folly of war and are attaining that condition of just and intelligent regard for the rights of others which will in the end, as we hope and believe, make world-wide peace possible. The peace conference at The Hague gave definite expression to this hope and belief and marked a stride toward their attainment.

The Monroe Doctrine

"This same peace conference acquiesced in our statement of the Monroe doctrine as compatible with the purposes and aims of

the conference.
"The Monroe doctrine should be the dinal feature of the foreign policy of all the nations of the two Americas, as it is of the United States. The doctrine is a declaration that there must be no territorial ag-grandizement by any non-American power at the expense of any American power on American soil. It is in no wise intended as hostile to any nation in the old world. Still less is it intended to give cover to any aggression by one new world power at the expense of any other. It is simply a step, and a long step, toward assuring the universal peace of the world by securing the possibility of perthe world by securing the possibility of permanent peace on this hemisphere.

"This doctrine has nothing to do with the commercial relations of any American power,

save that it in truth allows each of them to form such as it desires. In other words, it is really a guaranty of the commercial in-dependence of the Americas. We do not ask under this doctrine for any exclusive com-mercial dealings with any other American state. We do not guarantee any state against punishment if it misconducts itself, pro-vided that punishment does not take the orm of the acquisition of territory by any

non-American power.
"Our attitude in Cuba is a sufficient guaranty of our own good faith. We have not of als luxuries; but the wage-worker may be deprived of even bare necessities.

"In facing new industrial conditions, the whole history of the world shows that legis"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"No other citizens deserve so well of the mercial and material well-being. Our experi"Their material well-being. Our experi"Their material into indus"Their material well-being. Our experi"Their material well-being

trial or political chaos. We do not wish to see any old world military power grow up on this continent, or to be compelled to become a military power ourselves. The peoples of the American can prosper best if left to work our their own salvation in their own way.

Powerful Navy Urged.

"The work of upbuilding the navy must be steadily continued. Whether we desire it or not, we must henceforth recognize that we have international duties no less than international rights. Even if our flag were hauled down in the Philippines and Porto Rico, even if we decided not to build the Isthmian canal, we should need a thoroughly trained navy of adequate size, or else be prepared definitely and for all time to abandon the idea that our nation is among those whose sons go down to the sea in ships. Unless our commerce is always to be carried in for-eign bottoms, we must have war craft to

"So far from being in any way a provocation to war, an adequate and highly trained navy is the best guaranty against war, the cheapest and most effective peace insurance. The cost of building and maintaining such a cheapest are the way lightest premium navy represents the very lightest premium for insuring paece which this nation can

possibly pay.

"Probably no other great nation in the world is so anxious for peace as we are.

There is not a single civilized power which has anything whatever to fear from has anything whatever to fear from aggressiveness on our part. All we want is peace; and toward this end we wish to be able to secure the same respect for our rights in return, to insure fair treatment to us commercially, and to guarantee the safety of the American people.

"Our people intend to abide by the Monroe doctrine and to insist upon it as the one sure means of securing the peace of the Western hemisphere. The navy offers us the only means of making our insistence upon

only means of making our insistence upon the Monroe doctrine anything but a sub-ject of derision to whatever nation chooses to disregard it. We desire the peace which comes as of right to the just man armed; not the peace granted on terms of ignominy to the craven and the weakling.
"It is not possible to improvise a navy
after war breaks out. The ships must be

built and the men trained long in advance. In the late war with Spain the ships that dealt the decisive blows at Manila and San-tiago had been launched from two to fourteen years, and they were able to do as they did because the men in the conning towers, the gun turrets and the engine-rooms had through long years of practice at sea learned how to do their duty.
"It was forethought and preparation which

secured us the overwhelming triumph of 1898. If we fall to show forethought and prepara-tion now, there may come a time when dis-aster will befall us instead of triumph; and should this time come, the fault will rest primarily, not upon those whom the accident of events puts in supreme command at the moment, but upon those who have failed to prepare in advance.
"There should be no cessation in the work

of completing our navy. It is unsafe and unwise not to provide this year for several additional battleships and heavy armored cruisers, with auxiliary and lighter craft in proportion; for the exact numbers and char-acter I refer you to the report of the Secretary of the Navy. But there is something we need even more than additional ships, and this is additional officers and men. To provide battleships and cruisers and then lay them up, with the expectation of leaving them unmanned until they are needed in actual war, would be worse than folly; it would be a crime against the nation.
"To send any warship against a competent

enemy unless those aboard 't have been trained by years of actual sea service, intrained by years of actual sea service, in-cluding incessant gunnery practice, would be to invite not merely disaster, but the bitterest shame and humiliation. Four thousand additional seamen and one thousand addi-tional marines should be provided; and an increase in the officers should be provided by making a large addition to the classes at

Our Present Naval Force.

"We now have seventeen battleships appropriated for, of which nine are completed and have been commissioned for actual service. The remaining eight will be ready in from two to four years, but it will take at east that time to recruit and train the men to fight them. It is of vast concern that we have trained crews ready for the vessels by the time they are commissioned. Good ships and good guns are simply good weapons, and the best weapons are useless save in the hands of men who know how to fight with them. The men must be trained and drilled under a thorough and well-planned system of progressive instruction, while the recruiting must be carried on with still greater

The naval militia forces are state organiations, and are trained for coast service, and in event of war they will constitute the inner line of defense. They should receive hearty encouragement from the general government. "But in addition we should at once pro-vide for a National Naval Reserve, organized and trained under the direction of the Navy Department, and subject to the call of the Chief Executive whenever war becomes immi-nent. It should be a real auxiliary to the naval seagoing peace establishment, and of-fer material to be drawn on at once for manning our ships in time of war. It should be composed of graduates of the Naval Academy, graduates of the Naval Militia, officers and crews of coast-line steamers, longshore schooners, fishing vessels and steam yachts, together with the coast population about such centers as life-saving stations and light-

Need for Power'ul Navy.

"The American people must either build and maintain an adequate navy or else make up their minds definitely to accept a secdary position in international affairs, not merely in political, but in commercial, matters. It has been well said that there is no surer way of courting national disaster than 'opulent, aggressive, and unarmed.' 'It is not necessary to increase our army beyond its present size at this time. But it is necessary to keep it at the highest point of efficiency

Every effort should be made to bring the army to a constantly increasing state of efficiency. When on actual service no work save that directly in the line of such service should be required. The paper work in the army, as in the navy, should be greatly reduced. What is needed is proved power of command and capacity to work well in the field. Constant care is necessary to prevent dry rot in the transportation and commissary departments.
"The Congress should provide means where-

by it will be possible to have field exercises by at least a division of regulars, and if ssible also a division of national guards men, once a year.

"Only actual handling and providing for men in masses while they are marching, camping, embarking, and disembarking, will it be possible to train the higher officers to perform their duties well and smoothly "A great debt is owing from the public to the men of the army and navy. They should be so treated as to enable them to reach the highest point of efficiency, so that they may be able to respond instantly to any demand made upon them to sustain the interests of the nation and the honor of the flag. The individual American enlisted man is probably on the whole a more formidable fighting man than the regular of any other army. Every consideration should be shown him, and in return the highest standard of usefulness should be exacted from him. It is well worth while for the Congress to con sider whether the pay of enlisted men upon second and subsequent enlistments should not be increased to correspond with the increased value of the veteran soldier.

Militia Laws Obsolete. "Action should be taken in reference to the

militia and to the raising of volunteer forces. Our militia law is obsolete and worthless. The organization and armament of the National Guard of the several states, which are treated as militia in the appropriations by the Congress, should be made identical with those provided for the regular forces. The obligations and duties of the Guard in time obligations and duties of the Guard in time of war should be carefully defined, and a system established by law under which the method of procedure of raising volunteer forces should be prescribed in advance. It is utterly impossible in the excitement and haste of impending war to do this satisfaction. torily if the arrangements have not been made long beforehand. Provision should be made for utilizing in the first volunteer organizations called out the training of those citizens who have already had experience under arms, and especially for the selection in advance of the officers of any force which may be raised; for careful selection of the kind necessary is impossible after the out-"That the army is not at all a mere in-strument of destruction has been shown dur-

ing the last three years. In the Philippines, Cuba and Porto Rico it has proved itself a great constructive force, a most potent implement for the upbuilding of a peaceful civ-

ilization.

those who saved the union. They did the one deed which if left undone would have meant that all else in our history went for meant that all else in our history went for nothing. But for their steadfast prowess in the greatest crisis of our history, all our annals would be meaningless, and our great experiment in popular freedom and self-government a gloomy failure. Moreover, they not only left us a united nation, but they left us also as a heritage the memory of the mighty deeds by which the nation was kept united. We are now indeed one nation, one in fact as well as in name; we are united in our devotion to the flag which is the symbol of all national greatness and unity; and bol of all national greatness and unity; and the very completeness of our union enables us all, in every part of the country, to glory in the valor shown alike by the sons of the North and the sons of the South in the times that tried men's souls.

Merit System Endorsed.

"The merit system of making appointments is in its essence as democratic and American as the common schools system itself. It sim-ply means that in clerical and other positions where the duties are entirely non-political, all applicants should have a fair field and no favor, each standing on his merits as he is able to show them by practical test. Written competitive examinations offer the only available means in many cases for applying this system. In other cases, as where la-borers are employed, a system of registra-tion undoubtedly can be widely extended. There are, of course, places where the writ-ten competitive examination caunot be applied, and others where it offers by no means an ideal solution, but where under existing political conditions it is, though an imperfect means, yet the best present means of get-ting satisfactory results.

"It is important to have this system obtain at home, but it is even more important to have it applied rigidly in our insular possessions. The administration of these islands should be as wholly free from the suspicion of partisan politics as the administration of the army and navy. All that we ask from the public servant in the Philippines or Porto Rico is that he reflect honor on his country by the way in which he makes that country's rule a benefit to the peoples who have come under it. This is all that we should ask, and we cannot afford to be content with

Treatment of Indians

The message points out the defects in our present consular service, and recommends the passage of bills now before Congress that will increase its efficiency. Of the Indian

"In my judgment the time has arrived when we should definitely make up our minds to recognize the Indian as an individual and not as a member of a tribe. The General Allotment Act is a mighty pulverizing engine to break up the tribal mass. It acts directly upon the family of the individual. Under its provisions some sixty thousand Indians have already become citizens of the United States. We should now break up the tribal funds, doing for them what allotment does for the tribal lands; that is, they should be divided into individual holdings. A stop should be put upon the indiscriminate per-mission to Indians to lease their allotments. The effort should be steadily to make the Indian work like any other man on his own ground. The marriage laws of the Indians should be made the same as those of the

whites. "In dealing with the aboriginal races few things are more important than to preserve them from the terrible physical and moral degradation resulting from the liquor traf-fic. We are doing all we can to save our own Indian tribes from this evil. Wherever by international agreement this same end can be attained as regards races where we do not possess exclusive control, every effort should

be made to bring it about.

"I bespeak the most cordial support from the Congress and the people for the St. Louis Exposition to Commemorate the One Hundredth Anniversary of the Louisiana Pur-chase. This purchase was the greatest instance of expansion in our history. It definitely decided that we were to become a great continental republic, by far the foremost power in the Western Hemisphere. The national government should be represented at the exposition by a full and complete set of exhibits.

ergy and civic spirit, are carrying on an exposition which will continue throughout most of the present session of the Congress. I heartily commend this exposition to the good will of the people. It deserves all the succuragement that can be given it.

"For the sake of good administration, sound concern, and the succession, and the succession of salescents."

economy, and the advancement of science, the Census Office as now constituted should be made a permanent government bureau. This would insure better, cheaper and more satisfactory work, in the interest not only of our business but of statistic, economic and social science.

Growth of Postal Service,

"The remarkable growth of the postal ser vice is shown in the fact that its revenues have doubled and its expenditures have nearly doubled within twelve years. Its progressive development compels constantly increasing outlay, but in this period of business energy and prosperity its receipts grow so much faster than its expenses that the annual deficit has been steadily reduced from \$11,411,-779 in 1897 to \$3,923,727 in 1901. Among recent postal advances the success of rural free delivery wherever established has been so marked, and actual experience has made its benefits so plain, that the demand for its ex-

tension is general and urgent.

'It is just that the great agricultural population should share in the improvement of the service. The number of rural routes now in operation is 6,009, practically all established within three years, and there are 6,000 applications awaiting action. It is expected that the number in operation at the close of the current fiscal year will reach 8,600. The mail will then be daily carried to the doors of 5,700,000 of our people who have heretofore been dependent upon distant offices, and onethird of all that portion of the country which is adapted to it will be covered by this kind of service.

Second-Class Mail Matter.

"The full measure of postal progress which might be realized has long been hampered and obstructed by the heavy burden imposed on the government through the intrenched and well-understood abuses which have grown up in connection with second class mail watter. The extent of this burden appears the state of the state of the state. pears when it is stated that while the second-class matter makes nearly three-fifths of the veight of all the mail, it paid for the last freel year only \$4,294,445 of the aggregate postal revenue of \$111,631,193. If the pound rate of postage, which produces the large loss thus entailed, and which was fixed by the congress with the purpose of encouraging the dissemination of public information, were limited to the legitimate newspapers and periodicals actually contemplated by the i w, no just exception could be taken. That excense would be the recognized and accepted cost of a liberal public policy de-liberatel, adopted for a justifiable end. But much of be matter which enjoys the privi-leged rate is wholly outside of the intent of the law, and has secured admission only through an evasion of its requirements or through lax construction. The proportion of by postal experts to be one-half of the whole volume of recond-class mail. If it be only one-third of one-quarter, the magnitude of the burdet te apparent. The Postoffice Department The now undertaken to remove the

abuses so far as is possible by a stricter application of the law; and it should be sustained in its effort."

"We view with lively interest and keen hopes of befencial results the proceedings of, the Pan-Amélican Congress, convoked at the invitation of Marica, and now sitting at the invitation of Mexico, and now sitting at the Mexican capital. The delegates of the United States are uncer the most liberal instructions to co operate with their colleagues in all matters prombing advantage to the great family of Amtrican commonwealths, as well in their relations among themselves as in their domestic advancement and in their intercourse with the world at large.

The occurrences arising from the "Boxer" outbreak in Ch'aa are reviewed in detail, and

the steps taken to secure to the United States its share of the trade of the Orient are explained. The Kessage concludes:

"The death of Queen Victoria caused the people of the luited States deep and heartfelt sorrow, to which the government gave full expression. When President McKinley died, our nation, in turn received from every quarter of the Fritish empire expressions of

quarter of the Fritish empire expressions of grief and symtathy no less sincere. The death of the Empress Dowager Frederick of Germany also shoused the genuine sympathy of the Americal people; and this sympathy was cordially reliprocated by Cermany when the President was assassinated. Indeed, from every quarter if the civilized world we received, at the line of the President's death, assurances of rich grief and regard as to touch the hearist of our people. In the miss. touch the hearts of our people. In the miest of our affliction we reverently thank the Al-mighty that we are at peace with the nations of mankind; and we firmly intend that our policy shall be such as to continue unbroken

We Not Only Have Been but We are Now and are Going to Continue To Sell Dress Goods that are New, Fresh and of the Very Best Makes That Money Can Buy,

Cheaper Than Old Stuff can be Bought For in Other Stores.

We sell the best dress prints for 41c. They are Simpson's Greys and Blacks, American Indigoes and Windsor Fancies, the choicest things, not culls and left overs.

Amoskeag Ginghams 5c, the kind that will not fade. A. C. A. Ticking 11c.

The best Outing Planuels made for 8c. They are the fancies and none better can be had. We have a much larger stock of them to select from than you will find in other stores.

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We save nearly everybody money on Furs because nearly everybody comes here to buy them.

Ladies' Electric Seal Scarfs with six tails 75c.

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HOME DNEWS.

Mrs. B J. Peck is quite sick. Mrs. Chas. Quick is quite sick again.

12 Xmas presents for \$1,00 at Murphy's studio.

Best made duck coat in town for 85c, at Godfrey's.

at Collar's bazaar.

Born, to J. Evans and wife of Vergennes, December 9, a girl.

socks at 25c. Can't be beat. Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Murphy

spent Sunday in Grand Rapids.

Mrs, E. H. Cambell visited her son in Ionia the first of the week,

Best assortment of knee pants at Godfrey's. We say it, we prove it. Don't put off that visit on that account. We will do your baking. Weldon Smith.

New figs, dates, oranges; Malaga grapes and mixed nuts at Van Dyke's.

Buggy and harness for sale cheap or trade for hay, Enquire of D T. Bush.

For next Saturday a good, decorated dinner set only \$5.98 at Collar's bazaar.

Weldon Smith is shipping baked goods regularly to Saranae and

The pension of Curtis D. Washburn of Cascade has been increased to \$12 per month. C. O. Lawrence has his basement

full of hand-sleds and they are going like hot cakes.

New lot of "telescopes" just arrived at Godfrey's. We sell lots of them, we sell them cheap.

Nothing is more appropriate than photos for Xmas gifts and at Murphy's studio is the place to get

The Citizens Telephone company, beginning December 1, gives its Lowell patrons continuous service, day and night, excepting from 10, a. m. till 2, p. m., on Sundays.

Mrs. Martha Tophson of Grand Rapids and Miss Sarah Lyon of Milwaukee visited their aunt, Mrs. Hattie Tredenick last week. They were all invited to eat Thanksgiving turkey with Mrs. O. O. Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Maynard of Fallasburg spent Sunday with their parents, J. D. Harvey and wife That being Mrs. M's birthday, she was the recipient of some useful and and valuable presents.

Fancy table raisins at McMahons'. Don't fail to see our bargain Clyde Collar. For Your windows.

See my Xmas novelties in fine hotos. Murphy Studio.

Table syrups both maple and sugir at McMahon Bros.' Godfrey's underwear makes a cus

tomer a friend every time. VanDyke will have a large supply of holly for Christmas.

Take a look at C. O. Lawrence's east window and get prices.

Overcoat sale at Godfrey's. Come. You can buy them cheap. Fine photos at \$1.00 per dozen, values in

better ones at \$1.50 and \$2.00. Murphy's Studio. Decorated lamp 10 inch globe,

Collar's bazaar. Rev. J. G. Mange returned last week, from his six months trip

through the western states. New stock of sweaters, plenty of them, all sizes. Gee whiz! they

are cheap, only \$1.50 at Godfrey's. What would be a more pleasing gift to a friend than a fine photo of

yourself from Murphy's Studio. We are at the head of the proession with all that is newest and best in holiday groceries.

R. Van Dyke.

Mrs. Trumbull and daughter, Mrs. Mary Robertson have moved to the Gulliford building for the

Wanted New milch cows. Highest prices paid. Address or call Phone 83, Lowell, Mich. Dec18.

Fur coats. Just the thing to make a good Christmas present. Godfrey's "Delight" woolen Our goods are right and prices low. The Godfrey Clothiers.

Mrs. O'Heron, mother of Mrs. R. D. Stocking, has suffered several paralytic strokes during the past week and now lies in a helpless cou-

Bell telephone exchange, assures us that there will be no advance in local rentals. The efforts of the Journal to injure the business are fully appreciated.

We wish to call the attention of the ladies to the fact that Jaxon Pure Baking Powder is one of the best high grade powders on the market. Sold at a reasonable price, 20c per pound and 10c per 1 pound. Every can guaranteed to give satisfaction or money refunded. Most all groceries handle it. Manufactured by the Peninsula Spice Co., Jackson, Mich.

Xmas **Presents**

For both young and old For slim pocketbooks and For your inspection.

Dolls Books Toys Cames

Jardiniers **Toilet Sets** Dinner Sets Water Sets and the finest line of China ever

Collar's Bazaar,

West Side.

shown in

Our stock for the holidays will be ready for your inspection this week.

Our stock this year is larger than ever, comprising the best

Watches, 24 inches high for only \$1.98 at Clocks, Chains, Rings, Pins, Silverware and Rich Jewelry.

> Twould be better to look before the rush is on.



Fincy mixed nuts at McMahon

J. C. Johnson of Detroit spent Monday with his brother, F. M.

Alex. Campbell and family have A nice decorated lamp, only 75c. John W. Murphy, Box 30, Citizen moved from the village to their farm. Thos. Carveth and family have moved into the village for the win-

> C. O. Lawrence makes special rates to Sunday schools and classes for Xmas goods.

> Yeiter & Wadsworth have moved into the Hunter block, recently purchased by them.

New lot of fur overcoats just ar-Manager Lawrence of the local rived at Codfrey's. Come and get them, you can buy them cheap. Something new in photography,

> call at my studio, where samples will be shown,

Mrs. T. A. Murphy,

Milan D. Wilson and wife arrived here from Battle Creek, Saturday, and will spend the winter with the former's mother.

THE LOWELL MARKET REPORT. Thursday, (to-day) Dec. 12, 1901.

GRAIN.

Wheat-80c per bushel. Buckwheat-50c per bushel. Oats-43c per bushel. Corn-50c per bushel. Rye-54c per bushel. Clover seed-\$4 00 @ \$5 00. Beans-\$1 25 @ 1 60 per bushel. PRODUCE.

Butter-18 @ 20c per pound. Eggs-20c @ 22c per dozen. Lard-10 to 12c per pound. Honey-10 @ 12c per pound. VEGETABLES AND FRUITS.

Potatoes—70 @74 c per bushel Onions—1 00 @1 25 per bushel Apples-75 to 1 00 per bushel.

Standard Winter Best-\$2 00 per cwt Winter Patent Family---2 20 per cwt Spring Wheat Patent --- 2 40 per cwt FEED.

orn and Oats--- \$25 per ton Bran---\$22 per ton Corn meal -- 24 00 per ton Middlings-23 00 per ton

Beef, live weight—2 50 to \$3 50 per cwt
Beef, dressed—\$5 00 @ \$6 00 per cwt.
Veal dressed—\$6 00 @ 6 50 per cwt.
Sheep, live weight—\$2 50 @ \$3 00 per cwt.
Lambs, live weight—\$3 50 @ 3 75 per cwt.
Pork alive—\$5 00 @ 5 25 per cwt.
Pork dressed—6 60 per cwt.

POULTI.Y. Spring chickens dressed-- 8c per pound hickens, feather dressed - 7c per pound Ducks feather dressed—9c per pound. Turkeys feather dressed—9c per pound: Geese feather dressed—8c per pound.

Try a wire washboard, at McMahon Bros.' boss grocery.

The Nash building on the bridge is being ceiled up on the inside. Township taxes are now due and

payable at my store. U. B. Williams, twp treas. Eggleston & Lawrence will furnish you with material for Christ-

mas fancy work. Chase & Sanborn's 25c, 30c, and 35c bulk coffees are without an John Giles & Co. equal.

Melon mangoes, pepper mangoes and all kinds of pickles, bottled and bulk, at McMahon Bros.'

Mrs. Patchen and daughter, Miss Bertha Carson, of Grand Rapids attended the funeral of Mrs. Rouse.

Card of Thanks.

We hereby wish to express our heartfelt thanks to our friends and neighbors for the kindness and sympathy shown us in our late bereave-George Rouse and family.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain Real Estate Mortgage dated March 18th, A. D. 1899 and executed by BENJAMIN F. Palmer and Carrier T. Palmer, his wife of the first part, to FRED J. LAYER of the second part, and recorded June 2nd, A. D. 1899 at the office of the Register of Deed, Kent County, Michigan, in Liber 267 of Mortgages on page eight[8] at two and one-half o'clock p.m. The amount due of said mortgage at this date is the sum of Three Handred forty three and 19 100 dollars as principal and interest and the further sum of twenty five dollars [25] as an attorney fee as stipmated for in said mortattorney fee as superated for in said in order gage. No suit either at law or in equity has been instituted to recover said debt or any part thereof. Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said virtue of the power of sale contained in said this excellent medicine saved her such case made and provided, said morigage will be foreclosed by the sale of premises therein described at public auction to the highest bidder on Friday, the 7th day of March, A. D. 1902 at ten [12] o'clock a. m. of that day at the North front door of the day at the latest day mortgage and in pursuance of the statute in March, A. D. 1902 at ten [12] o'clock a. m. of that day at the North front door of the Kent County Court House in the city of Grand Rapias, Kent County, Michigan. Said Court House being the place where the Circuit Court of said county is held. Said premis a are described in said mortgage as follows: All that certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Bowne, in the County of Kent and State of Michigan and described as follows to wit: The North west quarter [34] of the South west quarter (4) of section four, 4, being in Township five (5) North

range nine, 9, West, Bowne, Kant County, Nichigan. 8. P. Hicks, FRED J. LAYER, Atty. for Mortgagee.

Saw Death Near. "I often made my heart ache" writes L. C. Overstreet of Elgin, Tenn, "to hear my wife cough until it seemed her weak, sore lungs would collapse. Good doctors said she was so far gone with consumption that medicine or earthly help could not save her; but

Sell carriages and go carts for 25c at C. O. Lawrence's department store, East side.

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