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Better than "Our country, right or wrong," is this sentiment for the hour: "Our country, fighting wrong."

Mr. Wasmaker doesn't expect to lead the Quay Republicans; but his proposed regiment will win such glory in Cuba that he will be as happy as a bird.

Modern medical practice will keep the soldiers as healthy and well as in any other section of the country that the exigencies of war might call them. Cuba is overrated in its ability to do harm because no natives there are not in excessing the least amenable care of the health, and even at that some attention to the climate is excellent and the general health good in the island.

The statistics compiled by the United States fish commission show that more people earn a livelihood from this industry along Lake Michigan and Green Bay than on any of the other great lakes, 2,389 persons being engaged in the business. There are seventy-five vessels engaged in the business on Lake Michigan, with a total investment of \$230,500. The total amount of money put into the business in Green Bay and Lake Michigan is \$915,331.

Chicago may fall into the line of electric progress and go into the electric light and gas business for the city council, as at recent meeting, instructed Mayor Harrison to name a committee of nine aldermen, with himself as chairman, to offer a bill on the question of municipal lighting. The project was presented in a long resolution offered by Ald. Elgane. By the provisions of the resolution the committee is instructed fully to investigate the municipal ownership of lighting plants in other cities, and to work for such legislation as shall permit the city to go into the illuminating business.

Indiana can be sued in the state courts in the case of a declaration of the Wisconsin supreme court in the case of W. H. Stacy against Thomas La Belle, a member of the Menominee tribe, who had contracted a debt with an Indian trader. It has always been accepted as law in Wisconsin that Indians could not be sued in the state courts for debts, and in this case the trial court so decided, and refused to give Stacy judgment. The supreme court holds, however, that the provisions of the federal constitution do not give the federal government exclusive jurisdiction over business agreements between Indians and white men, and that such contracts may be sued on in the state courts.

As compared with a year ago, the volume of money in circulation shows an increase of over \$160,000,000, the aggregate amount being \$1,711,506,714.22. Gold coin alone shows an increase of over \$39,700,000. Standard silver dollars in circulation increased by over \$47,000,000. Treasury certificates show a decline of over \$1,400,000, while silver certificates show an increase of over \$21,800,000. Treasury notes of 1890 show an increase of over \$7,800,000, while United States notes exhibit a gain of over \$41,800,000. Currency certificates exhibit a decline of nearly \$43,000,000. The national bank notes show a decline of a little over \$800,000. The circulation per capita, calculated by the treasury experts at 74,255,000 on May 1, is up at \$34.33. This represents an increase of 64 cents per head of population for the month and of \$1.40 as compared with the corresponding date last year.

A Washington correspondent states that the large number of military volunteers has caused much comment in the army medical corps. However, the physicians who have conducted the examinations say that the percentage of ranks of cigarette smokers there are seven fewer rejections than there were in the days of the civil war. Among habitual users of tobacco, the rejections are about 90 per cent. Dr. Benjamin King of Philadelphia, who acted as an examining surgeon during 1861-63 in New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana, says that the average rejections during those years did not exceed 13 per cent. He attributes the large increase almost entirely to the cigarette habit, and says: "I have been inspecting the papers in a number of cases under the present recruiting act, and I observe the most of the men who failed to pass the medical examination have weak hearts or lack the vitality necessary to make good soldiers. I had expected that the percentage of rejections would be greater now than in 1861, but I did not dream it would be almost three times as great. The examining physicians with whom I have talked have generally told me the excess of rejections is due to the large number of young men applying for enlistment who have become smokers of the cigarette habit."

It is reported from Washington that the war department is so overwhelmed by applications for appointments in the various arsenals that it has in contemplation a request to the president to place the arsenals under the civil service classification. If this be done, greater commendation could be paid to the merit system. Civil service reform implies that only so many persons shall be given employment as are necessary; that they shall be competent to perform the duties assigned them and that they shall faithfully and truly perform such duties.

The truth seems at last to have filtered into the official mind at Washington that the alleged armament of 40,000 Cuban patriots consisted almost entirely of "men in black"; that the idea of delivering the island from the clutches of a small landing party, aided by the Cuban patriots and the admirals of Garcia and Gomez must be abandoned, and that we must be prepared to confront upward of 150,000 well-armed soldiers under Gen. Echevarria, and to meet an equally numerous and aggressive force.

Miss Emma Young spent Monday in Detroit.

Spending Day? Did you hear the bad play? Say, did you? (Miss Grace McKinney has been visiting relatives in Holly. "Birmingham in June" is lovely. This is the verdict of every one. Chas. Howard, of Ossosso, spent Tuesday night at John Dodson's. Jay Rodman, of Flushing, is visiting his aunt, Mrs. F. Packard. Miss Ashley Webster, of Detroit, spent Sunday with Miss Jean Marsh. Mrs. L. Keoning and family, of Detroit, were guests at John Davidson's Sunday.

Harry E. Groves and Wilbert Donaldson spent Sunday with friends in Detroit.

Miss Carolyn Poppleton is home from Carroll College for her summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Groover, of Pontiac, spent Sunday with George Grover and family.

Seventy-five strawberry pickers wanted. C. E. Hadsell, Troy, Mich. Telephone 46-2R.

John Stabler caught a picker one day recently that tipped the scales at 19 1/4 pounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rofe, of Royal Oak, were Sunday guests at the residence of George Warner.

Someone hitched a horse to a tree in town Saturday night and someone narrowly escaped a five dollar fine.

The thanks of the L. L. C. are due to Miss Bigelow for a very delicious treat tendered them at their meeting this week.

George W. Mitchell will do carpenter work in short odd jobs at a shilling an hour. Read his ad's elsewhere.

The Village Improvement Society took the "ads" of five poles not long since, and now they want the village law enforced.

The remains of Mrs. Libbie Pike, who died at Franklin were brought to Greenwood cemetery for interment Sunday.

There is a village law that forbids putting advertising tags on trees and poles, yet some have been put on or late.

Elder Harris, of Detroit, will speak in the Adventist church here Saturday p. m. at 2:30 and in the evening at 7:30.

John Baldwin celebrated his 70th birthday Monday, June 6th, and he carries his years with all the grace and ease of a fifty-year-old.

Geo. H. Toms—Tuesday morning—96 in the shade; lawn mower, and Tommie the little push mower which makes the dear man mourn yet.

A funeral car passed through here Monday bearing the remains of Mr. Christian, who died at Palmer Park and was taken to Pontiac for burial.

Dew tell 1450 new suits at J. L. Hudson's in Detroit; all new style, too. There are other bargains in every department of this mammoth establishment. See ad.

Earl Hough Sundayed at his home in Lapeer. He had an excellent time, and is confident, if a beaming countenance is any criterion.

All kinds of wash dress goods, lace, parasols, etc., at W. H. Elliott's, Detroit. Uran new ad. in this issue. Bargains without number.

We were \$45 too high in regard to the fine imposed on Mr. Marvin of this place, in Detroit recently. The item should have read \$5 instead of \$50.

Busy brain workers find Sloman's Diamond Branding Pure Rye Whiskey a safe and satisfactory stimulant. All leading druggists and dealers.

evening were quite entertaining and the financial results most satisfactory, amounting to about \$75.

"Be quick," says R. H. Traver of Detroit, or you will not get the best choice from those 140 suits just purchased for boys and young men. Scan ad.

Greenwood Ave., one of the new streets, will be a beautiful 60 yard drive, and will be thoroughly appreciated by every citizen, as it avoids the electric car line on a drive to or from the cemetery.

George H. Mitchell sold his Middle St. property to Morrell B. and Chas. H. Dennis who bought the pleasant little dwelling for a home for their mother, Mrs. Cordelia McStay. Consideration \$1000.

Rev. Theodore D. Marsh, of Alma, who has been a recent guest of his brother, Rev. A. Marsh, occupied the pulpit at the Presbyterian church last Sunday evening, preaching a very interesting sermon.

P. H. Struthers & Co., Pontiac, are specializing Wash Good, Notions, etc., which expresses a good deal. Bargains for all. See price list on last page.

The members of the executive committee of the B. H. S. alumni are requested to meet at the residence of Mrs. T. B. Eldred, Friday evening, June 10th, at 8:30 o'clock, to transact such business as may come before the meeting.

"Lone Pine" is now the name of the farm home of Mrs. Emma Tibbals, a near neighbor to "Klondike Ridge," on the gravel. It is a neat idea to have our farms all named, and we trust many others will follow suit.

Don't overlook one word of the big ad for C. H. Going, Pontiac, as he tells you how to make money, or something to that effect—we are a little rattled. He has all kinds of shoe "snaps," anyway.

At the regular meeting of the school board, held last Monday evening the resignation of Miss Baker and Miss Hay was accepted. The position of teacher of 3d and 4th grades was voted to be tendered to Miss Grace Houghton. No other vacancies were filled.

This school year closes the eleventh successful year for Supp. W. C. Hull at Albion and he was elected for another year with joy on all hands. He has nearly twenty teachers under his supervision and he superintends them with a success natural to W. C. Hull.

For "goods you need right now" go to Waite Bros., Robertson & Co. on New Street, Pontiac. It is too warm to attempt enumerating them. Please read new ad for parties.

Haldwin Ave. is the name of one of the new streets in the new addition. It is named after the late Edw. Baldwin, one of our old pioneers and an honored citizen. We all knew him as Uncle Ed Baldwin, and we have many pleasant recollections of our genial friend.

Say, speak an encouraging word for every building erected in our village. Encourage outsiders to buy a lot and build a beautiful home in this, the pleasantest village in the state. Every addition to this village means an increase in value to every house. Remember this, and do all you can to help your village.

Cruelty to animals law needs enforcement right in our village, and if some of our teamsters do not desist from beating these dumb creatures they will feel the strong arm of the law; they deserve it, too. Further, there is a law against profane language, which seems to go with the horse-beaters, that will also be enforced.

Have you heard about the ice-cream and lemonade shoes at Merritt's Shoe House in Pontiac? Well, then, you just want to read their new ad in this issue. They are having a hot weather sale there, with bargains to beat the band. All kinds and all prices. Don't neglect this grand opportunity to get shod.

There is probably no article of food before the public which has received greater eulogiums or greater favor amongst all classes where it is known than Kneipp Malt Coffee. The high esteem in which this coffee is held is due to its arising from the intrinsic virtues which experience has shown it to possess. Sold by Whitehead & Mitchell, Birmingham.

Geo. H. Maxwell, the renowned manager of one of the New York theatrical companies, is rusticated at his summer home near Royal Oak. He is entertaining one of his troupes; Impersonator and Comedian Lee Mitchell, who has opened a two weeks' engagement in Mt. Clemens, beginning next Monday. Mr. Mitchell has won an enviable reputation.

A mass meeting of all interested in Sunday school work will be held in the Birmingham Methodist church Wednesday evening, June 15. The purpose is to form an undenominational township union. Addresses will be made by J. S. Stockwell, County Clerk Fred Harris and others. The meeting will be in charge of the local churches and a very interesting program is promised. Everybody invited.

The other day we heard a prominent citizen speak disparagingly of the coming auction sale of the lots on the Randall sub-division. No, this is wrong. If you can't speak well of an improvement on your own town, keep your mouth shut for the sake of your own property's value, if nothing more. Don't you know that every house-built in Birmingham helps increase the value of the lot you live on—your own home. So then, we say, help the improvement along. If you can't buy a lot help some one else to do so.

One day last week Mrs. John Savage received from Huntington & Clark, (successors to Millard) 224-6 Woodward Avenue, Detroit, an elegant enlarged picture of her late husband. The picture is 20x24 inches in size, and when the fact is taken into consideration that it was made from a group of four persons, it is indeed a great piece of work. It is mounted in a handsome frame and outside of its monetary worth is of far greater value to its owner from the fact that it is a perfect resemblance of one whom she constantly mourns.

Herbison Bros., Messrs. J. F. and N. C. Herbison, of Troy, are owners and proprietors of "Meadow Spring" farm which used once long ago to belong to Madison Spear on the town line. This is one of the finest farm properties and well cared for. One of the boys' new enterprises is their herd of Red Polled cattle. They got their herd from Col. T. Roberts' herd of imported stock some three years ago or more and now have a flock worth seeing. They are up-to-date boys—advertising their stock for sale in farm journals, and are walking right up the ladder of wealth—and we are glad of it.

About 17th from the Tabernacle M. E. church, Detroit, accepted the invitation extended from the Epworth League of this place last Friday evening, and as they alighted from the car the sweet strains of "Forward Christian Soldiers" reverberated on the evening air. The Birmingham League had arranged for their entertainment a most interesting literary and musical program, which was followed by a dainty repast, served in the most tempting manner, the dining room presenting a most attractive appearance. The city visitors returned to their homes with good impressions of the church hospitality of Birmingham.

Husbands, here is a glorious opportunity to educate your wives in the art of cooking, if they are deficient in this line—You know you all appreciate a good square meal. Young ladies, here is an opportunity to make a lasting impression on your best young man, or if you have none it may be your means of procuring one. A course of cooking lessons will be given in Birmingham, commencing next Wednesday afternoon, June 15, at 2:30 p. m., in the M. E. church parlors, conducted by Mrs. A. A. Gebel, of Detroit, a former pupil of Prof. Knapp. Ladies all turn out for your good, the old saying: "The best way to reach a man's heart is by his stomach."

THE STAGE.

AT THE LYCEUM

The eighth week of the Cummings Company at the Lyceum is devoted to an interesting presentation of farcical comedy, "Dr. Ben" being the offering. This is an adaptation from a French work, and was highly successful at the garden theatre, New York, where it received its American premiere. It includes the famous "King of the Dance," which will be given in its entirety by Mr. Cummings and Miss Helen Byron. The farce will have the benefit of the principal strength of Mr. Cummings' support.

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All Druggists Keep it.



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There's a time for everything sure enough and if we can properly adjust the hours how much can be accomplished—that's the reason we advertise, to save you time looking all over town for what can best be purchased at Elliott's. Course you want to know (a Yankee peculiarity this wanting to know) just where Wash Goods are lowest in price, and your neighbor will tell you, "at Elliott's." Just to endorse this we append a few snippings from our wash goods dept. prices:

Wash Grenadines in very recent make of the latest pattern family, 16c to 26c at Elliott's.

Exquisite French Gingham, very fetching, and never quite so popular as in this line of 98 20c to 39c.

Now quantities of Val Laces are best to trim the above and we've a line that surpasses the best ever shown in this state, and if you should ask the most careful buyer where to go for Val's, the reply would come quickly "at Elliott's."

We're glad to see you always, and it's no trouble to take care of your packages.

William H. Elliott, Woodward and Grand River Aves., Detroit.

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BIRMINGHAM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. REV. A. MARSH, Pastor. Sabbath services at 10:30 a. m., and at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12:30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Methodist Episcopal Church. REV. EUGENE C. ALLEN, PASTOR. Sabbath services at 10:30 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12:30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m. All are welcome.

BAPTIST CHURCH. REV. F. L. CHURCH, PASTOR. Sabbath services at 10:30 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school at 12:30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7:30 p. m. All are welcome.

Teachers' Attention! Teachers' examination at Oxford High School Thursday and Friday, June 16th and 17th, 1898. Second and third grade work. H. H. SNOWDEN, Commissioner.

OUT OF THE VEST POCKET. Scarlet is the mourning color for unmarried women in Brazil. In all countries more marriages take place in June than in any other month.

There are several counties in the great western states considerably larger than Massachusetts. All species of shell fish draw the carbonate of lime, of which their shells are formed, from the sea.

You can not enter or leave a city or town in Russia without reporting yourself to the police like a ticket-of-leave man.

The empire of the Spaniards founded in this country just after the discovery, comprised 12,000,000 square miles of territory.

The voice of a woman is audible in a balloon at the height of about two miles, while that of a man never reaches higher than a mile.

The old Guleon line steamer Arizona, which once held the Atlantic record, has been refitted and will be used in the north Pacific. She is an iron ship and is 19 years old.

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Everything home made and palatable. Ladies checked here. Facilities waiting and Toilet Rooms. Birmingham people specially invited to come to this Restaurant, and be at Home. G. G. FENWICK.

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Also a second hand Clipper in fine order for \$17.

Also a second hand Mises' Wheel, 25-inch, cost \$50, will sell for \$15. In good order and has lots of wear in it yet.

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