CLAWSON CULLINGS.

The forces of heat and cold are swaying back and forth so far this month. At times heat has the power, then cold has it, and thus it runs.

Our village is constantly growing. Eli Phillips has just erected a beautiful architectural display, each part, column, niche and dome complete and handsome in itself and the whole an imposing sheep shed. Truly the world do move.

Henry Blair recently built a fine ice house for Sir Peter Reid.

Wm. Parker buys Billy O'Connell's house and 20 acres of land for $1,100.

Recently Johnnie Long received $90 for his share of the crops. Frank Young of Southfield was moderator in making a satisfactory settlement between Long Johnnie and George McKinney.

S. A. Bean has a slight touch of sciatic rheumatism.

Codnor had an attack of hay fever last week.

Miss Mollie Reid has been making an extended visit among relatives and friends in Detroit.

Our mills now feel the dullness of the times which is being felt all over the state, caused by a late and direct change in the roads.

Renwick McKinney recently spent a week here visiting his brother-in-law, Jake Lawson.

Chas. Baker has returned to his home at Grosse Pointe.

Mrs. Oscar Martin is regaining her health. She did not have a paralytic stroke as reported by the other scribe.

Codnor is not going to start a cheese factory, but if he was he wouldn't publish his wants to gain a decision such as was heretofore noticed in Clawson Cullings. Now "cheese it."

SAND HILL HOOTINGS.

Prof. Norton has organized a band. They meet every Monday night.

Mrs. Shadbolt and daughter Stella of Birmingham were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Spicer over Sunday.

The masons have their installation of officers Saturday evening, Dec. 24.

The grangers have a large organization here.

The Verdict Unanimous.

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CURRENT EVENTS.

The body of a red squirrel was found in a 64-pound pickerel recently caught near Worcester, Mass.

A factory-owner in Brooklyn claims to have sold six million pounds of licorice last year to a tobacco firm.

Peanut raising has been commenced on the James river lowlands near Scottsville, Va., by an enterprising firm.

A large number of petrified trees have recently been discovered on the line of the Rideau canal in Canada.

Mrs. Daniel Abbott died at Surry, N. H., Friday, aged 92 years. Two brothers and one sister who survive her are each over 90 years old.

During the past three years nearly eighteen millions of rabbits were killed in Australia. On these the government paid a bounty of $20,000.

There are a few cranks in Newark, N. J., who will make an effort to have the Sunday blue laws endorsed by the voters at the next election.

All the turnpikes in the state of Connecticut but one have been purchased by the authorities and converted into free public highways.

In the rural districts of France bread is baked once each month. The kneading is done by men and the huge loaves are baked in large ovens.

It is estimated that during the cranberry season $100,000 will be paid out to pickers in southern Plymouth and Barnstable counties, Massachusetts.

A farmer at Staten Island, N. J., has a cow that has given an average amount of milk during this season, though she dropped her last calf five years ago.

When John Cram, of Valley Bend, W. Va., died the other day there were gathered at his bedside his six children, all gray-haired, and in one or two cases feeble. The old man was 100 years old, and retained his faculties to the last. He had not been ill for seventy-five years.

A physician who has been investigating the typhoid fever prevalent in Brunswick, Me., says that the disease is due to overcrowding in the French district and the lack of cleanliness of the people. The water supply of the infected district is pronounced poor and the sewerage system inadequate. There are about twenty cases of the fever in Brunswick.

A new variety of barley was a few years ago introduced into Minnesota and Dakota from British America, which is said to be the most productive small grain known in any part of the world. A yield of thirty-four bushels from a bushel of seed is reported. The color of the grain is black. If the reports of its productiveness are true it will be likely to supersede corn as a food for hogs and oats as food for horses.

In some parts of Australia the Scotch thistle, which has been hitherto regarded as a great nuisance, is being used for ensilage. One farmer, who had two acres of land completely overrun with thistles, had them cut down and stacked in a green state, with earth on top to serve as a weight. The result was a quantity of silage which cattle consumed with avidity. In Gippsland, where thistles flourish in uncommon luxuriance, the dairy farmers are advised to ensile them for their cows.

The corn canning companies of Maine are closing their season's business. The factory at Farmington Falls canned over 200,000 cans; that at Kingfield, 300,000 cans; East Canton, 250,000; Bethel, 850,000; Hiram, 307,000; St. Albans, 450,000; Camden, 90,000; Unity, 183,000. This large harvest affords a profitable market for immense quantities of corn, paying the farmers, according to one report, $10 to $12 per acre. In addition it gives employment to many people in and about the factories.

The famous floating island of the Derwentor, England, has come to the surface again after a long disappearance. This is a mass of decaying vegetation forming a layer of peat, on top of which is a thin covering of clay bound together by the roots of vegetation. It rests on the clay bottom of the lake, but sometimes some force, supposed to be in the gases generated by decaying vegetation, causes it to rise to the surface. Its extent sometimes reaches half an acre, and it rises and falls with the water until it sinks out of sight again, to be gone probably for several years.

When a young man is making love to a girl he is apt to tell her that he wishes her silvery accents might ring in his ear forever, but nine times out of ten he would as soon hear a perpetual steam whistle ten or fifteen years after the minister has got his fee.—Somerville Journal.

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COUNTY LINE CLIPPINGS.

Frank Morelock and wife of St. Joseph have been visiting with Mrs. Wm. Hawthorn, Jr.

G. Harmon has bored about 150 feet, but with no success.

Washing machine agents are as thick as peddlers in hades. All the women have to do is to pile up the dirty clothes and along comes an agent and washes them out.

Elisha Hoard's family have moved to Otter Lake.

Casey got Alex. Soults a good well at a depth of 108 feet.

During Mr. Cole's misfortune at the Corners, the neighbors subscribed liberally.

C. Pearsall is boring a well for John Hartrick.

The party at W. Todd's last week did not pan out very well as regards girls—20 boys, 4 girls.

Shooting match and raffle at the Corners Saturday.

Is John Ames sick or dead? We haven't heard of him making a deal in real estate for some time.

Charley Gamble lost all his hogs by cholera this winter.

SOUTHFIELD SITTINGS.

Mrs. Chas. Smith of Memphis, Tenn., is visiting D. M. Doty and E. S. Lawrence.

There will be a Christmas tree at the U. P. church Friday night and one at the M. E. church Saturday. All invited.

We report a large party at W. White's last Thursday. The young people enjoyed themselves hugely until a late hour.

Mrs. Adams is gaining slowly.

Miss Phoebe Crofts returned to Chesaning this week.

Walt Bowden of Franklin was about town again last week.

Miss Pierce of Redford and Mr. Cranson of Clarenceville were among the Sunday visitors.

Judge Marsden and wife of Detroit visited in town last week.

When it comes to dragging up schools we would like to say a word about district No. 10. Their teacher says he would like to put them up against any school in the township.

ROYAL OAK RUMBLINGS.

H. Ellwood recently met with a painful accident by having the limb of a tree fall and strike him on the head.

Will McClelland recently hurt his hand in a cutting-box.

Richard Maney is not expected to live from blood poisoning, caused by having his hand punctured by an awl.

Mr. McDowell spent Sunday in town

Miss Minnie Salisbury and Arthur Lee attended the Sunday school convention at Detroit the forepart of the week.

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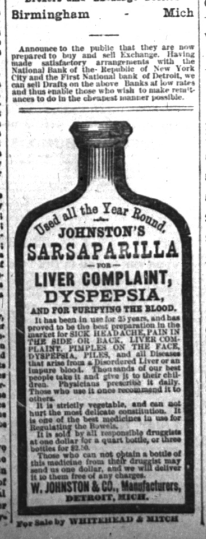

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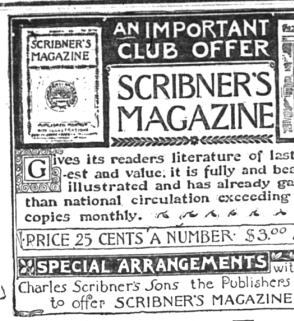

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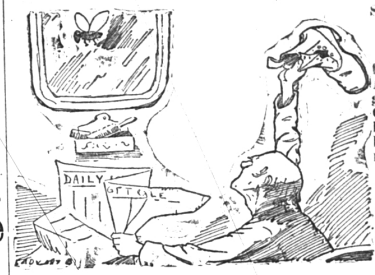

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A. A. RUST, Administrator.
Dec. 26th, 1887. Nov19w5

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STATE OF MICHIGAN, } ss. At a session of the Probate court for the County of Oakland, holden at the probate office in the city of Pontiac, on Saturday, the 26th day of November, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven. Present, Thomas L. Patterson, Judge of Probate. In the matter application of of Erastus Beckwith. Executor with the will annexed, praying for the allowance of his final account and the settlement of the estate. Thereupon it is ordered, that Tuesday, the 20th day of December, 1887, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said application, and that the heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, to be holden at the probate office in the city of Pontiac, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the applicant should not be granted; and it is further ordered that said applicant give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said application and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county of Oakland, three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

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