Chatfield, Stephen, 1856, Lansing Republican, September 9 1856, p. 1

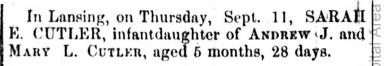
GORED TO DEATH.-Mr. Stephen Chatfield, an old respectable citizen of Troy, Oakland county; was a few days since, killed by a mad bull owned by him. He was trying to drive him, when the bull turned and threw him on the ground, stamped on him, and dashed him furiously against a stump, breaking his jaw, and brusing him so much that he died in four hours after.

### Comfort, William Franklin, 1855-1856, Lansing Republican, August 12 1856, p. 3

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# DIED. At Paw, Paw, Van Buren Co., on the 2d inst., b. WILLIAM FRANKLIN, infant son of Rev. W. C. and CORNELIA A. COMFORT, aged 8 months and 14 davs.

#### Cutler, Sarah, 1856, Lansing Republican, September 30 1856, p. 3



#### Goss, Milo J, 1814-1856, Lansing Republican, September 9 1856, p. 1

Died in CALIFORNIA .--- Among the deaths reported by the mails of the last steamer from California, we notice that of General Milo J. Goss, of Kalamazoo, aged 40 years. He died in San Francisco July 27th.

Haight, John, 1856, Lansing Republican, July 1 1856, p. 4

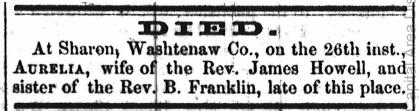
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1 An unfortunate and painful ocquirence 1 took place between this village and Prairie 1 Creek on Monday evening last, at the house f of a Mr. Stevens. The facts as we have 1 hastily learned them are briefly these. It ( seems that Mr. W. M. Owen had been liv-1 ing or boarding at the house of Mr. Ste-1 vens for several months past, against the 1 ( will and consent of the occupant. On Mon-1 day morning last, Mr. Owen forcibly ejected 1 Mr. Stevens from the house, which act was approved of by the woman of the house whom Stevens claims as his wife. The 1 treatment of Stevens naturally attracted the sympathy of several persons in the vicinity Bi who thought him incompetent to defend his own rights. Some six or seven persons repaired to the house on Monday evening with a view to induce Mr. Owen, by some persuasive means, to leave the premises and allow Mr. Stevens the right to occupy them peacefully, without further molestation. Mr. Owen having refused to leave the house for the purpose of talking the matter over, two persons, Mr. Jacob Sherwood, and John Haight, entered when the former was assaulted by a large knife. Mr. Sherwood, in his efforts to parry off the blows received a very severe wound in his wrist, upon which he immediately retreated, leaving Mr. Haight, as he supposes, in the room with Mr. Owen alone. Mr. Haight came out very soon after, wounded in four places, twice in the head, once on the shoulder, and once in the abdomen. The latter proved mortal. He lived in considerable agony until about 10 o'clock Tuesday morning when he expired. Mr. Owen is now in jail awaiting an examination. Mr. Haight was a quiet and peaceable citizen and leaves a wife and five children, and quite a large circle of relatives and friends to mourn his untimely decease.-Ionia Gazette.

#### Haight, John, 1856, Lansing Republican, July 1 1856, p. 4



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Kinney, Daughter, 1856, Lansing Republican, September 16 1856, p. 3

## JAMES SULLIVAN, State Central Committee.

HORRIBLE MURDER.-On Friday the 12th inst., one of the most diabolical murders was committed that has ever been our lot to recount. A little girl, a daughter of a Mr. Kinney, of LcRoy, in this county, was found about ten rods from the plank road, three miles east of Williamston, brutally murdered. Her feet were tied together by a piece of twine, and about her neck some pack-thread had been wound , twice, sufficiently tight to produce strangulation. From marks on her wrists her hands evidently had also been tied. A severe wound, apparently made with a club was found on her forehead. This alone, it was considered, would have caused her death. Blood was discovered on her person, and on the leaves around. The last seen of her was mid-day on Friday. She and her brother had been "watching gap," and as it was near noon, she started towards home for dinner, leaving the boy at the gap to wait for her return. The body was not found until Saturday morning, 8 or 9 o'clock. Suspicion fell at once upon a Dutch boy, who had been seen near the spot on Friday, as the perpetrator of the deed, and he was pursued and overtaken in the town of losco. The boy gave his name as Willis, but he was known by others some time previous as Christophe Paul or Gahl. He had formerly worked in the neighborhood, and was considered a desperate character. Several strong circumstantial evidences, point to him as the murderer. Blood was found on his clothes, which he endeavored hastily to conceal. He was seen near the place of the murder about noon of Friday. He then had a cane. At the time he was captured, he had no cane and gave unsatisfac-

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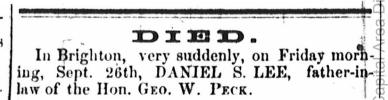
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The boy is 17 years of age. An inquest was held on the body of the girl yesterday, but its result has not yet reached us. We will endeavor to give all the particulars next week. The exciting cause for the commission of this devilish deed is not even conjectured. Nothing is known or discovered to indicate' the gratification of revenge or lust.

### Daniel, Lee, 1856, Lansing Republican, September 30 1856, p. 3



### Luther, Cornelia, 1813-1856, Lansing Republican,, September 2 1856, p. 3

## DIED.

In the Township of Delhi, August 23d, 1856 Mrs. CORNELIA, wife of FREDERICK R. LUTHER aged 42 years, 2 months, and fourteen days. Luther, Elizabeth, 1835-1856, Lansing Republican, July 8 1856, p. 3

## DIED.

In the Township of Delhi, July 3d, 1856, Mrs. ELIZABETH, wife of JABEZ B. LUTHER, aged 31 years.

By this dispensation of Providence, a husband. and four little ones are sore bereft. Oh, how touching to the heart to see little tender children thus deprived of their best earthly friend-beref: of a mother's tender love and care, when they so much need it. Oh, what need of an unwavering faith in the wisdom and goodness of Him who rideth upon the storm, and without whose permission not even a sparrow can fall. He who tempers the wind to the shorn lamb-who is the Father of the fatherless, will not be less kind to the little ones who have lost a mother dear .---May the afflicted husband rest his faith in the goodness and perf-ct government of the Supreme, and be enabled to say, "Not my will, but thine, O God, be done." C. W. K.

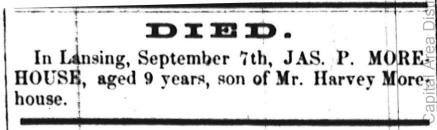
Minot, Henry, 1856, Lansing Republican, January 22 1856, p. 3

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Mitchell, James, 1856, Lansing Republican, December 30 1856, p. 1

DROWNED.-A man calling himself James Mitchell, committed suicide by drowning . himself in Grand River, at Onondaga, ( Ingham county, on Sunday 14th inst. He was a stranger, and had been in the neighborhood but a few days. He told a citizen that he had a daughter in Missouri, at Warrington, in Warren county. He stopped first with a man named Converse, but afterwards put up with a Mr. Kellaham. He was undoubtedly insane, oftentimes imagining himself to be a criminal, or an obnoxious person, and that he was going to die immediately. On Sunday morning he shaved himself and appeared perfectly rational until he left the house, when he went directly to the river bridge, and threw him. self into the water. An inquest was held by M. H. Nichols, Esq., at which these facts were elicited. He had money, a watch and clothing to the amount of about \$100, which is in Esquire Nichols' hands. He was an Irishman, having emigrated from the North of Ireland some eight or ten years ago. Any person wishing further information in regard to the matter can obtain it by addressing M. H. Nichols, Esq., Onondaga, Ingham Co., Michigan -Jackson Citizen.

## Morehouse, Jas P., 1847-1856, Lansing Republican, September 9 1856, p. 3



SUICIDE IN EATON CO.-The Republican brings us the particulars of the dreadful suicide committed in Charlotte, the day after New Year's, by Mr. Juo. B. Morris, formerly of Batava, N. Y., but for the past year and a half a resident of Charlotte .---He has been for the last three months laboring under an aberration of the intelect, and has several times wandered into the woods at night, causing a turnout of citizens for the puprose of finding him. On the day previous to the suicide, he remained in his room during nearly the whole day, with the door fastened. About 6 o'clock in the evening his adopted son, Mr. John Morris, asked at the door for admission, when the old gentleman stated that as soon as he had taken some opium he would open the door, at the same time intimating that he intended to take enough to put him into his last sleep, His son remonstrated with him in every way that he could, but the door was not unfastened until the opium was taken As Mr. John Norris opened the door to pass in, the old man who had stationed himself close behind the door, struck him a severe blow over the forehead with a piece of cast iron, which stunning him considerably, and cutting quite a gash in his forehead, caused him to desist from entering the In a few minutes afterwards the old room. man jumped out of the bed room window in his stocking feet(the ground was covered with snow,) and ran for the woods.

Perry, R.B., 1856, Lansing Republican, July 8 1856, p. 1

SAD CASUALTY.—We learn that on Monday of this week, Mr. R. B. Perry, of Grand Blanc, Genesee County, was killed by a bull which he was leading to water.— The animal had never been known to be vicious, but on this occasion he suddenly attacked Mr. Perry and horribly mangled him with his horns. Mr. P. lived but a few minutes.

Mr. P. was one of the most energetic and thrifty farmers in the county. Our readers will recognize his name as a successful competitor at our State Fairs.—*Pontiac Gaz*.

#### Post, James, 1816-1856, Lansing Republican, July 29 1856, p. 3

## DIED. At Lansing, July 26th, 1856, of Typhoid Fe ver, JAMES POST, aged 40 years, formerly of Sus sex County, N. J. The deceased was a most estimable man. He had been a resident of Lansing but little over a year; yet in that time he had made many warm friends who mourn his loss and will cherish his memory.

Rathborne, Alfred D, 1801-1856, Lansing Republican, April 15 1856, p. 3

Alfred D. Rathborne died in Grand Rapids last Saturday, aged 50 years. He went to that city from Cayuga Co., N. Y., in 1837, and was the first regular bred  $\mathbb{R}$ lawyer in that region. Commencing poor, he left a fortune of nearly \$100,000. He leaves a wife and three chrildren to mourn his loss. He was a mason and a member of the Episcopal church. He has been twice married to Miss Redfield, of Chaut Co. N. Y., and after her decease to his widow, Miss Caroline Van Tuyl, of Auburn, N. Y. He was a very prominent citizen of western Michigan.

Smart, David, 1856, Lansing Republican, February 12 1856, p. 2

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DAVID SMART, Esq., a prominent and highly respected citizen of Detroit, died quite suddenly at his residence, in that city, on Saturday the 2d inst. He was fortyeight years of age, and had been a resident of Detroit since 1826.

Weber, Catharine, 1821-1856, Lansing Republican, August 5 1856, p. 2

FATAL ACCIDENT. - On Saturday night a German girl named CATHARINE WEBER, fell through the Upper Town Bridge into n the river The alarm was instantly given C by another woman who was with her, and P h assistance procured as speedily as possible. But, notwithstanding the diligence used, n some twenty minutes elapsed before she was 1 taken from the water. All efforts to res-CITIOS tore her so consciousness proved ineffectual. 168 It seems that the plank which gave way, fell and struck her on the head, causing a PAGe 9 D severe, though probably not fatal wound .----She was about twenty-five years of age, and B had, we are told, no relatives in America-We cannot permit this opportunity to . pass without expressing regret and indignat tion that the bridge where this accident 1 happened, has so long been suffered to ret 1 main in its present dangerous condition.--f 8 Unless it is to be speedily and thoroughly f repaired, it would be well for the safety of o our citizens and the credit of our town, to have it abated as a public nuisance, for 1 2 1 such it is.

Whittemore, Bernard C, 1856, ansing Republican, December 16 1856, p. 1-

Death of Hon. Bernard C. Whittemore

Hon. Bernard C. Whittemore, died at his residence at Ypsilanti on Sunday morning, Dec. 7, at one o'clock A. M. He has long 'suffered from pulmonary con-sumption, and his death would not have been unexpected, at any time within the past year.

Mr. Whittemore was a native of Oneida county, N. York.

He was brought up to commercial pur-suits, in which he had singular proficiency, and in 1837, was married to Miss McCon-nell, a sister of Willard M. McConnell, Esq., of Pontiac, and soon after, removed to Michigan.

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Mr. Whittemore was elected Treasurer of the county of Oakland at the general election of 1841, and at the general elec-tion of 1843 he was re-elected. He was tion of 1843 he was re-elected. elected a Justice of the Peace for the town ship of Pontiac in April 1842. He entered upon Commercial business, after the term of his office as Treasurer expired, and continued in such business until 1848, when he removed to Cincinnati, where he resided until autum of 1849.

Mr. Whittemore was elected Treasurer of the State of Michigan, by the Legislature tion of 1850 he was elected by the people to the same office. He was re-elected at the general election of 1852, and in all held the office nearly five years 1 the office nearly five years. During the latter portion of his term of office, Mr. Whittemore resided in Detroit, and after its close he removed to Ypsilanti.

The deceased was a man of fine mind, of active, zealous, mercurial temperament, of great liberality, and kindness of heart, and of unbounded domestic affection.

Although a firm and ardent politician of the Democratic school, he maintained a wide and cordial intimacy with many of the leading men of all parties, and took pleas-

ure in rendering those relations pleasant. We must allow others, if they should see fit, to speak of the faults of the deceased, in t our memory, they lie deeply burried under the memory of twenty years of friendly in-۱ tercourse, interspersed by many kind, lib-

eral, and generous acts. The deceased leaves a large family, amply provided for so far as property is concerned, but irreparable lovers in the deprivation of a tender, attached, and geanerous husband and father.-Det. Advertiser.

Wilcox, Edwin, 1856, Lansing Republican, May 6 1856, p. 2

of the town of Leroy, in Ingham country was killed on last Monday morning, the 21st inst. The circumstances were these He and another young man were camped? out in the woods on Sunday evening. To keep warm they set a large oak stub on fire and lail down to sleep. About 3 o'clock in the morning, and while they were yet sleeping, the stub fell across his body, kill ing him instantly. The falling of the stub awoke the other sleeper and he hastened with the sad intelligence to his neighbors.-Lir. Rep.

## Wilkins, Mrs., 1856, Lansing Republican, April 15 1856, p. 2

SUDDEN DEATH.—We are called upon to nounce the very sudden down announce the very sudden decease of the wife of Judge Wilkins this morning. She went to bed in apparent good health, and about five o'clock this morning the girl with whom she slept was awakened by Mrs. Wilkins scratching on the wall in a strange manner She got up and found her dead. It is sup posed to have been an appoleptic fit -Det. Tribune.