

NEWS OF THE WEEK

MICHIGAN

At Grand Rapids, on the 23rd, a very large crowd gathered for the annual fair... Prof. Kedzie has for some time been making investigations...

GENERAL NEWS

A Green Bay, Wis., special says the farm village of Easton, Wisconsin, was totally destroyed by fire... A lady of West Haven, Sitawakee county, is suffering from a second attack...

The Balkan... It will suffice them if during the three weeks still available for fighting...

TREES, ONCE MORE.

From the Detroit Post. Dr. Schlemmann says that the Turks have proved their scientific tree-doctors for twenty generations...

THE FARM.

Samuel Park, of Marshall, Ill., says he hasn't lost a cucumber or melon since he planted in five years...

THE HOUSEHOLD.

- FRUIT CAKE. Two cups of sugar, one cup of butter, one cup of cream, three eggs... PORK FRUIT CAKE. One pound of salt pork, chopped fine...

Another messenger was sent to Howard, who should have reached there today...

FOREIGN NEWS.

Mukhtar Pasha telegraphs as follows: One thousand Karapaz horsemen have defended two villages near Ardahan... The striking silk weavers at Paterson, N. J., have agreed to complete the unfinished work at Stranberg's mill...

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PROVIDENCE AND FORTY.

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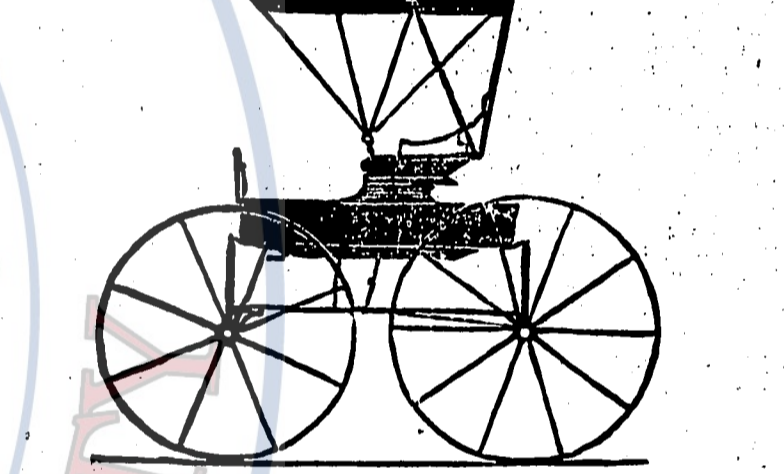
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Thursday, August 16, 1877

Poultry Department



L. H. IVES AND N. A. DUNNING.

All manuscripts or other matters relating to this department may be addressed to either of the above at Mason, Mich.

LEN WOODHOUSE'S hens have struck in proof of which he places on our desk the smallest egg we ever saw.

We were favored during the past week with a call from H. A. Mansfield, of Waltham, Mass., that veteran breeder of Dark Brahmas.

We shall commence in next week's issue of THE NEWS a description of the different varieties of fowls, their characteristics, etc.

NUMBER AND WEIGHT OF EGGS PER ANNUM, FROM DIFFERENT BREEDS.—The following list shows the number of eggs per annum from the principal varieties of poultry.

Light Brahmas and Partridge Cochins—Eggs, seven to the pound; lay 130 per annum.

Dark Brahmas—Eggs, eight to the pound; lay 120 per annum.

Black, White and Duff Cochins—Eggs, eight to the pound; lay 115 per annum.

Plymouth Rocks—Eggs, eight to the pound; lay 150 per annum.

Houdans—Eggs, eight to the pound; lay 150 per annum.

Creve Coeurs—Eggs, eight to the pound; lay 140 per annum.

Leghorns—Eggs, eight to the pound; lay 160 per annum.

Hamburgs—Eggs, nine to the pound; lay 150 per annum.

Polish—Eggs, nine to the pound; lay 125 per annum.

Dominique—Eggs, nine to the pound; lay 135 per annum.

corn to laying hens to be discouraged, for it not only makes them incline to disease, but causes them to lay on fat on their ovaries and thus causes a partial or entire stoppage of egg production.

While it is beneficial to change the diet of the fowls running at large, it is especially so with those in confinement; and for laying hens the major part of the feeding should be done with wheat or wheat screenings, as this is rich in those qualities desired by a laying hen.

To supply her with material for her eggs, she must be well fed, and the monotony of wheat or wheat screenings, as does buckwheat; but we would advise buckwheat to be fed sparingly, for we once experimented with the grains, and found that the nearest thing to confine poultry to was buckwheat, and that fowls fed continually on it seemed to become sort of dazed, and to stagger round as if they had no power to direct their movements.

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Promises and Performance

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Hunting in Kentucky

The shooting season opens early and very promisingly in Kentucky. The laws were apparently all right on Monday and it was a general field day...

THE GREAT WEST.

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OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.
The First of a Series of Letters from the Nation's Capital, which will be given to the Readers of "The News" Regularly Hereafter.
(From Our Special Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON CITY, Aug. 4.—The late scenes of domestic violence continue to be a theme of very general conversation in political circles, and I suppose will continue to be for some time to come. There will be various opinions in regard to them, and I expect to witness no end of topological nonsense on the question of labor during forthcoming sessions of congress. For our public men have been so much engaged in discussing the questions growing out of the war and in taking care of the primaries that the most of them will come up to the consideration of this question with little preparation; but let us hope, with little of the presumption and arrogance which usually accompany ignorance. The loudest and poorest doctors of politics as in medicine are always, of course, your quacks.

MEANWHILE, we can all agree in awarding generous praise to the army and navy for the dispatch and efficiency of their services in the recent exciting times. Whenever the government of the United States was called upon to aid in the suppression of domestic violence, there the forces of the general government were promptly sent, and in every instance triumphantly met and overcame without the necessity of their firing a shot. Praise is accorded in this regard all the more heartily because of the fact that Secretary of War McCrary was new to the department of war when he entered the cabinet, and because Gen. Sherman has been all the time absent. The secretary hardly slept for two or three days at a time, and the way the dispatches and messages flew around lively day and night brought vividly to recollection the scenes of the late civil war when the master hand of Edwin M. Stanton was at the helm of the then most important department of the government. It is now perfectly evident that if we were unhappily forced into another war, McCrary would be no less tremendously energetic and watchful than was Stanton.

AND the navy department is entitled to equal credit. Its vessels were promptly at threatened cities on the seaboard, while the marine corps did instant and excellent service in Maryland and West Virginia. More marines, in fact, were in West Virginia than United States troops. So let us not be ingratitude to Secretary Sherman (splendid "old Dick"), nor fail to sing:
"The Army and Navy forever,
Three cheers for the red, white and blue."
Having thus in fact and in song done justice to our nation's gallant defenders, we may properly proceed to talk about other matters.

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.
I observe from the newspapers that there is much of a hubbub in many portions of the country over the efforts of the administration in behalf of civil service reform. I suppose every fair minded man will agree that this is a matter which is surrounded with perplexities and even with grave difficulties. If the angel Gabriel were at the head of a civil service commission and had Michael for his right hand angel, I suspect the reforms they should suggest would be met with very considerable opposition from two large classes of persons, namely, the ins who do not want to go out, and the outs who want to go in out of the cold.

I may state as matter of intelligence, and not either in approval or disapproval, that the administration has two principal objects in view in this regard. First, that honesty and capacity shall take the place of partisan services as recommendations to office. Second, that the old system of congressional control shall be abolished. It is believed that the result will be an efficient conduct of public affairs, vastly more economical than the present, greatly more prompt in doing the public business, and almost infinitely more satisfactory to the people. In the accomplishment of this reform there will, no doubt, be many mistakes committed, and many missteps made, but as a long observer of the unspeakable slow, shabby, shiftless, and stupid manner in which the public business is conducted at Washington, I must say that we ought in all common fairness to give the old man a chance, and see what comes of it. Whatever may be the fact in the country, I am certain that so far as Washington City is concerned, our civil service, so far from being the best, is the worst on the planet, or on any other planet. It has already been much improved here, notably in the bureau of engraving and printing, Mr. McPherson in charge, by the public printer, John D. Defrees, in the consular appointments so far made by the state department, and in the navy department. The war department has so few civil appointments that there is little room for improvement there. You may safely bet your everlasting fortune, however, that there will be no more such mishaps as that which befell the lamented General Belknap.

THE CAPITAL DURING VACATION.
Our national capital is an uncommonly dull town during the vacations of congress. It is not a place of general business, there being very few establishments here, and scarcely any manufactures. One of the most beautiful cities in the country, or in the world for that matter, the time to visit it is during a session of congress. Then the hotels are crowded; then our broad streets are thronged with foot passengers and splendid equipages; then are theatres and other places of amusement in full blast during the evening; but during the long vacation, our city of magnificent distances is hardly less gloomy than a big graveyard.

CROP STATISTICS.
The secretary of state sends us a circular from which we gather the following interesting facts in regard to the amount of grain produced in Michigan in 1876: From a few townships no reports were given; but, estimating the products of these townships on the basis of former productions, and adding that to the amount reported we find that the total wheat crop of this state last year was 12,830,475 bushels, making an average of thirteen and three-fourths bushels per acre. This year there were on the ground in May 1,228,888 acres; and, estimating the

yield at twenty-five per cent, better than last year, and many estimate it thirty-three per cent better, the amount produced this year is over 21,000,000 bushels, or an average of over 20 bushels per acre.
The amount of wheat sown in Ingham county last year was 23,888 acres yielding 470,884 bushels or 14.18 bushels per acre. The amount harvested this year was 29,888 acres. Ingham county also raised last year 17,688 acres of corn, 11,210 acres of oats and 781 acres of barley.
Cass county raised the most corn, 81,682 acres, and Oakland county the most oats, 23,283 acres, and the most barley 6,072 acres. The best average yield of wheat per acre last year was in Washtenaw county 16.18 bushels.

MAISON MARKET.
THURSDAY, Aug. 9, 1877.
PROVISIONS.

Beans, white, @ 20	50 00
" red, do. "	48 50
Peas, per doz fresh	15 00
" " " "	12 50
Butter, @ 1 1/2	12 00
" " " "	10 70
Apples, green	10 00
DO DRIED FRUITS.	
Apples @ 10	8 50
Cherries @ 10	12 00
Dried Peaches @ 10	10 00
" " " "	10 00
MEATS AND POULTRY.	
Bacon, @ 10	4 00
" " " "	3 00
Pork, @ 10	5 00
Shoulders, @ 10	6 00
Hams, @ 10	10 00
" " " "	12 00
Turkeys, @ 10	12 00
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No. 1 white, @ 10	3 75
" " " "	3 50
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White Wheat, @ 10	1 15
" " " "	1 10
Red Wheat, @ 10	1 15
Oats, @ 10	1 10
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Barley, @ 10	1 10
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Miscellaneous.
Woman on the American Frontier.
The above is the title of a volume just issued by C. E. Beach & Co., publishers, of Chicago, which is sure to attract wide attention and interest. It is a carefully prepared history of the part woman has taken in early civilization across the continent.
The movement which has carried our people from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean, and has founded the greatest republic which the world ever saw, has already taken its place in the annals of the most glorious achievement of humanity since the world began. That no small share of the glory of this achievement rightfully belongs to woman, is evident to every thoughtful mind, and yet the history of her work in this great migration has been told only in lines and passages, where it ought instead to fill volumes. Incidents and anecdotes, scattered here and there through our various histories, give us glimpses of the wife, the mother or the daughter, as a heroine, or an angel of kindness, but the most of her story is a blank which has never been filled up. And yet it is precisely in her position, as a pioneer and colonizer, that her influence is the most potent, and her life story the most interesting. It is only by following her in her wanderings, and standing beside her in the forest, or in the cabin, and by marking in detail the thousand trials and perils which surrounded her in such a position that we can obtain the true picture of the heroine in so many unmentioned battles. And this is precisely what the author does in this volume. It is not a mere collection of stories of frontier life, but an authentic and carefully considered history of what woman has done and suffered from first to last in the most glorious American civilization. Beginning with the earliest settlements in New England and Virginia, it follows her through the forests of the west and south, the prairie of the Mississippi Valley and the plains of the far west, to the Rocky Mountains and the Pacific slope. And certainly there is not, in all history, a more interesting page than this which records the heroism, adventures, privations, captivities, trials and noble lives and deaths of the "pioneer Mothers of the Republic." A pioneer mother of this nation is the most thrilling narrative of actual events ever published, and in his judgment we certainly concur.

Readers in every station and condition of life will peruse with the deepest interest these thrilling chapters, and woman, especially, will everywhere hail the volume as a tribute to the honor of her sex.
The author, Wm. W. Fowler, is widely known as a writer of distinguished ability, and eminently fitted, both by his tastes and culture, for such an undertaking. The book is beautifully printed and bound, and finely illustrated, and is altogether a most attractive volume.
It is a far better and powerful vindication of the noble traits of woman's character, and of the value of her work in the moral and physical advancement of our country, than has been produced by all the Woman's Rights Conventionists ever held in America. I ought to find a place in every American home.
E. L. WINANS, Agent,
Mason, Mich.

Disgraceful Business.
There has recently circulated through the mails, without even postmarks, an anonymous circular, libelous in its character, against Daniel F. Beatty, of Washington, D. C., proprietor of the Beatty Piano and Beatty's Celebrated Golden Tongue Parlor Organs.
It is supposed to have been done by competitors in the business, as none others would be to the trouble and expense, even if they had no fear of the punishment if detected, and the same is attributed to the fact that Mr. Beatty has been making a very successful war upon high prices in those instruments.

We have received from Mr. Beatty the following open letter addressed to him by the officials and prominent men of his own town.
WASHINGTON, N. J., July 6, 1877.
TO DANIEL F. BEATTY, Esq.:
It having come to our knowledge that communications written with an intent to libel you, and injure your business, have appeared in a certain periodical, we therefore, as citizens of this place, having known you for years—consider it an act of justice to you to pronounce our own sentiments, and to be entirely unqualified for and slanderous, and endorse you as being, so far as we have ever been able to judge, a man of sterling integrity and prompt in all your business transactions. Signed, Nathan Dille, Mayor; Alpheus Babcock, G. A. Thatcher, Henry Watson, and Wm. E. Cummings, Councilmen; Joseph Velt, Judge of the Court; James W. Greif, Postmaster, and P. H. Hann, Cashier First National Bank; Rev. J. J. Reed, Pastor M. E. Church (acquainted but few months); J. A. Crawling, Jos. A. Gierope and John C. Winter, Justices of the Peace; John Gardner, Sheriff, and Richard H. Shafer, Deputy Sheriff of Warren County; H. W. Creveling, General Agent of the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad; Philip Johnston, late Assessor, and others.
I certify that I am acquainted with the handwriting of the above, and recognize all of them as genuine. The gentlemen are of our best citizens, and I fully concur in the letter.
We can hardly conceive of a more complete answer to such a libel than the above letter, but Mr. Beatty requests all interested to address him for full reply, and asks for information touching the parties circulating the libel if any can be obtained, with a view to their prosecution and punishment.

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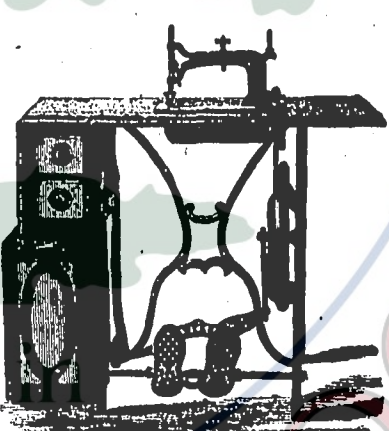
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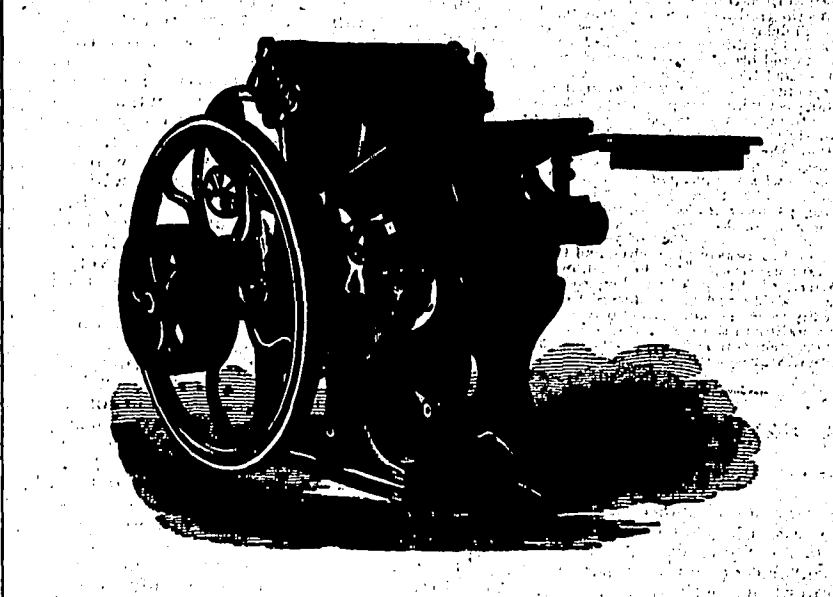


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