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STATE NEWS.

The Spring Elections.

The township elections on the 2d inst. passed off very quietly, the principal thing the fact that in many instances three and four tickets were in the field and the contest very close.

The entire republican ticket was elected at Portland. Mt. Clemens went democratic by usual majority. Mt. Clair democratic. Ithica republicans elected entire ticket except treasurer. Citizens' ticket elected at Cadillac. Owosso's full ticket is about a stand-off. Vicksburg full republican ticket. Dowagiac elected G. E. Bisbee mayor, and city ticket except supervisor. Monroe republicans elected only three candidates. Out of 15 candidates on republican ticket at Saginaw 11 were elected. Holly elected all democratic except constable. East Saginaw, Ypsilanti, Ann Arbor, Owosso, Howard City, Rapids, Manistee and other cities show demo-ratic gains. Prohibition was defeated in Coldwater and Manistee. In the above places in the state citizens' tickets, composed of the best men of both parties, were in the field and the relative strength of the two leading parties is hard to determine. In a few places the labor ticket scored a victory. The vote polled was large.

Michigan News Briefly Told.

The state board of health urges local boards to begin a house to house inspection.

The man arrested in New York as H. H. Whipple, the Battle Creek embezzler, proves to be Wm. Whipple, who is known as "Jakey" Mather, and the woman in the case says she is Mrs. "Jakey." C. Wakelee of Battle Creek has gone east to identify him.

Rev. A. H. Parsons, a well known Baptist clergyman, died in Lansing a few days ago.

Digging will soon be resumed on the St. Clair tunnel.

The April term of the supreme court has 140 cases on the docket.

The Bay county jail is to be provided with a library for the entertainment and instruction of prisoners.

Phil Armour, the Chicago pork packer, will build a supply house at St. Ignace this spring.

Judge Grant has refused a new trial in the case of the state vs. Gov. A. P. Swineford of Alaska, and the latter must make a showing of the case on appeal in part the $750 appropriated by the state for the New Orleans exposition exhibit.

Campbell, the bogus pension agent of Kalamazoo, has been arrested.

Brig.-Gen. O. A. Janes, Second Brigade, Division of the Lakes Department of Michigan, Patria circular No. 1, Oct. 6, announces the following appointments on his staff: Col. Alfred Milnes, Coldwater, aid-de-camp; Capt. E. E. Reed, Detroit, assistant inspector-general; Maj. W. W. Owen, Muskegon, assistant quartermaster-general; Maj. Geo. H. Codlington, Ann Arbor, assistant commissary-general; Maj. James Dean, Detroit, as assistant chief of ordnance; Maj. A. E. Wheeler, St. Louis, Mo., surgeon-general; Maj. F. M. Foster, Jackson, brigade chaplain; Capt. C. A. Gurney, Flint, assistant judge advocate-general; Capt. J. J. Frink, Canton, aide-de-camp; Capt. George W. Crozier, Grand Rapids, aide-de-camp; Capt. T. A. Willet, Flint, special aide-de-camp.

The rinns of Ishpeming have organized a band and call it "Poo-lan kaiku band-ta."

Montcalm county, where Greenville is, had 2,500 ma ority last spring, will vote under the local option law May 2.

John Callagher, a cloth peddler, and William Hennessey, a bartender, had a quarrel in Ferry's saloon in Grand Rapids, and Hennessey struck Callagher with a hatchepick, inflicting several rash wounds, tearing out the right eye and fracturing the skull. Callagher died. Hennessey is in jail. Callagher made the first assault.

The Kalamazoo stock company, of which Senator Stockbridge is the head, has accepted 60 propositions for another horse with Senator Stanford, for which they will pay $18,000. The horse is the full brother of Bell Boy, recently sold by the Kalamazoo com any for $15,000.

Representative Gilbert Peter Gilbert of Bitte River Ranch, Aranac county, died of pne monia in Lansing the other morning. He was a member of the freshman class in the agricul ral college.

A man named Elliott was frozen to death in the woods not far from Cadillac.

Eugene Smith, a resident of St. Clair since 1.36, is dead.

A citizens' protective union has been formed at Benton Harbor.

The law in which Parley Breen can fle a claim to the seat of Mr. Seymour in congress has expired.

Ex-Auditor General W. Irving Latimer of Lansing has been appointed to a position under the general-ar ams in the United States senate.

Seymour's resolution authorizing the secretary of war to sell to the Minneapolis, Sault Ste Marie & Atlantic railway company certain portions of the military reserve at Sault Ste Marie, is now being considered by the secretary of war, to whom it was referred by the house committee on military affairs. The secretary awaits a decision by Attorney-General Olney and the Ryan contract liability.

The report of the director of the Michigan weather service for March 31, says that in reference to wheat the reports from correspondents are unusually favorable. The effects of the weather on the growing crops has been favorable in all localities, exceeding a normal temperature. It is reported as being still unfavorable, to a slight extent.

The 3-months-old Stevens of Battle Creek a ruck a horse a blo with blow on the mouth wi h the k ck of his hin sid mon his go, making a deep gash in the side which by coming in contact with the horse's teeth. His hind foot on soon became swollen, and a serious ble chsto ation two inches in wid h soon formed, exposing the bone. A gag formed from he hind o the elbow. An ordinary ruptu wort secure from which a wa ery pus trickles for la. The case is reported he a tention of the best physicians in the state, but no one ex ects him to live. The appearance of a gen leman se of ers reproduced man by inoculation from a Glandford horse.

Saginaw fruit growers are rejoicing in the prospec s of an abundant fruit crop.

The coal mines just north of Albion are being worked by 100 miners.

The mining and loan association has been fo med at Buchanan.

Charcoal makers of Carleton are shipping coal as far as Omaha and Milwaukee.

Whitney & Stinchfield of Saginaw, will build 16 miles of narrow guage railroad through their pine on Lower Au Gres in the upper peninsula, and go for that aforesaid pine.

William Bros. of East Saginaw, have established a boiler shop at Chebovgan.

The new railroad from St. Ignace to Sault Ste Marie is a settled fact. The survey has already been commenced.

Pr sident Graves of the Northeastern Michigan G. A. R. association, has issued a circular letter to the various posts in the district, asking an expression of views relative to attending the national encampment of G. A. R. at Columbus, O., and foregoing the usual annual meeting of the associat on. This action is taken in view o the fact that a number of comrades have expressed their financial inability to attend both meetings, as well as the additional one that no place in the district has offered a reasonable bonus for the location of the southeastern encampment.

More Education, Fewer Strikes.

Governor Greenhalge of the Massachusetts knights of labor has issued a call for a state convention, to be held in Boston April 15. The attitude of Master Workman Powderly toward strikes, and his proposition to place lecturers in the field, that the working people may receive a more thorough education on labor questions, will be discussed. The probability is that Powderly will receive a hearty indorsement by Massachusetts knights.

AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION.

Mills' Bill Before the House—A Sarcastic Minority Report.

Provisions of the New Chinese Treaty—Washington News in Brief.

The Mills tariff bill is now fairly before the house. Several changes have been made in the bill, tending to strengthen it particularly with the southern members. Mr. Mills gave notice that he would try to call up the bill in about two weeks. The chief changes have been made in the sugar clause. They leave the standard of differential at one-eighth of one per cent, as proposed by the present law, which is equal to a 30 per cent horizontal reduction. The drawback provision of the bill, as originally reported, is stricken out, thus making a difference of about $6,000,000 in receipts. These changes, the committee claim, are not made as concessions to the Louisiana delegation, but that they make the bill satisfactory to them. Several changes in the classification under the woolen schedules are also made.

The last change is in the nature of a new section to the effect that nothing in the act shall interfere with any treaty, stipulation or convention with foreign nations.

The minority report was prepared by McKinley and Reed, and it is a caustic document, covering eighty-eight printed pages. It attacks in forcible language the weakness of the Mills bill and refers to the "dark room in which the committee that docu ent was arranged. Prominence is given to the wool, salt and lumber clauses. The report will probably be prepared by "Tom" Reed, and meets the approval of Burrows, Michigan member of the ways and means committee. Burrows says the report is positive, pronounced and aggress ve.

Secretary Bayard in his letter accompanying the Chinese treaty gives this summary of its provisions:

We have secured the co-operation of China in the main purpose of the treaty, which is the absolute prohibition of Chinese laborers from coming into the United States for 20 years, as this renewal thereafter for a similar period unless notice shall have been given. This precludes the return of any Chinese laborer who are not now in this country, unless the Chinese laborer has a lawful wife, child or parent in the United States or property therein of the value of $1,000, or debts of like amount due him and pending settlement. The regulation and control of the issue of such certificates of return will be wholly in the hands of the United States officials. Such right of return, too, is for a limited period, existing treaty privileges of the Chinese subjects in the United States to Chinese officials, teachers, students, merchants and travelers for curiosity or pleasure are wholly undisturbed, as well as the transit rights of laborers, strictly to be exercised under United States regulations.

The treaty does not demand the enactment or enforcement of law discriminating in favor of Chinese subjects in the United States, nor does it entitle them to greater or other protection than is accorded to the subjects of other foreign nations. But the fact remains that they have suffered grievously in person and property, and that the security of their lives and property is wholly inadmissible, yet it is competent for this government in humane considerations of the present condition of affairs due to the community in which they have taken place, and outside of the punitive action of the law, to invite from China to make voluntary and generous provision for those who have been innocent victims of the lawless violence within our borders.

The reduction in the public debt during March amounted to $11,386,550, and since June 30, 1893, $25,237,000. The silver fund $61,231,617 of government money, or about one quarter of a million less than in a month. The gold reserve months of the current fiscal year, $88,560,581. The net cash in the treasury April 1 was $910,575,316, or $11,000,000 more than on March 1. The gold balance increased $ 000,000 during March and is now $103,000,000. The net gain since June 30 since shows a decrease of $4,000,000 since March 1, and is now $48,886,783. Na ional bank circulation decreased about $61,231,617 of government money, or about one quarter of a million less than in a month. Government receipts from each source during the first nine months of the current fiscal year aggregated $283,078,276, or about $1,000,000 more than during the corresponding nine months of the preceding year, while the expenditures were $ 83,175,695, or nearly thirty-six millions less than for the corresponding period of the previous year.

The house objects to the senate amendment s to the bill dividing the Sioux reservations in Dakota, and a conference is asked.

The President has sent to congress a message recommending legislation to prohibit the importation of swine from France and Germany. It is accompanied by communications from Minister Pendleton and from the consul at Marseilles.

The bill granting $100 each to inmates of soldiers' homes has been reported favorably in the senate.

The house is satisfied with Postmaster-General Dickinson's action on the Canadian postal treaty, and the resolution ordering an inquiry has been adversely reported.

A bill has been favorably reported giving Lansing $100,000 for a public building.

The house has passed the bill granting a pen ion of $2,000 a year to Mrs. John A. Logan; also a bill granting a like amount to Appolin A. Blair.

Senator Manderson has introduced a bill providing that in the event that it proposes to pay a man ust such indemnity as may be collected by United States authorities as he would be entitled to secure against a private citizen. The bill is for the relief of Edward B. Newton of Omaha, a young man of 19, who, while in charge of the Omaha branch of Indianapolis as deserter from the army. Newton was taken from Indianapolis, kept about three weeks, then let on parole for a few days, and barracks near St. Louis, where he was confined about two weeks more and was compelled to work. He claims he was under John F. Ward and never was in the army.

The senate has passed bills for celebrating the centennial of the constitution at Washington in 1889; appropriating $ 50,000 or an Indian industrial school in Minnesota; appropriating $200,000 for a public building at Bay City.

A bill has been introduced in the senate for purchasing at $20,000 the late President Washington's swords from Miss Virginia Lee Taylor, a direct descendant of the first president.

The public lands committee of the house has decided to report bills o felting about 10,000,000 acres of the Northern and northwestern Pacific railroad land grants and the Ontonagon & Brule river grant.

Senator Palmer's bill to pension Adeline Coudins, in lieu of Phebe Cousins of St. Louis, has been favorably reported in the senate.

The senate has voted Bay City $200,000 for a public building.

The supreme court has made an order denying the motion heretofore made for a rehearing of the Maxwell-Preller murder case.

The Crane amendments to the constitution changing the time of the annual presidential inauguration and extending the terms of the president and the present congress correspondingly was defeated in the house.

Gen. Black, commissioner of pensions, estimate: it will take betw en $200,000,000 and $ 00,000,000 to pay all claims for arrears of pensions should limitation clause be repealed.

The house committee on agriculture has appointed a sub-committee, co posed of Chairman Hatch and Messrs. Davis and Laird, to examine the sensational statements be ore the committee by Dr. Barbie of St. Louis concerning the use of diseased meat in lard mak ng, etc., and decide what action shall be taken on it by the committee.

President Cleveland attended the funeral of his old friend William Dorsheimer in New York.

The president has signed the bill to grant a pen ion of $12 per month to Mrs. Mary E. Lowe of Allegan county, who was a nurse during the war. It is the first Michigan pension bill which has come before him.

About fifty members of the bar of the supreme court assembled in the court room the other morning to make a formal expression of their respect for the late Chief Justice Waite. Speeches were made by Attorney-General Olney and Clerk McKinney, of the supreme court was named secretary, and many resolutions were offered by private resolutions. After eulogistic remarks by a number of gentlemen the resolutions were unanimously adopted.

The president has written to the civil service commissioners saying that the civil service rules apply to all employes not appointed by the president.

Senator Palmer's bill to grant Major McKeynolds of Grand Rapids, his Mexican war pension for the time he served in the war of the rebellion, has been favorably reported.

LETTER FROM BERLIN.

He Favors a Vigorous Education—at Policy.

Grand Master Workman Powderly has issued a lengthy circular addressed to all assemblies of the Knights of Labor. Referring to the experience gained from the recent strikes he says:

"What a combination of hungry men could battle against a combination of dollars! When a workman ceases to earn his st mach's wants, and unless charity is given, he will starve. Lay a gold dollar away on the shelf and let it lay for a year or de ade, and there it is, as bright and shining as the day it was placed there. The dollar is supreme. We must control the dollar, curb its power or it will control us. Until this is done, we shall not for the last cent from labor and kill the people.

We must have legislation which will compel individuals and corporations to transact business on a basis of real property. If dollars and cents, instead of what the world calls paper credits or fictitious values. How can this be done? By whom is it to be done? It has been demonstrated that the order will not support strikes. Will it now make an effort to have the government issue money? Never our claim to recognition before the people. Will a vigorous policy of educational agitation suffice? Through such agitation or oversight the general assembly will establish a educational fund. Will our members contribute to this fund? Will they contribute ten, fifteen or twenty cents apiece. If so a number of good, competent lecturers can be employed through the order to educate and instruct in the principles on which the order is based.

Let the general executive board each assembly and give me your answer yes or no—as quickly as it can be done.

And I say emphatically, let us be united in acting at once upon an actual educational campaign.

So do you believe we should send out good, competent brothers to teach the principles of the order.

A. Will the general master workman levy an assessment of three cents per capita to defray the expen e of lecturers?

A. Will the general master workman be sustained in enforcing discipline and the departments of the order?

If the order do these proposit ons it is the affirmative the general master workman pledges himself to a work for the order such as has never been done before.

SIXTY LIVES LOST.

Terrible Explosion in a Missouri Coal Mine.

Two explosions occurred the other afternoon in the coal mines at Rich Hill, Mo., 100 miles from Kansas City. Sixty men were entombed and beforedark forty bodies had been taken out and sixty lives lost. The explosi n occurred at 12.10 p. m., killing twenty or thirty men. Supt. Sweeny and his assistants immediately began the work of rescuing the injured miners and up to 4.00 had succeeded in saving fifteen men, when a second explosion occurred, killing Supt. Sweeny and his aides. The rescue was terrible, a shooting out from the top of a 270-foot shaft like a furnace.

Further e ort to save miners was hopeless and as hundreds o men, women and children gathered around the mouth of the shaft the scene became heart-rending in the extreme.

It is probable that all who were in the mine at the time of the first explosion are dead. The bravery of Supt. Sweeny almost cost him his life, and he is mourned by everybody. About eighty-five miners were employed in this mine and the probabili ties are that most of them were killed. There were mostly Negroes who came from Spring field, Ill., when the mine was opened less than a year ago.

Must Promote Home Dealers.

The following order issued by the treasury department of the United States government will interest many persons up n both sides of the line. It is directed to the collector at Buffalo, N. Y.:

Sir—It has been represented that many persons living on the Canadian frontier go to Canada to make their purchases of groceries and other dutiable articles, and upon their return to the United States claim exemption from duty upon such articles under the ruling of April 29, 1893. You are informed that importations of the character are not entitled to the ruling mentioned, and that when the goods are shown duties should be exacted in all cases. If any evidence of intended fraud is discovered the parties will be sent to for feiture and fine and imprisonment of the person participating in it. The department is a fine of not less than $ 0 nor more than $ 00, or imprisonment for two years, or both.

Complain of Ill-Treatment.

A body of forty-eight recruits passed through Toledo the other evening, bound for Cheyenne, Wyoming. They started from Fort Wayne, Ind., with 50 men and since then four have deserted. At Toledo one jumped from the train and was shot and killed. Others on the train were under the command of a captain and pretended a half famished appearance. They complained bitterly that they were fed on rotten meat at David's Island, and it was asserted by one of them that at Fort Wayne they would be shot for arriving in Chicago. The captain can do nothing with them, and believes but few will be left when they reach their destination. One of the men alleged that a comrade sent a letter to a paper describing their fearful condition, and he was apprehended and sent to prison for five years.

Dorsheimer is Dead.

Ex-Lieutenant Governor William Dorsheimer, publi her of the New York Star, and the other editor of the Savannah, Ga., William Dorsheimer was born 63 years old, and was for many years a resident of Buffalo. He was lieutenant governor with the late Samuel J. Tilden, and subsequently served a term in congress. After that he was appointed United States district attorney for New York. Two years ago he re orrected the New York Star and developed into a vigorous writer, devoting his talents to proving that Cleveland is giving the best administration the country has ever enjoyed. In earlier years Dorsheim r was a republican.

Twenty-three Drowned.

The bark British Princess was wrecked off Caminha, Portugal, April 1, and 23 persons were drowned.

EARTH TO EARTH.

The Remains of Chief Justice Waite Interred in Toledo.

Services in Washington and Toledo.

The funeral of the late Chief Justice Waite to k place March 28 in the house of representatives. Bishop Paret, rector of St. and Dr. Leonard of St. John's, Dr. Mott of the Epiphany, and Rev. Dr. Bodine, president of Kenyon college, assisted. The funeral procession started from the late residence of the chief justice at 11.15 o'clock, and proceeded directly to the east front of the capitol, entering the building through the rotunda, where it was met by a joint committee of both houses appointed to the hall of the house of representatives.

Accommodations for about 1,000 people had been provided on the floor of the house, and for 1,500 in the galleries. The house, like all other portions of the capitol, was festooned and draped with black and a church choir and organ were stationed in one of the galleries. Besides members of the house, there were present the senators, the diplomatic corps, the president and cabinet, the supreme court of ci ilians, the bar association committees, Gen. Sheridan and staff, and Admiral Porter. The president and the wives of cabinet members were in the executive gallery. Bishop Paret read the Episcopal burial service. The remains, covered by the judges of the supreme court in their robes, were brought in. The casket was covered with flowers and flo e s.

There were pre ent also the son and daughter of the late chief justice, C. C. Waite and Miss Mary Waite. The casket in turn followed by the intimate friends of the deceased, the women of the supreme court and others who were invited to the reserved seats, while the choir from the gallery chanted the remaining sentences of the burial service.

While the entire assemblage remained standing Bishop Paret rea ed the apostles' creed and the choir sang the hymn "Abide with me." With bowed heads the assemblage then listened to the selections from the Bible and prayers, in which the bishop led and the clergy responded. The ordinary service were added the prayers for the church for the president and congress.

From the capitol the funeral cortege proceeded to the Baltimore & Potomac railroad station, about half a mile distant. As the hearse and carriages passed Fifth and Maryland avenues a dirge on the chime bells of the metropolitan M. E. church, and continued till the procession passed into the entrance to the railroad station. The carriages containing the president and the cabinet moved directly on to the White house and the departments.

The special train bearing the remains of Chief Justice Waite reached Toledo about 10 o'clock on the morning of March 29. The cas et containing the body was placed on a car in the residence of Judge Richard Waite, a brother of the deceased, where it was dressed in order that Mrs. Waite and the other members of the family might obtain a private view.

Upon the casket lay the beautiful wreath sent by the president and Mrs. Cleveland, two pairs of creased palms, cro sed and fastened together with white satin ribbons. The house was filled with a large number of beautiful floral tributes from many local friends of the deceased. A hand-some bronze casket was the chinese legation in Washington and was one of the most beautiful in the large number.

The casket was placed in the parlor, the pall-bearers, cadets and all others retired and the doors were closed and fastened. Judge Ross Kane Henry, two servants of the late chief justice. The remains were privately viewed by Mrs. Waite and other members of the family, and at 12 o were removed to the guild rooms of Trinity church. The funeral cortege was headed by the band of the Toledo cadets, and they and the pall-bearers, with the simple procession to the guild rooms, where the body was to lie in state. Up the simple procession to the guild rooms, where the body was to lie in state. The casket was placed on a raised dais, draped in black, in the center of a large room, and for hours after one could walk the line was removed and the face of the dead exposed to view.

For six hours an enormous throng surged through the rooms to look upon the face of the distinguished dead, and the guild rooms were removed to the chancel of the church adjoining.

The doors of the church were then opened, and the invited guests entered the church in a body and were seated on each side of the main isle as follows: The judges of the supreme court of the United States, the supreme court of Ohio, the committee from the United States senate, the committee from the United States house of representatives, the federal judges of the United States circuit, the committee from the United States senate, the speaker of the house and the committee, the governor of the Ohio legislature, the bar of Lucas county and visiting judges and lawyers, the governor of Ohio, the mayor of Toledo and representatives of the press.

The funeral services in the church included the regular Episcopal burial services of the protestant episcopal church and were very impressive. The music was rendered by the well trained male choir. At the conclusion of the regular service the Rev. Dr. Locke Ridge, a former rector of Trinity church and now of New York city, delivered a fitting and tender address. At the conclusion of the services the remains were placed in the hearse and the procession formed and wended its way to the cemetery.

The casket was deposited in the vault. There were no ceremonies there, save a short prayer, and the closing service of the protestant episcopal ritual. The procession then returned to the city.

The party which accompanied the funeral train from Washington consisted of Justices Miller, Harlan, Blatchford, Gray and Brewer of the United States supreme court; L. H. McKinney, clerk; C. B. Bell, de uty clerk; Marshal J. M. Wright and his deputy, H. H. Bordon; Attorney-General Olney, Hon. Allison Gray and George, and Sergeant-at-Arms Christopher, who represented the senate; Senators Stewart, Cobb, Romes, Plumb, Russell and Sen ey, and Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms Seliger.

GENERAL NEWS.

Silver has been found in paying quantities near Georgetown, Ky.

Chester B. Faulkner, first national bank director at Dunville, N. Y., has been held for the em zzlement of $150,000.

James L. Black, bookkeeper for Uriah Wilson, a dealer of Ashbury Park, N. J., is under arrest for embez ling $25,000.

The appropriation to continue the convicts labor at the Auburn, N. Y., prison having been exhausted, 500 prisoners are locked in their cells in idleness. The provisions of their work cannot be used to purchase supplies without an appropriation.

The senate of the New York legislature has passed the woman suffrage bill by a vote of 15 to one.

Miss Cora Belle Fellows of Washington, D. C., a former teacher to the Sioux Indians, was recently married to Chaska, a Sioux Indian.

Frederick Markley, farmer, suicided at Cincinnati, Ohio, in order that his property, in which he had a life interest, might be saved from his creditors for the benefit of his children.

By a decision of Secretary Vilas $00,50 of land, improperly granted to the Burlington & Missouri railway, are restored to the public domain.

The celebrated Crosbey high license liquor bill has passed the lower house of the Illinois legislature.

Reports from California say that the prospects are good for the largest yield of grain in the history of the state, while the fruit crop will be larger than any previous year.

Benj. E. Hopkins, late assistant cashier of the Fidelity nati nal bank of Cincinnati, has been sent need to the penitentiary for seven years and four months.

W. Nutter, a dray-man of Greenville, burst a blood-vessel while lifting and died an hour later.

The business men of the "500" have formed a chamber of commerce.

The narrow gauge railway safe at Memphis was blown up the other night and $4 secured. It contained $7,000 in all, but possession, but took it to his residence for safe keeping. The band car on which the thieves escaped was found at Fort Huron the next day.

Myers & Co., of Hillsdale, have undertaken the contract for building the new international hotel at the Canadian "Soo" for $ 1,000.

The annual sale of the surplus stock, at the Michigan state college near Lansing, takes place on the 18th. Most of the stock is of the short-horn breed, and about 25 head will be offered for sale.

A woman was elected mayor of Oskaloosa, Kansas, on the 3d inst. The city council is also composed of women.

Texas has a surplus in the treasury of nearly $10,000,000.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The sultan of Zanzibar is dead.

The banks of the river Elbe are flooded for a distance of many miles. Hundreds of villages are submerged. An enormous amount of damage has been done and many lives have been lost.

The dangerous illness of Bismarck is said to be greatly improved, a large cartilage having been removed from his throat—an operation never before known in connection with throat disease.

Emperor Frederick has signed the bill prolonging the existing German anti-socialist law.

Gen. Boulanzer has been placed on the retired list of the French army.

The Canadian government has a measure before parliament giving the rail way commission of the privy council powers similar to those of the American inter-state commerce commission, and granting general rights to inquire into responsibility for railroad disasters.

The damage to goods in Germany is estimated at $50,000,000.

The Russian government has prohibited operations by the American bible society in the Russian empire.

The floods along the Vistula, Germany, have submerged 77 villages, de troyed 10,000 heads of cattle, caused a loss of $50,000,000, and rendered 40,000 persons homeless.

The dominion government has concluded for $10,000,000, and the company agrees to the cancelation of the monopoly clause of its charter.

The census of the French government on so vital a question as the revision of the constitution is a fair indication of the throes of a crisis as serious as that brought about by the resignation of President Grevy. The situation is regarded as full of menacing omens.

DETROIT MARKETS

WHEAT, White	$ 54	@ 54½
" Red	53	@ 53
CORN, per bu	36	@ 36
OATS	36	@ 37
BARLEY	1 00	@ 1 00
MALT	80	@ 90
MIXED FEED	12 50	@ 13 00
CLOVER SEED, per bag	3 75	@ 3 77
FEED, per cwt	18 00	@ 20 00
FLOUR—Michigan patent	4 50	@ 4 75
" Michigan roller	4 25	@ 4 50
" Minnesota patent	4 50	@ 4 75
" Minnesota bakers'	4 25	@ 4 50
" Ohio, Indiana, Illinois	4 65	@ 3 75
APPLES, new, per bbl	3 00	@ 3 50
BEANS, picked	2 45	@ 2 50
" unpicked	1 75	@ 1 80
BUCKWHEAT	22	@ 25
BUTTER	22	@ 25
CHEESE, per lb	12	@ 12½
DRIED APPLES, per lb	6	@ 6½
EGGS, per doz	13	@ 14
HONEY, per lb	17	@ 18
HOPS, per lb	12	@ 14
HAY, per ton, clover	7 00	@ 8 00
" timothy	11 00	@ 12 00
MALT, per bu	90	@ 1 05
PORK, per bbl	13 50	@ 14 00
POTATOES, per bu	85	@ 90
POULTRY—Chickens, per lb	12	@ 13
" Geese	11	@ 12
" Turkeys	12	@ 14
" Ducks, per lb	12	@ 13
PROVISIONS—Mess Pork	14 25	@14 50
" Family	15 00	@15 50
" Extra mess beef	7 00	@ 7 50
" Lard	6	@ 6½
" Dressed hogs	6 00	@ 6 25
" Beef	5½	@ 6
" Hams	11	@ 12
" Shoulders	7	@ 8
" Bacon	10	@ 10½
" Tallow, per lb	3	@ 3½
HIDES—Green, dry per lb		
" Country	5	@ 5½
" Green Calf	6½	
" Cured	6	
" Salted	6	
" Sheep skins, wool	50	@ 1 00
" Pelts	10	@ 15

LIVE STOCK.

CATTLE—Market strong and 10c higher; fancy $4.20@4.30; good $3.85@4.10; stockers and feeders, $2.50@3.75; Texas steers, $3.40.

HOGS—Market slow and 5c lower mixed, $5.15@5.40; heavy, $5.25@5.50; light, $5.10 @5.40; pigs, $5.10@5.40.

SHEEP—Market strong; common to good, $3.60; western, $4.60@5.50; Texans, $3.85; lambs, $5.50@6.50.

HERE AND THERE.

Perfumers now utilize the scent of the cucumber.

Darwin's life has reached a sale of 96,000 in England.

In Australia a credit of six months is generally allowed.

Alfred Krupp left his wife an income of $2,000 a year.

Bishop Bedell is to retire from active duty in the Ohio diocese.

A Washington lady must pay $1 to have her head combed in style.

Count Leo Tolstoy Strakosch is to head an English opera company.

Bessemer's steel patents have brought him $35,385,000 in royalties.

John Bannsmaker has given $85,000 to the Y. M. C. A. building fund.

Mar O'Rell's new book, "John Bull, Jr.," is just coming from the press.

Nate Salsbury will never go on the stage again. He can't remember.

Dr. Talmage is said to be the most popular clergyman in the lecture field.

James Redpath is so much better that his physicians have permitted him to leave.

The first whisky made in Tennessee was made in Davidson county in 1785.

John Flake is giving parlor lectures in New York on ancient England history.

In Italy but little credit business is done, and none without good security being given.

Edwin Booth carries a $20,000 accident policy since he began to travel so extensively.

In France a four months' acceptance is required to be sent in settlement of the invoice.

In Cuba the time fixed for payment is from four to five months after delivery of the goods.

In the Bermudas accounts are settled but once a year. The 30th of June is the day usually fixed for the payments.

In England a payment of the price of goods delivered is usually fixed at three or four months, dating from the day of shipment.

In Austria it is scarcely possible to do business without allowing a very long credit, which sometimes runs to six months.

In Turkey even objects of prime necessity are sold on credit, and in this country, as well as in Russia, the time allowed is in most cases twelve months.

In Spain four-fifths of the transactions are done on a cash basis, while in Portugal great liberality is shown, and quite a long credit is usually allowed.

Allison, of Iowa, is one of the healthiest, ruddiest men in the National Capital. Although active in politics he has a complexion as fresh as a youth of twenty.

In Mexico the large commercial houses willingly give credit of from six to eight months, and in the case of remittances by bills at even customers in which to settle their accounts.

In Canada settlements are made at the end of thirty days, with a discount of five per cent. Sometimes a credit of from three to six months is allowed, but in this case there is no discount.

In China it is not customary to give credit. Money is obtained from lenders who exact an interest of from eight to twelve per cent. Business is nearly always conducted on a cash basis.

THE CHALLENGE.

I heard to day upon the street,
Where beggars sang a careless song,
A note, a tone, so wondrous sweet
That I stood silent in the throng.
But, ah, I saw not those who sang;
I heard not their wild madrigal;
A thousand voices round me rang,
And sweeter still, one maiden's call.
For which I change the fame of men,
My load unloosed like Pilgrim's thrall;
I fed my hungry heart again.

I saw my boyhood home and all—
And heard the blackbirds, nesting, sing
That tender songs of evening.

Clear, martial call of buried hosts!
How sure thy challenge passed the years!
I am like sentries all their posts
A myriad forms: the pines like spears
Shot through the ether-sunset's red;
The darkening flight, the glance of canes;
The murky dusk, star-panoplied;
The lazy kine along the lanes;
The whippoorwill's call; the village spire;
The home bent, dusty harvest folks;
The cornfields flamed with sunset fire;
And in our trysting beneath the oaks,
We heard the blackbirds, nesting, sing
Their tender songs of evening.

Thus, Angel of our later days,
With ever howling, unseen hand
Are flashed upon our unseen ways
The hidden shrines we understand,
The wide-flung steps of Truth, and Light.
And falter. Lo! thy helplings bring
The lesser to the larger Youth!
A note, a tone, the humblest thing,
Sweeps irresistless all between,
And there the Now prays with the Then
Where once one single voice was lived unseen,
And where, like pilgrims come again,
We hear the bla kbirds, nestling, sing
Their tender songs of evening.

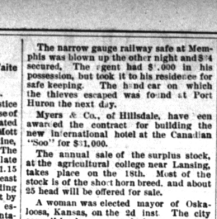
—New England Magazine.

ADVICE TO A MISSIONARY.

A Few Pointers Upon the Traits of the Untutored Savage.

Henry Gay Carlton in New York World.

I HAVE a great many questions asked of me now days by people in foreign parts. I am always glad to be able to assist an Englishman who desires to acquire the rudiments of a notion about American affairs, and I have found



that my sphere of knowledge comprises the infor ation required by the following letter, which I have just received.

Bideford House, Bryantwood Road, Big bury New Park,
London, N., March 7, 1888.

Dear Sir—You will pardon the presumption of addressing you on part of a total stranger, but I feel you cannot but be interested in the worthy project I lay before you. During the past summer my wife and I were persuaded to visit the show of Indians at the fair, and were amazed to find the poor savages so docile and yet so intelligent as to ride and mingle with the whites in a most interesting and exciting performance. Now my wife and I wish to devote our lives and fortune to these Indians, and I secured your address. Can you please inform me as to the following points: What tribe, in your opinion, needs reformation most? Is such a tribe to be found near New York city? What course of instruction would you advise? Can you tell me anything about their manners and customs? Is it easy to readily take to strangers who come to do them good? Thanking you in advance for your kind trouble, I am yours, respectfully,

Robert Hall Johnson.

I take great pleasure in replying to you, my dear Mr. Ma-lyn, and both you and your estimable wife may rely upon receiving my assistance in this praiseworthy undertaking.

There are at present no large tribes of wild Indians on Manhattan Island. Most of them have already been driven by the ruthless march of civilization to the unknown fastnesses north of Yonkers and the Croton-on-the-Hudson. I regret to say that the great sachems now turn their eyes hither where the bones of their fathers lie buried, to the city where whiskey is so cheap, but destiny willed that they should go, and slowly sadly, they packed up their squaws and pappooses, their papooses, calumets and flees and are with us no more.

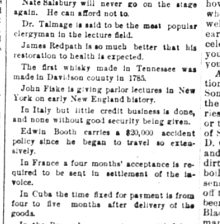
You will find some of our Indians, like the Choctaws and Delawares who have already civilized, are quite elegant in their manners and elegant in their attire, and are quite *au fait* with both cigarettes and rum.

Effects of civilization.

There are various tribes of Indians, however, to be found on this continent that would be glad to hear from you. I welcome you with that hospitality and earnest welcome for which they are celebrated, and request a large lock of your hair as a keepsake the moment you arrive

As to the tribes that need reformation most every opinion is divided. Some authorities who are employed by the Interior Department on large salaries to investigate this subject for five or ten minutes each day at the corners of Seventh and F streets, Washington, D. C., have reported that if the Sioux and Apaches could be induced to live in the dirt, wh sky and natural cussedness boiled out of them and a little horse sense boiled in, they would be better off than they are now. The same has been said of the Shoshone, the Flathead, Blackfeet, Cheyenne, Arapahoe, Comanche, Ne ezes, Crows, Snakes, Hickapoos, Digger Indians, Fox, Piute, Mohave, Jicarilla Mescalero and sixty-five other tribes, so you have a great field open to your choice.

The co rse of instruction may be varied according to circumstances. I should advise your beginning with



Lightning calculation.

mathematics. I agree with Secretary Endicott and Gen. Sheridan in believing that a course of algebra and trigonometry would benefit our savages and perhaps lead them to a better life. Once an Indian gets the principles of Euclid firmly grasped his savage nature is subdued, and he can then be taught to lay aside his war bonnet and take up the gentler arts of intoxication, idleness and theft.

Most instructors who go out among the Indians find them ready listeners when small doses of doctrine are accompanied by large invoices of red blankets, fire-water, ammunition and fire-water, but the missionary who goes armed only with brotherly love and enthusiasm will foment an immediate insurrection. I would not advise such a missionary in his tracks for trifling with the r emotions in that heartless manner. But for the fact that the tracks are usually to be found nine feet apart and gradually widening in the beautiful bird dances towards the r sing sun.

The Indian is not a narrow minded, but he is conservative and jealous of his traditions, and the pale face who treacherously tries to decoy him into a bath or teach him the uses of insect powder and small combs, takes his life in his hands. Strychnine and prussic acid are fatal to the white man, but they are nothing to ad der than to see a once powerful tribe of Indians pass ing away under the pernicious influence of soap and all its compounds.

As to the manners and customs of the Indians there is little to be said. They haven't any manners, and their rude way of indulging in the latest fashion was sacre with any one who goes among them to study their custom- has interfered with the study of knowledge of their ways. But the student of Indian nature must not mind trifles.

Still, there are some points which I can cheerfully refer to. The Indian does not insert his napkin in his collar while feeding nor use his finger-bowl in a cowardly manner as a fan. He avoids cro-sing his legs in a horse-car dur ng the prevalence of muddy weather, and prefers to se e a stranger and skin the top of his head to see if the blonde pointer of stock and skinning their entire bank account and salvation.

You idea of going among your Indians in a peaceful and uplifted manner is excellent. You will probably find no difficulty in teaching the young idea how to shoot, and I would like a diagram of the easiest way to do this

Teaching archery.

You may also run a few foot-races with them and thus promote athletics in a high degree. Instruction in geology, hydropathy, meteorology and architecture may follow, but most missionaries who have acquired with the strong points of an Indian nature prefer getting about 200 miles to windward of the tribe and lecturing through a telescope.

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