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THE CRUEL WAR IS OVER

PEACE PREVAILS ON THIS MERRY CHRISTMAS MORN.

The Indians Were Badly Scared and a Threat of Starvation Brought Them In—They Feared Massacre or Trial—Arms Surrendered.

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 24.—Special Agent Captain Norville has just returned from Fort Bennett and reports that the Indian war there is over. Colonel Summers has undoubtedly captured all Big Foot's band at the mouth of Belle Fouche. Chief Hump has brought in all of his Indians, together with Low Dog's and the remainder of Sitting Bull's camp. It seems now that the Indians have been more scared than anybody else. They have been afraid that they would be massacred or would have to come in and stand trial.

After the Indians arrived at Fort Bennet several councils of war were held, to determine whether they would give up their arms or not. Finally they agreed to when Gen. Miles asked them.

Agent Palmer said to them, "No arms, no rations or blankets." This soon brought them to terms, and all their arms are now stacked up at the agency.

Capt. Heart, commanding officer at Ft. Sully, has received the capitulation of 170 Uncs Papas, including 70 of Sitting Bull's band, and 50 from Rosebud agency.

Narcesse Varells, a boss farmer, brought in 412 of Big Foot's band. Sitting Bull's men want to remain at Cheyenne, and say they are afraid to return to Standing Rock. All have surrendered and the best of care is being given them. All the teams of the agency have been started to Dupres to bring in sick women and children.

Many of the leaders among the Indians acted very ugly in making final settlements and had a great deal of quarreling among themselves.

CHRISTMAS AT THE CAPITAL.

How the President and His Cabinet Officers will Spend the Holiday.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—Christmas day at the White house and homes of the cabinet officers will be spent quietly, each household assembling those of its members who are within reach, and dining at 6 o'clock. The president and those who make up the executive family have arranged a quiet programme. After the Christmas tree for the McKee children has received its due attention the family will, if the weather permits, enjoy a ride.

The vice president and Mrs. Morton will have their family of daughters about them tomorrow. The vice president will also have a few friends from New York city to dine with him.

The secretary of state and Mrs. Blaine have returned to the city and will spend the day in their own home.

Secretary and Mrs. Windom will have a complete family circle about their hospitable board. Secretary and Mrs. Proctor will also assemble the family party and Gen. Miller and Mrs. Miller will have a few friends outside of their family.

Secretary Tracy expects to spend the day in the city and to dine with his daughter, Mrs. Wilmerding and her daughter, Miss Alice, in their home on K street.

Secretary and Mrs. Noble and the Misses Halstead will eat their Christmas turkey with Judge and Mrs. Strong.

Secretary and Mrs. Rusk and Miss Rusk will dine at home together on Christmas day, but will invite a few friends in, quite informally, to join them.

Bar Harbor Vetoed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The president sent to the senate today a message returning without his approval the bill appropriating $75,000 for a public building at Bar Harbor, Maine, on the ground that the public needs at that place did not justify such expenditure.

Excited Boomers.

KANSAS CITY, Ks., Dec. 24.—This city is wild with excitement over a report that news had been received to the effect that a commission and the Chrokee Indians had closed negotiations for a strip and President Harrison was going to open an outlet for settlement by proclamation today as a Christmas gift. The fact that the soldiers have been removed south of the city tends to give color to the report. Boomers everywhere are getting ready to remove, only waiting for confirmation of the report.

Murderous Tramps Lynched.

HUNTINGTON, Wash., Dec. 24.—Four tramps boarded a freight train near Glen's Ferry, Idaho. They were put off by the brakeman, but afterwards got on the train and overpowered a brakeman, whom they threw under the train, both of his legs being broken, he dying from the injuries. The tramps were caught near Huntington and three of them were lynched. The fourth escaped.

Counterfeit Silver Certificates.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 24.—This city has been flooded with $2 counterfeit silver certificates of the issue of 1888. The bogus bills have began to turn up at the banks by the hundreds. The circulation is so great and the bill so dangerous that Treasury Agent Carter has notified the public to refuse all $2 bills of the series mentioned.

Stout Steel.

READING, Pa., Dec. 24.—At a test of steel manufactured at the Carpenter steel works, this city, a one inch bar broke at a strain of 233,333 pounds, being about twenty thousand pounds in excess of the highest record known. The test was made under the supervision of government officers.

Lowering the Skating Record.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The contest for the inter-national amateur skating championship was held on Lingay Fen, near Cambridge, today. The course one and one-half miles and the race was won by the American skater, Joe Donoghue, in 4:46. This beats the world's record for either professional or amateur.

THE PATHFINDER'S WIDOW

Will Receive a Substantial Christmas Gift from California Ladies.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 24.—Jessie Benton Fremont, widow of the late General John C. Fremont, whose name will live forever in American history as the "Pathfinder," will receive a Christmas gift tomorrow morning in the form of the pretty cottage in which she has for so many years resided. It will be the gift of the women of California and will minister to her declining widehood, and who desire to place her beyond the danger of want during the remainder of her life.

AMERICA TO THE WORLD

President Harrison Invites the Nations of the Earth to Attend the Columbian Exposition.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24.—The following proclamation was issued this afternoon: By the President of the United States of America—A Proclamation.

Whereas, Satisfactory proof has been presented to me that provision has been made for adequate grounds and buildings for the uses of the World's Columbian Exposition, and that a sum not less than $10,000,000, to be used and expended for the purposes of said exposition has been provided in accordance with the conditions and requirements of section 10 of an act entitled "an act to provide for celebrating the 400th anniversary of the discovery of America by Christopher Columbus, by holding an international exhibition of arts, industries, manufactures and products of soil, mine and sea, in the city of Chicago, state of Illinois," approved April 25, 1890. Now, therefore,

I, Benjamin Harrison, president of the United States, by virtue of authority vested in me by said act, do hereby declare and proclaim that such international exhibition will be opened on the first day of May, in the year 1893, in the state of Illinois, and will not be closed before the last Thursday in October of the same year.

In the name of the government and of the people of the United States, I do hereby invite all the nations of the earth to take part in the commemoration of an event that is pre-eminent in public history and of lasting interest to mankind, by appointing representatives thereto and sending such exhibits to the World's Columbian exposition as will most fully and fully illustrate their resources, their industries and their progress in civilization.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the city of Washington this 24th day of December, 1890, and of the independence of the United States the 115th. BENJAMIN HARRISON,

By the president.

JAMES G. BLAINE,
Secretary of state.

AZALIA IN ASHES.

Nearly A Whole Town Burned—The Particulars.

AZALIA, Mich., Dec. 24.—This town is in ashes. The only buildings left standing are those which stand out of the path of the flames. The total loss includes 18 dwellings and two stores, and the fire burned as long as any material was at hand.

The blaze started in the roof of J. Martin's house. The wind was blowing a gale at the time. It fanned the blaze into a raging flame, and burning shingles were blown all over the little hamlet. The homes were frame buildings, and wherever a spark fell houses caught fire. There were no facilities for fighting the fire.

The loss will include the household furniture and personal effects of those burned out. Nothing was saved from the buildings.

Azalia is a town with a population of about 300 people. It is the Ann Arbor road, in Monroe county. It is a farmers' trading center, and has saw mill or two.

Married at Zeeland.

ZEELAND, Dec. 24.—A. Hoogendorp, of Grand Rapids, and Miss Jane R. Smith were united in marriage by Rev. J. Kremer, at the First Reformed church last evening. After the ceremony a wedding feast was given at the residence of A. Van Eyee. Many costly presents were received. Music was furnished by the Zeeland cornet band. Mr. and Mrs. Hoogendorp will reside in Grand Rapids.

Death of a Pontiac Pioneer.

PONTIAC, Dec. 24.—Robert Shanlake, 66 years old, who had been engaged in the grocery business here for 40 years, died this morning of dropsy. He leaves an estate valued at $70,000 or $75,000 and a widow and three children.

Burglars at Tawas.

TAWAS, Dec. 24.—The safe in Henry Hanson's store was blown open last night and about $500 taken. Two holes were drilled in the top of the safe, and dynamite was used.

Riotous Christmas Festival.

OXMOOR, Ala., Dec. 24.—Riot broke up a Christmas festival at a negro church near here tonight. Half a dozen negro men who had been drinking got into a fight and 50 shots were fired. Lights were blown out and there was panic among the spectators. Benj. Butler, colored, was killed and Thomas Alexander and H. McIntosh were fatally injured.

Lumber Burning at Boston.

BOSTON, Dec. 24.—A big fire is now in progress in the lumber districts in this city.

Dots and Dashes.

The railroad strike in Scotland is spreading. Nearly 7,000 men are now idle and traffic is almost suspended.

Burglars broke open the safe of the Oatmeal Mill company at Peoria, Ill., early yesterday morning, and escaped with a large amount of plunder.

Henry Donnelly, a Brooklyn workman, stabbed his wife with whom he had quarreled, with a pocket knife Tuesday night. She died in a few minutes.

The assets of Kean & Co., Chicago, shrunk $6,000 yesterday. Mr. Keen testified that the securities to that amount reported to the assignee are worthless.

HE'LL NOT SURRENDER

PARNELL WILL DISREGARD THE VERDICT OF KILKENNY.

He Would Fight Even If Forced to His Knees—"United Ireland" Says the Struggle Has Just Begun—Other Press Comment.

LONDON, Dec. 24.—The great question of the hour here concerns Parnell's future movements. That there is the slightest likelihood of his accepting the clerically inspired verdict of Kilkenny as final, not even the most sanguine of the anti-Parnellites imagines. "If," says the Irish correspondent of the Times, "any suppose that the Nationalist leader proposes to tamely submit because he has met with defeat in the first encounter of the campaign they little know the tenacity of the material of which he is made, and must proceed on the hypothesis that his nature has entirely changed. He would still fight, even if forced to his knees. Several courses are now open to him, and he may decide to precipitate another contest at the beginning of the new year by asking the resignation of some of the faithful adherents or even resigning himself. This would be a comparatively safe move and the probable victory would effect Kilkenny and infuse fresh ardor among his followers. Mr. Parnell's friends regard the victory in Kilkenny, apart altogether from the leadership question, as an almost fatal blow to the home rule cause, owing to the spectacle disclosed to English liberals of the overpowering influence exerted by the priests in the struggle."

Mr. Parnell is expected to arrive in this city tonight and will probably remain here for a few days before proceeding to Paris.

United Ireland says today of the Kilkenny election:

Kilkenny has declared for Gladstone against Parnell. The battle was fought with every weapon hatred, malice, ingratitude and treachery could supply. Behind the mutineers were the priests eager to regain the power Parnell secured for them a ten years since. Disused sanctioned methods of warfare hitherto used and open fighting was supplanted by secret intimidation. But, although the combination secured a victory in Kilkenny, it must be remembered that Kilkenny is not Ireland. They shall be forced to renew the wage of battle at every spot, from the center to the sea.

The Freeman's Journal announces that Mr. Parnell leaves for Paris tonight to meet his "trusty lieutenant," William O'Brien. The Journal represents Mr. Parnell as refusing to believe that a friendly interview between himself and Mr. O'Brien will be barren of results until they shall have failed to establish a modus vivendi.

The standard considers that Mr. Parnell has some ground for the confidence he feels. In the election fought in the town of Kilkenny, it says, "there is not an atom of doubt that he would have got an overwhelming victory. Many who would otherwise have supported Parnell doubtless abstained, bewildered by priestly pressure. As long as a split lasts it is a matter of indifference to the minorities who win."

The Chronicle thinks the return of arch mischief makers to the Conservative party cannot cause much joy to Messrs. Gladstone and Morley. Mr. Davitt and his friends having so correctly gauged the party feeling in Kilkenny, the paper believes they have probably gauged it with equal accuracy as regards Ireland. If so, the Parnellites will soon be extinguished.

Dr. Catlin the Aggressor.

John Caster, the man who had the trouble with Dr. Catlin on Canal street Tuesday, says that his horse was not hitched to Dr. Catlin's post, but to a ring attached to the walk. He also says that Dr. Catlin struck him first, not with his fist, but with a baiter strap to which was attached a heavy metallic "snap," which made the marks on Caster's face. An eye witness of the affair corroborates Caster's statement, and also says that Dr. Catlin tried to run away and was getting the worst of the fight when the combatants were separated.

Caster has brought suit against Dr. Catlin for personal damages in Justice Hydorn's court, which will probably settle the matter as to who is responsible for the trouble.

To Be Investigated.

The coroner will be notified this morning by the officers of the board of health to investigate the cause of the death of a child on North Lane avenue. The house at which the child died has been known as a lying in hospital, and when application was made to the board of health by the woman in charge for a burial certificate, she refused to answer any questions put to her in regard to the paternity of the child, and taking of the information her suspicious actions, Health Officer Saunders would not grant her the permit until the coroner had been notified.

The Milkman Thrown Out.

John Baas peddles milk about the city, and for some time he has been leaving a regular amount of the fluid at the house of Louis Sandler, the second-hand clothier of Canal street. Tuesday morning Baas went into Mr. Sandler's store and presented a bill and asked for his pay. Sandler evidently was not in the best of humor, and ejected the man into the street, bruising his body and injuring his feelings, and last evening he swore out a criminal warrant for his arrest, charging him with assault and battery.

Somebody's Christmas Present.

Last night T. D. Haight, of 11 Portsmouth Terrace, was walking on Monroe street when he discovered a small box lying on the sidewalk. Upon picking it up he found that the box contained a lady's fine gold pin purchased, presumably, for a Christmas present. The pin was turned over to the police authorities and awaits the owner at headquarters.

EVERYTHING sold regardless of cost at C. C. Davidson's on Christmas morning. 49 Pearl street.

MUSIC AND DRAMA.

The sale of seats for the Christmas matinee at Powers' is large, and undoubtedly there will be a large audience to witness the performance of "Bluebeard Jr." this afternoon. So far the business has been rather light, but this is probably accounted for by the fact that the players never will open for the holiday trade, and the majority of people were out purchasing gifts for their friends. The attraction is better than any of its kind ever seen here, and regular prices prevail.

For the Christmas matinee at the Lyceum this afternoon a double bill will be presented. Preceding the drama, "The Ocean Waif," which has been successfully presented, the one-act comedy, "The Bible," will be presented. An interesting feature for the little ones will the Christmas tree, which will be a prominent piece of scenery on the stage, and from which a present will be given to every child in the audience. A crowded house may be anticipated.

A special Christmas matinee will be given at Smith's opera house this afternoon, when an unusually good performance will be presented by the clever company, which comprises a number of the best vaudeville performers on the stage.

The annual social session of Daisy lodge, B. P. O. E., will be held at Luce's hall New Year's eve. A splendid entertainment is being prepared for the occasion by local acrobats and musicians.

The preparations for the grand ball and concert to be given by the St. Cecilia society next Tuesday evening at Hartman's hall, will be an event for society the like of which has never been presented in this city.

The Best Paid Choir Singer.

Miss Clementine De Vere is the best paid church singer in America. Great as her salary it only represents a small part of her earnings. During the present season she is singing from three to five nights a week in concerts, and she seldom receives less than $75 or $100 for her evening's work. I was told the other day by a concert agent that Miss Devere was not making less than $500 a week.

When last spring, tiring of operatic singing and the wearing, nerve racking life of traveling songstress, Miss De Vere listened to the offer made by the music committee of Dr. Paxton's wealthy congregation she was discreet, and when this offer was added to (some say doubled) by a millionaire music loving worshiper and she accepted it she was wise. Brilliant success as she was on the lyric stage, no such financial returns were possible as she receives now in living at home—the one ambition of every stage performer—and filling the choir and singing engagements that come to her without solicitation.

Miss De Vere is the daughter of a Belgian nobleman and an English lady, and studied music under Mme. Bancardo in Florence. She came to this city two years ago to attend concerts under the management of Signor Campanini. Her teacher was a great favorite in this city when she sang here with her husband, the famous tenor, over thirty years ago. Miss De Vere achieved an instant and brilliant success, and continued the triumphs she had won in Paris, France, Italy, Russia and South America. Miss De Vere has a pure, vibrant and flexible voice, ranging as high as F. Her execution is even more remarkable than her voice. She has wonderful precision and fluency. Her upper notes are strong, sweet and clean, and her whole voice is pleasantly even. Her staccato singing is delightful in its clearness and precision.—New York Herald.

All in Ten Years.

Ten years ago the Illinois Training School for Nurses, without money and in the face of great opposition, began its work in Chicago in a small and inconvenient rented house. They had two wards in Cook County hospital, a superintendent and eight pupil nurses. Today they own, free from debt, the Nurses' Home and furniture, which has cost $70,000. They have charge of twelve wards in Cook County hospital, and all the nursing in the Presbyterian hospital, with a superintendent, two assistant superintendents, one night superintendent, one hundred pupil nurses, twelve probationers and ninety-eight registered graduates.

During the past year the school received $50,000 by will from Mr. John Crerar. By vote of the board this was named "The John Crerar Fund," which should form the nucleus of an endowment fund to be used for sending nurses to those who cannot afford to pay the regular prices. A little later they came into possession of a legacy of $20,000 left by Miss Phebe L. Smith. This enabled them to pay the mortgage of $12,000 on the Nurses' Home and also to finish and furnish the same.—Boston Woman's Journal.

A Banker.

Deborah Powers, the senior partner in the bank of D. Powers & Sons, Lansingburg, N. Y., is the oldest banker in the country, being 99 years of age. She is in full possession of her faculties, and her business shrewdness is as remarkable as it was a generation back. She established and maintains the Deborah Powers Home for Old Ladies in Lansingburg. She has been engaged in the banking business over a dozen years.—Northwestern News.

A New Singer for New York.

New York churchgoers are soon to have an unexpected treat in the engagement of Miss Clara Poole, the celebrated contralto, who is to fill an important place in the choir of the Episcopal Church of All Angels. Miss Poole was the leading contralto of the Handel and Haydn festival of April, 1890, it being her second successive engagement with that organization.—New York Letter.

Dr. Koch was until ten years ago an obscure country physician. His practice and his reputation did not extend beyond the limits of the little town of Wolstein, a place so small and unimportant that it is only with much difficulty it can be found upon the map.

SOLD HER HUSBAND

BOUGHT HIMSELF FOR MORE THAN HE'S WORTH.

The Courts Interfered With a Remarkable Deal Between a New York Man and His Wife—The Wedding Will be Postponed.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Kopel Harris, a salesman, intended to marry Betsy Krauss, a blue eyed young German girl, on Friday, although he already has a wife. He and his wife did not get along very well together and when he fell in love with Betsey his wife said he could marry her if he gave her $8. Kopel and his brother drew up an agreement which she signed. The agreement is as follows:

NEW YORK, Oct. 14.—Known by all these presence that I, Chaio Hirschovitz, of the city, county and state of New York, in consideration of the sum of eight ($8) have full money of the United States, to me paid by Kopel Harris of same place, for the release of said Kopel Harris from me as a husband with whom he has to me until now and hereby agree not to have any claims against him whatever and will not bring any suit against Kopel Harris in any civil or criminal courts for to support me or a child which I may have hereafter from said Kopel Harris, and also a low said Kopel Harris to get married to whom he may choice and will not in terfere with any one he may get married to and will not have no claims to him as a wife for ever from date. Signed her
CHAIO X HIRLHOVITZ.
mark.

Signed in presence of Moritz Golk.

Five days ago young Mrs. Harris gave birth to a bouncing baby boy, and is still confined to her sick bed. Harris, instead of rejoicing in the event of a male heir, became exceedingly angry. Novelty soon wore off the agreement, as is alleged, to Betsy Kraus, and the ceremony was appointed to take place next Friday night. Presents have been sent in abundance, and all the varieties offered by the stores of the neighborhood are not too much for the admiring friends to select from.

Harris's prospects for a second marriage, however, were rudely destroyed this morning. Adam B. Ehrlich, having gained knowledge of the state of affairs and knowing that Mrs. Harris was unable to read, and therefore could not understand the contents of the document she had signed, secured a warrant for Harris' arrest and had him arraigned before Justice Hogan at the Jefferson Market Police court. Harris, through the interpeter, explained that he's wife did not wan to live with him and as it was quite impossible for him to get along without a wife he had drawn up the paper for their mutual benefit and was going to wed Miss Krauss on Friday night. Justice Hogan held the young husband in $300 bail for examination at 2 o'clock on Friday afternoon, just six hours before the appointed ceremony.

M'KNIGHT'S ALL RIGHT.

He Is a Michigan Born Citizen, Sure Enough—Harvey Also.

There was a healthy rumor afloat on the street last night regarding the right of W. F. McKnight to hold the office of prosecuting attorney. The reasons advanced in the matter were to the effect that Mr. McKnight, like Mr. McQueen, was of foreign birth and a subject of the Canadian government. Those who claimed to know stated that McKnight's father came over to this country with him and went as far as Washington, D. C., with the company. From Washington he went to New Hampshire, and from there to Canada, locating at St. Thomas, where his family, which at that time consisted of his wife and one son, born at Caledonia, afterwards joined him, and the statement was made that the rest of the family were born at St. Thomas. It was also stated that Mr. McKnight's recent visit to Canada was was for the purpose of killing two birds with one stone, and that it was as much in his own interests as to settle the activity of Mr. McQueen.

Hearing the report, a representative of the MORNING PRESS scoured the city yesterday in search of Mr. McKnight, and finally succeeding in getting an interview with him. He was greatly surprised when told the nature of the reported business, and when asked as to its truth positively denied the charges, and stated that his father's family was all born in Cascade, except an elder brother who was born in Canada. He also stated that the story he thought was gotten up by his enemies as a matter of spite work. The report had gained considerable headway last night and was the leading topic of conversation upon the streets, at the clubs and in the hotel corridors, and in referring to the matter Mr. McKnight yesterday said: "Please state in the MORNING PRESS tomorrow that I am a Holander, but was born on Lagrave street in its palmy days.

A Present from His Patients.

Professor Johnson of the firm of Chambers & Johnson, upon his departure to spend the holidays in the eastern part of the state, was made the recipient of a handsome solid gold chain and locket bearing the following inscription: "Presented to Prof. E. Johnson by his lady patients of the Sanitarium." Also, Dr. W. E. Gallagher, medical director, received a gold-headed cane from the gentlemen patients

From the Supreme Court.

The Supreme court yesterday returned the written findings to County Clerk Harvey in the following cases:

Charles Bateman against Philip Blake, Walter F. Tate against Eugene A. Hamilton, Sarah B. Kipp against Isaac F. Lamoreaux returned for trial. Margaret W. Ellis et al. against Carl G. A. Voight et al., decision affirmed.

Injured on a Cable Car.

Mrs. W. S. Turner was thrown to the floor of a cable car at the corner of Canal and Lyon streets yesterday afternoon by the sudden starting of the car. Mrs. Turner was severely injured in the fall, a bad bruise cut in her forehead. She was assisted to the Eagle office and later was removed to her home.

STREET RAILWAY EXTENSIONS.

A Line Proposed by the Old Company for the West Side.

The Street Railway Company is preparing and will present to the council within a week or so a draft for an ordinance granting the company a franchise from the present northern terminus of the Scribner street line to Myrtle street, thence west to Broadway and out Broadway to the city limits, whence it will be extended to the Gunn Folding Bed Company's factory. When the other lines are equipped with electricity, this one will also be constructed. It is understood that it is owing to this arrangement that the proposed electric line out Kent street has not been pushed.

THE TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION

Closing Day of the Annual Meeting—Reports of Committees, Officers Elected, Etc.

Yesterday morning at 9 o'clock the gavel was rapped announcing the opening of the last session of the State Teachers' association meeting. The following officers were elected:

President—Orr Schurtz, Charlotte.

First Vice-President—J. W. Simmons, Owosso.

Second Vice-President—C. T. Grawn, Traverse City.

Secretary — E. M. Russell, Battle Creek.

Treasurer—C. L. Bemis, Ionia.

The treasurer's report showed: Receipts during the year, $229.90; expenses, $17.96; receipts of the present meeting, $469.50. expenses, $255.52; on hand now, $395.93.

The committee appointed to report as to what steps should be taken to render the institutes of the state more helpful recommended that the state superintendent hold at Lansing, in July, a conference of such persons as may choose to act as institute conductors and instructors, that a course of instruction extending over two years may be put in operation.

The committee to investigate Miss Stout's method recommended that Superintendent W. W. Chalmers be requested to test the method and report to the association at some future time.

The committee upon the county method of school management recommended no change.

Resolutions were adopted thanking the citizens, Prof. Shepard, W. W. Chalmers, the associated teachers and the Baptist church for courtesies extended them.

Mary A. Blood, principal of the Columbia school of oratory, followed the report of the committees with a paper on "Practical Culture." Miss Neva C. Vandewalker, of Ypsilanti, then read a paper on "Science Teaching in Primary Grades." She was followed by Prof. Hoyer, of Hillsdale, who went into a lengthy discussion of the paper read.

The grading of country schools was then resumed and the greatest obstacle to overcome was decided to be the penurious ness of the country school director.

Mary A. Blood then gave the finishing touches to the meeting by giving some lessons in calesthenics.

JUDGE BROWN'S SUCCESSOR.

Friend's of Henry M. Swan Think He has the Call.

Detroit Times: Already the question as to who will be Judge Brown's successor as judge for the eastern district of Michigan is agitating the minds of the legal fraternity. While no authentic information has as yet been received from Washington concerning the appointment, it is learned from private sources in this city that Henry M. Swan of the law firm of Maynard & Swan has the call. Mr. Swan was born and raised in Detroit, and is held by many to be the best admiralty lawyer in the district, a qualification quite essential in the case.

Mr. Swan's friends have been awake in his interests for some time, and as soon as Judge Brown's appointment received began telegraphing their claims to President Harrison. Several gentlemen holding high government positions in this city said the appointment of Mr. Swan was assured.

To Extend West Leonard Street.

The residents and business men along West Leonard street are watching the outcome of the city extension project with great interest. If the plan now proposed is sanctioned by the legislature, and a half mile is added on to the west, they propose next spring to have the street improved as far as the toll-gate. The road now is in rotten, bad shape, and they think that if the improvement is made a large amount of travel will be diverted that way, and that the merchants on the street will secure a large amount of country trade which now comes further down town over other streets.

Maple Sugar Bounty.

Farmers intending to make claims for the maple sugar bounty should at once notify the collector of the district in which they are located of the amount they contemplate making, and apply for the necessary blanks for making such claims. Fourth district, Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo, Allegan, St. Joseph or any of the counties in western Michigan, should make application to Revenue Collector John Foster of this city, when blanks will be provided and information given. The bounty is two cents per pound, and is paid to all individual producers of 500 pounds or more.

Too Jovial on Christmas Eve.

George Rowley evidently mistook last night for Fourth of July eve, and in company with his "jag" and a 22 caliber revolver started up Plainfield avenue, firing the revolver in a promiscuous manner. Patrolman McGoran heard the noise, placed Rowley under arrest and sent him to police headquarters, where he was locked up on a charge of being drunk and disorderly. Another charge of carrying concealed weapons will be made against the man Friday morning.

A good assortment left at C. C. Davidson's, 49 Pearl street. Open Christmas morning.

C. C. DAVIDSON open Christmas morning—49 Pearl street.

"NO CAUSE OF ACTION."

VERDICT OF THE JURY IN THE ALLEN STREET OPENING CASE.

The Proposed Improvement Declared Unnecessary—The Law in the Case Laid Down in Judge Burlingame's Charge to the Jury.

The Allen street opening case was brought to an end yesterday in the Superior court by the jury after listening to the charge given by Judge Burlingame at the opening of court yesterday morning. The charge was a general review of the law in such cases, and was substantially as follows:

"In deciding this case, gentlemen of the jury, you are first to decide whether there now exists a public necessity for the opening and extending of Allen street, as prayed for in the petition. If you find in the affirmative, that it is a public necessity, that a present public necessity exists, you are then to find whether there is such a necessity for taking the property described in the petition for the proposed improvement, and if you find these two necessities existing, then, third, you proceed to fix just compensation to be paid to the parties in interest for the property so taken, and any damages that may thereby arise to them and the remaining premises in consequence thereof.

"In considering the question of just compensation you should allow full value for the land taken, together with such extra expense as may be caused to the owners by reason of such occupancy, and also such damage as they may sustain for the injury to the remaining premises, if any. Your review of the premises is evidence in the case.

"In short, you should of damage to all of the respondents should be adequate to cover the value of lands and franchise taken or occupied and damage to the remaining premises, to pay all expense and damage incurred to them by virtue of the taking of such private property for public uses, as will leave them just as well off pecuniarily as you find them, and while you do this it is equally your duty to prevent the imposition upon the city of extortionate and speculative allowances to all or any of the respondents."

The court then included in the general charge a portion of the requests of the respondents, including the following from the attorneys of the L. S. & M. S., which applied to the other respondent's as well:

"In order to determine that there is a public necessity for the taking of the property in question for the opening of the street, the jury must find that there is a real necessity for the contemplated improvement, and that the public will be benefited by such street if opened, and also the inconveniences the public would suffer if the street were opened, in its patronage and employment of the railroad company as a common carrier in consequence of the curtailing of grounds and yard room of the company, and its inability to perform its necessary work for the public with its customary promptness, safety and dispatch. If you should find that the opening of Allen street, is not a public and necessary public improvement, you will return a verdict to that effect and proceed no further, but in case you find that such necessity does in fact exist, you will then proceed to determine the amount of compensation to be allowed the contestants, and in estimating the damages you will allow such sums as you find from the evidence to be difference between the value of the entire tract of land of said company, lying between Shawmut avenue and Bridge street, with improvements thereon in its present condition, for the purpo se for which it is now used, and what would be the value thereof should the street be opened, and add to this such sum as you find is the value of the property actually taken for the street; and also add to that sum the cost of building and maintaining the planking, sidewalks and such other structural changes as you shall from the evidence find necessary to be made by reason of the opening of said street."

The jurors were out only a few minutes when they announced that they were ready to come in, and when they took their seats the foreman announced that they had decided that the opening of the street was not a necessary public improvement.

The Old Lodge Election.

Grand River lodge, No. 34, F. and A. M., held their annual election last night with the following result:

W. M.—Charles W. Martin.
S. W.—S. V. DeGraaf.
J. W.—Isaac S. Rundle.
Treasurer—Ebenezer Anderson.
Secretary—L. A. Rogers.
S. D.—Fred W. Fox.
J. D.—Ralph P. Tietsort.
Tyler—Charles H. Brown.

Two stewards are yet to be appointed.

Masonic Election at Dorr.

DORR, Dec. 24.—At the annual communication of P. S. Pullen lodge, No. 307, F. & A. M., tonight, officers were elected as follows:

W. M.—Eli Driskell.
S. W.—R. R. Null.
J. W.—Adam Fleer.
Treasurer—Alfred Emmons.
Secretary—C. J. Carrel.
S. D.—A. P. Varney.
J. D.—J. Buer.
Tyler—R. J. Barris.

An Unruly Husband.

Isaac Vincent lives at 150 West Fulton street. Yesterday he amused himself by breaking the windows of the house and calling his wife vile names. The wife objected and swore out a warrant last evening for his arrest on a charge of breach of the peace.

OPEN this morning—C. C. Davidson's, 49 Pearl street, fine line left.

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E. S. Somes has charge of the advertising department.

CIRCULATION YESTERDAY.

Number of papers printed.....5,200

Delivered by Carriers to City Subscribers.....2,984
Mailed to Subscribers, (not including exchanges).....1,780
Sold to Newsboys.....366

Total Paid Circulation.....5,130
Sample Copies distributed by Carriers and Canvassers.....32

Total circulation.....5,162

Subscription and City Circulation Books, Paper Account and Press Work Bills open for inspection by patrons or others interested.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1890.

THE PRIESTS AT KILKENNY.

The Parnell party try to break their defeat in Kilkenny by saying it is owing to the influence of the priests. This is no reflection on the McCarthyites. On the contrary it is to their credit.

The question at issue in the election was not home rule, but whether Parnell or McCarthy should be the leader of the Home Rule party. It was a personal question entirely, and turned upon the character of Parnell. His ability was not questioned, nor his political integrity, nor the value of his services to Ireland in the past, none of these were the issue. The question at issue had direct relation to public morals. Parnell had, by his silence in court, confessed his guilty relations with Mrs. O'Shea. He had disgraced himself by committing a crime, and the priests as the teachers of morality and religion used their influence to have him condemned at the polls of Kilkenny.

Surely if Mr. Parnell had been convicted of stealing, or murder, or perjury he would not have been thought worthy of continuing as leader of the Home Rule party, notwithstanding his great services in the past. Adultery is as much a crime in the decalogue as theft or murder.

It therefore became the duty of the priests to espouse the cause of the McCarthyites and to oppose Parnell.

It is to their credit that they did so. Their conduct is a testimony of the merits of the side represented by Sir John Hennessy. The priests could not stand in the pulpit or the confessional teaching morality if they had not in this public way in a public contest taken sides against the adulterer. In such action they did not drag their priestly robes in party strife. It was the high moral aspect of the contest that not only beckoned the priests to a part in the battle, but by it they were commanded to take that part as in any other public contest between good and evil.

The enlightenment of such Christian countries as Ireland, England and the United States demands purity in public life. In this exalted Christian age where the people rule, the servants of the people must stand in public places, at least, sober and moral men. The decalogue is impliedly contained in every political platform, and represented by every candidate. Any other idea would be a disgrace to the country and man that upholds it. Mr. Ingalls' sneer at the decalogue in this country has perhaps cost him his political career. Quay's disregard of honesty has ended him and possibly his party. Turner's bluntness in morals lost the Republicans Michigan, and in all these results, in America as well as in Kilkenny, the church had much to do, and it is right that it exercised its influence in that direction. It is the right and duty of the priests and preachers to vote as they pray. The party and man that can't stand the tests of the decalogue should go the devil, where they belong.

THE Supreme court has twice decided that the government has the power to issue all the money, whether of metal or paper, both in peace and war, and that settles it for all time. The government having the power to issue the money it must exercise that power in full and not give it to corporations. No other great power vested in the government is exercised by corporations. This is one of the most important powers conferred on congress, and it is an abuse of confidence for the officers of the government to delegate that power to private hands.

THE New York Post brings with it to the Democrats from the Republican party its faithfulness to the money power. The cause of the bondholder and gold bug is lost. The Post greatly helped to curse the Republican party with its base advocacy of that cause against the people. If such aristocratic federalistic organs as the Post are to be listened to in the Democratic party it will soon be under the ground deeper than the Republicans.

It looks more and more that the force bill will be defeated. The outcome of financial measures is likely to be a free coinage act with a greenback attachment and that Harrison will veto it. With this is likely to come a break in party lines. Very few politicians today know the ground upon which they stand.

CHRISTMAS GREETING.

We wish all patrons a happy Christmas. We celebrate the anniversary of an event intended to insure to all men peace and good will. There is no land on earth where the key note of Christianity more generally prevails than in our great republic. But we have not the millennium and without the favor of the Divinity whose nativity we keep today we cannot reach that blessed condition. For that perfect condition of peace and good will we must strive with charity for all and malice for none. Thus will our faces be turned heavenward and our hearts temper to every appeal of pity.

GOV. BOIES of Iowa handled a live topic at the tariff reform banquet in New York Tuesday evening, and handled it ably. He was very clear and strong on the tariff question from the farmers' standpoint, and his view is one that protectionists will find hard to answer. His remarks on the finance question were hardly as candid as they should have been. On the transportation question he was more explicit, and no doubt touched the popular chord.

IT can be set down as a foregone conclusion that Sherman's bond scheme won't go. It can be further accepted as fact that more greenbacks will yet be issued by this government notwithstanding the hatred of them by such old fossils as Morrill, of Vermont. The old man is in his dotage and past his usefulness. He lags superfluous on the stage of public life.

IT is getting to look decidedly queer that Gov. Hill is never a speaker at a banquet or political battle where ex-President Cleveland is a speaker. This is ominous of a discord and enmity that prophecies danger of defeat to the Democrats.

WE are indebted to Congressman Belknap for his able report on the fees of pension attorneys. It goes over the subject exhaustively to prove that fees should be reduced.

Christmas Church Services.

At Trinity church services will be at 7 and 10:30 a. m. Special music will be rendered by the vested choir, Rev. H. H. Johnston officiating.

Mrs. A. M. Glading will give an entertainment tonight in Greenwood hall. Clairvoyant and mirror writing, with vocal and instrumental music, will be the special features of the entertainment.

At St. Marks church services will be at 8 and 10:30 a. m., Rev. Dr. Campbell Fair officiating. Offerings will be received for aged and infirm clergy, widows and orphans of clergy and the poor of the parish.

Christmas is a jubilee day in the Catholic churches and will be celebrated with all the imposing ceremonies. Solemn high mass will be celebrated at all the Catholic churches, at 5 and 10:30 a. m., and low mass at 8 o'clock.

A Few Police Court Cases.

Pat Curly made the city a Christmas present yesterday, paying $3.35 in police court for being drunk. Judge Westfall then returned the compliment by remitting the fine and releasing Pat on suspended sentence.

S. J. Mapes was given a ten-day Christmas present by Judge Westfall yesterday. Mapes accepted the gift and went to jail.

Further testimony in the Wyman false pretense was taken and the case adjourned until tomorrow.

Barney Kelley, charged with cruelly beating James Allen, son of "Tailor" Allen, paid $6.35 and was discharged.

Latest Western Michigan Pensions.

Original—John Cook, County Line; Myron T. Hill, Bettle Creek; Jacob Cobb, Muskegon; Robert Carlisle, Rockford; David K. Mangle, Vestaburg; Adam Hickman, Soldiers' home; Amos T. Ayres, Sheridan; John Hamblin, Breedsville; Joseph P. Redding, Benzonia; Alfred Butler, Mendon; Louis Lefevre, Soldiers' Home; Sarah M., widow of Edwin P. Herrington, Dutton.

Mr. Apted Leaves the Democrat.

Al. Apted, a young gentleman who has been connected with the business department of the Democrat for several years, has resigned his position and the first of this year will assume the duties of salesman in the bicycle and rubber goods house of E. G. Studley. Mr. Apted is a thorough young business man, and his host of friends will wish him success in his new avocation.

Mr. Smith's Christmas Gift.

William Alden Smith, local attorney for the D. L. & N., and the C. & W. M. railways, and fish and game warden of Michigan, was presented with a purse containing $500 by General Manager Heald, of the two roads mentioned, as a Christmas gift and a token of the appreciation of his services in the interest of the railway companies.

A Wednesday Wedding.

P. W. Burke of Mechanicsville, Iowa, manager of the Magnetic Remedy company, and Miss Hattie Egleston of Rockford, Mich., were married yesterday at the residence of Bishop Richter, Rev. John Schlatter officiating. The young couple have many friends and commence life under very favorable circumstances.

A Present to the Firemen.

The firemen at No. 4 engine house were presented with a box of fine cigars by Mrs. E. P. Fuller yesterday. Of all the Christmas presents received by the brave laddies, this one was the most enjoyed.

Marriage Licenses.

Number.		Age.
3612—Oregon Hamilton, Margaret Thomas, city	A	44-35
3613—Christopher Denney, Jessie Richmond, city		34-29
3614—Moses M. Howe, Nettie V. Welven, Algoma		23-18
3615—Charles A. Peirson, Effie M. Baldwin, Courtland		24-18
3616—Keller Stern, Newaygo, Grace R. Smith, city		23-20
3617—William N. Palmer, city, Hattie L. Smith, Fremont		22-20
3618—George L. Allen, Wyoming, Lydia R. Jewell, Grandville		43-29
3619—John S. Kennedy, Lydia Vimter, city		37-35
3620—Edward A. Smith, city, Cora Belle Brown, Coopersville		37-30
3621—Engel Van Sing, Dollie C. Shefler, city		25-18
3622—Henry Sommer, Anna Schddick, city		29-21
3623—Frederik Leys, Jennie Van Kas, city		29-19
3624—John Peter Teahaat, Nellie Wilmina Corwin, city		27-22

A Woman's Hair is Her Crowning Beauty.

Ladies attend to this important feature and have your hair dressed, shampooed, trimmed, singed, dyed or bleached at 65 Monroe street.

MRS. C. D. NEAHR.

A Black Female Samson.

Freedman's Town, a suburb of Houston, Tex., boasts of a female Samson, who has repeatedly proven herself a match for any three men that have pitted their united strength, and two few nights ago successfully routed Officer John Baxter and three of his assistants, all men of fine physique. The woman is a negress, as black as night and of a stature slightly above average, but magnificently built and extraordinarily active. Her grip was such that she was able to break two of the bones of the hand of the woman with whom she had a fracas recently, and it was on the police attempting to arrest her that she not only was able to prevent them putting the handcuffs on her, but, taking the officer and his posse one by one, flung them out of the house and closed and locked the door.

Baxter, in particular, is accounted a man of unusual strength, and is of large build, but he says his muscles were as a child's when compared with those of the black Amazon. The woman, whose name is Caroline Jenkins, is about 20 years old, and is the mother of seven children. She has been seen to pick up a barrel of flour and carry it a distance of several yards without appearing to overtax herself, and when tested was found to be able to break with ease a new grass rope an inch in diameter. Since her exploit with the police it is said that a party of gentlemen propose traveling with her, if she will go, and give exhibitions of her strength, which is to be ascribed to no electrical or magnetic process, but to her muscular development alone.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Out Partridge Hunting.

"Did you ever go a partridge hunting, and tramp all day through the brush, tear your clothes half off, get wetter'n a drowned rat, fall in the mud and never see so much as a feather?" queried a well known gunner.

"No, indeed. When and where did all this happen?"

"Up in Sardinia the other day. Ed Andrews, the crack shot of that town, invited me to come up there and go shooting, claiming that the birds were thicker in the woods along Cattaraugus creek than honey bees in a sweet clover patch. Of course I went; but I came home all broke up."

"And you didn't get a feather?"

"Nary a one. Tried to shoot a chicken on a hen roost, but the farmer caught me at it and chased me four miles without a let up. Andrews killed a chipping bird and a red squirrel, that's all."

"But you brought home some birds?"

"Very true, I bought them on the market, the same as the other Buffalo boys do. Let's see, it cost me about $20 in cash, and I've got to buy a new suit of clothes and a new hat. Bet your boots I don't go partridge shooting again. Tired? I can't walk; am lame all over, and feel like a second edition scarecrow. Andrews walked me all over four towns; wanted me to invest in real estate, too, and all that; talked about their great race track and the metropolitan Sardinia city of 1930, and filled me so full of glorious enthusiasm that my head is cracked from ear to ear. Fun? Well, I should snicker, but one dose will last the lifetime of Methusalah!"—Buffalo Commercial.

Pronounced Hopeless, Yet Saved.

From a letter written by Mrs. Ada E. Hurd of Groton, S. D., we quote: "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs, cough set in and finally terminated in consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. I gave myself up to my Saviour, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to try Dr. Kings New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial, took in all eight bottles; it has cured me, and thank God, I am now as well and hearty as ever." Trial bottles, 10 cents at Thum Bros.' drug store. Regular size, 50 cents and $1.

NOWE cometh ye Christ-masse
Jollie and withe good cheere,
Followed right merrilie
By ye glad Newe Years.

HOLIDAY RATES.

Round-trip excursion tickets will be sold by the Michigan Central—"The Niagara Falls route"—at one and one-third. Lowest first-class fare for the round trip from all stations west of Detroit river, except locally on the Toledo division, to all stations on the Michigan Central and Detroit, Bay City & Alpena railroads. Tickets will be sold December 24, 25 and 31, 1890, and January 1, 1891, good going on day of sale only, and to return not later than January 3, 1891. These tickets are not good on the limited vestibuled trains Nos. 5, 6, 19 and 20.

FRED M. BRIGGS, General Agent, 95 Monroe street.

GEORGE W. MUNSON, Union Ticket Office.

J. S. HAWKINS, Ticket Agent, Union depot.

For Chicago

Through parlor coach leaves Grand Rapids via G. R. & I. R. R. at 10:30 a. m. daily except Sundays, arriving in Chicago at 4:35 p. m. Through Wagner sleeping car leaves at 11:05 p. m. daily arriving Chicago 6:40 a. m.

From Chicago

Through coach leaves Michigan Central station at 3:10 p. m. daily except Sunday, arriving Grand Rapids at 8:50 p. m., dining car attached. Trough Wagner sleeping car leaves at 10:10 p. m. daily, arrives Grand Rapids 5:15 a. m.

For the East

G. R. & I. train leaves Grand Rapids at 2:00 p. m. daily except Sunday, arrives Pittsburgh 6:35 a. m. Harrisburg 3:20 p. m. Baltimore 6:55 p. m. Washington 8:15 p. m. Philadelphia 6:50 p. m. New York 9:35 p. m. Tickets and sleeping car accomodations secured at Union depot, foot of Monroe street, or at G. R. & I. station.

How to Select a Holiday Present.

If you are in doubt as to what you wish to buy or if you want something perfectly elegant at moderate prices call on Mrs. C. D. Neahr, at 65 Monroe street, and look at her large stock of fancy articles, drapes, hair ornaments, jet, shell and onyx jewelry just received for the holiday trade. Open evenings.

SLEEPLESSNESS, nervous prostration, fits, St. Vitus dance, nervousness, hysteria, headache, hot flushes, nervous dyspepsia, confusion, are cured by Dr. Miles' Nervine. Trial bottles and fine books at White & White's and E. R. Wilson's, or address Dr. Miles' Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.

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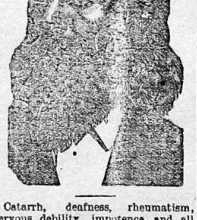

Catarrh, deafness, rheumatism, nervous debility, impotence and all diseases resulting from early indiscretions and excesses of manhood, all diseases of the urinary organs, partial paralysis, varicocele, ruptures, tumors, scrofula, old sores, dropsy, skin diseases, liver and kidney complaints, heart diseases, shortness of breath, back of head, small of back, etc., including all female complaints and chronic diseases cured quickly and permanently.

That cough, slight fever and weakness, shortness of breath, palpitation of heart, may mean sure and quick consumption.

If you are nervous, restless, irritable, sleepless or wake after horrid dreams, tired mornings, with a dull headache, bad taste in the mouth, sometimes discharges, and go about your employment without life, energy or ambition, desire to be alone, gloomy forebodings, a disposition to worry and fret about trouble ahead that never comes, spells of feeling afraid or uncertain, sometimes low spirits, you are suffering from nervous debility and exhaustion of nerve power, which may end in utter prostration, insanity and death.

If you have a great sense of weakness and weariness, with tired limbs, numbness, trembling, prickling sensations, cold feet and legs, you are advancing to that most serious disease, paralysis.

If your head aches, feels numb and tired, with strange sensations, loss of memory, and you think with difficulty, or you are sleepless at night, with drowsiness and dullness during the day, the nerve and brain fatigue may soon run into insanity or death.

If you have any of these feelings do not neglect them or they will end in paralysis, insanity, prostration or death.

As you value your life do not neglect these warnings. Time and experience have shown, and hundreds of startling and marvellous cures have proved, that these diseases are perfectly and completely cured by DR. S. CLAY TODD, No. 43 Monroe street, room 4, Grand Rapids, Mich.

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His remedies are purely vegetable and harmless, and can only be obtained at his office.

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229 W. Creighton Ave., Ft. Wayne, Ind.
Mr. Miller now weighs 175 pounds.
Mr. Miller is over 70 years old.
Mr. Miller was cured over 18 years ago.
This shows that consumption can be permanently cured by Dr. S. Clay Todd.

People are going between here and Fort Wayne every day. Get some friend to call on Mr. Miller and learn the particulars of his cure. It was the talk of the town for months.

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EDITOR MORNING PRESS—It seems to me to be due to your correspondent that he be informed not only of the value of the exchange he evidently contemplates making, but also the terms and methods of making the exchange. So at the outset I recommend that he first examine the article he has for exchange and determine if possible its exact commercial value. As it not infrequently happens that, however highly we may prize a thing we have, when we come to dispose it we can neither sell or barter it away. Possibly Mr. Walker's title to a mansion beyond the skies is no better than mine was when some years ago I found I must dispose it. I found, to my surprise, that I could not swap it for any tangible thing on two continents. Now since Mr. Walker may urge that these titles are not supposed to be negotiable or transferable on the ground that it would not be just, I will add (lest he, through conscientious scruples, lets the transaction fall through) that if he is a Christian (and I have no doubt he is) he believes in the principle of vicarious atonement, which is practically the same thing. In this case one man does the sinning and another man does the suffering. So, you see, Mr. Walker, that it would not be altogether unrighteous for you to do the praying and paying while another enjoys the pleasures(?) of your "heavenly mansion." And I will guarantee that before he has been there 24 hours he will rue the day he ever accepted it even as a gift. When he find that there is no eating, no drinking, no smoking, no courting, no marrying—nothing but an incessant twanging of harps, and chanting, "Holy, holy is the lamb," he will have the blues to the tune of "That other world is good enough for me."

Now to the method of making the exchange. Never give your time and money to a man who can't instruct you by giving you demonstrated facts, or facts that can be proved by reasoning from analogy, keeping in mind that spiritual facts are not facts, that facts which have to be spiritually discerned are never discovered. Stop reading histories of the mistakes and misdeeds (Bibles) of an ignorant people in an ignorant age. Give up reading "Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress," and give up studying commentaries on the Bible, Æsop's Fables," "Arabian Nights," and especially such books as bear the title, "Religion and Science." In short, burn your present library or sink it in the sea, if you can find stones enough. Then purchase a complete set of modern textbooks on the following subjects: Geology, history, chemistry, astronomy, botany, physiology, zoology, comparative anatomy, a world's atlas and a Webster's unabridged dictionary. Now make a persistent application of these to what you are pleased to call your intellect, and in less than one year you will find the change complete' with the following results:

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Let Truth Prevail.

EDITOR MORNING PRESS—Considering we are liable to use Mr. Gibson with his bowl of milk and water, also Farmer Reynolds and the Methodist minister, it behooves us to go a little slow. This would really be a great calamity at this time, as we are just on the eve of success. I have a few words to say, however. I hope all on our side will not be entirely cast down. This theology problem is almost settled now. The Catholics were the first Christian denomination. When Luther left the Catholic church, what had he to set up instead? Nothing. What have the Protestants to set up? Nothing. Therefore, as Christians we are left, when the new Savior is being virtually born, I proclaim him to the world, and that we begin a new era from this time and resolve that nothing but truth and righteousness shall rule this nation in the future, all of which may be found in the two words, right and wrong.

P. S.—I hope you will not put Mr. Gibson's bowl of milk and water where the cat can get it; if you should he will have nothing left. S.

Finally Brethren.

EDITOR MORNING PRESS—Friend Lisle and I having discussed at the same thing from opposite points of view, he sees it black, I see it white; he knows and I believe, and there is a deadlock. Nothing more to do but shake hands and wait for the future to unfold the reality. Meantime I am not one to think he is a villain or dishonorable because he does not think as I do. Though unacquainted with him I would wager he honors home and country, and respects the rights of his fellow beings equally with, if not better than his spleen detractors, and some time in the "Land o' the Leal" I'll meet him and say "How'dy, Brother." Nothing fleeting here, etc.

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GOMPERS TO THE A. F. L.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT TO THE ANNUAL CONVENTION.

An Abiding Faith in the Virtues of Trades Unionism—What the Federation Has Done This Year—Encouraging Eight Hour and Strike Statistics.

President Samuel Gompers' report to the tenth annual convention of the American Federation of Labor, held in Detroit, Dec. 8-13, was short and to the point. The following extracts contain some of his important features:

There are those who, failing to comprehend the economic, politic and social tendencies of the trades union movement, regard it as entirely "too slow," "too conservative," and desire to hurl it headlong into a path which, while struggling and hoping for the end, will leave us stranded and losing the practical and beneficial results of our efforts. I admin- that the working people are in too great a need of immediate improvements in their condition to allow them to forego them in the endeavor to devote their entire energies to an end however beautiful to contemplate. I maintain further that the achievements of present practical improvements for the toilers places them on so much vantage ground gained and renders them more capable to deal with the various problems it is their mission to solve. In the language of the Hermann Socialistic economic and social thinkers, Im Steward, "The way out of the wage system is through higher wages, resultant only from shorter hours." In working upon this line it is not necessary to oppose any school of thought upon the labor problem, but to carry out the solemn duties imposed upon us is imperative."

THE EIGHT HOUR MOVEMENT.

The report refers to the eight hour movement in the carpenters' trade, the results of which are now pretty well known, and then it adds:

From statistical blanks issued within the past two months to the trade unions I learn that there are few trades or callings throughout the whole country that have not obtained a reduction in the hours of their labor or an increase in their wages. In some, where formerly it had been held that the enforcement of the eight hour rule was entirely incompatible with the interests of the industry, notably among the iron and steel workers, few of the largest concerns have made a test of the three shifts system with entire success.

There is no question but that the near future is bright for the eight hour movement, if the organized wage workers will but concentrate their efforts upon its achievement.

The executive council of the American Federation of Labor last March selected the coal miners of the country to make the demand for the enforcement of the eight hour system for immediately after the contest of the carpenters would close, and so notified the officers.

The time was deemed unpropitious, and they declared for its enforcement May, 1, 1891. In consequence of that decision I feel that the plans of the executive council to continue in the selection of one trade after another, since none other of a national character was in a position of preparation to enter the contest upon so short a notice, hence we have decided to refer the entire subject to this convention for further consideration and approval.

GROWTH OF ORGANIZATION.

In speaking of the growth of the organizations affiliated with the federation, President Gompers says:

Twelve new national and international unions were formed within the past year, and two are about to hold a convention for the same purpose within a few days; eight have affiliated to the American Federation of Labor, and the remainder are preparing for their next convention. The National trades unions reported having established 913 local branches throughout the various parts of the country, while 274 charters for local unions were issued from the office of the American Federation of Labor to such wage workers who have no national union of their trade or calling. The membership of all organizations except one has increased from 5 to 35 per cent. The non-increase in the one (the Knights of Protective Police of America) is attributable to the fact that a disastrous conflagration devastated the center of their industry at Lynn, Mass.

STRIKE STATISTICS.

From the statistical blanks before referred to the national organizations reported 1,168 strikes having taken place authorized by them.

Of this number 939 were successful, 78 lost and 98 compromised.

Many were the concessions gained without the necessity of resorting to a strike, and in most cases the answers came too numerous to mention, "cannot mention them all, etc., etc."

The strikes were generally for a reduction in the hours of labor and increase of wages, or the maintenance of the rights of the workers.

All report an increase of wages from 7 to 25 per cent., except one, the silk workers, who report lesser earnings, owing to dullness of trade.

The U. R. L. places and improved conditions was shared in proportionately by those who were not members of the organization.

Thus it will be seen that our organizations are continually succeeding in making their members larger sharers in the product of their toil and doing that work for them which no other organization on earth think it worth their while to deal with.

I am more than convinced that as the working people learn to appreciate the necessity of organization and the federation of all, steadier and larger gains will be forthcoming as the result of our joint efforts, and we shall be so much nearer the end—justice to all mankind—for which we so earnestly strive.

I desire to impress upon the minds of the working people the absolute necessity that they should keep in view that it is not blunter nor ostentation that will win victories for them.

Such organizations of labor may at times win victories from their employers, but they are generally of a transitory character. We must not only be right, but possess the power to enforce that right, and there is no argument so potent with unwilling or unfair employers to grant reasonable demands as a well organized trade union, with a well filled treasury, to stand them in need should a strike be necessary to enforce the demand.

The payment of fair dues in a union, regularly contributed in times of peace, is much more valuable than assessments enforced during strikes. The workers are then always prepared to meet any attack and give their organizations the character of permanency so essential to success.

ASSESSMENTS.

With the last convention a new area was opened up in one of the methods of our organization.

We inaugurated a system by which all the national trade unions affiliated were empowered to assess their members or pay directly a certain sum toward helping affiliated unions in conflict to maintain their rights in difficulties with their employers.

Most of the organizations responded to the call at once, while others were bound to await the decision of their convention and then responded, and a few others from various causes (mainly their own poor condition) have not yet been able to remit the money.

That the nearly $112,500 paid by the Federation to the carpenters in their struggle was of great assistance in aiding them to victory, the secretary of that organization frankly acknowledged with appreciation in his report to their convention.

I submit to your consideration the advisability of a continuance of this system and the extension of it to the local trade unions directly affiliated to the American Federation of Labor, and which have no national trade unions. I propose, however, that if this proposition is approved the fund when created be kept separate from the national trade union assessments in order that practical assistance may be given to both, and neither have cause to complain of intrenching upon the moneys appropriated or paid by the other.

INTERNATIONAL LABOR CONGRESS.

Immediately after the United States congress decided upon the city in which the World's fair should be held, in compliance with the resolution of the last convention, I issued an invitation to the organized wage workers of the world to be represented at an international labor congress, to be held at Chicago in 1893. I urged that no other international labor congress be held that year, and asked for the appointment of temporary committeemen for the purpose of making the preliminary arrangements. I cannot say that the invitation has met with much encouragement. Whether this is due to the fact that for a time all were in doubt that the World's fair would be held at all, or whether that since our resolution was adopted several separate invitations, emanating from wholly different sources independent of each other, have led to confusion in the minds of the wage workers of other countries, or owing to the great distance, cost or indifference to the whole subject, I do not know. I am, however, convinced, however, that if we are desirous of holding a successful international labor congress in 1893, we must be very energetic and by all means be represented at the one previously held in Europe.

In connection with this subject, it becomes my duty to call your attention to a bill that was introduced in congress looking toward the holding of a World's congress of labor under the auspices of the United States government. The matter has not received the indorsement of the executive council, nor has anything been done to commit the American Federation of Labor to it. The circulars, bills and other papers herewith submitted for such action as you may deem most advisable to take.

OTHER IMPORTANT MATTERS.

The report calls attention to the fact that the government eight hour law which was adopted in 1868 is being constantly broken. Labor Day was more generally observed this year than ever before. Mr. Gompers appealed to the convention to do something in aid of the child workers of the country. He says he has been laboring with the different labor bureaus to get them to pay more attention to the effects of working men's organizations, and has met with considerable encouragement.

The president recommended the adoption of a Federation label, but not to conflict with the labels of national unions. He also favored the consideration of a proposition to re-establish The Union Advocate as the Federation's official organ. The report dealt with other matters of interest to labor and closed in these words:

In closing my term of office permit me to assure you that my every thought and every act has ever been in the direction of that one goal we hold so dear in common. If at any time I have been depressed, the nobility of the hopes and aspirations of our great cause has stirred me to energy and action. The misery, the degradation of so many thousands of our fellow human beings, the result of their poverty, cries out and becomes a wail upon the ears of the lovers of mankind, who yearn and struggle year after year in that contest which can know no ending until man's inhumanity to man shall cease, and the injustice, which is the despair of the people shall live only in history as episodes in the development and the social regeneration of man. As the representatives of the organized workers of our country, let us lay aside all personal differences, and rise to the dignity and loftiness of the great problem and cause that confront us, and work out the emancipation of labor from the thraldom that cunning and chicanery have enmeshed us in.

One Girl's Motto.

"A horse! A horse! My kingdom for a horse!" A gold letter on scarlet ribbon is used to tie a fox brush which is hung up conspicuously in the pretty bedchamber of Miss Mabel Metcalf, the famous cross country rider, who was one of last season's debutantes.—New York Journal.

Edwin Booth is much broken in health. His friends attribute his condition to excessive smoking. All of Mr. Booth's waking hours, save those employed in eating and acting, are devoted to the cigar and the pipe.

Stanislauf Sobrinsky began suit recently for $10,000 against the Illinois Malleable iron foundry for the loss of an eye by the explosion of a molten iron kettle two years ago.

Mrs. Welti Escher, of Zurich, has made a donation of 5,000,000 francs to the Swiss confederation for the creation of a federal institution of plastic art.

Miss Kate Marsden sailed last month in the Parramatta on her mission to the lepers scattered throughout Russia, even to the utmost parts of Siberia.

Snyder and the Wild Cat.

Chauncey Snyder, who resides upon the road leading to the Overlook mountain, for some time past has missed sheep from his flock, and after a light snow which had fallen he saw the tracks of a huge wild cat in the field. By the light of the new moon he lay in wait for the lover of lamb and mutton shoul he make another nocturnal visit. He had his faithful dog with him, and it was near midnight before the sheep destroyer put in an appearance.

He made straight for a lamb, and Snyder bid his dog to "go for him." Jack, a huge bulldog, with a bound left his master, and soon the cat and dog were in a deadly conflict. The wild cat was a monster, with claws full half an inch in length and as sharp as needles, and their loving conduct the "old man" rodo rapidly up, and seeing them dart around the depot jumped from his horse and asked a man standing near by to hold it until he killed a man.

By this time the fleeing lovers were going over the bridge across the river, the young man considerably in the lead, calling back, "Come on, Mary," while the enraged father brought up the rear, revolver in hand; but Mary shaded her lover from the wild cat's way by leaping between them. Noticing that her father was gaining on her she took off her shoes, and thus inspired with new energy she fairly flew, soon overtaking her lover and distancing the old man, who soon gave up the chase, amid the laughter and jeers of the crowd who had witnessed the ridiculous proceedings. The old man then offered $25 reward for the arrest of the pair, but no one cared to undertake the job, and the old man returned home.—St. Louis Republic.

A Question Settled.

When a citizen has come to believe he owns the earth it is well that he should either receive his deed for the same or discover that he was mistaken. The supreme court of Michigan has decided that no Detroit citizen even owns the state. This is an awful bitter dose to take, but will result in good.—Detroit Free Press.

Eighty-six and Walked Fifteen Miles.

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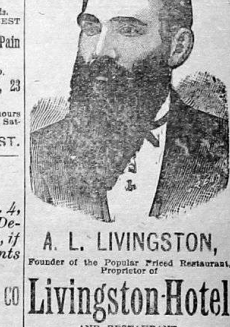

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	Arr From South.	Lve Going North.
For Saginaw, solid train	.....	* 7:00 a m
For Traverse City	† 5:15 a m	† 7:05 a m
For Traverse City and Mackinaw	† 2:30 a m	† 11:30 a m
For Saginaw, solid train	† 3:40 p m	† 4:00 p m
For Cadillac	† 2:15 p m	† 5:00 p m
For Mackinaw	† 8:00 p m	† 10:30 p m
From Kalamazoo	† 3:50 p m	.....

TRAINS GOING SOUTH.

	Arr From North.	Lve Going South.
For Cincinnati	† 6:00 a m	† 6:30 a m
For Kalamazoo and Chicago	†10:15 a m	†10:30 a m
From Saginaw	11:45 a m	.....
For Fort Wayne and the East	.....	† 2:30 p m
For Cincinnati	† 5:30 p m	† 6:00 p m
For Kalamazoo and Chicago	†10:00 p m*	†11:45 p m
From Saginaw	†10:30 p m	.....
From Muskegon	† 4:00 p m	† Daily except Sunday.

Sleeping and Parlor Car Service.

North—11:30 a m train, parlor chair car for Mackinaw City; 10:30 p m train, Wagner sleeping car for Mackinaw City.

South—6:30 a m train, parlor chair car for Cincinnati; 10:30 a m train, through parlor coach to Chicago; 6:00 p m train, Wagner sleeping car for Cincinnati; 11:05 p m train, Wagner sleeping car for Chicago.

Muskegon, Grand Rapids & Indiana.

For Muskegon, Lv. 7:50 a m. 11:15 a. m. 5:40 p. m
From Muskegon, ar. 10:30 a. m. 3:45 p. m 8:45 p. m

Through tickets and full information can be had by calling upon A. Almquist, ticket agent, at Union station or Geo. W. Munson, Union ticket office, 67 Monroe street.

C. L. LOCKWOOD, Gen. Pass and Ticket Agent

CHICAGO OCTOBER 5, 1890
AND WEST MICHIGAN R'Y.

DEPART FOR	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Chicago	†9:00	†1:00	*11:30	.....	.....
Indianapolis	.....	*1:00	*11:30	.....	.....
Benton Harbor	*9:00	*1:00	*11:30	.....	.....
St. Joseph	†9:00	*1:00	*11:30	.....	.....
Traverse City	†7:35	*5:05	†11:30	.....	.....
Muskegon	*7:35	*5:05	*10:05	*8:30	.....
Manistee	*7:35	*5:05	.....	.....	.....
Indianapolis	†7:35	*5:05	†11:30	.....	.....
Baldwin	†7:35	*5:05	†11:30	.....	.....
Big Rapids	†7:35	*5:05	.....	.....	.....
Grand Haven	†9:00	*1:00	*5:05	*8:30	.....
Holland	†9:00	*1:00	*5:05	*8:30	*†11:30

*Week days. †Sundays. ‡Except Saturday.

9:00 A. M. has through chair car to Chicago. No extra charge for seats.

1:00 P. M. runs through to Chicago solid with Wagner buffet car; seats, 75c.

5:05 P. M. has through chair car to Manistee, via M. & N. R. R.; solid train to Traverse City.

11:30 P. M. solid train has sleeper for Traverse City.

11:35 P. M. is solid train with Wagner palace sleeping car through to Chicago, and also a combination sleeping and parlor car through to Indianapolis, via Benton Harbor.

DETROIT, NOVEMBER 30, 1890.
LANSING & NORTHERN R. R.

DEPART FOR	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Detroit and East	†7:35	†1:55	*6:35
Lansing	†7:35	†1:55	*6:35
Howell	†7:35	†1:55	*6:35
Grand Ledge	†7:35	†1:55	*6:35
Lake Odessa	†7:35	†1:55	*6:35
Plymouth	†7:35	†1:55	*6:35
Howard City	†7:35	†1:55	*6:35
Edmore	†7:30	*4:30	.....
Alma	†7:30	*4:30	.....
St. Louis	†7:30	*4:30	.....
Saginaw City	†7:35	*4:30	.....

*Daily. †Every week day.

7:25 A. M. runs through to Detroit with parlor car; seats, 25 cents. Arrive at New York 10:30 a. m.

1:20 P. M. runs through to Detroit with parlor car; seats, 25 cents. Arrive at New York 4:00 p. m.

6:25 P. M. runs through to Detroit with parlor car; seats, 25 cents. Arrive at New York 8:30 p. m.

For tickets and information apply at Union ticket office, 67 Monroe street, Grand Rapids.

GEO. DEHAVEN, Gen'l Pass. Ag't.

LAKE SHORE & MICHIGAN SOUTHERN.

GOING SOUTH—DEPART.

Mail and Express	.....	.....	7:45 a m
Mail	.....	.....	3:00 p m
Freight	.....	.....	5:30 p m
Freight	.....	.....	12:15 a m

ARRIVE

Mail and Express	.....	.....	9:25 a m
Mail and Express	.....	.....	6:05 p m
Freight	.....	.....	12:45 p m
Freight	.....	.....	6:30 p m

A. J. SMITH, G. T. & P. A., Cleveland, O.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILWAY.

	DEPART.	ARRIVE
New York Express	4:40 p m	1:15 p m
Detroit Express	7:20 a m	10:00 p m
Mail	12:10 p m	5:00 p m
Day Express	1:20 p m	10:00 a m
Atlantic and Pacific	10:00 p m	6:40 a m

*Daily. All others daily except Sunday.

Sleeping cars run on Pacific and Atlantic Express to and from Detroit. Parlor cars on Day Express and Grand Rapids Express to and from Detroit. Dining cars run between Detroit and Jackson. Tickets for sale at Union depot.

FRED M. BRIGGS, Gen'l Agt, 95 Monroe st.
J. C. HAWKINS, Ticket Agt. Union Depot.
GEO. W. MUNSON, Union Ticket Office, 67 Monroe street.
O. W. RUGGLES, G. P. and T. Agt, Chicago.

Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee.

WEST BOUND.	Ar	Lv.
Morning Express	12:50 p m	1:00 p m
Through Mail	5:00 p m	5:10 p m
Steamboat Express	3:25 p m	.....
Night Express	*6:40 a m	7:05 a m
Mixed	.....	7:50 a m
EAST BOUND.	Ar.	Lv.
Detroit Express	.....	†6:20 a m
Through Mail	10:10 a m	10:20 a m
Evening Express	8:35 p m	8:45 p m
Night Express	3:50 a m	12:55 p m

*Daily. †Sundays Excepted.

Detroit Express leaving at 6:55 a. m. has Wagner parlor and buffet car attached and evening express leaving 3:40 p. m. has parlor car attached. These trains make direct connection in Detroit for all points East.

Express leaving at 12:55 p. m. has Wagner Sleeping car to Detroit, arriving in Detroit at 7:30 a. m.

Through railroad tickets, ocean steamship tickets, and sleeping car berths secured at the E. G. H & M. Railway City Office, 22 Monroe st. and at the depot.

A. S. CAMPBELL, City Pass. Agent.
THO. W. LOUD, Traffic Manager, Detroit.

PEOPLE do not read advertisements, *Eh?* Well how did this line come to catch your eye?

Wind and Weather

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—For lower Michigan: Continued cold weather; fair; northerly winds.

CITY AND SUBURBS.

Leo. A. Carr is convalescing from a siege of sickness.

Vint Rickard will spend Christmas visiting his parents at Charlotte.

Mrs. C. Z. Bronson spends Christmas visiting her parents at Kalamazoo.

Miss Barbara Nafsinger is spending the holidays with her parents at Jackson.

Charles Markley and Mrs. Little Neal were granted a marriage certificate yesterday by Justice Hydorn.

The Gunn Folding Bed company have commenced suit in chancery against W. R. Knight to correct a deed.

John Brindle got on a whiskey "brindle" last night, and as a result was a lodger at police headquarters.

Pat Ryan was given a bed at police headquarters last night, and will be held to answer a charge of being drunk.

Hendrick Leys and Jennie Van Ess were married at the county bridal altar yesterday afternoon by Justice Rathbun.

A cross bill in the divorce proceedings of John DeVrill against Regina DeVrill was filed yesterday in the Superior court.

Dirk Voss, in a bill of complaint filed yesterday in the Circuit court, asks for a decree of divorce from his wife, Minnie Voss.

In the case of Andrew J. Reeves against Horace H. Childs, Mr. Reeves yesterday asked for a written bill of findings.

Oregon Hamilton was presented with a wife by Justice Hydorn yesterday. Her former name was Mrs. Margaret Thomas.

Mrs. S. B. Randall and son, of Coldwater, is spending the holidays with W. S. Stevens and wife, at 284 South Division street.

Miss Ada S. Harrod of Kent City, and Miss Cora B. Hope of Big Rapids, are the guests of Dr. W. H. Ross and family of Mt. Vernon street.

Ye merrie printer men of ye MORNING PRESS are under obligations to Louis Kuhn of ye "Monumental" for a "Merrie Christmas."

The appeal from Justice Toby's court, located at Byron Center, in the case of William Beebe against Fred Horton reached the county clerk yesterday.

Suit by summons was commenced yesterday in the Superior court by Gerritt Stevens, John Stevens, et al., against Flossie J. DeVries, C. C. Stone, et al.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Somes, of La Grange, Ind., are spending Christmas with their son and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Somes, of 20 Pleasant street.

Carrie L. Wade commenced divorce proceedings in the Superior court yesterday against her husband, Giles G. Wade. The complaint alleges extreme cruelty.

The Holland furniture workers' masked ball at Metropolitan hall last night was well attended and netted a neat sum for the association's sick benefit fund.

The Owashtanong ball club is practicing the great indoor game every night and next Monday evening a public exhibition will be given at Luce's hall, with a small admission fee.

J. Hulst, corner Second and Carpenter streets, scarlet fever; Nellie Flagg, 487 Scribner street, and Edith Powers, 297 Ottawa street, typhoid, were the cases of contagion reported yesterday.

The many friends of Judge Holmes will be pleased to learn that his health is improving rapidly and his son thinks his father will be able to resume his seat in Police court Monday morning.

Jacob Wolf, an aged farmer, while driving on Ottawa street yesterday was overturned by a cable car. His right leg was broken below the knee and the fracture was reduced by Dr. De Camp.

Mrs. A. B. Watson in conformity to an established custom of her late husband, yesterday distributed a ton of flour to the poor as a Christmas offering. The distribution was made by the police department.

Two men who were too drunk to give their names found lodgings at police headquarters last night. The authorities will keep them until Friday morning when they will be turned over to the care of Judge Westfall.

Senator T. S. Gurney, of Hart, was in the city yesterday. He was accompanied by his son John, who has just passed the necessary examination and been recommended to enter the military academy at West Point, where he goes in June.

The postoffice will be open today from 7:40 to 10 o'clock a. m. The letter carriers will make the usual morning delivery. Collections will be made from Monroe, Canal and West Bridge street letter boxes at 4:30, 9:30, 12:30 and 4:30 p. m.

Jos. Lampson boards at the Kalamazoo house and works at the G. R. & I. railroad shops. Yesterday he drew his pay and on his way to his boarding house lost $35 of his money. A thorough search of South Division street where he claimed to have lost the money failed to find it.

"Jimmy" Campbell, the jovial city ticket agent of the D. & M., says it isn't so, and believes the Leader did it so that he would have to buy Christmas presents in return for congratulations. It announced yesterday that he would be married last evening. That interesting event will take place New Year's eve.

The railroads of Michigan will give the following rates to Lansing on inaugural day, Jan. 7, from all points in the state: Parties of 50 or more, one fare for the round trip; parties of 10 to 50, one and one-third fares for the round trip, and parties of ten or more to Lansing, two cents a mile. Tickets will be good to return within five days from day of issuance.

WOULD like to have you examine C. C. Davidson's line on Christmas morning, 49 Pearl street.

Ladies!

Use Steketee's Positive Periodical Preparation. Highly recommended. Cures fits and convulsions caused by non-appearance of monthly periods. The only reliable remedy known. For sale by all druggists. George G. Steketee, Sole Proprietor, Grand Rapids, Mich.

EVERYTHING X off at C. C. Davidson's—49 Pearl street. Open Christmas morning.

Reduced Rates.

On December 24, 25 and 31, 1890, and January 1, 1891, the Grand Rapids & Indiana railroad will sell holiday excursion tickets to all local points at one and one-third fare for the round trip. Tickets good going, only on date of sale, and good for return until January 3, 1891.

Through excursion tickets will be sold to Chicago and Cincinnati.

BARGAINS in Xmas presents at C. C. Davidson's, open Christmas morning, 49 Pearl street.

AN UNLUCKY TOSS.

STORY OF A NEW YEAR'S GIFT THAT WAS NEVER ENJOYED.

The Old Adage, "There's Many a Slip Betwixt the Cup and the Lip," Illustrated in the Case of a Beggar and His Coin.

He was a tramp. A miserable, ragged, rum sodden apology for a man, without one redeeming feature. He had not worked for ten years. His was a hangdog appearance, and now and then he furtively glanced around as if expecting a policeman to arrest him for living.

He stood in the postoffice corridor and gazed out of a window through the darkness at a Newsboy row opposite, and pondered. It was the last day of the year. He hadn't a friend, but then he did not want one. All he knew was that he was hungry, and his chronic thirst consumed him still.

He thought of the morrow. The new year caused him no remorse for his wasted life. He never was of high estate, so that his fall had not been mighty. He wondered if he should go through the day, as he had at Christmas, without a dinner. The postoffice clock pointed to 11. He leaned on the broad window sill and dozed.

He passed through the corridor from the Broadway side came brisk footsteps timed to a cheery whistle. Our tramp roused himself from his lethargic gloom and looked around. It was a young man, bright and breezy. Joy shone in his eyes. He may have just received a letter from Miranda; maybe he had collected a bad debt. More probably he had just made a lucky strike on the races. At all events he was happy. His audience did not appreciate this, however. He only saw in the well dressed chap a possible victim. So mechanically he stepped forward, held out a dirty paw and mumbled the well worn refrain in which the words "hunger—sick wife—five children" could be distinguished.

Imagine his astonishment when the young man paused, after a cursory glance, pulled out a coin, handed it to the beggar, and was off still whistling. The recipient hurried to the light to inspect his treasure; he fairly gasped—it was a dollar. He did not pursue the philanthropist to put the traditional query, "Did you mean to give me this, sir?" Not he! Out of the postoffice he ambled toward the Bowery; that Mecca of all such as he, at a faster gait than he had known for many a month.

A short distance beyond the bridge a thought occurred to him. What should he do with his money? The sudden gleam of paradise had scattered his wits. Undecided, wavering, he sat down on the walk under a street lamp with his feet in the gutter and mused. He thought of turkey, but the word was a mockery—he had not tasted any for years. He now sketched rapidly an ideal bill of fare; bean soup, pork and beans, and—yes gods!—plum pudding to top off! He figured the cost. Why, he would have enough left to take him to a theatre, and even to sit down stairs, for the matter, like a lord. But now a disturbing thought crept in. He had forgotten something—rum. His programme was accordingly amended by the substitution of rum for theatre.

But another question now arose to perplex him. Should he eat first or drink first? He drew out the precious money. Now the old sporting instinct asserted itself. He would let chance decide, as any gentleman should. The coin was to pay the bills, and it should guide his choice. If head came uppermost, the rum first; if tail, the meal.

Up he tossed it, high and straight; down it came in the same path, but missing the outstretched palm it struck the sidewalk on its milled edge. Impish, glittering, exultant, it rolled off the sidewalk into the gutter, jumped two or three little furrows of dirt, dodged an old cigar stump and disappeared into the sewer at the corner.

"Come, move on out o' that," said a policeman as he whacked his club close to the man on the curb.—New York Sun.

Resolutions.

I will wear easier shoes than I did last year.

If I find that I have to wear spectacles I will.

I will not read one-half of the advertisements in the Sunday papers.

I will think less about money and reach out after more of it.—Burdette.

A New Year's Reverie.

'Twas a New Year's eve, quite long ago,
And blustry was the weather,
When Jess and I sat all alone
Before the fire together.
The wooden clock ticked slowly on
Its measured tones and broken,
And all the while we two sat there
Not one of us had spoken.

And as the firelight softly streamed
Upon her form so slender,
And played about her slipped feet,
Which rested on the fender,
I could not help but think and dream
Of how I loved her dearly,
But lacked the vim to tell her so,
For I was bashful merely.

Just then a noise came to our ears
That sounded grim and ghostly,
And she was timid, women are
(Or I will venture mostly).
She hastened quickly to my side
And cried, "Oh, do not leave me,
For left alone in this old place
I fear 't will sadly grieve me."

My courage soon returned at last,
I suddenly grew bolder,
And in a choked and faltering voice
I spoke up then and told her:
My place was always by her side,
That I'd forsake her never,
But link my troubled heart with hers
And shield her now forever.

I took her gently in my arms
And kissed her drooping lashes,
Which hid those eyes that shone as bright
As lightning's deepest flashes,
A crimson blush o'erspread her face
And dyed her pretty dimple,
Which made her seem a school girl then,
So sweet she looked and simple.

And many times when I'm alone
And smoking in the gloaming
I see the past within the clouds
Which set my thoughts to roaming.
The night I won dear Jessie's heart,
With deep and tender feeling,
And all the odes that frightened her
Was rats between the ceiling.

—F. Parker, Jr.

Buy your Xmas presents of C. C. Davidson, Christmas morning, 49 Pearl street.

FINE line to chose from at C. C. Davidson's—49 Pearl street and 2 and 4 Arcade.

WANTED to sell out clean on Christmas morning. C. C. DAVIDSON, Open till noon. 49 Pearl street.

COME and see me Christmas morning. C. C. DAVIDSON, 49 Pearl street.

Of course we are open Xmas morning. C. C. Davidson, 49 Pearl street, 2 and 4 Arcade.

Some Wedding Jewelry.

The jewelers of Paris are particularly happy on account of the large number of marriages which have occurred this season. Such occasions are fraught with great profit to the trade. It is now considered out of place for a bride to wear any jewelry except pearls before she has plighted her faith at the altar. There are exceptions to this rule, however. The daughter of the Russian embassador, who was recently married, wore attached to her bodice the badge of her office as maid of honor to the empress. The jewel was composed of diamonds, hanging by a pale blue ribbon. She also wore a superb diamond buckle in the folds of her dress. This jewel was given her by the Prince and Princess of Denmark.

After her marriage the bride is expected to bedeck herself in all the gems and jewels which her friends have seen fit to bestow upon her and to keep them on exhibition during the first week after marriage. In accordance with this custom the Russian bride I have mentioned showed her jewels, among which was an elegant brooch composed of three large sapphires arranged in a triple pendant, a branch of ivy in diamonds and a brooch in the form of a lily made of clustered diamonds, with an elongated sapphire in each petal. Another was in the form of a butterfly with two sapphires in each wing. There was also a cable chain bracelet with a row of sapphires alternated with diamonds set on each link.—Paris Cor. Jeweler's Weekly.

He "Diagnosed" Her Case at Once.

Weak but nervous woman as the physician enters—Oh doctor I'm so glad you've come I am sure I shall never recover this time Mrs. Brown who died last month you know she was my husband's cousin had exactly the same symptoms and although she tried every remedy that her doctors or her neighbors recommended and spent no end of money though goodness knows they could ill afford it in visiting the southern watering places unfitted her children almost forgot her face and her husband poor man had no more what could properly be called a home than a boarder with a single hall bedroom she died and a beautiful funeral she had too poor thing and looked that sweet in her coffin it makes my heart bleed to think of it and what do you think is the matter with me anyway and do you think I will soon get over it I cannot sleep I cannot lie still I cannot walk I cannot eat I cannot talk what is the matter with—

Doctor (interrupting)—Madam, I think you have a decided case of flatulency of the lungs.—New York Tribune.

College of Women to Have a Magazine.

The College of Women is about starting a quarterly. It is to be called The Outlook, and the first number will appear in January. It is to be published in the interests of the higher education, and will be run by Boston women. Margaret B. Dodge, the editor, hails from Boston university, as does Emily H. Bright, the business manager. The college girls are ambitious in their programme. Miss Dodge tells us that she does not expect to compete with the suffrage organs or with the magazines devoted to bibs and batter cakes, but that The Outlook will promote "unity of aim and action among cultivated women, and quaint society with the strength of the women's educational movement and collect and classify material concerning it." There's room, say the knowing, for a new magazine once in fifteen years, but if you're looking for comedy you'll find it among worshipers of that amiable fetich, the college bred woman.—New York Commercial Advertiser.

A Successful Telegrapher.

Miss Nelly Kelly, of The Ohio State Journal, at Columbus, is a regular "first wire" operator of the Associated Press, and receives $30.50 a week, the same salary that is paid to first wire men. She is said to be the only telegraph woman in the country holding such a place. At 5:30 every afternoon Miss Kelly takes her seat upstairs in The Journal office. In front of her is a typewriter, and close behind her is the eternally clicking "first wire" of the Associated Press. As fast as the receiving instruments clicks, Miss Kelly copies its messages on the typewriter in the shape of neat "copy" for the paper, taking 15,000 words a night. At 2:30 a. m. she rises from her typewriter beside the telegraph instrument, draws a sigh of relief and goes home, alone and safe. She has never missed a night, and The State Journal praises her work in the highest terms.—Phonographic Magazine.

Girls at Symphony Rehearsals.

The girl with a big violin, the girl with the twinkling, the restless girl who flits about the audience, the girl with a low necked dress on a winter afternoon, the superior girl with four books and a German dictionary—these are a few of the girls seen at a symphony rehearsal.—Boston Transcript.

A Merchant.

The oldest and largest mercantile establishment in Huntsville, Tenn., is managed by a woman. The house, representing a capital of $250,000, was founded over forty years ago by the late Mr. Sanford Gibbs, who requested that his wife should continue his business.—Exchange.

FOR Holiday Presents I will make Extra Low Prices on Gold Spetacles and Eye-Glasses, also Opera and Field Glasses, Reading and all other Glasses. I keep every kind of Frame and Glass in use. Come and get my prices Those wishing Gold Spectacles and Eye-glasses for presents can get them properly fitted at any time after purchasing the same without extra cost. A. J. Shellman, Optician, sign of Big Spectacles, 65 Monroe street.

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Lowest prices on the Street.

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OFFICE: 128½ Monroe Street. Phone 891.

A STRONG COMBINATION

The Steele Meat Market Purchased by Fred'k Pegler—Why This Purchase the Public Will Gain

A Great Advantage—Two Well Furnished Markets.

It is known to few people, but not to the general public, that Mr. F. Pegler has purchased and taken possession of the magnificent Steele meat market. The Steele market has been known since its start as the finest retail meat market in the state, and one of the finest in the West. It is splendidly equipped and supplied with everything that can be desired to make a place of this kind convenient and elegant. It is located at 21 and 23 South Division street.

Mr. Pegler's other market, at 84 South Division street, is also a fine market, and while not so elegantly appointed as his new purchase, has most excellent facilities for handling his large trade.

Mr. Pegler is a practical meat market man, with years of experience in this most peculiar kind of business, and knows to a dot just what his patrons desire in his line. That the people like his way of doing business is shown by the large and lucrative business he is doing.

For the Christmas trade Mr. Pegler is showing a beautiful line of meats and poultry, and for New Years will be ready to greet you. Both markets are filled with a large stock of choice meats tastefully decorated. The finest thing exhibited at the new market is the steer which took first premium at the Chicago fat cattle show. This steer was raised by Martin L. Sweet of this city, and weighed, when dressed, 1,300 pounds.

Running two stock markets, and buying meats in the large quantities required, gives Mr. Pegler advantages in the way of cheap prices that will greatly benefit his patrons. When you purchase meats, wouldn't it be a good idea to remember these facts?

The Steele market will be run under the personal management of of Mr. Frederick J. Pegler, a chip of the old block.

YES, we have a fine assortment left, Cheap! Cheap!! Cheap!!!
C. C. DAVIDSON, 49 Pearl street.

WURSBURG'S full Military band concert at North Park pavilion Sunday afternoon.

GO DOWN town Xmas morning and examine C. C. Davidson's fine assortment of presents. 49 Pearl street—2 and 4, Arcade.

A. H. Fowle's Art Parlors

37 Ionia street, contains today the finest collection of water colors, high class etchings, brazun antatypes and prints to be found in the city. Call and not fail to see the present very interesting exhibit which contains so many beautiful examples that are above the average.

Besides the above he has a specialty of novel and artistic framing, and carry one of the largest and most varied lines of picture mouldings to be found in the west. I do gilding in all branches, all kinds of work appertaining to this branch of business. My motto is the very best kind of work at the lowest possible price. A. H. FOWLE,
37 Ionia St., south of Monroe.

LEFT—a fine line of goods to sell Christmas morning. Open from 7 a. m. until noon. C. C. DAVIDSON,
49 Pearl street.

MARKETS BY WIRE

Financial,

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Money firm at 4 per cent.

STOCKS—Nothing doing

GOVERNMENT BONDS—Fours, 121¼; sixes, 109.

New York Grain and Provisions.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—WHEAT—Higher. December, $1.04⅝@1.05⅛; February, $1.05⅛; May, $1.08⅝@1.09; July, $1.06⅝@1.06⅞.

CORN—Quiet, 8c up, firm. No. 2, 60@61c; December, 59⅝@60c; May, 56⅝c.

PORK—Dull; steady. New mess, $11@13; old mess, $10@11; extra prime, $9.50@10.

LARD—Weak. Steam rendered, $6.

BUTTER—Quiet, weak. Western dairy, 11@20c.

EGGS—Steady, quiet. Western, 33@36c.

Chicago.

CHICAGO, Dec. 24.—Money close at 4@5 per cent. New York exchange 25 discount.

For the day before the holiday board of trade markets were fairly active and prices generally ruled higher.

WHEAT—Cash, 90c; January, 90¼c; May, 97⅞c; bid firm.

CORN—Steady. Cash and December, 48⅛c; January, 48⅛c; May, 47⅞c.

OATS—Steady. Cash, 40¼@40⅝c; January, 40⅝c; May, 43⅝c.

PORK—Firm. Cash, $9.70; December, $7.62½; January, $10.07½; May, $6.40.

Detroit.

DETROIT, Dec. 24.—WHEAT—No. 1 white, cash, 94c; No. 2 red cash, 94½c; December, 94½c; May, $1.00⅝.

CORN—No. 2 cash, 50c bid; May, 53½c.

OATS—No. 2 cash, 43½c; No. 3 white, 43c asked.

RECEIPTS—Wheat, 16,500 bu; corn, 10,100 bu; oats, 2,300 bu.

Toledo.

TOLEDO, Dec. 24.—WHEAT—Firm, quiet; cash, 95½c; May, $1.03¾; July, 97½c; August, 91½c.

CORN—Firm, dull; cash and May, 52½c.

OATS—Steady; cash, 43c; May, 45c bid.

CLOVER SEED—Quiet; cash, $4.15; February, $4.25 asked.

LOCAL MARKETS.

The price of wheat took a tumble yesterday right in the face of advances in the quotations of flour. Millers announced that they would only pay 92 cents instead of 95. Other grains are steady without change. The produce market is also unchanged. Spring and fresh meats crowded the market all day yesterday, with prices firm.

The following are the ruling prices:

Wheat, 92c; flour, $4@4.25; bran, $17.50; feed and meal, $22; hay, $8@9; straw, $5@3.50 a load; potatoes, 60c; onions, 80@90c; bagas, 30@40c; beans, $1.90@1.75; pumpkin, 40c; cabbages, 40@60c per doz.

Fresh eggs 27c; butter 19@21c for prime.

In fresh meats pork brings $4.00@4.25; beef sides, $5.50@5.60; hindquarters, $4.00@4.50; mutton, $5.00@5.50; veal, $5.00@5.50.

Chickens 7@9c; turkeys, 10@12c; geese, 11c; ducks, 11c.

Hides bring 4@5c for green and 8½c for cured; calf skins brings 7½c for green and 6@8c for cured; sheep pelts, 60c@$1.00.

Honey is quoted at 14@15c for prime.

QUOTATIONS TO DEALERS.

F. J. Lamb & Co., commission merchants quote prices to the trade as follows: Cranberries, $10.00@13.00 per barrel; apples, $4.00 per bbl; sweet potatoes, $1.00@4.50 per bbl for kiln dried; celery, 30@35c per dozen bunches; dried apples are worth 8½c; honey, 18@20c; cheese, full cream, 10½c; hickory nuts, large, $1.30; small shellbarks, $2.00@2.25 per bu; pop corn 3@3c per ℔.

Fresh butter is sold at 20@23c.

Fresh eggs firm at 23@25c; pickled, 20c a doz.

Beans sell at $2.00 a bushel.

In fruits, nuts, etc, prices are:

FRUITS—Malaga grapes, extra fancy, $8.50@9.00; fancy, $6.00@7.50; pine apples, $2.00 a doz; figs, 12@15c; dates, 7@10c; dates, 8@10c; oranges, $3.50@4.50; bright color, $6.00; lemons, $4.75@5.00; bananas, none on sale; but if called for will be ordered.

NUTS—Almonds, 17c; pecans, 15c; walnuts, 40c; cocoanuts (sack), $5; mixed, 4½c.

OYSTERS—Counts, 35c per can; selects, 30c; plain, 25c; selects, gal, $1.60; P. & B. standard, $1.25.

Sugars are quoted at: Cut loaf, 7¼c; powdered, 7c; granulated, 6¾c; standard A, 6c; extra C, 5⅝@5¾c, and the lower grades 5⅛@5¼c.

Kerosine oil, for water white 9¾c; for Michigan test, 8¾c; gasoline 10¼c.

Salt sells in car-barrel lots at 95c.

Wholesale dealers quote hams at 9.00@9.75; bacon, 8c; dried beef, 10.00@8.50; mess pork, clear and heavy, $11.50; standard short cut, $11.50; clear back, $12.75; mess beef, $7.00@7.50.

The Time has Arrived!

OUR GREAT ANNUAL

Quarter ¼ Off Sale

Commences on

Saturday Morning, Dec. 27,

And continues until the balance of our Winter Stock is disposed of.

Our fall trade has been very successful and our sales far in excess of any previous season since our opening in Grand Rapids 18 years ago.

We feel that we can well afford to dispose of the balance of our Winter Goods at a sacrifice, and have concluded to have another of our well-known straight forward and honest QUARTER OFF SALES.

We do not believe in advertising one or two certain broken lines or old stock at reduced rates and retain the full prices on the balance of the stock, but make a uniform reduction and say to our customers: Take your choice of any cloak in our Cloak Department, at the regular price, and deduct one-quarter off.

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Velvet or Beaver Shawls, 1-4 off.
Blankets and Comfortables at 1-4 off.
Broadeloths and Dress Flannels, 1-4 off.
Eiderdown and Cloakings of all kinds 1-4 off.
Winter Underwear, Hosiery and Gloves, 1-4 off.
Hoods, Fascinators, Scarfs, Leggins, Mittens, Fur Trimmings, Ladies' and Children's Furs, all 1-4 off.

To make the sale still more attractive, we will include the following:

All our Silks and Satins, 1-4 off.
Our entire stock of Dress Goods, 1-4 off.
All our Cassimeres and Flannels, 1-4 off.

We wish it distinctly understood that our prices on all kinds of Dry Goods are guaranteed to be as low as any in the Trade, and from our well-known reasonable prices we deduct quarter from the bottom of the bill.

That our one-quarter off sales are conducted fairly and on strict business principles, is too well known to require any further comment.

We do not carry goods over from season to season, no matter what the loss may be to us.

F. W. WURZBURG,

Corner Canal and Crescent Avenue.

Merry Christmas!

We wish our many friends, customers and the public in general a MERRY CHRISTMAS, thanking them for their liberal patronage during the Holiday Trade, also taking the opportunity to announce to the public that we have on hand a large and rich assortment of useful and ornamental articles suitable for

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HELP WANTED.

WANTED—A good reliable man. Permanent job for the right man. Adress Thomas Sailor, box 64 city or call at Pickle factory 1½ miles south of Hall street or Madison avenue. 26

WANTED—Two dining room girls and chamber maid at Livingston's restaurant, Lyons street. tf

WANTED—A competant girl for general housework. No. 8 Ottawa street. tf

WANTED—Good reliable agents, either ladies or gentlemen to call at No. 28 South Division street and take hold of an honorable and profitable business. This if handled with energy will be a bonanza for either sex. tf

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—Stock of groceries, must be sold before Jan. 1st, 1891. This is a nice clean stock, will invoice about $1,200. If not sold in a bargain for the right party. H. B. Huston, 499 South Division street, (Facon Tub). 27

FOR SALE—10 acres, 1½ miles from city with good houseof 10 rooms, barn 30x40, three acres of orchard, fine well of water, three cisterns (one at house, two at barn). This is an elegant place for fruit and market gardening and will make a comfortable home for any mechanic working in the city. Price only $1,150. Percy Snyder, 28 Canal street, room 15. tf

FOR SALE—Two story brick block on West Bridge street, or will exchange in part for other property if sold within 60 days. Inquire of A. A. Lord, 151 West Bridge street. tf

FOR SALE—A rare chance for someone—One of the cleanest and nicest grocery stock in the city for sale. Reason for sale, good bargain; must sell. Address "Business," care of carrier boy. 27

FOR SALE CHEAP—Complete newspaper and job office. Call or address News Caledonia, Mich. tf

FOR RENT.

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished rooms with furnace heat and bath room from $1 and upwards. 87 Mt. Vernon street.

FOR RENT—A good house with modern conveniences, within 10 minutes walk of postoffice, on cable line, will rent very cheap if taken at once. Inquire of S. G. Chard, with Foster, Stevens & Co. 29

FOR RENT—About February 1 we shall have for rent the 4th, 5th and 6th floors in the new Botsford building, 20 and 22 North Division street. Curl, Knott & Co. 27

FOR RENT—Two unfurnished rooms; also a very desirable front room furnished, only one half block from Division street. Inquire No. 20 Pleasant street.

MISCELLANEOUS.

ACCOMMODATIONS for three gentlemen, hot and cold water and furnace heat, at 131 North Division street. 29

FOR EXCHANGE—A stock of goods on E. South Division street; location first class; good trade already built up; will exchange for city property. Can give lease of store for three years; reason for going out of business demand his attention. Enquire of H. B. Huston, 499 South Division street, Facon Tub. 27

WEATHER STRIPS—Down they go; only 2 cents per foot in store; applied, 4 cents. 10,000 feet in stock. Xmas gifts—Pocket Printer type ink and pad, 25 cents; Rubber Stamp, with name, 25 cents; Printing Presses from $2 to $150; Notary Seals, $2.50. H. J. Hulizat, 4 Pearl street. 30

STORAGE—I have two vacant rooms that I would rather fill with stoves than more light household goods for the winter. Inquire E. S. Somes, Morning Press office. 27

MONEY TO LOAN—I have sums of $1,200, $1,000, $500 and $300 to loan on good productive city real estate. Call at room 3 new Houseman block, on Henry Pratt. tf

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No. of Bank 2400.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

Grand Rapids National Bank,

Of Grand Rapids, in the State of Michigan, at the Close of Business

December 19, 1890.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$1,349,879 66
Overdrafts	4,555 66
United States bonds to secure circulation	50,000 00
Due from approved reserve agents	11,964 33
Due from other national banks	12,837 34
Due from State banks and bankers	13,130 20
Real estate furniture and fixtures	21,998 79
Current expenses and taxes paid	7,337 40
Premiums paid	9,000 00
Checks and other cash items	8 80 07
Exchanges for clearing house	10,418 77
Bills of other banks	1,000 00
Nickels and pennies	432 93
Specie, 1 gold, $17,000 00; silver, 7,914 00	15,914 00
Legal tender notes	22,000 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	2,250 00
	$1,691,392 74

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in	500,000 00
Surplus fund	100,000 00
Undivided profits	73,316 69
National bank notes outstanding	45,000 00
Dividends unpaid	587 00
Individual deposits subject to check	446,232 86
Demand certificates of deposit	45,137 39
Due to national banks	4,571 34
Due to State and private banks and bankers	30,657 55
	$1,691,392 74

State of Michigan, County of Kent—ss.

I, F. M. Davis, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best my knowledge and belief. F. M. DAVIS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 19th day of December, 1890. WM. HOWARD, JR., Notary Public, Kent Co., Mich.

Correct, attest:
GEO. H. LOUD,
CHAS. A. COLLINS,
D. H. WATRIS,
Directors.