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CENTRAL STANDARD TIME.

GOING WEST,

Morning express..... 7.35 a. m.
Mail..... 11.20 a. m.
Steamboat express..... 5 20 p. m.
Night express..... 11.20 p. m.

GOING EAST.

Night Express..... 4.30 a. m.
Holly express..... 7.10 a. m.
Steamboat express..... 10.51 a. m.
Mail..... 4.00 p. m.
Evening Express..... 9.00 p. m.

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We are trying to establish a trade on the merits of our goods. We are constantly improving on our stock and endeavoring to handle only the best and that at lowest possible prices.

Remember our drug trade is our best effort. We can be found night and day —always at the wheel.

ASHTON SALT

Matches fearful cheap. French Villa soap—(look out for the piano.)

Sugar, starch and all kind of groceries at bottom figures.

Our roasted coffee can be had twice of the same quality. We hang to the best brand.

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F. B. RAYNALE & Co.

Wants, Lost. Found, etc.

FOR SALE. The McLaughlin homestead lots 8 on Pierce street, are left in the hands of A. Partridge for sale. They will be sold separately or together. Apply to Mr. Partridge for particulars. 11

WANTED—A good girl for general house work Wages $3 per week. Inquire at this office.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—A thoroughbred registered Patee shorthorn bull 2 years old. Will sell or exchange for sheep or young cattle. Call on or address John McGoldrick, Royal Oak, Mich. 18pd1m.

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These pills have been prepared and used by the doctor in his extensive practice for more than quarter of a century Compounded from simple roots and plants, they have this advantage over all others, that No Harm Can Positively Result From Their Use. Their action on the liver and Kidneys is thorough, thus cleansing the system of impurities, with none of the injurous effects of powerful and dangerous minerals. They will positively cure

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They are a vegetable Tonic Purgative, absolutely harmless under all circumstances, never injuring the weakest female or the youngest child. They may be used as a Mild Laxative, and by increasing the dose they will act as a brisk cathartic, making them the best Family Medicine in the world. For sale by Druggists.

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Accomplishes what its name implies, and no medicine is equal to it for Epilepsy. A trial of one 25 cent package convinces. Sent by mail on receipt of price. Dr. Ware's Sure Cure For Hives will produce greater results than four times the expenditure in any other remedy and convince the most skeptical of their real worth and reliability. Remember that these remedies are not upon the market as the best in the world. They are used by all the prominent Livery, Sale, Transportation and Express stables in Chicago, Detroit, and other places. For Sale By Wholesale & Retail.

WORDS OF WISDOM.

Our new crop of 50 cent Japan Tea has arrived and the quality is unusually fine.

As an inducement for you to try it we will give with each pound sold on Saturday next, a beautiful card sold at retail at from 10 to 15 cents. We cannot afford to continue this, as the expense is too great, but do so simply to get you to try our fine qualities of teas, believing that the goods will secure for us your future trade We will also extend this offer to all purchasers of 50 cents worth of our pure and

Fresh Roasted Coffees.

We have the only Coffee Roaster in town, and our Coffees are always the freshest and best.

Fresh Goods and Low Prices in all Lines is Our Motto.

Our Fall Stock of

WALL PAPER

has arrived, and the patterns are very fine.

Elegant Colored Glass-Ware, Mirrors, beautiful Oil Paintings, a large variety of Baskets, Book Racks, Brackets and other Fancy Wooden Articles suitable for Presents, and a large line of other Goods just in from Chicago.

COME AMD SEE US.

J. R. Corson Jr., & Co.,

Birmingham - - Mich.

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F. Blakeslee. V. Nixon.

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We open the Fall Campaign with a full and complete line of Dry Goods consisting of

A fine line of Shirting Flannels at 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c and 50c.
A fine line of Red Twilled Flannels at 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c, 45c and 50c.
A fine line of Shaker Flannels at 12½c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c and 40c.

A fine line of Ladies' all wool Dress Flannels.

A splendid line of Broadhead Dress Goods. ALL NEW STYLES.
We have the exclusive sale of the Badger State Shawls. GIVE US A CALL.
We handle the most complete line of Dress Fabrics in town, and are continually adding new Novelties to that line.
Our Gent's Unlaundried Shirts at 50c TAKE THE CAKE.
We still handle the O. P. Hazard Over-alls. GIVE THEM A TRIAL.

Cotton Flannels at 10c, 12½c, 15c and 20c. Quality Unexcelled.

OUR STOCK OF

BOOTS & SHOES

is now daily coming and we will have the best assortment in the town. Our KIPP BOOTS (whole stock) at $2 50 is a BARGAIN. Our Gents Fine Shoes are the best in style and durability. Our line of Old Ladies' Comfortable and Warm lined Shoes are the best in town. For all kinds and styles of Rubber Goods we solicit an inspection, as we have bought the best make in market.

FRESH GROCERIES.

Fresh roasted coffees	20 12½	Choice cooking molasses, per gal.	30 40
Fresh roasted coffees	15	Fancy cooking molasses	50
Fresh teas roasted Java	20	Sugar syrup	50
Clarified lemon juce, per bottle	50	New Orleans molasses	60
Halibut, per pound	15	Good rice, per pound	04
Home Comfort, per pound	25	Cooking rasins	10
Chewing tobacco	40	Choice raisins	12½

Give us a trial. Everything fresh and cheap.

F. BLAKESLEE & CO.,

Birmingham - - - Mich.

HOME NOTES.

PERPETUAL NOTICE!

You will please notice date after your name on paper and arrange in this way when your Subscription expires. If your time is out please call and settle.

Fair week.

We need rain.

Base ball: Romeo 20, Franklin 0.

Oxford greans for more roller rinks.

Wm. Reynolds Sr. is quite ill at this writing.

Detroit bread at Mrs. Furman's at 7 cents per loaf.

Stop at the Wayerly house when you go to the fair.

Look at the new wall papers at J. R. Corson jr. & Co's.

The band was out Saturday night and discoursed sweet music.

Where is Whitehead & Mitchell's flour ad't? Look for it in this issue.

Going to see the balloon go up to-day? Big time at the county fair this week.

J. F. Rundel took 13 first premiums on his sheep at the Flint fair last week.

R. Bird will very soon occupy his new home—and a grand good home it is to be.

L. A. Randall talks some of building on his lots on Saginaw street. Hope he will.

Mrs. George W. Durkee is visiting her daughter Mrs. Dr. Morely at Huron, Ohio.

J. R. Cooper of Houghton, proprietor of the Cooper farm, was in town this week.

A petition effecting the line of the Southfield road is being passed around for signatures.

Walter Allen is home from Sand Beach and will remain in this vicinity for a while at least.

Mr. Frost of Orion has a woodchuck record of 207 for the year. Frank Durkee has retired to private life.

Married, by Justice Bodine, on Tuesday, September 29, Michael Calahan to Mary Hess, both of Pontiac.

Mr. John E. Coney of Jackson, and Henry G. Coney of Ionia, visited their sister, Mrs. W. H. Camp last week.

Oxford's town clerk reports 1,000 woodchucks having climbed the golden stair, according to the scalp returns.

Mr. B. F. Ellenwood and wife took dinner at J. F. Rundell's last Sunday and called on other friends in the village.

Mrs. Watkins and family have moved to Detroit. Their house will be occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson.

The Sans-Souci euchre party held a very pleasant reception last Monday evening at the residence of Mrs. J. C. Merrill.

A musical quartette is talked of by some of our young friends, but whether they will develop or not remains to be seen.

The Misses Hattie and Albertie Richmond of Detroit were the guests of G. C. Gibbs and wife of Big Beaver last week.

The 50 seats taken from our high school room are for sale at reasonable rates. Inquire of McA. Randall, Birmingham.

Meals will be served early and late at the Waverly house during the fair. Those who have been there before need not be told to go again.

The postal card famine still exists in this office, and the questions the postmaster has fired at him regarding their absence tires him out.

A quartette of colored gentlemen with two guitar accompaniments, gave an open air concert which was largely attended, last Saturday.

Just now there is a generous lot of girls who want good places to work in. Call at this office and get the addresses of two who want places.

The postoffice question is still on the ragged edge, even the clergy being Democratically interested in the selection of a Democrat postmaster.

If you have any grading or sodding to be done in artistic manner call on Henry Benedict, who has an eye and a hand trained to this kind of beauty.

The new section foreman will occupy George Shadbolt's house, and we hope George won't have any more organ-ic trouble—and we know he won't.

We are indebted to Miss Nellie Young of Southfield for a liberal supply of second growth blackberries, just as large, sweet and luscious as any we ever ate.

Dollars and cents are the great desideratum in this world. Then look at the prices in F. Blakeslee & Co's new ad, on the subject of dry goods, boots and shoes, etc.

Miss Lulu Durkee will have on exhibition at the county fair a piece of work in black and white—a portrait, and those who have seen it pronounce it a fine piece of artistic work.

Will Bray was in town last week visiting his many friends and relatives. Will has just started a dry goods store at Sand Beach and he has our best wishes for a prosperous future.

Mrs. Esther Leonard has completed a very fine portrait in oil of her brother, Almon Starr, which she will exhibit at the fair; also several other pieces that we predict will take some premiums.

Miss Nancy Allen left for Sand Beach last night via Detroit, on the steamer City of Mackinac for a fortnight's visit with her brother Frank. We heartily wish her bon voyage and a safe return.

Miss Jeannette Rule is visiting her sister, Mrs. Wm. Parks. After three years of life in Ontario she has concluded that America is the better of the two countries, and will hereafter reside here.

Mrs. C. Utter has purchased the house and lots adjoining her, corner of Chester and Mill streets, and will soon make some needed repairs and improvements which will greatly beautify that corner.

A. C. Wallace shows a fine sample of some specie of potatoes that from planting a peck he raised 12 bushels, with scarcely any rotten ones, while the crop of late rose along side more than half rotted.

Recently Miss Ona Furman visited friends in Detroit, and now her very extra friend, Miss Carrie Hunt of Detroit, is visiting her and we rather guess the young ladies get along nicely and agree very pleasantly.

We wouldn't go 'round to the fairs with Jule Rundel for all his shoop and premiums, just to be introduced to his friends as "this is the man who stole the straw," as he did by a prominent Franklinite last week at Flint.

Attend the Fenton fair, October 6, 7, 8 and 9. Balloon ascension by Prof. Gomes. Three bands of music and numerous other attractions, making it the best fair ever held in those parts. We acknowledge the receipt of comps.

A very handsome piano was recently purchased for Miss Winnie, by her father, George E. Daines. It is a handsome mahogony upright of the Miller make and presents a very fine appearance. It is an instrument to be proud of.

Miss Estella M. Jessop of Windsor was the welcome guest of Miss Vannie Truesdell last week. Also Mr. and Mrs. J. Kies, Mr. J. W. Berns and Mr. Robert Petley all of Detroit spent last Sunday with the family of Mrs. J. Truesdell.

Mrs. Dr. C. M. Raynale and Master George have returned from a three weeks' visit with Mrs. Raynale's sister at Alpena, Mich. The visit was a most enjoyable one and the boat ride to and from was an important factor in the pleasure of the trip.

Rather late in the day, but good news is always welcome. From recent files of San Francisco papers we learn that our friend Burke Wilcox was made hilarious September 1 by the arrival of a bonnie wee daughter. It takes Birmingham boys to rise in the world.

The Rev. G. W. Lowe and wife, after a two weeks' visit at their old home among friends and relatives, will return home to-morrow (Friday) evening, and a reception will be tendered them by their many friends, who have decided to make it a pound social. All are invited.

Parties handing in articles for publication will please be careful to write proper names distinctly. Last week we caused a meeting to be held at Mrs. O. W. Hewitt's to be announced as being held at Mrs. Mergill's, and the information made quite a stir among those interested.

Cannon, the scribe of the Oxford Globe, modestly admits that his feet ache and his mind is a blank after a day in Detroit. There is nothing strange about the condition of his mind—that is chronic with Cannon, but what ailed his feet? If they were as big as ours there wouldn't be any wonder about it.

We like to see the old folks made happy and were glad to hear of a jolly little surprise party of thirteen old lady friends calling on Mrs. E. Lee on Wednesday of last week. The hours flew on the wings of the wind and the happy afternoon will long be remembered by all who participated.

One of our young friends says: "If you embrace a Birmingham girl she will want you to do your share of the kissing, but if you embrace a Pontiac girl she wants to do all the kissing herself and the noise she makes sounds like the report of slap-jacks striking against the dining room door." Well, Charlie ought to know.

Charles Hoffman has moved into the Lowes house on Pierce street, Manley Leach takes the house vacated by Hoffman, and the house left empty by Leach will be occupied by its owners, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Wooster, who are making necessary changes and improvements on the place. Verily this is an age of changes.

The wife of Joseph Gravlin Jr., who works Ed Miller's farm has became insane and requires three strong people to control her actions. Joe's mother Mrs. Gravlin of near Franklin came to assist in caring for the sick at his house, where she was struck with paralysis, and all together the family have their hearts and hands full.

AUCTION SALE—The undersigned having sold his farm will sell at auction on the premises, one mile north and one and one-half miles west of Birmingham, at 1 o'clock p. m., the following property: Span work horses, 28 sheep, harnesses, buggy, hay, corn in shock and other articles too numerous to mention. Terms easy. David Todd. Wm. Young will swing the hammer. The date is Monday, October 5.

Our readers will readily espy the new ad't of J. L. Hudson in this issue. We all have to wear clothes and the question naturally arises, "where shall we get them the cheaper?" We don't say Hudson's in the Opera house block, Detroit, is the cheapest, but we honestly think you can do better there than anywhere else. It is a satisfaction to know that the first price given is the lowest—no jewing or dickering, but best goods at lowest rates and one price to everybody. Try 'em.

One of the neatest pieces of advertising ever seen in Detroit is the minature copy of the Free Press of August 9, the work of the Moss engraving company of New York. By the aid of a magnifying glass the account of Grant's funeral can be read. His portrait is also faithfully produced in minature. A page of "wants," containing over 10,000 words is produced in the space of 32 square inches. On the inside of the four-page sheet is the schedule of advertising rates.—[Free Press, Sept. 20.

We are much pleased to learn that our young friend Geo. Peabody has secured a position in the produce and commission house of Flinn & Co., Board of Trade building, Detroit. His many friends in this locality will be pleased to learn of his new departure. George is a steady, honest and industrious young man, possessing those qualities from which the best business men in our country have achieved wealth and station. We most heartily and sincerely wish him success.

Messrs Faint & Stayley, by their clever manipulations of the brush, last week secured a job near Farmington to "do up" a dwelling for a resident there, the size of which is not equalled by any dwelling in this place. The plastering is to be done by Reynolds & Wilson, who say that Birmingham workers have not allowed a country celebriety to escape them, that is only secured by steady and honest workmen, at prices that will attract attention and secure the prizes, even against Detroit and Pontiac competitors.

We have just received from the publishers a neat new book containing plans and specifications for twenty-five houses of all sizes, from two rooms up; also engravings showing the appearance of houses built from the plans given. In addition it has valuable information of permanent and practical value on subjects relative to building and building contracts that cannot fail to be of value to those who intend to build. George W. Ogilvie & Co., 236 Lake street, Chicago, are the publishers, and will mail it to the any address on receipt of 25 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Stockwell reached home Saturday night from New York and Washington, and Mr. S. reports an exceedingly pleasant trip. It was his first visit to Washington and he was exceedingly fortunate, while there, in reaching friends who enabled him to see whoever and whatever he desired. He had a pleasant interview with President Cleveland, found him a much larger man physically than his ideal, with a peculiarly pleasant address, and we judge the impression was favorable. In traveling he takes in about all the wheat that comes in his way.—[Gazette.

Whole cod fish, sweet potatoes and full cream New York cheese at J. R. Corson jr. & Co's.

Married: On Wednesday evening Sept. 23, at the residence of the bride's father on Maple avenue, Frank H. Goodman of Cadillac, formerly of this place, to Miss Flora M. Jenks, Rev. S. V. Mc Kee officiating. The band serenaded them and were most cordially received. The happy couple will take up their residence in their own home in Cadillac where Mr. Goodman has already acquired a snug property. The editors were duly regaled with cake and everybody wishes them happiness, and hope the good-man will make the good husband which all of the many friends of the bride are quite sure she richly deserves.

Having leased my farm for five years I will sell at auction Thursday, Oct. 8, 1885, at ten o'clock a. m., at the Spencer Wooster farm, 1½ miles south and west of Birmingham, four horses, six milch cows, four head of 2-year old steers, one 2-year-old heifer, seven yearlings, one 2-year-old Durham bull, 108 fat sheep, 65 store sheep, one new piano-box canopy top carriage, two brood sows, seven shoats, two work harnesses (one new), one new light double harness, two single carriages, one open buggy, one Champion reaper, one iron roller, one Empire drill and a great many other articles. Spencer Wooster, proprietor. E. H. Stiles, auctioneer. A. Partridge, clerk.

On Saturday morning last Mrs. Kittie Alger and Miss Jennie Keyes returned from Harbor Springs and Petoskey on the ten days' excursion of which so many took advantage. Well, the girls were abundantly complimented by the Harbor Springs Republican upon their general vivacity and cheerfulness. They report all our Harbor Springs friends as enjoying good health, and if you don't think these two jolly girls had a grand good time just ask 'em. It goes without saying that they were happy for they made their headquarters at the residence of Samuel Soults, and we know by the most pleasant experiences in the world that they were entertained in a royal manner, and when they go again

The Ladies and Misses, so they say,
With flowers they will strew the way.

One night recently as Jack Purdy was going on foot from this village to his home in Southfield, a party of "fly" boys of this burg laid in wait, and commenced pelting him with apples, green watermelons, etc, which they had "scooned" from the gardens of the village. Jack stood it like a man until an apple struck him square in the mouth, when he drew his revolver and fired three or four shots in the air and the effect was miraculous. From every fence corner and bush came the flying forms of his scared assailants and with loud entreaties of "don't shoot mister" disappeared in the gloom. They remained in sight but one brief moment, but Jack says he readily recognized a high toned clerk and a dude book-keeper and others whom he utterly refuses to give away.

Card of Thanks.

The undersigned wishes to thank the friends and neighbors for their many deeds of kindness during the sickness and after the death of his wife. Although a stranger to many of them, they will never be forgotten.

J. MEASEL,
Big Beaver.

Farm For Sale at Auction.

I will sell on the premises, 4½ miles south of Pontiac and 3½ miles northwest of Birmingham, on Wednesday, October 7, 1885, at 10 o'clock a. m., the place known as the Vaughan farm, with all its outfit, barns, outbuildings, etc. Good house and barns, 15 acres of hardwood timber. Everything in good order; possession given November 1. Clark Vaughan, proprietor. J. P. Foster, auctioneer. Terms made known on day of sale.

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

FRANKLIN.

Mrs. Fleetham has been sick.

Rev. Long will preach here the coming year.

School has opened up with Miss Maggie McGee as teacher for the winter term.

Our base ball club defeated the Pontiac nine by a score of 25 to 15.

Our second nine defeated the first nine of Southfield by a score of 20 to 21.

The boys are making havoc among the watermelon patches, but they sometimes get into a patch of citrons or green pumpkins instead. Be careful, boys.

BIG BEAVER.

Friday evening as we were all enjoying ourselves, we were startled by the tolling of the church bell. A sad gloom is cast over this community by the death of Mrs. John Messel, cut off in the prime of life, aged 37. She leaves a husband and two small children to mourn her loss. The large attendance at the funeral on Saturday bespoke of the esteem in which she was held.

Henry Foot and L. O. Smith have gone to Mt. Clemens with their trotter expecting to throw sand in somebody's eyes.

Corn is ripening nicely, and one more week of fine weather will help it greatly.

Our school starts in with the prospect of being the schools we have had for years. Miss Effie Hutchins is teacher.

Andrew Nichols made a man jump high one night last week. He was around his barn and Andrew shot at him.

TOWN , NE.

Our district is again agitating the new school house question. The director was careful to hire a teacher. A number who do not pay taxes are opposed to it, but why they should be is a mystery.

The new school officers are as follows: Director, Moses Shugg; assessor, Wm. Miller.

Fannie Woodin is ill with typhoid fever, but at present she is on the gain.

Mr. J. Shug's health has been very poor all summer.

Mrs. Sandbrook is on the sick list with rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. Cross of Walkerville visited Mrs. Patch last week.

Gene Patch and daughter have gone to Novesta.

Mr. White is happy again, all on account of a new house keeper.

Mrs. Miller is entertaining her mother.

Mrs. Lois is very sick and but little hopes of her recovery are entertained.

A. C. Patch rejoices in the possession of a new organ.

The Sabbath school recently held its picnic in Sullivan's grove and all present had a good time.

Nan says she would like to have the lady who took her shoe home send it back quick.

COUNTY LINE.

Grant Race is teaching in the blind school at Lansing.

Last Sunday Alonzo Tharret buried his only little one, age 2 years. The funeral was held in the church at the Corners and was attended by a large gathering of relatives and friends.

One piece of wheat on the town line went about four bushels per acre, while another piece not 40 rods away turned out 40 bushels to the acre.

We took in the fair at Mt Clemens and was surprised at the smallness of the show, there being no machinery of any kind on the ground. There were two wheels of fortune running which in a measure supplied the lack of the machinery.

Andrew Park lost a pocket book containing $31 recently.

George White while in Detroit with a load of pork, fell in among thieves and was swindled out of $15.

CLAWSON.

Autumn is here at last with warm sunshine and summer, like which, is a vast help to corn.

There has been quite a few cases hereabouts of the summer complaint.

Little Jessie Bowers is sick with erysipelas, but is doing well.

Peter Reid has been improving the town line road by clearing out the ditch.

Corn cutting has commenced.

A. A. Bean has apparently the largest yield of corn around here.

Last Friday evening Willie Black had a dance at his house.

Mrs. E. Halsey is lying very ill and it is very doubtful of her recovering, under the present prospects.

Francis Poole is slightly under the weather.

TROY.

Beautiful weather at present writing.

C. H. Gibbs is making quite an improvement around his little home by erecting a new barn 16x24.

Mrs. Gibbs' sister will return to Wisconsin in about two weeks.

The oil king, Ed McMannus has a law suit at Pontiac this week with Parker and Judge Wilkins of Detroit, for false representations.

oil sunk down in the ground about thirty feet.

Potatoes are almost a total failure in this part of the country.

A good rain would come very acceptable just now.

Our band has a new teacher from Detroit. He puts them through a course of sprouts every time he comes.

George Renshaw is getting along very nicely with his new barn under the supervision of George Harris.

Jay Niles has made some improvements in the shape of a new barn.

We have a new shoemaker shop and cooper shop. Both have all they can do.

Munroe Niles will work his father's farm this next year.

SPECIAL NOTICES.

Mrs. Furman sells newspapers and magazines and would like to increase her subscription list; also sells Seaside and Franklin Square publications.

New Process of Salt Manufacture.

Mr. Joseph M. Duncan, the superintendent of the salt works at Warsaw, N. Y., has obtained a patent on the manufacture of salt, which the *Democrat-Review*, of that place, describes as follows: This arrangement constitutes a complete process from receiving the brine to depositing the salt in the barrels. A great iron retort of any height from fifteen to fifty feet and from twelve to twenty-four feet external circumference, having a hopper-like bottom in which there is a large valve opening downward. The great retort can be made air-tight. At a point from six to eight feet from the bottom (according to the size of the retort) is a second valve, also opening downward. Above this valve four or eight feet is a steam drum four feet high, containing tubes opening above and below, looking very much like the interior of a tubular boiler. An exhauster is attached to this evaporator to exhaust the air. The lower valve being closed and the upper one opened the brine admitted until the surface is some two or three feet above the steam-drum. The steam is then turned on by an arrangement that heats the whole drum at once. The steam is in the drum between and around the tubes, and the brine stands in the tubes. At about 90 degrees Fahrenheit the brine in the vacuum, relieved of the pressure of the air, begins to boil, and, we are told, there is indeed a tempest in a teapot when it is brought to that temperature. The brine is thrown up in spray, its crystal is thus formed, and falls back into the center of the retort, and sinks rapidly to the bottom. The descending current turns upward again when it reaches that layer of the liquid, the specific gravity of which is greater than its own by reason of its lower temperature, but the crystals continue to descend. This goes on until it is seen through glass guages that the lower part of the retort between the two valves is filled with the crystal. The upper valve is then closed, and air admitted to this lower chamber forcing the water from the salt through a tube back into the vacuum above. The lower valve is then opened, and the salt drops into a mixer, the purpose of which is to prevent packing. The product then passes into centrifugals where the water is thrown out, and the salt falls into a conveyer, where it is taken up by the elevators, and let fall through heated air into barrels ready for shipping.

Intoxicants and Narcotics.

The appetite for stimulants is one which is inherent in the human constitution. The wearied, the sick, the worried, the unhappy, have always turned instinctively for alleviation of physical and mental depression to some form of stimulant—tea, tobacco, distilled liquors, wine, opium, hasheesh, one or more. They have been used by physicians and denounced by moralists from the beginning of history. There is no indication that their use, either legitimately or illegitimately, will ever be wholly repressed. Of late years there has been introduced into the larger cities of this country the Chinese habit of opium smoking, which is a habit which is only one step more fascinating and fatal than that of opium-eating, which has been more or less prevalent for years, as well in the country as in the town. The habit of using opium hypodermically, and without medical advice, is said to be gaining ground rapidly in this country and in Europe. It is an evil which may long evade recognition, it is one that grows upon that which it feeds upon. It is all the worse in that it is so easily a solitary evil, and that it is as attractive to one as to the other. Further, the use of morphine, medically, is doubtless more likely to lead to its use as a luxury than is the medicinal use of intoxicating liquors.

There would be nothing gained if the entire disuse of intoxicating drinks were to be followed by as great evils of opium as those of intemperance. But this need not be. Opium may take the place of rum in a certain degree, but it will not substantially, if the education of the people, and especially of the children, is that which it should be. And herein a hint may be found for the consideration of those who are to teach hygiene in the public schools with relation to intoxicants. The introduction of text-books bearing upon this matter has been brought about by those whose attention has been directed mainly, if not exclusively, to liquor drinking. Now, benefit will be derived not so much from denunciation of specific articles as from inculcating the true and fundamental principle—that of temperance in all things—total abstinence from all that intoxicates, indeed, for the young and healthy. But this rule may be taken along as one universal, that extremes beget extremes, and that it is only the intelligent conscience that will direct us in the right way. The sin of intemperance as against one's self and the community can not be too often nor too faithfully illustrated; but children should also be taught that there are many forms of intemperance.—*Providence Journal.*