

Ingham County News.

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Public Debt Statement for October.—The public debt statement for October, published on the 1st inst., shows the following: Gold bonds outstanding, \$1,077,300,000; total debt, \$2,218,416,880; cash in Treasury, \$129,838,384; debt less cash in Treasury, \$2,088,578,496; decrease during October, \$1,385,000.

Export of Corn Returns for October.—As prepared at the Department of Agriculture, indicates a reduction in the yield of the wheat crop of nearly one-sixth, while the quality is somewhat superior. Every 100 bushels of wheat produced in the United States will yield a profit of 245,000,000 bushels. By the report four per cent less than in 1917, but the quality is better. Barley is also less than last year. Corn is a full average. Oats show a falling off of twenty-three per cent. Every section of the Union is deficient. The corn crop is deficient. The cotton crop will be large and likely to approach the heavy yield of 1915. Sweet potatoes are a full average crop. Sorghum is a full production. Tobacco report shows about the average production.

THE EAST.

A Northern-bound local passenger train on the Pennsylvania Railroad was wrecked on the morning of the 24th, south of the Linden depot, by running into two freight cars detached from a preceding train and left standing on the track. The locomotive was derailed, the passenger car ran over it and split it in two. The two freight cars were demolished. Jacob Elliston, a brakeman, received fatal injuries, and a woman and several other persons were more or less seriously injured. On the afternoon of the same day a passenger car on the Northern Pennsylvania and Lehigh Valley Railroad was thrown from the track near Bethlehem by the breaking of an axle. After leaving the track it struck a trestle and was completely wrecked. There were eighteen or twenty passengers aboard, two of whom were killed, and all the rest were more or less injured, some quite seriously.

The Congressional Association of New York and Brooklyn has announced that it will hold its annual meeting at the Commodore Hotel, New York, on the 24th inst. The association is reported to be in a state of financial embarrassment, and is seeking aid from the Advisory Council Commission relating to the Beecher scandal. It is reported that there is no substantial ground for believing that the Rev. Mr. Beecher, as an Association, regard our brother as worthy of our confidence and love, and express to him our sympathy in the severe trial through which he has passed.

At Salem, N. J., on the 24th, Goodwin and Collier, found guilty of manslaughter by aiding in the killing of the prize-fighter Walker, were sentenced to six years imprisonment each in the Trenton penitentiary. The remaining two prisoners, Charles and William, were sentenced to imprisonment of two years each.

Work closed in New York on the 24th, at 1:00 P. M. The following were the closing quotations for produce: No. 2 Chicago Spring Wheat, No. 1, \$1.25; No. 2, \$1.24; No. 3, \$1.23; No. 4, \$1.22; No. 5, \$1.21; No. 6, \$1.20; No. 7, \$1.19; No. 8, \$1.18; No. 9, \$1.17; No. 10, \$1.16; No. 11, \$1.15; No. 12, \$1.14; No. 13, \$1.13; No. 14, \$1.12; No. 15, \$1.11; No. 16, \$1.10; No. 17, \$1.09; No. 18, \$1.08; No. 19, \$1.07; No. 20, \$1.06; No. 21, \$1.05; No. 22, \$1.04; No. 23, \$1.03; No. 24, \$1.02; No. 25, \$1.01; No. 26, \$1.00; No. 27, \$0.99; No. 28, \$0.98; No. 29, \$0.97; No. 30, \$0.96; No. 31, \$0.95; No. 32, \$0.94; No. 33, \$0.93; No. 34, \$0.92; No. 35, \$0.91; No. 36, \$0.90; No. 37, \$0.89; No. 38, \$0.88; No. 39, \$0.87; No. 40, \$0.86; No. 41, \$0.85; No. 42, \$0.84; No. 43, \$0.83; No. 44, \$0.82; No. 45, \$0.81; No. 46, \$0.80; No. 47, \$0.79; No. 48, \$0.78; No. 49, \$0.77; No. 50, \$0.76; No. 51, \$0.75; No. 52, \$0.74; No. 53, \$0.73; No. 54, \$0.72; No. 55, \$0.71; No. 56, \$0.70; No. 57, \$0.69; No. 58, \$0.68; 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TWO AND ONE

Two mountain streams seeking... Two roses that need but echoes... Two little birds that sing...

A DEAD-LETTER ROMANCE

It was a very long ago—as far back as 1865, if the old clerks in the New York Postoffice remember correctly...

MARIA H. RUSSELL

New York Postoffice.

It was always a "drop-letter," one of the many thousands that found their way through the little crevice in the wall daily...

She was often questioned; inquisitive glances were cast into her face, and several times she was followed by curious fellows...

One day a new clerk who had conceived a scheme to discover her identity told her he was not sure of the name of her father...

A whole generation had passed away. Men and women had been born and buried, but still the queer letters came...

These are very peculiar letters. They belong to a woman who has been coming to the Postoffice regularly every month...

This note was submitted to a convention of the club, and was read unanimously to the proper thing. A reply was awaited anxiously...

Although it is directly against the rules of the club to take the responsibility of gratifying your curiosity, nine letters addressed to Maria H. Russell have come to my hands...

Here was a romance indeed. Nine unsigned notes, each with a similar inclosure of money. Was it possible, they thought, that these letters were the work of some one who had been coming to Maria Russell...

The clerk began to talk of her changed appearance, and concluded that she was suffering from some cause, they could not decide just what, although there were plenty of reasons suggested...

"She told me," he said, "that she was in good circumstances, and was just now in want of any assistance, but with your permission, she would remember our kind offer, and if ever in need would not hesitate to call upon us."

Four, five, six years went by, and each month brought as regularly as the moon same amount of letters for Maria H. Russell...

The war was over; the clerks who went out to fight came back limping and soon after, in March, 1865, she was seen for the first time...

Mr. Russell's letter was strongly indorsed by several prominent residents of Sturgis, who bore testimony to his good character and general worthiness.

On a recent visit to the Dead-Letter Office I saw the silent, inanimate relics of this strange mystery. A pile of plain, yellow envelopes...

Not many days ago, when the crowd was crushing in, a man and a woman, an old couple from the country were stopped in a narrow passage...

Did she know, or did she not know, that every movement had been distinctly visible to that audience from the moment the light was turned on...

At the end of the skid, the brute crouched and leaped for him. It seemed as though he would reach him in the next instant...

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Our Young Readers.

HOW GRANDMA "WENT TEETH-ING." "Went teething!" I think I hear you cry. "Do teeth ever grow on bushes?"

"Well, the baby was a darling; and I wasn't the only one who thought so. She was as pretty as a pink, and as sweet as a May-blossom. Every day, as regular as the day came, I used to take her a bright red apple and a scallion cookie, sprinkled all over with crushed seeds...

"Don't, daughter," said she. "Save them for my baby, my little sister in pain now." She was going to take them from my hand, when Aunt Mehlitable spoke up.

"Never before had our lumberman been caught so totally unprepared in peril. He was so much surprised that he almost forgot to breathe at home or on the saw-logs. Worn out by his weakness, he obeyed the first instinct of fear, and turned to run. He knew well that such a case took precaution is always wise."

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Travelers' Guide.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL RAILROAD
 Main Division, the short line to and
 from the Saginaw Valley and Northern
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TIME TABLE, May 28th, 1876.

SOUTHWARD.

Station	*Mail	*Express	*Way Freight
Bay City.....Lv.	6.40 a.m.	6.50 a.m.	7.00 a.m.
Weldon.....Ar.	7.40	7.50	8.00
Saginaw.....Ar.	8.40	8.50	9.00
Weldon.....Lv.	9.40	9.50	10.00
Bay City.....Lv.	10.40	10.50	11.00
Weldon.....Ar.	11.40	11.50	12.00
Saginaw.....Ar.	12.40	12.50	1.00
Weldon.....Lv.	1.40	1.50	2.00
Bay City.....Lv.	2.40	2.50	3.00
Weldon.....Ar.	3.40	3.50	4.00
Saginaw.....Ar.	4.40	4.50	5.00
Weldon.....Lv.	5.40	5.50	6.00
Bay City.....Lv.	6.40	6.50	7.00
Weldon.....Ar.	7.40	7.50	8.00
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PRINCE BOLTIKOFF.

There are posts more important, perhaps, than Fort Needham on the South Coast. This is a well-known fact, and is so strictly garrisoned that the integrity of the Empire might depend upon its tenure. It was once its garrison—H. Randall de Louthenberg, Carruthers, Lieutenant de la Motte's Royal Regiment of Grenadiers—that is, to say, with a handful of soldiers, held it against all comers. My men were better off than I was, for they took it in turn to mount guard upon the honeycombed orrains and the tumble-down gates of the fortress. They had employment, I had none. I bathed, breakfasted and walked upon the shore; to eat, drink, sleep and smoke made up the sum total of my diversions. But that I was gifted with powers of progression, I might have been an oyster.

My assistance, air? We have been in pursuit of a convict who escaped from our establishment the day before yesterday. He produced a large placard headed with the Royal arms. Under them, in flaming capitals, were the words: "Convict Just Escaped! Five Pounds Reward!" Then followed the description: "Thomas Twoshoes, alias Polak, Ned, alias the Swaggering Sunph, alias Harry Highflyer; complexion black, dark eyes, high cheek-bones, slaw hair. Speaks with a foreign accent. Was dressed in trousers, a patched blazer and an old check shirt." "Well, what can I do?" I asked a little nervously. "I was suspected of complicity? Doubtless I had my own share open to the charge, and I had been abetting in the convict's escape. If I can assist you in your search—"

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entomological eyes, assisted by a glass. Thrifty fleas went through military exercises, and stood upon their hind legs, armed with a foreign accent. Two fleas were harnessed to and drew a golden carriage with four wheels and a postilion, a third flea was seated on the coach-box, and held a splinter of wood for a whip.

Manners, says Emerson, are the happy way of doing things; each one a stroke of genius or of love, now repeated and hardened into usage. And again, this nice observance declares that good manners are made up of petty sacrifices. These two statements include the true essence and the substance of genuine politeness. It must have its root in the feeling of kindness, that it may flower into beauty of behavior.

less eight dollars, which she handed over. Tipping their hats politely, they quietly disappeared in the brush. This they had changed their dress, giving them the appearance of soldiers. The lady had taken precaution to secrete the greater portion of the money inside of her dress. For persistency these fellows beat everything, and the spoils were very light. In all conscience. —Portland Oregonian.

beauty of plant-growth. But consider—that the Japanese, in their horticultural system, have offices for such dwarfed monarchs of trees to fill. With them, no hedges are complete without its garden; a few square rods may be all a command; but this area must have its garden treatment; and the gardens are modeled after nature. —Boston Transcript.

Bad Chirography.

The anecdotes told at the expense of the late Isaac Greeley's bad chirography, if gathered together and published, would fill a good-sized volume. Many of them are so good that a portion have no foundation in fact. It is not so generally known that Col. John W. Forney, of the Philadelphia Press, writes an execrable hand, but he does not, as is often stated, have had his "copy" know it by the expressive name of "chow-chow," and the Colonel is sometimes familiarly alluded to by this sobriquet. Like Greely, Mr. Forney experiences great difficulty in reading his own writing when it grows cold.

The Intelligent Flea.

In the year 1840, in rooms adjoining Somerset House, in the Strand (which is a continuing fact), London, England, might have been seen a swarthy little Italian, who gave a series of exhibitions which attracted the fashionable world, the scientific and the curious. He was a man of letters, and his students of natural history who lovingly claim for their pets something more than instinct, and not much less than an intelligence akin to our own, and who triumphantly hailed these exhibitions as adding renewed weight to their assertions.

An Eccentric Character.

The oldest living graduate of Yale College was, a few weeks ago, Rev. Thomas Williams, of Providence, R. I. He has just died. Mr. C. W. Williams, who was a student of Williams in the Independent. When Mr. Williams was Principal of Woodstock Academy, Conn., the large chimneys of the building sometimes took a fancy to smoke at both ends, much to the annoyance of teachers and scholars. After several vain attempts one day to remedy the matter, the Principal rapped loudly on the table and called out: "Attention! Let us pray."

Japanese Gardens.

Among the conifers will be noted young plants of that Japanese species which may be seen under the wing of the Japanese building—quaint pigmies of trees, not three feet high, yet over seventy years old. They are gnarled and twisted as if they had fought the winds and caught their picturesque forms of form—as if they were old men—by battling with tempests and wintry storms upon the hills. And yet these dwarfed trees are thoroughly creatures of art. By examining closely the specimens in the Japanese grounds, you will see traces of the dwarfing process. The leading shoots have been clipped, or bent downward; the lateral branches turned in and tied back; lusty limbs twisted and wreathed into quaint postures; many of the torturing, long, and bands and cuts are still observable; it is a crippled dwarf of a tree, made quaint and picturesque by its years of struggle against the toils of the gardener.

An Incident of Life in Oregon.

Monday evening Mrs. Frankie Reed received from the purser of the steamer Borda Star a letter. The letter was observed by two well-dressed young men, who followed the lady as far as the postoffice, where they accosted her, demanding the money. She refused, and intimated that a policeman would be called. The young men then lay hands on her. The hour being somewhat early, and as persons were passing frequently, the individuals departed in haste. About midnight, while the gentleman was at a distance, the same parties approached the door of the kitchen. Mrs. Reed, who was engaged in that room, noticing the intruders, called for assistance, and in a few minutes the police arrived. At a late hour they called again, but the barking of a dog was sufficient to cause the persistent customers to turn tail. Next day Mrs. Reed departed for her home, Mrs. Scholl, however, remained at home, and was with her the money. When about four miles out she was stopped by the parties who had previously followed her and attempted the robbery, and again the money was demanded. There she then she had deposited it in the bank,

What for? About what price?

What for? About what price? Then she went off into another trance, considering what theater she would go to. Her husband, who was sitting by her side, and who she would take for supper if he invited her after the performance; and whether the fried oysters would make her very bilious next day. Finally she gave some signs of returning to the world of the living, and the old man said: "Just show me a few, and I'll pick out what'll sorter suit the old woman."

Washington Chronicle.

For some years," says the London Lancet, "it has been the practice of Mr. Sampson Gamgee to cut a piece of flannel about nine inches square and to bury it by ligature round the mouth of an ordinary tumbler, so as to leave a cup-shaped depression of flannel within the tumbler to about half its depth. In the flannel cup so constructed pieces of ice might be preserved many hours; all the longer if a piece of flannel from four to five inches square be used as a loose cover to the ice-cup. Cheap flannel with comparatively open meshes, is preferable, with the water being kept quite dry, and the ice is thus kept quite dry. When good flannel with close texture is employed, a small hole must be made in the bottom of the flannel cup; otherwise it holds the water, and the melting of the ice, which is, nevertheless, preserved much longer than in the naked cup or tumbler. A reserve supply outside the bedroom door can be secured by making a flannel cup on the plan above described, in a jug, and filling it with little lumps of ice; care being taken that there is space enough below the bag to allow the water to collect and leave the ice dry. This provision will, when dropping her into the hottest night without the supply failing or the patient being disturbed—two very important considerations."

THE ONIA LIGHT GUARD EXCURSION.

Notes by the Way.

(Correspondence of the News.) In spite of the bad management of this excursion it did at last reach Philadelphia, and so far as reported all the parties are alive.

Whether the impure water of the Quaker City will complete the work of destruction so far begun by those wretched "first-class accommodations," as set forth in the advertisements of the excursion, yet remains to be seen.

At Detroit the long train of thirty coaches was divided into three sections, and, stupidly enough, the sleeping coaches were nearly all left on one section. Those who were so unfortunate as to be on the other two sections were obliged to sit up all night in the thin cushions seats. And a more unhappy crowd than daylight revealed, can scarcely be imagined. The train passed through Canada in the night, the best time for viewing Canadian scenery, and was again united at Buffalo.

A complete canvass of the train was taken between Buffalo and Rochester, with the following result: Hayes 396, Tilden 191, Cooper 24, Smith 11. While canvassing, I encountered a seedy old fellow who looked as if he might have been from Texas. He responded to the usual question, "Hayes or Tilden?" with a blank stare. "Hayes or Tilden?" I again remarked. "What do you mean?" said he. "Do you wish to cast your ballot this fall for Hayes or Tilden for president?" "Well, said he, I haint read the papers very much, and I can't jest tell; which is the democrat man? I explained to him that Tilden is the unfortunate candidate of the democratic party, and he continued, "Well I a'pose I am a democrat." I checked him for Tilden and moved on. In the next car there was a drowsy individual whose breath was laden with the perfume of soda water, perhaps. Before putting the usual question, a gentleman in the seat behind him said, "Young man, put him down for Tilden, he has a bottle of democracy in his pocket. Of course, every one knows that it is best to verify statements before giving them publicity," and he was accordingly interviewed, only to find that the gentleman's statement was correct; he proved to be a reformer.

There are many fine farms in New York, along the line of the N. O. R. R., but there is nothing particularly striking until Seneca Lake is reached; here the scenery calls forth many an exclamation of wonder and delight. The roads for three miles commands a fine view of the lake, and through the veil of mist rising from the water may be seen the hills beyond, reaching up to the horizon, presenting, with the white farm houses in the midst of orchards and vineyards on every side, a landscape long to be remembered. At the head of the lake, Watkins Glen is situated. No description of this wild retreat in the mountains, however enthusiastic, can portray the reality. It is a work of nature that the landscape gardener, with all his modern art, can never imitate. It is a series of cascades and waterfalls, of overhanging rocks and trees, of grottos worn in the slate by action of the water for untold ages. Each view in the winding ravine is totally different from the one before it, and the delighted visitor is surprised to find that this continues to the end. The Frenchman, in viewing Niagara, has expressed his astonishment with, "Ze grand spectacle, magnifique! Supposedly by gar, he come down first rate." The stolid German is forced to utter, "Ach Himmel! Das ist gar!" The average young lady observes, "So nice; too lovely for anything." And yet, Niagara, with all its stately grandeur, has not the variety of Watkins Glen. In the north of Pennsylvania, one sees mountains until he closes his eyes with weariness. East of the Susquehanna is a beautiful farming country. New Jersey, as seen from the Penn. R.R., is, for the most part, a wretched country. The dry land is composed of red clay and red slate, covered with a thin coat of exhausted soil. The villages are the only attractive feature, and so desolate is the appearance of the surrounding country, that farmers from the fertile fields of Michigan are often heard to wonder how the people exist at all. After riding entirely through the state this ceases to be a mystery, and one becomes thoroughly convinced that at least one-half of the people get their living by painting advertisements of "Gargling Oil" and "Vanity Fair Tobacco." The dilapidated barns, the decaying fences, the trees and rocks, and even the mounting-blocks and steps in front of private dwellings are decorated with "Gargling Oil," for a few rods such facilities are wanting. "Gargling Oil" will stave one in the face from immense sign boards erected for the purpose. Such are the most noticeable features of New Jersey.

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This is to certify that Dr. N. A. Moses has cured my brother, Collins H. Johnston, of stammering in three lessons, and I cheerfully recommend him to all thus afflicted. I am perfectly satisfied that the Doctor can cure the very hardest of cases. G. B. JOHNSON, Butler Block, Detroit, Mich., Nov. 4th.

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