

Ingham County News

Thursday, January 21, 1886.

Farmers' Club.

CROSS ROOMS, Jan. 15, 1886.
It is a stormy day when less than a score of farmers find their way into the club rooms at the hour for meeting.

The changes in the market during the week had been slight, except on the grain market, of 40 cents per hundred was reported.

The growing of early lambs for feeding off the following winter was discussed at length. The plan had several grain advocates. Messrs. Russell, Wood and Ben B. Baker had succeeded in getting a large number of farmers to plant with them in March than with those as late as May. Early lambs were universally the largest and strongest at one year of age and ever after. This was a general experience, but the experience of most farmers was that the per cent. of loss on lambs was so great as to compensate for the extra growth of those that pulled through.

Mr. Baker said a lamb could be taught to eat bran as young as 10 days of age. He presented bran to roots and thought it a better and much more economical way to feed a lamb than to offer a small space across one end of his sheep shed, leaving an opening at each end of the partition large enough to allow the lambs to pass through at will.

All around this small pen place a row of feed troughs into which place the lambs were to be fed. The lamb was taught to eat, and it is not a hard task. Drop him in the pen, he will soon find his way out, and soon find it back again leading all the others after him.

At the age of one month his lambs have eaten one quart of bran per day.

It is a most excellent supplement for milk.

Quite a number of farmers are growing lambs for mutton and their experience so far reported was satisfactory.

The theory that sheep will produce more fat during winter than in the cold winter than a season of moderate weather was advanced by the president and endorsed by others. Others still maintained a different view, believing more depended upon the breeding than the weather.

The question of providing for the expense of the lamb will be adjusted at the next meeting.

Time of next meeting will be given to discussion upon the Bohemian out scheme.

Club adjourned until next Saturday at 2 p.m.

L. H. IVES, Secretary.

NORTH AURELIUS.

John Bateman contemplates visiting Dakota the coming spring.

H. Norris has rented his farm to O. W. Miller, who will cultivate the same.

The annual meeting of the Ingham County Bar Association will be held at Delhi, Jan. 6, 1886.

On account of the inclement weather and exceeding rough roads the members did not reach the place of meeting until a late hour. Delhi Grange was in full fall and with full basket.

On account of the inclement weather the officers thought best not call the meeting until after dinner, which was served at the hall by the ladies of Delhi Grange.

Dinner was over, the tables removed and at half past nine the Master's gavel sounded, and the meeting opened.

In the interval that followed, while those who had just arrived were removing their wraps and getting seated the choir at Delhi concluded sweet music.

The Master then gave a rehearsal of the parts of the state grand which was listened to with much interest, especially that portion which balanced the report of the committee on patent rights and the collectors of royalty.

At the close of this the choir again favored us with music, and then the Master declared a recess for five minutes. After the recess the meeting was opened in the fourth department.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved. The report of the secretary was then read. The report was full of interest and showed a good amount of work done the past year, and a good estimation of the treasury, the amount of the same being \$1,000, relating to the finance of the society was referred to the finance committee.

The following officers were elected: Master—O. B. Stillman, Vice Master—W. J. Deas, Steward—Samuel Booth, Chaplain—J. M. T. Towner, Chaplain—William Cook, Treasurer—Amos G. Rider, Secretary—John McLaughlin.

Richard Chase of Ilion, Gratiot county, had lately been visiting friends in the state, and is well known.

The sensible at Mrs. McLaughlin's in the village of Holt on Wednesday evening was fully attended and very pleasant.

WEST AURELIUS.

Mrs. Lulu Grinnell is sick.

Ed. C. is down sick with a complication of disease.

Mrs. A. Brown is sick again. Dr. Walter is in attendance.

Miss Myra Walton has the diphteria.

Charlie Blakeslee is very sick.

And every symptom points to a rapid convalescence.

Miss Grinnell's residence was burned last Sunday evening. The losses were saved.

Sickness and death are so common in the winter months that we will be called next. We noticed our different physicians in this neighborhood last week.

As for "Half Vigor" improves the health and promotes its growth. It imparts an attractive appearance, a delightful and lasting perfume, and a sweet fragrance. It soothes the scalp, and adds elegance to luxuriance, its effects are enduring; and thus it proves itself to be the best and cheapest drug for the use.

MUNITION.

Miss Flora Randolph delivered her lecture on "Women in War" yesterday evening in the church at Cassville and was listened to with marked attention and apparent satisfaction.

Miss Randolph is a very good speaker, and her reasoning is pointed and logical. She gives the causes of the war, and shows that even slaves to the evil will say "Truth." Indeed her lecture must be well received by those who could listen to her lecture before casting their votes.

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MASON MARKETS.

Carrying.

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

All communications for this paper should be addressed to the editor, and should be in a summary form, and not exceed 100 words in length. It is particularly desired that general topics be avoided, as they are often difficult to reduce.

MICHIGAN MATTERS.

BURNED TO DEATH.

The Jackson County Poor House Burned and Five Inmates Perished.

Word was received yesterday of the burning of the poor house at Jackson, that the inmates were in danger.

The fire was at first believed to be the result of the carelessness of the inmates, but when the arrival of the building had been consumed by the hungry flames.

Mrs. Smith, the wife of the keeper, who occupied the room down stairs, was awaking about two weeks ago, when she awoke from a dream of fire, and ran screaming through the house, and falling plastering. Jumping from her bed, she discovered the room full of smoke, and ran screaming to the room above, where her husband, who slept in the room, soon after ran screaming to the men's dining room and found the doors leading from the dining room and the kitchen open. She then ran screaming the whole interior of the kitchen was alight, rushing back to her bed-room and grasping her baby, who was screaming.

Her husband, Mr. Smith, hastily dressing, ran upstairs and awoke the hired man and set about saving the property and directed the men to get out of the house. A terrible trouble was experienced in getting some of the women out, as they could not be made to understand their situation, and clinging to every available object, they were unable to escape, had been placed upon the building only two weeks ago, and several of the inmates escaped by the time that the house would be ready for the arrival of the inmates.

The institution contained forty of the county's poor, twenty-six men and fourteen women, five of whom perished in the flames. The house was built of wood.

Mrs. G. Atkinson, Gross Lake, aged 48, in-had two sons, Isaac, Catherine Avery, and Charles Avery, in the township of Kalamazoo, Mich., and three daughters.

Melissa Martin, Spring Arbor township, Indiana, 14 years.

John Boyton, Jackson, aged 22, inmate.

Chas. Elliott, Jackson, aged 25, inmate 1 month, blind.

The house was valued at \$15,000 and insured for \$8,000, divided among different companies. The contents were valued at \$200, and were insured for \$100. Charles Smith, keeper, loses \$800 worth of household property, and the house is now empty, as he has no apparatus for protection of the building against fire except a rubber hose to be attached to the water tank. The cost of one tank and hose, several hundred dollars, the parents were able to get from the inmates down the fire escape in his arms, thus saving little. An imbecile boy, 10 years of age, was found in bed and was reared by means of the fire escape.

The origin of the fire is supposed to be a defective fuse. The building was situated in a slight hollow, and the fire spread from Jackson to the next house, and then to the one below.

All the inmates lost their clothing, and some of them will die from the effects of the exposure, they were unable to get to the door. The hired man, who thought that the inmates down the fire escape in his arms, thus saving little. An imbecile boy, 10 years of age, was found in bed and was reared by means of the fire escape.

A police force was made to patrol the family of Mrs. Girard of Detroit a short time ago. Mrs. Girard has a box containing furniture and household goods.

The court was held in Ovid, but a few days after, a few days before, Mrs. Girard had company to tea and instructed her colored domestics to eat a can of the fruit. The domestics were not able to eat the fruit, as everything in the way of clothes before the family was served, to this particular character of the family of Mrs. Girard and her maid.

Mrs. Girard, who had called the girl, but not receiving any response went to the kitchen and found her wife in a room at the back of the house.

Mrs. Girard is a private physician, who examined the berries and said she was sure the fruit contained arsenic. The fruit was given to Dr. J. E. Clark for analysis. He found the fruit to be arsenic, and the maid, who ate the same quantity of them, was also found to be arsenic.

Mrs. Girard, after the discovery of this dastardly attempt to destroy her whole family, called up her husband and told him, "We are to be the last of the family, as we are the last of our race."

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STATE NEWS CONDENSED.

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NATIONAL THANKSGIVING.

Washington's First Proclamation Set-
ting aside Nov. 26 as Thanksgiving.

MASON, 111. MICH.

GENERAL NOTE.

MAYOR SWING of Philadelphia, has

been presented with a pair of trousers,

made of seventy-five different colors,

patched and weighing twenty pounds.

A note accompanying the gift contained

the following description: "These pants were fifty-two years in actual

service in North Carolina, colored blue,

and were made of a material called

'Father Sam,' who is now at the ripe

old age of one hundred and eight

years, and still able to walk around.

Father of twenty-three children, all

living, eldest being ninety-one years

old, and now grandchild.

He was a member of the church, his

wife his wedded mate, and his sons

were the pants for wedding pants.

They are highly prized by the old gent

and his children. They were

sent to me by a friend, who had to

deposit \$50 a guarantee of their being

returned. They were in actual wear

thirty-two years, and have been on ex-

hibit for over twenty years. They

have been across the ocean four times,

and on exhibition in all the large cities

of the United States.

The people in the neighborhood of

Lobach, in the neighborhood of

Philadelphia, have been greatly excited over the appear-

ance in their midst of a horrible mon-

ster, supposed to be a savage beast

of some unknown species. Last week a

party was organized to hunt the mys-

terious brute down.

Finally the hunters

found a wild man, perfectly naked,

and in a savage state.

When approached

he was silent. When ap-

roached over the hills, he was observed

and brought to town. After a long

investigation the unfortunate man was

found to be one John McIntyre, who

had become insane about four years ago

and run away from home.

Ladies who have small jewelry that

has been laid away because it has

ceased to be fashionable, can now

draw it forth once more into the light

of day, as coral is becoming more and

more fashionable, because more costly,

and more costly on account of the

depreciated value of material.

The Indians in your city have been

united. Fourteen of them have joined

the extent of the cruel traffic. Naples

alone employs five hundred vessels

and five thousand men in it. The Naples

merchants export \$2,000,000

worth yearly to India alone, to say

nothing of exports to other places

and Asia and Africa.

The French have looked with alarm

upon the steady export of Persian

horses to the United States; but the

most prominent breeders there now say

that the progeny of these horses raised

in the United States are an improvement

upon their sires, and that it is

profitable to import.

For the last year, the most popular

post-chaises which he used so much,

Gen. Henry, his Master of the Horse,

found them much superior to the

Mecklenburg horses, more generally in

use.

A MINER reported that in British Columbia he discovered a deserted town.

He found a hilltop saloon, stores and

dwellings. Everything was left just as

it was when the inhabitants departed.

The postoffice was stocked with letters

bearing date 1856. Who were these

people, and why did they desert their

homes, carrying off nothing with them?

These questions, will perhaps, never be

answered. It is a tantalizing mystery.

MANLY curious coins and other in-

teresting objects have been di- covered

in tearing down some old buildings

in Charter street, Boston. Some of the

coins date back to the thirteenth and

fourteenth centuries. A collection of

old coins and a few cents of one of the

shillings, it having been di- covered

hidden there by the owner during the

occupation of Boston by the British.

A NUMBER of Hartford, Conn., young

ladies have organized a club called

"The Tongue Guard." Each mem-

ber has put a cent into the treasury

when she says anything against any one.

