

**THE BIRMINGHAM COURIER**  
ONE DOLLAR PER YEAR IN ADVANCE  
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BIRMINGHAM, FRIDAY, APR. 9.

Chicago man who was married by 60 women in jail and safe at last  
The Berlin police will now have a ripping time with a certain prisoner.

The smallest baby on record has been named after Mr. Why? earth didn't they think of Bonaparte?

Collarless coats are threatened, and we trust the summer will see the restoration of cuffless trousers.

Having caught one of those Berlin police might inflict his suitable punishment with his own knife.

And now a college professor describes Roosevelt as a "combination of St. Paul and St. Vitus." Minneapolis will resent this.

On rare occasions the car of Russia is compelled to master up some ounce enough to go downtown. He is a great poet.

Hiram Maxim is doing everything possible with his smokeless and noiseless firearms to save the feelings of the man who handles the weapon.

If you care to make a little money go to the office on a race course for a few days. All grants are still to be had for the mere taking.

The 50-dollar-a-ounce dog of Mme. Tetrazini is dead. The singer had named it Salome. Perhaps it thought it had better die.

American sailors feel that it is up to them to protect the country from their last drop of blood since Virgil Gould lives here.

A golf cabinet should be more effective than a tennis cabinet in that one game permits far more conversation than the other.

London's suffragettes are having as much excitement as if citizenship had permitted them to participate in election riots.

English is to be taught in the Guatemala schools. There is a nation that can see the hand of destiny without waiting to feel it applied.

If Castro sheds tears over his exclusion from Venezuela it is a sign that reports exaggerated the size of the treasure chest with which he departed.

Virginia man sees a movie picture murder scene and goes out and kills somebody. Woman sees movie picture of Collinwood fire and goes crazy. / They do move.

The new remedy, "radio-thermy" is expected to cure old age. This is the finishing blow to the Oiler's dream and realizes Ponce de Leon's dream of perpetual youth. Modern science is the real miracle-maker.

London newspapers, it seems, charge something like a dollar a line for publishing notices of social events. Yet it is the fashionables who are called "the smart set" not the publishers who get their money.

Charges are made by his country that Muntz, the Turkish consul at New York, has been guilty of grafting on them by means of his official position. If the charges are true we should like to know if he imported vice from Turkey or absorbed it after he came across the ocean.

To hear that a steel bar may be stretched almost one-third of its length before breaking may not be news to the engineers, but it is contrary to popular estimates of elastic substances. Such is the report of a test of the tensile strength of a piece of bridge material made recently.

Castro was quoted the other day as saying he would return to his country as a private citizen and live there. But Venezuela, through President Gomez, has forbidden the return of that country's Castro and his army. This will probably "go," and Castro will stay where he is or somewhere else outside of his native land.

The report from Oakland, Cal., that a young woman of that city is facing invalidism for life because of being poisoned contracted from careless handling of carbon paper for manifold folders has been widely copied by writers in general. The coloring matter used in carbon paper is said to be dangerous when it gets into the throat or eyes.

It did not seem very gallant in congress to accept from two women a gift of an island for military purposes and to accept it in such a way that it did not have to give the formal "thanks" to the donors which would have allowed them the privilege of the floor. But congress probably reasoned that the president would be expected to the floor would prove equal to all the male contingent and sacrificed gallantry to the instinct of self-preservation.

Bromine, useful in medicine, photography, the manufacture of dyes and in certain metallurgical operations, was first produced commercially in only four states of this country—Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin. Last year's output was 1,279,496 pounds.

Anyway, there are too many wild animals in Africa. A shrewd trader among the natural resources that do not need conserving. Then, again, re-enters the Chicago market, what possible use could the average man make of a domesticated hippopotamus?

Manitoba last year produced over 112,000,000 bushels of grain, of which wheat. The output the year before was 99,000,000 bushels. Until within a very recent period the entire wheat product of Canada was less than 200,000,000 bushels. That country has not yet come within an approximation of the wheat yield of the United States, and is doing well. And, remarks the Troy (N. Y.) Times, American farmers who have emigrated to the Canadian northwest and American agricultural machinery have had a good deal to do with the result.

**BE PERSUADED**

**HE, BECAUSE DESPERATE, FIRED BUILDINGS, AND ATTEMPTED SUICIDE.**

**JACKSON JURY RESTING.**

Notes Gathered Here, and There About the State of Incidents Worth Brief Telling.

During his wife refused to live with him, George Egan, aged 24, former ice cream manufacturer, after setting fire to two greenhouses and a barn belonging to Charles Chad, three miles east of Grand Rapids, was taken to jail for an attempt to commit suicide. He was taken to jail from the loss of a leg, but will recover.

Four horses were consumed in the fire, which caused \$1200 damage, partly insured.

Egan and his wife had been married five years. He has had business reverses and two weeks ago went to Jackson and secured a job in an automobile factory.

At midnight Saturday Egan returned and went to his father-in-law's home on the Chadwick farm. For two hours he talked things over with his wife. She declined to live with him again, and after he had fired the matches he left the place, saying he was going to tramp about the country. They thought that he expected to build a campfire.

Shortly afterward he returned to the house and made one attempt to shoot his wife. She refused and he rushed out again. A moment afterward flames broke from the barn and the horses.

Take a Two Weeks' Rest. The grand jury investigating the Jackson prison adjourned Friday for two weeks. This action was taken on condition that the father-in-law of Juror Timson, whose father is at the point of death, and because next Tuesday Judge Parkinson is to go to Calhoun county to view the court for Juror North. It is necessary to have a circuit court in session with the grand jury in its session. The prosecutors do not wish to investigate further with the juror absent, as he would be prejudiced to participate in the finding of indictments on evidence which has been presented to any extent during his absence. During the recess work will be done on the report the jury is to make regarding the prison.

According to Prosecutor Reece the jury will not finish the prison investigation for some time.

**Injuries Fatal.**

Martin U. Farmer and James Hagan, both of Adrian, who were struck by a Toledo & Western train shortly after noon Thursday and who were rendered unconscious, are dead as a result of the accident. The men were driving in a single buggy at the intersection of Maple avenue and the Toledo & Western car No. 7, which, it is said, was running at a high rate of speed.

The buggy was shattered and the two were thrown violently to the ground. They were immediately conveyed to Smith's and surgical examination showed that Farmer sustained internal injuries, while Hagan's skull was fractured.

**Aged Woman Incarcerated.**

Miss Harriet Young, aged 76, was arrested on Thursday morning in Grand Rapids Thursday. Only three days ago, Mrs. Miller, with whom Miss Young was staying, reported to her she had a premonition that she was going to die. She had even asked her niece for help, and she had been told to get a doctor. They kept it at the office for two weeks, unsuccessfully, and by that time the patient was dead. Campbell was cashier for the lumber company. He had been in the office for some time before he took the dead body to be buried, but was charging pleasantly with acquaintances that it was caused by a lamp explosion.

**Tom Cyanide.**

At his desk in the office of a Flint lumber company, Harry Campbell, aged 24, an employee, was suddenly overcome by cyanide and fell. He had taken a concoction containing potassium cyanide. The people in the office were working the telephone and got a doctor. They kept it at the office for two weeks, unsuccessfully, and by that time the patient was dead. Campbell was cashier for the lumber company. He had been in the office for some time before he took the dead body to be buried, but was charging pleasantly with acquaintances that it was caused by a lamp explosion.

**Duck Hunter Shot.**

L. Lawrence D. Snyder, aged 17, one of the best known high school students and fraternity boys, was found shot dead by his father's farm, east of the city, Friday morning.

The youth started a duck hunting about daybreak and at 7:30 his body was found in the field with his Springfield rifle and a shotgun. He had been president of the high school class of 1910 and was enjoying his vacation.

His father, Jas. F. Snyder, took his hand in an accident, therefore removing to the country.

The fight over the location of the new courthouse in Newaygo county is getting serious. It is said that the publisher of a newspaper, who has been a strong advocate of the plan to prevent the removal of the county seat from Newaygo, has been arrested and received letters threatening him with a charge of assault with intent to do great bodily harm.

Thomas Holmes, a millster, 91 years old, has begun suit against the Detroit United railway in Washtenaw county. Mr. Holmes says that he tried to stop a car at Delhi Crossing in October, 1909, but was struck by the engine and his head was fractured. The railway officials claim that the car was running at a high rate of speed and that Holmes was not on the track.

The well dressed woman who was discovered roaming around the Union depot in Grand Rapids and who was arrested by the Michigan State police has been identified as Mrs. Elizabeth Graves, of this city. She appears to be suffering from dementia.

The military guard at Fort Leavenworth, a \$200,000 building, was destroyed by fire late Wednesday night. Eight hundred prisoners, most of them deserters, were sleeping in the barracks at the steel bars of their cells as the glare of the flames lighted the interior. They were gotten out safely and not one escaped. The fire started in some rubbish carelessly left lying in the recreation shop. The fire was spectacular and the fort fire department was unable to check it because of the lack of water. The garrison was roused to the scene, but for the same reason was powerless.

**MR. OSBORN AND THE KAISER.**

Chase S. Osborn is now in Europe. A story has reached the States that while he and Mrs. Osborn were driving around Potsdam a few days ago, they met the Kaiser and his party. The Kaiser, recognizing them as Americans, spoke to them and remarked on the fineness of their clothing.

The Kaiser can talk American, has no trouble in recognizing travelers from this country. It is said that he greatly enjoys meeting and talking with them. Mr. Osborn has made some observations on the Kaiser, whom he says is more than a mere sovereign.

In general, he says, the Kaiser is to be judged, "some of the kings and emperors of Europe are worth \$25 a week out of their present jobs. I would put the Kaiser in the \$40 category right at the start. I admire him very much. If he were not the German Kaiser he ought to be one of our American industrial capitalists. I am sure he would make a first-class commercial traveler in the United States."

Mr. Fordney's Perspiration. Rep. Fordney, of Michigan, did his heart breaking work with a brave front when the house opened today. He announced that he was willing to sacrifice the provision in the lumber treaty which admitted lumber from Canada and other foreign lumber, and was ready to accept the duty of 10 per cent.

He was applauded for his stand in the matter. It was the Fordney amendment which was what was known as the lumber joker that led to the discussion and turned which last night got back to his subject.

Mr. Fordney said he introduced his amendment with great regret, as the provision it sought to strike out was a meritorious one.

Want an Explanation. Good Roads Commissioner Earle has by a resolution of the house been called to appear before the committee Tuesday night and explain why his biennial report, due in February, is not yet received.

You'll remember that Earle has been complaining it's the fault of the printers, but the legislators want to see the report before they vote on the half million dollars asked for good roads, or any part of it, for the next two fiscal years.

**MICHIGAN ITEMS.**

Aaron P. Bronck, of Muskegon, who two weeks ago swallowed a large dose of rat poison, died from the effects. He leaves a wife and four children.

Kelly B. Lemmon, of Lansing, has received notice that his recent examination for commission as second lieutenant of the coast artillery was successful.

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**THE DRYS FIGHT SUCCESSFULLY**

THERE WERE MANY SURPRISES IN THE LOCAL OPTION ELECTION.

**NINETEEN DRY COUNTIES**

Features of the Day's Voting Are Intersting From Any Point of View.

The local option election in Michigan Monday was replete with surprises. Washtenaw county, the seat of the prohibition, was just to the west of the "dry" vote.

These are the counties of the state that were "dry" before the hallooing Monday: Barry, Clinton, Grand, Midland, Muskegon, Oakland, Oceana, Oshtemo, St. Joseph, Van Buren and Westland. The vote in the several counties with the number of saloons and breweries that will be put out of business follows:

County	Dry	Wet	No. of Saloons
Alcona	5	1	31
Alligen	974	40	61
Berrien	2	2,600	69
Benzie	650	200	19
Branch	500	200	23
Calhoun	4	124	12
Charlevoix	1,200	200	26
Emmet	700	200	27
Easton	600	200	23
Genesee	1,258	400	66
Hillsdale	1,104	100	17
Houghton	124	100	12
Huron	1,225	212	14
Ionia	1,500	400	43
Isabella	1,200	100	17
Iscalo	1,200	172	18
Jackman	57	100	103
Leelanau	72	100	103
Manistee	1,000	400	21
Macatawa	400	1,500	14
Newaygo	400	1,500	14
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Totals 896 Counties 19

The following counties have breweries: Ionia, 1; Calhoun, 2; Emmet, 1; Washtenaw, 3; Monroe, 1; Jackson, 2; Branch, 1; Genesee, 1; Huron, 1; Easton, 1; Isabella, 1.

A recount, which began in Jackson county Tuesday, showed an increase of the dry majority.

George Morrow, superintendent of the Anti-Saloon league, said: "Encouraged by yesterday's triumph, in which we broke the backbone of the liquor interests in this state, we are already marching on to still greater victories. The tide is with us, and cannot be repulsed."

Next year will find us fighting liquor at the door of Kent county, with its big and thriving city of Grand Rapids; in Mason, with the resort and business city of Holland; and in Manistee, with its power and industrial center, Manistee.

"We will probably not be strong enough to begin a fight in Wayne county—that is, a direct onslaught—this time, in that it is only the attack on liquor in the state has its good effect here. Every loss out there means a weaker citizen in Wayne."

The general of the anti-saloon forces was jubilant in his triumph. He congratulated the Michigan and neighboring states.

He attributed the victories of local option in the five counties of Jackson and Calhoun—counties in which the liquor men had counted on as safely as to the organization of his forces there.

"In the cities of Jackson and Battle Creek and Marshall, the best business element combined with the family interest to down the liquor traffic, and a combination would not be denied," he said. "As to the loss of the city of Holland through Ottawa going wet, and the failure to carry Washtenaw, Leelanau and Monroe, that was due to the lack of organization in those localities. Two years from now the battle will be fought over, and by that time we hope circumstances will permit their scoring a victory."

"One thing about my campaign has been the reversal of positions so far as shouting and noise-making were concerned. You remember that in the old days the advocates of local option used to set up a big hue and cry over their campaign, while the liquor men gushed along and won out. Now days we go at it in a businesslike way and win, leaving the liquor men shouting and crying for help."

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**THE CRACKING OF PAINT.**

Property Owners Can Save Money by Learning the Cause.

Do you know what is wrong when paint peels, or cracks, or otherwise necessitates premature re-painting?

Well, sometimes it hasn't been properly applied—the surface being damp or there being too much turpentine or too much drier.

But, nine times out of ten, the trouble is caused by adulterated white lead.

To avoid all such trouble, every house owner should know in a general way what a surface is in proper condition to receive paint, what kind of primer and finishing coats different surfaces require, and how to avoid adulteration in materials.

A complete painting guide, including a book of color schemes, specifications, and all kinds of painting work, 1902 Trinity Bldg. New York, and asking for Houseowner's Painting Outfit No. 49.

The company, the largest makers of pure white lead, invite tests, by means of the blowpipe (included in outfit), or in any other way, of the purity of the white lead sold under their famous "Dutch Boy Painter" trademark. That trademark on a keg of white lead is in itself an absolute guarantee of purity and quality.

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A New York friend of Cuticura writes:

"My three year old son and he, after being put to bed on a trip across the Atlantic, investigated the state room and located a box of Graham Crackers and a box of Cuticura Ointment. When a search was made for the box, it was found empty and the kid admitted that he had eaten the contents of the entire box spread on the crackers. It cured him of what he called and I don't know what else."

"No more concluding remarks can be offered that every ingredient of Cuticura Ointment is absolutely pure, sweet and harmless. If it may be said that it is a safe child, but the most beneficial results can be expected to attend its application to even the most delicate cases of itching skin. Pater Drug & Chem. Corp., So. Prop., Boston, Mass."

The Strenuous Blanche. One of the Blanche Bates' most intimate friends is telling a rather funny story about this clever actress.

"The house of the house one evening very much excited, and I said to her: 'Blanche, for heaven's sake, what is the matter?' You seem to be all going to pieces."

"'Matter' enough," she answered, as her voice shook with anger. "I have been accosted by a man in the streets."

"What did you do? I asked."

"I hauled off and hit him in the face," she answered, "and I said to him: 'You dirty dog, would you speak to a defenseless woman?'"

"And where was he when you said this?" I again inquired.

"Rolling in the gutter where he fell when I hit him," she said, in a surprised tone at my question. "Toledo."

Dubious Tributes. The young and energetic student who had been supplying the Rusby pulp for two Sundays looked wishfully at Mrs. Klugman, his hostess for the time being. Did you see the sermon this morning, if I may ask?" he inquired.

"You see real well with the material you studied," said Mrs. Kingman, with much cordiality. "As I said to Zenas on the way home, 'I've heard a dozen or more sermons since you were here, and you've been the first one that ever made me realize how difficult 'twas to explain.'" Youth's Companion.

**SISTER'S TRICK**

But It All Came Out Right.

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They are hams and shoulders of young porkers, choice in every particular. / How can we sell them at such a low price when sliced ham is selling so high?

It saves us the labor of slicing the meat, and the waste of some parts because they are not saleable.

The thrifty cook can utilize every ounce of meat for frying or boiling, and the bone for soups.

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