

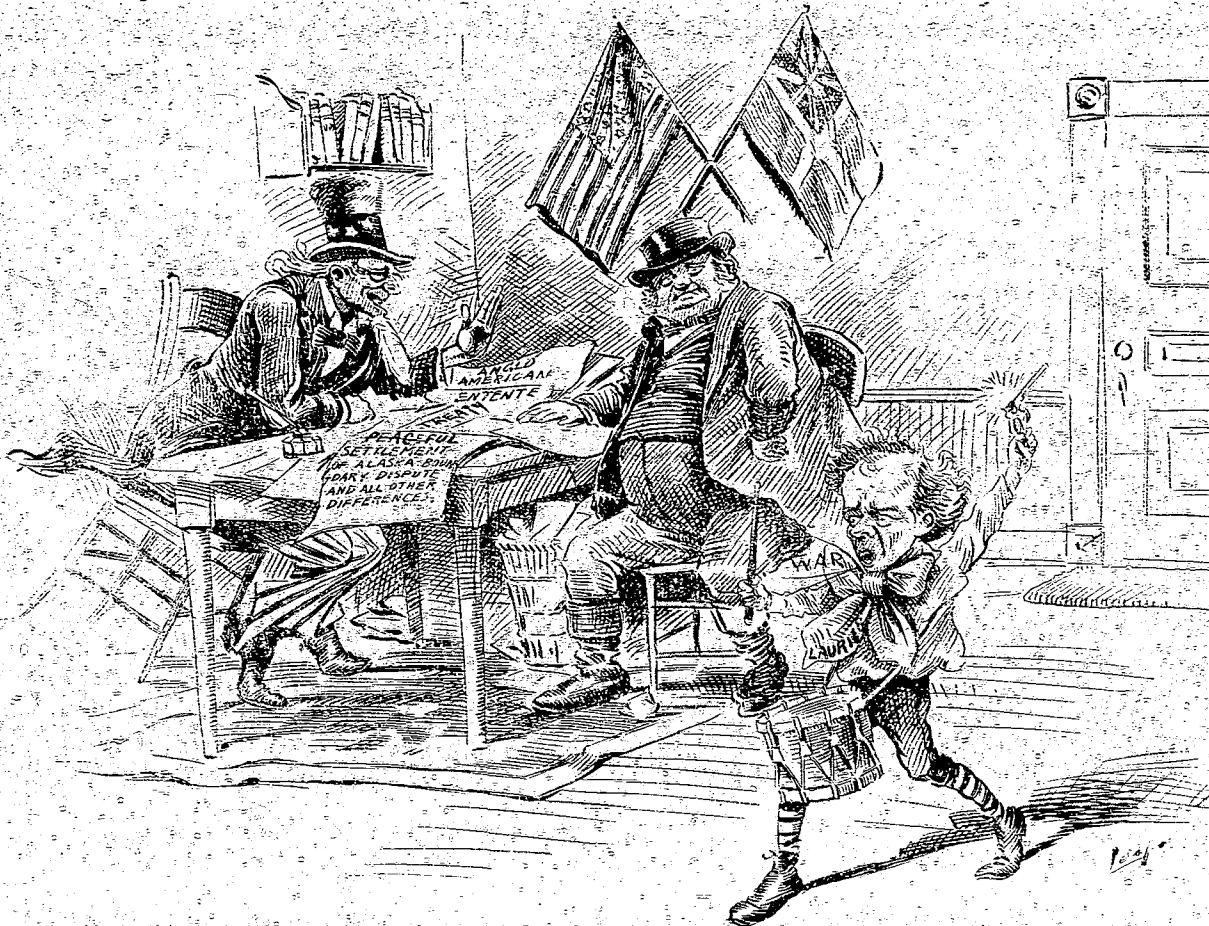
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UNCLE SAM: "IT'S ALL RIGHT, JOHN, LET THE LITTLE FELLOW HAVE HIS INNOCENT AMUSEMENT."
—From Detroit Evening News.

NORTHVILLE BOY IN THE PHILIPPINES.

INTERESTING LETTER FROM HARRY WOOD OF THE U. S. A.

Been in Battles and Heard Bullets Whiz by His Ear.

Harry Wood of the 3rd U. S. infantry writes from the Philippines as follows to Northville friends: "Well, here I am sitting in an old shack with Mike (Taylor) trying to think of something to write. The shack is full of sugar and syrup. I want try to tell you of my long trip across the ocean, but I saw a good deal that I don't think I will forget if I am allowed to get back to Michigan again. I suppose you read a lot in the papers about the fighting down here but you don't hear half of it. It is a pretty tough job and we earn our money. I've heard the bullets go whizzing by me by the hundreds. I had one go through my blanket roll. We left San Miguel the 23rd of May and had to fight our way back. We had a hard fight. The bullets flew as thick as rain drops. I don't see how a man can go through and not get hit. We chased the niggers 16 miles. They laid in wait for us expecting to capture our wagon train. They did not know there were so many of us. We had 2 killed and 13 wounded. There were 4 wounded in our company. We captured 30 guns and 32 prisoners, among them 2 captains and 1 lieutenant. Our company got 26 guns and 12 prisoners. We started from San Miguel in the morning and was all day going to Balinag, 15 miles, so you see we had a hard time of it. We take a town and then let the niggers come right back again. They have a striped suit on that they fight in and a white suit under it and after we drive them out of a town they change their clothes and come back as friends. In the last fight we saw 39 killed and 6 wounded of the niggers and we don't know how many more were killed. I have quite a few relics that I got from the niggers' houses. After we drove them out of a town we had everything our own way for a while. Had lots of fun foraging chickens, pigs and everything we could get hold of. It is very interesting to watch the niggers on the market where they sell every thing they raise on the islands. They have some of the queerest dishes you ever saw. We have got what they call water buffaloes. They are of an iron gray color and have horns 3 or 4 ft long. They hook them to a cart like a dump cart with the wide boards off a pile boxes and other stuff on the cart and make them pull it. When you turn them loose where there is

water they go right in so you can only see their horns and head. They are not much good as they play out very easy. There is not any game here unless it is in the mountains. I have been in the foot hills but we did not see any game.

I have been all over the islands and seen all there is to see; and the quicker I can get out after we lick the niggers the better I will like it. When I go back by way of Frisco will have been around the world and across the states north and south and east and west or pretty near it, and that is saying a good deal. Guess this has been the longest I have ever been without money in my life and away from home, too, but guess it will be a good deal longer before I get back. Have seen a good deal of array life and it's a dog's life. Will tell you one thing: if you are thinking of enlisting, don't do it. I could have been made a corporal two or three times, but don't want it. They are not thought much of by the privates. We'd rather be a private and have lots of friends than a corporal and have a few. Mike Taylor has been pretty laid on. He is here now and we have many a talk of home and the boys. If I can get my discharge from here I will get quite a stake, but they will probably take us back to the states about six months before our time is up so as to save transportation money. I am not sorry for enlisting for I have learned a lot; but now if I can get out of it I will in a minute. As far as fighting is concerned I am not afraid and I don't want to leave here until it is all over for I may get a chance to find some money. There is lots of it found, but the volunteers found the most of it. One fellow found so much Mexican silver money he had to get a bull cart to carry it to town.

"But there is no place like home, sweet home. A lot of the boys have found that out. We have just finished dinner. Had coffee, hardtack and salmon."
HARRY E. WOOD.

HENRY BRITTON

After Months of Suffering He Died Sunday Night.

After an illness of seven months, Henry Britton was released from suffering at midnight Sunday July 24. He was born Feb. 16, 1832 in Livingston county, this state and was married to Mrs. Maria Sessions Lockwood of this village about thirty years ago. He has been a resident of Northville most of the time for forty years or more, and had been an honest and upright citizen. He leaves a widow, four brothers and one sister. The funeral under the auspices of the Masonic order was held at the home Thursday afternoon, the services conducted by Rev. J. H. Herberner.

A CHAPTER OF ACCIDENTS.

LIGHTNING AND RUNAWAYS LIVENED THINGS FRIDAY.

Jud Chapman Lost a Valuable Work Horse.

Friday's electrical storm made it just a little bit lively in and about Northville for a while but Jud Chapman, north-west of town, was the only one to suffer serious loss. Lightning struck his barn during the afternoon storm and killed one of his valuable work horses. The fluid also set the hay on fire but the men put it out before any damage resulted.

T. G. Richardson's farm house west of the village was struck but not damaged to speak of. A number of trees about the village also suffered more or less by some of the pranks of the unharassed Franklins.

In the vicinity of the depot two runaways were added to the exciting events. One of Barber's milk wagon horses took it into his head to try the new trolley line up through the village and at a greater speed than allowed by the ordinance it made a lively streak from the depot to the hotel where it turned southward home. The wagon was the chief sufferer.

While Hart Rowe was seeking shelter from the rain at J. B. Palmer's house, about the same time, his livery horse which was hitched in front became frightened at a heavy clap of thunder and leaving the buggy took an easterly course until it stopped at a farm house a mile or so out. The buggy and harness both suffered some damage in this case.

ANOTHER MOVE.

In the Now Famous Evans Lynching Case.

The ten or more Northville and Meads Mills people of the Evans sensational lynching fame were arrested here again Tuesday afternoon on the charge of "intent to do bodily harm, less than murder," by Detroit officers and cited to appear before Justice Fitzsimmons at the county seat at 2:00 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Geo. Stark and Patrick Conley, the two men who were not near the scene of action the lynching day, were again served with warrants.

The case was adjourned to August 9th.

Gala Day at Novl.

Novi has a big gala time all day today. Ball games, races, speaking and music. There are a lot of prizes up and a warm time is promised.

Suburban News.

Plymouth people are still looking for Possellius Bros' factory.

A ball team was organized last week at Milford with George Stanley formerly of this place, as captain.

The Wayne county press will be pleased to learn that extensive improvements are in progress at Wayne county-house.

Plymouth band boys are now able to dress up in spick and span new uniforms. They were out on parade in their new togs one day last week.

A Wyandotte man was so tickled to get out of durance vile after six months of it that he celebrated a little too freely and had to go back next day for thirty days.

Saginaw people are badly worked up over some shady shows that have been given there and will make the temperature sultry for any more that attempt to do business in that city.

No one except a republican will get a commission in the new regiment forming for service in the Philippines. The boys who enlist to endeavor to crush the natives, that we may expand, ought to think of this.—Adrian Press.

How about Gen. Wheeler?

Milford wants a band pretty bad, but yet doesn't want a bad band. Might be a little more grammatical and say they want a band badly, but there isn't anything bad about wanting a band unless it is a bad band.

The July Michigan crop report estimates the average yield of wheat this year at eight bushels per acre. It's too early to prognosticate on buckwheat yet, but we still hope we can afford to eat pancakes next winter even if we have to scratch for 'em.

"Haying has begun."—Deerfield Journal. Begun what?—Adrian Press. Oh go to grass with such jokes. What kind of a swath are you trying to cut anyway? Begun to give us course!—Record. Don't say us any more like that. 1st Timothy, II: 11-12.—Adrian Press.

When Bro. Stearns gets to quoting scripture we give up the field.

A bevy of Ann Arbor clergymen have decided they will not perform the marriage ceremony for persons who have been divorced, for other than scriptural causes. We do not suppose that will cause any trouble, and the probability is that these "awfully nice" divines will soon be out of a matrimonial job. We suppose if a man abandons his wife, goes to another state, withholds support and writes mean insulting letters to her occasionally, leaves her and the little ones to public charity, and she gets a divorce and has opportunity to marry a thrifty man of good standing, one who will care for her and educate her children, these ministers would say to her "go hence, what God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

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This is the beginning of wholesale prices of hardware in Northville at retail.

Carpenter, Yerkes & Harmon.

There is a good deal of mock indignation over easy divorce cases. When a man and wife refuse to live together, as such, we see no reason why they be not legally separated. Its better for both and better for society.—Adrian Press.

Beer has caused a great deal of damage in Wyandotte. Last week a young man there injured his hand so badly while handling a keg of the dangerous fluid that the services of a doctor were necessary. Doctors often get a job down there because somebody handles too much beer.

An Orion woman tried to kick her husband and fell down and sprained her wrist, while her spouse still remained unknicked. It was all in fun except the result. When she gets well she will either have to join a foot ball team or hire a hay tedder if she wants to finish up the job in proper style.

The Wayne Review suggests that instead of giving bonuses to other factories to locate in that village some of the proposed funds be applied to enlarging that already in operation there as it has been crowded beyond its capacity for years and could employ many more men if additional facilities could be secured.

The saloonists of Ypsilanti who kept open July 4th, think they will run the case through to the U. S. supreme court if necessary, holding that the state has no right to prohibit the sale of liquor on a holiday, as it violates a constitutional right to pursue a calling or business. The courts hold that states may prohibit the sale entirely. But if it is permitted at all, and a license

or tax is required, the question is, whether the business can be made unlawful except on such days as it is unlawful to conduct business of any other kind. It is said the Grand Rapids dealers propose to put forward this argument also.—Adrian Press.

We get some queer propositions through the mail. A Chicago concern offers, if we send them the names of ten persons accustomed to canvassing, they will forward us prepaid, a cake of scented soap.—Flat Rock News.

Perhaps some member of the concern has visited the News sanctum inog and run up against the office towel. It can't be possible that a deliberate insult to the profession is concealed in the proposition.

One of our exchanges tells a story of a lot of Howell business men who went six miles out of town to have a picnic and a day's fishing, leaving their wives at home, after requiring them to prepare a nice lunch for the party. When the crowd came a shore to dinner, however they saw a load of women coming with a tin horn orchestra and banners on the horses with the inscription "there are others." The "others" in this case were the left but not lonely wives, who did not propose to be neglected in any such way.

Mortuary.

Alfred H. Mott, aged 67 1/2 years, died at his home in Salem Wednesday of cancer of the stomach. The funeral was held yesterday.

After a long illness, Mrs. Alexander Tinham of Detroit, formerly of this place, died last evening. The remains will be brought here for burial.

Did you ever see a snow storm in summer?

We never did, but we have seen the clothing at this time of the year so covered with dandruff that it looked as if it had been out in a regular snow-storm.

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IN OUR GREAT STATE.

THE HAPPENINGS IN MICHIGAN BRIEFLY RELATED.

The Weather Conditions Generally Have Been Beneficial to Crops—The Work of Equalizing Our State's Taxes has Been Commenced.

Weekly Crop Bulletin.

The weekly bulletin of the Michigan weather service says that frequent showers in the central and southern counties, and also in the northern counties, lying along the lake shore, has interfered with having and harvesting during the past week, although no serious damage has been reported. Generally, the weather conditions of the week have been very favorable to crop growth, and corn, oats, potatoes and pastures show a marked improvement over their condition one week ago. In some of the interior counties the rains were heavy enough to do some damage to crops on low lands, and slight damage to hay is also reported. The wet weather has interfered somewhat with corn, potato and beef cultivation. In the southern half of the state wheat cutting is well advanced and the grain is in shock in most fields. Threshing has commenced in a few of the southern counties, and a very light crop is reported, although the quality is exceptionally good. Late potatoes are beginning to bloom, and are not being molested to any considerable extent by bugs. Sugar beets continue to make excellent progress, except on the low lands of the district adjoining Saginaw Bay, where the ground is very wet. Pasturage is generally in very good condition.

Equalization of Our State's Taxes.

The tax commission is now installed in the capitol, and active work towards ascertaining what property in the state is not on the tax rolls, and that should be so, has commenced. Commissioner Freeman, Secretary Twiss and Clerk Westover met at Lansing on the 24th, and had a long conference over the bill and the vast amount of work the commission finds before it. The commission is now preparing and will at once have printed the necessary blanks and stationery for its work and it may be said that the real work of equalizing taxes in Michigan, along Pingree lines, has fairly started.

Lightning's Fatal Work.

A terrific electrical storm passed over Traverse City and Grand Traverse county on the evening of July 24th. Lightning struck a barn belonging to Wilson Roush, a prominent farmer living four miles from the city. Roush was feeding his horses at the time. He was struck by the bolt and instantly killed, and two valuable horses were also killed. Two other horses that were in an adjoining stall were not harmed and the barn was only slightly damaged. Two or three of Mr. Roush's children were standing beside him at the time, and were not even shocked.

Pneumatic Railway for Mining.

Within a few months there will be in operation in the Auagon mine at Iron Mountain a pneumatic railway for the tramping of the ore underground. This will be the first thing of the kind in the Lake Superior region, and its operation will be viewed with interest by mining men everywhere. In several respects this new method of handling ore underground is thought to be superior to any system now in use, including the electric, which is now being installed in a number of mines, notably the Noerpis.

Safe-Blowers Visited Saranac.

A gang of burglars visited Saranac on the 25th. They entered the store of M. F. Farrington, and had drilled two holes in the safe when Jasper Bush, the night watch, put in an appearance. The burglars promptly opened fire on him. Their desire was evidently to scare Bush, as all three shots went wide. After firing the third shot the burglars made a rush and got away.

Gave Birth to Quadruplets.

The recent birth of four girls to Mr. and Mrs. James Platt, of near Galien, has awakened considerable interest in the medical profession. They have been searching the medical records, and find that out of 72 cases recorded in the surgeon-general's department of the United States there is no previous case of quadruplets being all females.

Done a Wholesale Thieving Business.

Wesley Woomer, who was arrested at Niles on the charge of the larceny of a bicycle, has confessed to carrying on a wholesale traffic in wheels. He admits stealing 23 bicycles in that neighborhood within the past few months. He sold all of them to Niles people, and the police are now recovering them.

Some Wheat Crop Statistics.

Here are some wheat crop statistics: An Oakland county farmer cut 13 acres of wheat and secured only 136 bushels; in Pipestone, Cass county, 200 bushels was all that was obtained from 55 acres, and on a farm in Paragon, same county, but 15 shocks were put up in eight acres.

M. N. G. Order.

Adjt.-Gen. Case has issued a general order to the effect that members of the national guard who have seen service in the last war can be re-enlisted from the expiration of their term of service. The mustering officer being instructed to date the re-enlistment from such time.

A single resident of Cass county has within the past two months shipped to eastern markets five tons of turtles, receiving six cents per pound for them. They were caught in the lakes of that county.

Pure Food Statistics.

During the fiscal year ending June 30 last 47 cases were commenced for violation of the pure food law in Michigan. Thirty-nine cases were pending at the beginning of the year. During the year 25 cases were nolle prossed, 20 of which were of a large fine cases which were discontinued on account of the unconstitutionality of the anti-color law. Thirteen defendants were bound over to the circuit court and 18 defendants were discharged on examination. In trial courts there were 20 convictions and five acquittals. The supreme court has affirmed one conviction and set aside one. At present there are 10 cases pending. During the month of June the state analyst examined 161 food samples, 94 of which were found pure and 67 adulterated.

STATE GOSSIP.

Three Rivers wants a creamery.

Counterfeit silver dollars are in circulation at Platiwell.

A local telephonic exchange is being put in at Constantine.

All the farm banks at Mt. Clemens were ordered closed on the 17th.

The Grand Rapids iron mine will shortly be placed in operation again.

It has cost Sanilac county \$1,000 to repair bridges damaged by heavy rains this month.

The oat crop is being harvested in Van Buren county, and is the best in many years.

Eugene Berstecheer has been appointed deputy game warden for St. Joseph county.

The kissing bug has been doing business at Allegan, Battle Creek and Traverse City.

The grape crop in the famous Layton district will fall slightly below that of last year.

Twenty-three marriage licenses were issued to Chicago excursionists at St. Joseph on the 23d.

Gladwin county farming lands are having a boom and many new settlers are going that way.

St. Joseph is to have a paper factory, having secured the Western Paper Co. to locate in that city.

A "kissing bug" has been on exhibition in a Marshall drug store for the past several days.

Calhoun county wheat crop has been harvested and the yield is about one-half that of last year.

The Lenawee County Pioneer and Historical society holds its annual picnic at Adrian, August 4.

Valuable marl beds have been found near East Thawas, and a cement factory will be started, it is said.

The Michigan Bell Telephone company will erect a fine block for their exchange at Battle Creek.

Two orders each 30 years old were presented to St. Joseph county's treasurer for payment last week.

The St. Joseph County Agricultural society will hold its annual fair at Centerville, September 26-29.

The Salvation Army will not be allowed the use of business streets for meetings at Battle Creek, hereafter.

Farmers in the vicinity of Bloomingdale are raising a large crop of tomatoes for seeds, or commercial seedsmen.

The 23d was the hottest day of the year at Grand Rapids; the thermometer registering 97 at the official observatory.

The grasshoppers in Cass county are attacking the sugar beets, and eat the tops completely off if left alone long enough.

Dogs are killing large numbers of sheep in Sanilac county, and farmers are talking of organizing a dog hunting party.

Crops on the plains of northern Michigan are better than they have been for several years, owing to the large rain fall.

Chicken thieves are reaping a harvest at Oshtemo and the surrounding country. They take whips and robes also when they are handy.

A carriage factory is one of the things Romeo's new organized business men's association is hustling to secure, with good chances of success.

Montrose is to have a grist mill, the contract having been let for its erection. It is to be completed in time to begin operations November 1.

The bail of Dr. Bennett, of Detroit, who is held in Grand Rapids on a charge of manslaughter, was reduced to \$5,000 and he is now out of jail.

Wages of common laborers in the lumber woods have advanced from \$3 to \$4 per month during the past month, and men are very scarce at the advance.

Wm. Howard, of Plainwell, was the seventh son of his parents, and has seven sons of his own. It is doubtful if there is any other such case in the state.

A design of red, white and blue, with purple stars on a strip of white, indicating the wards of the city, has been accepted as the official flag of Battle Creek.

Fifty subordinate granges have been added in the past six months to the State Grange. State Master Horton urges the formation of grange fire insurance companies.

Reports from Dowagiac says that the owners of peppermint farms near that city do not expect to get more than 15 pounds of oil per acre—one-third of an average.

Edward Burger, of Benton Harbor, has made a discovery which may save farmers hundreds of dollars. He has found that gasoline will kill grasshoppers almost instantly.

Pear trees throughout Lapeer county are being attacked by a repulsive worm of a greenish color about the size of a large caterpillar. Some trees have been stripped of their foliage.

Within the past few months three of the best school buildings within a radius of seven miles of Stanton have been burned, and under the circumstances indicative of incendiarism.

The fine four company barracks at Fort Brady, Sault Ste. Marie, has been damaged by fire to the extent of about \$30,000. The building cost \$75,000 and was considered a model of its class.

Stats Off Inspector Smith has turned \$1,200 into the state treasury. The amount represents the excess of the receipts of the office over the expenses during the six months ending June 30.

Up in Chippewa county they are still eating strawberries of home growth, although down in the southern portion of the state that fruit has been but a memory for these many days.

A Leslie man encouraged a couple of boys to settle their dispute with their fists, and was arrested and sentenced to 60 days in jail under an old ordinance against aiding and abetting a fight.

In the ruins of St. Joseph county's old court house, which was pulled down recently, was found a penny bearing date of 1822, and a spirit level, which had probably laid in the earth since 1842, when the building was erected.

A tramp ordinance to make the gentry work on a chain gang was lately passed by the Flint city council. It is now in effect and no tramps are in sight. The marshal offers a reward for a hobo. Other cities are watching Flint's experiment.

Through the death of Leopold Drach of Memphis, Tenn., Anton Drach, a cousin, living two miles east of St. Joseph and engaged in operating a small fruit farm, has fallen heir to an estate valued at \$100,000. Drach has gone to claim the estate.

Department Commander Pealer, of the G. A. R., has made dates to address soldiers' reunions at the following places: Oshtemo, Aug. 9; Sparta, Aug. 10; Hastings, Aug. 16; Marshall, Aug. 17; Hart, Aug. 18; Howard City, Aug. 24; Fremont, Aug. 25.

Secretary Baker of the state board of health says that the death rate from consumption has steadily decreased in Michigan since 1881 at the average annual rate of 11 per cent. By 1930, he figures, the disease will be wiped out at the present rate of reduction.

Ten arrests were made at Northville on the 25th, by deputy sheriffs from Detroit. The men were arrested on the charge of being implicated in the mock lynching affair at Mead's Mills, a short time ago, in which Tom Evans, who at present is sojourning at the house of correction, figures as the hero.

On the 24th the thermometer at Bay City registered 88, at Ann Arbor, 96, at Muskegon, 93, at Kalamazoo, 100, at Battle Creek, 100, at Saginaw, 102, at St. Joseph, 95, at Ferris Springs, 104, at Grand Rapids, 95, at Lansing, 94, at Marshall, 96, at Gaylord, 98, and at Mason, 94. Precipitations were reported at Ann Arbor, Battle Creek, Grand Rapids, Lansing and Adrian.

The sugar beet industry is proving a gold mine for the industrious youngsters of Gratiot county. Schoolboys, who never earned a dollar before are averaging from \$6 to \$9 a week. One boy, 13 years old, made \$17.20 in one week working by the row. The high wages paid for labor in the beet fields have caused an advance of two and three shillings a day in local lumber mills.

A company has been organized in Detroit for the manufacture of automobiles. The wagons will be made from the model invented by Henry Ford, which is claimed to be the most perfect one in the world. By Mr. Ford's machine the power is applied directly to the wheels and thus does away with the chain gear. In fact it will be an odorless, noiseless and perfectly controllable machine.

Georgians Take Sweet Revenge. Since the assault of Mrs. Ogletree, at Saffold, Early county, Ky., on the 20th, hunting parties have been out in search of the criminals. A Negroe appeared at an old darkey's house, near Brinson, Ga., and asked to be harbored. The old man went to Brinson with the information. A posse returned with him and captured the Negro, who gave his name as Louis Sammin. The man was taken to Saffold, where he was identified by Mr. and Mrs. Ogletree as one of their assailants. He said there were eight Negroes in his gang, and that they came from Augusta, and he also informed them that two of the gang were not far away. One portion of the mob went in pursuit of those two, while the others of the mob hung Sammin and riddled his body. The other two Negroes were overtaken, shot and scalped, and a party took their scalps to Saffold in the evening.

Six Italians Lynched. A dispatch from Tallulah, La., says that six Italians were lynched there on the evening of the 20th. On the day of the trouble Dr. Hodges, a prominent physician of the village, quarreled with an Italian. The latter secured a shotgun and mortally wounded the doctor. The shooting created intense excitement. A mob captured the would-be assassin and five of his friends, strung them up to trees, and filled their bodies with buckshot.

Trouble in Belgrade. According to a Rome correspondent absolute confirmation has been obtained that ex-King Milan, of Serbia, himself planned the recent alleged attempt on his life, for political purposes. The correspondent also says that the Austrian government has decided to invite Milan to voluntarily exile himself from Serbia in order to prevent further trouble. In Belgrade a reign of terror is said to prevail. Milan taking advantage of the opportunity to imprison many of his political enemies for alleged complicity in plots to put an end to his career.

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NORTHVILLE.

Purely Personal.

Mrs. Lydia McRobert is visiting friends in Hudson.

Abe Rooney is home for a three weeks' vacation.

Carl Daines of Detroit visited relatives here this week.

H. E. C. Daniels has gone to Chicago for a short visit.

Fred Bennett of Salem was a visitor in Northville Sunday.

Ezra Wiley of West Mills Grove, Ohio visited here this week.

Will Hart of Lapeer was the guest of E. H. Lapham this week.

Mrs. H. D. Dean of Nesho, Mo., is visiting among relatives here.

Miss Binda Northrop of Lansing is the guest of Mrs. W. Y. Murdoch.

Mrs. John Ambler left yesterday for Union City for a fortnight visit.

Dr. Carrothers and family have returned from their Ontario visit.

Mable Harrington is visiting Mrs. Louis Harrington in Detroit this week.

Dave Clarkson and Will Simmons visited Harve Connell in Pontiac Sunday.

The Misses Shove of Jackson were guests of their aunt, Mrs. E. A. Beal, this week.

Mrs. H. E. C. Daniels and daughters are in the east for the summer vacation.

Miss Susie Millsbaugh of Wayne was the guest of her brother here over Sunday.

Mrs. Blackwood is out from Detroit for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Yerkes.

Mrs. Kate Sands-Hull of Milford is the guest of Miss Kate Buckner and other friends.

Miss VanLeuven of Milford was the guest of her brother at the Park hotel last week.

Roy Litch of Texas, a former Northville boy was among friends here a part of last week.

Roy Bennett of Salem was the guest of Harry Harmon Saturday night and Sunday.

Misses Anna Scotten, Grace and Mable Lewis of Detroit are guests of the Misses Singer this week.

Miss Grace Yerkes is spending the week with the Meads of Detroit at their summer home at Orion.

Mrs. Chas. Burns and daughter Edna of Fenton visited friends here last week and part of this week.

B. G. Filkins of the Northville-Alpena U. S. fish station is on his annual three weeks' leave of absence.

Claude Shafer of the S. S. bank is on a two weeks' outing and D. B. Northrop is assisting at the bank in his stead.

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Dickerson, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Moore and Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Smith are encamp at Walled lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Thurston leave next week for a three weeks' vacation at the home of Mr. Thurston's parents at Clare.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Thurston are receiving a visit from the former's brother, H. A. Thurston, and wife of Oberlin, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Hazen of Novi were entertained from Saturday afternoon until Sunday afternoon at the home of Andrew Harmon and family.

Excursion Notice

DET. GD. RAPIDS & WEST'N

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Geo. DeHaven, G. P. A.

Grand Ledge and Island Lake, Sunday July 30.

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Grand Rapids and Grand Ledge Sunday, August 6.

Spiritual Camp Meeting at both places. Train will leave Plymouth at 8:35 a. m. Leave Grand Rapids at 6:30 p. m. Grand Ledge 8:00 p. m. Rates \$1.75 and 75c.

Geo. DeHaven, G. P. A. w2

25 Cent Detroit Excursion.

The F&PM railway company has again resumed its Wednesday and Saturday Detroit cheap excursions. Special train leaves Northville at 9:30 a. m., standard time on above days, and for the return trip leaves Detroit, at 5:30 p. m. Round trip fare 25 cents.

August Excursions to the Agricultural College.

It is the duty of every farmer to visit the Agricultural College at Lansing occasionally and see what the great state of Michigan has provided for the education of the rising generation. City folks may also profit by such a visit. The week of August 14th to 19th has been chosen by the college authorities especially for the entertainment of visitors, and a delightful day is assured all who take advantage of the excursion via the D. G. R. & W. Ry. which will leave Plymouth at 8:10 a. m. on August 19. Returning train will leave Lansing at 5:30 p. m. Round trip rate \$1.25, children under 12 half rate. Take along a basket of lunch and have a picnic in the beautiful grounds and groves.

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Council Proceedings.

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Mrs. Eva Slater of Adrian is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Little.

Mrs. Geo. Carson and two children returned Wednesday from a two weeks' visit at Port Huron.

Mrs. Mary Ambler spent a part of last week with her mother, Mrs. Brown in Novi and her sister, Mrs. Gibson at Wixom.

After a three weeks' vacation at Wingleton, Detroit and other points, A. T. Stewart has again resumed his labors at the U. S. fish station here.

Drs. Turner, Henry and Carrothers, Claude Bennett and Will Macomber took in the beauties of Union Lake Tuesday and sampled the fishing.

Mrs. S. B. Adams and daughter Francis of Newport have been visiting at the home of Mrs. C. J. Ball a part of the week, returning home Wednesday.

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Through Sleepers to Boston.

On Wabash Continental Limited, leaving Chicago 12:02 noon arriving Boston 5:50 p. m., next day. Also on Night-Express leaving Chicago 11:00 p. m., arriving Boston 10:20 a. m., second day. Through sleeper to New York on both trains. Ticket office, 97 Adams St. Telephone, Main 1019.

Excursion to Pt. Huron.

In connection with the Star Lines Steamer Greyhound the F & P. M. will run a Tashmoor excursion on Friday, August 4, for 75 cents for round trip from Northville. For 25 cents extra passengers may go on to Pt. Huron. Boats will meet the train at 12th street dock and land passengers there on return.

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ALGER RESIGNS.

The Secretary of War has Tendered His Resignation to the President.

Secretary Alger on the 19th tendered to the President his resignation of the war portfolio. The resignation will become effective Aug. 1, though it was tendered "at the pleasure of the President." Gossip has begun already as to his successor, but is entirely speculative, for notwithstanding the reports that Mr. Alger would not long continue at the head of the war department, his actual resignation came suddenly and unexpectedly. No official statement as to the cause of the resignation is procurable either from the President or from Secretary Alger, neither of whom would talk on the subject. Nor was the letter of resignation obtainable at this time. For the present, nothing will be made known officially concerning the severance of the official relations between the President and his war minister, but later on the official correspondence closing the latter's career as chief of the war department doubtless will be given to the press.

70 Entombed But Only Four Killed.

An explosion of gas and firedamp occurred in the mine of the Redstone Coal, Oil & Gas Co., at Grindstone, five miles from Brownsville, Pa., on the 24th, in which 70 men were entombed. The explosion was so great that eight men who had just descended into the shaft were knocked down and seriously injured. All escaped, however, but a boy named Salomon, who had an ugly cut across the throat, but who went back, refusing to leave the mine until his father and brother could be gotten out. The mine is operated by a shaft, and there is no other way of escape for the entombed miners. There was intense excitement about the mine, and the wails of the wives, mothers and children who surrounded the mouth of the pit, were faithful to hear. The total list of dead and injured number but four.

Hawaiian Volcano Active.

Mokuaweweoe is in action, after a rest of several years, and as a feature of the celebration of Independence day the fire began belching forth early on Tuesday morning, July 4. The outbreak occurred on the side of Mauna Loa at an elevation of about 10,000 feet. Two immense fountains of lava were forced into the air to an elevation of many hundred feet, and from these were rapidly formed the three lava flows which are now steadily making their way down the mountain side toward the sea.

Nine Killed by an Explosion.

An explosion on board the torpedo boat destroyer Bullfinch on the Solent, during her trial, killed nine and injured four of those on board. It was the worst naval accident of this nature that has occurred in the British navy in 20 years. The victims were injured, steam and boiling water filling the engine room. The Bullfinch is one of the latest designed 30-knot torpedo boat destroyers.

BASE BALL.

Below we publish the number of games of ball played by the Western and National Leagues, giving the number of games won and lost, together with the percentage of each club to date, Tuesday, July 25th.

WESTERN LEAGUE STANDING.

Club	Games Played	Won	Lost	Per Cent.
Indianapolis	75	45	30	600
Minneapolis	80	45	35	562
Detroit	79	42	37	532
Grand Rapids	78	41	37	526
St. Paul	79	38	41	481
Milwaukee	77	34	43	442
Kansas City	81	35	46	432
Buffalo	79	34	45	430
*Formerly Columbus.				

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDING.

Club	Games Played	Won	Lost	Per Cent.
Brooklyn	82	59	23	683
Boston	81	51	30	630
St. Louis	81	48	33	593
Philadelphia	82	48	34	585
Baltimore	81	46	35	568
Chicago	80	45	35	562
Cincinnati	81	40	41	494
Pittsburg	82	41	41	494
New York	80	35	45	438
Louisville	79	33	46	418
Washington	85	31	54	365
Cleveland	88	15	68	181

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

New York—Cattle Sheep Lambs Hogs
Best grades... \$1.80-2.00 \$4.61-4.70 \$3.00 \$4.50
Lower grades... 2.00-2.50 3.00 5.10 4.50

Chicago—
Best grades... 4.45-5.25 5.25 7.00 4.60
Lower grades... 3.50-4.45 3.25 3.50 4.10

Detroit—
Best grades... 3.75-4.85 4.30 5.50 4.55
Lower grades... 3.50-3.75 3.25 5.00 3.61

Buffalo—
Best grades... 3.50-4.60 5.10 6.50 4.75
Lower grades... 3.00-3.30 4.70 4.60 4.03

Cleveland—
Best grades... 4.50-5.00 4.50 6.75 4.65
Lower grades... 3.75-4.25 3.25 5.50 3.73

Cincinnati—
Best grades... 4.10-5.00 4.70 5.75 4.71
Lower grades... 3.50-4.25 3.60 4.00 4.53

Pittsburg—
Best grades... 4.20-5.25 4.10 6.40 4.41
Lower grades... 3.75-4.25 3.90 5.00 3.61

GRAIN, ETC.

	Wheat, No. 2 red	Corn, No. 2 mix	Oats, No. 2 white
New York	75 2/3	33 1/2	29 2/3
Chicago	70 2/3	31 1/2	19 1/2
Detroit	72 2/3	32 1/2	29 2/3
Toledo	70 2/3	34 2/3	32 2/3
Cincinnati	69 2/3	35 2/3	32 2/3
Cleveland	75 2/3	37 2/3	32 2/3
Pittsburg	74 2/3	37 2/3	31 2/3
Buffalo	73 2/3	36 2/3	30 2/3

*Detroit—Hay, No. 1 timothy, \$10.50 per ton. New Potatoes, 50c per bu. Live Poultry, spring chickens, 8c per lb; fowls, 8c; turkeys, 10c; ducks, 8c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 13c per doz. Butter, best dairy, 15c per lb; creamery, 15c.

\$100,000 Fire at Toledo.

The elevator owned by the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton Elevator Co., at Toledo was fired by a tremendous explosion on the 23d, which seemed to ignite the immense building at all points. The destruction to the elevator was complete, the fire burning with a rapidity that could not be checked in the least. The building contained 920,000 bushels of wheat, approximately, making a loss of about \$650,000. The building was the most recently constructed in the city and cost close to \$300,000.

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Roses, doz., \$1.00
Carnations, doz., 30c
Mignonette, doz., 25c
Plant Peas, doz., 10c

PLANTS.

Aster, 10c
Late Cabbage, 5c
pr 100, 40c

NORTHVILLE GREEN-HOUSES.
Corner Grace Ave. and Yerkes St.

A pig gets its weight from corn, so does a man get a name from his work.

Gordan Allan, TAILOR...

It will do you good to call and see my prices.

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Professor (to his wife, provoked)—I never know how to take you, Amelia. Two years ago you were crazy for that hat, and now I've bought it for you you don't like it at all!—Fliegende Blaetter.

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Mid-Summer ...Sale... ...NEGLIGEE SHIRTS...

We will, on Saturday, July 29, place on sale our entire line of Negligee Shirts at price for quick selling.

SEE WINDOW.	50c Negligee Shirts 33c	SEE WINDOW.
	75c Negligee Shirts 53c	
	\$1 Negligee Shirts 69c	

UNLAUNDRIED WHITE SHIRTS, all sizes, 33c

These prices for Saturday only.

81-83 Main Street. **The Star Clothing House,** Northville, Mich.

Drugs and Druggists Sundries, Ice Cream and Ice Cream Soda.

66 Main St. **Hueston's Pharmacy.** NORTHVILLE, MICH.

You will find everything at Hueston's Pharmacy, both for the sick and for the well. Patent medicines at cut rate prices.

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We have just added fifty patterns of the most beautiful natural wood picture frame mouldings ever designed by any factory. Black, gray, golden and fleishy oaks, ebony, mahogany, sycamores, etc., in all the popular new finishes and widths. No city art store carries a more elegant line. How about prices? Just about half what you pay in the city for the same goods. We invite inspection and comparison.

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Paris Green 18c lb

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NORTHVILLE.

The City in Brief.

F. S. Fry has been seriously ill but is now better.

Co. D. 5th Mich., Cav. reunions at Whitmore Lake, August 3.

Mrs. Mary E. Pomeroy has been granted a widow's pension of \$12 per month.

The D. P. & N. electric railway now makes hourly trips between Wayne and Plymouth.

Cards are out announcing the wedding of Miss Anna Blair to Mr. Fred Fry to take place August 3.

Mrs. J. D. Covert has been quite ill, compelling her and her daughter to defer their visit at Owosso.

There were 185 excursionists from here on Saturday's 25c special and this week Wednesday 140 went.

The council has appointed L. A. Babbitt, F. N. Clark and Andrew Rasch as commissioners to look after the new electric lighting plant.

Maud—Last night Jack told me that he wouldn't marry the best girl living unless—what—unless she took Rocky Mountain Tea. Bright fellow. Ask your Druggist.

Four per cent. will be added to your village taxes if not paid before August 1.

The Baptist ladies' sale of Home-made baking which was to have taken place Saturday has been postponed.

At the regular KOTM review next week Friday night the knights will give the LOTM ladies an "X" supper. All members are requested to be present.

Christian Science service Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock and Wednesday evening at 7:45 o'clock in the WCTU hall. All are cordially invited to attend.

The B. P. W. is paving Main street with crushed stone. The material doesn't seem to pack down as quickly as was expected, one reason probably being because the roller is not yet heavily enough weighted. The crusher chews up the big stone as fast as they can be fed into its huge jaws.

Northville Presbyterians are to hold an "old maid's convention," ere long. Said circulars up here. A number of chaps should attend. There are Laet Bennett, Jan Holme, Doc Hull, Doc Snyder, Doc Gibson, John Ringman, Myron McRoberts, Jacob Breedon, Will Colvin, Lew Porter, Charley Cone, Buzz Bury, Ed. Stobbius and others "too numerous to mention," who ought to charter a train and get seats in that convention.—Adrian Press.

The special electric lighting committee had an expert electrical engineer out here from Detroit Wednesday making plans and specifications for the new plant to be put in by the village. The idea seems to be to purchase as much of the present plant as can be profitably used in the new system. The committee say the recommend for the new system will be arc lights for all the streets and all the machinery, etc., of the latest improved order.

The sad news of the death of Harry Jackson of Chicago reached here Monday. Harry was a graduate of the U. of M. and was well known in Northville where he had hosts of warm friends. He had chosen law as his profession and was about ready to be admitted to practice. The coroner jury brought in a verdict of accidental shooting. It appears that while handling his revolver one of the shells exploded, the ball entering the left side and passing through the heart and out on the right side. There was not the slightest evidence of suicide as was at first reported here.

George Barnhart, our George, is about to start a cat menagerie and none but first class, well bred stock will be accepted. No roof climbers, or back yard fence artists need apply. A thorough test of voice, color, (three colored seats barred) length from tip to nip, affability, etc., will be given. George began his task at the residence of L. W. Hutton, and the two, finely matched black cats, the pride of Mr. Hutton's latter days, were about to be presented to George by the women folks when Mr. H. appeared and George's aspirations met with a sad catastrophe. Mr. H. objected and George became desperate (he gets that way since he milked John Buchner's cow in front of C. H. & Y.'s store) and offered Mr. H. \$30 for the cats but could not drive the bargain, and is now offering 75 cents each for all good specimens presented at his residence Saturday evening. Now's your chance to help George out on a landable venture.

The "life-line" is out, extending the "glad hand" of life, hope and happiness. Reaches around the globe. 'Tis Rocky Mountain Tea. 35 cents. Ask your Druggist.

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Braeside.
[Dedicated to Mr. Eartherly's new residence now being finished at the north-east corner of the village.]
Beyond the trees where winds the road:
Among flowers and fields so wide,
There stands a mansion large and grand
Upon the broad hillside.
The sighing wind blows soft and still
And peace seems everywhere;
As from this glorious spot is seen
The town of Northville fair.
'Twas only a turf-moss-grown spot,
A few short months ago—
A wide and level field,
For the farmer to plow and sow.
But now its beauty is unsurpassed
By homes both far and wide,
And every comfort that wealth can bring
Is found at pleasant Braeside.
And so we welcome with a smile
This host and hostess fair,
And every spring and summer time
We'll seek and find them there.
—MRS. L. B. B.

Thad. J. Knapp has secured a position as teacher in the Joliet (Ill.) township High school. It is a nice position, fourteen teachers being employed in the High school alone.

The paving of Main street with crushed stone will be expensive enough at best but under the present system where two or three men are on the average idle almost all the time at one or the other end of the route, waiting for teams, etc., the expense will surely not be lightened. It is suggested that members of the council look after this matter themselves a little instead of leaving it all for the commissioner.

The Highway commissioner proposes to keep personal tab on the D. P. & N. people until they have finished their work through the township and will see that the road between here and Plymouth, which is being torn up in all kinds of shapes and grades made in front of private property, is left in proper shape and without any unnecessary delay. This can only be accomplished by personal supervision on the part of the commissioner and Mr. Starkweather can be trusted to look after the people's interest in the matter.

Co. D. Reunion.

The annual reunion of Co. D. 5th Cav. will be held at Whitmore Lake on Thursday, August 3.

Notice to Taxpayers.

On and after August 1, four per cent will be added for the collection of all unpaid Village Taxes. By order of the Council.

E. H. LAPHAM, Treas.

Alger Day Excursion.

Next week Wednesday's E. & P. M. excursion will be known as "Alger Day." Train leaves at usual time with the usual 25 cent rate. It will be a big day in Detroit as Michigan's welcome home of her honored son.

Free of Charge.

Any adult suffering from a cold settled on the breast, bronchitis, throat or lung troubles of any nature who will call at Murdock Bros., will be presented with a sample bottle of Boschee's German Syrup, free of charge. Only one bottle given to one person, and none to children without order from parents.
No throat or lung remedy ever had such a sale as Boschee's German Syrup in all parts of the civilized world. Twenty years ago millions of bottles were given away and your druggists will tell you its success was marvelous. It is really the only Throat and Lung Remedy generally endorsed by physicians. One 75 cent bottle will cure or prove its value. Sold by dealers in all civilized countries.

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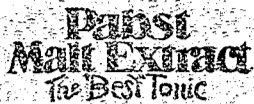
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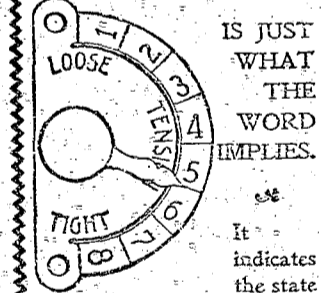
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NEIGHBORHOOD

Salem News.

John E. Waterman is visiting his daughter at Ludington this week. The quarterly Sabbath-school concert will be held in the Congregational church next Sabbath at 2:30.

Mrs. Fred Wheeler is expecting a visit from her aunt, Mrs. Jennie Voorhies and her son, of Ann Arbor. Also Mrs. Roe and Miss Vroman of Plymouth.

The August meeting of the Salem Farmers' club will be held at the home of Chas. Stark on Wednesday, Aug. 2. Members of the club please to be on time.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wheeler are in receipt of an invitation from Cheboygan from Miss Florence Tweedale announcing her marriage to Mr. Taylor, August 2. Miss Tweedale was a former resident of Salem where she was much thought of.

Rev. O. A. Thrasher of the Baptist church takes his vacation beginning next Monday. He will take his family with him to Long Lake near Fenton where they have a summer cottage and will be absent about three weeks. Mr. Thrasher has made arrangements for his pulpit to be supplied one Sabbath during his absence by his brother-in-law, Mr. Church of Byron.

Walled Lake News.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Giehrst spent Sunday in South Lyon.

Will and John Campbell and Bert Coe are all riding new wheels.

Cornelius Barrett of Lansing visited his brother Al here this week.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Holmes, July 26, a six pound girl.

Miss Edna Ford of Belleville was the guest of Ethel Seeley last week.

Miss Eva Holmes of Novi is the guest of her brother Sidney this week.

A. K. Carpenter of Northville is putting in a furnace at Dr. Chapman's.

The Walled Lake Farmers' club will meet at the home of C. F. Rose, Wednesday Aug. 2.

Miss Wm. Williams and children of Detroit are spending the week at Jerome Compton's.

Joe Goodrich of Detroit spent the first of the week with his family who are sojourning here.

O. J. McNight, who has been working in Detroit for the past four months, is home for the week.

Mrs. Henry Hodge was called to Grand Rapids Monday by the serious illness of her daughter, Mrs. John Ingorsol.

Mrs. Minerva Compton who has been a sufferer for many years with rheumatism, is said to be improving quite rapidly.

Mrs. Ida Evoland of Manistique spent part of last week at the home of Nelson Howard. She is enroute for Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Bogie of Commerce and Mr. and Mrs. Walters of Novi were entertained at the home of J. G. Kenyon Sunday.

The many friends of Ethel Seeley will be glad to know that she is so far recovered from her long illness as to be able to ride out.

There will be no preaching service in the Methodist church Sunday as Mr. Mitchell goes to Eaton Rapids this week to attend camp meeting.

Mrs. S. M. Gage entertained Miss Jennie Coleman of Allalabud, India; Mrs. Louise Coleman of Chicago; Mrs. Susie Woolley and Mrs. Gertrude Swift of Northville one day last week.

The ball game here last Saturday between White Lake and Franklin, resulted in a victory for the White Lake boys. Next Saturday there will be a game here between South Lyon and Walled Lake teams.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Bannfield, Mr. and Mrs. James Tiffin and George Parker of Wixom were Walled Lake visitors Sunday. There were others but they were such frequent visitors that we'll not mention it.

How long do strikers generally hold out? The ones in the berry patch last week only sat on the fence about half an hour. Then they climbed down one by one and went meekly back to work at the same old price. Perhaps it wasn't a comfortable place to sit though.

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Meads Mills News.

Frank Taylor is on the sick list. Mrs. Cal Stevens and children went to Detroit last Saturday.

Ray Larson of Redford visited his sister, Mrs. Jesse Thomas this week.

Mrs. Naomi Green and Miss Elma Green were guests at H. S. Green's Sunday.

Miss Madge Taylor of Detroit visited her aunt, Mrs. Frank Taylor last week.

Chas. C. Legdon of Ann Arbor visited his cousin, Mrs. Ardent Wilkinson last Monday.

Miss Markham and Mrs. Savage of Ann Arbor have been visiting with the Sly and Stevess families.

Election of officers last Sunday in the Sunday-school resulted as follows: Mr. McGraw, supt.; Mr. Childs, assist. supt.; Mrs. Hughes, treas.; Mrs. Green, sec.

It seems hard to see the old trees cut down in front of the old foundry. They seem a part of the building, but we will have a street railway which will make us quite civilized.

Farmington News.

Editor Bloomer is still quite sick. Gale Collins who has been very sick is somewhat better.

Remember the contest Saturday evening at the town hall.

G. F. Chamberlin and family were Detroit visitors last week.

Dr. Edmonds and Lyman Sprague were Novi visitors Monday.

Dr. Tucker and daughter of New Hudson were in town Monday.

Miss Grace Sage of Ypsilanti is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. W. T. Daines.

The common salutation at the present time is "Ain't hot, ain't it?"

Mrs. M. E. Woodman is enjoying a visit with her sister, of Elmira, New York.

Miss Nina L. White is the happy possessor of a fine new wheel the gift of her father.

Rev. Mr. Curtis of Plymouth preached in the Methodist church Sunday morning.

Mrs. C. F. White accompanied by her sons Glenn and Fred were Detroit visitors Monday.

J. W. Collins returned from Owosso Saturday. He has been visiting his son Will and family.

Miss Kathleen Douglas of Pontiac is being entertained at the home of Mrs. Catha Murray.

James H. Hogle of Pontiac was a Farmington visitor Saturday night and a part of Sunday.

A pleasant time was had at the Methodist Sunday-school picnic at Walled Lake Thursday.

Miss Martha Tredway who has been spending several weeks in Detroit has returned home.

J. L. Hiles accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. E. S. Pettibone, and son Mark were Northville visitors last week.

Miss Minnie Collins and Corinne Collins both of Detroit were the guests of their parents, J. W. Collins and wife, a part of last week.

A most enjoyable time was had at the lawn social at the home of E. R. Edwards Saturday evening. Proceeds about eleven dollars.

Mrs. Banya, nee Emma Tollman, of Grand Rapids is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Tollman. She is in quite a critical condition with heart trouble.

Mrs. Frank Norton and two sons, Austin and Howard, of Ypsilanti who have been visiting the former's parents, John P. Eisenlord and wife, have returned home. They went by way of Chelsea where they spent the Sabbath returning to Ypsi Monday.

Suburban News.

The Birmingham romancer is still abroad in the land and a late story that comes from his facile pen has apparently been too much for even the Delray Times man. It was all about a little green snake that was having a very embarrassing difficulty as the result of trying to swallow a frog much beyond his capacity, when a black snake with a slightly longer tail and a Venus waist happened along and helped the emerald reptile out of its trouble by grabbing the frog with such vehemence that both snake number one and his intended

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victim were transferred intact to the interior bureau of snake number two. The Times appends this request to its account of the circumstance. "The Northville Record will kindly see that some of the jag cure institute circulars are sent over to Birmingham at once."

A Detroit mail carrier who has served the government in that capacity for 17 years, and who was regarded as perfectly trustworthy, recently plead guilty to a charge of robbing the mails. Unless it can be proven that a severe injury to his head which he suffered two years ago has affected his previous good principles, the crime means seven years' imprisonment and \$5,000 fine.

Wyandotte has just lost a resident who was doubtless the oldest of his class in that city and perhaps in the state. His name was "Fido" and he had reached the very remarkable age—for a canine inhabitant—of 24 years. The Wyandotte Independent after giving him a very favorable "send off" makes the remarkable suggestion that he probably died of old age! Was that a waggish remark made on purpose?

Three men were all the members of the Delray Fire company that turned out to a fire the other night. They couldn't draw the hose cart and were helped out of their difficulty by a passing trolley car, which hooked on to the cart and broke all records of speed in getting to the scene of the blaze. (By the way that fire company gives its services free gratis when it gives any. The moral is obvious.)

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CHAPTER IV.

My mirror had told me that I had grown younger since coming to Eldon. The hollows in my cheeks had rounded out. I could no longer say that I was too white for beauty, and the anxious and harassed expression which the unsatisfactory and unsettled conditions of my life prior to my departure from New York had given on my features had wholly given place to the natural serenity and animation of my age. I was somewhat mollified by his explanation, feeling it flattering to my present appearance. I smiled.

"Yes," I replied, "it was I, and I was strangled, that is a fact. But for your chivalrous assistance I shudder to think what might have become of me."

He laughed, and at that moment his mother re-entered the room, bearing on a small tray a cup of steaming tea, the mere sight of which seemed to infuse new strength into my veins. I was not disappointed in its effect upon me, for after drinking it I felt like a new creature.

"I am very sorry to have given you so much trouble," I said to Mrs. Spencer, as she took the empty cup from my hand. "I must introduce myself to you in proper form. I am Miss Lothrop, companion to Mrs. Eldredge of The Ivies."

"Yes," I thought, so returned the good woman, with evident pleasure in her own perspicacity. "You are not wholly unknown to us, my dear young lady. My son has heard you gratefully spoken of by many of his poor patients, besides which, Mr. Booth has mentioned you to us. I hope your interest in charitable work is not proving too great a tax upon your strength."

"Not at all," I replied with decision. "This attack is merely the result of confinement. It is a great pleasure to do some good in the world, even if it be only to administer another's bounty."

She looked at me approvingly, and the doctor even turned a kindly glance upon me.

"But you have an excellent home mission," Mrs. Spencer remarked, not without emotion. "Even without venturing beyond the doors of The Ivies you have ample opportunity for good work in ministering to the broken and bruised spirit of that noble woman who is its mistress. I do not know whether you are acquainted with the sad circumstances of—"

"Mother!"

"I welcomed the warning exclamation that served as an interruption. Divining that my hostess was one of those simple, garrulous, kindly souls that dearly love a bit of gossip, and the expression of the son's face assured me that this weakness of his mother's was tolerable to him. I had no wish to hear from strange lips details which dear Madam had chosen to withhold from me. To listen to the sad story that had wrecked her life, without her permission, seemed to me treasonable intrusion upon sacred ground."

Mrs. Spencer's rosy face flushed a deep crimson.

"Oh, David, my dear, pardon me! I quite forgot," she said hurriedly, and with more embarrassment, it seemed to me, than the occasion warranted.

Both mother and son were so evidently discomfited by her untoward allusion that it appeared wisdom on my part to create a diversion by rising to depart. This action restored the atmosphere to its normal serenity, and drew forth strong expressions of remonstrance from my hosts. Neither considered me fit for the long walk back, and Dr. Spencer urged that I should allow him to drive me home to his dog-cart.

I thanked him cordially, but declined his offer, saying that I feared the advent of a stranger might disturb Mrs. Eldredge, who often took her exercise on the wide veranda at this hour. But Mrs. Spencer insisted.

"You are not fit to walk," she said. "Physician's orders, you know, my dear! Do let my son drive you."

"He is no stranger to madam. Why—"

Again the warning "Mother!" checked the voluble utterance. She broke abruptly off again and turned aside to hide her confusion. Then the doctor took up the argument.

"You are quite right, Miss Lothrop," he said, "in thinking that my presence might distress Mrs. Eldredge, but I am equally reasonable in asserting that you are in no fit condition to walk home. Let us compromise. If you will permit me to drive you to the gates of The Ivies I will allow you to walk thence to the house. Is it a bargain?"

I was glad to fall in with this proposition, and while Dr. Spencer was gone for the trap I had a nice little chat with his mother. I had much ado

so dangerously near it that I was in a state of much alarm lest I should be absolutely obliged to cover my eyes with my hands in order to avoid gleaning unwelcome information. As it was she gave me to understand by veiled hints and innuendoes that the events which had desolated The Ivies had also laid waste her son's life.

"It is a dreadful blow to me that David should throw himself away upon a poor, miserable little village like this. The loss of ambition is to a man what the loss of vanity is to a woman; it simply lets him run to seed. And a man of David's splendid attainments, too! Ah, my dear, we mothers do not lose the burden of our children's being when we are delivered of them; we carry them with us to the grave."

The good soul followed me out to the dog-cart and tucked the rug round me with motherly solicitude, and I finally drove away from her comfortable neighborhood with her warm entreaties for future visits ringing in my ears.

The drive home was pleasant. I found the doctor an agreeable and interesting companion, and I gathered from him much information of an impersonal character of Eldon and its surroundings. He left me at the gate with as cordial an expression of anticipation of our future meeting as that which his mother had infused into her farewells, and I made my way up the long avenue reflecting pleasantly upon this new and genial element which had come so unexpectedly into my life.

I had covered about half the distance between house and gateway when, to my unbounded amazement, I came upon Madam, who had ventured out quite alone, and who was standing absorbed in thought, leaning against the rustic fence which guarded the steep descent of the cliff. I could not see her face, for it was turned in the direction of the stone house, at which she was intently gazing.

I purposely made my approach audible, that my sudden appearance should not startle her, but she took no heed of me until I had a light touch upon her shoulder, at the same time greeting her by name. Then, drawing a long, long breath as if she were impelling her spirit back from a distant journey into the Past, she looked round and welcomed me with a smile.



I PURPOSELY MADE MY APPROACH AUDIBLE.

"Dorothy?"

"Yes, Madam."

"I have missed you, child. The usual marks no hours while Dorothy is absent."

"I missed her hand to my lips. Is it not this too long a stroll for you without companionship, dear Madam?"

"I have brought a tray still with me, you see," she held up a stout, gold-headed ebony cane, of which she frequently made use. "Besides, though he does not dream I suspect it, I have a shrewd idea that my good Franklin exercises a vigilant watch upon me from the veranda. And, sure enough, looking round, I espied the old man dodging among the poplars as he made a surreptitious way back to the house, safe in the thought that I was with his mistress."

"May I wait for you, Madam?"

"Certainly, though I am about returning."

She paused an instant, and a wistful shadow crossed her beautiful face. After a moment she resumed her speech.

"Dorothy," she said, "this is an anniversary. Forty years ago to-day I came, a happy, joyous bride, to that house yonder. Again she turned her poor blind eyes upon the melancholy pile of masonry. "My child, it is an unlucky house, a house of sad disaster and misfortune to all whom it has sheltered; but ah! I would like to see it again. I would give much to look once more upon the walls within which I spent so many happy hours."

I was well aware that she lived, when alone, almost wholly within the memories of past events, and I felt it distinctly gratifying that she should give evidence of being so much at one

with me as to address me in tones of retrospection.

I said no word to disturb the current of her thoughts, but softly withdrew the ebony stick from her grasp, and slipped the hand which held it within my strong young arm. We waited thus in silence a little, and presently she went on.

"Dorothy, I must see it; I must!" she cried, and there was a deep, uncontrollable yearning in her voice. "Look at it, child; look closely at it, until it seems as familiar to you as the face of a friend. Then describe it to me; but describe it faithfully, for its image is graven on my heart, and I shall know if your observation is at fault."

I halted a few minutes, earnestly scrutinizing the prospect before me, for I was anxious to fulfil her request to the very best of my ability, and I was afraid lest she should detect carelessness or slovenliness in my description.

"I see," I began at length, "a gloomy,

grey mass of rubble-stone, rising cold and grim against a background of dark woods. It forms a house of unattractive and even forbidding exterior. This house is three-storied, with a balcony across its front, enclosed and supported by heavy wrought-iron brackets and balustrade. The windows are without blinds, and white inside shutters, enhance the nakedness of their appearance. There are two doors of entrance, that upon the ground-floor opening upon a neglected grass-grown drive—here I felt Madam shiver as if with cold—and appearing to have been of but secondary importance to the architect of the dwelling, for a larger and more imposing doorway exists in the next story, access to which is gained by means of a flight of broken and moss-stained stone steps. The house is square and of uncompromising regularity of outline, and seems to be built against a cliff of ledge of rocks.

I felt a sudden movement of eagerness from my companion, and Madam interrupted me abruptly.

"Yes; yes, it is so. I know it well, that ledge. It forms the back of the lower half of the house, and its surface is covered with a rude platform, which communicates with the house by means of a door opening upon a landing of the inner stair-case. Ah, the dear old platform! How many happy hours have I spent there! Ah, dear old house that has widowed me! Ah, dear, hollowed ground that still echoes with the tread of the feet which you betrayed! God knows you have done me bitter harm and injury. But oh! I love you still!—I love you still!"

I had never seen her moved from her stern self-control before, and I knew not how to meet her demand upon my sympathy. But I took refuge in silence. "That, at least, does not jar, even if it falls to comfort."

Finally she made a movement as if to leave the spot, but turned before departing, with another request.

"Dorothy, I should like once more to stand upon that platform. Could we make a pilgrimage there together some day, do you think? Just you and I?"

"Indeed, yes, dear Madam," I replied without an instant's hesitation. I think, if she had proposed our taking a trip to Jericho in a flying machine, I should have acquiesced in the idea. It was so eager to encourage her confidence in me.

So, unmarked by special events time passed until I had been a year in Madam's service. A closer love and sympathy had grown up between us than exists oftentimes between mother and daughter. I knew that Madam trusted me and that she had confidence in my discretion, yet I was ignorant of the history of her life, of the tragedy that had devastated The Ivies, as I was upon the day I first became a member of its limited household.

One fact, and one only, connected with Madam's relations to life outside her own home, I had gained; that was the fact of the presence somewhere in the world of a son who had expiated himself for some cause unknown to me. She had herself mentioned him to me, else I should have known nothing of him, for her servants were too faithful to their allegiance to her to gossip ever so slightly of things that concerned their mistress. She had alluded to letters received from him, and so I knew that a correspondence was maintained between them; but I was not called upon either to read or to answer these communications. I supposed, as I afterwards learnt was the case, that Mrs. Mayberry served her in such times.

One day, however, as we were sitting at twilight in her boudoir, the month being February, and the brilliant flames on the hearth all the illumination we required, she said to me:

"Dorothy, I am afraid I must lay a new duty upon you."

"Even then, my burden of employment will be a light one, Madam," I answered.

"Poor Mayberry's handwriting is getting so tedious that it is becoming almost unrecognizable. It is a serious mistake to me, for, clever as you are, you are my dear, you cannot do better than copy for me as my poor old housekeeper has been."

"Indeed, Madam, are you sure?" I asked, somewhat disgrained at the idea that that poor work of a woman could do better than I.

"Do better than I," she replied. "I will tell you why. She has acquired a very faithful imitation of my own handwriting. In older times it was her wont to try to fashion herself by such a poor model as I. She was a clever girl, and you would be surprised to know how accurately she copied me in many respects. I have spoken to you of my son, Darracott. He lives abroad, traveling from place to place, for he is a restless man and discontent with monotony. She paused, and sat awhile with her unseeing gaze bent upon the glowing fire while I occupied myself with reflections upon the selfishness of a son who could allow a blind mother to drag out so desolate and lonely an existence as this of Madam's became, forsooth, monotony wearied him. Youth is apt to leap at hasty conclusions.

"Mayberry has been my means of communicating with him," she went on, presently. "She has read his letters to me, and answered them in the first person for me, because, my dear my son is not aware of the affliction which has befallen me, and it has been the aim of my wishes to keep it from him. I cried aloud at this. I could not help it."

"Oh, Madam!" I said, "it is not right it is not fair to him!"

"She smiled very sadly.

"Little girl," she replied, "you speak with the impulsiveness of your age and ignorance. Not fair! Is there question of fairness in adding fresh fuel to the heap which consumes a martyr? Darracott could never have been informed of this ill fortune which has afflicted me if I could have prevented it; but, alas! he complains that he can no longer decipher my handwriting, which is in fact Mayberry's and argues some condition of ill health from this evidence of infirmity. He has questioned me so closely that I find it impossible longer to evade him, and I am therefore obliged, most unwillingly, to disclose the truth to him. So, little Dorothy, you must hereafter be the link that joins my absent boy to his mother."

And so it was that I began to write long letters to Darracott Chester, for I found that it was by a previous mar-

riage that this son had been born to Madam. I shall never forget the first letter I wrote him. It informed him of his mother's affliction, but so lightly was the subject treated that it might have had to do with a mere passing indisposition, rather than with a dire bereavement which seems of all physical calamities, the worst. The casual manner in which she alluded to the matter, and the effect to appear careless and indifferent concerning it, gave to the letter a tone of self-encouragement and self-abnegation that brought tears to my eyes as I perused it.

"If he has the heart of a man and not a stone for his breast," I said to myself as I sealed it, "he will come home to her, whether he dreads monotony or not."

And, indeed, the return mail brought to Madam a letter filled with reproach. It was rather a strange letter, I thought, for while it was all that was dutiful and was marked with sincere distress and sorrow for her affliction, it lacked totally in tenderness and filial love. But it fulfilled my expectations in one respect. Its writer was about to return to Eldon.

This prospect, when Madam disclosed it to her household, created the wildest excitement. The effect it produced upon the most prominent trio was widely different. Franklin was jubilant at the thought of Mr. Chester's return; Mayberry, absurd and unrecognizable as I thought the idea was, without doubt, paralyzed and shocked by the intelligence; while Madam herself, dearly as I believed she loved him, did not seem wholly happy in the idea of her son's home-coming.

Uninstructed as I was in knowledge of the events which influenced these various sentiments, I made no attempt to fathom their cause, and contented myself with girlish and romantic speculations concerning the new inmate which The Ivies would soon receive.

It would be nearly a month before Mr. Chester would arrive, he wrote, and during that month I found occasion to heartily welcome the fact that a man of strength and intelligence would soon be installed beneath our roof. For during that month strange things occurred, which maled me with fear and forebodings, and which yet seemed so wild and improbable that I could not bring myself to mention them even to my good friends, the Spencers.

For my good friends the Spencers had certainly become, Madam always spoke of them in the warmest terms, and cordially encouraged my intimacy with them. I never had cared for a large circle of acquaintances, but it was exceedingly pleasant to me to be able to vary what was assuredly a monotonous existence with visits to such a congenial house as theirs. There was but one drawback to my friendship, David Spencer loved me, and had told me so, I had been obliged to refuse his love, and although he had begged me to allow his offer to make no difference in our mutual relations, and I had promised that it should be so yet it was but natural that I should feel somewhat constrained in the presence of a man whom I had rejected.

I had thought it only honorable towards Madam that I should acquaint her with the matter. I was surprised by the manner in which she received my confidence.

"Is it actually impossible for you to love this good fellow, my dear?" she asked, with great earnestness.

"Impossible, indeed," I replied.

She sighed deeply.

"I wish it might have been different," she said, as if communing with herself. "It would have seemed like a triumph. Then the subject dropped between us."

I have made allusion to the fact that about this time strange and suspicious circumstances began to arouse my curiosity and alarm. The first of these occurred one evening, or rather one late afternoon, as I was returning from a charitable expedition to the village.

My nature is quite a fearless one. I am without the natural feminine reluctance to going about after dark, unprotected, for am I unduly disturbed by strange happenings. But, on the other hand, I have more than the average curiosity of my sex, although, being aware of this weakness, I have made myself mistress of it, and where I feel it to be unwise and indiscreet I am able to place a strong curb upon it. But on ordinary occasions it rises to the surface, and quite transcends any impediment of fear or timidity which might hamper its gratification.

I was strolling up the avenue, then, some time after dusk had fallen, when, at about the spot where I had found Madam standing many months ago, I came to an abrupt halt. I had chanced to look down at the Stone House standing amidst its shadows, and I could have sworn that I saw a figure flit by one of its windows. I approached the edge of the cliff and scanned the house closely. There was certainly a shutter open, for a dark space intervened between the outlines of a window, where, as in the other windows, should have been gleaming whiteness. This in itself was strange, for never in all the time I had been at The Ivies had I seen any sign of occupancy or caretaking about the place. Indeed, I had sometimes wondered that Madam did not have it aired occasionally.

Still, unusual as this evidence of life in the grim mansion was, it did not seem to me then suspicious. I thought that perhaps during my absence Madam had availed herself of the aid of either Mayberry or Franklin to carry out the intention to revisit the scene of her former happiness, and my chief sensation as I continued my homeward way was one of regret and disappointment that I had not been with her on that occasion.

But as I reached the door of The Ivies Franklin opened it with an expression of annoyance on his face.

"Have you happened to see Mrs. Mayberry, Miss Lothrop?" he asked fretfully. "Here is Madam awaiting her, and she is not to be found about the house."

"No, I have not met her," I answered. Then I remembered what I had just seen. "Do you think she could be down at the Stone House, Franklin?" I suggested.

"(To be continued next week.)"

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