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NEWS OF THE WEEK.

MICHIGAN.

The State Horticultural Society will hold an Institute with the Farmers' Club of western Lenawee and eastern Hillsdale counties, in Lenawee county house Hudson, on the 28th inst.

Ralph J. Jewell, arrested for complicity in the Adrian frauds, has been released from jail on bail of $6,000, furnished by Aldermen Mirrick and Gardner.

A Mrs. James Davis of Grand Rapids, was found frozen to death in the snow at a distance from home at an early hour Thursday morning. A half emptied whisky bottle in her bosom told the story of her death. She had evidently lived some time after falling, as the snow near her body was trampled nearly to the ground. A faithful dog was with the body when found, and refused to leave the spot after the corpse was removed.

E. G. Chapin, who has been taking testimony at Lansing in the Christiancy divorce case, has heard 16 witnesses, and finds that charges of drunkenness and cruelty made by Mrs. C. are wholly groundless. Two domestics in the family were witnesses.

At 3 P. M. on Thursday the legislature of Michigan met in joint convention white-terror Jerome read his message, which will be found elsewhere. Wm. S. Smith of Grand Rapids was appointed assistant secretary of the senate, in place of Hopkins, resigned; Oscar F. Morse was appointed chief engrossing and enrolling clerk, in place of Strasberg, resigned; W. M. Scudder his assistant. Speaker Moffatt appointed the following messengers to fill vacancies: Charles H. Alford, E. J. Andrews, Egbert Van Buren and Joseph Edwin crossed; secretary, Wm. H. Hall; assistant, Edward Moore; clerk to the senate committee on Municipal Corporations, Hugh O'Connor; in place of J. V. D. Wilcox, resigned.

The Bay City chamber of commerce, with 60 members, was organized Thursday evening by adopting by-laws and articles of association, and the nomination of officers.

In the circuit court at Hastings judgment has been rendered in favor of 40 farmers against the Irving Mill company for wheat in store and alleged to have been burned by the fire which destroyed the company's elevator a year ago. The mill had been in the habit of grinding purposes. The amount was $2,620.

August Sippe, a prominent German citizen of Jackson, and cigar manufacturer, shot him self in the temple on Friday, because of pecuniary embarrassment.

Mr. Lord is chairman of the railways and canals sub committee, to which we referred matters relating to interstate commerce and railway legislation.

President Angel upon his return from China set Saturday was met in Detroit by a delegation of professors, etc., in a special car. At Ann Arbor 2,000 students and citizens were at the depot. A band of music preceded the procession to the president's residence, before alighting from his carriage Dr. Angell, in a few words, expressed his appreciation of his reception. The entrance to the house was appropriately draped with flags and festoons, over which were the words in evergreen letters: "Welcome Home." Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Frieze and other ladies were at the house to receive Mrs. Angell. An evening reception was held at University Hall.

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J. W. Norris, Postmaster and a leading merchant at Alice, Tex., was called out of his house Tuesday night but by two men, who asked him to go to his store to get some dry goods. He went, but returned in a few minutes, told his wife the men had shot him, and died almost instantly.

The amounts to be paid the doctors for service to President Garfield are $5,000 to Agnew and Hamilton; 10,000 to Bliss and 5,000 each to Reyburn, Boynton and Hixon.

The President has sent to the Senate the name of Roscoe Conkling as Justice of the Supreme Court in place of Ward Hunt, retired. Referred to Judiciary Committee.

Aaron A. Sargent, ex senator from California, was on Friday nominated for U. S. Minister to Berlin, in place of Andrew D. White, resigned.

Charles Scott eloped from Kansas City with the wife of A. J. Bradford, but was followed by the irate husband, who boarded the same train. When near Chicago, the parties had an excited meeting and in a shooting scene which followed, Scott received four shots in different parts of his body.

Gilbert V. Story, Superintendent of the Colored company's docks, New York, died at the hospital Friday of exhaustion, and shock occasioned by a previous accident. He was standing on a gang plank 100 feet long when the vessel moved out, and the plank fell. Story was fired 40 feet into the air, and fell breaking both legs.

A deathbed confession brings out a horrible crime which occurred at Conesville, Ky., in January, 1851. Dr. Brandon confessed that he, John Whittington and R. F. Whittington, with a negro slave, Isaac Bloss, murdered Mrs. Keyholes into different rooms of Wiley Embry's house, until the inmates were stupified; that then they proceeded to rob the house, and having done this, set fire to it, by which the murdered and stupified victims were cremated.

Mrs. Embry and three children only escaping.

The House committee on elections have decided that neither Campbell nor Cannon is entitled to a seat from that district as delegate from Utah to cause.

At Richmond, Va., the General Assembly have elected a State Auditor and a Railroad Commissioner, four of whom are Readjusters.

Lord Beaconsfield, the great statesman and author, died on Friday, aged 77.

Bennett Bros. Piano Co. of Chicago are ready to report a bill to appropriate $10,000,000 for new ships, and $2,500,000 for the completion of the five new monitors now in course of construction.

Hyde Park, one of the largest suburbs near Chicago, is agitating incorporation as a city. It has a population of 30,000.

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In the house Mr. Rason offered a substitute to a resolution of Mr. Belmont, directing the committee on foreign affairs to inquire into the allegation that cash or many pleasure-parties of the United States have been connected with business affairs in which the intervention of the government might be expected; also to inquire into the alleged retention of papers from the state department. Adopted.

Feb. 28.—In the House the committee on elections has presented three reports in the Utah case. The majority report states that neither Cannon nor Campbell are entitled to seats in the house. One of the minority reports is that Cannon, being a polygamist, is not entitled to a seat, but that Campbell is and the other minority report declares both are entitled to the seat. Mr. Bettinger also submitted a report concurring in the majority report. The various reports were ordered printed.

The house military committee to-day agreed to report the bill giving officers below the rank of major, who have served either in the volunteer or regular service in the same grade for 5 years, the pay and allowances of the grade next above that in which they have so served without promotion.

FOREIGN.

A motion of Northcote, expelling Bradlaugh from the House of Commons for an act of flagrant disobedience was passed by a vote of 311 to 53, and a new writ of election for Northampton was issued. Bradlaugh will proceed immediately to Northampton and issue a card for contest for re-election. His offense was in rushing past the bar and taking his seat in contempt of the speaker's order.

The national bank of the city of Mexico was opened Tuesday.

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Garfield Memorial Services.

On Monday, as previously arranged, was held in Representative Hall in Washington memorial services in honor of the late President. The president, cabinet, judiciary, members of congress, and other notable officials and distinguished citizens completely filled the hall. The orator, Hon. James G. Blaine, was introduced by President Davis and spoke about an hour and a half, commanding the closest attention. The manner in which he executed a difficult and delicate task, received almost universal commendation. We submit a few of the more striking passages. In the opening paragraph he said:

For the second time in this generation the great departments of the government muster the third estate and assembled in the Hall of Representatives to go honor to the memory of a murdered president. Lincoln fell at the close of a mighty struggle in which the passions of men had been deeply stirred. The tragical termination of that great life added but another to the lengthened surname of horrors which are marked so many lintels with the blood of the first-born. Garfield was slain in a day of peace; when brother had been reconciled to brother, and when anger and hate had been buried out of sight of land. "Whoever shall hereafter draw the portrait of murder, if he will show it as it has been exhibited where such example was to be shunned, will select no rare, let him not give it the grim visage of Moloch, the brow knitted by revenge, the face black with settled hate. Let him draw it rather as the assassin himself, fanatical, bloodless demon; not so much an example of human nature in its depravity, and in its paroxysms of crime, as an infernal being, a fiend in the ordinary display and development of his character."

Garfield's ancestry, the circumstances of his boyhood life, his educational growth, his military career, his civil career, the rise of his fame so rapidly, are sketched with a graphic hand, but they have all been made familiar to our readers by the copious biographies that have been written and we pass them by, however much the interest with which the genius of Mr. Blaine invests them. Of Garfield's career in the House of Representatives Mr. Blaine said:

With possibly a single exception Garfield was the youngest member in the House when he entered, and he had seven years from his college graduation. But he had not been in his seat sixty days before his ability was recognized and his place conceded. He stepped to the front rank among the foremost men who belonged there. The House was crowded with strong men of both parties; nineteen of them have since been transferred by the senate, and seven them have served with distinction in the gubernatorial chairs of their respective states, and on foreign missions of the highest consequence; but among them all none grew so rapidly or so rapidly as Garfield. As is said by Trevelyan of his parliamentary hero, Garfield succeeded "because all the world in contest could see that he was the coming man." Without a background, and because when once in the front he played his part with a prompt intrepidity and a commanding ease that was but the outward symptoms of the immense reserves of energy on which it was his power to draw.

Of Garfield as a Presidential candidate, the orator said: He steadily grew in popularity with the party, was met with a storm of detraction at the time of each of his nomination, and it continued with increasing volume and momentum until the close of the victorious campaign:

No mightier greatness is mortality.

Nor more touching human fortune.

The whitest virtue strikes. What king so strong

Can tie the gout in his shackles longer than

Under it all he was calm and strong and confident; never lost his self-possession, did no unwise act, spoke no hasty, or ill-considered word. Indeed nothing in his whole life is more remarkable or more creditable than his conduct through those five full months of vituperation—a prolonged agony of trial to a sensitive man, a constant and terrible upon the powers of moral endurance.

POLITICAL TROUBLES.

After speaking of his Presidential life and his ambition for the success of his administration, Mr. Blaine thus refers to the political troubles preceding the assassination: "It is not my purpose to place here and now to speak the language of controversy; but the events referred to, however they may continue to be a matter of contention with others, have become, so far as I am personally concerned, as much a matter of history as his heroism at Chickamauga or his illustrious service in the House. Detail is not needed. The public is in possession, and its sole exceeds, by all odds, that of any other of its kind we have ever kept in stock. Asking him for his experience, Gen. Fletscher gave evidence that he had suffered with chronic rheumatism in the knee joints, and wanly replied: "Nothing from an obstinate ulcer on my limb for years, and I tried all the remedies suggested for it with out any favorable results. A friend recommended St. Jacob's Oil, which I used according to directions, and in most astonishing results; two bottles cured me, and healed the ulcer. Stopping in at Mess. Moore & Humphrey's drug store in Flint, Mich., Mr. Moore regarded as the very best selling article they every sold, and was giving the highest satisfaction. I purchased one bottle, and was cured. There having been no return of symptoms in the joints. I regards his cure as "all right." We next waited upon Mr. Martin & Boylan, Druggists, 213 Main street, who referred to the experience of a lady customer selling nurse, who had used according to directions, and found