

**JUDGE S. MINER GIVES DECISION AT HOWELL.**  
**ALEXANDER GETS OFFICE.**

Ingham County Case Not Yet Settled—Fire at Port Huron Causes a Loss of \$40,000.

At Howell Judge S. Miner has rendered his opinion in the quo warranto proceedings to oust E. F. McClear from the Livingston county train commission. His holding was almost identical to that of the late Justice Kenyon, who made the office elective and provided that the first appointment should be made by the governor, was null and void, thus confirming the title of William Alexander, the appointee of the Democratic board of supervisors, to the office. It is believed the same reason for this opinion will hold in the Ingham county case now in court, involving the same office. The Ingham special act extended the term of the present commissioner, Charles Clark, until the next election instead of providing for a new election by the governor, which was urged in the Livingston case, as an interference with local self-government. In the Ingham case Fred M. Hall, appointed by the supervisors, is contesting Clark's claim to the office which he holds by reason of the legislature's extension of his term. His arguments are yet to be made before Judge Wiest.

**Yost No. 2 for Michigan.**  
Friedling H. Yost, the famous University of Michigan athlete, has a brother at Morencur academy, who will enter Michigan when he graduates at the end of the year. Yost No. 2 is a crack, 5'10", 170 lbs., 100 lbs. weight. He is big, strong and powerful. Eddie Hobbs, the Morencur coach, declares that Yost will be a crackback athlete—strong as a mule.

**Would Chain Up Locomotives.**  
Deputy Attorney General Chase is now patiently awaiting a decision from the state supreme court as to whether or not the penalty on unpaid rail road taxes should be repealed. Now that the injunction restraining the railroad general from protesting against the collection of the taxes has been dissolved, he says that steps might be taken immediately to enforce the collection, but that a reasonable amount of time will be given. Wait for the next legislature to decide whether the companies must pay in interest. Not on your life," says the attorney general. "There are 100 locomotives chained to the tracks before long if the whole amount of taxes and penalties are not forthcoming."

**Would Succeed W. A. Smith.**  
If Wm. Allen Smith, who has been the senatorial pick, as his friends believe, will, now that Senator Perry has resigned, State Senator H. H. Russell will be a candidate for the office of the Fifth district statesman.

**Was Mrs. Lincoln's Maid.**  
Anna J. Shoemaker, of Cornucopia, is proud of the distinction of having once been maid to Mrs. Abraham Lincoln. Mrs. Shoemaker is 61 years old, and lives in Cornucopia. Her husband in Germany, both near the frontier. They did not meet, however, until they came to this country. When she was 18 years old she was maid to the wife of the French ambassador to the United States, and in Washington she met and married Lincoln. During a part of the next year Mrs. Lincoln traveled in Europe. She could not speak French, and needed a maid. Talented French girls were sent in throngs to Washington, and Mrs. Lincoln was a preference. The wife of the French ambassador came to her rescue, and the new Mrs. Shoemaker was loaned by Mrs. Lincoln. All over Europe the French girls and the distinguished American traveler, the girl being treated more like an equal than a maid, and it was with much regret when she had to leave Mrs. Lincoln, to whom she had become more attached than to her own mistress.

**Work for Good Roads.**  
At a meeting of the executive committee of the State Good Roads Association at Lansing it was decided to hold the next annual convention in Jackson on the second Wednesday and Thursday of January. The State Review, of Grand Rapids, was designated as the official organ of the association. It was decided that the president of the association should appoint an organizer whose work should be to visit the counties and towns, and to make the subject of good roads, so that the building of roads under the provisions of the state aid law would be encouraged.

**Ready for Baseball Season.**  
Fifteen towns in Michigan are jubilant over their baseball prospects for the coming season. They are the five in the Southern Michigan Baseball association, Jackson, Mt. Clemens, Baraboo, Tecumseh and Kalamazoo, and the five in the Northern Michigan association, which will open the schedule at Battle Creek.

**Brown City Elevator Burns.**  
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**The Boy and His Parents**  
By JOHN WHITMAN,  
Jailer of Cook County (Ill.) Jail.

Be your boy's chum. Get his confidence absolutely. Do not make rigid rules for him. Lead him to realize the right and follow it. Teach him respect for parents, for older people and for yested authority.

Know absolutely where your boy is. No boy is too good to be watched. Make home the most attractive place he can find. Do not punish. Restrain. Teach your boy the value of restraint, of discipline, of the judgment of older heads. Teach him to co-operate with restraint.

Find out what occupation your boy likes best. If it is a good thing for him, even if it does not come up to your ideals, let him follow it. Parents must feel that the worst boys in the city are "their own," not only because their influence contaminates good boys, but because eventually they will have to take care of them.

Parents cannot properly guard their children altogether, and when out of their supervision they come under the influence of children who are not carefully guarded. So parents must not only take care of their own children, but for the sake of their own children, they must take care of the waifs, who if left without care will grow up a curse to themselves and to the city and from whom will emanate a moral miasma that will destroy their own.

**WOMEN BEAR PAIN EASILY.**  
Fortitude of Fair Ones Is Shattered by Dentist in His Explanation of Reason.

The man, when his tooth was being pulled, yelled hoarsely. The next patient, a woman, bore the pain of three extractions with silent fortitude, relates the Minneapolis Journal.

"Yes," said the dentist, "women endure the pangs of tooth pulling better than men, but they deserve no praise on this account. They feel the pain less.

"Experiments have frequently been made," he went on, "to test the acuteness of the masculine and feminine senses. The last experiments were interesting and conclusive.

"First, taste was tried. The man's tongue could detect in water the presence of the sixtieth part of a grain of gall. The woman couldn't distinguish the gall in a smaller quantity than the twentieth of a grain. The man's taste was three times keener than the woman's.

"Next, smell. The men smelled the presence of the hundredth part of a grain of prussic acid. The women were unconscious of the acid till a quantity five times greater was set before them. In small the men were five times the women's superiors.

"Men heard a watch ticking at a distance of ten yards; women could only hear it at a distance of two yards. The males, again, you see, were five times the better. "It was the same thing with sight and with touch. The men saw five times better. They felt five times more keenly and delicately.

**Freight Train Kills Two.**  
An freight train at Elizabeth, N. J., the train of the Empire Iron and Steel company was blown out Monday because of the scarcity of coal due to the suspension of coal due to the suspension of coal. The furnace was blown in only a few weeks ago and had only a limited supply of coal on hand.

**Call for Bank Statement.**  
Washington.—The comptroller of the currency Monday issued a call for the condition of the national banks at the close of business Friday, April 6, 1908.

**Find Missing Man's Body.**  
St. Louis Falls, S. D.—The body of Christopher Stein, a farmer in connection with whose disappearance on February 24 last, a note stating that he was found in the river Sunday. It is thought Stein walked into the river while intoxicated.

**Roosevelt Trip Ends.**  
Washington.—Mrs. Roosevelt and her three children arrived Monday from Savannah on the Southern railroad on her return from the cruise in the Mayflower to Cuba.

**Ends Life in Lodging House.**  
Kansas City, Mo.—John F. Duffy, a tailor, aged 40 years, shot and killed himself in a lodging house Monday. Duffy's father is said to be purchasing a tract of the Hocking Valley railroad at Columbus, O.

**Die of His Injuries.**  
Parkerburg, W. Va.—Joseph Wheeler, a victim of the explosion of the tubs at H. M. Bode, at Portland, O., died at a hospital in this city Monday. The two other victims in the hospital are not expected to live.

**Illinois Bank Falls.**  
Frankfort, Ill.—A private institution on Chicago has agreed to meet Tuesday to take up Senator Tillman's resolution directing the committee to make an inquiry concerning the cause for the Chinese boycott.

**West Point Building.**  
Washington.—The house committee on military affairs has decided to increase the general authorization for the building of the West Point military academy by \$1,500,000, making the total cost \$7,300,000.

**Rise Liars, And Salute You Green Ho All Ye Faithful Followers of Annius**

**GIVE EAR!**  
A Young Girl said to a Cooking School Teacher in New York: "If you make One Statement as False as That, All You have said about Foods is Absolutely Unreliable."

**THIRD PASTURE.**  
Now come to a frisky lot, the "Labor Union" editors. You know "Lo" is sometimes eaten by a steer and produces a derangement of the brain that makes the steer "batty" or crazy. Many of these editors are "Loosed" from hate of Annius, who will naturally be the "demands" of a labor union, and it is the universal habit of such writers to straighten into a system of personal vilification, manufacturing any sort of falsehood through which to vent their spleen. We assert that the common citizen has a right to live and breathe air without asking permission of the labor trust and this has brought down on us the hate of these editors. When they go far enough with their libels, it is harsh for us to get judgment against them and have our lawyers watch for a chance to attach money from them. From others. They are usually very busy.

**FIRST PASTURE.**  
Cooking school teachers—this includes "teachers" who have appeared in our columns. They would say "something new" about Grape-Nuts and Postum, and when we have declined to hire them to do this they get waxy and show their true colors.

**SECOND PASTURE.**  
Editors of "Trade" paper known as "green" papers. Remember, we don't put the brand on all, by any means. Only those that require it. These members of the tribe have demanded that we carry advertising in their papers and when we do not consider it advisable they institute a campaign of vituperation and printing from time to time manufactured labor Postum or Grape-Nuts. When they go far enough we set our legal force to work and hale them to the police for an hour. If we are not being enough to throw some of these "cattle" over the back of their heads and "believe" do you think we should be blamed? They gambol around the game laws, and are delighted with a very "cocky" air while they have full range, but when the rope is thrown over them "it's different."

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