

# THE CLARKSTON RECORD.

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## Grand Cleanup Sale of Suits,

Coats, and Hats. One of the Most Powerful Attractions Offered by a Dry Goods House this Year.

Even the very finest of our suits—those exclusive novelties that are found only in the best suit-rooms and have been admired by women all over the country—not one excepted. The new Military Coats are also included, some of them haven't been in but a week or two. We'd like to leave them out, but there isn't enough time left to sell them at regular prices, so in they go.

Every hat in the house, the whole stock, regardless of the style or how much they cost, has been divided into two big lots, with a price on each that will close them out in double quick time.

26 Odd Coats sold at \$5.00 to \$15.00, choice,.....\$ 3.00  
All Coats sold at \$7.50, \$8.50 and \$9.50, choice,.....\$ 5.00  
All Coats sold at \$10.00, \$12.50, and \$13.50, choice,.....\$ 8.89  
All Coats sold at \$15.00 and \$20.00, choice,.....\$10.00  
All Coats sold at \$25.00 and \$35.00, choice,.....\$15.00  
All Suits sold at \$10.00 and \$12.50, choice,.....\$ 7.50  
All Suits sold at \$15.00 to \$20.00, choice,.....\$10.00  
All Suits sold at \$25.00 to \$35.00, choice,.....\$15.00  
All Suits sold at \$50.00 and \$65.00, choice,.....\$25.00  
All Pattern Hats sold at \$5.00, \$7.50, \$10.00, choice,....\$ 1.95  
All Walking Hats sold at \$1.50 to \$7.50, choice,.....\$ .95

Cost of alterations charged for.

SALE STARTS AT ONCE

**Waite Bros. & Robertson,**  
**PONTIAC.**

Jacob Bachman of White Lake was in town Thursday.

December 27, St. John's day, falling on Sunday, the Masonic fraternity will attend services in the Methodist church in a body, and in the afternoon will enjoy a special program in their lodge room.

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TINNER  
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Colds

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Lung Troubles.

Money back if it fails. Trial Bottles free.

### Local and Personal.

R. F. Hall was in Detroit Wednesday.

School closed today for the holidays.

Mrs. Chas. Sly was in Pontiac Thursday.

J. D. Ogden was in White Lake village Thursday.

John C. Starring and wife of Mt. Bethel spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. John Bird.

The Howland Mfg. Co. have commenced cutting timber on the Andrew Garner farm. They paid \$1500 for 40 acres of timber.

The Empire cream separator at J. H. Alger's is attracting much attention by reason of its easy operation and perfect work. Drop in and see it.

The Lady Maccabees and St. Knights will have a joint installation of officers some time in January. The ladies' husbands and the knights' wives are invited.

One of our citizens is said to have sat at the table 1½ hours the other night at the Epworth League supper. This information is handed us by a business man who is charged double price at all church suppers, and ought to be reliable.

On Sunday, the morning and evening services in the Methodist church at Clarkston and the 2 p. m. services at Waterford, will be of a Christmas character, the pastor's topics being, "The Angel's Song," and "Following the Star."

The man who brings in his boys to be honorable men does more for society than he who secures a law and order plank in the platform. And the woman who rears her girls in maidenly honesty advances the cause of morality far more than she who leads a woman's club pell mell against some notorious political offense or offense.

Fishing through the ice is just now a popular diversion in this locality. A large number of very small pickerel are caught in this manner and at the present rate threatens to depopulate our lakes of this kind of fish. If you fish through the ice please be considerate enough to throw back all fish you get which are too small to be of any use to you, other than to swell the number which you bring home.—Holly Herald.

The premium stock farm at Davisburg has consigned some of the very choicest animals in its herd with a view to lending a stimulus if possible, to the live stock breeding business and the holding of combination auction sales at frequent intervals. The Galloway cattle and the Rambouillet sheep which have been consigned to this sale by the Davis Bros. and the premium stock farm are said to be perfect specimens of the breeds to which they belong.—Free Press.

A new time card went into effect yesterday on the Pere Marquette. The only change in the time of the trains at Holly is that the north bound evening train goes at 7:20 instead of 7:16 and the south bound evening goes at 7:42 instead of 7:36. The new fast train on this division which has been given more or less newspaper notoriety failed to materialize. The principal reason for the issuing of a new time table was the advent of the road's entrance into Chicago.—Holly Herald.

J. W. Dunston and wife were in Pontiac Thursday.

## Yo-Ho for Christmas!

Toys, games, books, fancy cases, novelties, nick-nacks, dolls, etc. A lot of things for big folks, little folks, and half-way folks.

**Presents for Grandfathers,**

**Grandsons, Uncles, Aunts,**

And 32nd cousins. Come and get into the happy push at

**Guy A. Walter & Co's.**

**SANTA CLAUS' HEADQUARTERS.**

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GOODS,**

**THEY ARE RIGHT.  
W. N. TIFFANY,**

Clarkston,



Mich,



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R. E. ROE. Editor

## CLARKSTON, MICH.

### Local and Personal.

Joel Hammond of Oxford was in town Monday.

Pard Doty of Pontiac was in town Wednesday.

Chas. Loan has been on the sick list this week.

Fred Owens of Sashabaw was in town Wednesday.

Kep. Newman of Orion visited Clarkston Wednesday.

Avery Coon transacted business in Brandon Wednesday.

Walter Whitfield of Waterford was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. George Harris spent a few days in Detroit this week.

Mr. Karl of Lansing was in this place Wednesday on business.

Miss Jessie Williams of Detroit is the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. N. Tiffany.

David Miller is arranging to move his barn and put a basement under the whole of it.

Mr. and Mrs. John McIlveen entertained very pleasantly at flinch Wednesday evening.

Where was the Detroit police force forty years ago? In De-

Dr. Bird visited Pontiac Tuesday.

L. J. Gulick was in Detroit Tuesday.

Thomas Forrelly holds the record for big turkeys, having sold one in Holly that weighed 34 pounds.

The Ladies of the Maccabees will entertain their friends at p-dro and flinch at the Maccabee Temple, December 19. Ice cream will be served—all for 10 cents.

Two of the new buildings of the Beaudett Body Co. plant at Pontiac are complete and machinery is installed in one of them. The main machine room will be completed within a very short time and the management states that the plant will be in operation by January 1. The old plant was destroyed by fire October 26 and the insurance was adjusted November 4.

There were 2,623 deaths reported to the secretary of state for the month of November, the number being one less than was reported in October. The death rate for the month was 12.9 per thousand population. There were 789 deaths of persons 65 years of age and over. Typhoid fever caused less deaths than during the preceding months, while diphtheria, scarlet fever and diseases of children caused more than the usual number of deaths.

On Thursday, Dec. 24, the following races will occur at this place:

Matched Race—James Wooster's trotting mare Topsy, of Clarkston.

Willda Wilda, owned by Mr. Betts of Pontiac

Matched Race—Little Ned of Holly.

Little Ned of Clarkston.

Powers' pacing mare of Pontiac. Green Pacing and Trotting Race, open to all. First prize, blanket. Second prize, whip.

Daniel Addis visited Detroit Wednesday.

R. E. Jossman was in Holly Tuesday evening.

Charles Looney and John Brown of South Orion were in Clarkston Wednesday.

The Grand Trunk depot at Owosso caught fire, but the blaze was quickly put out. The suffering public considers the latter fact a great calamity.

The contested will case of Rollin J. Morse, of Novi township, verses the executors of the estate of his father, John W. Morse, was begun in the circuit court Monday at Pontiac. Nearly the whole afternoon was spent in securing a jury. The estate is valued at \$30,000.

John A. Green, arrested on a charge of larceny from the person alleged to have been committed in John Shorkey's saloon, was examined before Justice Linabury Tuesday and discharged. Waterman Butler alleged that Green took \$10 dollars from his pocket while he was in the saloon. Charles Johnson and Isaac Bennet were arrested on an alleged attempted statutory crime. They were arraigned and the examination adjourned pending the pleasure of the prosecutor.

Joseph Campau, of Detroit, was in Pontiac this week in the interest of a claim which he thinks he has in the site of Oakland county's court house. Eighty years ago one of Campau's ancestors was a member of the old Pontiac company which transferred the court house site to the county specifying that it was to be used for that purpose and nothing else. In case it was placed to other uses the property was to revert to the company. The supervisors are endeavoring to quiet the title in order to dispose of it and secure a more desirable location for the new court house for which the electors voted last April.

## The Record Office Prints

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Harnesses, Robes, Blankets, Trunks,  
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\$ 4.00 Blankets for ..... \$ 3.50  
15.00 Harness for ..... 14.00  
12.00 Robes for ..... 11.00

It is said that a Holly girl quit school, being so modest that she would not have anything to do with improper fractions.

Contrary to all popular belief the coal men are not making any money this year, for the reason that they have to give their goods a weigh.

Attention is called to the ad. of J. M. Judd in this issue. Mr. Judd, besides the many good things usually on hand, is opening a line of confectionery for the holiday trade that is as large and choice as any in the county.

Two more divorce matters have been instituted in the Oakland divorce mill. Robert Humphrey of Oxford wants freedom from Ella Humphrey for alleged extreme cruelty; George D. Irish asks divorce from Jane S. Irish, alleging that his wife is insane. Charles W. Morrow has filed a bill in chancery for specific performance.

An Oxford man went to Detroit and put up at a hotel. In the morning, when he paid his bill, he found a charge for gas. "How do you make that out?" he asked indignantly. "We charge extra for gas burned all night," was the reply. "Consarn y'r picters," said the Oxford man, "you've got a sign there plain as kin be, 'Don't blow out the gas.'"

The P., O. & N. railway system which runs from Pontiac into the thumb, suffered severely from the effects of the recent blizzard. On the last 25 miles of the road, between Owendale and Caseville, the snow in the cuts drifted to a depth of seven feet. The rain of Saturday froze and made the snow as hard as blocks of ice, and trains with two engines each were unable to get through from either way. The 75 miles between Pontiac and Cass City were kept open.

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SOLE AGENTS FOR THIS LOCALITY.

HERE YOU ARE

Reading this advertisement, printed in small type and tucked away off in one corner. Don't you suppose people would read your ad? Try it.



## Local and Personal.

James Wooster was in Pontiac Thursday.

L. N. Brown visited Pontiac Thursday.

George Edgar of Springfield was at Pontiac Wednesday.

Giles A. Webb of Pontiac was a Clarkston visitor Wednesday.

W. E. Dunston has secured a position with the Detroit United Railway.

The place to buy wood is at E. C. Vliet's. Any amount to suit purchaser.

Willard Holcomb and wife of Waterford were guests of friends in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Hannah Kerton returned the first of the week from a visit with her daughter at Okemos.

The marriage of Lewis Carran and Miss Ida Dunston has been announced, the young people having kept the fact a secret for a year. The RECORD unites with their many friends in extending congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Israel Ogden entertained a number of relatives and friends Monday, the occasion being the 5th anniversary of their marriage. The occasion was an enjoyable one, and all united in wishing the host and hostess many happy returns of the day. Many presents were left as mementoes of the day.

David Miller purchased the Holcomb farm at the postponed sale Thursday, for \$8,000. He also bought the cooper shop, paying \$115, and will move it and convert it into a barn. Our citizens are glad to see the place under Mr. Miller's management, as they believe him to be a practical, progressive farmer.

Jas. McNulty, a prominent far-

mer living two and one-half miles north-east of Milford died very suddenly Tuesday evening at his home, of heart trouble. He was in his usual state of health when he suddenly expired. Mr. McNulty was 60 years of age. He is survived by a widow, a son, Fred, and a daughter, Mrs. Will Dickenson.

Guy N. Hart, a hardware dealer of Ortonville, received a 51-gallon cask of gasoline Tuesday, from which he drew off ten gallons in the evening and left the cask in the rear of his tin shop. Having occasion next morning to inspect the cask, he had the satisfaction of finding it empty. It is surmised that local talent had a hand in the deal. At all events the party or parties must have been lightning calculators to accomplish such a job right in the business part of the village.

The bazaar given by the Epworth League Wednesday at the Methodist church was a brilliant success, socially and financially, the receipts being between \$50 and \$60. Miss Rena Tucker presided over the apron booth; Miss Williams and Miss Mabel Walter dispensed fancy work, and Misses Mabel Voorheis and Ida Hammond sold popcorn. The receipts show that all these young ladies are model saleswomen. Supper and ice cream were served and the affair proved delightful in every way.

Harry Fair was in Detroit Wednesday.

Nelson Walter visited Ortonville Tuesday.

Mrs. Sarah Yeager was in Pontiac Wednesday.

Milton Robinson of Pontiac visited Clarkston Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Reece were in Pontiac Tuesday.

Sheriff Brewster and Charles Richmond were in town Tuesday.

A handsome new Germaine piano has been placed in the home of John Bird, on approval.

Willard Holcomb and wife of Waterford Center visited Clarkston relatives a few days this week.

Dr Goodenough hands us a copy of the H. tton, Wash! Hustler, published by J. Francis Deily, a former Brandon boy.

The ice houses at Drayton Plains are nearing completion. They are model buildings and will hold an immense crop.

The Oakland Telephone company has issued coupon books for toll service between Pontiac and Detroit with the Co-operative company. The books contain 25 coupons, each good for a five minute message to or from Detroit.

The members of the Baptist church will hold their 60th annual gathering at the church, Saturday, January 2. Roll call and business meeting, special sermon in the forenoon and election of officers are the order of events.

"Do you think Cleveland's nomination would break the Democratic party in pieces?" was asked of Hon. W. J. Bryan by a New York World reporter the other day. "Oh, no," was the reply. "He could not carry enough of the party with him to amount to a piece."

The Whist Club was entertained Tuesday evening by Mrs. D. S. Jones and Mrs. T. L. Parker at the

home of the latter. All enjoyed a very pleasant evening. The first gentleman's prize and G. A. Walter second. Mrs. Charles Miller received first lady's prize and Mrs. B. F. Miller second.

The annual meeting of the first Baptist church and congregation of Pontiac was held Wednesday. During the year the church has had an increase of eighty in its membership and by recent hard efforts has secured pledges to a sufficient amount to take up the mortgage which was issued when the church was built.

## At the Nelson House.

### MONDAY.

E. J. Curtis, Flint.  
George A. Sigler, Pinckney.  
Dr. Hunter, Pinckney.

### TUESDAY.

Paul W. Etzold, Detroit.  
W. J. Johnson, Detroit.  
S. S. Houston, Detroit.  
Geo. M. D. Bell, Lincoln, Ind.  
R. A. DeWolf, Pontiac.

### WEDNESDAY.

W. F. Griffith, Detroit.  
Geo. M. D. Bell, Lincoln, Ind.  
Jos. J. Bennett, Flint.  
A. Hicks, M. D., Pontiac.  
Giles A. Webb, Pontiac.

### THURSDAY.

W. H. Drowley, Chicago.  
C. W. Peddie, Detroit.  
Geo. Crust, Pontiac.  
F. O. DeFoe, Detroit.

## Davisburg.

Mrs. F. W. Eaton, who was injured while alighting from the train at Holly several weeks ago, is convalescent.

W. P. Wright was in Pontiac Monday.

Benjamin Bradley and daughter Helen and Miss Lena Montgomery returned to Detroit Monday.

Mr. Deuel of Detroit was in town on business Monday.

Mrs. W. P. Wright spent Saturday and Sunday with her mother and sister in Groveland.

W. G. Garrison of Pontiac spent Sunday at home.

## Groveland.

Mrs. Ed. Cobb of Frederic, Crawford county, is visiting at J. W. Simpson's.

Miss May Downing has gone to Detroit for a few weeks.

Ed. Coon has moved to his new home one-half mile west of Groveland.

Nearly all of the turkeys in this vicinity were sold for eighteen cents per pound.

Wm. Campbell is spending the winter at E. Seth's.

N. Chapman and J. Ludwick delivered their bailed hay at Holly last week.

## Loon Lake.

Great loads of logs are passing daily through Clintonville for Amy.

There is to be a Christmas tree at the Clintonville school.

Fish Commissioner Davis, who has been quite sick, is slowly recovering.

Miss Edna Henderson who has been spending the summer

at George Van Campen's has returned.

Mrs. Wm. B. Fair will give an article shower for Miss Elodie Judd on Friday.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss Elodie Judd to take place the 24th of this month at the home of her father, T. P. Judd. Miss Elodie will be greatly missed as she has been the willing helper in her father's store for a long while.

## White Lake.

First sleighing of the season and plenty of cold weather with it.

P. H. Doty of Pontiac was in town Sunday.

A. L. Fisher of Alma, Fred Shimrick of Detroit and Fred Goodell of Pontiac spent Sunday with A. P. Goodell and family.

Cards are out for the wedding of Stern Lyne and Addie Wickens, December 27th.

Harry Doty has a fine new Portland cutter.

A number of Knights of Dresser tent were in Milford Monday and report a good time.

Charles Doty and mother of Davisburg were in town Tuesday.

J. E. Kenega and sons were in Pontiac Monday.

Miss Lockwood, teacher, will spend the holidays with her parents at Highland.

Leon C. Collier of Orion wants \$5000 personal damages from Samuel C. Axford of that village, claiming great injury by reason of false imprisonment, arrest, and other injury to his reputation and good standing in that community. James & Kilpatrick of Detroit appear as attorneys for Collier in the suit which has been instituted by capias in the circuit court.

# The Best Present Is a Useful One

We are displaying a fine line of beautiful and useful presents, which will make many hearts glad at Christmas time. Here is a partial list of the good things we have in stock:

HEATING STOVES, SEWING MACHINES, TABLE SPOONS, GRAVY SPOONS, COLD MEAT FORKS, CARPET SWEEPERS, HAND SLEDs, HANGING, STAND and GASOLINE LAMPS, SILVER LINED TEA and COFFEE POTS, ETC., ETC.	STEEL RANGES, SILVER KNIVES, FORKS and SPOONS, CARVING SETS, CLOTHES WRINGERS, TOY WRINGERS, AIR GUNS, SAD IRONS, NUT PICKS, ETC., ETC.
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Don't neglect our display in selecting your presents.

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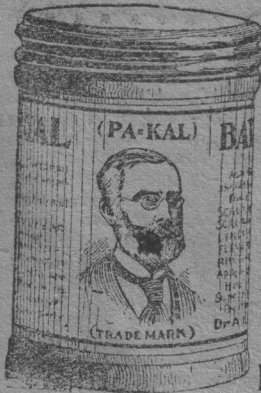
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CLARKSTON, MICHIGAN

The old dowager empress continues, however, to be China's real General Ma.

A tuberoses by any other name would smell as sweet and probably cost just as much.

There are said to be more suicides on Monday than on any other day. Monday is wash day.

Lord Kitchener points with pride to the fact that it took a tunnel to put him down and out.

A London authority says that shyness is due simply to a wrong mental angle. Obtuse or acute?

Another Vanderbilt girl has been born, and thus a rosy outlook is provided for some future duke.

If the Sunday proposal isn't binding a great many men will no doubt be sorry the fact wasn't announced before.

There is at last one new thing under the sun; the billposters and distributors have discovered "real art" in billboards.

J. M. Barrie, the English author and playwright, has an income of \$35,000 a year. Yet they say he is inclined to be taciturn.

Bohemia has declared American beer to be the best in the world. Here's another "peril" to keep Europe awake o' nights.

J. C. Hummel of Hamburg, Pa., has whooping cough, at the age of 87. This is carrying the second childhood business to extremes.

Oom Paul is so completely merged in oblivion that even the comparison of Colombian soldiers with Boers does not move him to reply.

Dreyfuss talks of reopening his case. The captain should understand that he struck twelve some time ago, and that no more need be said.

Russia and Japan have agreed that there is enough good looting in fat China for both sides to make use in musing up the scenery.

When a woman can't make her husband stop smoking a pipe because it ruins the curtains the consolation she has is that it is good for the rubber plant.

The woman who puts her hat on before the play is finished is just about on a par with the chap who goes out between the acts to disguise his breath.

The Chicago Janitresses' union is half tickled to death because it has won the right to scrub. This is something that most women dodge when they can.

We are told not to worry over the small things of life, yet how can one help doing so when a flea gets to work on one in the presence of a stranger.

There will be a total eclipse of the sun Aug. 30 next year, and the astronomers of Spain have forgivably invited those of this country to come there and look at it.

First lessons in the school of journalism should be the writing of letters about the "expected" war between Japan and Russia. That reads like good stuff for beginners.

Mrs. Lena Birse wants a divorce because, forsooth, her George can't play cards. Yet many there be that seek separation because their Georges can play. Again we ask, where do we get off?

The route of Paul Revere's famous ride is now obscured by a trolley road. It is evident that the great patriot was not sufficiently long-headed to warn the Colonials of all the calamities that were coming.

Cleveland physicians are disappointed because they failed to restore a dead man sufficiently to make him live long enough to undergo an operation that might have been performed if he had not died.

The Seattle woman who loved a woman who was masquerading as a man, and attempted suicide when she could not marry her, has proven the truth of the saying that "The clothes do not make the man."

A popular subscription will be started to purchase a monument for the grave of a Georgia man whose claim to fame and gratitude rests in the fact that he wrote 4,000 poems and never published one of them.

# THE MICHIGAN NEWS

## Showing What's Doing In All Sections of the State

### The State Grange Speaks.

At the concluding session of the State Grange, held in Lansing, by a unanimous vote and practically without debate several reforms advocated by standing committees were adopted. The matter of primary elections was stated clearly and unequivocally and the vote on the resolution shows that the Grange demand it. Briefly stated, the desired reforms are:

Complete ratification of last year's demand for primary election reform. The drafting of a primary bill by the State Grange.

The enactment of the Torrens system of land titles.

Prohibition of the sale of cigarettes. Regulation of the speed of automobiles on country roads.

Election of drain commissioners at the polls.

Election of United States senators by direct vote.

A reformation of the present plans regarding grange deputies.

A bureau of information for members desiring to make sales or exchanges.

A suitable grange headquarters at the state fair.

Good roads by virtue of national, state and township expenditures.

More power to the arm of the state forestry commission.

Standing committees of women in each grange to co-operate with the state committee.

A grange cyclone insurance society.

Optional biennial elections in subordinate granges.

Public ownership of public utilities.

Election of state tax commissioners by popular vote.

Appointment of a government official to guard against cruelty in the Chicago stock yards.

### A Terrible Voyage.

Like a phantom from the arctic seas the big freighter J. T. Hutchinson came down the Detroit river Monday afternoon and tied up at the dock at Sandwich. Great masses of ice a foot thick hung on her bows, and extended aft along her sides and over her decks, making a picture seldom seen except by those on arctic explorations. It has been a fierce battle that the Hutchinson has waged with the elements on her run down from Lake Superior, but nothing daunted, Capt. J. S. Smith will try to take his ship on to Buffalo. The vessel has five of her water-tight compartments were filled with water. It seems little short of reckless, say vesselmen, that the voyage should be continued. The steamer was drawing 20 feet and three inches when she arrived at Sandwich, and it was necessary to lighten more of her cargo so that she would be able to get over the Lime Kiln crossing.

### A Desperate Prisoner.

William Wilson, alias Frank Harris, in jail charged with burglary in Holland, made a desperate attempt to escape from the Grand Haven jail Monday night. Deputy Sheriff Hans Dykhuis was locking up the prisoners and had just noticed that Wilson was missing when the latter appeared from behind a partition with a revolver and fired at him. The deputy dodged, and Wilson then shot Sheriff Dykhuis in the jaw and fled through the office door and across the court house square. Deputy Dykhuis got his revolver, pursued the fugitive and brought him to a stand, though Wilson fired at him three times. The prisoner's revolver is believed to have been smuggled to him by a tramp, who is under arrest. Wilson was a partner of Quinn, the young burglar who escaped from Dykhuis on the way from Kalamazoo.

### Suicide in Detroit.

Forty-one Detroiters took their own lives during the year now drawing to a close. Hot weather seems to have been most prolific of suicides, as only six out of the 41 killed themselves during the winter months. Thirty out of the 41 were married or had been. Hanging was the favorite method of translation, 10 having adopted that course for shuffling off the mortal coil; eight chose carbolic acid, three laudanum, two arsenic and two morphine, while shooting, drowning, stabbing and cutting throats had five, two and three exponents respectively. The remaining five took their lives by poisons other than those specified. Seventeen of those who took their lives were between the ages of 30 and 50. The youngest was Belle Newton, a bride of 17, and the oldest Wm. Hilme, 83.

### Driven to Suicide.

Harry Holmes, aged 25, a painter, was found dead Sunday in his room in the Garland hotel, Otter Lake. He had taken an overdose of morphine, and this was attributed to accident or ignorance, owing to the fact that he had been ill the day before, until it was learned that a note he had given Blanche and Norman Flite was about to fall due; then the conclusion was drawn that he had killed himself because he was without the means of meeting the obligation. Holmes was married about six years ago, but his wife left him a year and a half ago and went to Detroit, saying that she would sue him for a divorce on the ground of non-support.

### Mrs. McKnight in Jackson.

On Friday Mrs. McKnight, who was convicted of murder in Cadillac and received a life sentence, was taken to the Jackson penitentiary. It was evident from her appearance that she had not rested much as she looked haggard and sad. There was a large crowd at the depot, including her sister, Mrs. Chalker, who has been her constant companion through her trouble. The general impression is that Mrs. McKnight will not live long, as she pines and starves herself. She is the first person to be sentenced for life from the Western circuit court, and her's was the first murder trial ever held in Cadillac.

### "Deadheads" Valuable.

Several lumbermen of Menominee have conceived the idea of raising the "deadheads" that have sunk to the bottom of the river, it being estimated that there are several hundred thousand feet of valuable lumber at the bottom. The boom company has already commenced to raise the water-soaked logs and they will be left on the banks for several months to dry out before being sawed up.

### Burial of Mrs. McClue.

The body of the aged woman who committed suicide in the Hotel Albion a few days ago has been claimed by her son, Charles McClue, of Lacota, N. D., who writes asking the authorities of Albion to bury it. He requests that a bill covering all the expenses be sent to him, as sickness prevents him coming here to look after matters himself.

### STATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

Ithaca's tub factory will employ 200 men.

Mason county is spending \$14,000 on roads.

The Wood camp school is closed by unruly boys.

Pontiac wants the state fair there permanently.

East Nelson people are wrestling with tonsillitis.

A Quincy man caught 500 muskrats in three months.

Menominee fishermen are getting ready for winter.

One hundred persons visit the U. of M. museum daily.

Michigan has trained 33,000 young men in its university.

Larry Mann, a St. Joe bigamist, got one year in Jackson.

A hard fight for local option is started in Grand Haven.

Stanton local optionists are fighting "clubs" which keep liquor.

Ionia county free mail service will go into effect June 1, 1904.

A Bronson man fell off a load of cornstalks and broke his arm.

No trace of Geo. Hurlsey, the missing Soo man, has been found yet.

A woman has been found in Coldwater subsisting on parched corn.

A Menominee farmer grew 22 tons of sugar beets on 1 1/4 acres of ground.

An Osseo farmer raised 3,000 pounds of tobacco from 2 1/2 acres. Netted \$450.

Battle Creek offers a franchise to any company that will furnish 85-cent gas.

Marquette and Menominee Dowleites have \$10,000 ready to send to Zion City.

Marquette has the tallest U. S. mail carrier—Ed. Homeler, 6 feet 5 1/2 inches.

Fire destroyed the three-story brick Masonic temple in Blissfield Saturday evening.

A Kalamazoo woman named her house "The Club" and now he stays home nights.

At Lexington there is a man so mean that he steals the chimneys off the street lamps.

The prison board has rejected all the bids for the new block of cells and will readvertise.

Linden Presbyterians have secured Rev. Albert Ross, of Huron county, as their new pastor.

A Grand Haven man died of disease supposed to have been caused by a dog bite three years ago.

Roy Quinn, of Battle Creek, died Saturday as the result of injuries received while coasting.

Wheatland has furnished only one criminal case in the Hillsdale county circuit court in 30 years.

A member of the Au Train school board has been arrested, charged with defacing the school building.

Nels O. Paterson, of Lakewood township, aged 18, was instantly killed by a falling tree while he was cutting wood.

The St. Johns common council does not believe in signs and has ordered that all be removed from the village's principal business street.

At a depth of 620 feet, the Umholtz Oil Co. struck oil on the Umholtz farm, seven miles northeast of Niles, and great excitement prevails.

The corn husker claimed another victim at Davison, Frank O'Leary being caught in the machinery and losing a finger of his right hand.

Out of 459 suicides in Chicago for the present year, 239 were married, 30 widowers, 14 widows and 10 divorcees. Poison was taken by 225 persons.

Rails on the new line from Saginaw to Flint city have been laid as far as Bridgeport, and workmen are now engaged in the overhead construction work.

Bessie, the 22-year-old daughter of John Snyder, a wealthy farmer who lives a mile west of Homer, killed herself with strychnine. The reason is not known.

Because he didn't believe in banks Henry Barego, a farmer near Greenville, kept his savings, \$350, in his woodshed. The shed burned and the money with it.

Chief Justice Hooker, of the supreme court, is ill, blocking the business of the court. His condition is not serious and it is expected he will be around again in a few days.

The Lapeer lighting plant has changed hands. John Leslie, of Hopkinsville, Ky., the purchaser, will enlarge the plant, erect additional buildings and put in new engines.

Ex-Senator A. O. Blackwell, an ex-mayor of Gladstone, but who has been for some time postmaster at Laporte, Tex., is under arrest charged with the irregular sale of postage stamps.

George LaTourette, of Pontiac, charged with enticing away 13-year-old Bessie Perry, and his son, Guy, charged with a statutory offense, have been bound over to the circuit court.

Four cases of smallpox in the family of Barney Kropp, in Grayling, have been reported by the health officer. The disease is said to have been brought in from the camps near the place.

Gov. Bliss has ordered the usual transfer of Mrs. Mary McKnight, the poisoner sentenced from Cadillac, from the Jackson state prison to the Detroit house of correction, where she will serve her life sentence.

Charles Donaldson, bartender in a saloon in McAllester, was burned to death through the explosion of a lamp. Gus Swanson and Ole Erickson were everly burned but saved their lives by jumping into a snowbank.

Miss Louise Remillard, who teaches a little country school a few miles northwest of Stephenson, by her bravery and grit saved the school building from destruction. The young woman is now a heroine in the eyes of the farmers.

A wreck occurred on the Jackson & Battle Creek electric line east of Marshall Sunday night, a local car stalled in a snowbank being struck by a limited. Two passengers were injured, an Albion woman and Miss Mahns, of Rice Creek.

Geo. Kascmerick, aged 21, of Bronson, who was arrested, says that he never went with Mrs. Ludwick and never advised her to poison her husband on the promise that he would then marry her. Kascmerick has been discharged.

Michigan rural routes have been established to commence January 15 as follows: Lenox, Macomb county, route No. 1; length of route, 23 miles; population served, 666. Wales, St. Clair county, route No. 1; length of route, 24 miles; population served, 340.

Mrs. Clarissa Mullins, the spiritualist medium, has prepared a unique defense for her act in kidnapping 12-year-old Hazel Wallace of Owosso. She claims that she took Hazel away from the attentions of a bad young man who followed the child everywhere.

A smallpox patient from a lumber camp got on the Michigan Central express from Mackinac at Trowbridge. The train was held up for three hours, in consequence, while the smoking car was detached and shunted to a siding with the sick man, and all who had come near him were vaccinated.

Civil service examinations for the departmental service of the government will be held at the following places: Detroit on March 21 and 22 and April 19; Grand Rapids, March 22 and April 19; Manistee, April 6 and 19; Marquette, April 6 and 19; Saginaw, April 6 and 19; Sault Ste. Marie, April 19.

An attempt on the part of several prisoners in the Chippewa county jail to escape was discovered by Sheriff Bone in time to prevent it. A saw was found in the possession of John Curry, sentenced for murder from Brimley, while Curry and Richard Tebo, sentenced for larceny, had sawed three bars in two.

An ice gorge is forming in the river several miles below Sault Ste. Marie. The water has already raised three feet and the river is full of floating ice. Old residents say water in the river has never been as high as at present. No mail has been received here from the south since last week.

Mrs. Ludwick, aged 18, who murdered her husband the third week of their marriage, has made a second confession. She says her marriage was forced by her parents, and that Geo. Kascmerick, her lover, came to her on her wedding day and said if she would poison Ludwick he would marry her. Kascmerick denies the story.

Dr. W. J. Cavanaugh, formerly of Brooklyn, N. Y., is locked up charged with smuggling \$2,000 worth of jewelry into this country. Cavanaugh was arrested in a Port Huron saloon. The jewelry found in his possession, he claims, belongs to his wife. A letter addressed to the prisoner and intercepted by the customs officers, is signed "Queenie," and warns Cavanaugh to hide his "swag."

The assets of the Consolidated Lake Superior Co. held by Speyer & Co. for a loan of \$5,050,000 were bought in at public auction by Speyer & Co. Tuesday for \$4,500,000. There was the only bid. The sale was held in spite of several protests.

### CONDENSED NEWS.

Senator Teller wants the committee on judiciary to investigate the strike conditions of Colorado mining camps.

Philadelphia and its suburbs are estimated to have consumed 300,000 turkeys, weighing on an average 15 pounds apiece, on Thanksgiving day.

An epidemic of cholera is raging at Kerbela, south of Bagdad. From December 9 to December 12, 176 deaths from the disease were recorded.

Timber thieves have driven settlers from their homes in the Coeur d'Alene river district of Idaho, and a reign of terror exists. Millions of feet of timber have been stolen.

The typhoid fever epidemic at Butler, Pa., is believed to be abating, there having been only one death and four new cases in 24 hours. The Elks of Cleveland have contributed \$2,000.

Mrs. Ruth Bryan Leavitt, daughter of Wm. J. Bryan, writes that her artist-husband, Wm. Homer Leavitt, has decided to locate at Humansville, Mo., and seek the Republican nomination for congressman next year.

The sea of Azof is disappearing and remarkable scenes are in course of enactment. At Taganrog the waters have receded to such an extent during the last five days that the bed of the sea is visible for a distance of thousands of feet.

James K. Jones, chairman of the Democratic national committee, has issued a call for the committee to meet in Pittsburgh Tuesday, January 12, for the purpose of deciding upon the time and place of holding the Democratic national convention.

At a masked ball given by the German Cooks' society, of New York, Christopher Hauck, one of the leading members of the club, who sat in a box watching his two daughters, became so angry with a waiter that he fell dead from an apoplectic stroke.

The Democrats won an overwhelming victory at the municipal elections in Boston, Mayor Patrick Collins being re-elected by a plurality of 27,000. There was general apathy among the Republicans and the vote was the smallest on record. The council will be solidly Democratic next year.

### AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT.

Week Ending December 19.  
DETROIT—Saturday Matinee at 2; Evenings at 8—"The Light That Failed."  
LYCEUM—Matinee, Wed. and Sat. 2:30, Evenings 10, 12, 50, 75—"A Son of Rest."  
WHITNEY—Matinee 10, 15, and 25; Evenings 10, 15 and 30—"Only a Shop Girl."  
TEMPLE THEATRE AND WONDERLAND—Afternoons 2:15, 10 to 12:30; Evenings 8:15, 10 to 12:30. AVENUE THEATRE—Vaudeville—afternoons 10:15 and 2:30; Evenings 10:15, 12:30 and 5:00.

### LIVE STOCK.

Detroit—Choice steers, \$4.25@4.75; good to choice butchers steers, 1.000 to 1,500 lbs., \$3.75@4.25; light to medium butchers steers, 800 to 1,000 lbs., \$3.25@3.75; mixed butchers' fat cows, \$2.50@3; canners, \$1@2; common bulls, \$2@2.50; good shippers' bulls, \$3@3.25; common feeders, \$2.50@3; good well bred feeders, \$3@3.75; light stockers, \$2.75@3; There was a very poor lot of common cow stuff and milk cows fell off from \$3 to \$5 per head. The calves offered were so poor prices fell from \$1 to \$1.50 below last week.

Hogs—Light to good butchers, \$4.25@4.80; pigs, \$4.10@4.15; light yorkers, \$4.10@4.25; roughs, \$3.25@3.95; stags, one-third off.

Sheep—Best lambs, \$5.15@5.35; fair to good lambs, \$4.95@5; light to common lambs, \$4.25@4.75; fair to good butcher sheep, \$2.75@3.50; culls and common, \$1.50@2.

Chicago—Good to prime steers, \$5@5.75; poor to medium, \$3.25@4.75; stockers and feeders, \$1.75@3.90; cows, \$1.50@2.90; heifers, \$1.75@4.50; canners, \$1.50@2.40; bulls, \$1.50@4.35; calves, \$2@5.75; Texas fed steers, \$3.65@4.

Hogs—Mixed and butchers, \$4.35@4.65; good to choice heavy, \$4.55@4.62 1/2; rough heavy, \$4.30@4.50; light, \$4.15@4.50; bulk of sales, \$4.45@4.55.  
Sheep—Good to choice wethers, \$3.75@4.30; fair to choice mixed, \$3@3.75; native lambs, \$4@5.75; fed western yearlings, \$4.70.

East Buffalo—Best export steers, \$4.65@5.25; best, 1,200 to 1,300 pound shipping steers, \$4.50@4.85; good, 1,100 to 1,150 pounds butcher steers, \$4.00@4.25; good to 1,000 pounds do, \$3.50@3.80; best fat cows, \$3.00@3.40; fair to good, \$2.25@2.50; common cows, \$2.00@2.25; trimmers, \$1.25@1.50; best fat heifers, \$3.50@4.00; medium heifers, 900 pounds, \$3.00@3.60; light fat heifers, 700 to 800 pounds, \$2.50@3.00; common and stock heifers, \$2.25@2.50; best feeding steers, 900 to 1,000 pounds, dehorned, \$3.25@3.50; 800 to 900 pounds, do, \$3.25@3.50; best yearlings, \$3.00@3.25; common stockers, \$2.25@2.50; export bulls, \$2.50@3.75; good butcher bulls, \$3.00@3.25; bologna bulls, \$2.50@3.00; little Jersey bulls, \$2.25; good fresh cows, \$3.80@4.8; medium to good, \$2.80@3.8; common, \$1.8@2.5. Veals, top veals, \$7.25@7.50; fair to good, \$5.50@6.75; heavy, \$4.60@5.25.

HOGS—Yorkers, \$4.85@4.90; medium heavy, \$4.90@4.95; about 25 cars left unsold.

SHEEP—Best lambs, \$6.20@6.25; few, \$6.30; fair to good, \$6.00@6.15; culls, common, \$4.50@5.50; mixed, sheep, \$3.85@4.00; fair to good, \$3.50@3.75; culls, bucks, \$2.00@3.00; wethers, yearlings, \$4.00@4.75; ewes, \$2.60@3.75; closed steady; 15 cars unsold.

### Grain, Etc.

Detroit (actual sales)—Wheat—No. 1 white, 89 1/2c; No. 2 red, 1 car at 89 1/2c, closing 89 1/2c bid; December, 2,000 bu at 90c, 2,000 bu at 89 1/2c, 2,000 bu at 89 1/2c, closing 89 1/2c bid; May, 5,000 bu at 86 1/2c, 10,000 bu at 87c; No. 3 red, 86 1/2c; by sample, 1 car at 88 1/2c.  
Corn—No. 3 mixed, old, 46c; new, 1 car at 42c; No. 3 yellow, old, 48c; new, 2 cars track, at 43 1/2c; ear corn, 2 cars at 35c bu.

Oats—No. 3 white, 4 cars at 37 1/2c, 1 car at 37 1/2c; No. 4 white, 36 1/2c per bu.  
Rye—No. 2 spot, nominal, at 60c bu.  
Beans—Spot and December, 1.79 bid; January, 50 bags at \$6.80; March, 100 bags at \$6.90; by sample, 12 bags at \$6.30, 50 at \$6.16 at \$5.85, 200 at \$5.75, 5 at \$5.50, 2 at \$5 per bu. Prime alsike, \$6.50 per bu.

Chicago—Wheat—No. 2 spring, 81c; No. 3, 78c; No. 2 red, 81 1/4@84 1/4c.  
Corn—No. 2, 41 1/2c; No. 2 yellow, 44c; Oats—No. 2, 34c; No. 3 white, 35c@37c.

Rye—No. 2, 50 1/2@51c.  
Barley—Good feeding, 36@37c; fair to choice malting, 43@57c.



# NEWS OF THE WORLD

A Brief Chronicle of All Important Happenings

## It Averted War.

The secession of Panama and the quick recognition by President Roosevelt of the new republic averted a war in which France, Great Britain, Holland, the United States and Colombia might have been involved, so declared Assistant Secretary of State F. B. Loomis at a banquet in New York.

He pointed out that the rejection by Colombia of the canal treaty was a part of a conspiracy in Bogota to postpone action for another year, let the French canal company's canal concession lapse and then demand from the United States the \$40,000,000 the latter is to pay the French company, in addition to the \$10,000,000 for the right of way. Continuing, Mr. Loomis said:

Reflect for a moment on the grave possibilities which confronted this government as it peered into the future and sought to provide intelligently for the many serious complications and contingencies which the president foresaw. I may safely assert, without fear of contradiction by any well-informed person, that the government of France would not have stood serenely by and witnessed the pillage of thousands of her people through the act of the Bogota politicians.

## Two Years Penalty.

Columbus Ellsworth Upton and Charles W. McGregor, former clerks in the postoffice department at Washington, who were found guilty of postal frauds, were sentenced in Baltimore Saturday to serve two years in the Maryland penitentiary and to pay a fine of \$1,000 each. The counsel for both defendants gave notice of appeal. The specific offense charged against Upton and McGregor was conspiracy with Charles E. Smith, a leather merchant of Baltimore, to defraud the government on a contract for leather pouches. These pouches, which cost only 35 cents each, were furnished to the government for 90 cents. Upton and McGregor were convicted on testimony given by Smith. A. W. Machen was supposed to get a share of this graft also.

## Butler's Calamity.

Dr. George A. Soper, a sanitary expert, engaged by the Engineering News to investigate the typhoid epidemic at Butler, Pa., and its causes, reports that the epidemic has by no means attained its culmination, about 50 per cent of the cases not having reached the critical stage. The epidemic, which he regards as the most severe one of typhoid of recent record, he attributes to the suspension of the mechanical filtration of the water supply, from October 20 to November 2.

The epidemic started on November 5. In three weeks there were 1,000 cases and up to December 14, 1,247 cases and 51 deaths had been reported.

## Mrs. Soffel Free.

Mrs. Katherine Soffel, wife of the warden of the Allegheny county jail at the time of the escape of the notorious Biddle brothers from that institution, was liberated from the Western penitentiary Thursday, having served twenty months for the part she played in that sensational affair. It will be remembered that Mrs. Soffel released the two bandits and then accompanied them in their flight from Pittsburgh. During her incarceration in the penitentiary her husband was granted a divorce. It is said Mrs. Soffel has rejected two offers to go on the stage, and that she proposes to retire to her father's home and live quietly.

## Marines on the Isthmus.

Colon dispatches say: A company of marines from the U. S. cruiser *Prairie* was landed here today, under the command of Capt. Smedley D. Butler and entrained for Panama, whence the marines will be sent to a point on the coast south of Panama. This step was in consequence of the receipt of information that Colombian troops had landed in that direction with the object of marching on Panama. If this is confirmed it will mean the beginning of a long campaign of guerrilla warfare on the isthmus. The destination of the marines is said to be Yaviza, up the San Miguel gulf and Tuira river.

## Must Pay More for Cement.

The United States government is a very large consumer of Portland cement for public works and so the information is highly interesting that at a recent meeting of the National Association of Portland Cement Manufacturers, the so-called trust, held in New York last week, it was decided to close down all plants of the association for a period of six weeks between January 1 and April 1 next. Some of the Michigan factories belong to the association.

## Cutting Expenses Down.

The new wage schedule of the steel trust, which goes into effect January 1, will save several millions on the annual pay roll. Besides this the salaries of clerks and office men will be cut 20 per cent, and many will be retired from their positions. Then numerous plants will be closed and concentrated and output curtailed. The trust figures on making a saving of \$13,200,000 within a year.

Orthodoxy on one side of the fence is heresy on the other side.

## NATIONAL CAPITAL NOTES.

Representative Young wants a \$200,000 appropriation for public buildings at Ishpeming and Escanaba, \$100,000 for each place, and he has introduced the bills.

Senator Heyburn, of Idaho, introduced a joint resolution requesting the president to acquire by annexation the island of San Domingo, the dependencies of San Domingo and Haiti.

The Democratic senators for the first time in years have agreed to abide by a caucus decision of two-thirds upon a policy of party action on important issues. Senator Cockrell was the only Democrat to dissent.

The house Tuesday adopted a concurrent resolution providing for a recess adjournment from December 17 to January 4. The speaker, by unanimous consent, appointed Delegate Kalaniano'ole, of Hawaii, as a member of the committee on territories.

The session of congress immediately preceding presidential election is a bad time for any kind of government employees to look for a raise of salary. Prospects, however, are that an exception will be made this year and that the rural route mail carriers will be the beneficiaries.

Rep. Hitt, of Illinois, defended President Roosevelt's recognition of the Panama republic. The president, he said, had not been precipitate, but had waited a reasonable time. "But," he added, "he did not waste time—he never does. The whole world," he said, "had been in favor of a canal and," added Mr. Hitt, "we have got a man to work on it who will soon cut it through."

Capt. Lansing H. Beach has reported against an appropriation for a harbor of refuge at Pointe Aux Barques which was requested by the Pointe Aux Barques Summer Resort association. Capt. Beach says there is no demand on the part of navigation interests for a harbor of refuge there, because the shore is dangerous and rocky, and because the harbor of Sand Beach is only 25 miles away.

During the recent extraordinary session of congress the Michigan members of the house altogether introduced 440 bills and resolutions. Hamilton introduced 131 and 130 were for pensions. Sam Smith was a good second with 114. Washington Gardner introduced 31. Townsend 18. Darragh and Lacking each 13. McMoran 8. Lord 4. Bishop 4. Fordney 2. William Alden Smith and Young did not introduce any.

The pension bureau has prepared for congress a statement showing that the following amounts have been paid to soldiers, their widows, minor children and dependent relatives on account of military and naval service during the wars in which the United States has been engaged: Revolutionary war (estimated), \$70,000; war of 1812 (on account of service, without regard to disability), \$45,186,197.22; Indian wars (on account of service, without regard to disability), \$6,234,414.55; war with Mexico (on account of service, without regard to disability), \$33,483,309.90; war of the rebellion, \$2,878,240,400.17; war with Spain, \$5,475,248.31. The actual total disbursements in pensions has been \$3,038,623,590.16.

## CONDENSED NEWS.

Grover Cleveland is hunting deer and ducks and fishing at South Island, off Georgetown, S. C.

Six cities are after the national prohibition convention. The national committee meets in Chicago.

An illicit distillery was raided on Senator Tillman's plantation, "Piney Woods," near Columbia, S. C.

Gen. Ballington Booth again injured his leg by slipping as he was mounting the stage at Waterbury, Conn., and will have to remain at home for some time.

"Fra" Elbertus Hubbard, whose wife recently obtained a divorce on statutory grounds, will on January 1 marry the correspondent in the case, Miss Alice Moore.

Dr. William Osler, of Baltimore, received a \$10,000 fee for going to Milwaukee to consult with Capt. Fred Pabst's physicians. The captain is suffering from a complication of ailments.

Seven Japanese jumped overboard at night from an Oriental liner at Astoria, Ore. They were being deported and risked a swim of 100 yards in the icy cold water. It is not known whether they reached land or not.

Bryan's son-in-law, Wm. O. Leavitt, the artist, may face a breach of promise suit. For some time before his marriage to Ruth Bryan he is said to have showered attentions upon Miss Minnie Cook, of Newport, R. I.

An aged negress, Caroline Hixson, bent and wrinkled, has reached Syracuse, N. Y., having walked all the way from Georgia to locate relatives from whom she had been separated 56 years, only to find they had been dead for years.

Secretary of War Root has taken a hand in the Wood investigation and wants an itemized account of receipts and expenditures of the military government of Cuba, which were submitted to congress, printed, so that certain insinuations against Gen. Wood can be refuted.

# ADMIRAL SCHLEY ENDORSES PE-RU-NA.

Pe-ru-na Drug Co., Columbus, Ohio:

Gentlemen: "I can cheerfully say that Mrs. Schley has taken Pe-ru-na and I believe with good effect."  
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ADMIRAL SCHLEY, one of the foremost notable heroes of the Nineteenth Century. A name that starts terror in the heart of every Spaniard. A man of steady nerve, clear head, undaunted courage and prompt decision.

Approached by a friend recently, his opinion was asked as to the efficacy of Peruna, the national catarrh remedy. Without the slightest hesitation he gave this remedy his endorsement. It appeared on later conversation that Peruna has been used in his family, where it is a favorite remedy.

Such endorsements serve to indicate the wonderful hold that Peruna has upon the minds of the American people. It is out of the question that so great and famous a man as Admiral Schley could have any other reason for giving his endorsement to Peruna than his positive conviction that the remedy is all that he says it is.

The fact is that Peruna has overcome all

opposition and has won its way to the hearts of the people. The natural timidity which so many people have felt about giving endorsements to any remedy is giving way. Gratitude and a desire to help others has inspired thousands of people to give public testimonials for Peruna who heretofore would not have consented to such publicity.

Never before in the annals of medicine has it happened that so many men of national and international reputation have been willing to give unqualified and public endorsements to a proprietary remedy. No amount of advertising could have accomplished such a result. Peruna has won on its own merits. Peruna cures catarrh of whatever phase or location in the human body. That is why it receives so many notable and unique endorsements.

Address The Peruna Drug Mfg Co., Columbus, Ohio, for free literature on catarrh.

Ask Your Druggist for free Pe-ru-na Almanac for 1904.

## WAS HIS WIFE'S HATPIN.

And He Had Wasted Time Trying to Find an Owner.

In a theater recently a man down in one of the front rows spied on the floor a large hatpin with an amber top. Looking about him, he saw that two women and their escorts had just sat down. To one of the former he presented the pin. A shake of the head indicated that he had made a mistake. Then he tried across the aisle. The women seemed to be interested. The pin was a curiosity and its amber of a unique carving. They hesitated, but the pin was handed back. Desperately, he began the search anew. Two ladies unattended seemed likely owners. Then he showed the pin. They took it and

felt a tug on his sleeve. It was his wife and she remarked: "Why are you showing my hatpin to strangers?" He, blushing, went over to the feminine pair and explained. "It's my wife's hatpin," he said, but in such consciously guilty accents that the women handed it back with doubting smiles.

## Well Remembered.

Valley City, N. Dak., Dec. 14.—Two years ago Mrs. Matilda M. Boucher of this place suffered a great deal with a dizziness in her head. She was cured of this by a remedy called Dodd's Kidney Pills, and has not been troubled since.

Shortly afterwards she had a bad bilious attack, and for this she used Diamond Dinner Pills and was completely cured in a short time.

In January, 1903, she had an attack of Sciatica, of which she says:

"I was almost helpless with the Sciatica, but remembering what Dodd's Kidney Pills and Diamond Dinner Pills had done for me before, I commenced a treatment of these medicines and in three weeks I was completely restored to health. I have great faith in these medicines, for they have been of so much benefit to me."

Dodd's Kidney Pills are very popular in Barnes County, having made a great many splendid cures of Sciatica, Rheumatism and Kidney Troubles. Many families use no other medicine.

The United Kingdom has 290 people to the square mile, Belgium 480, Russia only forty.

Feet Comfortable Ever Since.  
"I suffered for years with my feet. A friend recommended ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE. I used two boxes of the powder, and my feet have been entirely comfortable ever since. ALLEN'S FOOT-EASE is certainly a god-send to me. Wm. L. Swormstedt, Washington, D. C." Sold by all Druggists, 25c

Some falls are means the happler to rise.—Shakespeare.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.  
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

The indulgence of the flesh dwarfs the spirit.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup.  
For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

Never draw a slight draft on a blind man.

DO YOUR CLOTHES LOOK YELLOW?  
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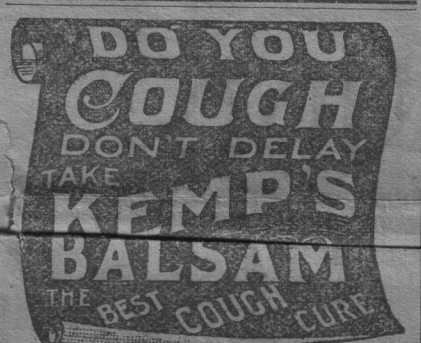
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# THE FATAL REQUEST OR FOUND OUT

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## CHAPTER VI.—Continued.

"A dreadful railway accident has taken place on the Southeastern railway. A goods train from London to Maldstone, which contained two wagons loaded with petroleum barrels, through some mistake in the signals, ran into the 4:30 up train from Dover, at the point where the lines cross. The engine, tender, and three first-class carriages have been smashed up and burnt by the petroleum. Twenty-three passengers are either dead or dying."

The perspiration stood upon his brow as he read this—this grim and ghastly paragraph—over and over again.

"How could I possibly let them see this?" he groaned to himself. "They would go out of their minds with the horror of it. And yet," the thought struck him, "what is to prevent them from reading it all, and more beside, in the morning papers? Though, of course, there is hope—there must be a gleam of hope! Some must have escaped! How slow this train is. And yet, why should I want to travel faster? How do I know what awaits me at my journey's end?"

When the train reached London Bridge, a little before ten, he found all was bustle and confusion. The news of the accident had spread like wildfire, and a momentarily increasing throng of agonized friends and relatives besieged the officials, attacked the telegraph office and hurried hither and thither, backwards and forwards, in search of something definite in the shape of information.

Ted Burritt forced himself through the crowd which was gathered round some person in authority and put the same questions which burst from so many lips at once.

"Was anything more known about the accident? When would the line be clear, and when would a train be allowed to run to the scene of the disaster?"

and the train drew up at the picturesque little country station, which had now been converted into a temporary dead-house. The mournful, wild-eyed cavalcade, which alighted at the platform, were met by the stationmaster, who merely motioned with his arm, and said, "In there."

The whole crowd, with one accord, poured in the direction indicated.

A dreadful sight met their eyes. In the waiting room and booking office a dozen charred remnants of human beings were laid out on tarpaulins—each one of which had lost all semblance to humanity. There was no clue, no possibility of recognizing or identifying any.

Ted Burritt approached and looked down upon one; then staggered and nearly fell.

"Are these all?" he asked, in a dreadful whisper. The man who was in charge of this ghastly detachment answered, briefly, "There be a heap more on 'em in the church yonder!"

## CHAPTER VII.

### In the Vestry.

There was very little sleep for anyone at Magnolia Lodge that night. Mrs. Burritt was at last persuaded to go and lie down upon her bed, where she was ministered to by her daughter and the cook.

So in lamentations and torturing suspense, together with brief intervals of broken rest, the night wore away. The servants, with scared faces, crept about the house and prepared the breakfast, which nobody touched.

May Burritt came down stairs about eight o'clock, and the first thing that she saw was the daily paper lying in its accustomed place beside the urn.

"Ah!" she gasped, "now to know the worst!"

The account she sought was assigned the most prominent position, and was headed in large capitals, "Terrible Railway Accident! Thirty-

such a thing as that that he take home with him, if it should prove by any means possible to separate the identity of the one from the other?"

He came in sight of the church, which was not far from the station. Arriving at the porch, the foremost of the party discovered that the door was locked. Here was a sudden check and they began to consult together as to where the key might be found.

As they did so, a window of one of the little cottages opposite the church was thrown up, and an old man, in a quaint, old fashioned nightcap, stuck his head out.

"I be a-comin'," he cried; "ye must jest bide a bit, and I'll be with 'ee."

This was evidently the clerk or sexton; at any rate, he was the individual required, and there was nothing to do but to "bide," as he had desired them.

At last the churchyard gate clicked, and a shriveled, bent figure made its appearance, dangling a bunch of great keys in one hand. He threw the great door open with a clang, and the people entered the church. It was very dark inside. The windows were most of them of colored glass and high up, and the old fashioned pews and the thick squat columns which supported the roof seemed to swallow up what little light there was.

"They've put 'em all inside the chancel rails," said the old man, who had constituted himself a sort of ghoul master of the ceremonies.

No one seemed to care to be the first to approach that part of the holy edifice.

At last Ted Burritt, with a grim determination, approached the railing. Inside, the bodies, or what had once been bodies, were disposed in two rows.

Those on the right hand lay in coffins which had been hastily gathered from all parts of the neighborhood; those on the left were mere groups of ashes collected together on pieces of tarpaulin.

Ted Burritt began at the right-hand side. The other people followed his example, and the old clerk acted as cicerone.

"This 'un," he said, indicating the terrible contents of one coffin, "is supposed to a-bin a young female, as they found a thimble and a bit of a dress among the ashes. Thimble 'ad the name o' 'Lizzie' scratched on it."

A man who was craning his neck over Ted Burritt's shoulder gave a sharp cry. "That's my girl! That's my Lizzie! And her mother waiting anything can have happened to her—outcries."

Some of the others, forgetful of their own concerns for a moment, gathered round him and made an attempt at consolation.

"At least you know which she is—that ought to be a little comfort to you."

"But I thought she might have been saved. She was such a good girl—and look at her there!" and he gesticulated towards the open coffin.

"I can't stand much more of this," murmured Ted Burritt, as he wiped the great drops of perspiration from his forehead.

They left the bereaved parent moaning over his child's remains and again passed on. The next three coffins were examined, shuddered at and left. The mutilated corpses which they contained possessed neither head, feet nor hands. They could never have been taken for anything human had not the fact been established beyond all doubt. Was either of those his father?

There only remained one or two more belonging to that row, and they, too, were unrecognizable. After that nothing was left but the poor heaps of ashes on the other side.

"This is all, ladies and gentlemen," said the old man, with a sort of charnel-house cheerfulness, "sides one more in the vestry, as was put there in consequents of bein' very little damaged, 'cept about the legs; and passon did say as I was to show 'im fust, though bein' easy recognized. But my pore old 'ed's bin all of a jumble since th' accident, and I clean forgot 'im. But anybody as likes can jest step into the vestry and see 'im for themselves. They've laid 'im out on the table, through bein' of a hextry size, and runnin' short o' coffins. 'E was found buried under a lot o' rubble, and they 'ad a deal o' trouble to git 'im out."

There was a general rush in that direction on the part of all those who had a male relative missing.

(To be continued.)

### Thought Ade Needed Schooling.

The following story is going the rounds of Highland Park, where George Ade spent the summer. The aforesaid was walking along the street one day when he met a mite of humanity, kindergarten bent, one of Mr. Ade's summer colleagues and friends.

Mr. Ade called out: "Hello! Going to school?" The prompt reply came, in the same tone of good comradeship, without the least suggestion of flippancy, but just as Mr. Ade would have it: "No; are you?"



## A World's Dairy Association.

At the recent dairy congress held in Brussels, the question of forming an international dairy association was discussed. According to the New York Produce Review, Professor B. Martini of Berlin, Germany, said the transportation facilities of the world are now such that dairying may be pushed to the greatest extent in any country. This is of the utmost importance in order to provide certain countries with the products of milk, and in order to realize this, all that is needed is to create a federation of the dairying profession (farmers, factory managers, dealers, statesmen, economists, scientists and teachers) who would work for the following objects:

1. To exert influence on the legislature so as to secure uniform laws, (a) hygienic (suppression of contagious diseases), (b) protective measures against adulteration, (c) trade and transportation (international conventions, commercial treaties, duties, patents and trade marks).
2. To furnish information as to conditions as well as political, economical, industrial and scientific institutions.
3. To maintain a public bureau of information regarding (a) the progress, discoveries and inventions relating to the dairy industry and those in contemplation; (b) the production, the consumption, the demand, the price, the trade and the transportation of dairy products; (c) the forming of establishments and institutions for the production and sale of dairy products, the teaching and the investigations (associations, unions, conventions, shows, competitions, laboratories, schools, model creameries); d) scientific publications.
4. To serve as middlemen between offers and demands.
5. To induce and encourage progress, discoveries and inventions in the dairy line.

To get this result it seems absolutely necessary (1) to establish a permanent headquarters; (2) to publish a universal dairy journal; (3) to form in each country a committee in charge, on one hand to forward to the central committee all the facts of any interest, and, on the other hand, to serve as middlemen between the central committee and the members, be they individuals or associations; (4) to secure a fund by membership fees and state aid. As highly desirable it is mentioned (5) to establish a dairy library comprising dairy literature; (6) the erection of dairy museums; (7) to hold periodical conventions of the members and professionals from all countries; (8) to organize international dairy exhibitions (cattle, instruments, machinery, plans of buildings) and industrial as well as scientific competitions.

## Cows That Are Thieves.

If the "man behind the cow" in Kansas would do his part, no unprofitable animal would masquerade under the fictitious appellation of "milk cow," and she would either go to the butcher's block or be made to return a profit by more intelligent care and management, says Secretary Coburn in the last quarterly report of the Kansas board of agriculture. It passeth understanding why theft by a cow should be tolerated more than theft by a human. In effect, the result to the loser in either case is the same. Our government has found it wisdom to study and establish far-reaching methods for the detection and repression of the latter; and by the same token why should our farmers and dairymen be less vigilant in regard to this possible proclivity in their cows—beasts described as dumb, yet outwitting their owners? So long as cows of this class are permitted in the dairy herd, so long will there be dissatisfaction and failure. Improvement is the route to success, whether by breeding, better management, or other way, and intelligence in our cowmen is the power that will force advancement in the right direction. Dairying has come to be one of the most important factors in Kansas agriculture, and, rightly conducted, is one of the surest money-makers of our varied industries. It is incomparably more rational than any one-crop system, or even farming, as its practice tends to rotation of crops, maintains or increases the fertility of land, and affords steady employment with returns remunerative according to the brains mixed with the business.

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"No further details of the accident had been ascertained, and no names of the victims had yet been published, as the telegraph lines had been broken."

The first train to Bannock Bridge, the scene of the disaster, would be run as soon as the line was clear, and that could not be for some hours longer. The unfortunate people who craved to know what might be the fate of some of their nearest and dearest, could do nothing but wait, hour after hour, every minute of which seemed an age, and each separate hour an eternity.

And so, at last, the hours wore away, and very early in the morning a train started, bearing its weary, haggard load of men and women, each hoping that God had at least been merciful to him, or her, whoever else He might have bereaved.

Ted Burritt sat in his corner of the carriage, and let his thoughts wander where they would. All at once the thought occurred to him, What had become of the friend? The friend whom his father went to meet, and who was to return with him? But what did it matter about him? Why, but for him, though the accident would have taken place all the same, it would have had nothing to do with that pleasant, peaceful home at Dulwich!

By the time he had recovered himself a little he saw that the day was beginning to dawn. Surely they must be very near the scene of the disaster.

Even in the faint early light, which was all they had to illumine the scene, signs of the recent catastrophe began to appear. By the side of the line they saw drawn up some of the ruined carriages. Another moment,

two lives lost! Numbers roared to death!"

She read the brief paragraph, into which so much horror was condensed, and stood as though turned to stone. Then coming back to herself, she murmured: "Mother must never see this, it would kill her!" And she left the room, taking the paper with her. "After all, though," she ventured to hope, "there have been some saved. Why may not he be among them? Surely Ted will send a telegram soon. Poor boy! I wonder what he is doing?"

A little later in the morning, when Mrs. Burritt was just being coaxed to take a little beef tea, the fateful double knock once more re-echoed through the house.

"What's that?" cried Mrs. Burritt, sitting bolt upright. "Perhaps he's come back safe after all! Run, May, and see."

The housemaid met her on the stairs, bearing a yellow envelope. "The boy is waiting to know if there is any answer, miss," she said, and lingered in the expectation of hearing something of the contents.

The girl seized it and tore it open—!

To return to her brother, who had been told that there were yet many more bodies in the church, for which room could not be found elsewhere, and who, accompanied by a detachment of other seekers, thereupon left the station for the sacred edifice. It was a relief to find themselves again in the open air, after the ghastly sight that had just met their eyes. But there was horror in the thought that they were only exchanging one such scene for another.

"Could he have been one of those?" was the awful thought which pursued the young man—"one of those fearful, indescribable objects! And was it



# Sirius, the Star of Bethlehem

Theory of Profs. Forbes and Servis Refuted—Kepler's Hypothesis Untenable—Star in the East Must Have Been a Magian Star—Were the Magi, or Wise Men, Keltic Druids?

By Rev. F. P. Duffy, M. D., Secretary of the American Church Bible Institute.

The Star of Bethlehem is a theme of wondrous power. It has fascinated sages of the East and philosophers of the West. It has been discussed these nineteen hundred years by men of varying minds with a freshness that never fails. It excites a glow of fervid love in the breast of the saint. It kindles the dying embers of hope in the soul of the sinner. It is the ray of Heaven's own light to the afflicted. It beckons the prodigal back to the Father's home. It gives strength to the living. It brings peace to the dying.

But though a mystery of awe to angels, it is a Symbol of Love Divine to men. As such it cannot fail to profoundly interest every intelligent inquirer after truth. That we may the better understand the subject and more thoroughly appreciate the ways of God with man, I propose to treat the subject under the following heads:

1. The star was a real, true, bona fide star—not a mere temporary miraculous creation for the specific purpose.

It is allowed by all authorities that the Magi, or Wise Men, were learned. They would, therefore, make use of words and terms with discrimination. But not only were they learned, they were astronomers. Hence, when they used an astronomical term, they would use the appropriate word or phrase descriptive of the object referred to. They use the word "aster," which means an ordinary and permanent star, not an extraordinary and temporary one.

Now, in the Bible star is used only in a twofold signification—literally or figuratively. In its figurative sense it

held that the Magi were resident or located in the east at the time the star appeared to them. Yet according to the plain terms of the statement, they must have been located in the west. Anatole means (1) the rising of the heavenly bodies from the horizon; (2) the dawn or day-spring; (3) the east or Orient. Whichever meaning you adopt the beholder must have been west of the star. The star must have pointed to or been at Jerusalem when first observed by the Wise Men. Therefore the Wise Men must have been west of Jerusalem.

6. It was a fixed star—not erratic in its movements. The term "star" was used by the Wise Men. But they were skilled astronomers and knew the difference between a star, a planet, a comet or a meteor, for all of which there were distinct names. Hence planet, comet, meteor are ruled out by the word aster (star). And hence we conclude that the Star in the East was a fixed star.

7. It was a star in the sign Pisces of the zodiac—the Sign of Judea. This is an important factor. Among the ancients there was a part of the heavens called the zodiac. It was a belt encircling the heavens on each side of the ecliptic, or apparent path of the sun among the stars, within which the larger planets always remain. It extended to eight degrees on either side of the ecliptic. It was divided into twelve parts called the Signs of the Zodiac. The different countries of the earth were divided among the twelve signs. Judea belonged to the sign pisces, the twelfth. The Magi, like all other astrologers or astronomers, believed in that division.

junction of Mars and Jupiter on the night of Dec. 25 in the year of Rome 747. Next year Saturn joined Mars and Jupiter, and according to Dean Alford, the eminent commentator, the light of the three planets blended and appeared to the beholder as one light. What a beautiful illustration of Trinity in Unity—the lights of three planets blended into one light! Ideler confirmed Kepler's calculation as to the conjunction of the planets. Wieseler, who followed, makes the conjunction in A. U. C. 750, the year of the Nativity now agreed upon by the learned. It is remarkable too that the conjunction of the planets took place in the sign pisces, the Sign of Judea. This theory is also free from the objections above referred to.

But beautiful as is the theory, Biblical conditions compel us to reject it. Christ's birth took place, according to St. Paul, in "the fullness of time." This fullness of time is an astronomical expression meaning the completion of a cycle, or the revolution of a sphere in its orbit. That cycle, or revolution, occupied thousands of years in its completion. As we have seen, the Star of Bethlehem had a periodic time, which must necessarily have corresponded with "the fullness of time." But the periodic times of Mars, Jupiter, Saturn are all known and are of short duration. Even if we apply the periodic time to the conjunctions of the planets the objection still holds good. The times of the conjunctions are known and are comparatively short. So that attractive as is the theory of Kepler, we must dismiss it, and look elsewhere.

There is one star which fulfils all

the Gaelic priests or Druids that the star of Bethlehem appeared, let us go back to primitive times, when Magism was incorporated with Zoroastrianism.

Besides Ahura-Mazda there were the Amesha-Spentas, or "the Immortal Holy Ones." There was a third class lower than the Amesha-Spentas. Among this class were Mithra and Tistrya. Mithra was the spirit of light, or the sun. Tistrya was the spirit of the brightest star in the firmament, or Sirius. Ultimately Mithra became associated with Ahura-Mazda and placed almost on an equality with him. So we may exclude Mithra from our calculations. Tistrya, next to the Divinity, became the object of the Magi's reverence. Sirius was his star, and thus became to the Magi "the star."

Balaam, the Rab-Mag, Chief Magian, or Arch Druid of his time, was a prophet like Iarbone of the Gaels. In his prophecy, which still lives, he uttered, under the inspiration of Jehovah, "The star shall come out of Jacob." Sirius was "the star" to all the Magians. The stars symbolized kings or rulers. He whom Sirius symbolized, therefore, would be greatest of all kings.

If we could connect Sirius in any way with Jacob at the time of the Nativity there could be no question as to the star of Bethlehem. And we can do it. The twelfth sign of the Zodiac was Pisces. And Pisces was the Sign of Palestine, or Jacob, or land of Judea. That part of the heavens known as Pisces presented a most remarkable spectacle at the time of the Nativity. There the splendor

But It Was the Big Firm That Paid Increased Rent.

Jules Huret, the French journalist, who has announced that Americans make love too coldly, is the son of a rich and astute merchant. M. Huret likes to tell a story in illustration of his father's fine business sense.

"My father, years ago," he will begin, "occupied a small shop on the ground floor of a large building. He was then at the beginning of his career, and his income was somewhat paltry. He was, however, an economical man.

"A clothing firm occupied all of the building except the portion held by my father, and this firm had arranged with the proprietor that they should have that portion, too, whenever they were ready to pay the rental demanded.

"Well, one day they decided to take in my father's shop, and their manager accordingly called on him, and in a friendly way told him that he had better look about for another stand at once, since his firm would be taking over the shop in May.

"But I don't want to move," said my father.

"Well, but you'll have to," said the manager. "You are a poor man, and my firm is rich. We can afford to pay three times as much rent for this floor as you can. Now, if you'll leave quietly, without making any fuss, we'll help you to find a new place. But, if you stay, you'll have to pay a rent that will beggar you—simply beggar you, remember."

"Give me," said my father humbly, "two weeks to think this matter over."

"Well and good," the manager replied, and two weeks later called on him again. My father was all smiles as he received him.

"Everything, my friend, is arranged," my father said. "You may stay here, as before. I don't pay any rent at all, but you pay 2,500 francs a year more than you paid last. I have bought the building."

## HARRIMAN'S GIFT TO CHARITY.

Millionaire Is Liberal to Those He Thinks Well of.

E. H. Harriman is a member of that small group of well-known millionaires that remembers the Biblical injunction not to let the left hand know what the right hand doeth, when doing alms.

His philanthropies are as varied as many a man's whose good deeds are trumpeted throughout the land. But

while they are thus carried on quietly they are also done in a gruff sort of way.

The man who has charity to place before Mr. Harriman walks into his office.

"You're Mr. So-and-So," says Mr. Harriman. "Quick, now, I'm a busy man."

"Ugh," the financier grunts a moment later. "That's the institution at such-and-such a street. I know about you—you're teaching children to be good men and women. Here"—turning to his secretary—see that this gentleman gets a check for \$1,000. That's all right—haven't time for thanks. Good-day."

And the visitor walks out of the office in a dazed sort of way. But sometimes the seekers after charity are dazed in the opposite direction.

"I know your place," Mr. Harriman will say. "It's no good—not making the right kind of men and women. You can't get a cent from me. Good-day."

## Compliments Were Deserved.

Dr. W. W. Keen of Philadelphia has great reputation as a surgeon. In New York one winter afternoon last year he saw a man slip on an icy pavement and fall heavily. He hastened to the poor fellow's assistance and found that he had broken his leg.

Dr. Keen used his umbrella as a splint, and with his own and several borrowed handkerchiefs bandaged the broken limb tightly. As he finished his task the ambulance arrived.

"You've bandaged this rather well," the young blue uniformed ambulance surgeon said to Dr. Keen.

"Thank you," said the other.

"Oh, not at all. I suppose," the youth resumed, "that you have been reading up some 'first aid to the injured' treatise, eh? They say a little learning is a dangerous thing, but, really, the little you have learned about surgery you have put to good account. Give me your name and address and I'll forward your umbrella to you."

"I'll give you my card," said Dr. Keen. He did so, and the young surgeon flushed a little as he read on it the name of one of the greatest of modern surgeons.

## Would Not Be at a Loss.

During a recent conversation between District Attorney Jerome and several members of the New York bar, reference was had to the sharp practices of a certain notoriously shifty politician of the city.

"Certainly he is never at a loss," said Mr. Jerome. "Do you know, I really believe that if that man were cast on a barren rock in mid-ocean he would make money—if there were another man on the rock."—New York Tribune.

means a king or other civil ruler, an ecclesiastical teacher, and perhaps an angel. It is not used in its metaphorical sense here. Therefore it means a real star.

2. It was a star in motion—it changed its position in the heavens. Motion is characteristic of all the heavenly bodies; and the words of the sacred narrative are, "The star went before them till it came." When first they saw the star it occupied a particular spot in the sky. Now, however, it has a different position, not relatively because of the change in the field of observation, but absolutely by change of location in the heavens. No doubt the motion was a movement in its orbit. This will appear more plainly from our next proposition.

3. It was a star that had an asterism—it stood at a particular point in the sky above them. The statement is very distinct: "It came and stood over where the young child was."

4. It was a star that moved in an orbit—it had a periodic time. This is a most remarkable statement. We are told that Herod privately learned of the Magi "what time the star appeared." The margin of the Revised Version gives us a better, because a more correct translation of the phrase; it is, "The time of the star that appeared." But the literal rendering is "the time of the appearing star."

5. It was a star that had a relative position in the sky—it was in the east. Assuming that the correct rendering of "Anatole" is "in the east," then it has reference to that particular part of the heavens to the east of the observer. The observers, therefore, must have been west of Jerusalem. This is a point to be borne in mind, as we shall have to refer to it more particularly later on. The conclusion here arrived at is contrary to the generally received opinion. As far as I am aware, it is universally

So far we have traced some of the necessary conditions of the star. Let us now try and discover the star that fulfils these conditions. In doing so we shall briefly discuss the different theories put forth and held by different people, some of them men of great eminence in their own particular sphere. We shall also show the untenableness of the different hypotheses.

I—The star was not an angel. No less a father of the church than Theophylact held this view. He believed it was an angelic apparition. No doubt angels were sent on messages from Heaven to men, and the Angel Gabriel was used in the Annunciation. But the angelic vision would disappear with the accomplishment of the object. Not so the star; it remained.

II—The star was not a meteor. This view has been largely held. It is asserted that some kind of meteoric phenomenon would best meet the necessities of the case. But any meteor drawn to the earth would either be consumed by the atmospheric friction or else would fall to the ground and become extinguished. Its appearance would be almost momentary.

III—The star was not a comet. One of the greatest fathers of the church, Orogen, held this view. But not all the weight of Orogen's great scholarship could obtain credence for such a belief. Just recently this theory of a comet has been revived, unconsciously, however, that Orogen was the father of it. Prof. David Forbes in England and Prof. Servis in America both claimed to have identified the Star of Bethlehem with Halley's comet. At the time I refuted the theory in an article that appeared in the Chicago Evening Post, April 11, 1903.

IV—The star was not a conjunction of planets. This is the most feasible as well as fascinating theory. It is that of the great astronomer, Kepler. He calculated that there was a con-

junction of Mars and Jupiter on the night of Dec. 25 in the year of Rome 747. Next year Saturn joined Mars and Jupiter, and according to Dean Alford, the eminent commentator, the light of the three planets blended and appeared to the beholder as one light. What a beautiful illustration of Trinity in Unity—the lights of three planets blended into one light! Ideler confirmed Kepler's calculation as to the conjunction of the planets. Wieseler, who followed, makes the conjunction in A. U. C. 750, the year of the Nativity now agreed upon by the learned. It is remarkable too that the conjunction of the planets took place in the sign pisces, the Sign of Judea. This theory is also free from the objections above referred to.

Before we can arrive at our final conclusion it is necessary to learn something about the Wise Men, or Magi. Who were the Magi? Where did they come from?

The etymology of the word Magi is involved in much doubt. It is generally supposed to be primarily a Persian word, but the Persian is only a form of the original. Our word Magus, of which Magi is the plural, is but the Latin rendering of the Greek Magos, the Persian of which is probably Maz. Maz is cognate to Maj in Major, Mag in Magnus and Meg in Megas (Rawlinson). "It is an intensive and means much or all." In Ahura-Mazda, Persian name for God, it means the all wise or all powerful.

The Irish word Druid means wisdom or Magian. It is worthy of record that the Irish Scriptures render "there came wise men from the east" by "there came Druids from the east." The Irish words are: "Draioch o naid shoir go Hierusalem," which shows the Irish belief that the Druids were Magians.

It is a matter of history that part of the Gaels or Irish in the westward movement of the race returned by the valley of the Danube and settled in Asia Minor. They prefixed their own name to Asia, and called their abode Gael-Asia, or Galatia, as it came to be spelled.

Whether the Druids or Magi to whom the Star of Bethlehem appeared were residents of Ireland, Scythia, or Galatia is immaterial, for they were all the same Gaelic race. Having, as I hope, made it clear that it was to

of the heavens appeared to culminate. The sun seemed to shine with a deeper effulgence. Meteors, precursors of some mighty event, flashed athwart the sky. Comets shot from out the darkness of space and illuminated the sign with their fiery flow. Mars and Jupiter and Saturn halted in their orbits to focus their lights into one mighty blaze in Pisces. And wondrous sight! The star—the Magians' Star—his star—Sirius!—enters Pisces, and is now in Jacob!

This wondrous event occurred in B. C. 5. The heliacal rising of Sirius took place on the same day in four successive years, the fifth, fourth, third and second B. C. There is something most remarkable about this heliacal rising. It is on the same day. But sameness is unity. It thus symbolizes the Unity of the Deity. Then, assuming that B. C. 4 is the correct year of the Nativity, which scholars assert, there was one year before the birth and three after it. In the symbolism of numbers one is Unity and three Trinity. But the one year before birth signified the past revelation of God, or unity of the Deity. The three years after the birth symbolized the new revelation, the Trinity of Persons. Lastly unity and trinity (one year + three years) equal the complete and perfect number four, the years that Sirius may be said to have remained in Pisces. This symbolism occurs with the rising of Sirius, which signified the rising of the Light of the World. It was as if, whilst heaven's arches rang with the angels' loud acclaim, Sirius flashed through space, "Arise! Shine! For thy light is come!"

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News reaches us that Mrs. R. J. Boardman of Drayton is quite ill.

Dr. Thompson and son of Detroit were guests at Mrs. C. Bump's the first of the week.

Miss Ethelyn Terry of Detroit visited her father and other relatives Sunday at the residence of Dr. J. Ganong.

The Ladies' Aid of Sashabaw church enjoyed a very pleasant day Wednesday at the hospitable home of Rev. and Mrs. Wm. M. Kee.

Services at the Waterford M. E. church at 2 p. m. ou Sunday. Pastor Bradley will preach a Christmas sermon. Everybody cordially invited.

Stephen Moon fell on the ice of the pond Thursday and was unconscious from 11 till 3 o'clock. Owing to his extreme age, over 80, his condition may prove serious. Dr. Orton is attending the case.

Rebecca Hive L. O. T. M. elected officers Thursday evening, Dec. 10, for the ensuing year as follows:

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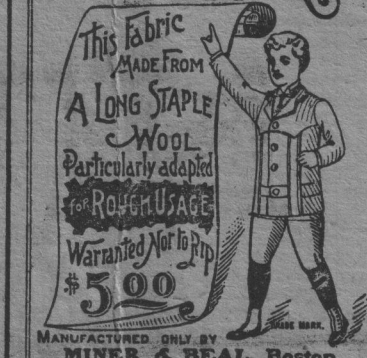
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