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One year ago this month we put forth a new idea to the retail trade and found much satisfaction in it to our customers as well as ourselves.

We have again decided to make the same independent.

It will pay you to borrow the money if you have none. ☞

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FOR A FULL LINE OF MILLINERY GO TO Mrs. J. H. Carter's, opposite the school house. Good goods and low prices. Orders a specialty. Headquarters for Crochet Goods. 27tf.

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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 cathetic, 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 50 cent package any condition powders, or a 50 cent sure cure for heaven 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 the most prominent Livery, Sale, Transportation and Express stables in Chicago, Detroit and other places. FOR SALE BY WHITEHEAD & MITCHELL.

AN INCREASE.

The largest increase in our trade of any month since we commenced business was ours for last month.

Our large increase in dry goods has been very satisfactory.

We shall aim to keep the best selected stock in this line, also in fancy goods, in town.

Ladies will find our Stock fresh, large and low in price.

OUR ADDITIONS.

We have added Cloaks, Shawls, Skirts, Nubias, Chinelle Ornaments, Laces, an extra line of Ladies' and Children's Hose, Dress Goods in Tricots Broadhead goods, Brocaded goods, Flannels, Mixed goods, Dress Cambrics, Ginghams, Calicoes, Ribbons, Ladies Neckwear, Hamburgs, Chinelle Fringe, Furniture Fringe, Tablings, Floor and Table Oilcloths, Oilcloth Rugs and a general line of staple and

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Hand Bags, Wallets, Lamps, Clocks in all styles, Whips, Hanging Lamps, Stand Lamps, Hand Lamps, Colored Glassware, Crockery and the largest line of

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In town. The best **UNDEARWEAR and CLOVES** for the money.

Look out for our Holiday Display. It will be the largest ever shown here.

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

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F. Blakeslee. V. Nixon.

Saxony, Shetland yarns from 12c to 20c per skein. WHY DON'T YOU Pontiac Fulled mitts at 25c per pair.

CALL AND EXAMINE

Our line of Ladies' Dress Flannels, so cheap.

Our line of Gloves and Mitts, fine quality.

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Our line of Badger State shawls, best made.

Our line of ladies' and children's Knit Hoods.

Our line of Ladies' and Gent's Fur Caps.

Our line of Men's and Boys' Hats and Caps.

Our line of Smith and Herrick's Fine Shoes.

Our line of J. J. Green's Hand-made Boots.

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Our Goods, Styles, Quality and prices as

We will not be undersold by any one.

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HOME NOTES.

PERPETUAL NOTICE!

You will please notice date after your name on paper and wrapper: this tells you when your Subscription expires. If your time is out please call and settle.

Turkey day.

Thanksgiving day.

The blue cross is coming.

One dollar until January 1, 1887.

One dollar gets this paper until Jan. 1, 1887.

New winter millinery at Mrs. Furman's.

That bear was a gigantic grizzly fraud on wheels.

The ECCENTRIC from now until January 1, 1887, for $1.

Mrs. Lydia Clift is home from Kankakee, Ill., on a visit.

Now is the time to begin planting holiday advertisements.

Grey, black and fur trimmings cheap at J. R. Corson, jr., & Co's.

J. F. Rundel attended the fat cattle show at Chicago last week.

Muddy roads and rainy weather have made trade horribly dull the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Simonson of Bancroft visited at P. C. Simonson's last week.

The ECCENTRIC fairly groans with live advertisements. Read them all and secure bargains.

The Troy U. P. church will be opened for services on Sabbath next, Rev. J. A. Sherrard officiating.

A. R. Donaldson of Davisburg was in town over Sunday and reports business very lively with him.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sinclair were visiting the family of A. V. D. Quick the forepart of this week.

The coroner's inquest on the case of Mr. and Mrs. Sandbrook was adjourned on Friday last until Tuesday.

J. R. Corson, sr., is home from Melrose, Mass., where he has been visiting relatives for the past two months.

The finest line of gent's fine gloves and mittens in kid, buck, yarn and cashmere in the county, is at J. R. Corson, jr., & Co's.

The young people of the Troy U. P. church hold a social Friday night at the residence of Mr. McClure, 2½ miles east of the church.

Dr. Corns, a wandering chiropodist, doctored corns and amused the street gamins of our town a couple days last week. He's a dandy.

Married, at the M. E. parsonage, by Rev. G. W. Lowe, Tuesday, Nov. 24, 1885, Fred A. Ford, and Miss Addie A. Lamb, all of Troy.

Lovell Gillespie was taken suddenly ill one day last week and Drs. Galbraith and Raynale were hastily summoned. He is now convalescent.

The finest coffee in the land is Royal Java and F. B. Raynale & Co. sell it.

A Partridge, as administrator of the Michael Maney estate, has filed his final account and it has been allowed, receipts filed and administrator discharged.

Not long ago Bert Sprague of Big Beaver was in Detroit, sold a load of oats and was flim flammed out of $13. He came home a sadder and wiser boy.

Married, at the residence of the bride's parents, Wednesday, Nov. 18, by the Rev. G. W. Lowe, Francis Crawford to Miss Sarah A. Foreman, both of Bloomfield.

Henry Leach has purchased a three year old colt of J. H. Peabody which in point of size and strength will compare favorably with any draft horse in this locality.

Our old friend Josiah Alger has been quite ill the past two weeks, but we are pleased to hear of his steady improvement, and look for his complete recovery soon.

Married, at the residence of the bride's parents, Tuesday evening, November 24, 1885, James B. Chappell of Milford to Miss Delia Simpson of this place, Rev. G. W. Lowe officiating.

The Harbor Springs people feel aggrieved if any one says a word against that good country, but a letter we recently received from Clare county dated H——, November 19, ought to cheer them up a little.

Why do all the D., G. H. & M. R. R. employees go around with such saddened looks and sore arms? Because the company's physician has been over the road vaccinating the boys, and they say it works admirably.

Useful and ornamental articles in 5c, 10c and 25c goods at J. R. Corson, jr., & Co's.

If anyone finds a cuff button, rather pretty, made from Vesuvius lava and wants to please a real pretty girl most to death, they will leave the same with Whitehead at the post-office and he will see the owner and all will be happy.

Wonder if those school children don't make a little more noise than is positively necessary when they come into the postoffice at noon and night? A boiler factory is a golden silence compared to it.

Lost, on Saturday evening last, between John Buttolph's and S. T. Boyd's in Troy, a coat and vest rolled up together. Finder will leave at S. T. Boyd's or at this office and confer a great favor upon the loser, Mrs. Boyd.

Mrs. J. P. Holly, at her home on Park street south, Pontiac, Mich., three doors south of the new Catholic church, attends to the business of dress making. All work will be well done and after the latest modes. Ladies' patronage solicited. 2

Miss Mary Cooper has begun her career as school ma'rm by taking the Blackmon school in Royal Oak, and we predict for this popular young graduate a brilliant future, unless she should, like all the other good girls, conclude to teach a school for one.

There was a jolly, lively party at Geo. Sly's, near Franklin, last week in honor of Misses Addie and Lottie. About 35 were present and enjoyed themselves as only young folks can. A generous repast was furnished and everybody said, "it was positively the best time I ever did have."

The examination of Michael McCann the alleged cattle thief, who was arrested for implication in the stealing of four head of cattle from Miles Dewey of Troy, took place before Justice Bodine on Saturday last. In default of $500 bail he was remanded to jail to await trial in the circuit court.

Messrs. Durkee and Partridge dug their turnips last week, and while talking the matter over they both found that they owned their minister for a quarter's preaching, so they took a half bushel to him for pay, and the query of those cognizant of the fact is, "are they close at figuring, or is the preacher overpaid?"

This is the last week that we shall show cloaks, as we return December 1 all not sold. Cheap while they stay. J. R. Corson, jr., & Co.

One day last week a very difficult surgical operation was performed by Drs. Galbraith and Raynale on Loren Hatch, who lives about a mile east of this village. It was a case of strangulated hernia and at the present writing the patient is in a very precarious condition, but hopes are entertained of his ultimate recovery.

The long winter evenings are at hand and you will have plenty of time for reading. Now, see here. We just want you to listen to us for a minute. We will send you the ECCENTRIC from now until January 1, 1887, for $1. We will be in a position to furnish a great deal more local news the coming year than we have the year past, and we will surely make it worth your money. Try it. Remember 14 months for $1.

The oyster supper and promenade concert at the town hall in Southfield last Thursday evening was a grand success, the proceeds being over $50. The attendance was large and Prof. F. W. Sherman of this place received many compliments over his success as teacher of the band, and the boys also come in for their full share of praise for the admirable manner in which they played, and when you notice the short time since beginning, their proficiency seems incredible.

Died: At his home in Bloomfield, Tuesday, November 17, 1885, at 10 o'clock p. m., Mr. Philo Phillips, aged 70 years. Deceased was born in Vermont in Dec. 1815. The earlier part of his life was spent with his parents in Vermont and Massachusetts. Afterward he occupied several years traveling through the west, some of which he employed his time in mining. At the age of 35 he came to Michigan, married his present wife and settled on the farm which he still owned when he died. He ceased was confined to his bed for nearly four months before his death and during that time was scarcely free from pain but was ever kind and patient. He leaves a wife, three sons and two daughters to mourn his loss.

The publishers of Rutledge's Monthly offer twelve valuable rewards in their Monthly for December, among which is the following: We will give $20 to the person telling us what is the shortest verse in the new testament scriptures (not the revised edition), and in which book and chapter it can be found, by December 10, 1885. Should two or more correct answers be received the reward will be divided. The money will be forwarded to the winner December 15, 1885. Persons trying for the reward must send 20 cents in silver or postal notes (no postage stamps taken), with their answer, for which they will receive the Monthly for January, in which the name and address of the winner of the reward and the correct answer will be published, and in which several more valuable rewards will be offered. Address Rutledge Publishing Company, Easton, Pa.

The warrant for the arrest of Campau(?), the man who was consorting with some other man's wife at National hotel last week, was placed in the hands of deputy sheriff Crouch who went to Detroit on Thursday last, but was unable to find his man. He discovered that the fellow was well known in police circles in the city, where his photograph graces the rogues' gallery. The name Campau is an alias, and the story is current around Detroit that he wrote to his mother from Grand Rapids recently, stating that her son (himself) was dead and if she would send $46 50 cents the remains would be expressed to Detroit, signing a fictitious name to the letter with the title of "Chief of Police" appended. The money was sent by the bereaved(?) mother and the dutiful son came home alive and well. This is a fresh way to raise the wind.

Major S. J. Hall (the original "Buckskin Sam"), late of the United States army, gave us two of his interesting and instructive lectures at Library hall on Saturday and Monday evenings last. The major was in captivity among the wild Comanche Indians for over nine years and the manner in which he describes his trials and tribulations and the fiendish depredations of the "noble red man" cannot fail to interest and instruct all who are fortunate enough to hear him. Some may think the lecture a blood-curdling affair, but such is not the case. Mr. Hall has the tact and ability to picture to his hearers the brutal and blood-thirsty traits of the treacherous savage in such a manner that the audience is all attention, and the most sensitive person in the land can listen to it with interest. During the course of his lecture he will picture to you, besides other horrible things, the scene of the terrible massacre, where Rain-in-the-Face, one of the most inhuman brutes of his race, cut the heart from the body of General Custer and, placing it upon a pole, paraded the battle ground in all the glory of his hellish triumph. To prove that the major is not an impostor, he carries his commission from the government, besides the Rocky mountain scouting badge, the Lone Star state badge, the medal of honor and many other proofs, all of which were presented to him for his acts of bravery through such men as Col. Richard I. Dodge, General Crook and others. If the major ever comes your way go hear him tell of his hair-breadth escapes, how he crawled into the hostile camps at different times and rescued several of our Michigan ladies, and see his many scalps and other things from the wild west. The major promises soon to return and give one night's proceeds to the cemetery association. When he does return we will promise that he will have a crowded house. The major claims a count of 101 scalps to his credit and has them with him, all his own raising (no ears attached, though), and he does not yet think that he has avenged his dear family's murder.

Remember that the display of holiday goods this year will embrace a very large line and prices lower than ever before. J. R. Corson, jr., & Co.

Card of Thanks.

The daughters of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Sandbrook wish to extend their sincere thanks to the old friends and neighbors of their father and mother, for the many kind acts and expressions of sympathy tendered them in their great affliction; and, also to Mr. James O. Beattie of Birmingham, for the gentlemanly and efficient manner in which he performed his very difficult and important duties as undertaker.

MRS. THOMAS GREEN,
MRS. JOHN E. BUCKELL,
MRS. W. W. HOWARD.

During the illness and after the death of our departed relative, Mrs. E. Benedict, our friends and neighbors were very kind to us and showed a tender regard for the departed and an appreciation of our loss by many kind acts, such as furnishing flowers and assisting in numerous ways to lighten our sorrow; to all of whom we desire to publicly express our sincere thanks.

ERI BENEDICT,
MRS. GEO. BLAKESLEE,
MRS. LOIS BROWN,
CHAS. BENEDICT,
W. H. BENEDICT.

We wish through your paper to express our sincere thanks to friends and neighbors for their kindness during the sickness and death of our husband and parent.

MRS. PHILLIPS AND FAMILY.

THE SANDBROOK INQUEST.

Conflicting Testimony and a Whole Day of It

The adjourned inquest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sandbrook, who were killed by the cars last week, in full account of which appeared in our columns, was held at National hall on Tuesday last, Mr. Russell of Detroit appearing for the railroad company and Aaron Perry of Pontiac for the people.

Charles Brown sworn: Been engineer on the D. & M. road for 19 years. Was engineer on train No. 4 going east November 17. When nearing the crossing where accident happened I gave the customary signals by whistles. When I first saw the horses driven by deceased they were about 10 feet from the track and engine was about 30 feet from crossing. I reversed engine and applied air brake at once. Struck horses in a moment after I saw them. The train stopped as soon as possible. It was a down grade and the train is a fast express. Calculate to whistle for crossing when near Dewey's house. The grade is 35 to 40 feet to the mile. Cannot see a train until crossing is reached. My fireman rang the bell from the time I whistled until the crossing was reached.

Eli G. Sawtell: Was on the train. Felt the jar. Don't know that the bell rung or the whistled sounded, but if they did I did not hear them.

Mr. Noble: Did not see team until we struck them. Rung the bell from time the whistle blew until crossing was passed.

Wm. Stimpson, brakeman: Was in smoking car. Heard the usual crossing signal before we reached the crossing. Running about 40 miles an hour.

Homer Conkle: Live at A. G. Hadsell's. Was in the cornfield about 60 rods from crossing where accident occurred. Saw train when opposite Dewey's house. They did not whistle or ring the bell before reaching the crossing. Whistled once after the crossing was passed. Was looking at the train all the time from Dewey's house until the accident at the crossing. Am confident that the whistle was not sounded before the crossing was reached. Was looking for the train because we usually go to dinner when that train passes. Knew Mr. Sandbrook for the past 25 years. He was deaf. Don't know that his wife was deaf.

Mrs. Elizabeth Hadsell wife of A. G. Hadsell: Live in the house near crossing. When I first saw the Sandbrooks they were approaching the crossing. I wished to send a letter to Pontiac by them. Sent the hired girl upstairs after some money to pay the postage and I stood in the door watching them. They had an open, two-horse wagon. Saw Mrs. Sandbrook turn her head and look for the train and a moment afterwards the train struck them. Heard no bell or whistle until after the crossing was reached by the engine. Was standing on the porch and would have heard the whistle if it had sounded. Train was coming faster than usual.

A. G. Dewey: Was husking corn about 40 rods from crossing. Saw train coming about 100 rods from crossing. My judgment is that they did not whistle or ring. If they had I should have heard it. Started to go to the house to dinner. Heard one sharp whistle when engine was on crossing. It is a common occurrence for trains to run through this crossing without signals of any kind. Knew Mr. Sandbrook had been struck at this crossing before, also at the Air Line crossing two years ago. Mrs. Sandbrook was not deaf.

Miss Eber: Seventeen years old. Live at A. G. Dewey's. Was in dining-room. Train was running faster than usual. Saw them pass the house. They did not ring the bell or blow the whistle for the crossing.

Daniel Kimball: Was near my tenant house 30 rods from the crossing. Could have heard the bell or whistle on the train if they had been sounded. They did not sound. Whistle sounded after crossing was reached.

George Ferguson: Working in field 10 rods from crossing. Train did not whistle or ring.

Andrew Shattuck: Corroborated the testimony of Homer Conkle.

Chauncey Blair: Live ¼ of a mile from Sandbrook's. He was 77, she 72 years of age. Was on train running very fast, felt a slacking up motion of train. Heard neither whistle nor bell. Am night watch at the Eastern Michigan Insane asylum. Am not an inmate.

J. B. Tyler: Express messenger. Heard whistle before crossing was reached. Don't remember hearing bell ring.

Romanzo W. Farrand: Was on train, running 65 or 70 miles an hour. Did not hear bell or whistle before reaching the crossing. Whistled just as we felt the jar of running over something. Whistled at the crossing of the turnpike about ¼ mile from Pontiac and did not whistle again until we felt the jar above mentioned.

The inquest was then adjourned at the request of Mr. Russell until Wednesday, December 2, 1885.

SPARTACUS, 1923.

From the Chicago Horseman.

The very accurate cut that adorns this page is Schultz's best and most truthful sketches, and represents a young horse, that, in the opinion of the writer, is destined to trot fast and to prove a valuable sire.

Spartacus, 1923, is a bronze stallion, 15¾ hands high and weighs about 1050 lbs. He is a horse of high finish and remarkable substance. His neck is long, well set in, and fine. His head is clean and bony, with fine muzzle and full, bright eye, much the same as was seen in his great sire. His shoulder is deep and muscular. He has a strong arm and heavy bone of excellent quality. His back is short and very strong and while he is coupled well back, there is no lack of strength—in his stifle he greatly resembles his sire. He has a full flowing tail, well set on. His feet are well shaped and of excellent quality.

Spartacus is cleverly bred in trotting lines and from families that stand unrivaled as producers of speed, endurance and courage. He was bred by Gen. Wm. T. Withers, Fairlawn, Lexington, Ky. He was foaled in 1880 and sired by Almont, 33; 1st dam Queen Lizzie, by Mambrino Chief, 11; 2d dam by Crusader, 3d dam by Hancock's Hambletonian. Those who are conversant with my idea of what is requisite in a stock horse will remember that I attach great importance to the fact that he should be from families that on either side have produced animals of desirable formation that are natural trotters and that are universally sound, and more and more am I coming to lay great stress upon the individual qualities of the sire and dam, the grandsire and grandam. Everyone knows of Almont, as a sire of game, stylish trotters, and I am informed by Mr. Withers, son of Gen. Withers, that he was universally conceded that Queen Lizzie, dam of Spartacus, was one of the choicest mares sired by the great Mambrino Chief. She was a bay mare, fully 16 hands, one inch in height, a mare of symmetrical proportions and high finish, and withal of great substance. She was frequently exhibited in show rings and has won many valuable premiums. She had a neck and head of usual finish and as fine as a thoroughbred, and she is the dam of a colt by Happy Medium, called Royal Medium, that Mr. Withers considers one of the best youngsters of Happy Medium's get. Let us make a brief analysis of the blood lines of Spartacus and see if his breeding is of sufficient quality to give confidence to his patrons in his qualifications as a sire.

Almont, 33, was by Alexander's Abdallah, 15, sire of Goldsmith's Maid, 2.14; his dam was by Mambrino Chief, 11, and grand dam Old Kate by Pilot, Jr. The records show that Alexander's Abdallah was one of the most prepotent sons of Hambletonian, 10; he not only produced trotters of a high order of merit, and mares that were dams of prominent performers, but his progeny of either sex, his sons and daughters and grandsons and granddaughters, are producings with uniformity animals that are noted not only as public turf performers, but as sires and dams. Mambrino Chief, 11, is sire of six in the 2.20 class and of sixteen mares that have produced trotters that have become famous through their performance on the turf, and his sons and daughters and their produce are highly valued as sires and dams. Pilot, Jr., was the sire of nine with records of 2.30 or better, and Pilot, Jr., mares are the dams of twenty of the most noted performers known to breeders. It is a fact well known that the Mambrino Chief and Pilot, Jr., blood is considered by breeders in Kentucky and the north as the most valuable to be had and, in combination with the blood of Hambletonian, is very highly esteemed.

In brief the following table will show at a glance the rich speed producing lines upon which Spartacus is bred:

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Mambrino Chief, 11, has	6
Sons of Mambrino Chief have sired	67
Daughters have	16
Almont has	28
Almont's sons have	21
Almont's daughters have	5
Pilot, Jr., sired	9
Pilot, Jr.'s sons sired	11
Pilot, Jr.'s daughters have	20

Spartacus has, through Almont, the blood of Hambletonian through Abdallah, 15, one of the most prepotent; the blood of Mambrino Chief through one of his best daughters, and the blood of Pilot, Jr., through Old Kate, one of the most speedy and valuable of Pilot, Jr., mares. Through his dam he inherits an additional strain of Mambrino Chief blood, and through his second and third dams two strains of the highly prized blood of Imp. Diomed, a strain that next to Messenger has unquestionably exercised the most potent influence on the light harness horses of America. From this brief presentation of the blood lines of Spartacus it will be seen that he is strongly bred in the most improved trotting lines coming through their best sources, and that as far as breeding goes he is worthy of the patronage of the most exacting breeder. In symmetry, conformation and muscular development he is all that could be desired. His gait is pure and frictionless, and while he has received no regular training, he has shown in his exercise sufficient speed to warrant the belief that with proper training he would make a first-class trotter.

I was shown a few weanling colts by him and two yearlings. They were handsome, stylish youngsters, models of their sire, and were remarkably uniform in the purity of their gait. He cannot fail to produce good results in the stud, and the breeders who have access to him should congratulate themselves on having in their midst a young horse so well bred and of such individual merit. He is the property of Mr. James R. Cooper, whose farm is near Birmingham, Oakland county, Mich., a county which is called the garden of Michigan. Mr. Cooper is gradually stocking his farm with well bred young brood mares of high breeding and excellent quality, and is determined to use in his breeding venture that same sterling practical common sense that has rendered him so successful in his business enterprises. Spartacus in breeding, in conformation, in gait, and as a sire, is worthy of a liberal patronage. DIOMED.

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

SOUTH STERLING.

To the patrons and friends of district No. 9, townships of Troy and Sterling, the following report of our school for the month ending November 13, is respectfully submitted:

Number of days taught, 20; number of days lost, none; number of names enrolled, 43; average daily attendance, 35. The following pupils have been present each day during the month: Libbie Hawthorn, Clara Barr, Edith Moore, Ella Wilson, Emma King, May Moore, Jennie Martin, John Redick, Fred Redick and Roy Moore.

A. E. BENTON, Teacher.

TOWN LINE.

The funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sandbrook was held at the homestead last Friday, the Rev. C. T. Allen officiating. A very large concourse of friends were present. The sorrow manifested will tell better than words the affection and regard everyone had for the worthy couple. The remains were taken to Pontiac and placed in one grave. In life united, in death not divided.

Mr. Blair, we are sorry to say, is getting worse and a doctor will have to be called.

C. L. Smith's nephew and family, from Connecticut, are visiting him.

Mr. White is alone again, his housekeeper having left him.

Will Hetchler and family spent Sunday at A. C. Patch's.

PONTIAC.

We noticed 'Rus Wootter's smiling phiz in town on Saturday.

Miss Libbie Van Gordon has gone to Traverse City where she has a position as attendant in the new asylum.

The Pontiac knit hood company have made on an average 300 pair of knit hoods per day the past six months.

An addition has been built to the P. O. & P. A. R. R. depot.

Fireman's hall will soon be adorned with a new iron roof.

Thursday evening we noticed a well-to-do farmer of Bloomfield so drunk that he could hardly navigate and his wife was trying her best to have him go home but it was n. g. Such men ought to have eight months in the sewer.

Geo. Linabury is happy over the arrival of a boy.

The court house has received a new coat of paint from the brushes of Bange the painter and his assistants.

An addition is being built to the Miller block occupied by S. A. Pratt.

C. E. Wakeman made a business trip to Fenton last Saturday.

Editor Kimball of the Gazette returned last week from an extended trip to Chicago and Dakota.

J. D. Norton and family have gone to California. J. D. will return home in a few weeks but Mrs. Norton and family will spend the winter there.

Miss Maud Leet of Franklin was in town Saturday.

Fred Cox and Miss Annie Flinn, both of this city, slid down the cellar door of matrimony last week Monday night. Rev. Father Baumgartner pushed them down.