BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC.

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DETROIT, G'D HAVEN & MILWAUKEE RAILWAY.

CENTRAL STANDARD TIME.

GOING WEST.

Morning express..... 7.35 a. m.
Mail..... 11.10 a. m.
Steamboat express..... 5 20 p. m.
Night express..... 11.50 p. m.

GOING EAST.

Night Express..... 4.30 a. m.
Holly express..... 7.10 a. m.
Grand Rapids express..... 11.10 a. m.
Mail..... 4.00 p. m.
Evening Express..... 9 00 p. m.

A. B. ATWATER,
General Supt.
W. J. SIGER, Manager.

Whitehead & Mitchell

SAY

TIMES ARE TOO HARD

To buy Flashy Christmas Goods.

We offer for your inspection for Holiday pur chasing an entire new lot of staple and fancy goods suitable for Christmas presents that are useful as well as ornamental. We have received a new and complete line of

GENT'S LONG POCKET BOOKS,
CALF SKIN WALLETS,
LADIES' SHOPPING BAGS.

PORTMONNIES,
HAIR AND CLOTH BRUSHES,

PERFUMERY IN BULK AND BOTTLES.
TOOTH AND NAIL BRUSHES,
TOILET SOAPS.

GAMES, CHECKERS,
DOMINOS,
PHOTO ALBUMS,
AUTOGRAPH ALBUMS.

TOILET SETS IN
LEATHER & PLUSH CASES,
ODOR SETS, VASES,
WHISK BROOMS AND HOLDERS
IN METAL.

25c GOODS IN GREAT VARIETY.

COUCHES, SEWING ROCKERS.

WALNUT STANDS ONE DOLLAR.

DOMESTIC SEWING MACHINES.

WRITING PADS, ALL STYLES,
FINE ASSORTMENT OF CANDIES.

A second hand Singer sewing machine, good as new, $15. A second-hand Weed machine, good, $10.

Granulated sugar, Dawson's Purity flour and a large stock of pills and holiday plasters.

Call and visit us. We are yearning for your presence and dollars. Yours to command,

ALLIE AND GEORGE.

Wants, Lost, Found, etc.

15 REGISTERED MERINO STOCK RAMS for sale. J. H. Snow, Birmingham, Mich

TO RENT—Any one wishing a nice pleasant home in Birmingham can rent Mrs. Clark Harris' house on Saginaw St., good well and cistern and everything up in tidy style. Enquire of Mrs. Clark Harris two doors west of depot on Maple ave.

FOR SALE—A nice buggy horse 8 years old, a dark brown, and sound every way. Kind and good to drive. Weight, 1 000 pounds. Cause for selling, going west. Address, C. H. Gibbs, Troy, Mich.

FARM FOR SALE—I offer for sale 110 acres of the east side of the old Deacon Bull farm near Wing lake. Ninety acres improved, under a good state of cultivation, only 3½ miles west of Birmingham. Terms easy. Call at this office or address W. C. Richardson, Franklin, Mich. 20w4

TAMARACK FOR SALE—Anyone wanting tamarack for rafters, will do well to call on V. N. Denison, four and one-half miles north and west of Birmingham. 20w4

FARM FOR SALE—I offer my farm for sale, consisting of 80 acres of land, four miles east of Birmingham in Troy; 15 acres of timber, the rest under the best state of cultivation. Well watered, good house and barn, and everything in the best of order. For particulars call on the premises, or address John Long, Big Beaver, Mich.

FOR SALE—One Crown Jewel coal stove, No. 65, nearly new, and other furniture will be sold on time at a bargain. Inquire at this office.

FOR SALE—I will sell cheap my house and lot in Birmingham. All modern improvements; good cellar, well and cistern. Small payment of cash and balance on long time. Jno. E. Wiles Birmingham, Mich. 19

PIGS FOR SALE—I offer for sale a choice lot of pigs just the stock for farmers to buy. W. F. Crombie two miles east of Birmingham. Call for prices. 31m1

FOR SALE—Village lots for sale cheap bounded by Chester, Townsend and Merrill streets, laying just south of the shoolh house and will be sold to suit purchaser as regards price and terms. For particulars call on or address Samuel Jarvis, Birmingham, Mich. 26tf

WANTED—I want to buy 5,000 bushels of cider apples at my mill one-half mile north of Birmingham, Saginaw street, for which I will pay 10 cents a bushel. Custom work done promptly and satisfactorily. M. Wilde. 19tf20

Business Cards.

A. A. BANCROFT, M. D.
—PHYSICIAN and SURGEON—
Birmingham - Mich.
Office on Maple avenue, east end of the Ellis block, near the depot.
FIFTEEN YEARS ACTIVE PRACTICE.
Gr duate of the Hahnemann Medical Hoze, PhilCeadelphia, Pa.

Waverly House, Pontiac.
GEORGE S. HICKS PROP'R.
Every attention paid to the to the travelling public. First class in every particular. Terms moderate. One of the best stables in the county in the connection with the house. 5 h33.

DENTAL SURGERY.
D. M. Johnston, L D S.

Gas and Vitalized Air used for the painless extraction of teeth. Office first door west of Presbyterian church. Hours from 8 a. m. to 6 p. m.

NEW GOODS! NEW GOODS
—A CHOICE SELECTION OF—
Hats & Bonnets, Ribbons & Flowers
Silks, Satins, Laces, Yellings, Gloves, Hosiery and Hair Goods.
—Dress Buttons and Trimmings—
I would call special attention to my
WALL PAPER and BORDERING.
Books, Papers and Magazines for sale.
Cornices made up.
Call and look at our
50c. CORSET.
L. T. FURMAN.

"Christmas joy and Christmas cheer, Christmas comes but once a year."

And our Stock is replete with novelties and staple goods suitable for Christmas and New Years presents.

Never has our store been more crowded with fine goods than now.

TOYS for the CHILDREN

Dolls, Dolls, Dolls in endless profusion! Dolls enough for every little girl in the county.

More china goods than we have ever shown before. China tea sets, cups and saucers, shaving mugs, table sets of cup, saucer and plate, bread and milk sets, glass sets, celery dishes, etc.

Hanging lamps, stand lamps, clocks, fancy baskets, lovely

PHOTOGRAPH ALBUMS

in leather and plush at lower prices than you have ever seen. Autograph albums, scrap books, miscellaneous books, juvenile and toy books, bibles and fine box paper in ornamental boxes in plush.

GAMES AND BLOCKS.

Penny toys, 5c-toys, 10c-toys, 25c-toys and toys at all prices. The finest line of

GLOVES AND MITTENS

in the county for ladies, gents, boys and girls—kid, cloth, jersey, yarn, etc.

Wallets, jewelry, pocket cutlery, plush toilet sets, cigar cases, work boxes, gent's mufflers, ladies' and children's hoods, gent's neckwear, underwear, fur caps, collars and cuffs, ruff and collar buttons, silk and linen handkerchiefs, oil paintings, wall pockets, stereoscopes,

Lovers' Tea Sets,

Ladies, come and see them.

Hand-bags, whisk brooms and broom holders We have thousands of articles to select from and at 10 to 25 per cent less than last year's prices.

Finest line of Candies, Fruits and Nuts in town.

Buy a Fine Dress for your wife's mother or sister.

If you have not seen our stock, see it now and save money by buying at home.

J. R. CORSON, JR.

1886. OUR 1886.

CAMPAIGN

—OPENS WITH—

A full line of Dry Goods, Boots and Shoes, Hats and Caps and

GROCERIES.

We are Headquarters for Midnight, Spanish, Saxony, Shetland, Vassar and Angora Yarns, Ladies' and Children's Hoods and

TOBOGGAN CAPS,

(something new and all the rage), Shawls, Skirts, Underwear, Men's Jersey Shirts, and a complete line of Flannels; Tricots, Cottons, and Ginghams; also a fine line of

GLOVES AND MITTENS.

We have a splendid assortment of Ladies' fine

SHOES AND SLIPPERS.

Also Men's and Boys' Boots and Shoes. You can save money by looking over our line of Boots and Shoes before purchasing.

A Fine Line of Fresh Groceries always on Hand.

F. BLAKESLEE & CO.
Birmingham, Mich.

HOME NOTES.

PERPETUAL NOTICE!

You will please notice date after your name on paper and wrapper; this tells you when your subscription expires. Your time is out please call and settle.

Where's our club hops?

Spoke for your turkey?

Glad to see Gus Tibbils around town again.

L. Case Esq., of Warren is in town this week.

Talk of a tobogan slide over back of Farm Sherman's.

December 31 is the date of Ned Daines' New Years dance.

Oh! See the Christmas tree and Christmas goods at Corson's store.

House to rent on Saginaw St. Read Mrs. Clark Harris' advertisement.

James H. Peabody is in Detroit trying baths for his rheumatic difficulty.

Only a little less than a carload of new holiday goods received this week at Corson's.

Don't ring the gong on us, but we really do wish our readers a right merry Christmas.

Mrs. H. A. Randall started for Flint on Tuesday last for a visit with friends and relatives.

See those new and handsome plush albums at Whitehead & Mitchell's both photo and auto.

Mrs. Eleanor Meredith at Baptist church next Wednesday evening. Admission, 15 cents.

Buy a fur cap, a muffler, silk handkerchief, or pair of gloves for your gentleman friend at Corson's.

Some very elegant Christmas presents are nearly ready for delivery, but mum is the word until next Saturday.

J. R. Corson, Jr., has his store handsomely decorated for christmas. It beats all his former efforts in this line.

Sabbath afternoon Rev. E. B. Service will deliver a discourse on "The Advent of Christ," in Troy Baptist chapel.

Fred Lamb, treasurer of Troy, will be at Whitehead & Mitchell's in Birmingham on Tuesday next, December 28, to receive taxes.

Somebody has borrowed Horace Leet's cutter thills and now he wants them awful bad. Bring 'em back and make Horace happy.

A hand bag, a book, a nice dress, a fine handkerchief box, or toilet set, would make her heppy for christmas if you bought it at Corson's.

The Big Beaver band boys will give a hop at Red Ribbon hall on Thursday evening, December 30. Horses will be cared for. Everybody invited.

"To-day I will go to Whitehead & Mitchell's and see what I can find for a christmas present for my best girl"—and he was sensible and very happy.

Cheapest plush albums in the county. Plush box paper, work baskets and boxes, fine goods in all lines suitable for holiday presents—very low prices—at Corson's.

The firm of H. E. Kenney & Co., of Detroit must be doing an awful business as they have no time to write a change of ad. for Christmas, at least it looks that way to us.

The Roller rink will be open afternoon and evening for Christmas, Dec. 25. Everybody invited to come and have a right jolly good time. Skates 15 cents. Admission free

William Randall, brother of George C. Randall, formerly of this place, visited his brother's family of this place last week. He left for Otter Lake, Mich., on Saturday last.

The sidewalk between the meat market and the depot is soon to be thirty feet wide in order that our prominent citizens may pass one another without danger of a collision.

We are showing more holiday goods than all the other stores in town. Plush goods, toilet sets, fancy and staple goods in all lines at prices so low that you can afford to buy. Plenty of clerks and a pleasure to show goods. J. R. Corson.

Holiday elocution at the Baptist church next Wednesday evening. Don't forget day and date for the Meredith elocution entertainment. The lady is one who comes with the highest recommendations and no doubt all will be pleased. Admission, 15 cents.

Christmas tree at the M. E. church for the children and at the Presbyterian they have a Christmas house with singing, speaking, etc., and at the Baptist church a concert will be given. All on Christmas eve, and everybody invited Admission free.

Mrs. Wm. Allen left for the bedside of her father on Saturday morning last in answer to a telegram apprising her of his dangerous illness. Mr. Leroy made his home here for some time several years ago. His age is 85 and small hope is entertained for his recovery.

At a late experiment in chemistry at the high school it is said that the professor distilled two ounces of pure alcohol from a pint of new cider. Charlie Mann says he'll bet a double eagle that the professor couldn't get two ounces of alcohol out of the whole barrel of cider he had for election purposes last fall.

A Sabbath school entertainment will be held on Christmas eve at the Presbyterian church. All are invited to attend and listen to the exercises by the children. Afterwards you may make the acquaintance of Santa Claus and his bright little wife, take a peep at his cosy house and witness the distribution of its contents. Seven o'clock is the hour for the exercises to commence.

On Friday morning last Johnnie Perkins, oldest son of A. L. Perkins of Southfield, left on his second trip to De-Funiak Springs, Fla. He goes via Chicago and St. Louis. He was accompanied by Will Ellwood of Royal Oak. They expect to remain in the land of perpetual flowers until June and maybe longer.

The sleigh bells have jingled the past week, but owing to the uncertainty of the weather and the heneeness of the hitherto, we dare not say that "the sleighing is good" for maybe when these lines come before the discerning eye of the public, the sleighing will be like the shadow of a dream. 'Twas ever thus with a country newspaper—we can only deal with cold hard facts and tell the truth every time. Yes, ma'am, that's us.

The members of the M. E. church were treated to a genuine surprise on Sunday last by an address from Rev. Mr. Smart, who came with the idea of getting a contribution for the Albion college, of which institution he is a prime factor. On his arrival he found the congregation in the basement because the furnace heater had burned out and the auditorium proper could not be heated. Mr. Smart rolled up his sleeves and went for a sum sufficient to put in a furnace and raised $221 before he let his congregation go. That's Smart enough for anybody and everybody's happy.

A young people's Christian temperance union was organized at the residence of W. C. Hull on Saturday, December 4. Twenty-two members were obtained and at the next meeting the number swelled to 33. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Mrs. W. C. Hull, president; C. H. Carter, Ezra Matheweson and Wm. Hamilton, vice-presidents; Julia B. McKee, recording secretary; Allie J. Bolline, corresponding secretary; Jennie Bassett, treasurer. The next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Frona Flinn on Wednesday, Dec. 29.

The following clipping goes to show what a Big Beaver girl can do when she goes west: "Last Thursday Arthur Swain and Miss Jennie Terry were married and the Broadford boys thought a little serenading would help the happy couple along on their journey of matrimonial love. The serenaders were received and an "ax" was handed to the spokesman of the crowd. After an adjournment to drink a toast to Mr. and Mrs. Swain's happiness, they all chipped in with what was left and wound up the program by purchasing a handsome sofa for the newly married pair and presented them with it, and thus wound up their serenade in an unusual but appropriate manner."

On December 1 our young friend John Wilde took possession of Erity's mill in Southfield, having leased the premises and going into this, his chosen vocation, with all the energy with which he is well-known to be possessed. The mill is replete with all the latest improved machinery for carrying on a large custom business and the place has become popular under the previous efficient and honorable management of Messrs Erity & Masters, and we see no reason why John shouldn't be successful to a degree satisfactory to himself and friends. We heartily commend him to our readers as a capable miller and a courteous man to deal with.

The prospectus of the Home Magazine states that with the year 1887 the 35th year of publication is begun, and we can well believe that such a long life has been a useful one, if we can judge by the sample of the January issue now at hand. Outside and inside the magazine is an attractive one, and when we consider the well-established reputation of the Home as a safe literary friend for every household and the low cost of the magazine, we rather think that its subscribers get about as much for their money as they could ask. The stories, illustrations and special articles in its "departments" are good and we think of great interest. Published by T. S. Arthur & Son, Philadelphia, who furnish samples of this issue at half price, 10 cents.

A large white owl was perched on the weather vane on the top of the M. E. church steeple on Friday afternoon last, looking down upon the surging mass of humanity passing the church on Maple avenue, and no doubt he indulged in some wise and philosophical thoughts upon the immutability of human events and the unceasing race for the almighty dollar going on so far beneath him. He thought he was without doubt far above earthly matters—but he wasn't, for a bullet from a rifle in the hands of Lyman Peabody caused him great surprise and the beautiful spotless bird came down to earth. His mortal remains will be preserved by a Detroit taxidermist and will look solemnly down at Lyman with reproachful eyes from an exalted position in his store.

Mitchell is the proud possessor of a horn (besides the one on his face) and Frank Sherman ditto. They play duets together just beautifully, after they get down to business, but this is the way they get down: Sherman comes in after the store is closed and they fondly embrace and kiss in the most loving manner. "Now, Sherman, we won't have any monkeying to-night, will we?" "No, George, it is strictly business and no quarrelling, mind you"—they kiss again and take up their horns and play a few measures. "Now Sherman why don't you play that as it is written?" "I do." "You don't! and I'll be blanked if you do!" "Well, I'll be blankety blanked if you know whether I do or not and you're a liar!" "You're a nother! and"—in rushes Whitehead and Tracy and separate the disputants. Quietness is restored only to be repeated as soon as the study of music is resumed.

Next Wednesday evening the Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church will give an entertainment in elocution at their church, at which time Mrs. Eleanor Meredith will give a number of recitations in dialect. Mrs. Meredith comes to us highly recommended as an artist in her line, and the very low rate of admission, 15 cents, will certainly secure a full house. Read what the Free Press has to say of this gifted lady. She has a striking and prepossessing appearance and all of her effects, either in reading or recitation, are gained without undue strain either in voice or gesture. Mrs. Meredith gave examples of her skill in negro, Yorkshire, Scotch, German and Irish dialects, and it was not only in the peculiar manipulations of tongue and voice that her work was admirable, but she has remarkably good facial expression, which seems to come unconsciously and which fits the inflections of the voice and the sentiment presented to a dot.

The sales of the Century Magazine have gone up over 30,000 copies in six weeks, since the beginning of the Life of Lincoln. A second edition of December will be issued. A veteran New York publisher predicts that the permanent edition of the magazine will go beyond 300,000 before the completion of the Lincoln history. The January installment, which is said by the editors to be of most surpassing interest, occupies 30 pages of the magazine and treats of Mr. Lincoln's settlement in Springfield; his practice of law in that city; the Harrison campaign; Lincoln's marriage; his friendship with the Speeds of Kentucky; the Shields duel and the campaign of 1858. The illustrations are numerous, including portraits of Joshua Speed and wife, of Mrs. Lucy G. Speed, Milton Hay, President Harrison, General Shields, Wm. H. Herndon (the law partner of Mr. Lincoln) and Mr. Lincoln himself, from the photograph presented by him to Mrs. Lucy G. Speed in 1861. Pictures are given of the house where Lincoln was married; also the house where he lived after his marriage, etc., etc.

Franklin is seeing troublous times, or at least one of her citizens is. Our mutual friend Dr. Cox has long been hankering to join the United Sons of Rest at Southfield, persuade a few friends to do likewise and start a new lodge of that order at Franklin. Now, the lodge at Southfield are getting ready for their annual installation and grand feast, and the good doctor prepared a fat and juicy woodchuck with which to entice the brethren into allowing him to come in. On Monday last Frank Durkee of this place telephoned the doctor that he had heard that he had a fine woodchuck and would the dear, good doctor let him have it? If he would chuck(?) it in a basket and send it over he (Durkee) would be very grateful, for he wanted to join the Sons of Rest at Southfield, and thought no one would chuck in a black-ball against him if he would chuck in a woodchuck for their annual feast. Now just see what a blessed predicament the poor doctor is in! Verily the troubles of the just man are numerous and the world is full of heart-aches for him.

EXCITEMENT IN TEXAS.

Great excitement has been caused in the vicinity of Paris, Tex., by the remarkable recovery of Mr. J. E. Corley, who was so helpless he could not turn in bed or raise his head; everybody said he was drying of consumption. A trial bottle of Dr King's New Medical Discovery was sent him. Finding relief he bought a large bottle and a box of Dr. King's New Life Pills; by the time he had taken two boxes of pills and two bottles of discovery he was well and had gained in flesh thirty-six pounds. Trial bottles of this Great Discovery for Consumption free at Whitehead & Mitchell's.

FROM OHIO.

Marrietta, Ohio, must be a thriving young city, as we received last week papers printed at that city from our old friend and former resident, George W. Beekman, who sends both German and English publications containing the following which we copy. People who are not up in German will please call on Whitehead, who will translate it with pleasure:

☞ Thierartt Geo. W. Beekman wird am 1. Januar von hier wegziehen, um in Lexington, Ky., professionell zu praktiziren.

Then comes the following:

RESIGNED.

E. S. Alderman, Sec. S. P. C. A.

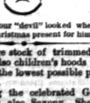
DEAR SIR—For the past two months I have been detained in Kentucky practicing my vocation and looking after my horse interests there with profit and satisfaction, and having accepted a lucrative offer from an eminent veterinarian in Lexington, my resignation as agent here of the S. P. C. A. is necessitated. Until January 1, 1887, when I expect to enter upon my new duties, I am willing to render no anything pertaining to the office here without pecuniary compensation as usual. Respectfully yours,

GEO. W. BEEKMAN,
Agent S. P. C. A.

MARIETTA, Ohio, Nov. 29, 1886.

There was also an account of a very difficult surgical operation that to those interested must have been very interesting.

NO CHRISTMAS PRESENT.



This is the way our "devil" looked when told that we had no Christmas present for him.

I have a large stock of trimmed hats and bonnets; also children's hoods which I shall sell at the lowest possible prices. L. T. Furman.

I am selling the celebrated German knitting yarn; also Saxony, Shetland, Germantown, Midnight and common yarns. L. T. Furman.

A TREATY BADLY NEEDED.

"If the Dominion is full of American defaulters the people of the United States have themselves to blame for it," said C. P. Davidson, Q. C., crown prosecutor, to *The New York World* correspondent at Montreal. "Canada has on two occasions endeavored to obtain an extradition treaty, while the failure on the part of congress to accept the last imperial treaty is a matter of regret to every well-thinking Canadian." The crown prosecutor of the district of Montreal is as competent as any authority in the country to speak on this subject. He has been retained in nearly all the large cases against American defaulters who have fled to this province, including the Eno, McMahon, Neeld, and other cases, but, owing to the inadequacy of the present extradition laws, he has spoiled the unsuccessful in sending back the scoundrels to meet the punishment they so well deserve. In the city of Montreal alone at present there are upward of thirty refugees from across the line who dare not set foot on American territory. These embrace the four New York "boodle" aldermen, Dempsey, De Lacy, Sayles, and Kirk; John Keenan, the "Bismarck" of New York politics, who is known to have supplied the "boodle" ex-Reading Clerk, Moloney, who placed the "stuff," Hoexter, the notorious New York insolvent, who reached Canada in safety with $150,000 of his creditors' money, which he has since lost in bucket shops; Charles Walters, the Baltimore bank clerk, who is wanted for forgery; the McMahon brothers, of Lynn, Mass., the fraudulent debtors; Goldstein, the runaway jeweler, of Albany, N. Y.; Bartholomew, the New England bank president, whose frauds were the sensation of a few weeks ago, and, last, but not least, John C. Eno, who has been staying at the Windsor for the last few weeks, evidently having become bored with the "churchyard silence" of his adopted home (Quebec), the ancient capital of this province. None of these men make any secret of their whereabouts, they use no endeavor to conceal their identity and they may be seen daily sunning themselves on St. James street, reading the ticker quotations on the "street" or smoking a cigar on the rotunda of the Windsor, the fashionable up-town hotel. Their stealings aloss aggregate millions of dollars, still they walk our streets free as air, and when the word "extradition" is mentioned to them they jauntily reply that they can not be "taken over" on a misdemeanor. Neeld had the cool effrontery to seek an asylum here in the vicinity where the headquarters of one of the banks he had victimized to the extent of $97,000 was situated, and in fact was first seen in company with his wife surveying the handsome building from the street.

The New York boodlers continue to live in princely style. Keenan has a suite of six rooms at the Windsor. He drives a fast team, which he keeps at Morey's livery stable near by, has a governess for his girls, and a McGill college professor to coach his boys every day. De Lacy lives at the same house, and while not so grand in his manner of living, spends not less than $40 a week. At the St. Lawrence hall "Billy" Moloney, with his buxom wife and pretty blonde daughter is quartered. His two boys have entered Jesuit college, while his youngest girl is a boarder at Ville Marie convent, one of the most expensive educational institution in the province. Bempsey, Sayles, and Kirk are also guests at the "hall," and many is the bottle of wine they make way with. The same house boards Hoexter and Goldstein, while at the Richelieu, in the French quarter, a perfect colony of smaller "boodlers" are found keeping company with the actresses of the second-class theaters.

But while Canada is full of American refugees, it must not be supposed that the United States is free from its contingent of Canadian scoundrels. Boston possesses Hunter, the defaulting Montreal notary, who swindled his clients here out of $400,000, while Chicago gives refuge to his son, who aided and abetted his fathers frauds. New York harbors Craig, the absconding president of the Exchange Bank of Canada, who ruined the institution, and overdrew his account to the tune of $200,000, while his brother, the ex-treasurer of the Montreal Loan and Mortgage company finds an asylum in Detroit. Three defaulting corporation officials from this city are now located in New York—O'Meara, the ex-city clerk; De Courcy Harnett, the ex-collection attorney, and Merrill, the ex-cashier. It also harbors the absconding Montreal lawyer, F. J Keller, who is now a practicing attorney of Gotham; two defaulting notaries, Alfred Isaacson and J. B. Houle, and numerous commercial swindlers. Philadelphia has as a guest Nathan Isaacs, who a few months ago absconded from here after swindling the banks and his creditors to the tune of $170,000 by means of false invoices. The above are but few of the many criminals who by reason of the absence of reciprocal criminal laws are enabled to carry on a reciprocity of crime and enjoy a safe harbor of refuge on either side of the line. Seldom does a week go by without an exchange of criminals in one direction or the other, and still all efforts to bring about a treaty which would reach the fellows are unavailing. Still the Dominion does not give up hope of ultimate success, and another treaty somewhat mod fied from the last impartial text will again, at the request of the Canadian government, be laid before the cabinet at Washington.

The French Protean

A show traveling through the French provinces has for a leading attraction an individual called "L'homme Protee." The Protean man not only assumes many shapes and takes many attitudes, but can appear as rigid as a statue, so that, when sharply struck, the blows fall as on stone. He can distend and contract his abdomen so as to appear by turns as fat as Falstaff and as lean as the apothecary in Mantua. All this, and very much more, is published on the authority of the showman.

IMPORTANT TO FARMERS.

Several months ago the late George Durkee purchased from the east a pair of registered Yorkshire pigs. They are fine specimens of the white hog. See what the People's Farm and Stock Cyclopedia says about them:

1. They are of a size, shape and flesh that are desirable for the family or packers' use.

2. They have a hardy, vigorous constitution and a good coat of hair, protecting the skin, either in extreme cold or hot weather so that it rarely freezes or blisters.

3. They are very quiet and good graziers; they feed well and fatten quickly at any age.

4. They are very prolific and good mothers, and the young never vary in color and so little in shape that their forms when matured may be determined in advance by an inspection of the sire and dam.

For further information inquire of George H. German or the man on the farm. GEO. H. GERMAN, JR.

THE VILLAGE COUNCIL.

COUNCIL ROOMS, NATIONAL HOTEL, Tuesday Evening, December 14, 1886.

[OFFICIAL.]

The board met at the Council Rooms at 7.30 p. m., Tuesday evening, December 14, 1886.

Present, Ira Slade, president; Trustees Taber, Thorne, Hagerman, Daines, Randall. Absent—Ford.

Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

On motion of M. K. Taber, seconded by Daines, the accounts of Arthur R. Tripp, $21 80, and Case Harrington, $10, were laid over until the next meeting for examination.

Voted by roll as follows:

YEAS—Councilmen Taber, Hagerman, Thorne, Randall, Daines. NAYS—None.

On motion of Taber, seconded by Randall, the following accounts were examined and allowed:

Ira Slade	$2 25
George Riffenburg	3 75
Samuel Jarvis	2 25
Edward Beardslee	2 25
George Blakeslee	2 75
Frank Beekman	4 37
Wm. Robinson	1 87
	1 87

Voted by roll as follows:

YEAS—Councilmen Taber, Hagerman, Thorne, Randall, Daines. NAYS—None.

On motion of B. A. Thorne, seconded by F. Hagerman, it was moved that the President be authorized to have a test well sunk for protection against fire, to be located where the Street Committee think best for the benefit of the public in case of fire and all public purposes.

Voted by roll as follows:

YEAS—Councilmen Hagerman, Taber, Thorne, Randall, Daines. NAYS—None.

A motion to adjourn was carried.

GEO. H. MITCHELL, Clerk. IRA SLADE, President.

Their Business Booming.

Probably no one thing has caused such a great revival of trade at Whitehead & Mitchell's drug store as their giving away to their customers so many free trial bottles of King's New Discovery for consumption. Their trade is simply enormous in this very valuable article from the fact that it always cures and never disappoints. Colds, coughs, croup, asthma, bronchitis and all throat and lung diseases quickly cured. You can satisfy yourselves buying by getting a trial bottle free; large size $1. Every bottle warranted.

MERRY XMAS.

Although we have bought no special line of holiday goods, we have in our stock many articles which make both useful and acceptable christmas presents. For instance, look at our elegant line of ladies' silk handkerchiefs for forty cents, our hem-stitched linen handkerchiefs in mourning, col'd border and plain white from 15 cents to 25 cents; gentleman's linen handkerchiefs 15 to 25 cents; gentleman's wool neck scarfs, 50 and 75cts ladies' and children's black cashmere hose, 40 and 50 cents; knitted hose, all colors 25 to 35 cents; ladies' and children's jersey gloves, 25 cents; mitts, 25 to 50 cents; leggins, 40 to 50 cents; woolen and merino underwear, 40 cents to $1, We keep macrame cord and knitting silk in all colors; we have a beautiful line of buttons and ribbons, and our stock of toboggan caps and ladies' and children's hoods cannot be equalled in style or price short of the city. We have handsomely trimmed felt hats for $1. Call and see us. We give a handsome christ-card for every purchase for and above 25 cents. The best cotton batting only 10 cents a roll. Allyn & Co., old Ammos Davis store.

SOUTHFIELD SIFTINGS.

The funeral services of Louis Tucker were held at his old home on Thursday last. The deceased has been living in Iowa for some time and made a visit home, returning to Iowa where he died. His death is mourned by a large number of relatives and friends.

Mrs. King is very sick with diphtheria.

Miss Cook of Toledo is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. H. Chapman.

Carrie and Charlie Parks are home for the holidays.

Three of Mr. Tucker's children are very sick with scarlet fever.

We hope the oyster supper at Mrs. Thompson's will be largely attended.

The Friday afternoon exercies at the stone school house were very interesting.

The Christmas tree has been given up on account of the scarlet fever scare.

Mrs. Doty is improving.

Brace Up.

You are feeling depressed, your appetite is poor, you are bothered with headache, you are nervous, sleepless, and generally out of sorts, and want to brace up. Brace up, but not with stimulants, spring medicines or bitters which have for their basis cheap, bad whisky, and which stimulate you for an hour and then leave you in a worse condition than before. What you want is an alterative that will purify your blood, start healthy action of liver and kidneys, restore your vitality and give renewed health and strength. Such a medicine you will find in Electric Bitters, and only 50c a bottle at Whitehead & Mitchell's. 5

I have a lot of trimmed hats and bonnets which I shall sell very cheap—from 25c up to $2. Call and see them. L. T. Furman.

Home-made bread, cream crackers, home-made cookies and bakers, 10c per dozen, and Detroit bread 5c per loaf at Mrs. Furman's.

I will take orders for Madam Griswold's celebrated corsets and other goods, which include children's corsets and waists, abdominal corsets, etc. L. T. Furman.