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CROCK WELLS—I am prepared to take orders for putting down best crock wells at low est prices. Work guaranteed. References Anyone for whom I have done work. For terms etc., call on or address, Wm. H. Midgley, Franklin, Mich. 50pdzm

TO RENT—House and barn to rent on Sagi naw street. The premises are in excellent condition and have every convenience for a comfortable home. Terms very reasonable. Call on or address Mrs. English, Birmingham, M. 49 t

FOR SALE—Several desirable village lots in the south part of the village of Birmingham. One on the corner of Fremont street and Stanley avenue, and six on the plat of Hood's addition to the village of Birmingham. For particulars inquire of H. Hood, Birmingham, Mich. 39

NOTICE—I wish to inform the ladies of Birmingham and vicinity that I will do dress-making at the home of Mrs. F. F. Richardson or by the day, at reasonable rates. Please call and see me. Taylor system of cutting. Chrissie Potts. 49m1pd

FOR SALE OR RENT—Farm of 120 acres, in the township of Royal Oak. Also one quarters of a mile east of Stumpf's blacksmith Shop. Address John Blakeley, Big Beaver, Mich. 46

LAKESIDE FARM FOR SALE—Located upon the south bank of Elizabeth Lake, 5 miles from Pontiac. About 150 acres of land, plenty of orchard, no buildings. This farm is known as the "Whitehead Farm" and will be sold cheap and on easy terms. Eighty rods beautiful lake front. J. Allen Bigelow, executor, Birmingham, Mich. 5ltf

FOR SALE—Horse for sale cheap. Anyone desiring to buy a horse cheap can find one by calling on Wm. L. Shadbolt, Birmingham, Mich. 51m1

FOR sale. Valuable piece of city property situated on Saginaw st. in the village of Birmingham, Mich., 66 feet front. The two stores known as the Jennings store and the Leach building. For price and terms apply to F. Hagerman, Birmingham, Mich.

FOR SALE.—My house and one and one-half acres of land on Saginaw street in the village of Birmingham. Good barn, 2 wells, 2 cisterns, good out buildings, etc., in excellent repair. Plenty of fruit of all kinds. Terms easy. Inquire of the premises, or address Fred Cartwright, Warren, Mich. Mrs. J. B. Cartwright, Birmingham, Mich. 36 tf

FOR SALE—Two farms for sale. One of 64 acres and one of 42 acres. Will be sold separately or together. Houses and barns on each place. Plenty of water and fruit, 15 acres of timber. Two miles from Birmingham and 14 miles from Detroit on the gravel road. Everything in good repair. Terms easy. Call on or address Wm T Parks, Birmingham, Mich. 48 t

NOTICE—Any one having dress making to do, by the day, can be accommodated by calling on Mrs. Mary McEwen at Mrs. Clark Harris' house on Lafayette st. I will sew at very reasonable rates and guarantee satisfaction. Mrs. Mary McEwen, Birmingham, Mich.

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Agent for the Citizens' Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Oakland, Genesee and Shiawassee counties. Safe company in the state to insure in. Purely mutual. Insures only churches, school houses and dwellings. For rates and particulars apply to A. Partridge, Birmingham, Mich.

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New Spring Shades and Weaves in Broadhead Dress Goods, only 50c.

38 inch all wool Dress Flannels, popular Shades and Colors. Very neat.

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Everything New, Fresh and the latest Novelties out at

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One lot Men's Lace and Congress Shoes reduced from $5 to	$3 50
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One lot Ladies' Kid Lace Shoes reduced from $2 to	1 00
One lot Misses' Calf Lace Shoes reduced from $1 75 to	1 00
One lot Children's Shoes reduced from $1 25 to	50
One lot Ladies High Button Overshoes reduced from $1 50 to	1 20
One lot Alaska Overshoes reduced from 1 00 to	65

We are giving Everybody Great Bargains in Shoes this month and are bound to get rid of our surplus Stock, and we have made prices to insure their going quickly.

Yours, etc.,

V. NIXON AND 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. If your time is out please call and settle.

Corn social April 6.

Don't forget the corn social on Friday evening, April 6.

No preaching at the Presbyterian church next Sunday.

Read Martin Wilde's horse for sale ad in cheap column this week.

If the usual amount of local does not appear this week—it's election, doncher know.

J. H. Snow has been quite sick with a bad cold and the doctor says it was "brown k-eitus."

Oxford paid 15c each for 754 woodchuck scalps and 10c each for 100 crows. Quite a death roll.

John Pound tells something about extending his realization sale one week. See new ad for particulars.

Frank Blakeslee has taken his old space on this page and your attention is called to his new display this week.

Mr. Cheney of Nebraska, a law student at Ann Arbor, passed his vacation with L. Stanley and family last week.

We have secured at great expense, a never-failing poultice for "sore heals". Defeated candidates please call early.

The great event at the Watkins glen farm is the birth of a Shetland pony colt, about as large as a rabbit and as lively as a cricket

Anyone finding a pair of gold-bowed spectacles will be liberally rewarded and fill a worthy lady's heart with joy by leaving them at this office.

For Sale: A few choice swarms of Italian bees, with latest improved hives For further particulars call or address Will Todd, Royal Oak, Mich. 2

Ross Lamb of Big Beaver, is happy over the recent arrival of a bouncing boy. The probabilities of the Lamb family becoming extinct are extremely vague.

For sale: A good light platform spring wagon, nearly new and in good condition. Can be seen and price furnished by calling on H. A. Randall, on staple avenue.

This is the motto of the Royal Oak leap year girl:

Leap till the last armed male expires.
Leap for husbands and for sires;
Leap for a chance to build the fires,
Fair ones throughout the land.

The regular annual meeting of the cemetery association will be held at Library hall, Saturday April 7, at 3 p. m. A full attendance is requested. M. Baldwin, secretary.

Chas. Brush recently received a beautiful floral emblem from his relatives in Detroit, it being one of the offerings of the Captain Wm. Mills funeral. It was a very handsome affair and only one of a large number of such remembrances.

All those having plowing to do and want the job done neatly and without danger or damage to the small fruit, vines, etc., can secure such by calling or addressing Samuel Jarvis, Birmingham, Mich.

Thirteen boys, four men, six dogs, four axehelves, two brooms, eleven clubs and a sausage knife combined killed a rat at Parks & Hanna's meat market the other day, besides flattening Will Fall's foot out like a griddle cake.

It will surprise his friends to know that Ed Lamb has a pair of twins at his house and it will disappoint them more to know that instead of two solid Democratic voters, he has a pair of fine English pug pups.

Mr. L. Carlton who lives one and one half miles north of Royal Oak, is the happy owner of a blazing gas well, which has burned steadily for a month. He will soon pipe it into his house and use it for heating and lighting purposes.

New spring millinery! Hats in worse shapes and higher prices than ever before, but not at this store. Very cheap here. No "elegant" stock of cotton ribbons. Call and look over the new styles, L. T. Furman.

Died: On Monday, April 2, 1888, at the residence of Stewart F. Joyce in Southfield, Miss Carrie Seger, aged 24 years. The funeral took place from her late home on Wednesday, April 4, and the remains interred in the Redford cemetery.

We saw this week a nice bunch of lambs that Thos. Quarton sold to Mark Hall. There were 74 half-bred lambs that averaged just 112½ pounds and were beauties, too, everyone of them. They brought nearly $600 and still it is said stock raising does not pay.

The following announcement on a neat and tasty card arrived last Friday:

HELEN ROSE HULL,
Alisonn, Mich., March 28, 1888, 4 A. M.
6½ lbs.

MR. AND MRS. W. C. HULL.

Congratulations are in order.

The D., G. H. & M. road will sell round-trip tickets at single fare on April 3 and 24, May 8 and 22 and June 5 and 19, to a large number of points in Iowa, Kansas, Texas, Nebraska, Minnesota, Dakota, Missouri and points in several other southern and southwestern states. Inquire at the ticket office.

Wm. H. Sharrood of this place has a fortune in his new invention—a continuous railroad frog, which for railroads is a grand idea, and for simplicity it cannot be beaten. Old railroaders say its simplicity is wonderful and its success is sure. He has taken out papers for a patent and we wish him success.

Fred Vorhes and his good wife visited their nephew, Ralph M. Vorhes, at Wilmot, Mich., last week, and will start this week for Nebraska to visit Mr. Vorhes' brother Peter at Sibory. Mr. Vorhes will make an extended visit and may invest some money there if he sees a good chance.

The young people of the M. E. church will give a corn social at the church parlors on Friday evening, April 6 The proceeds will be used toward the barn debt. The ladies of the church are requested to bring refreshments consisting of corn prepared in various ways. Admission 5c, supper 10c. A large attendance is requested.

There was no blare of trumpets or sound of drums, the earth trembled not and there were no convulsions of nature worth speaking of when Jim Slocum of the Holly Advertiser walked into the rinktum of this great moral engine and said it was a jam shame, when he was in town last week with the finest yellow dog in seven states, and we never said a word about it. Beg pardon, Jim.

A twenty-one foot tape worm, which belonged to Mrs. Amanda Durdle, nee Harris, of Troy, was compelled to change its location last week under the care and direction of Dr. J. L. Campbell of this village. Mrs. Durdle now rejoices over the separation from her long-tried friend and feels very grateful to the successful doctor, who adds another t. w. scalp to his belt. This makes the doctor's third successful effort during the past year and there's another in prospect.

A number of friends of Rev. John Hamilton surprised him one evening last week by meeting at the parsonage, passing a social evening and presenting him with an office chair just right for him to sit in at his desk and translate his justly celebrated thoughts to paper. A. C. Wallace made the presentation speech in his usual "to the point" manner, and Mrs. Hamilton was remembered by a purse of money as a slight token of esteem in which she is held by the congregation.

There is no certainty in these degenerate days where a man may find himself at the going down of the sun. One day last week Atanson Partridge was pursuing the even tenor of his way, very exciting life, and received a telegram from Detroit, to come to the city at once, and when he returned home he was a full fledged administrator of the estate of Captain Wm. A. Mills, deceased, with three first class tugs on his hands and other property aggregating in the neighborhood of $15,000. The boys call him "Captain Partridge" now.

The Gale plow works will remain in Albion. That entire village was offered to the company and when Pontiac raised that bid several points, the Gales returned to Albion yesterday to see if a few farms adjoining the village could not be added to the previous donations. Pontiac is desirous of securing legitimate manufacturing establishments, but did not feel like squeezing Albion for the benefit of the Gales, and yesterday withdrew their proposition. The Gale company was presumed to be men of honor, and that they meant to leave Albion as stated, otherwise Pontiac would not have offered one cent.—Democrat.

From the editor of Geo. P. Rowell & Co's "American Newspaper Directory," published April 24 (its twentieth year), it appears that the Newspapers and Periodicals of all kinds issued in the United States and Canada, now number 16,310, showing a gain of 890 during the last 12 months and of 7,136 in 10 years. The publishers of the Directory assert that the impression that when the proprietor of a newspaper undertakes to state what has been his exact circulation, he does not generally tell the truth is an erroneous one: and they conspicuously offer a reward of $100 for every instance in their book for this year, where it can be shown that the detailed report received from a publisher was untrue.

The Easter services at the Presbyterian church last Sabbath morning were in every way worthy of the high appreciation they received from an attentive congregation. The beautiful floral display arranged by the ladies of the church was a befitting tribute of the joy in view of Christ's resurrection. The choir now so ably sustained by the Rev James Quick's family and others filled the temple of God with the choicest music of glorifying praise. The pastor selected for his text, "The Lord is risen indeed." He preached with unusual power and at the close of the service announced that he felt himself divinely aided in unfolding the theme, and realized it was in answer to the prayers of the church. The services of the entire day were of a high order and surely the spirit of the Lord was there.

Died, on Wednesday, March 28, Mrs. Elizabeth Miles, aged 68 years Elizabeth, daughter of Henry and Margaret Walker was born in Canton, O., March 21, 1820; was united in marriage with James Miles in 1836. They moved to Miching in 1840, settling in Wayne Co. at the old six mile house. In 1847 they moved to Southfield, and in 1857 to Birmingham. In 1882 Mr. Miles died, since which time Mrs. Miles has struggled bravely on supporting herself by her labors and winning the respect of those who knew her best by her faithful industry. Although 68 years old she did her usual labors in washing and ironing the week previous to her death. The large company attending the funeral was proof of the esteem in which the venerable old lady was held by all who knew her.

FAIRCHILD'S WISH.

A Single Copy of the Eccentric Awakens Fond Memories of Long Ago.

BEREA, Ky., March 28, 1888.

Messrs Whitehead & Mitchell.

A single copy of the ECCENTRIC, sent me by some old friend I presume, has excited a desire to renew my acquaintance with Birmingham. I enclose a dollar for the paper one year.

The boys that "cried when I left town" are scattered through the world. I would like to get track of some of them through the ECCENTRIC. Emily Fish has been a faithful correspondent, but where she is now I cannot tell. She owes us a letter. Yours, etc.,

E. H. FAIRCHILD.

CHEAP RATES.

The Chicago and Grand Trunk railway have put in effect the following fares as taking effect March 31, 1888, and to remain in effect until April 18th, 1888, at which time they will be withdrawn:

Between Detroit, Mich. and Jackson, Mich., via Pontiac	$ 50
Between Detroit and Charlotte, via Durand	65
Between Detroit and Battle Creek, via Durand	1 15
Between Detroit and Kalamazoo, via Durand and Vicksburg, or via Durand and Battle Creek	1 80
Between Chicago, Ill., and Niles, via Grange	75
Between Chicago and Cassopolis	75
Between Chicago and Kalamazoo, via Cassopolis	1 75
Between Chicago and Battle Creek	2 80
Between Chicago and Marshall, via Battle Creek	2 80
Between Chicago and Albion	2 50
Between Chicago and Jackson	3 40
Between Chicago and Lansing	3 65

The fares on the intermediate points on the direct line between the above mentioned points will not be higher than between the points named.

EVERYBODY TO HIS TRADE.

Nothing is truer than that a man who attempts to be a jack at all trades is successful in none. Equally true is it that life is too short for a man to prepare himself for grappling with all kinds of disease. We need specialists in medicine, and in large cities it is becoming more and more the custom for physicians to adopt some favorite line of practice. The names of many such become familiar the world over as that of Dr. Douglas who attended Gen. Grant, or that of Dr. Foote of New York, whose original ideas of and successful practice of chronic diseases, have become widely known because his entertaining writings and reliable cures are to be found in almost every county of every state of the union. His favorite work, "Plain Home Talk," has worked its way around the globe both ways, via London and via San Francisco to Australia and New Zealand, with the result that the doctor, at his office, 120 Lexington avenue, New York, is in receipt of consultation letters and reports from patients in every foreign mail. But this prophet is not without honor in his own country, and it is mainly from his own countrymen that Dr. Foote invites free consultation, and to whom he offers the benefit of his 30 years experience. His career and success alone prove the advantage of specialism.

RESOLVED TO BE A BACHELOR.

Many years ago, when a young man and while sitting in my cosy office in the city of Buffalo, I resolved to lead a single life. In other words I resolved to be an old bachelor. I had a plenty of change lying around loose and in the bank, and withal I had good credit. I concluded that I could easily support myself and doubted anybody to support two, three, four, or perhaps more. The resolution was made in the afternoon of lovely June day, A. D. 18—. No matter about the balance of the year.

The first night after this conclusion I didn't sleep much, dreamed strange dreams, had sweet visions in dreamland and something was the matter. I arose in the morning considerably out of sorts. I didn't have a good appetite for breakfast. The observing landlady (they are always observing) noticed that I was in trouble. She asked me if anything was the matter. Had I the heart disease? I told her no of course. All that day I felt sad. At night I was troubled again. The next day I hired a horse and buggy and had a ride in the country. Everything wore a gloomy aspect; the birds didn't sing as sweetly as usual and the bottle flies didn't appear in their gay colors. What was the matter! My friends noticed that I didn't appear cheerful, and that I acted strangely. For a week or so things went on and dragged along in the same way. Then I thought what a miserable life I was doomed to lead—an old bachelor. I shuddered. Bye and bye I would be old; nobody would care for me and I would care for nobody; I would die in the garret and the rats would carry me out through the keyhole.

One day the scene changed while I was on the road to Damascus. I saw a new light and a spirit said to me "Marry." I was born again. I had a new life. I resolved to marry and I did marry. W. C. H.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

The following is a list of letters remaining unclaimed in the post-office at Birmingham, Mich., for the month ending March 31, 1888.

John Armstrong, Maggie Bennett, Hugh Elliott, Ben Powers, and Sherman S. Todd.

Persons calling for any of the above will please say "advertised."

F. HAGERMAN, P. M.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by Whitehead & Mitchell.

ELECTION.

The spring elections in this and adjoining townships were very quiet compared with those of a year ago. The following are the Rep. majorities of the successful candidates of Bloomfield, Troy, Royal Oak and Southfield townships:

BLOOMFIELD.

For supervisor, Luther Stanley, 37; clerk, Almeron Whitehead, 36; treasurer, Alanson H. Leet, 20; justice of the peace, full term, Alanson Partridge (dem), 109; justice of the peace to fill vacancy, three years, David Windiate, 54; drain commissioner, Fenn Weston, 44; highway commissioner, Allie J. Simonson, 78; school inspector, Emanuel Windiate, 3; for constables, William Robinson, 48; Emanuel Windiate, 49; Phillip H. Darkee, 48, Walter J. Power, 61.

TROY.

For supervisor, Fred Lamb, 31; clerk, Adams Bayley, 49; treasurer, Frank D. Cutting, 234; justice, Silas R. Wattles, 51; highway commissioner, Adolph M. Fisher, 39; drain commissioner, John Boyd, 39; school inspector, Charles Hadsell, 242; constables, Frank Cutting, 143; Jacob Lawson, 52; Louis Smith, 50; John Boyd, 146.

ROYAL OAK.

For supervisor, John Benjamin, 21; clerk, Richard J. Keeney, 151; treasurer, Robert Rofe, 46; justice, Nelson E. Springsteen (dem), 5; drain commissioner, Frank Briggs (dem), 47; highway commissioner, Albert Carey, 38; school inspector, Joseph P. Grow, 6; constables even up.

SOUTHFIELD.

The entire Republican ticket was elected For supervisor, M. D. Sly, 108; clerk, L. S. Dunbar, 66; treasurer, Wm. Hutton, 103; justice, H. S. Cox, 81; highway commissioner, Joseph Gray, 65; drain commissioner, John W. Bassett, 69; school inspector, John Hart, 182, and all the constables.

CARD OF THANKS.

We desire to extend our sincere thanks to the many friends who so kindly assisted us during the sickness of mother; also to Mr. J. O. Beattie for his many acts of kindness aside from his professional duties.

CHARLES MILES,
MRS. H. G. RIPPENBURG.

Mrs. Peter Brazington of Royal Oak wishes to express the sincere gratitude of herself and family to the many friends who so kindly assisted them during their late bereavement.

COUNTY LINE CLIPPINGS.

Nick Mooney moved into Bob Hawthorn's tenant house on Monday.

One day last week two ladies got stuck in the mud with a horse and buggy. If the neighbors hadn't gone to their rescue they might have been there yet.

Fred Boening and Miss Mary Keading were married on Easter Monday, at the residence of the groom's father in Sterling, the Lutheran minister of Warren officiating. The presents were numerous and of course nice, and the happy couple have the best wishes of a large circle of friends.

Charles Gamble has about finished Joe Blakeley's barn and John Dodds' is the next in order.

John Smith is moving into Fred Brace's tenant house.

Wm. White of Genesee county made a short visit to his parents a few days ago.

Fred Boening has sold his forty acres to John Licht for $2,200.

Mrs. Sarah Parks of Detroit made a short call on old acquaintances in this vicinity last Friday.

George Sargeant is going to move into one of I. Pearsall's numerous tenant houses.

Jean Sodan and Elijah Stanley have bought the R. Tharrett place for $5,500.

CLAWSON CULLINGS.

School is out in the Williams district for two weeks.

Charley Moore has moved on his farm near Birmingham.

Miss Martha Seabury is visiting relatives and friends here this week.

Mrs. Herbison moves to her farm on the town line this week.

Alex. Soults was under the doctor's care the latter part of last week.

Ben Cole works for Bob Moore this summer.

Communion services at the U. P. church last Sunday, the Rev Robert Sherrard of Commerce officiating.

About thirty young people surprised Miss Hattie Phillips last week Wednesday evening and presented her with a dressing case as a birthday present.

Sam Reid visited at Livonia last week.

TOWN LINE TOOTINGS.

Everybody is moving in spite of the mud. Will Hetchler moves near Amy, Mrs. Lenton to the Blair farm, Mr. Campbell to Judge Baldwin's place, Will Miller into Mr. Shug's house and Mr. Shug goes to Pontiac.

Two of Clark Beach's children have a slight touch of diphtheria.

Dema Beach has gone to live with her aunt, Mrs. Kelley, at the E. M. A. farm.

Married, March 14, Mr. William Miller of this place and Miss Maggie Cotcher of Pontiac.

There is company from Dakota at Dorsey Miller's.

Miss Hendricks has been busy visiting during vacation and will commence school again Monday.

Mr. McKinstrey's brother from Lapeer visited him last week.

Mrs. Lenton gave a very pleasant party to her many friends before moving. Also a farewell dance at Hetchler's Friday night.

Brace Up.

You are feeling depressed, your appetite is poor, you are bothered with Headache, you are fidgety, nervous, 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 very cheap, bad whisky, and which stimulate you for an hour, and then leave you in 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 50 cents a bottle at Whitehead & Mitchell's Drug Store.

Europe's New "War Cloud"

The publication of the treaty between Germany and Austria has its chief significance in the fact that it followed so soon after the reconciliation between the Russian Government and Charles Thomas Floquet, one of the most conspicuous of French statesmen. The result which that reconciliation has had at Russia by shouting "Long live Faidal!" on the visit of Alexander II., father of the present czar, to Paris twenty years ago, has made him hitherto, in the eyes of the Muscolite Government, more obnoxious than any other prominent Frenchman. It is understood that Russian enemity toward Floquet has prevented, up to a few days ago at least, a formal alliance between the French Republic and great Nothern depotism. The dinner was given by him a few days since to the Russian Embassador at Paris, and which was intended as a sort of peace offering to Russia, has wiped out the insult of 1867 and removed the only obstruction to complete harmony between the two countries. The importance of this incident can be inferred from the fact that nearly every close observer of French political affairs believes that the Tirard Ministery will be short lived, and most of them look upon Floquet as the Premier who will then come into power.

The compact between Germany and Austria was entered into several years ago. Its existence as well as its object has long been known to every European statesman. Self-interest has prompted an alliance between these two countries. France is the only great nation with whose interests Russian ambition does come in conflict. Nor does French foreign policy call for any attempt either the prestige or the asperation of Russia. Circumstances well known to every European diplomate have made it impossible for either to obtain aid or peace from the other. The nations most threatened by a Franco-Russian coalition would be Austria from Russia, and Germany from France. These considerations made a combination between the two German-speaking nations imperative.

The publicat on at this moment of the treaty between the Hohenzollern and Hapsburg Governments means that the alliance between Russia and France, and the purpose which called it into being, are well known in the countries against which it is directed. It means, too, that if Russia whether acting under an agreement entered into with France or not, continues its warlike demonstrations on the German and Austrian frontier it will do so at its peril. This is what the publication of the treaty portends. It is not at all certain that war will take place at an early day. In fact there are many and powerful influences in France, Germany and Austria working in favor of peace. But whether it does or does not come, it must be conceded that the situation is graver in Europe than ever since 1875, appeared so warlike as it does at this moment.—*St. Louis Globe-Democrat.*

"Jubilees" in the Olden Time

One of the most crowded jubilees of which history gives a record was that of 1650, celebrated by Innocent X., called the Ugly. His ugliness, indeed, was so great that, it is said, after he was elected to be pope, some of the cardinals protested, saying that he was too ugly to be elected "Father of the Faithful!" It is also said that a celebrated friend of his, the "Bella Olimpia," one day brought one of his nephews to see him, who was even uglier than himself. "Let me never see the fellow again!" the pope exclaimed "He is even uglier than I am!" Soon afterward, however, he made him cardinal. It was during this jubilee that forty-two noble Roman ladies went about the city to collect money for the Pope, and collected $16,580, which were employed to feed the poorer pilgrims, who amounted to 110,000 people from all nations of the world. Clement II. gave $5,000 in 1675 for the support of a pilgrim's home, and the unfortunate Jews—who were always ill-treated at Home—had to give $250 every year to the same institution. For the Jew, therefore, the word jubilee became utterly transformed, as it is now for the Pope. It is no longer a period of rest. On the contrary, it has become a kind of Olympic festival of Christian piety.—*Rome Cor. New York Post.*

Fun With a Duke.

The Duke of Newcastle had rather a hard time of if here. He is a modest little invalid, and after being stood up on his one leg at receptions and having strings of people brought up to be presented after the fashion of well meaning Americans, he bethought himself of some little strategy to release himself from a bore to which he had not been subjected in any other part of the world. At a recent entertainment given in his honor, after twenty or more people had presented, his Grace had had enough.

"I really think I shall have to go," said he to his untiring hostess. "Oh, no, Duke! I can't think of letting you off so soon." "Oh, Mrs. Marshall, I want to introduce you to the Duke of Newcastle!"

"But you see," said the shy little man, scarcely bowing, "I have just left my cousin very ill of diphtheria at his hotel, and I am anxious to get back to him."

"Great heavens! Oh, go at once, then!" said his hostess, who had children, and whose maternal instinct for the moment was overpowered her snobbishness. And go he did like a shot.—*New York Star.*

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