Farmers' Club.

Mason, Feb. 18, 1874.

Meeting called to order by the President. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mr. Cady read a note received from Mr. Barnes, stating that he had been unexpectedly called away, and therefore could not address the club to-day, but would do so one week from to-day.

A report of a discussion of a club at Old Mission, upon the subject of "Plant Lice," was read, and listened to with interest. Among other good things said, was a protest against the wholesale slaughter or destruction of insects and bugs, found upon plants, trees and vines, without a knowledge of their nature and habits. In this way we often do ourselves great injury, by destroying our best friends, those who labor late and early, if not for our benefit, to our profit. It is well known there is scarcely an insect pest among us, but is preyed upon by others. All ought to learn to descriminate in this matter, between friends and enemies. The usual discussion followed the reading of the essay.

At his suggestion, Mr. Hawley's essay was put over one week, to give place to Mr. Barnes.

On motion of Mr. Hawley, Mr. Emmet Fuller, of the State Agricultural College, was invited to read before the club at his earliest convenience, an essay on the subject of "Bees."

Mr. A. M. Chapin was invited to prepare an essay on the "Culture of Small Fruits," some time in the near future.

No preventing providence, Mr. Barnes will address the club next Saturday.

The society adjourned to meet next Saturday at 1½ o'clock p. m.

D. L. Cady, Pres.

L. H. Ives, Sec.

Mason Farmer's Grange.

A goodly number of the farmers of this town met in room No. 2, Darrow's block, last Friday evening, and organized a Grange of Patrons of Husbandry, in accordance with the Constitution and By Laws adopted by the National Grange.

James Branson of Stockbridge, who occupies the position of Lecturer for the Ingham Grange, was present, and initiated those who wished to join, into the Order.

Some opening remarks were made by Mr. North of Aladdon, a member of the Okemos Grange, and also by Mr. Brunson, who, stating that he did not claim great excellence in the art of public speaking, asked leave to read the following address, prepared by him, which shows somewhat the nature and objects of the Order:

When we look abroad over the world, we find men divided into classes or professions, and all intent upon schemes designed especially to promote the interests of their own particular class, and to accomplish this, we find each and every class having an organization designed particularly for this object, thus acknowledging the truth of the old saying, "in union there is strength." Unions, associations, organizations and combinations, these are the agents that have been used in all ages, by all people, and all nations, whether civilized or savage, to accomplish results which an individual effort could effect or secure. And this principle or mode of accomplishing results, has come to be so well understood, that to great thing is expected to be done without its aid. Nor can we point to a single act of great importance that has ever occurred in the history of the world, without co-operative efforts,

We as farmers are the great producing class of the country. We have acted in total disregard of one another. We have stood aloof from all unions or associations, each and every man acting only on his own account, having no connection with his brother or his neighbor, whose interests are identical with his own, and who should have a common interest in the welfare of us both. This fact being plain to all, we offer no proof, but proceed to say, that by the effectual use of this agency, our financial, commercial, and manufacturing classes, have so far advanced their own interests and schemes, as to become lords over the best interests of the farmers. Therefore, as a matter of duty and necessity, we say that the farmers should unite and organize, when they can act as a unit, not only to promote their own interests, but also to protect themselves against the aggressions of others. For it is a well known fact that the moneyed interests of the country, are so well united and thoroughly disciplined, each in their own particular line assuming the power and powerful combinations and monopolies, so as to be able to control legislation and every department of our government, that many of his young men have no need relief—something that will save us from the oppression of the various rings now existing; and we have a guaranty to us in the future, that our just rights shall be maintained, and the dignity of our profession as free handmen, restored to which we are entitled by God in the beginning designed us to occupy; considering these facts and the conditions of things, and having a firm conviction that if the present state of affairs should continue much longer, the farmers would be ruined or compromised; comprehending the situation, and to meet its demands, the Order of Patrons of Husbandry was conceived, and is designed to supply the wants and provide a remedy for the many ills that we have, and the gross fraternity have long been laboring and suffering.

The Order of Patrons has three distinct and prominent features; the intellectual, social, and business. Every Grange is a legislative body, where whatever questions or resolutions that may be introduced, are freely discussed.

We find also, that a large percentage of the legislation of the country is dictated and controlled by these various wealthy monopolies, which are a price upon our servants—tatives, and are thus enabled to baffle all schemes which do not look directly to their particular interests. Now to counteract those evils, and many others of which we cannot now speak, and preserve our fraternity in that position, and influence, and dignity, which properly belongs to it, and which God in the beginning designed it to occupy, is what the Patrons of Husbandry are laboring for. And in view of the situation, we say, "is our cure a necessary aid or a noble work?" We certainly think it is, and believe that every unbiased and intelligent farmer in the land will agree with us.

Then come one, and come all, and join the noble army of workers, and thus move forward to success, this glorious work; and then will your children and children's children rise, and all the great fraternity of farmers in our country rise up and call you blessed.

We give, herewith, the names of those who joined the Grange last Friday evening, and also the list of officers:

NAMES OF MEMBERS.

D. L. Cady and wife, W. J. Hill and wife, L. H. Ives and wife, O. F. Miller and wife, D. C. Smith and wife, J. B. Dwinnell and wife, G. W. Peck, H. A. Hawley and wife, Alfred J. Holly and wife, Geo. W. Wilson and wife, Richard J. Bullen and wife, Wm. Claflin and wife, Allen Rowe and wife, H. C. Rowe and wife, Joseph Jewett and wife, Ira Kelley, G. W. Shafer and wife, A. H. Ives, Wm. Bishop and wife, R. F. Griffin and wife, Elihu P. Rowe and wife.

NAMES OF OFFICERS.

Wm. J. Hill, Master; D. L. Cady, Overseer; O. F. Miller, Lecturer; J. B. Dwinnell, Steward; E. P. Rowe, Assist. Steward; R. J. Bullen, Chaplain; D. C. Smith, Treasurer; L. H. Ives, Secretary; H. C. Rowe, Gate Keeper; Mrs. Libbie R. Ives, Ceres; Mrs. Lydia Miller, Pomona; Mrs. Hettie Rowe, Stewardess; Mrs. Miranda C. Dwinnell, Flora.

OKEMOS.

Okemos, Feb. 17, 1874.

Adelbert Gibson "dug out" on the night of the 11th to avoid arrest, on complaint of Mrs. Martenies, for selling whiskey to her husband and son. She also commenced suit for damages, caused by the lively "walk-around" of bull-run whiskey, which made household duties unsafe in that particular locality, by the persistent desire of pots, kettles, wood boxes, back-hair, and hoop skirts to get out of their "legitimate," "up and up," place of doing business; but since the "new departure," things are looking more and more like having pleasant times at the "barracks" again.

The Patrons of Husbandry have received their dispensation and other supplies, and it is thought, under the management of S. E. Jerome, as Master, it cannot help proving a profitable organization for this community. They have a membership of 70, and constant applications for admittance.

The D. L. & L. M. R. R. have issued orders to their wood agent, John Blakley, not to buy any more. This action on the part of the company throw a good many people in this locality out of employment, for the rest of the winter, and will turn up now for them to do, remains to be seen.

James Runyan has formed a co-partnership with Murry Orton in the grist mill.

A lot of folks went fishing the other day. We didn't get any. Don't know whether they were good or not. They had about 30, some of them weighing 10 pounds each.

Tip.

DELHI.

Delhi, Feb. 17, 1874.

Judging from the talk, one would believe that a Grange will soon be organized here. Letters have been sent to leading grangers in the State. We think a Grange would take "boily" here.

One or two items in the News, concerning our schools, have brought out quite a bit of talk in regard to parents keeping their children in school; of the injustice of being compelled to help maintain a school with a good share of the pupils at home; of the damage done by those pupils who are always, or generally, behind time. Supt. North made the following remark before one of the schools the other day: "Scholars, every day you come here to school it is worth from twenty-five to fifty cents to you; and the same from Locke on the north. It is on D. L. & L. M. R. R. about midway between Williamston and Fowlerville. It has an extensive stave and heading factory, one sawmill, one grist mill, two dry goods stores, two grocery stores, one hardware store, one boot and shoe store, one drug store, one furniture store, and one hotel. Messrs. Pratt & Hill, of your town, have lately put in a stock of dry goods and clothing, which makes the first competition in dry goods the people have had here.

Spring meetings have been in operation for some time here, and at Webberville, half a mile away, and quite an extensive religious way baby, which we hope it may. Mr. Haslam, the father, has four other children, all of whom were full sized at their birth. The mother is doing as well as could be expected. The instance is creating some excitement in the neighborhood, as well it may.

Since writing the above we have learned that this baby only lived about two days.

A donation for the benefit of Rev. A. Bryant, of the Franklin Street Presbyterian church of Lansing, is announced to take place at his residence, this evening.

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OCCASIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS, from Rev. Wm. Arthur, London;

PAPERS ON POPULAR SCIENCE, by Jacob Abbott, illustrated;

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Thro'.....	5:50 P.M.	Thro'.....	5:05 P.M

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Notice to Guardians, &c.—M. D. Chatterton.
Young Eagle's Wine.—M. Converse.
Dissolution Notice.—Wilson & Rix.
Guardian Sales.—A. Washburn, and E. N. Wilkins.
Water! Water!—H. Pratt.
Prospectus Chicago Post and Mail.

This day is eleven hours and six minutes long. The sun rises at 6:40 and sets at 5:46.

Mrs. Dr. Root has been very sick with pneumonia, but for the past two or three days her health has been improving.

Wm. Spears is lengthening out his store twelve feet in the rear. He is a big fellow and it takes lots of room for him to "swing" in.

All of our readers will be particularly interested in the excellent essay of Hon. O. M. Barnes, which we publish on the last page of this paper.

The M. E. Church holds its regular quarterly meeting on Saturday and Sunday next. It is expected that Presiding Elder Fussels will be in attendance.

The Board of Supervisors convened this afternoon, in an extra session. We understand that the principal business before the Board will be the purchasing of County Poor farm.

We wish to express our thanks to Messrs. N. A. Dunning and Deputy Sheriff H. Angell, for risking the sum of $1,500 in signing our bonds giving security for costs in our grand libel suit.

James Hill, of Wheatfield, intends to build a fine brick and frame residence in the spring. The main part will be 16x24 feet, 14 stories in height; the wing, 16x18. R. B. Yunk, of this place, will do the carpenter work.

An alarm of fire, that called a crowd together in a hurry, happened on Saturday afternoon. It proved to be only a chair or tar on fire, that had upset back of Cook's hotel, the roof of which was being repaired.

A notice of particular interest to guardians, executors and administrators, is published among our new advertisements this week by D. D. Chatterton, Judge of Probate. Parties can save money by pasting this notice in their hats, and not neglecting its requirements.

At the Dehli Lyceum, a week or two ago, they discussed the question, "Resolved, That Circumstances make the Man." It looks as if the results of that debate were likely to produce circumstances favorable to make either warriors or cowards—fighters or defenders.

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Ingham County Horse-Breeders' Association.

Pursuant to a call of the Board of Directors, the stockholders of the Ingham County Horse-Breeders' Association met in this village, on Wednesday afternoon.

The meeting was called to order by John B. Dakin, President of the Association. Seventy-eight shares of the capital stock was represented at the meeting.

The object of the meeting was to revise the articles of association, to dispose of the balance of stock remaining unsold, to determine the time of holding the next annual fair, and fix the amount of premiums.

After making the changes desired in the articles of association, which were only of minor importance, the time of holding the fair was discussed at length, and the time fixed at the 2nd and 3d days of July next, and the amount of premiums to be offered were placed at $2,000.

A committee of three, consisting of H. M. Williams, Asa I. Barber and Chas. C. Marsh, was appointed to prepare a programme of races and regulations.

It was fully decided to have every race open to all horses in the United States and Canadas.

The Association announces the year's fair of all debt, with the best fair-ride track in Michigan, and say they are bound to have the next fair the most interesting one ever held in Central Michigan.

The following are the officers of the association for 1874, elected at the annual meeting, held at Union Hall on the 13th of January:

John B. Dakin, Dansville, President.
S. J. P. Smead, Mason, Vice-President.
Wm. W. Merrill, " Secretary.
H. M. Williams, " Treasurer.

Circuit Court.

The following are the proceedings of the Circuit Court that transpired after our last publication day:

Jas. Barry vs. Arcalus C. Shard—Trespass. Judgment for plaintiff $180.

Amasa Dibble vs. Jas. H. Baker—Replevin. On motion of Osborn & Pinckney time for filing a bill of exceptions was extended until after the first day of next term of Court.

Frederick Thomas vs. Wm. Woodhouse—Assumpsit. Judgment for plaintiff $389.70.

Samuel Shillaberger vs. H. D. Pugh and P. L. Daniels—Assumpsit. Judgment for plaintiff $963.

Howard T. Scofield vs. Wm. Higdins and C. G. Chase. Judgment for plaintiff $425.76.

Benjamin Brock vs. B. F. Davis—Non-suited.

Scuyler F. Seager vs. E. H. Whitney and A. H. Hart. Judgment for plaintiff $1,000.

The People vs. Wm. Brice. Continuance for defendant requested bail to be fixed at $1,000. Ordered by the court that he be fixed at $1,500.

Chas. H. Ingalls vs. J. M. Gibbs and J. H. Miller—Trespass. Judgment for plaintiff $126. Time for settling a bill of exceptions extended until the first day of next term.

The People vs. Charles Schmunsler—Larceny. Order made for a full and complete copy of the testimony taken in this case.

Abram Van Buskirk vs. Estate of Joseph Bullock—Assumpsit. Judgment for plaintiff $1,000. Defendant to file a copy of his appellant to file and serve a copy of his declaration within 10 days; that the appellee shall file his notice of appearance and the attorney for the appellant within 20 days after service of a copy of said declaration.

John Ward vs. Wm. Brice—Appeal. Appeal. Order same as above.

Ira Ward vs. Ezra Frazer—Replevin. Judgment for plaintiff six cents and costs. Time for settling exception extended to and including the first day of next term.

Matthew Skinner vs. Lake Shore and Mich. Southern R. R. Time for filing security for costs extended to and including 1st day of April next.

Sheriff vs. W. H. Chapman. Judgment for plaintiff $303.70.

Wood, Lumber, Etc.—In a short stroll a few days ago, along the railroad track, north of the passenger and freight depots, we were surprised to see how extensive business being done, and the amount of material collected in that part of the village.

It is safe to say that the immense pile of cord wood, belonging to the railroad, contained over 1,000 cords, the sale of which they have paid from $2.00 to $2.50 per cord, representing over $2,000 in cash.

A. J. Hunt has over 1,500 cords of hoop, 1,500 cords of heading bolts, and 700 cords of stave bolts. They paid $1.70 per cord for heading and $1.75 per cord for stave bolts, required an outlay of about $2,600.

E. C. Barnes has on hand about 175 cords of oak lumber, for which he paid $4.00 per cord, or about $700 in cash.

Strong, Hubbell & Co. have nearly half a million feet of lumber on their yards, which has cost them about $7,000. This lumber was bought in St. Charles from D. L. Case, assignee of D. W. Green in bankruptcy, who owned Mr. McRobert, of this firm, a large amount of money. Mr. M. has secured his demand against Green by taking this lumber. This firm have also handled a large amount of other material, a thousand dollars and cash for 500 windows.

The Fuller Brothers purchased, this winter, for parties in Jackson, about 1100 cords of store wood, a large pile of which lays near the railroad track, by the barn of

From forty to fifty men are all the time at work in this vicinity, cutting up these piles of wood and lumber, which with the hum of machinery, and the puffing of the steam engines, makes it seem very lively in that vicinity.

Eden Grange.—Mr. H. H. Brunton, State Lecturer of the Patrons of Husbandry, installed a grange of 47 members at the residence of John Rice, about two miles south of Chapin's Crossing, on Monday evening. It will be known by the name of Eden Grange. The following are the officers: Seager B. Dewey, Master; James Chase, Overseer; Hiram N. Hodge, Lecturer; Samuel Booth, Steward; Andrew J. Archer, Asst. Steward; Martin H. Crowl, Chaplain; Carlos A. Holden, Treasurer; Robert Colyer, Secretary; George Rice, (late Keeper; Lucy O. Holden, Ceres; Julia Chase, Pomona; Mrs. L. M. Archer, Flora; Mrs. C. Booth, Stewardess.

Ten Nights.—The Jackson Citizen calls Mr. and Mrs. Nichols "celebrities," and says: "We understand that the notorious Mrs. Nichols, of the Blue-Nichols scandalous affair at Mason, has, together with her husband, taken up her residence in this city. They have had in their village, many are anxiously looking forward to the result.

Accidents.—Mrs. Asa Hill, of the southeast part of this town, slipped on some ice and fell, dislocating her shoulder, last Friday night.

Mrs. Wm. A. Stewart, on Thursday night, caught the heel of her shoe on the threshold of the cellar door and tripping herself, fell the whole length of the cellar stairs to the ground below, hurting herself very severely internally, yet not dangerously.

Almost a Perjury.—In his affidavit causing our arrest, Rice swore that Mrs. Mary Nichols, "is and has been the lawful wife of one Tabor J. Nichols." Now, to get out of his scrape, he makes oath that "at the time the said adultery was alleged in said complaint to have been committed, which adultery was alleged to have been committed with one Mary Nichols, the said Mary Nichols was not, nor was she at the time of the making of such complaint, nor is she now, nor has she ever been, the wife of said Tabor J. Nichols; nor has the said Tabor J. Nichols ever been the husband of the said Mary Nichols."

Declined.—A gentleman from Dansville has handed us an article signed "K." and entitled "Rev. Wm. Rice Vindicated Morally." He says in the introduction of his article, he is what the christian world calls an infidel. Well, if he is an infidel and also vindicates the morality of Rice, the citizens of Dansville, who esteem virtue and morality had better guard well their wives and children, least a wolf in sheep's clothing be found among them. He intimates that the christians of this place are persecuting Rice, and labors to prove that they are doing wrong, by the very scripture he, as an infidel, professes to believe a lie. If these are his views he has a mistaken idea of the situation, and before he rushes into the newspapers, he had better talk with Mr. Nichols, who caused the arrest of Rice for displaying the kind of dastardly morality, which this infidel advocates.

A Tough Lane.—Last spring, Mr. Casper Lott, of Delhi, found a lamb in his flock that was neglected by its mother, and so poor and weakly he thought it could not live, and so thought of putting an end to it, but his daughter Sarah, entreated for its life, and he gave it to her. She took it to the house and cared for it, and it lived and grew, and became as lively a piece of mutton as any on the farm, and got to be a great pet with all of the family. About three weeks ago this lamb got in the wood lot where there was about forty bushels of wheat, went over its body. It was thought, certainly, the pet was killed, and mourning began, but to their great surprise of all the family, the lamb jumped up and ran away pretty lively. Upon examination it was found the lamb was badly bruised a little; and it is now apparently as well as ever, but not quite so tame as heretofore.

Probate Court.—About twenty persons from Leslie are attending Probate Court to-day. In appears that James Royston, who has attained the age of 65 years, has also been so unfortunate as to become a victim of the fast of his being worth something is causing trouble to his family. The old man wants to live with his son, L. A. Royston, the remainder of his life, and proposes to deed him 200 acres and live with him. The other heirs object, and have provided a will to that effect.

There doesn't seem to be any speculation in wheat at present prices.

Mason, Feb. 5, 1874. 787w4

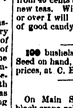
Auction Sale.

The undersigned, intending to dispose of his farm, will sell at auction at his residence on the south of Mason, on Saturday, the 7th day of March 7th, 1874, commencing at precisely ten o'clock a. m., the following personal property, to wit: Two Horses, Eighteen Cows, Eight head of young Cattle, Ten Hogs, Mowing Machine, Drill, Plows, Drags, Wagon, Cutter, Sleighs, and a large amount of other Farming Implements and Fixtures.

FRANK WHITE.

J. J. Tuttle, Auctioneer.

Centaur Liniment!



There is no pain which the Centaur Liniment will not relieve, no swelling it will not subdue, and no lameness it will not cure. This is strong language, but it is true—

Mayo Where the parts are not gone

its effects are marvelous. It has produced more cures of rheumatism, neuralgia, lock-jaw, palsy, sprains, swellings, caked-breasts, scalds, burns, salt-rheum, ear-ache, &c., upon the human frame, and of sinews, spavin, galls, &c., upon animals in one year than have all other pretended remedies since the world began. It is a conqueror—it kills pain, it is a real pain reliever. Cripples throw away their crutches, the lame walk, poisonous bites are rendered harmless and the wounded are healed without a spot. It is no humbug. The Centaur Liniment is for sale by druggists. It is selling as no article ever before sold, and it sells because it does just what it pretends to do. Those who suffer from unendurable pain or swelling deserve to suffer if they will not use Centaur Liniment. More than 1000 certificates of remarkable cures, including frozen limbs, chronic-rheumatism, gout, running tumors, &c., have been received. We will send a circular containing certificates, the recipe, &c., gratis, to any one requesting it. One bottle of the yellow wrapper Centaur Liniment is worth one hundred dollars for sprawled or sewened horses and mules, or for sore sorrom in cattle. Block-owners, this liniment is worth your attention. No family should be with out Centaur Liniment. J. B. Rose & Co., New York.

Castoria is more than a substitute for Castor Oil. It is the only safe article in existence which is certain to assimilate the food, regulate the bowels, cure wind colic and produce natural sleep. It contains neither minerals, morphine or alcohol, and is pleasant to take. Children need not cry and mothers may rest.

FIRST PREMIUM LIVERY STABLE.

S. H. Worden, Proprietor.

Opposite the New National Bank. This first-class institution is now complete in all departments, and will continue the campaign of 1874. Reeves to suit the fashionable. Horse is requested to the rules here laid down:

1st. My aim is to please all customers.

2d. I will not be out-done in price and style.

3d. I have the best Hack and Bus to be found, running to all parts of the city at moderate charges.

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LANSING.

Lansing, Feb. 24, 1874.

The fourth lecture before the Young Men's Society of this city will be delivered at the Opera House, on Tuesday evening, March 3d, by the celebrated American Caricaturist, Thos. Nast, with black-board illustrations of his art.

Prof. E. S. Morse will lecture at the same place on Thursday and Friday evenings, March 5th and 6th, under the auspices of the same society. His subject will be, "Natural History."

In reference to that Danish penny, entitled "1 Skilling Species," your correspondent took the statement of the donor, as to there being only forty of them in existence. Since that time I have consulted Mr. O. A. Jenison of this city, who is considered authority on the question of old coins. Mr. Jenison had four of the same kind of pennies in his pocket, which he exhibited to your correspondent, and remarked that in his opinion there was about ten thousand of them in this country alone.

Arrangements for the extra session of the Legislature are about completed, and next Tuesday we expect our city will be lively with members and strangers. O. R.

LAINGSBURG.

Laingsburg, Feb. 24th, 1874.

It may not be generally known to the readers of the News, that Laingsburg is a lively verity, as well as "a thing of beauty and a joy forever"—ah. But thus it is.

Those of you who have traveled northward from Mason, on the recent Jackson, Lansing & Saginaw Railroad, may have discovered and remembered a certain point near the Looking-glass River, where there were more people than at other places in that sequestered vicinity. That place was Laingsburg; and it has more unwritten history, and more solid and condensed happiness to the square rod, than any other town on the line of the road, Mason not excepted.

Years ago the founder of this village, (to which Lansing is now playing second fiddle), pitched his tent, or pitched into his tent, near this spot, singing "auld lang syne." From that we get "Old Laing," and hence Laingsburg. The name having been accounted for, the purpose for which it was located, forever remains a mystery. And so let it rest. A flourishing town is now being prepared for the new State Capitol. It is remarkable for its blights of depth, and height, and breadth.

It is barely possible that some one of your readers may remember when we gloated over the Michigan Railroad, while now it is a locomotive of two teakettle power, and wheezed as it went like an Alderman at a free dinner, and that the only money we could have on the train would be the conductor, who bit every dime he money he took, to see if it was genuine. Those were halcyon days, and high old times we had killing time and killing track, after running a chalk mark on the rail, to see which way the train was moving.

Those days have lived and loved until Mason and Jackson were connected with us, and their citizens came among us, and as it were joined our social circle.

Situated as we are on the verge of Shiawassee county, with a railroad to make us afraid, we are prepared to throw off our allegiance and jump into either of the adjoining counties, or into whichever association, which fact accounts for the place not having been designated by a reckless name. Shiawassee county we are not in. Such an indignity we never would endure.

The Laingsburg Mills are not in use. It doesn't pan except in the spring, when it runs up on the marsh towards us, and causes the Looking-glass River to become a lake.

Diamond Lake near us, is the source whence the ice houses are being filled with crystalline beauty for summer use.

We rejoice in a good farming country about us, and a fair prospect for trade.

Grocery trade is doing, notwithstanding the hard times, and prominent among its buildings are two warehouses, Millspaugh and LeBar, who are collecting material for extensive building, the coming season.

Our blacksmith is Geo. E. Huntington, who most of your Mason readers will remember as the boot and shoe man, who trades to and from the city with his trade.

Finally, if any one doubts any of the foregoing statements, and will call on us, we think, for we are just as happy as a big sunflower, etc. Squirrelsin.

Another War in White Oak.—We permit ourselves to depart from our generally received rule of excluding local matter from our columns unless we know the name of the author, but the following communication is of such vital importance to the outside world that we have decided to insert it *verbatim, et literatim*:

k kittredge
dated Feb 15 1874 White Oak Ingham Mich
Sir I would like to know if the White Oak School house the teacher and his pupil 14 years of age had a fight the pupil rather got the start of the teacher and cut off his head loose pulled his hair kicked him a few times and bruised him other times been a couple of ladies From stock bridge came and reflered him of the giants claim Wethink this is the case please print this and do the best you can

Demorest's Young America for March contains its usual variety of useful and entertaining reading for the juveniles. Dr. Deems' letter describing the evils of Spiritualism, with Cartoons, increases in interest. Every boy and girl should read Young America. Wm. Bradley & Co., Publishers, Chicago. Address, W. Jennings Demorest, 838 Broadway, N. Y.

Demorest's Monthly Magazine seems to improve with each issue. The March number comes to our table redolent with spring time. Its contents are varied and readable, novelties, spring music, spring literature, and spring fashions. This magazine richly deserves to be called a model. It is printed in beautiful style on fine toned paper, and in every respect is *Par Nias Ultra*. The premiums offered

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K. KITTREDGE, Proprietor.

MASON, MICHIGAN.

THE NEWS.

Resignation of the Gladstone Ministry.

Disraeli Accepts the Premiership.

The True Mount Sinai Discovered in Arabia.

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Philadelphia and Other Municipal Elections in Pennsylvania.

Spread and Progress of the Praying Temperance Movement.

Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc.

FOREIGN.

At a dinner given to his royal visitors by the Czar of Russia on the 15th, he indicated what was thought to be the formation of an alliance when he said in a speech that "The Emperor of Germany, the Queen of England, the Emperor of Austria and myself will preserve the peace of the world."

According to a Madrid dispatch of the 16th, the Spanish Government had officially notified all foreign powers that it had blockaded all the northern ports of Spain.

According to a late arrival from Honolulu, Lunalilo, King of the Sandwich Islands, died on the 3d inst. The Legislature had been called together to consider State affairs and to name a successor.

A London telegram of the 17th says that Dr. Beke, the English traveler, reports that he has discovered the true Mount Sinai. It is situated one day's journey northwest of the village of Ahata, in Arabia, at an altitude of 5,000 feet above the level of the sea. Dr. Beke says that he found the remains of animals that had been sacrificed. He also discovered Sinaitic inscriptions which he copied.

On the afternoon of the 17th Mr. Gladstone formally tendered to the Queen his resignation and that of his colleagues. The London *Times* of the 18th says the final result of the election may be exactly stated as follows: Conservatives returned, 351; Liberals and Home-rulers, 302. Of these 469 were elected after a contest. Of these, 11 Conservatives and 1 polled in the United Kingdom and Ireland was 2,500,000.

According to a telegram from the Government of India, received in London on the 19th, ample supplies of grain to meet any demands of the distressed districts were then in the hands of the Government.

Disraeli arrived at Windsor Castle on the 18th, and was tendered and formally accepted the the Premiership of Great Britain.

The celebrated English missionary to South Africa, Rev. Robert Moffat, is in doubt as to the correctness of the account of the Mount Sinai stone's death. He thinks it hardly credible that Livingstone could have reached the place where he is said to have died. The British Foreign Office entertains the same doubt.

According to a dispatch from Madrid on the 19th Bilbao had capitulated to the Carlists.

The United States steamer Tennessee left Key West for Havana on the 18th in consequence of reports that Consul-General Hall had been obliged to flee from the Spanish mob and take refuge on board of a British iron-clad. Nothing had been heard from Havana or the vessel up to midnight of the 19th. It was reported that in an engagement with the insurgents on the 16th the Spaniards were utterly routed, losing in killed, wounded and prisoners over 600 men.

According to a London telegram of the 20th the following is the official announcement of the new British Cabinet: First Lord of the Treasury, Disraeli; Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Stafford Northcote; First Lord of the Admiralty, George Ward Hunt; Secretary of State for the Home Department, Richard Assheton Cross; Secretary of State for the Foreign Department, Earl Derby; Secretary of State for the Colonial Department, Earl Carnarvon; Secretary of State for War, Gathorne Hardy; Secretary of State for India, Marquis Salisbury; Lord High Chancellor, Lord Cairns; Lord of the Privy Seal, Earl Malmesbury; Lord President of the Council, Duke of Richmond; Lord John Manners, Postmaster-General.

Late dispatches from Nagasaki, Japan, announce the prevalence in that country of an insurrection caused by the failure of the Government. Insurgents war against Coron. At last accounts the insurgents were on near Nagasaki that the foreign residents were preparing to leave.

According to dispatches from Madrid of the 22d severe fighting had been going on in Biscay for several days. Portugalite had been abandoned, and the garrison, 1,000 strong, marching 200, were taken prisoners by the Carlists. Gen. Dorregarray with 2,000 insurgents held the heights above Somorrostro. The Republicans had taken the first height with heavy loss.

A Rome (Italy) dispatch of the 22d says that Cardinal Antonelli had addressed a circular letter to all Bishops, citing them to Rome, as the Pope wishes to see the Council meet no more.

According to telegrams received in London on the 21st the capital of the Ashantees had surrendered and King Coffee and his family were taken prisoners.

The Asiatic cholera was raging terribly in Buenos Ayres at the time the last steamer sailed. The average number of deaths per day was forty.

During the recent disturbance in Havana with the volunteers five were shot and several wounded.

DOMESTIC.

By the falling of an ice-house in Philadelphia twelve men were killed, six seriously and eighteen slightly injured.

In the town of Lake, near Chicago, a few mornings ago, a family consisting of Mrs. David Thompson, her four children and a nurse woman were found in a pitiable condition by a neighbor, two of the children being dead, and the mother, the two remaining children and the nurse in a semi-conscious state. It was thought the family had either been poisoned or were suffering from the effects of noxious gases from a coal stove in the room. One of the remaining children has since died. Mr. Thompson was absent from home at the time of the tragic occurrence.

The Illinois Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners have notified the railroads doing business in the State that they must comply with the law requiring them to provide scales to weigh grain which they take for shipment.

There were rumors on the 17th of more Indian depredations at various points in the West. Troops were being rapidly pushed forward to the scene of disturbance.

Mardi Gras was observed in New Orleans on the 17th with great spirit. It was a great success, and was attended by a large concourse of visitors from all parts of the United States. Similar ceremonies were observed at Memphis, Tenn., Evansville, Ind., and in other localities.

Evans, the Northwood murderer, was hanged at Concord, N. H., on the 17th. He made a confession, admitting the killing of Georgiana Lovering, his niece, and a young girl in the fall of 1868.

Great excitement was caused in the New York Stock Exchange on the 17th by the reading of letters purporting to be signed by the Presidents of the Toledo, Wabash & Western Railroad and the Western Union Telegraph Company, informing the Board that ten millions of new stock of the former company and seven millions of the latter had been issued. An immediate panic ensued, those stocks falling in a few from a half of one per cent. to four per cent. The panic was of short duration, as it was soon discovered that the letters were forgeries.

The Chicago saloon-keepers held a mass-meeting in Chicago on the evening of the 18th and unanimously resolved that they would not pay the recent advance in the price of beer (the brewers having advanced the rate to twelve dollars per barrel), and that they would import from other cities.

According to the report of the Board of Public Charities, the insane of Illinois number 3,000, of whom 2,400 are considered incurables. The State has asylum room for only 1,500 of these unfortunates, and when the Northern and Southern Insane Asylums are completed 1,300 will be unprovided for. They recommend the State to furnish additional facilities for their care.

The temperance movement continues to increase its proportions. At South Bend, Ind., on the 16th, and in various parts of the city the foundation for a vigorous crusade was laid. The saloon-keepers of Indianapolis resolved to close their establishments on the 22d. Many of the saloon-keepers of Chicago have signified their willingness to join in the movement. Meetings will be held in every ward, but fortunately stopped when it had settled about one foot. There was great confusion, and a panic out of the room, several persons were injured. The ladies then went to other saloons but were not admitted. The Mayor had sworn in extra police men, and had declared his intention to protect the rights of the calls their riotous proceedings. There was great excitement in that place on the 18th. The movement commenced in various other parts of Ohio on the 18th, and had commenced in Jersey City, N. J. In the latter city twenty-five ladies proceeded to a billiard saloon, knelt in prayer, and spent half an hour in exhorting. They were greeted with the jeers of the men and left without assuming to have made the impression they desired.

The Ohio State Board of Agriculture has decided to locate the State fair at Columbus for the next five years.

The Executive Committee of the Illinois State Grange have issued a call for a delegate meeting of the Granges in the State to be held at Bloomington on the 14th day of April next, to ratify some amendments to the by-laws, and for reference to organizing subordinate Granges. It is ordered that the Masters of the several Granges of each county meet at the seat of the county on the 4th day of April, and there choose one of their number a delegate to the State Convention at Bloomington, with power to cast as many votes as there are Granges in the county.

The Ohio and Missouri State Granges on the 20th adopted declarations of principles, which Granges fully indorsing the principles set forth by the late National Grange at St. Louis.

A special to the Cincinnati *Gazette* of the 20th says that Judge Storer has dissolved the injunction obtained against the praying women in Hillsboro, Ohio, on account of the irregularity of pleadings. The plaintiffs immediately appealed to a higher court, and the injunction was restored. This was at the suit of Dr. Reamy, a druggist, before whose door the ladies had erected a tabernacle in which they held religious services, to the plaintiff's annoyance.

Up to the 22d of February the United States House of Representatives had passed 115 bills and about fifty resolutions calling upon the Executive departments for information. The Senate's business made a small showing compared with that of the House.

The total amount of money carried into the United States Treasury as the proceeds of sales of captured and abandoned property, including almost entirely of cotton, is $20,-910,656.

A New York dispatch of the 21st says a praying crusade against intemperance had commenced in that city and vicinity. The prayers were generally moving in the matter. The Trustees of Trinity Church had decided to no longer lease the property of the church for purposes of liquor selling, and other churches were requesting their members to stipulate that their property should not here after be used as saloons.

A boy ten or twelve years old, the son of T. C. Jones, of Windfall, Ind., with his parents were at church a few nights ago, attempted to kindle fire with coal oil, with the usual result. The boy died the next morning.

According to dispatches of the 22d the Women's Temperance movement was spreading in Iowa and Illinois. In Oswego, Lexington and many other towns in Illinois, and in Davenport, Dubuque and elsewhere in Iowa, organizations had been formed and preparations made for a determined assault upon the saloon-keepers and their patrons. The same condition of affairs prevailed in Indiana. In Chicago a praying band, consisting of 3,000 women, was about to be organized, according to the *Times* of the 22d. The city was to be divided into districts, and each district given over to a band of fifty praying women.

On the afternoon of the 22d an engine ran off the track at Uniondale, Pa., on the Jefferson Branch, between Susquehanna and Carbondale, and fell down an embankment seventy-five feet, instantly killing Conductor John R. Hardington and Engineer Stamer, Fireman David Cramer, and Brakeman Thomas Ripley.

PERSONAL.

President Grant has ordered that the Court of Inquiry in the case of Gen. G. O. Howard be composed of Gens. Sherman, McDowell, Pope, Meigs and Cole, with Maj. A. B. Gardner as Judge Advocate. The Court will meet in Washington on the 3d of March.

Chief-Justice Waite arrived in Washington on the 16th, and called upon the President the next day and was formally presented to the members of the Cabinet.

The autopsy in the case of the Siamese twins was concluded at Philadelphia on the 17th, and shows that Chang and Eng were so vitally united that death would have followed any attempt to separate them during life. The membrane which lines the abdomen was one in both, extending through the mysterious ligament that bound them together. This ligament was also connected with the liver and the heart of each.

The State Grange of Ohio met at Xenia on the 20th. There were present 555 delegates from all Masters of Granges. Worthy Master S. H. Ellis presided. One hundred and fifty visiting brothers and sisters were present. The Secretary reported that 555 of the 600 Granges in the State had been organized since last April. A motion to make the meetings open was voted down. Motions to ask the railways for half-fare arrangements and to make organs of certain newspapers were tabled.

The Chicago *Inter-Ocean* of a recent date declares that the firm of George B. Hodge & Co., proprietors of what has been advertised as the Union Furnishing Store, are bankrupt, and that their stock is in the hands of the officers of the law; that they had been missing for a week, and that the express companies and Postoffice authorities had retained all packages and letters addressed to the Union Furnishing Company, for ultimate return to the senders.

The first annual session of the State Grange of Missouri met at Booneville on the 18th. Nearly every county in the State was represented. The State Grange organized last May, with 300 subordinate Granges, since when the number has increased to over 1,700. Master T. K. Allen delivered a long address, in which he gave the history of the Order in Missouri, and made many suggestions looking to the perfecting of the organization in the State, and touching the growth and future prosperity of the Order.

On the 18th the Ohio State Grange unanimously passed a resolution tendering the sympathy and aid of the Order in Ohio to the Order in the State in putting down the evil of intemperance. Columbus was chosen as the place of holding the next meeting of the State Grange. All the amendments proposed by the National Grange, except items first and second of number three, concerning life membership, were adopted.

The Smith sisters, who refused to pay their taxes in Connecticut, and had their cows attached therefor, have received a donation of $500 from their female sympathizers.

The Kansas State Grange commenced its annual session at Topeka on the 18th. One thousand Granges were represented. The reports of the officers show the affairs of the Order to be in an excellent condition, although the fees have not been sufficient in the treasury. The financial interests are shown to have been economically managed, and the Order throughout the country is advancing on a healthy basis. On the 19th resolutions were adopted requesting the State Legislature to pass a prohibitory liquor law, and declaring that no person who retails liquor shall be admitted to the Order; also declaring that the greatest good to the greatest number requires of an enlightened, virtuous and prosperous people are the legitimate results of thorough and practical education diffused among the masses. Hon. M. E. Hudson was elected Master of the State Grange.

The State Grange of Tennessee assembled at Gallatin on the 18th in its first annual session. Nearly 500 subordinate Granges were represented, there being between 500 and 600 representatives present, and many ladies being delegates.

Stephen and Adelle Kelly Foster, with Miss Sarah Wall and Miss Lucy Stone Blagg, of Worcester, Mass., refused to pay taxes because the ladies cannot vote. Their property was advertised for sale on the 20th.

Announcement has been made of the death, at Galveston, of ex-Senator Wigfall, of Texas.

The Sovereign of Industry is the name of a new Order, the branches of which are now being organized throughout the country. It is somewhat similar to the Patrons of Husbandry, and is broader in its scope, as it admits into its ranks all classes of industry. A constitution of the Order was recently formed in Chicago, under the direction of Grand-Master Earle.

Victoria C. Woodhull was announced to deliver a lecture a few evenings ago in Kingsbury Music Hall, Chicago, which had been rented for that purpose by her agent; but the manager subsequently concluded that the character of the place would be injured, and that she were allowed to promulgate her doctrines therein, and he therefore canceled the contract and refused to permit the lecture to be given in the hall. Mrs. Woodhull immediately announced her intention of commencing a suit against the proprietors of the hall, laying damages at $25,000.

POLITICAL.

A bill has been passed by the Illinois Legislature, and signed by the Governor, giving up the dead bodies of unclaimed paupers and criminals in Chicago for dissection.

The Philadelphia municipal election occurred on the 17th. The returns received at midnight of that date indicated that Stokely (Rep.) had been re-elected by about 10,000 majority. In Pittsburgh the Republicans elected their ticket by from 1,000 to 1,800 majority. In Allegheny City the Independent Republican ticket was elected. In Altoona, Wilkesbarre, Williamsport and Allentown the Democrats carried the day, and in Easton the Republicans were successful. The Democrats of Syracuse, N. Y., elected their Mayor.

According to a Washington dispatch of the 20th the Senate Committee on the Public Lands had agreed to recommend the passage of a bill extending until Dec. 1, 1874, the time for the completion of the Wisconsin Central Railway. The existing law requires its completion by next May, under penalty of the forfeiture of the large land grant. The committee also took action on the House bill amendatory of the act to encourage the growth of timber on the Western prairies, and would report amendments limiting the amount of land that may be thus acquired by the homestead settlers, in addition to 160 acres of homestead, to forty acres planted with trees contiguous to said homestead.

The House Committee on Appropriations on the 20th completed the Indian Appropriation bill. It appropriates over $5,000,000, being a reduction from the estimate of $1,500,000.

The Massachusetts Supreme Judicial Court has recently decided that, under the Constitution, a woman can be a member of a School Committee.

The Ohio Constitutional Convention has given up the summer vote power, subject to reversal by a two-thirds vote of the General Assembly.

The Missouri State Grange on the 21st adopted a resolution requesting the Missouri Senators and Representatives in Congress to use their influence to secure the improvement of the Mississippi River and its tributaries.

The Kansas State Grange adjourned *sine die* on the 21st.

CONGRESSIONAL.

In the Senate, on the 16th, memorials and petitions were presented—from the officers of the National Banks of Massachusetts and Rhode Island, protesting against the passage of a bill for the withdrawal of currency from New England; from colored citizens, asking that the Government detail a vessel to carry emigrants to Liberia and that a proper appropriation be made to aid in the enlargement for the construction of the Illinois Legislature, citizens of Chicago, and others praying for the passage of the Civil Rights bill; from the joint resolution of the Iowa Legislature, asking for an appropriation for the Lincoln Pacific and Wisconsin Rivers, was presented and referred.——A bill was introduced and referred to revive and continue in force certain land grants to the State of Illinois to aid in the construction of the St. Paul & Pacific Railway.——The bill to equalize the currency was taken up and a substitute was offered for the committee's bill repealing all the acts of Congress which limit or restrict the amount of notes for circulation, providing that all associations organized to carry on banking shall be free to establish National Banks with circulation, subject to all the limitations now provided by law, except the limit of capital, which is hereby repealed; after considerable debate on this proposition, a motion was made and decided to recommit the bill to the Finance Committee. Adjourned.

In the House, on the 16th, among the bills introduced were—to abolish the office of Assistant Treasurer at Kinley, Charlestown, New London and Washington; to increase taxation on whisky; to abolish the revenue marine service; to abolish certain custom houses, and to consolidate others; to revise the grants of land for the several lines of the St. Paul & Pacific Railway; to abolish Paymasters and Agents and provide for paying their duties to masters and boilermakers; to reorganize the Revenue, thus effecting an annual saving of $500,000; to amend and codify the laws in regard to the payment of pensions so as to secure efficiency and economy.——A joint resolution of the Iowa Legislature was presented, asking Congress for such legislation as will secure to the people there equal advantages as to rates, facilities, and transportation on the Union Pacific Railway, and the several branches thereof, which are reserved and guaranteed as a chief part of the consideration to be given by the company for grants of lands and bonds made by Congress.——A bill was passed, forbidding the Secretary of the Treasury to refund any duties exacted on goods of his own rulings.

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A School Boy's Rambles among its Hills and Gorges.

The following is an extract of a letter from H. B. Terwilliger, who is now attending school in Ithaca, N. Y., to one of his young friends in this place:

> " * * * I took a short ramble to-day over the hills with my room-mate. We went two miles over the hills which are on either side of the famous Ithaca Gorge, through which flows Fall Creek. At the foot of the Gorge the Ithaca Falls, about one hundred or one hundred and fifty feet high. Fall Creek is about the size of Grand River at Lansing, I should judge. The water is high now, so that the creek is swollen to about twice its usual size. I tell you! it makes a noise as it pours over the falls to-day. We first came to a hill about two hundred feet high, the side of which forms an angle of about eighty-nine and one-half degrees with the plane of the lake, very near perpendicular, as you can plainly see. Passing along the level summit of this young mountain we come to another hill which we climb and find ourselves over three hundred feet above Ithaca and on a level with the University buildings, which are on the opposite side of the gorge from us. We sit down on a log and look down into the deep ravine and see the swollen stream more than two hundred feet below us, rushing and roaring over rocks and boulders in a mad haste to reach a point about three-fourths of a mile below, where it will find comparative rest in a channel through which it can glide peacefully to the lake. This gorge is a wonderful picture of nature to the eyes. Did you ever visit one of them? But to continue on, we go over hills and through handsome groves of pine, hemlock, chestnut, etc., until we come to the head of the gorge, where lies before us a beautiful little valley in which is a little hamlet known as Free Hollow. There are several mills here and a country store. We pass through this little settlement, cross the creek and go back toward Ithaca by the University road. On this road we pass through the most beautiful little groves that I ever saw. The ground is covered in many places with a thick matting of arbutus burrs. We pass by the large and noble structures which compose the University buildings, and reaching the verge of the hill we take a farewell look out upon the lake, which we can see for a distance of several miles, the north-west, cast a glance over the populous valley below us, and then go down into the city. How I should like to pilot a band of my Mason friends around here a while and show them some of the beauties, as well as artificial, beauties of our surroundings. When spring comes, with its green foliage, and when it will be safe to go through the gorge, I shall take a pleasure trip through it, and, perhaps, will give you a brief description of it.

I attended a lecture last Monday evening, at Library Hall, by the great John B. Gough. It would be perfectly useless for me to attempt a description of him or of his lecture, for the very best I could do in that direction would be but the embodyment of inadequacy and the foot-barely attempt to accomplish an impossibility. That is, to do John B. Gough justice in producing a correct and sufficient description of him and his power as a speaker. He is unmistakably a great man. And he is fully honored and appreciated in this age, in the later, when the great principles of morality, temperance, the observance of the Sabbath, etc., are better understood and observed, his name will be honored among those of the world's reformers. Over twelve hundred persons attended the lecture. The subject on which he spoke was "Now and Then." I greatly doubt that I will ever hear anything like it again."

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MICHIGAN NEWS.

The fruit growers predict a heavy crop of peaches in Western Michigan.

The M. E. Society at Romeo has contracted with a Milwaukee firm for a $2,750 organ.

Prosecutions and fines, for violations of the liquor law, are growing very frequent in all parts of the State.

Mr. William Strong, of Kalamazoo, sold a cow lately, which he raised himself, that weighed 1,700 pounds.

There are now 401 patients in the Asylum for Insane at Kalamazoo. The sexes are about evenly represented.

The Valley City Driving Association of Grand Rapids, will hold its spring meeting June 9th, 10th, 11th and 12th.

The Jonesville cotton mill is now producing from 70,000 to 75,000 yards of cloth per month, and promises to pay a good dividend for the year 1874.

For the three months ending January 21st, the earnings of the Caumont and Hecla copper mines were $400,000, and the Quincy and Central each earned $160,000.

Individuals in various parts of the State are imposing on farmers by selling groceries and dry goods by samples, taking money in advance, all the while representing themselves as agents of a "large grange store" in Chicago or Detroit.

The new hoe manufactory of Brooks, Hinman & Co., of Battle Creek, is now turning out several thousand hoes weekly, which are being speedily shipped to all parts of the United States. This branch of industries in the city promises much better than was expected.

Geo. Warner, aged 43 years, an esteemed citizen, of York, Washtenaw Co., while drawing a load of corn-stalks with his son on the 4th inst., was thrown from the load and instantly killed. The horses stopped at the same moment, the sled pitched over a knoll, and he fell head foremost to the ground, breaking his neck.

The Hudson Gazette says: "W. Curtis & Sons shipped two very fine yearling heifers on Monday last, to L. H. Holloway, Toledo, Ohio, both full-blood short-horns, sired by their prize bull J. E. B. Stuart—one a red, the other red and white. Their weight, respectively, we learned was 1,255 and 1,200, and they were sold for $600."

When Benjamin Colvin, the leading witness in the Chase poison case at Saginaw City, was asked by the learned counsel whether he had not had some trouble with Chase, he promptly replied: "Not more than I had with you, sir, when we were playing euchre and you stole four jacks and beat my 'flush,' skinning me out of $64," and the question was not pressed.

Judge Basil Harrison, of Prairie Ronde, the original "Bee Hunter" of J. Fenimore Cooper's "Oak Openings," is now in the 103d year of his age. His son, William Harrison, of Climax, is eighty-three and Basil, Jr., is eighty-one. Jeremiah Harrison, of the same place, is fifty-three years old. Jeremiah Harrison claims to be the oldest grandson in the United States.

A correspondent of the Detroit Tribune, writing from Flint, says: "The revival in progress here at the present time is evidently the most interesting work of its kind that has ever exhibited itself in this section of country, and is resulting in much good. Although it has been in progress for several weeks, a deep interest is still manifested by a majority of our citizens, and the good work is continued with more earnest zeal, by ten-fold, than was shown one week ago."

The Superintendent of the Fort Wayne, Jackson & Saginaw Railroad, gives the gross earnings of that road for 1873, at $306,666.32—an increase of $28,018 over the earnings of 1872. The operating expenses had been $178,167.07. The receipts from freights were $50,095.62 in excess of those of 1872, while the passenger earnings had fallen off $4,544.95; the net difference in ear mileage receipts was $19,192.97, and other expenses had somewhat increased over last year's.

The Bay City Chronicle says that a bombshell is in preparation for the liquor-sellers of Wenona. The proposition at present is to prosecute under the State law, and the matter has already been looked up so far as the preliminary arrangements are concerned. The intention is to make a clean sweep, if the state will do it. There have been some prosecutions in Wenona from time to time, the past year, but they were directed at particular persons and for special reasons. The understanding is that the movement now contemplated shall include all who are liable under the law.

The Flint Globe says: "Late last fall a man named Doherty, a day laborer, went into the saloon kept by George Dunn and Isaac Flowers, in John Delbridge's building, and drank till he was badly intoxicated. He then went out, and in stumbling about in the rear of the building, broke his leg. Mrs. Doherty has now brought suit against the saloon-keepers, and against Mr. Delbridge also, under the statute of 1871, which provides that a wife whose husband is injured or does any injury while intoxicated, may recover actual and exemplary damages, making both the vendors of the liquor and the owner of the building rented to the vendors parties to the suit. She lays her damages at $5,000.

NERVE.

—The Ionia Sentinel of last week has the following: The best exhibition of nerve lately heard of is that of Merritt Brindle, of Odessa, who some weeks ago came to a doctor of this city and wanted a finger re-amputated. It seems that in skinning some animal, he had cut his finger and poisoned the wound at the same time; that dry gangrene set in, and he amputated the finger at the first joint with a jack knife. This did not arrest the process of decomposition, and his hand presented a terrible appearance. The doctor told him that the better way would be to cure the disease before performing the operation, and if he would place himself under his charge, with security for pay, he would fix him all right. Brindle went away without making any arrangement. Yesterday he was in town again with his wound all healed. It seems he went home on the previous occasion, and tore the flesh from his finger by running it in a vice, and then sawed off the bone with a hand saw. It's a rough, home made job, but it didn't cost a cent.

On the evening train from Albany, recently, was a woman bound for Westfield, who persisted in requesting the affable conductor to inform her when Chester was reached. Every time when the conductor passed through the car, he was greeted with "Please tell me when we get to Chester." Courteous man though he is, even his patience was finally exhausted, and he politely requested the unfortunate female to maintain silence, as he had heard and would heed her injunction. Chester was finally reached, and "Chester" was yelled at the car door. The train again started, and the conductor mounted the car in which was his persecutor. "Will you tell me when we get to Chester?" she said. "This is Chester," he exclaimed, and, grasping the bell-rope, he had the train back up to the station. "I am real glad you obliged me," said the daughter of Eve to the exasperated conductor, "My husband used to live here."

A company has been organized in Grand Rapids with a capital of $30,000, to construct a street railway from that city to Reed Lake, a distance of about three miles. A steam yacht and a barge are to be placed on the lake the coming season for the accomodation of pleasure seekers.

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Thereupon it is ordered, that the 9th day of March, 1874, at one o'clock in the afternoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that the next of kin of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the Probate Office, in the village of Mason, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted; and it is further ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Ingham County News, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Ingham, three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing.

(A true copy.) M. D. CHATTERTON,

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ESTATE OF THOMAS K. BALDWIN, DECEASED.

State of Michigan, County of Ingham, ss.—At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Ingham, holden at the Probate Office, in the village of Mason, on the 16th day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-four. Present, M. D. Chatterton, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of Thomas K. Baldwin, late of Onondaga, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Louise B. Woodworth, praying that administration of said estate may be granted to John D. Woodworth.

Thereupon it is ordered, that the 9th day of March, 1874, at one o'clock in the afternoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said Court, then to be holden at the Probate Office, in the village of Mason, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted; and it is further ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the Ingham County News, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Ingham, three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing.

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—A family by the name of Slosser, in Covington, Ky., came near being poisoned to death a few days ago by eating horseradish which had been accidentally mixed with poke-root.

—Benjamin Nell, of Saginaw, Mich., was run over recently near Midland. The body was severed just above the hips, leaving a portion on the track, the lower extremities lying between the rails. He was intoxicated at the time.

—An Indianapolis policeman named William A. Farwell, while stooping over to examine something on the floor, accidentally shot himself. His revolver fell from his pocket and exploded, the ball passing into his abdomen. He lived only an hour.

—A terrible boiler explosion took place recently in a saw-mill at Texas, Ohio, by which three men were killed. Parts of the machinery were blown to a great distance, one piece passing through the roof of a dwelling 100 yards distant, passing also through the ceiling and floor.

—Henry C. Marsh, of Cass county, Ind., was crushed to death at his home not long ago. In driving out from under a low shed, he was caught between the roof timbers and his loaded wagon, and his body was literally crushed, tearing out the ribs on one side and breaking the spinal column.

—A nitro-glycerine factory at Ticonderoga, N. Y., which had been closed for several weeks, was again put in operation recently. The same day the factory blew up, killing two men, named McMahon and Keefe, fragments of whose bodies were found in the woods around. They had been making repairs, and are supposed to have disturbed some concealed nitro-glycerine.

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—Upon after the recent falling in of the walls of an ice-house in Philadelphia, by which several men were crushed to death, John and Michael Murphy were heard talking to each other. They could not see each other, but it is supposed one heard the other's groans. Although separated upon a pile of ice unable to exricate himself, John was wonderfully cheerful. He called to the companion, "What is your name?" "Murphy," was the response. "Then you are Mike?" "I'm John." Michael evinced considerable uneasiness at his cold and cramped position, and said that he could not stand it much longer. "Hold your gab," said John; "they're getting at you as fast as they can."

—A young man named William Haley, who had lately purchased some strychnine to poison wolves, went to Mr. Merritt's house, about four miles from Dubuque, and while there became disgusted with his undertaking and threw some of the strychnine into the kitchen stove where Mr. Merritt's daughters were cooking dinner. The stove exploded a few seconds after coming in contact with the flames, and a livid streak of fire flashed from the top of the stove and struck the young women in the face, inflicting severe burns. For a time it was feared the young ladies could not recover, but the application of proper antidotes relieved them, and the sufferers were gradually regaining their health.

—A few days since, the three children of Mrs. James Grey, residing near Lincoln, Neb., were burned to death. On the day mentioned, Mrs. Grey left home on an errand at a neighbor's, some third of a mile distant, leaving her three children at home. They were all under the age of five years of age. She was only absent some three-quarters of an hour, but on her return she discovered from a distance the roof of the house on fire. She made all the haste possible to reach home, but before she arrived the roof had fallen in. She, however, braved the fire, and tried to rescue the little ones. Only one of them was found, the eldest, who was in the bed covered up with the bed-clothes, dead, his limbs being entirely crushed. The next day she found among the debris the bones of the other two.

A Bathetic Duel.

About four o'clock in the afternoon, our road running beside the very edge of the river, my company companion and I were thence as we journeyed along by drawing up his horse and saying, with less excitement than when he had called my duller attention once or twice before to a deer in the woods:

"Yes, sir. There he is!" dismounting as he said so. He was dreadfully excited, yet nothing could be more calm and virtuous upon the lawyer's part, for it *was* the lawyer. He had led his horse to one side and stood in the center of the road, rifle in hand. I suppose he had taken for granted that his adversary, duly warned, would have had a rifle. To my surprise, as soon as the man saw Mose Evans advancing upon him without rifle, he did literately stooped to lay his carefully down upon a dry tuft of grass beside the way, and then stepped back into the open road, a revolver in either hand, a long knife held by the blade in his teeth. As General Philip Sheridan once told me of one of his battles, "it was beautiful!"

I caught my friend's horse by the bridle, thinking, a little nervously, of Helen and of coming bullets. The parties advanced slowly upon each other, raising the whole affair neither saying a single word. When within sixty feet of Evans, Archer raised his revolver and began firing. I heartily wish it was more theatrical, but I can only add that it was all over, ingeniatinously over, in less time than the proverbial fifteen minutes of the battle of San Jacinto. Mose Evans had not touched his own weapons. At the first report of the lawyer's revolver, he sprang forward. I was as if he was upon his enemy at one bound. Although it ruins what little romance there is in the matter, I believe Evans acted unconsciously to himself, upon the unsteadiness of Archer's nerves, owing to his habits, in the aim he would take. In the instant he had seized his puny assailant by arm and leg and hurled him like a hysterical woman—the man flying through the air, the splash in the water was an ending so sudden; such bathos!—

"He won't want to see me. You help him out," my friend said as he reappeared.

"Tell him the thing's over. He never *missed* her death, you know. Good afternoon."

Even then it flashed upon me as Mose Evans rode leisurely away, and I said to myself, I suppose the self-esteem of this child of nature is what he has been learning his life long. In the woods? It is his singular home, father. From his father's long endurance. From witnessing, all his life, his mother's lack of self-control. How Homer would have loved and sung him! Leaving my horse untied, I ran to fish the lawyer out, and a dripping, bewildered, bemuddied wretch he was as he emerged, by my assistance!—*Wm. M. Rose, in His Story of "Mose Evans" in the Atlantic for March.*

At the Post-Office Window.

At the window for the delivery of advertised letters special vigilance is requisite on the part of the clerks to guard against the delivery of advertised letters to unlawful and mistaken claimants. They sometimes have a difficult task, however, in persuading an applicant that the law requires the letter to be for him but for another individual of similar name. One of them had such a task not long since, when a daintily-dressed and perfumed gentleman presented himself at the window and asked for a letter advertised as remaining uncalled for and addressed to "Edward Jackson."

The clerk soon found the missive inquired for, but, after reading the superscription, said in a decided tone:

"This letter is not for you, sir."

"Why not for me! Isn't it for Edward Jackson?"

"Yes, sir; but it isn't for you!"

"My name is Edward Jackson."

"I don't doubt it, sir; but, nevertheless, I am sure this letter is not for you."

"How can you know that, sir?" said the exquisite, now becoming indignant (it is astonishing, by the way, on what slight provocation Young Dandyism gives their passions rise). "If you don't give me that letter at once, I'll report you to Mr. James."

The clerk, knowing that Mr. James, while he would not countenance impertinent "talking back," would be sure to sustain him if he were in the right, coolly answered:

"I can't give you the letter unless you answer the description in the address."

"Isn't my name Edward Jackson, and isn't the letter addressed to him? Don't I answer like description?"

"I say, sir, so far. But that isn't enough. The letter" (reading from the address) "is for Edward Jackson, cotton-broker, cook on the schooner Dirty Jane. If you answer to that description here's your letter."

But Mr Jackson didn't take it, and vanished—leaving behind him an odor of "Jockey Club" and a few muttered maledictions on the custom of advertising letters and on the head of the "contrary artist of the gallant Dirty Jane."—*N. Y. Commercial Advertiser.*

A Night's Adventure.

A lover in Guelph, Ontario, who feared the lady he loved was entertaining another admirer, determined to climb a tree in the yard, from which he could see into the house, and there watch. He climbed the tree and settled himself in a comfortable position, when he saw a man approaching. He thought it was the other lover, and was about to descend and thrash him, when he recognized the intruder as the father of the young lady. He remained quiet, and saw the man enter the house. Soon after the young woman was supposed to be in bed, he managed himself first to get favorable position commanding the window some one upon the inside pulled the curtain down. He was now certain of his mind to descend. It was very dark, but just as he began to slide down the trunk of the tree he saw a dog rush out from beneath, and looking down he saw a huge animal capering about, apparently very anxious to get up his lover's legs. Then the lover suddenly climbed up the tree again and endeavored to reach the dog, but the more it danced around and barked. Then the lover came down as near as he dared and tried to coax the animal, but this only made him hop about and howl more furiously than ever. So it became apparent that the lover would have to spend the night in the tree. He fixed himself as comfortably as he could in a crotch of the limbs, and kicked his legs and moved his arms to keep himself from falling to sleep. Several times he thought the dog was asleep he attempted to descend, but each time the dog awoke and began to caper about. By the time daylight arrived the lover was so benumbed with cold he could only raise his hands as far as the sky grew brighter he leaned over to examine his persecutor, and to his amazement found it was the dog he had known all his life, unknown to him had followed him to the tree, and had heard and capered only to express its delight at the unexpected sight of the lover coming down and going home. The maidservant, which the lover had not noticed the ground is said to have been remarkable, and the language used by him bad. He has since rheumatism, and declares he'll get that night in his bones yet.—*Toronto Globe.*

Government Among the Arabs.

The principles of government among the wandering children of the desert are based upon ancient customs from which are derived their civil institutions are well adapted to their habits and mode of life. Every Arab tribe is divided, clan, and every camp is headed by its own sheik, or principal man, but he has no authority over the individuals of which his tribe. The real government of the Bedouin consists in the separate strength of their different families, from their own individual weight and influence, maintain an exact balance in the entire body social of each tribe. If a dispute arises between two individuals the sheik endeavors to settle it; but if one hundred and families of either disputant. The prerogative of the sheik consists in leading his tribe against the enemy, in conducting negotiations for peace or war, after consulting with the chief men of the tribe, in fixing the spot for encampment, and in entertaining distinguished strangers. He derives no yearly income from his tribe or camp; on the contrary he is obliged to support his title by considerable disbursements; he must maintain the poor, and divide his presents among his friends. He derives a certain income from the tribute he exacts from the Syrian villages, and his emoluments from the Mecca pilgrim caravan. When a sheik dies he is succeeded in his dignity by one of his sons or his brother, or some reliable distinguished for valor and liberality, but not invariably. Sometimes a stranger to the family may be chosen, and occasionally during the lifetime of the sheik he may be deposed from his dignity.

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INTELLIGENCE THE FOUNDATION AND SUPPORT OF AGRICULTURAL PROSPERITY.

An Essay Read by Hon. O. H. Kinney, before the Mason Farmers' Club, Feb. 28, 1874.

As you have requested me to give some account of the condition of agriculture as I saw it in Europe, I shall endeavor to comply with your request in this essay. I will give some account of what you would be likely to see if you were to pursue the same route I took, and endeavor to deduce the lessons which may be deduced from such observation. To make this the more useful, I will state some of the causes of agricultural prosperity, and illustrate my views by referring to the condition of things in that part of the world. The value to us of observations, will depend upon the importance of the lesson we learn from. The superiority of agriculture and of the agriculturist, depends on the augmentation and diffusion of knowledge, more than upon soil or climate, and that our efforts to increase the prosperity of farming, must be directed towards augmenting our knowledge of the subject, and diffusing it among the farmers.

I think this will appear clear and plain from the facts I have to state.

The prosperity of agriculture depends chiefly on three things, namely: The climate, the soil, and the knowledge of the agriculturist. The relation of climate and soil to prosperity, will be apparent enough. Corn and rice cannot be successfully cultivated in the frozen regions of the north, nor can wheat be successfully grown upon the barren rock of the mountains. A genial climate with adequate moisture and a fertile soil, are as once seen to be necessary to success.

The importance of knowledge, as an element of success, is not so apparent, still an examination of the history and condition of the farming interests in different countries, will show that it is not less important than the other causes named. Indeed, after the first stages of prosperity have been passed, knowledge is the most important of the three, for high success can be attained without great knowledge.

Soil and climate are in the same country, fixed and unalterable. They are conditions in nature, and although man may by his ingenuity manage to irrigate places naturally dry, to warm places naturally cold, and to fertilize soils naturally barren, still these operations are quite limited in extent, and so far as they are successful they show the value of human knowledge. Knowledge is within man, and variable. This we may increase. This is more largely in our power. It is therefore most deserving of our attention. While a prosperous agriculture cannot be expected in a barren country, or where the climate forbids, still in most all climates and in most all varieties of soil, the ingenuity of man has been able to carry on a successful cultivation. On the other hand, in most favorable climates, and in countries possessed of the most productive soil, ignorance achieves but little. If science depended on soil and climate alone, we should expect the greatest success where these are most favorable. But we find the most dejected agriculture sometimes where the soil and climate are most propitious, while the happiest and most prosperous farmers are met within those countries where soil and climate are not the most favorable for action, foresight and industry, necessary to success. The intellect, after all, is the main dependance for prosperity in farming, as well as in everything else. Fertility of mind is more important than fertility of soil. So that we may estimate the farming success of any country by the knowledge possessed by the farmers; and may deem the intelligence of farming as a class, by the amount of success they attain. Other things being equal, those make most who know most. I do not mean by books merely, but of farming. This will readily appear as we examine different countries.

Thus, you perceive, that this view, is shown by the fact that you have organized and maintained so successfully this society for self improvement, and the muscular strength to work, but in the knowledge of how to do it. And it has afforded me great satisfaction to see your weekly discussions published for the information of others.

Let me compare the agriculture of three European countries; that of England, Switzerland and Italy, in order to illustrate these views. The soil of England is not much like our own. The climate is rather cold in summer, but moist when compared with ours. It has also great commercial facilities, being surrounded on all sides by the sea.

In Switzerland, the soil is in some parts; very fertile, in others very barren. The mountains occupy a much larger part of the surface, than in any other part of the civilized world. These are either wholly barren, or adapted to stock growing only. In the most elevated inhabited parts of these mountains, the pasture lands can only be occupied in the latter part of summer. During mid winter and spring, the homes of the shepherds are left without occupants, the climate at this elevation is severe. The mountainous land has no natural facilities for external commerce, no sea coast, and no navigable rivers, connecting it with the sea. It has some small artificial internal lakes, affording connection between cantons to be sure, but these have no navigable connection with neighboring States.

Italy has, I suppose, by nature, a richer soil than either of the countries named. Its climate is also the most genial in Europe. It has some mountainous districts incapable of cultivation, and some barren tracts of considerable extent. Still, I suppose, no country in Europe is by nature, more productive. It has no inland facilities for commerce, from being almost surrounded by the sea, and having numerous harbors, and several navigable rivers. Add to these things the fact, that in so mild a climate as that of Italy, far less is required for food, clothing and dwellings, than in colder climates, England for example, and we may naturally conclude that the farmer ought to be most prosperous. Certainly, looking only to soil, climate and commercial facilities, we should expect that agriculture would be in a far more flourishing state in Switzerland, or even in England. Such is not the fact, however, according to my observation the farmers are the least comfortable and prosperous in that very Italy, with all its fine natural facilities for inland and commercial facilities, and most prosperous and happy in that most unpropitious land of the Switzer. While in England, where the climate is most severe, the cultivators of the soil are vastly better off than in Italy, though no more prosperous than in Switzerland. I think not so generally so.

Now compare these countries in another respect—their intellectual condition.

In Switzerland, all classes are educated. Everybody can read and write. I saw as good school houses in Switzerland, as I have ever seen. And agriculture is a part of the course of instruction in all the country schools.

While education is quite general in England, it is not universal as in Switzerland.

In Italy general education or education of the mass of the people, is very much neglected, and few of the laboring class can be said to be educated.

In England some of the best talent and best educated men are found in the country, and this industry here often derives the advantages of an intelligence not possessed by the laborer himself in this wise. The farm is usually owned, and its operations directed, by an educated proprietor, while the laborer himself may be quite ignorant.

The unprosperous condition of agriculturists in Italy, must be mainly due to want of knowledge.

There is no point of view where the degree of knowledge displays itself more conspicuously than in the agricultural implements used by the farmer. In England the tools are more nearly like our own than elsewhere in Europe. In Italy they are most unlike ours, and modern improvements are most rare. The spade very generally does the work done with us by the plow. The plows I saw were models of awkwardness. One I saw, consisted of a piece of wood with an iron point, attached to a long timber, like a long ox sleigh tongue. To this the oxen or cows were hitched, as we hitch oxen to sleds. The yoke was attached to the heads of the animals, and not about the neck. A similar awkwardness and want of modern modes and means of labor, runs through all the departments of farm labor. I saw in Italy, men and women carrying manure into the fields in baskets, borne on their shoulders.

Bear in mind this fact. It bears directly on the point I am considering. The absence of improved tools among the farmers of Italy, is not owing to any want of opportunity to obtain them. The best might be had in every part of Europe, and the world for that matter, if the cultivators would only buy and use them, and they would if they only knew enough. The real fact is, the laborers do not know that there are anything better than the tools they use. They do not know that there is any mode better than the one they and their fathers have employed. I saw at the World's Universal Exposition at Vienna, a large variety of agricultural implements of the best and most improved kind, and some improved implements are to be met with in all these countries, but they are not seen in the hands of the laborers generally. Of what avail is the most improved implement in a community where an old style awkward one, like the plow I have named, is believed to be the best.

You see then, gentlemen, that improved minds must precede, or at least accompany, improved implements and modes of culture.

The condition of the agriculturists, will exhibit another feature of the same character in different countries. No man prises free institutions more highly than I do. But you look at the origin of good government, you will see that they spring from a previously existing intelligence. So that it may be said to be one of the fruits of general intelligence. It is true that the government is to be regarded as but a product of advanced knowledge.

To what then must our attention be directed, if we would improve the condition of farming. Manifestly to the augmentation of human knowledge. Some ideas will be new to us, the soil under our feet will remain quite the same, but knowledge is variable, is subject to be augmented. The success of individual farmers will depend greatly on their knowledge, and national success will depend on the state of the universality of knowledge. To this, therefore, we must look for all future advance. Knowledge can even overcome obstacles interposed by nature itself. The supply warmth where nature's supply is insufficient. It can irrigate where the rain fall is insufficient. It can supply many elements wanting in the soil. It can supply manures where none exist.

I have only named the leading sources of prosperity, because these were sufficient for the illustration I have had in view. Many others might be named. As to the government, it must not be relied on for success. Security, a condition essential to success, we have a right to expect from the laws. But the acts of government have often been adverse to progress, sometimes from corruption, but more often from the ignorance of legislators. A large part of the legislating of to-day consists in repealing and undoing what has heretofore been wrongfully done. No where is the wise saying of Jefferson, that "that government is best, which governs least," more applicable than to the farming interests. Intermeddling legislation is harmful. When government secures equal rights, and does this in the most economical way, taking the least of the farmers income possible, for taxes, it has fulfilled its chief duty to agriculture.

It is no doubt one of the great duties of government to uphold, improve and strengthen the agriculture of the country. No one asks that this be done at the expense of other interests. The main supports of national prosperity, are agriculture, commerce, and manufactures. These are the great pillars that support the edifice. But agriculture is by far the most important. If either of the others be injured, the edifice is indeed marred and endangered. But if agriculture be the great central column, upon which the entire structure depends, be ruined, the whole fabric of national greatness falls to the ground at once, a heap of ruins. In most countries, by far the largest part of taxation, falls on agriculture. It is so in this country. It is not to be complained of where the burden is apportioned according to wealth. If there be more wealth in farming than in other industries, it will not complain at the relative proportion of public burdens, but it has a right to just and equal laws, to economy in government, and to be secured against unequal burdens. While it does not require special favors, it has a right to be secure against unjust monopolies. Security and liberty are the chief requirements of government. Security to have and enjoy what it may lawfully acquire; liberty to pursue its own road to happiness. With these secured, it will work out its own prosperity, its own salvation.

A Malicious Statement.

I wish to say, in reply to an article which appeared in the last issue of the "News," signed "Howler," stating that the question was *Resolved*, That circumstances make the man," which was argued in the Debating Club about two weeks since, "was won by the negative at the expense of honor and justice," in a falsehood, and that the author is a person who made the statement has no regard for the truth. And I further say, that the question was fairly won by the negative. I will not at present attempt to describe the disgraceful measures some on the affirmative resorted to, to defeat the ends of justice, for it is too disgraceful to describe, but I have every reason to believe that they are ashamed of it; if not, they ought to be.

Let me say to you, Mr. "Howler," if such is your name, which I deem very improbable for you, for it applies to screech owls and dogs, which make a mournful noise, I will argue that question with you in public some future time if you are not satisfied, and that to your heart's content.

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The interest in the Farmer's Club seems to be on the increase.

John Fiers & Co. bought 517 bushels of wheat last Saturday.

There were one hundred and six beans on the main business streets of the village at one time last Saturday.

A supply of hard, clear ice have been obtained from Teel's pond, by Messrs. Griffin, Horton, and Wm. Vandercook.

Judge Chatterton has denied the petition of the heirs-at-law of James Royston to have a guardian appointed for him.

The Recorder says that Geo. P. Sanford's lecture at the Albion College, two weeks ago, was one of the best of the course.

There will be an oyster supper at the Independent M. E. church next Monday evening. The proceeds will be used for the benefit of the church.

R. F. Griffin's little yellow dog has churned 700 pounds of butter since the cheese factory closed last fall. Such a dog is worth paying taxes on.

Mr. O. F. Miller, of the southern part of Vevay, has recently added to his already choice flock of light Brahmas, a couple of very fine cockrels of the same breed of fowls, from the celebrated stock of Mr. Comfort, of Tecumseh, Mich.

Chas. C. Livingston has purchased the bakery stock, formerly owned by J. Greenwood, and is now carrying on that establishment. He says he proposes to merit the patronage of the public, by keeping his business in first-class shape.

At this station during the month of February, were shipped 14 carloads of wheat, 1 of oats, 12 of corn, 1 of beans, 1 of potatoes, 1 of chair stuff, 2 of iron, and 289,000 pounds of merchandise, making 58 car loads in all. The receipts for passenger tickets were $658.18, for freight $1,608.25.

One of the directors of School district No. 4, Aladdon, informs us that their school house burned last Sunday, which was built in the past winter by Mr. Matt. Cook, of Delhi, to the complete satisfaction of the district and the school. Such a recommendation ought to afford any one a great deal of satisfaction.

Our readers will undoubtedly be greatly interested in the letter from our former townsman, Geo. W. Peck, of Minneapolis, Kansas. The friends of D. D. Hunt will be pleased to the explanation made in regard to a mistake of ours in supposing he was Sheriff and Probate Judge of his county. We think we had some reason to be mistaken.

Mr. Gillespie, who formerly carried on the drug business in this village, which, in addition to 80 acres he already owns there, will make him a farm of 120 acres. He has a good stock-stand, he intends next week to move and make his home.

At the earnest request of both parties engaged in the wedding reception at the residence on Cow street on Tuesday, we refrain from giving their names or the particulars of the transaction. It was a disgraceful affair between two farmers of this town, in which the aggressor got a coat of paint and was rolled in the mud, and mud piled on his face, and crowded into his mouth, in a manner that was unseemly and disgusting.

The farmers of Ingham County will be glad to learn that the Ann Arbor Agricultural College Farmer is conceded to be the finest weekly paper in the world, and it will not slacken itself to lose its prestige here carried.

Mrs. Jessie Williams, the dress-maker, lost nearly everything she had, on which there was no insurance.

Some of our merchants are crowding themselves into uncomfortable close quarters, that these business men may have a place to put their spring goods when they arrive. Next week we shall be able to inform our readers where they are located.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

They did not Buy a Farm.

A special session of the Board of Supervisors of this County, convened at the Court House on Thursday last, February 26th.

The Board was called to order by the chairman, at one o'clock p. m.

Upon calling the roll it was found that every member of the Board was present.

Upon motion of Mr. Crossman, the regular order of business was suspended.

The Superintendents of the County Poor submitted their report, which was referred to a committee of five, consisting of Messrs. Hart, Crossman, Birney, Shearer, and Reynolds.

Upon motion of Mr. Crossman, this Committee was authorized to receive other propositions in relation to farms, than those contained in the report.

Twenty-three claims against the county were then presented, and referred to the Committee on the original report.

Upon the re-assembling of the Board, a supplemental report of the Superintendents of the Poor was received, and referred to the Committee on the original report.

The following resolution, presented by Mr. Crossman, was adopted:

Resolved, That the Superintendents of the Poor, of Ingham County, be and they are hereby authorized and directed, to sell or offer for sale, the present County Poor Farm of Ingham County, consisting of east half, northwest quarter, of section 21, west half, southwest quarter, of section 16, and southeast quarter of southwest quarter, section 16, all in town number three north, range one west, of section. The same to be sold separately or together, as to them may seem best and advantageous for Ingham. The whole to bring not less than $60 per acre to Ingham. Lots of forty acres or more to bring not less than $55 per acre, and the south 80 acres to be retained by the county, and not to be given before January 1st, 1875. The proceeds of such sale to be applied to the Treasury of Ingham county, to reimburse the same for money that may be expended for the purchase of another farm. Said Superintendents being further authorized to sell the said south 80 acres, from time to time, before second on same premises, in one, two or three years, with annual interests.

The following resolutions were laid on the table:

Resolved, That the said Superintendents of the Poor are hereby authorized to rent any one or more buildings, from the south 80 acres of said County Poor Farm, for the north 80 or 40 acres, if they shall be able to sell quicker, or at better advantage to the County by so doing.

Resolved, further, That said Superintendents are authorized and directed to receive other propositions for the said farm, or any part thereof, from time to time, while said farm is unsold, propositions which should be for less sum, or longer time, than above stipulated, which propositions they shall submit to the Board of Supervisors at its next session, for their consideration.

Upon motion the Board adjourned until half-past seven o'clock p. m.

EVENING SESSION.

Upon re-assembling, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, By the Board of Supervisors of the County of Ingham, that a Special Committee of three be appointed, whose duty it shall be to examine and report what additional amount of salary shall be made, to that now paid the several county officers, to afford a full and fair equivalent for all their incidental expenses, of wood, lights, and stationery.

Resolved, That such Committee report what county officers are, and have been, furnished with wood and lights at the expense of the county.

The Chair announced as such Committee, Messrs. Ryan, Page and Ferguson.

A majority of the Committee to whom was referred the report of the Superintendents of the Poor, reported in favor of purchasing the farm of A. R. Truman, containing 157¼ acres, at a price not exceeding $9,000.

The report was not adopted.

The vote by which Mr. Crossman's resolution relating to the sale of the County Farm, was adopted, was then reconsidered, and on motion of Mr. Sullivan the resolution amended by striking out the words east half of northwest quarter, section 21, after which it was adopted.

Messrs. Crossman, Page and Rockwell, were appointed a Committee on per diem and mileage.

Mr. Crossman moved that one letter per week be allowed each prisoner in jail, at the expense of the County.

Upon motion, all claims presented to the Board at this session, were withdrawn.

The Committee on per diem and mileage, recommended the allowing of pay for two days, and mileage as now established.

The total amount of per diem and mileage was $164.02.

Upon motion the Board adjourned.

FEBRUARY 27th, 1874.

MORNING SESSION.

Roll called, quorum present.

Upon motion the Board adjourned.

THE MASON HARDIE WORKS.

On visiting this enterprising establishment recently, we were pleasantly surprised at the amount of business apparently carried on there. Every one seemed busy, and even at a year ago, it has grown to be an institution that employs six or seven usefule cutters, besides help, to fill orders coming in with such promptness as to give universal satisfaction.

Upon examining the contracts they are now engaged in, we were astonished at the amount engaged to fill in the course of a few months.

Among a great amount of other work, we noticed the contract for a beautiful monument for Mr. A. K. Standish, of Stockbridge, built of Italian marble, on a lot and a half feet high, the cutting being complete, with name tablets on the die. There was another handsome monument being built for Mr. Benner, of Williamston. It is to be seven feet in height and surmounted with a beautiful Greek cross.

We are pleased to see the progress made by this firm, and believe that with their present intentions to always keep good work at a living profit, they will continue to increase their business and benefit this village as much as any similar institution within its limits.

Bible Discussion at Dansville.

The following communication will sufficiently explain itself:

PROPOSITION:

The Bible is the infallible word of God, and our only rule of faith and practice.

We the undersigned agree to meet in convence a discussion on the above proposition, on the evening of the tenth day of March, 1874, commencing at 7 o'clock p. m., and to continue four or five evenings, with a session of not to exceed two hours each evening. Each disputant to occupy twenty minutes each.

Signed,
CHARLES BURNS, Affirmative.
D. W. HALL, Negative.

This is to certify that we have entire confidence in the ability of Mr. Chauncy Burns and Elder Hall to discuss the above proposition with D. W. Hall, whom the Spiritualists of Dansville have selected for that purpose. Signed,

REV. A. MCLEARN,
Pastor of the Baptist Church.
R. C. LANNING,
Pastor of the M. E. Church.

ON MAIL ARRANGEMENTS.—The following letter was received very promptly in response to the petition sent to Chicago, and will be read with interest by all concerned:

CHICAGO, Feb. 28, 1874.

M. D Chatterton and others of Mason, Leslie and Aurelius, Mich:

GENTLEMEN:—Your esteemed letter and petition of the 27th inst., in reference to changes in the Lansing and Jackson mail trains on the Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw division of the Michigan Central, and to the Lake Shore & Michigan Southern Railway, have been duly received, and I have requested Mr. Bush, Asst. Supt. of the L. S. and M. S., to make the changes desired by you.

I am very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
JAMES E. WHITE,
Supt. H. M. S.

RICE OUT FOR BAIL, BUT ON BAIL.—Ex-

Reverend Rice was allowed the privilege of breathing the fire air outside of his close quarters, from half-past two to half-past five o'clock Tuesday afternoon, under the guardianship of Deputy Sheriff Neely.

He was out to make a last and desperate attempt to procure bail, in which he completely failed. He went to L. C. Parker, who was willing to sign his bonds on any conditions. Although this may have been very satisfactory to Rice, it was of no particular benefit to him, as Parker has so little property besides his homestead, that he is not considered an acceptable surety. He manes would sign his bond if four or five other responsible persons would also sign it. Leonard Smith said "No Sir," most emphatically, on Mr. Day was unwilling. Rice wished very much to see E. G. Hunt and Dr. McRobert, but they were both out of town. Rice has still more "cleek" than an insurance agent, or he would not ask any favors of Dr. McRobert, who has told him that he would not sign his bail bonds unless he would confess that he has lied about him and that he wrote the letters to Mrs. Nichols. Rice has said that he would be on into both pieces before he would confess his criminality, so there appears to be no hope for him in that direction.

Rice's plea for bail was that his family needed his help. He said he could find some business in the village—perhaps a clerkship in a store—until after his trial. After three hours of persistent effort to procure bail, Rice was compelled to reenter his secure retreat, apparently a good deal discouraged and disheartened at his poor success. In one of his famous epistles he wrote, "Dear darling Mary How I love you this morning, and while our trouble deepens, and I am suffering the loss of friends and the confidence of the People my heart clings closer and closer to you." The question now is, whether it still clings.

War in Leslie.

A correspondent writing from Leslie, gives us the following particulars concerning an affair that took place there on Saturday, February 21st: Mr. LaFayette Perham entered the house of Mr. George Weller, while Mr. Weller and his family were at supper, and demanded that he should come out doors and settle with him for language spoken against his reputation. On passing through the door way leading through the back room, Mr. Weller was seized by Perham, and a contest ensued, in which the latter was compelled to bey for mercy. On receiving his mercy, he seized an ax standing near by, and renewed the contest. On seeing this deadly weapon raised, Mr. Weller rushed under the ax and succeeded in getting so close to Perham, that in its descent it made only a slight wound on the back of his head. Mrs. Weller, with more than woman's usual courage, also seized an ax and made a blow at Perham, it away from Perham's hands, who then ran away and made his escape, after threatening that he would return and finish the affair.

DANSVILLE.

DANSVILLE, March 3, 1874.

A cheese factory will be started soon about three miles northeast of this village. The 20th of February last, accomplished the feat of sawing three cords of hard maple wood in thirty minutes, with one of Beebh's Improved Clips, per Sawing Machines. He would like to see what machine can beat it. We are pleased to notice that the farmers around us are continually increasing in popularity, as they are also increasing in wealth, as evidenced by the new and fine houses and barns erected in this and one of our own townsmen. We believe a little printer's ink rightly applied would bring to the Mason Farmers' Club, a large increased sale it would make for his invention.

EXTRA BARGAINS in Choice New Teas at the Star Grocery. E. G. HUNT.

Standard Kerosene Oil, at Wholesale, at the Star Grocery. E. G. HUNT.

First Come, First Served.

I will sell or trade my stock of Groceries, for produce, and would take money rather than have a fuss about it. Having purchased the business carried on by Swart & Klingebury, as dealers in Groceries, Flour and Feed, I shall continue the same at the old stand. Thankful for past favors, I hope to merit a share of the public patronage. A good stock constantly on hand, and goods delivered free in the city. J. D. SWART.

How They Do It.

As we happened into Sayers & Phelps' store a day or two since, we were greatly surprised to see them disposing of so many goods, and being desirous of knowing how they managed to have so many customers there hard times, took the trouble of solving the problem. It is simply this, nothing more. They select their own goods, (which by the way are of the best manufacture), and sell them at the lowest possible margin. People of the surrounding country have found this to be the case and govern themselves accordingly. Cheese sold at a low figure was found to be bought by all consumers. 708tf

Agricultural Meeting.

A meeting of the Board of Managers of the Ingham County Agricultural Society will be held at the Court House, in Mason, on the Thursday, March 19th, at 10 o'clock A. M. As this is a business meeting of much importance, it is desirable that all the members