

# THE IRON PORT.

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## HATTON'S DENIALS

Water Works Superintendent Gives the Iron Port the Lie.

### THE FACTS ARE HERE GIVEN

If The Iron Port Prevaricated Mr. Hatton Is Responsible, for He Furnished the Information for the Article in Question.

William J. Hatton, who occupies the important position of superintendent of the Escanaba Water company, in an article in a local paper of Wednesday, charges the Iron Port with untruthfulness in connection with an article referring to the projected improvements to the company's system, but if such be the case we are impolite enough to throw the lie back into his teeth, for it was he who furnished the information for the article in question, barring two exceptions. It is possible, however, that Mr. Hatton did not impart the information for publication, or, perhaps, he did not wish the public to know of his company's proposed actions in certain matters and throws out large and luscious chunks of denial in defense of the corporation he represents to exonerate himself.

Every statement made in the article referred to, with the exception of the one wherein it says the water company has a grievance against the city, and the one about the broken or choked up intake pipe, emanated from Mr. Hatton himself and we defy him to successfully contradict that he gave us the information substantially as printed. For the former statement the Iron Port is responsible, and takes the occasion to modify its wording. The company has no grievance against the city itself, but against the individuals who conduct certain of its affairs, namely, the assessor and members of the board of review, who refused to be argued out of assessing the Water company at what they considered a fair and equitable figure, by Mr. Hatton. As to the intake being out of use, we simply ask the common council to institute an investigation, and if our statement is at variance with the facts the discovery will prove a revelation to some members of that body as well as to The Iron Port. For these two exceptions, as noted above, we have no further apology to make.

In his lowered and ungrammatical vocabulary, Superintendent Hatton, probably swelled to unnatural proportions by the importance of his newly acquired monopolistic job, not only denies the allegations made by it but undertakes to berate The Iron Port. Firstly, he denies that the Water company refuses to pay its taxes, but nevertheless, William J. Hatton himself so stated to the editor of this paper and he knowingly and wilfully lies if he says he did not say so. And further, he gave as the reason for refusal that the assessed valuation was exorbitant. The statement may be untrue, and the company may have never intended to question the matter of taxes for aught we know; we simply published information as gleaned from the company's local representative. If he is addicted to prevaricating we had no knowledge of it, and consequently do not feel like being held responsible for his misrepresentations, as he claims they were. The Iron Port would not have credited such a statement from any other source.

But listen to the logical conclusions of this financier who is guiding the destiny of this enterprise, clipped from the rejoinder published over his signature: "The Water Co. has no grievance against the city, but, on the other hand some one or more citizens who imagine themselves to be the city, think they have a grievance with the Water Co., and the way they have of showing it is to raise the personal property tax from \$68,000 to \$95,000. To prove this, the personal property valuation in the past has varied from \$3,000 to \$30,000. Last year being the highest, \$30,000, afterwards being raised by State Tax Commissioner, \$38,000 making it \$68,000, which to fair minded people, is a sufficient valuation for this plant, and why the raise to \$95,000, I am unable to say, unless, it is as some have said, 'to get even with the Water Co.'"

If, as Mr. Hatton says, the "personal property valuation in the past

has varied from \$3,000 to \$30,000, last year being the highest", it is high time the Water company began paying its just proportion of the tax levy. Think of a water works system in a city of 12,000 inhabitants, covering an area of almost two square miles, with brick station buildings containing expensive machinery, miles of water mains and seventy public hydrants paying taxes on "from \$3,000 to \$30,000 in the past." The State Tax Commission insisted on raising the valuation of the plant to \$68,000, and Mr. Hatton says in his brilliant effusion, "to fair-minded people (\$68,000) is a sufficient valuation for this plant." Should a still further increase be made after the company expends \$48,000 in improvements, as proposed, Mr. Hatton may then reiterate these same utterances, changing his figures from \$68,000 to \$95,000, the plant's present assessed valuation. The fact is, the Escanaba Water company has soaked it to the city ever since its plant became a fixture, and it proposes to do so as long as possible. The service has been, and is today, inadequate, yet the city has always paid its hydrant rentals while the company dodged about on promises and escaped taxation. But things have changed very materially, and even Mr. Hatton, who, when a member of the common council some years ago was sometimes alluded to as the "watchdog of the municipal treasury," cannot forstall justice.

Continuing his twaddle this superintendent who attempts to brand The Iron Port a liar, gives out the startling information that he brought an advertisement to this office on the occasion of his interview, just as though it was intended as an inducement to The Iron Port to keep its hands off certain matters pertaining to the company, and then concludes his soul-stirring eloquence by remarking: "No, Mr. Editor, I think the Water Co. has a grievance with The Iron Port."

"Dear, deluded William, grieve away if you (the Water Co.) feel so inclined. We are under no obligations to your eastern capitalists and bloated bondholders who have been holding up this community for years. You have lied to us, or to the public, or to somebody, but out of the goodness of our heart we forgive you. But don't do it again; we have troubles of our own."

### WALLOWED IN HOT ASHES.

An Aged Darkey Found Near Railroad Tracks at Larch.

On Wednesday last Deputy Sheriff Richard Perron went to Larch, a crossing of the Chicago & Northwestern and Soo railways about five miles from this city, and brought in an old colored man who was reported by railroad men to be alongside the track at that point partially demented and half frozen. The poor old fellow, who is 84 years of age, gave the name of George Washington Smith and said his home was formerly at Pontiac. He had been encamped by the side of the track since last Saturday, building fires and wallowing in the hot ashes to keep from freezing. When taken to the county jail by Officer Perron the aged colored man was a sight to behold, but after a thorough renovating and a square meal "he came up smiling" and was evidently gratified at being alive.

### INSTANTLY KILLED.

Leo Arnold, a Northwestern Brakeman, Killed at Powers.

Leo Arnold, employed by the Chicago & Northwestern company as a passenger brakeman, was instantly killed at Powers Wednesday night last. While engaged in uncoupling a coach, after performing which duty he was in the act of hanging up the air hose when the coach rolled back upon him. He was crushed between the two cars, death being instant. The deceased was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Arnold of this city, and was nineteen years old. He had been in the employ of the Northwestern company for some time, and was highly esteemed among his fellow workmen, as well as by all who knew him. The funeral will take place from St. Joseph's church tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

### Federal Building for Soo.

Rep. Sheldon has introduced a bill to erect a new postoffice and custom house building at Sault Ste. Marie to cost \$100,000. Soo people feel that Sheldon will succeed as well as he did with the Monominee public bill.

## BARRON GOES FREE

Young Lumberman Who Was Arrested on Serious Charges Is Not Held.

### SAID TO HAVE BEEN SCHEME

Evidence of Witnesses Show that Murphy Expected to Get Boodle Out of Barron for Association With His Daughter.

The examination of Clifford Barron, the young lumberman of Escanaba township, on the charge of undue intimacy with the thirteen-year-old daughter of Mrs. Annie Murphy of Maple Ridge township, was conducted before Justice Donovan in the circuit court room Wednesday and Thursday afternoons, and resulted in discharging the defendant. Mrs. Murphy, alias Grauger, mother of the girl in question, filed the complaint some weeks ago, but the examination had been postponed from time to time by the mutual consent of the attorneys.

Considerable evidence was introduced, much of which had a tendency to show that a scheme had been attempted to reduce young Barron's fat purse, but none appeared to prove the charge on which he was arraigned. According to statements made by witnesses the girl's father, Jim Murphy, used his daughter in an attempt to secure money from Barron, one testifying that Murphy had said in conversation with him that he could easily work the young timberman for \$2,000. Murphy is supposed to be in Duluth, and did not show up during the course of the trial, neither did he have any hand in instituting the proceedings against Barron. Some tough stories are told of him by his neighbors, it even being intimated that he is guilty of incest.

### 1,000 PIECES OF

Jewelry, Silverware, China and Art Novelties

WILL BE SOLD AT

25 cents each

AT

STEVENSON'S JEWELRY STORE.

These articles should be retailed at from 50c to \$2.00 each, but must be sold to make room for the immense holiday stock now being placed on sale.

All who buy Christmas presents should come early and secure the best goods.

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### INCREASE IN POPULATION.

The Upper Peninsula Shows a Gain of 80,779 in Past Ten Years.

The Iron Port has never doubted the development and growth of the upper peninsula, but the figures showing the increase of population during the past ten years causes pleasant surprise. In 1890 this peninsula had a population of only 180,523, while our present population is given at 261,302, a gain of 80,779 for the intervening period.

We have thirty-three towns of over 1,000 and under 3,000 inhabitants, and eighteen towns, or cities, of over 8,000 inhabitants, and five cities of over 10,000 inhabitants. During the past decade Escanaba's population has increased nearly 4,000 souls, which showing is an exceptionally good one, equaled by only one other city in the territory referred to.

### Want a Democratic Paper.

There is talk among local democrats of starting a newspaper of their political faith in Escanaba. If there is one thing more than another that Escanaba really needs it is more newspapers, and we feel confident that should it be decided to launch another candidate for public favor on the unruffled journalistic sea it would fill a long felt want, and re-

ceive the hearty support of the entire community, regardless of politics. This city has only four newspapers at present, and as it is prosperous and soon to become the metropolis of this section of the northwest, we would advise any one looking for a location in which to coin wealth to drop down among us with his staff.

### A RUPTURE INSTITUTE.

One Will Be Established in Escanaba in the Near Future.

A movement is under way in this city to establish an institute for the cure of rupture, and it is safe to assert that the project will reach a successful culmination within the ensuing fortnight. It is proposed to organize a stock company with a capital stock of \$16,000, of which amount over \$8,000 has already been subscribed. The method to be employed is one of the most successful known to the medical profession, and the proposed company will have the exclusive right for its use in the upper peninsula. Foremost among those interested in the formation of the company are Drs. Reynolds & Cotton, John Cumiskey, Geo. Gallup, Fred Olmsted and others.

### Death of Former Escanaban.

The Vernon County (Wisconsin) Censor of December 11th, contains the following death notice of a former Escanaban: "Death of Philip Rhodes—This good citizen was born near Hull, England, December 26, 1818, and died of old age in Viroqua, December 10, 1901. He came to America when a young man and was one of the very early settlers in Chicago, helping to work the hand fire engine when the city was small. He

## TERSE TOWN TALES

General Municipal Gossip Gathered Here, There and Elsewhere.

### ESCANABA AND VICINITY.

The Iron Port Reporters' Weekly Grist of Information, Gathered in Their Daily Rounds of the City—General Notes.

Upchurch lodge, No. 130, Ancient Order of United Workmen, has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Master Workman, A. Chabotte; Foreman, Cornelius Gallagher; Overseer, Chas. Harvey; Recorder, Andrew Buckley; Financier, John J. Tolan; Guide, Philip Dupont; Receiver, E. M. St. Jacques; Inside Watchman, Jos. St. Louis; Representative to Grand Lodge, Chas. Oesterling; Alternate, Philip Dupont; Trustee for three years, Jake Soper.

Branch No. 3, St. Croix Society, auxiliary of the French Canadian Society, elected the following officers Tuesday evening: President, Mrs. E. M. St. Jacques; Vice President, Mrs. A. Gamache; Arch Secretary, Miss Helen LeFebvre; Financial Secretary, Miss Nellie Moran; Treasurer, Mrs. Alex Roberts; Chaplain, Mrs. Jos. Fillion; Commissioner Collector, Mrs. Phil Racine; Sentinel, Mrs. A. Raymond; Medical Examiners, Drs. Girard and Chollette.

Corona Hive, L. O. T. M., has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Past Lady Commander, Mrs. McKee; Lady Commander, Mary Kahl; Lieutenant Commander, Mary Oesterling; Finance Keeper, Mrs. Stobhouse; Record Keeper, Mayme Buchanan; Chaplain, Mrs. Long; Mistress at arms, Mayme Doyle; Surgeon at arms, Annie Kelly; Lady Sentinel, Amelia Morton; Lady Picket; Mary McMartin.

Rev. W. H. Johnson, who, under a joint arrangement of the Sunday School Board and the Board of State Missions, is doing evangelistic work in the upper peninsula, will preach at the Baptist church, corner of Ayer and Sarah streets, tomorrow. His morning theme will be "Jesus," and in the evening he will deliver a Christmas sermon.

C. F. Smith Post, G. A. R., elected the following officers Saturday evening: Commander, G. T. Burns; Senior Vice-Commander, Joseph Beecher; Junior Vice-Commander, Morris Boyle; Chaplain, Norman Eddy; Officer of the Guard, Paul Walker; Officer of the Day, J. G. Walters; Surgeon, Emil Glaser; Quartermaster, A. H. Rolph.

Methodist Episcopal church: Class meeting at 9:30; morning service at 10:30, Sunday school at 12, Epworth League at 6:30, evening service at 7:30. Morning theme, "The Fifth Kingdom"; Evening theme, "The First Musical Instrument Maker," a bible story. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening, a Christmas prayer-meeting.

First Presbyterian church. Special music and services appropriate to the season will be conducted both morning and evening at 10 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Junior Endeavor at 3 p. m., Senior Endeavor 6:45 p. m., Sunday school at 12 m. The Wednesday evening service will be omitted this week.

Frederick Schultz, charged with the murder of Mrs. Craig, at the Canadian Soo on August 7, and convicted of the charge and sentenced to be hung on Friday, February 7th, was once a resident of Gladstone.

The letter carriers have been loaded down with Christmas packages during the past week, and notwithstanding an additional carrier has been on it has been almost impossible to make the rounds in the allotted eight hours.

The Barry Steamboat Line will run into Escanaba next season. This is a competing line with the Godrich. This will probably mean a reduction in freight rates.

The will of the late Joseph P. Danforth provides that his property, valued at \$600, shall be equally divided among his four children.

Work on the St. Paul's new ore dock has been commenced.

The W. R. C. will dance on the 31st at Peterson's hall.

Van Gueten and McDermott's rooms on Monday and Tuesday as the pipes were frozen and it was too cold to hold the regular sessions.

The crew of men that were drilling the artesian well at the county hospital has finished the work. There is a rapid flow of water.

Miss Jennie Jepsen has returned home from a visit with friends at Spalding.

Contractor John McLaughlin is making splendid headway in the construction of the city sewers.

"Toll Gate Inn" is booked to appear at The Peterson on the 28th. It is a good play.

Owing to the lack of a quorum the common council held no meeting Tuesday night.

P. M. Peterson has improved his dancing hall by adding thereto a dining room.

The Oliver House is undergoing some minor improvements.

### WILL LEAVE THE SOO.

Mr. and Mrs. Follis Will Take Up Residence at Ishpeming.

The Soo Times of Saturday has the following concerning Mr. and Mrs. Follis, formerly of this city: "T. F. Follis, for the last four years the efficient and popular Soo agent for the Hammond Standish Meat Co., has resigned his position with that concern to accept a responsible and highly profitable position with John W. Jochim, the well-known hardware merchant at Ishpeming. "Mr. Follis is a hardware man of many years experience and in this business change is going back to his first and preferred love. He finished his labors with the Hammond-Standish Co. yesterday and will leave today with Mrs. Follis and daughter for Toronto to spend the holidays with relatives. Mr. Follis' position with Mr. Jochim dates from the first of the new year, but he will be in the Soo from the early part to the 10th of January to close up his personal business affairs here. During his more than four years residence here Mr. Follis has gained and retained the confidence and good will of the business men and has been prominent in the work of the Presbyterian church. He is a man of sterling character, genial nature and splendid business ability and in the departure of Mr. Follis the Soo loses one of its best citizens. Mrs. Follis is a charming lady who will be greatly missed by a large circle of friends, although it is expected she will make her home in this city until next spring."

### Brampton Briefs.

The Western Union Telegraph Co. have been stringing a separate wire to be used on the block system, that has been adopted by the C. & N. W. railroad.

A progressive pedro party was given at the residence of L. C. McGraw Saturday evening. First prize was won by J. Williamson, and second prize by Miss J. Dunsmore.

C. Bucbee of Chicago was here on business for a few days.

Miss Kate Dwyer spent a few days at Trombley this week.

Mrs. Wallace Finch returned to her parents last week.

Miss M. Harvey, who is teaching at Trombley visited friends in this burg Sunday.

Mrs. W. H. H. Wellsted visited Escanaba last week.

### Fires of the Week.

By the explosion of an oil stove in the home of Mrs. Burmaster of Ludington street Sunday afternoon about \$25 damage to furniture was done. The fire department was called.

While thawing frozen water pipes at the home of R. A. Holmes on Fannie street Sunday, flames ignited the woodwork, but were soon extinguished. The fire department was called but it's services were not required.

### Has Cot a Gusher.

The Lake Superior & Beaumont Oil company, of Escanaba and Beaumont, of which recently organized corporation the Hon. O. B. Fuller is president, has struck oil, and the "gusher" assured purchasers of stock is a reality. The company has arrangements for the sale of its product partially perfected.

### Doll Sale Today.

The ladies of St. Patrick's society are holding a doll sale at Sourwine & Hartnett's today, and many beautifully dressed dolls are being shown. Drop in and see them this afternoon. It will repay you for the trouble.

Holiday gifts of every description at Schram's.



**PERSONAL ITEMS.**

**Breezy Paragraphs Pertaining to People and Their Movements.**

**A WEEK IN SOCIAL CIRCLES**

Dancing and Card Parties, Afternoon Teas, and Entertainments of Various Characters Briefly Chroni cled.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Ewing, Miss L. Morris and Mr. N. Begie, left this morning, via the Soo, for different points in southern Michigan. Mr. R. D. Ewing and wife for Detroit and Ann Arbor; Miss Morris will go to New York City and Mr. Begie to Ann Arbor.

Ed. Hodson and Walter Raubolt who are attending the Dental College at Chicago, came home yesterday morning.

Miss Helen Mead, who is attending school at Milwaukee, arrived home this morning to spend Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Mead.

Mrs. Jno. McColl spent Tuesday with Rapid River friends.

Merrill Winegar, Tim Dunn, George Stoik and Matt Ryan left Tuesday night for Chicago.

The Woman's club will meet next Saturday, Dec. 28, with Mrs. Alex Urquhart.

John Ryan came home from Iron Mountain last night to spend Xmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Ryan.

Rob. Atkins returned from Chicago Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Frank Slater left Wednesday night for a few days' visit at Chicago.

Miss Nellie Lucia, who has been confined to her home on account of illness, is again able to attend to her duties.

Miss Lois Cretors entertained a number of her young friends at her home on Sarah street Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wall returned the forepart of the week from a visit at Askeaton, Wis.

Miss Chaudler, principal of the

High school, was unable to teach the first of the week, being confined to her room at the New Ludington by illness.

Miss Nina Hoyer, head milliner at Krato's store, left Monday morning for Chicago where she will spend the holidays with friends.

Miss Mary Kessler, a student at Oshkosh Normal, will spend the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Theo. Kessler.

Miss Hulda Rasmussen of Marinette is spending the holidays in the city with Mr. and Mrs. Christ Olson. Geo. Rogers left this week for a month's visit at Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. James Cox have returned from a short visit at Iron Mountain.

Mr. J. E. Donovan returned Sunday from a visit with relatives in Monticello, Ia.

Miss Lottie Donovan and Winifred Harvey spent a portion of last week with Iron Mountain friends.

Misses Kate Rutherford and Kate Morris will spend Xmas at Gladstone, the guests of Mrs. Henry Henke.

Messrs. O. B. Fuller, A. R. Moore and Ole Erickson returned from Grand Rapids, where the latter two took the 32rd Masonic degree, on Tuesday.

Miss Lillian Hedsten, who is attending the Ypsilanti Normal is spending the holidays at her home in this city.

Miss Adelle Lindquist, fifth grade teacher in the Washington building, entertained her pupils at a sleighride on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Tibbie Baum is home from Oshkosh to spend the holidays with her parents.

The Misses Tillie and Edna Starrin returned home the first of the week from a week's visit at Chicago.

Miss Lena Hogan is spending the holidays with Janesville friends.

Mrs. Peter Arnold is very ill with pneumonia.

Ed. Hewlett left Tuesday morning for an extended visit at Denver, Col.

Miss Carrie Tyrrell is visiting with friends in Norway.

Miss Gertrude Symons arrived home this morning from Knoxville, Tenn., to spend Christmas with her parents.

Stafford and Mert McRae are expected home from Chicago Christmas morning to spend the holidays.

Jacobs fell down stairs last Tuesday, breaking his arm.

Dr. G. C. McVoy and Ed. Bergman of Bark River drove to Escanaba Wednesday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Michael Green, on Monday, a baby girl.

Miss Edith Conners of 1318 Wells avenue entertained a party of young friends with a sleigh ride Saturday afternoon.

Mr. John Powers went to Lillie Lake, Ill., on Monday night to visit his daughter Kate for a week. Miss Kate will return with him.

Geo. Wicklander, who has been laid up with a broken leg for three weeks past, is again able to beabout.

James Lillie, at one time a conspicuous figure in Escanaba, now engaged in the lumber business in Tolbovt, was in the city on Monday.

Supervisor M. J. Hutt of Bark River transacted business in Escanaba on Monday.

Col. George Thomas Burns spent a portion of the week in Chicago.

Rev. Fr. Langan spent Monday at Marquette.

Nick Britz of Lathrop was in the city Sunday.

The Senior class of the High school gave a delightful dancing party at Clark's hall last night.

R. Carey May of Chippewa Falls will spend Christmas with his family in this city, after which they will move to the Wisconsin town to take up their permanent residence.

Supervisor F. E. Darling of Rapid River is suffering with a number of Job's comforters.

David Morgan of Elmore street is confined to his home with lumbago.

Mrs. Lucy Phillips of Tennessee, who was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Cram last week, has gone to the copper country on a visit to relatives, but will return to this city after Christmas.

The Misses Libbie Spargo, Grace McColl and Rose Hessel arrived home today from Chicago and will spend Christmas here.

Messrs. Charles and John Bergiers are spending the holidays with relatives at Marinette.

Q. R. Hessel went to Chicago Tuesday, where he will buy horses for his new sale stable.

Miss Anna Smith returned to her home in Minneapolis after a fortnight's visit at the home of Mrs. S. H. Selden.

A party of young people pleasantly

"surprised" Jacob Moersch at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pat. Burns Monday evening. Dancing and refreshments.

Miss Katherine Embs entertained the Cinch club at her home Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Geo. Valentine left Thursday for a brief visit at Chicago.

M. R. Grover of Garth transacted business here on Monday.

Thos. Rowman has bought James Maringer's saloon at Flat Rock, and takes possession today.

Rev. Fr. Mesard of St. Ann's church spent a portion of the week in Chicago.

John Richardson visited relatives in Chicago this week.

Harry Benton returned, on Tuesday, from a brief visit in Milwaukee.

E. P. Radford of Hermansville transacted business in Escanaba Tuesday.

Charles Dady of Maple street and wife will leave Tuesday to spend the holidays with Waukegan friends.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hooper, formerly of this city but now of Ishpeming, mourn the loss of an infant daughter.

Miss Bessie Oshinsky of Marinette will spend Christmas with Miss Doris Silverman, of this city.

Charles Brydges is confined to his home on Sarah street with a very sore knee.

Mrs. Frank Foster is suffering from a severe attack of pleurisy.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Becker, on Thursday, a son.

Supt. Linsley was in Chicago on "R. B." this week.

Mrs. J. A. Colburn of Cornell, who was taken to Chicago by Dr. C. H. Long some weeks ago and there operated upon, is getting along nicely, and will be able to return-home in a short time.

Chas. McCauley is now engaged in getting a collection of nickels for the street railway company.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Douglas of Bark River are visiting relatives in Canada.

J. B. Moran spent Thursday at the Soo.

**Quarantine Raised.**

Health Officer Andrew Nelson has raised the quarantine at the Conklin house on Tilden avenue, and thoroughly disinfected the premises. The McLean house on Ludington is the only place in the city where small-pox still exists, and it is expected that the patients there will have recovered sometime next week.

**THE CITY IN BRIEF**

Delta Lodge, No. 195, F. & A. M., has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Worshipful Master, H. L. Ramsdell; Senior Warden, F. E. Lucas; Junior Warden, W. H. Fraser; Treasurer, H. H. Allen; Secretary, A. H. Rolph; Senior Deacon, Jesse Owen; Junior Deacon, E. A. Elliot; Tyler, C. A. Cram. Trustee for three years, O. E. Erickson.

Toys at Schram's.

J. B. Frechette, the progressive merchant of Bark River, is showing a large stock of holiday goods. He has been busy the past week waiting on customers who appreciate his efforts to supply them with a great variety of useful and ornamental Christmas gifts.

Jane Murphy, the thirteen-year-old daughter of Mrs. Anne Murphy, has been restrained from returning to the home of her mother in Maple Ridge township, and will probably be sent to the industrial school for girls.

Mrs. James Colling is at the county hospital dangerously ill, due to drunkenness and exposure. She was taken in at the home of John Groos Monday night and afterwards turned over to the poor commissioner who took her to the hospital.

Do not miss seeing Schram's holiday goods. They are the finest ever shown in Escanaba. Everything for the little ones, while the older ones have not been forgotten.

Yes, it has been rather cold the past week.

One of the most beautiful and artistic pieces of jewelry ever seen in Escanaba is that of an Elk's charm now on exhibition at Stevenson's. It is the work of S. M. Joel.

The Willing Workers of the Episcopal church sent a Christmas box to Maple Ridge Wednesday morning.

Mrs. Jennie Wilcox of Jackson, state field worker for the W. C. T. U., lectured at the Baptist church Monday evening, and on Tuesday spoke at a meeting held at the home of Mrs. Henry Valentine.

During the winter months Hancock Brothers will run a freight stage between Gladstone and Escanaba, leaving Gladstone every Monday morning, says The Delta.

The public schools closed yesterday for a two weeks' vacation.

By the cold snap of the past week

considerable perishable freight in transit was frozen on the North-westeru road.

Dr. C. H. Long has returned from a five week's attendance upon the Chicago Polytechnic school.

**There's Nothing to It.**

It is reported that an order has been issued by the city authorities to close all saloons in accordance with the provisions of the law, which means 10 o'clock p. m. A representative of The Iron Port this morning interviewed Mayor Bissell on the subject, and he replied with: "Who told you? This is the first I have heard of it," which evidently means that "there's nothing in it."

<b>Bank Statement.</b>	
<b>REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF The First National Bank</b>	
at Escanaba, in the State of Michigan, at the close of business, Dec. 26, 1901.	
RESOURCES	
Loans and discounts	\$76,824 53
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	54 84
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	80,000 00
U. S. Bonds on hand	500 00
U. S. Bonds on hand	500 00
Premiums on U. S. Bonds	118,314 50
Stocks, securities, etc.	5,775 87
Other real or else owned	34,437 30
Due from National Banks (not Reserve Agents)	2,375 87
Due from State Banks and bankers	17,417 30
Due from approved reserve agents	79,941 30
Federal Reserve stamps	64 87
Checks and other cash items	600 00
Exchanges for clearing house	0 00
Notes of other National Banks	0 00
Fractional paper currency, nickels, and cents	40 14
LAWFUL MONEY RESERVE IN BANK, VIZ:	
Specie	67,244 00
Legal-tender notes	8,000 00
U. S. certificates for deposit	47,084 00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer	1,000 00
5 per cent. of circulation	1,000 00
Due from U. S. Treasurer, other than 5 per cent redemption fund	0 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,077,516 95</b>
LIABILITIES	
Capital stock paid in	50,000 00
Surplus fund	30,000 00
Undivided profits, less expenses and taxes paid	6,808 40
National Bank notes outstanding	20,000 00
Due to other National Banks	0 00
Due to State Banks and Bankers	0 00
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks	0 00
Due to approved reserve agents	0 00
Dividends unpaid	0 00
Individual deposits subject to check	344,079 09
Demand certificates of deposit	636,568 86
Time certificates of deposit	0 00
Certified checks	0 00
Cashier's checks outstanding	0 00
United States deposits	0 00
Deposits of U. S. disbursing officers	0 00
Notes and bills rediscounted	0 00
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed	0 00
Liabilities other than those above stated	0 00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,077,516 95</b>


I, C. C. ROYCE, Cashier of the above statement, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Witness my hand and the seal of this bank at Escanaba, Michigan, this 26th day of December, 1901.

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Directors.

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Times have changed in the last few years as you no doubt are aware. People as a rule are not buying cheap, worthless articles to give their friends at Christmas time, but are buying more substantial, useful articles. We quote below a few of the many beautiful and sensible articles we are showing for the Christmas season.



In ladies' shoes we are showing all the late shapes and leathers. We can furnish you either of these, which are both late style, for

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For the holidays we are making special low prices in certain lines.

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Big line of ladies' and gentlemen's slippers in leather and felts at prices to please.



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Slippers!**

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**Slippers!  
Slippers!**




**Slippers!  
Slippers!**



We are exclusive agents for the famous Julia Marlowe Shoes for Ladies.



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This shoe is made for comfort. It is positively the easiest shoe made.

**RATHFON & YOUNG,**  
MASONIC BLOCK, ESCANABA, MICH.



# A Yule-Tide Reconciliation

WRITTEN BY MISS ETTA M'GARTHY.

"Aunt I'm very much hurt and must go home. I will explain at a more opportune time." Then turning to me she said, "Mr. Hardgrove will you oblige me by calling a carriage; we're going home."

"Home?" I stammered, "Tim—"

"Yes, Tim, it's rash I know, but I'm driven to it."

"Why, Miss Costello," I interrupted, "where's Lavallo, didn't he escort you? Shall I call him?" "No," she replied rather sardonically.

"There he sits beside that palm bankment with Miss Gleason of Boston, the guest of Yvonne Symons, and has evidently forgotten his duty."

"Don't disturb him, let him enjoy the tranquility of the moment. If she has captivated him in one brief evening he's unworthy of my constancy. Perhaps it's Fate's decree."

Just then the carriage was announced and I having gained permission to accompany them, supported a chiffon-gowned and ermine-cloaked figure out of a painful, excruciatingly painful, atmosphere.

Jealousy and that keen cutting sense at neglect invaded that frame and there seemed naught but universal destruction left. Destruction of love, faith, and all that factors in making life one grand sweet song.

There she sat beside her aunt in that taffeta lined vehicle—a perfect theme for a poet, and a grand scheme for the artist.

Resolutions of vengeance, self-reproach and then forgiveness, coursed through her frenzied brain, while her dark mellow eyes were now all a-fire; her beautifully rolled lips resembled rubies set in the whitest marble.

The rose in her hair lay lifeless on that wealth of darkness seeming to mourn with the beauty who deemed it a worthy accessory. Sadly, yet admiringly, I gazed at her until the command, "Whoa," broke the spell, and after assisting them to alight, Ruth turned to me saying, "Please, Tim, say no word of me to Lavallo, he has wounded me deeply and it shall leave its scar. I have already decided my movements and will remain firm."

I tried to talk to her of rash and hasty decisions but she was gone unheedingly. "She means it!" I soliloquized, her determination can be read on that firm mouth. But what tempted Lavallo to become so unconscious of his duty toward Ruth and her chaperon? What would he say when he found Ruth had gone home? When I returned he was dancing with Miss Gleason and I daresay mental telegraphy took place, as the momentary eyes met; his countenance changed and when the dance was over he hastened to me saying, "Tim, Ruth I haven't seen since you and she were talking?"

"Yes, Costello," I replied, "has she come home with the consent of her chaperon; and as her escort seemed so disinterested, I, with permission accompanied them. She feels your neglect acutely and were I you I should endeavor to convince her that your actions were entirely unintentional; though, I dare say, your success will be the result of a most convincing explanation. Try it at least."

"Great Heavens, Tim, I've done it! Fool that I am, why did I allow the coquette to charm me and add my name to her list of brainless conquests, thus withering before my very eyes the flower of my life. Let me leave this place; it is the toll-gate between a spell of blissful love and an expanse of misery." Then turning to me excitedly, he exclaimed, "Tim what shall I do?"

"Well," I said, "you must wait until morning, then I would ask for an interview and square matters."

After he had gone a few dances fulfilled the program and all retired to their respective homes to sleep it out. All save three. My confused brain refused submission to sleep and I'm confident slumber did not overcome Ruth and Lavallo. How I longed for morning. At length Old Sol advanced and I rose marvelling all the while at the deep interest this affair had aroused in me. Indeed I began to acknowledge a personal interest.

My toilet was just about completed when a knock at the door interrupted my strain of thought and the maid said, "Mr. Hardgrove, I leave an important parcel at your door, see to it please."

As I expected! Here are the letters and gifts, a note to Lavallo and one to me. Tearing it open I took a dainty note which read:

Dear Mr. Hardgrove: Please hand this parcel and note to Mr. Cameron and very much obliged,  
Your Friend,  
Ruth L. Costello.

I felt that every drop of blood in

my body descended to my heels and I leaned against the window casing to rest, when footsteps on the stair told me that Lavallo was coming. As he opened the door the package and familiar writing almost staggered him.

"God is this for me?" and as he cut the white envelope his fingers trembled and unconsciously he read it half audibly. When finished he handed it to me, drove his hands forcibly into his trouser-pockets, walked over and threw himself into the Lavenport, a picture of remorse and despair.

"Now, Tim," she said, "wouldn't that put a fellow beside himself? Why are these women so magnetic anyhow. By the gods I wish I never saw one. Remorse has me almost maddened and there's nothing to do but bear it. She has resolved firmly to hear no more from me and she's as invincible as the Boer army. By George its tough luck."

"Well," I said, "Lavallo, don't let this unman you, I'm sure she'll relent. Come, we must go to breakfast." Coffee satisfied as both and on our way to the office he asked me to use every means to secure an interview for him.

Days went on and I could not move Ruth from the stand she had taken. She had set her foot down and there it would stay. However, I think at times she agreed with Ella W. Wilcox

"—that the bitterest sorrow or pain Of love unrequited or cold death's woe Is sweet, compared to the hour when we know That some grand passion is on the wane."

Meanwhile Lavallo made every advance possible but to no effect, and his feelings can only be imagined by those who know the curse of unreciprocated love. Some time elapsed and circumstances remained much the same until one evening the phone rang. I took up the receiver and that familiar voice set my very soul leaping.

"This is Tim," I answered. "Well, Tim, I leave tonight for Syracuse to remain indefinitely with uncle Allen, the house-doctor at the Sanitarium there. I just rang up to say good-bye and she rang off."

"By George," I said, turning to Lavallo who was there. She's the most perplexing creature living."

"Well, Lavallo, here's news new for you! Ruth leaves for her uncle Allen's home in Syracuse this evening. Will you try to see her?"

"No Tim," he answered, "its useless. No one can destroy the barrier between us and, God knows, I'll wait. I hope, Tim, you'll never know the bitterness of self reproach and the emptiness of life when love's shut out. But here, enough. I leave here tomorrow for Wyre to defend Powell, so I guess I'll remain home tonight and review the case. Good night, old boy" and he was gone.

Days and months sailed down the Western River comparatively uneventful, until one day Lavallo said, "Time my dream since Ruth's departure is about to be realized and I'm going to Syracuse tomorrow to make my attempt at reconciliation."

Until his departure our conversation was all Ruth. As the mighty iron horse pulled out drawing him nearer the light of his life and the center of his ambitions I wished him good luck and prayed God Ruth would relent.

His absence and my loneliness were ever synonymous, but I never felt it so acutely as this time. How I did long to hear from him. He said he would and he did. By jingo, I believe I have that letter. Yes, here it is:

My dear old Boy: They say, "The palm is not gained without the dust of labor." Well, God knows I labored for the palm and have it. Let me tell you how it happened. On reaching Syracuse at 11:30 a. m., I went directly to the hotel where I dined, then made straight way to a drug store near by for a cigar and also to find a directory. Among the customers was a lady who I thought gave me a peculiar glance. Then my heart began pounding and, Tim, there I stood a few feet from Ruth breathing the same atmosphere. The old words you used to quote came back to me, "Are we cold lovers or warm friends I wonder." I decided neither when she crossed the floor kissed a tiny baby in a gorgeous go cart and then wheeled it to and fro in an endeavor to quiet it. Then, old boy, I called my courage together and commanded myself to try it anyhow. If she were wedded to another why that would settle my ambition. As I started toward her, her emotions could be

detected, and I saw those lips tremble. She dropped her eyes as I advanced and said, "Beg pardon, but I'm Lavallo Cameron and I'm—"

I was not allowed to finish when she relieved me saying, "Yes, did you think I wouldn't recognize you? I'm Ruth with much more experience and less confidence in others than two years ago." The blow took a deep seat, but I recovered and quickly gave my attention to the baby. She gently uncovered its face and, Tim, you can't imagine what thoughts coursed through my brain. I admired the unseen for once, when from behind the prescription case came a petit little mistress saying, "Ruth was my daughter good?"

Relief was mine! My fear was vanished. On assuring her the child was alright she introduced me and Mrs. Trevlyn, to whom I owe it all, said, "Oh, yes, this is Mr. Cameron. Well I know you by reputation and now you can come home with us can't you? Why, you young folks will have lots of misunderstandings but you mustn't stand under them forever. And now, Ruth, I want you to get and give an explanation."

Well, it was such a thunderbolt to both of us that we assented to her plans like obedient children. We followed her, and oh Tim, the next scene is easier told than written.

However please send me a check for four hundred dollars as I expect to invest in an expensive Christmas present. When I return Mrs. L. C. Cameron will accompany me so get ready to smoke.

Your old Pal,  
Lav. Cameron.

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## REFLECTIONS OF CHRISTMAS.

In spite of the persistent sounding of the note of pessimism, the discerning eye sees abundant evidence for the belief that the gospel of peace on earth and good will toward men is conquering the minds and hearts of civilized humanity. Christmas comes but once a year, and it is an occasion for moral stock-taking and for a review of the work done by being weak, inconsistent, erring beings beset and surrounded with temptations. Do we follow in our daily lives and social, political and industrial activities the sublime, perfect creed summed up in the golden rule of Christian ethics?

None will have the hardihood to assert that we are true to the religious and moral truths we profess, says the Chicago Post, but are we at least moving toward the ideal? No query is more timely, more vital, more solemn. But a sober minded view of society will suggest a positive answer. We are advancing, though slowly and with many a fall, occasional reactions and even sins against the light. Mankind is certainly becoming kinder, more merciful and more sympathetic. There is more good will and sincere devotion to peace and brotherhood than at any former period.

Our age has been described as one of questioning, searching of hearts, decline of mere dogmas and the enthronement of reason and science. But the ethical elements of religion—and they are the essential, the abiding elements—have never been more firmly rooted and more profoundly recognized than now. That wealth is a trust, to be administered for the general good, is no longer the Utopian suggestion of a few, but the growing theory and practice. Public opinion enforces the higher, the moral duties of wealth with even greater rigor than the state does the purely legal obligations attaching thereto. The rich man is, indeed, without honor who fails to provide to the extent of his capacity for the wants of the less fortunate, and in this country the annual contributions toward the maintenance of educational, charitable and other public institutions reach colossal proportions. It is true that society needs more justice and less beneficence, but justice is an intellectual problem to be gradually solved, whereas the manifestation of the noblest product of evolution, a good will, is a guaranty of the eventual triumph of the altruistic ideal.

In great affairs and in small, in national and neighborly relations, the still, small voice of conscience is steadily resisting evil impulses and compelling submission to the moral law. And slowly but surely this submission loses the character of compulsion and becomes spontaneous, inevitable. This is a stimulating reflection for the holy and gracious season, and a true one.

## SOUND PROTECTIONISM.

Theodore Roosevelt's protectionism is as sound as William McKinley's, Nelson Dingley's or Henry Clay's. In his own words, "the first requisite to our prosperity is the continuity and stability of our present tariff system as a national policy." Reciprocity's only allowable function is as "the handmaid of protection." This lays the ghost of free-trade within the party which Messrs. Babcock, Kasson et al. had been assiduously summoning us. Tariff tinkering had, we knew before, no responsible place in the republican senate or house. Tariff tinkering, we know now, despite a world of withered expectations to the contrary, has no place in the republican white house. Mr. Roosevelt, it is true, advises assistance to Cuba on moral grounds, and suggests that it be given through tariff concessions. This assistance can be granted without insuring the ruin of any American industry. As long as Mr. Roosevelt abstains from placing his recommendations on economic grounds he stands with his party from schedule A to schedule N of the existing tariff law. The only foes of the American protective system, then, are now, as heretofore, in the battered old democracy. There dissatisfied republicans can take their stand. With the pres-

ent's position definitely and finally known, there is now more hope for sneaking into free-trade by the new overland route of "tariff revision" than there is by the old abandoned subway of "tariff reform."

In brief, the first word to our people of our Rough-Rider Chief Magistrate is that of a sagacious, self-restrained, well balanced American statesman. It justifies the predispositions which have considered Theodore Roosevelt as a leader rather than a follower of public opinion. But it reveals him as selecting for his leadership those ways wherein public opinion is prepared to follow. He puts himself at the head of the body of the army, not of those forlorn hopes and explaining expectations which all the autumn long, in mistaken reliance on the adventurous disposition of the new commander, have been eagerly awaiting the word to march.

## THE AWFUL COST OF WAR.

There appears to be great excitement over the fact that the war in South Africa has already cost Great Britain more than \$732,000,000, says the Chicago Tribune. Compared with the cost of some of the great wars of the last century, however, this sum is hardly a drop in the bucket.

The most costly war of all time was the civil war of 1861-65 in the United States. That war cost the northern states a total of \$6,200,000,000, while the south spent more than \$2,000,000,000 in addition. And this does not consider the enormous expense of the pensions which have been paid for the last thirty-five years.

Next in cost to the war of the rebellion was the Franco-Prussian war of 1870. It cost, in round numbers, \$2,500,000,000. The Crimean war stands third on the list of comparatively recent wars, with a total cost of \$1,700,000,000.

The little affair in South Africa has cost the British up to date less than one-tenth of what the United States spent in the four years of its great civil conflict, and less than a third as much as France and Germany poured out in their short struggle. The present aggregate war debts of all the nations in the world are so great as to entirely pass comprehension. They sum up more than thirty billion dollars.

Even more startling are the figures which show what war has cost in the destruction of human life. In this blue also the United States civil war stands in first place, with a total of more than 800,000 men killed in battle and died of wounds and disease. Close to this terrible record is that of the Crimean war, in which 750,000 men lost their lives, while in the Franco-Prussian conflict the losses were 225,000.

For military and naval purposes the nations of Europe spend annually \$750,000,000. They keep under arms continually more than 3,000,000 men, with six times as many ready to fly to arms when the word "mobilize" is spoken. It is estimated that every community loses at least \$200 a year for each man who is kept under arms and is, therefore, unproductive.

For all Europe this would amount to \$600,000,000, which should be added to the \$750,000,000 annually paid out for military and naval purposes. Taking the two together it appears that Europe pays something like \$3,000,000 a day in times of peace for the purpose of keeping itself ready for war.

## IT'S UNDERSTANDING DETECTIVE.

Regarding the next state senator for this district, is not the Iron Port a little premature in suggesting Mr. H. O. Fifield, ex editor of the Menominee Herald? As the Mirror understands the situation, Senator Fuller has thus far turned a deaf ear to all the good things that the papers have said about him and his boom for Lieut. governor and has not said that he would accept the nomination for higher honors, if tendered him.—The Mirror.

Our esteemed contemporary, The Mirror, is of the wrong complexion politically to "understand the situation," and it is something of a question whether it could if it were really disposed to do so. Although Mr. Fuller has not publicly announced his candidacy for the lieutenant-governorship The Iron Port asserts positively that unless his connection with an enterprise in the south takes him out of the state he will become a candidate for the honor which his many friends in Michigan are anxious to bestow upon him. The question will be definitely determined within the ensuing few weeks, and there will then be an abundance of time for The Mirror to get in its

work and exert its influence in behalf of a candidate.

But in either case the district will undoubtedly be called upon to select new senatorial timber; for it is conceded that the present incumbent can have the lieutenant-governorship if he remains here, and if he goes elsewhere he will want neither.

## ENGINEERING, OLD AND NEW.

Wonderful builders of bridges were those old Romans, and some of their best work still endures. And the modern Yankee is no laggard in raising huge structures over big rivers and broad arms of the sea. While the eagles of the Caesars were carried in triumph from Persia to Scotland, from the Baltic to the great desert of Africa, stately and majestic indeed were the stone arches of the empire. But there were no tunnels of any scope among the ancients. This will be a century of such tunnels, and such bridges also, as the world has never yet known. The titanic structures of the Old World amazed the centuries, but this practical generation is not content with primeval methods. The catacombs of this era are not used for burial; the wide, deep, long galleries are not dug out for the dead, but for the living. The twentieth century will tunnel many of the chief rivers of the world wherever the interests of civilization can be advanced by the opening of such caverns far below the currents of famous streams. The tunnels under the Alps are colossal undertakings, but every one of them has ample reason for the vast expenditure and the prodigious labor required. And the marvels and miracles of the most adventurous engineering of the past will surely be excelled by the triumphs of the engineering of the future.

It may be interesting to Superintendent "Dick" Ewing and his corps of teachers to know that a Chicago court has decided that it is perfectly proper to stuff a towel into a public schoolboy's mouth to keep him from talking. Of course the presumption is that the towel must be freshly laundered and that the stuffing must be done by not more than two teachers. In case the boy refuses to open his mouth to receive the gag one of the teachers may pry the jaws apart with a hardwood ruler. The scheme is said to be an improvement on Solomon's methods.

The Hon. John W. Jochim, of Ishpeming, was in the Soo last week and to The Journal stated frankly that he had concluded to be a candidate for congressional honors the coming year, largely at the solicitation of many friends. Mr. Jochim said he had assurances of considerable support, and that while he had not a barrel of money at his command to use for campaign purposes, he expected to make a goods bowing before the convention.

The Manistique Pioneer-Tribune, an acknowledged authority on all matters pertaining to upper peninsula politics, says "a boomlet has been started for H. O. Fifield of Menominee to succeed Senator Fuller, in case the latter decides to accept the lieutenant-governorship." The Iron Port first suggested the name of Mr. Fifield for senatorial honors, and it is gratified to think that our suggestion has developed into a boomlet.

The splendid work of Health Officer Andrew Nelson in eradicating small-pox from our midst should not be allowed to pass without a word of public commendation. His prompt action and effective methods doubtless prevented a further spread of the disease, which might have resulted in a serious epidemic.

Three blue diamonds valued at \$540,000 are to be given as Christmas presents to three women by three American millionaires. This is the sort of giving that makes Santa Claus tenderly caress the frayed stockings as he drops in a few nuts and candies.

Attorney General Owen expresses the opinion that there isn't another man in the upper peninsula "darn fool enough" to become a candidate next fall for the office he now occupies. There's nothing in it, except glory, and not an overabundance of that.

Governor Bliss was in Washington last week, and took occasion to inquire of Congressman Carlos D. if his upper peninsula appointments were giving satisfaction. When given an affirmative reply the chief executive strode away feeling better.

The bones of a mastodon recently found in Missouri indicate that the

beast had a throat six feet in diameter. And just to think that they had no lodge banquets in those days.

Hon. S. M. Stephenson is in Washington working for the reappointment of John Quincy Adams, the collector of customs at Marquette. Gad Smith is also after this job, and Rep. Sheldon is after the scalp of Adams. The president is said to favor the reappointment of Adams as well as all republicans who have made good records.—Menominee Leader.

Notwithstanding the protest of the Iron Ore, published in his hometown, The Menominee Leader insists that John W. Jochim of Ishpeming will be a candidate for congress, and that he will have the support of the Iron Port can believe the latter statement but it doubts the former.

Although altogether too early to commence talking spring politics, there is considerable of it on the q. t. The name of the senior alderman from the Sixth is being mentioned, and—but it's too early to talk politics.

The Iron Port takes pleasure in presenting to its readers today the interesting story entitled "A Yuletide Reconciliation," written by an Escanaba lady.

Railroad Commissioner Osborn has immortalized his name at the Soo by presenting the school museum with a handsome Egyptian mummy.

Why are we exporting more today than any other nation on earth in spite of the "iniquitous tariff?"

The attendance upon the several Sunday schools of the city will be unusually large tomorrow.

And then, again, the question naturally arises: What shall we do with the lighting plant?

It seems to be a dead sure thing there will be no monkeying with the tariff this congress.

Which is better, a government surplus or a bond selling deficit?

And it created a sensation in local political circles!

## FATALITIES ON LAKES.

### One Hundred Thirty-Two People Lost Their Lives Last Season.

While the season of navigation has passed without any storms which will have an historical interest, the loss of life in navigating the great lakes is larger than any previous season since the coming of the modern boats in lake service. The death list shows a total of 132 people, as compared with 100 lost last year, 100 in 1899, ninety-five in 1898, sixty-eight in 1897 and sixty-five in 1896. In these six years the loss of life has steadily grown, notwithstanding the improvement in the United States life-saving service, and the steady trend upward in the sea-worthiness of lake ships. The only explanation of this growth, vesselmen say, is that there are far more boats now in service than there were in 1896. While accurate figures are not obtainable, it is believed that the number of men employed on lake ships has, like the death losses, about doubled in six years.

The cause to which the greater part of the loss of life is due was foundering. In the season just closed fifty-nine sailors went down with their boats. Some part of this loss no doubt is due to old and unseaworthy craft, but the twenty-four men who met death on the steamer Hudson in the furious storm on Lake Superior September 16 had under them a ship of remarkable strength and power. Why the Hudson went down has passed into one of the unsolved mysteries of navigation.

The lake claiming the largest number of victims was Superior, in whose cold waters forty-six were drowned. Lake Huron was next with thirty-four; Lake Michigan added twenty-two and Lake Erie eleven. Lake Ontario had but six fatalities, but the small number is not surprising in view of the low ebb to which the carrying trade on that lake has gone. Eight were lost in the Detroit and St. Clair rivers and five in St. Mary's river. Next to the Hudson the most serious loss of the season was the Baltimore, which foundered on Lake Huron, with a loss of thirteen sailors, May 24.

### Oelschlagel Concert Company.

The second of a series of entertainments under the auspices of the ladies of the Presbyterian society will be held at the church on the evening of January 27th, at which time the Oelschlagel Concert company will appear. This company is given an enthusiastic reception wherever it appears throughout the country.

## LEGAL NOTICES.

First pub. Dec. 7, 1901. Last Dec. 21, 1901. ORDER OF HEARING FOR GENERAL PURPOSES.—State of Michigan, County of Delta, ss.

At a session of the Probate Court for said county, held at the Probate office in the city of Escanaba, on the fourth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and one.

Present, Honorable Thomas B. White, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Matthew Decker, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Sarah M. Kain, the widow, praying for the assignment of the residue of intestate estate to the heirs at law of said deceased.

Thereupon it is ordered, That Monday, the thirtieth day of December next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition and that the heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be held at the Probate office, in the city of Escanaba, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in The Iron Port, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

Seal.

T. B. WHITE, Judge of Probate.

First publication Dec. 7, last Dec. 21, 1901. ORDER OF HEARING FOR GENERAL PURPOSES.—State of Michigan, County of Delta, ss.

At a session of the Probate Court for said county held at the Probate office in the city of Escanaba, on the fifth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and one.

Present, Honorable Thomas B. White, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Anton Muther, deceased.

On reading and filing the final report and account of Joseph M. Muther, Administrator of said estate, and also the petition duly verified of the said administrator, praying for the assignment of the residue of said estate to the heirs at law of said deceased.

Thereupon it is ordered, that Monday, the thirtieth day of December next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the examination of said account and the hearing of said petition, and that the heirs-at-law of said deceased and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be held in the Probate office, in the city of Escanaba, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the hearing of said account and petition by causing a copy of this order to be published in The Iron Port, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

Seal.

T. B. WHITE, Judge of Probate.

First publication Dec. 7, 1901. Last Dec. 21, 1901. ORDER FOR PROBATE OF WILL.—State of Michigan, County of Delta, ss.

At a session of the Probate Court for the County of Delta, held at the Probate office in the city of Escanaba, on the fifth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and one, and one.

Present, Hon. Thomas B. White, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Joseph P. Danforth, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Byron J. Danforth, a son, and legatee, praying that a certain instrument now on file in this court, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, may be admitted to probate, and that administration of said estate may be granted to Byron J. Danforth, the executor named in said will, or some other suitable person.

Thereupon it is ordered, That Monday, the sixth day of December next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, be assigned for the hearing of said petition, and that the heirs at law of said deceased, and all other persons interested in said estate, are required to appear at a session of said court, then to be held at the Probate office, in the city of Escanaba, and show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of the petitioner should not be granted.

And it is further ordered, that said petitioner give notice to the persons interested in said estate, of the pendency of said petition, and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in The Iron Port, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

Seal.

T. B. WHITE, Judge of Probate.

First publication Nov. 20, 1901. Last Dec. 21, 1901. ORDER OF HEARING FOR GENERAL PURPOSES.—State of Michigan, County of Delta, ss.

At a session of the Probate Court for said county, held at the Probate office in the city of Escanaba, on the twenty-seventh day of November, in the year one thousand nine hundred and one.

Present, Hon. Thomas B. White, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Charles Morton, deceased.

On reading and filing the final report and account of Amella Morton, administratrix of said estate and also the petition duly verified of the said administratrix, praying for the assignment of the residue of said estate to the heirs at law of said deceased.

## PHOTOGRAPHY.



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Smallest Button Photos To the Largest Portraits.

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When it rains dollars wise people don't come in out of the rain. There is a big dollar shower on for the next week or ten days at the store of

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The dollars will fall on everybody within reach, impartially and generously. We have bargains on pianos and bargains on organs that will surprise you. Get into the dollar shower. Our pianos are high grade and rank with any piano offered for sale anywhere.

We have taken a contract to sell several car loads of instruments within the next 60 days, and in order to make room for the stock now on the road we are going to close out the present stock of goods at prices that will change them into money and notes in the quickest possible time. The list includes some of our regular line of goods, also, includes Eastern made instruments, some of the standard high price makes. All of these goods will be sold at a figure less than the manufacturers' cost. All you who have been waiting for a special opportunity to buy the most desirable of home instruments we invite you to call and inspect our stock of goods.

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## GOOD FLOUR

being at the basis of both cake and bread, should be absolutely the best procurable. We have the best brands at lowest prices. You can find here, too all other things necessary to ensure perfect success in cooking, etc.

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## CONFIDENCE GAME

One McGraw Makes Gross Misrepresentations to Catholic Priests.

## GETS MONEY AND LEAVES

Proposition to Publish a Church Directory Is Accepted, But the Work Falls Upon the Pastors of the Parishes.

The proposed church directory of St. Joseph's and St. Ann's parishes will be published early in January, notwithstanding the fact that the promoter, one McGraw, has disappeared without compiling the work. McGraw came to Escanaba about two months ago for the purpose of interesting the pastors of the Catholic churches in a directory, and after producing flattering letters of recommendation from priests at Iron Mountain and elsewhere was very reluctantly given permission to proceed with the work. McGraw solicited the business men of the city for advertising space, and met with a liberal response, collecting in advance, and agreeing to call later for the "ad." The smooth young man in order to inspire confidence asked that all checks be drawn in favor of the priest of St. Ann's, and then giving assurance to that reverend gentleman that the copy was in the printer's hands he experienced no difficulty in receiving the cash, leaving only enough to liquidate the bill of printer when the work should have been satisfactorily performed, and with this he took his departure. But the printer to whom the contract was awarded had received nothing from McGraw, and now the compilation of the work necessarily falls upon the pastors, who feel themselves in honor bound to perform the work with as little further delay as possible.

Whether or not the testimonials presented here were genuine it is impossible to state, but instances of McGraw's crookedness have since come to light which might lead one to believe that they were forgeries. At Crystal Falls McGraw obtained money under false pretenses, according to a newspaper account of his transactions there, and reports from elsewhere indicate that "his business west" is to do people. However, the Rev. Frs. Messard and Eusebius propose to issue the directory forthwith and no one who contributed toward its publication will be the loser.

## ORE MOVEMENT IN 1902

It is Expected to Go Beyond the 20,000,000 Ton Mark.

There is already some small talk among the businessmen on the subject of the possible production and movement of ore next year. The fact that over 20,000,000 tons of ore were carried this year has given the vesselmen high hopes. They realize that the available tonnage next season is to be 3,000,000 or more tons in excess of what it was this year, and consequently will make possible a much larger movement of ore if the dock facilities are increased sufficiently to handle it, and also if the railroad facilities are found to be equal to the demand made upon them.

A. B. Wolvin of the steel trust fleet has been quoted as saying that the ore movement next year would be 25,000,000 tons. The statement is said to be based upon the knowledge that the lower lake facilities are to be made to the handling of a much larger amount of material and that the delays, which have been a feature of the past year's business, will be done away with.

## DEMAND FOR MONEY

Attorney General Knox Wants St. Mary's Ship Canal Fund.

Attorney General Knox on behalf of the general government has made a formal demand on the state of Michigan, through Auditor General Powers, for the money that was in the St. Mary's Falls ship canal fund when that property was turned over by the state to the United States. It amounts to \$70,000, which the state held because of the failure of the government to build the docks as specified in the agreement. Payment was refused by Auditor General Powers and a suit will follow.

## There's Nothing in It

There is a rumor afloat that P. M. Peterson of this city will go to Sheboygan, Wisconsin, and erect a magnificent opera house. A representative of The Iron Port called upon Mr. Peterson Monday, and that gentleman emphatically denied the re-

port. He said, however, that a resident of Sheboygan had told him there was a fine opening at that place for such an enterprise, and that he had agreed to drop in upon him at some future time and look over the field.

## ABANDON OIL FIELDS

Pennsylvania Drilling Firm Quits Wagner Farm Temporarily.

The Pennsylvania firm which has the contract to drill a well to a depth of 2,000 feet on the Wagner farm in Bay de Noe township for F. J. Merriam, who is supposed to be acting for the Federal Oil company, has abandoned the project, temporarily at least. Work was discontinued last Saturday, and a considerable portion of the machinery and tools have been shipped east, ostensibly for repairs which could not be made here. The drill had reached a depth of only about 1,000 feet when operations ceased, and at that depth there were only slight, if any, indications of oil.

Report has it that the work will be resumed early next spring, when the contract will be fulfilled. It was expected by the contractors that the work of boring the 2,000 feet would be completed ere cold weather set in, but delays have been numerous on account of accidents to drills and machinery.

## STIFF PROPOSITION

Looks Very Much as Though the Booth Co. Was Up Against It.

The announcement comes from Lansing that as the A. Booth Packing Co. has failed to comply with the state law, requiring foreign corporations transacting business in Michigan to file articles and appoint an agent for service of process while in this state, the state will immediately proceed against the company and enforce the penalty of \$1,000 per month against foreign corporations, which have failed to file articles.

It is claimed that the Booth company have illegally fished in Michigan waters for the last six years. If found guilty the company will be subject to a fine of \$79,200.

These figures represent the maximum penalty and it is hardly to be expected that any court would inflict so severe a penalty, but there is no use in disguising the fact that the Booth people are up against a pretty stiff proposition.

## BIG GAME PRESERVE

Grand Island Now Being Fenced to Prevent Game From Escaping.

The Cleveland Cliffs Iron company, which owns Grand Island, located near Munising, is said to be planning to make the place an extensive game preserve. For several months a crew of men has been at work on the island, and lately considerable wire fencing has been put up, presumably with the object of preventing the deer from escaping to the mainland, when ice forms on the bay. The place is said to be fairly teem with deer, partridge and other game, and private wardens have been employed to keep poachers out. The island is about six miles in length and about two miles wide.

## SHOP LIFTER ARRESTED

Mike Brien Will Serve Twenty Days for His Offense.

Michael Brien was sentenced to twenty days in the county bastille by Justice Donovan on Monday, after being convicted of the charge on which he was arraigned, petit larceny. While in the state of intoxication and city of Michigan, Brien attempted to appropriate an overcoat belonging to Greenhoo Brothers to his own use, but was nipped by the police at the instance of the Greenhoo's, and as a consequence he will spend the holiday season with Sheriff Roberts.

## ALLOWED \$24,000

Amount Audited and Allowed Michigan by War Department.

Governor Bliss has been notified that claims of the state aggregating \$24,000 have been audited by the war department and allowed. Of the amount, \$18,000 is now available, but the remainder of the sum will not be made so until an appropriation is voted by congress. The collection of the remainder of the claim of \$88,000 has not been entirely abandoned.

## CASES DECLARED OFF

Forty-One Suits Against the Northwestern Road Discontinued.

Forty-one suits against the Chicago & Northwestern Railroad company, arising out of the De Pere wreck, were discontinued in circuit court of Winnebago county, Wisconsin, Monday, by stipulation, without costs to either party. A settlement was effected some time ago.

## ABSORBS THE ERIE

The Long Threatened Telephone Deal Has Just Been Consummated.

## HELLO COMBINE THE LATEST

Inability to Meet Large Indebtedness Given as the Cause for the Deal—The Branch Lines Included Are Many.

The long threatened combination of the Erie Telephone company and Bell Telephone company is said to have finally been effected. By the absorption of the Erie company or merging of the two concerns the Bell will acquire the following branches: The Northwestern Telephone company, headquarters in Minneapolis. The Wisconsin Telephone company, headquarters in Milwaukee. The Michigan Telephone company, headquarters in Detroit.

The Cleveland Telephone company, headquarters in Cleveland, Ohio. The Southwestern Telephone company, which covers Arkansas and Texas.

The deal, it is said, will result in the inauguration of a more aggressive policy. The Bell people have a reputation of being successful fighters against competition.

News concerning the consummation of this deal has not been unexpected for some time. Recently the Erie company acquired a loan which it was generally believed, would, when due, either force the company to go into the hands of a receiver or be turned over to its creditors. During the past two years Erie stock has decreased in value from 122 to 15. One well versed in the various phases of the causes which led up to the absorption has the following to say of it:

"In January of last year the Erie had a floating indebtedness of seven and a half millions. A syndicate of Boston bankers, represented by the Old Colony Trust company, was induced to make a loan to pay this. As a consideration practically all the Erie stock was deposited with the Old Colony company. Later another loan of a million and a half was negotiated.

"It develops that the syndicate of bankers making the loan were the agents of the Bell company. The Erie company's debt falls due the first of this year, and in order to forestall a receivership and real owners of the property stepped forward and took possession."

## CHURCH BENEFIT

Ladies of St. Patrick's Society Will Hold Doll Sale and Dance.

The ladies of St. Patrick's congregation are certainly energetic in their endeavors to add to the building fund of the church, and their efforts cannot fail to result in netting a nice sum. Next Monday the ladies will hold a doll sale at Burns' store, corner of Ludington and Campbell streets, at which time hundreds of handsome dressed dolls will be offered for sale as Christmas gifts. One of the large show windows will be completely filled with the display, while counter space has been allotted the ladies for the sale of their beauties.

On the 27th inst. the ladies of St. Patrick's society will give a ball at Peterson's hall, for which they are making extensive preparations. A large number of invitations have been issued, and the attendance will doubtless be large. The dancing hall will be handsomely decorated for the occasion, and the Brotherton-Sullivan orchestra will furnish music.

## A Phenomenal Season

Escanaba shipments of iron ore and those from the head of the lakes again shows a large increase. Duluth, Two Harbors and Superior have shipped a total of 10,787,720 gross tons this year, as compared with 9,424,905 gross tons last year. The net increase for the year is the magnificent total of 1,362,815 gross tons. The L. I. R. railroad shipped 5,028,765 tons; the D. M. & N. 3,437,955 tons and the Eastern Minnesota 2,321,000 tons. The Duluth & Iron Range shows an increase for the year of more than 1,000,000 tons, and the Eastern Minnesota is second with an increase of nearly 800,000 tons. The percentage of increase, however, is greatest for the Eastern Minnesota.

## Publishers Will Not Get Passes

As a result of abuses the different railroads that run through Michigan will not issue the semi-annual passes to newspaper men during the year 1902. The passes furnished to news-

paper men have been a great convenience and all will regret that the railroads have seen fit to discontinue their use. Several passes found their way into the hands of persons who were not entitled to them and in some cases they were used for other than the regular publishing business. The newspaper men will be furnished editorial mileage books and trip tickets in exchange for their advertising the coming year.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Branch of This Famous Order Will Be Instituted in Escanaba.

On January 15th next there will be organized in this city a council of the Knights of Columbus. This was decided upon at a meeting of the recently initiated members of that organization held last Sunday, at which preliminary arrangements for instituting the proposed lodge and the entertainment of a large number of distinguished guests were perfected. Among those who will attend besides District Deputy Geo. F. Moaughan of Detroit, will be delegations from Grand Rapids, Ann Arbor, Chicago, Milwaukee, Ashland, Green Bay and elsewhere, the numbers being estimated at this time at about 300. The Escanaba council will have the honor of being the parent lodge of the upper peninsula.

At the meeting last Sunday the following committees were appointed to arrange the details of the coming event, and later a committee of ladies will be appointed to provide entertainment to the lady visitors: Organizations John Corcoran, Rev. P. C. Mesnard, J. F. Carey, Wm. Manley, D. E. Glavin, E. M. St. Jacques, Rev. Henry Buchholtz. Arrangements: J. M. Hartnett, J. B. Moran, J. C. Maynard, Jos. Wickert, Rev. J. M. Langan, Coleman Nee, S. J. Conners, Jas. S. Doherty. Entertainment: Matt. J. Ryan, Peter Geniesse, P. H. Breen, Matt. Filloia, M. N. Smith, C. A. Barabe, S. J. Murphy.

## MUSIC IN THE SCHOOLS

Board of Education Decides to Provide Instructions in Music.

Music will be taught in the public schools after January 1st. This course was decided upon at a meeting of the Board of Education Monday night. Another teacher is necessary in the High school, but as the duties will not require all of an additional teacher's time pupils in the grades will be given instructions in music by her.

Comparatively little business was transacted at the session. The resignation of Mrs. J. J. Dunn, a teacher in the Washington school, was accepted, and Miss Margaret McMartin was engaged to fill the vacancy. Miss Felschow of Oshkosh, and Miss Mary Nelson of Coldwater were also engaged, and the former will teach in the seventh and eighth grades and the latter in the sixth.

## A Valuable Patent

Mr. C. Christiansen, the optician at Sourwine & Hartnett's, has just invented and patented the most remarkable pair of spectacle frames or eye glasses ever invented. The frames are aimed to take the accurate measurement of any face, and contains nine pairs of adjustable scales which record perfectly the contour of the face, and make doubly sure of a perfectly fit for any face. This is the only invention of this nature ever brought to the U. S. patent office, and is attracting considerable notice in scientific papers and magazines throughout the country.

## "Limit of the Law"

On Wednesday evening next the Dramatic Club of Rapid River will reproduce the above entitled melodrama, and as the efforts of the club have thus far given general satisfaction a good attendance is assured. The play is given a second time by request. There will be a number of new features introduced.

## Will Help the Farmers

James Watchorn of Fayette was in the city Sunday. He says that the establishment of a summer resort at Fayette by the Goodrich line, will be a good thing for the farmers of that vicinity as a ready market for all farm products will then be close at hand.—Manistique Pioneer.

## All That Glitters is Not Gold

The Manistique brewery is on the hummer. It began business a year ago with a cash capital of \$15,000, erected buildings and bought machinery at a cost of \$22,000. The company now has an indebtedness of \$26,000. Mismanagement is suspected to be the cause.

## Escanaba Is Well Supplied

Delta county has 143 saloons and two breweries, according to the treasurer's annual liquor tax report. Eighty-four of the saloons are located in Escanaba.

PHARMACY.

## HOLIDAY PERFUMES

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Here is a list of popular odors at 50 cents an ounce. We have others.

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| Coronaria,         | Persian Boquet,  |
| Russian Violet,    | Empire Lily,     |
| Carnation,         | Empire Orchid.   |
| Lazell's Incarnat, |                  |

A Half-Ounce Carnation Pink Free

For two weeks only, beginning with Monday, December 16th, we will give one-half ounce of Lazell's Carnation Pink, worth 25c, free with every dollar sale.

Coburn's Drug Store,  
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## BY THE WAY.

(Special to The People.)

Hoboken, N. J., Dec. 6.—Editor The People: Please advise me which is the most reasonable season of the year to hunt deer in your state—especially the upper peninsula. By answering at length in the next issue of your valuable paper, you will confer a very great favor on a large number of your subscribers in this state. Very truly,

Jolly Hotspur.

All right, Jolly, we will give it to you straight and as you are particular about getting it "at length," we will throw it at you in sled lengths or single lengths, and you can take your choice, and as your subscription is paid two years in advance, we feel that we can safely roast you to a half starved shadow, without affecting existing pleasant relations, for at least two years. Now, Jolly, to be frank and give you the greatest amount of information in the least possible space, is to advise you to hunt deer and other light footed game in this country any time from Dec. 1st to Oct. 31st, as the month of November is reserved for U. P. people, in which they harvest their largest crop of funerals. It is true they will soak with a new fine every day for hunting out of season, and eventually send you up for life, but the editor of this illustrated magazine feels that it were better to roost in a nice warm dungeon for an elaborated period of ninety-nine years than to go through life with a larger assortment of Winchester windows shining through your anatomy, and looking about as compact as a forty-foot ladder hanging on an electric light plant. Again the thoughts of your warm eastern blood getting mixed up with an unlettered snow bank in the wilds of northern Michigan, are too agonizing for us to pen, and as we get nothing for this class of obituary notices we fail to see how your loss would be anybody's gain.

The editor of this paper wears a gold medal, also two or three slugs of lead and several pieces of old scrap iron for conspicuous gallantry, on three crimson fields of Carney, but he has no real burning desire to become a target for parties who can't distinguish the difference between a deer eye and a forest fire. If with this advice you still want to hunt in season, just leave your age, former address and funeral oration with your heirs and come on.

I stood on the walk at midnight  
And looked at the silver moon  
While they talked of a prize fight  
Until I thought I would swoon.  
It's strange in the light of reason,  
That men will go "bug" on that score;

They read all the papers in season  
And stand on the walls for more.

I stood on the walk at midnight,  
And looked at the inky sky  
While they talked of their football  
Until I thought I would die.  
Its queer how men will go "daffy"  
And get real "punk" on that game

To stand on the walk at midnight  
And talk like men who are sane.  
Backyard Tipling.

The bark on the hemlock tree south of the brewery is thicker on the north side than on the south, which indicates that the cold winds will come mostly from the north, also that the sun will rise in the south this winter. The rabbits are wearing shoe packs in anticipation of heavy snow falls. This, too, is a sun sign of a short cold spell and a long cold spell tied together. Coal is somewhat higher, and helps things point to a lower temperature.

If the party who stole our spring overcoat, will bring us a nice fur garment now, no questions will be asked.

### UNTOLD INJURY.

To Escanaba People as It Elsewhere Throughout the Land.

Neglecting a bad back.  
Not trying to reach the cause  
Brings untold injury to the human system.

Following in the wake of backache  
Are urinary disorders, Diabetes,  
Bright's disease  
Let an Iron Mountain citizen tell of his cure.

Mr. John Simmons of 317 East

Hughitt street, Iron Mountain, a miner now retired says: "I grew so bad with backache that I could not stoop to bring any strain on the muscles of the loins without suffering excruciating torture. I tried everything in my power to relieve the trouble but I could not even check it until I took a thorough course of the treatment prescribed by Doan's Kidney Pills. In three days I noticed an improvement. In time the backache and other symptoms of either weakened or over-excited kidneys disappeared and up to date there have been no recurrences."

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### SLIGHTLY MIXED.

Senator Fuller Hopes to Become An Oil Magnate.

A newspaper correspondent interviewed Senator O. B. Fuller at Grand Rapids this week and then wired his paper the following:

"Success in a Texas lumber deal will determine whether or not Senator O. B. Fuller of the upper peninsula is a candidate for lieutenant-governor. If negotiations now under way to purchase a large tract go through, he will not be a candidate, but if it does not he will announce himself about Feb. 1."

Facts are, Senator Fuller is president of the Lake Superior & Beaumont Oil company, whose base of operations are at Beaumont, Texas, where drillers are now engaged in procuring a "gusher," which is guaranteed by February 1st. If a paying well is found another will be sunk immediately, and in case the company's affairs at that place require a resident manager President O. B. Fuller will be selected as such.

Doctor Slaps an Insulting Patient.

A local paper publishes a sensational story concerning Dr. Dube, whose office is at the corner of Ludington and Charlotte streets. It says the doctor pounded a patient named William Tops into insensibility and took money from his person because he refused to pay a fee for sewing up a wound. The statement is erroneous. Tops had money, but not only refused to pay the doctor, but grossly insulted him, and invited the man of medicine to get pay out of his hide, whereupon Dube slapped the fellow a few times. Tops gladly paid and departed.

### More Heat. Less Fuel.

Burton's Fuel Economizer is being universally adopted to prevent the waste of heat up the chimney and force it to radiate into the room. It increases the heat in the room where the stove is located, and heats one or two additional rooms without additional stoves, labor or expense. It soon saves its cost \$4.50 or \$5.00 by the reduced amount of fuel used. It is usually substituted for the second length of pipe above the stove or for any other joint in the pipe. It allows the use of any kind of fuel, including soft coal. It has no nickle-d trimmings. It has no close competitor. Manufactured by W. J. Burton & Co., 184-186 W. Larned St., Detroit, Mich.

### NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS.

Notice is hereby given to owners of real and personal property in the city of Escanaba, Michigan, that the tax roll for the year 1901 is now in my hands for collection, and taxes are payable at my office at 1105 Ludington street, where I may be found each week day until 8:00 o'clock p. m. After January first an addition fee of one per cent will be charged on all collections.  
Dated, Dec. 5th, 1901.  
NELS NELSON,  
City Treasurer.

Excursion rates for the holidays via the North-Western line. Excursion tickets will be sold at low rates to points on the North-Western system within 200 miles of selling station, December 24, 25, 31 and January 1, good returning until January 2, inclusive. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

A letter from R. Carey May, who recently went to Chippewa Falls to accept a position on the editorial staff of The Herald, states that 32 degrees below zero has been the prevailing temperature during the past week at that point. He thinks Escanaba a very agreeable winter resort as compared with his present location.

Remember the doll sale by the ladies of St. Patrick's society at Burns' store next Monday.

### Notice to Water Consumers.

Escanaba, Mich., Dec. 11, 1901.—That all water services for 1901 remaining unpaid on and after Dec. 28th, 1901, will be discontinued. Remember you were notified last July, that your accounts were then due and payable at the Water Co's office. It is the desire of the Water Co. that no 1901 accounts be carried into the new year, as that will interfere materially with the work at the general office of the company.

Rule 5 reads as follows: All rates must be paid in advance on the first days of January and July of each year at the office of the company.

Rule 8: In case of non-payment of rates or disobedience of these regulations, the water shall be shut off until the matter is satisfactorily settled, and a fee of two dollars paid for turning the water on.

If your accounts are not settled the above rules will be enforced. In paying water rates in advance hereafter the consumer shall have the privilege to pay quarterly at the office of the company on or before the 25th day of January, April, July and October of each year. When you have paid in advance and should at any time thereafter wish to discontinue the service before the time for which you have paid expire, inform the office and rebate will be as willingly returned as when received. If you are on flat service and object to the above rules, the Water Co. recommends that you place a water meter in your service, which any plumber will be glad to furnish at a reasonable price.

Meter rates are also due on or before the above mentioned dates.

Yours Respectfully,  
THE ESCANABA WATER CO.  
W. J. HATTON, Supt.

### Now's This!

We offer One Hundred Dollars for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. F. J. Cheney & Co., Props, Toledo, O. We the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.

West & Truax, Wholesale druggists, Toledo, O.  
Walding, Kinnan & Marvin, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.  
Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

### Notice to the Public.

In view of the fact that small-pox is increasing in this peninsula I would recommend that all persons who have not been successfully vaccinated within the past five years be vaccinated forthwith. Vaccination is a reliable preventive of small-pox, and if every person in Escanaba is vaccinated and all not successfully vaccinated within the past five years, re-vaccinated, there need be no fear of an epidemic in this city. This is an important matter, and while the health officer cannot order vaccination, he most urgently recommends it in all cases.

ANDREW NELSON, M. D.,  
Health Officer.

### STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of The First National Bank of Escanaba, Michigan, for the election of directors will be held at the banking house in Escanaba on Tuesday, January 14, 1902, between the hours of ten a. m. and four p. m.  
C. C. ROYCE, Cashier.

### NOTICE TO TAX PAYERS.

Wells, Mich., December 2nd, 1901.—The tax roll for 1901 is now in my hands for collection. I will be in my office every week day during December to receive taxes.

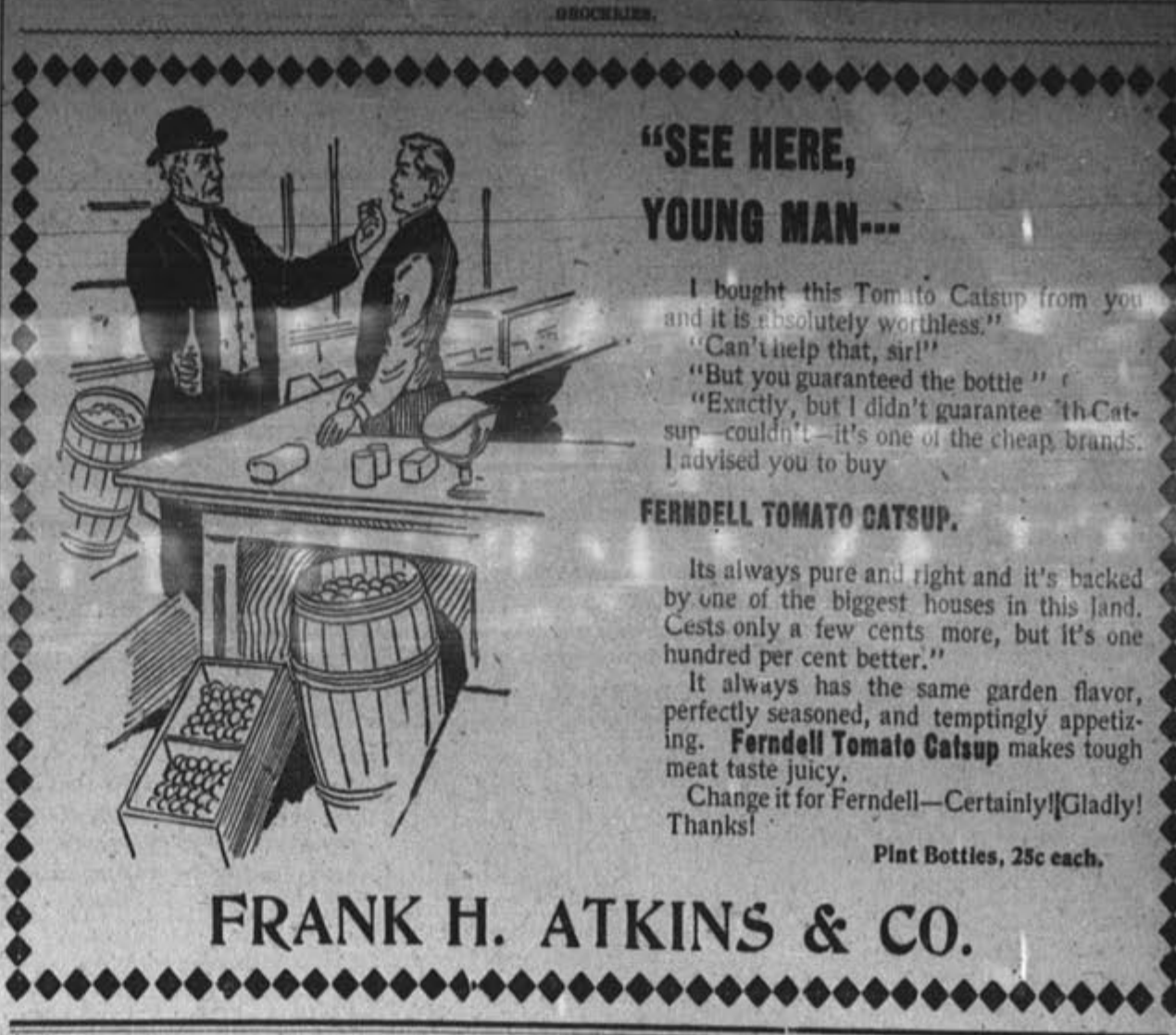
CHAS. W. KATES,  
Township Treasurer.

You won't see all the beautiful things for Xmas unless you call at Schram's.



A good looking horse and poor looking harness is the worst kind of a combination.  
**Eureka Harness Oil**  
Not only makes the harness and the horse look better, but makes the harness soft and pliable, puts it in condition to last—twice as long as it ordinarily would.  
Sole proprietors in Escanaba Mich. Made by  
STANDARD OIL CO.

Give Your Horse a Chance!



"SEE HERE, YOUNG MAN—"

I bought this Tom's Catnip from you and it is absolutely worthless!"  
"Can't help that, sir!"  
"But you guaranteed the bottle!"  
"Exactly, but I didn't guarantee 'th' Catnip—couldn't—it's one of the cheap brands. I advised you to buy"

**FERNDELL TOMATO CATSUP.**

Its always pure and right and it's backed by one of the biggest houses in this land. Costs only a few cents more, but it's one hundred per cent better."  
It always has the same garden flavor, perfectly seasoned, and temptingly appetizing. **FerndeLL Tomato Catsup** makes tough meat taste juicy.  
Change it for FerndeLL—Certainly! Gladly! Thanks!

Pint Bottles, 25c each.

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**DR. J. C. BROOKS,**  
Physician, Surgeon, Pharmacist  
RAPID RIVER, DELTA CO., MICH.

**DR. H. LONG,**  
Physician and Surgeon.  
Special attention given diseases of the eye, including strabismus, cataracts, etc.  
Residence, New Ludington hotel. Office 110 South Georgia street.  
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**A. H. CHOLLETTE, M. D.**  
Physician and Surgeon.  
Office 714 Wells Avenue. Hours, 9 to 10 a. m., 1 to 4 and 7 to 9 p. m.  
Escanaba, Mich.

**O. E. YOUNGQUIST, M. D.**  
PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON,  
Office 110 South Georgia street.  
Office Hours: 9 to 12 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m.

**HAROLD W. BANKS, M. D.**  
Physician and Surgeon.  
Office 614 Ludington St., Residence 308 S. Georgia St. Hours: 10 to 11 a. m., and 1 to 4 and 7 to 8 p. m.  
Phone—Finch and Bell. Escanaba, Mich.

MILLINERY.

**Winter Millinery...**  
Hay, Flour,  
Feed, Grain, Etc.

**Mrs. L. A. Kaufmann**  
Invites her patrons to call upon her at her new store, at 1408 Ludington street, and inspect her new stock of

**WINTER MILLINERY TRIMMINGS, ETC.**  
Prices are the lowest, style, quality and workmanship considered.

**Mrs. L. A. Kaufmann.**  
HARDWARE  
**E. OLSON'S**  
Big Hardware Store

CONTAINS JUST WHAT YOU WANT IN THE WAY OF  
Stoves, Hardware,  
Guns, Ammunition,  
Paints, Oils, Windows,  
Doors and Glass,  
Farming Implements,  
Cutlery or Shelf Hardware  
Plumbing a Specialty.

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1105 LUDINGTON ST., - ESCANABA, MICH

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HUNGARIAN PROCESS  
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**Washburn's Best**  
a flour that is really the best, and so acknowledged in all parts of the world.

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The very best on the market, sold only by

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1203 LUDINGTON ST.,  
Flour, Hay and Grain.  
Ring up on Either 'Phone.

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BARK RIVER, MICH.  
M. J. HUTT, Proprietor.

Best of Accommodations at Reasonable Rates  
The house is new and comfortably furnished throughout, and every effort will be made to make all guests at home. Stop at the Transit house.

**THE FINCH 'PHONE.**  
**FINCH**

Is the man who made the telephone famous  
By bringing prices down to a figure where all may enjoy its privileges in business places or homes. In view of his exertions in their behalf patrons of the telephone should have

**FINCH**  
'Phone. This exchange now has in actual use 378 instruments, reaching a greater number of people than any other system. This in another reason why you should have a

**FINCH**  
Who, a few years ago, would have thought that so great an enterprise would result from so small a beginning, but the old truism that "oaks from acorns grow" has been exemplified. Then professing wisecracks predicted that

**FINCH**  
Could not attain such remarkable success and provide 'phones a such a "ridiculously low price," but that his theory was not at fault has been fully demonstrated, and to-day

**FINCH**  
has one of the largest and best equipped exchanges in the peninsula, answering more than a thousand calls every day in the year. And the end is not yet. New orders come in every day. Get in line and order a

**FINCH**  
Phone by applying at the Exchange or calling up No. 118, which will be promptly answered by "the old man"

**NEFF'S HARDWARE**  
Store is the Place to Buy  
Stoves, Ranges,  
Lumbermen's Supplies,  
Windows, Doors,  
Paints, Oils, Wall Paper  
and General Hardware.  
Plumbing and Plumbing Goods Specialty  
Central Ave., Gladstone, Mich.

**E. M. ST. JACQUES**  
**GROCERIES**  
A large and complete line always in stock  
Cor. Hale and Georgia St.



ONLY THREE DAYS

Time for Holiday Shopping Rapidly Drawing to a Close.

BUY PRESENTS AT HOME.

Essential Merchants Have Everything That the Markets Affords and Their Prices are Honest Prices.

How many people realize that they have but three days in which to do their Christmas shopping. The majority of people still think of Christmas is in the indefinite future and have scarcely given the gift question a thought.

Christmas shoppers have their hands full both literally and figuratively speaking. A person without a package of some sort is a rarity on the streets just now, and by the thoughtfulness depleted on their countenances, it is easy to imagine that their minds are busy in the endeavor to fix on the right article for the right person.

Of course, in holiday shopping, as in the breakfast hunt of the hardy sparrow, the early visitor catches the first choice of gifts. To be sure, there is plenty for all, but tastes differ in proportion as the rarity of the article increases or diminishes.

There need be no particular hurry if your decision has been settled on handkerchiefs or gloves, but if you want furs or furniture, it may be well to imitate the birds and be early on the scene. There is a remarkable display of fine furs in the principal stores with a range of prices that suits all purses, and in clocks and clothing also.

The jewelry stores are places at this season where hundreds go, and it is plain that there has been special pains taken to secure a large stock of the novelties in silver and gold, not to mention the thousand and one articles of tasty usefulness that can be seen in these places. There is a surfeit array of beautiful things, of values in proportion. Neat and pretty gifts can be found in leather and aluminum, not to speak of copper, brass and iron.

Above all, however, Christmas is essentially children's day and toys of all kinds and prices are displayed in abundance, samples of the things with which Santa Claus will fill the stockings on Christmas eve. After all's said and done, it is for children that Christmas was made a day of gift giving and joy, and they are entitled to first consideration.

The near approach of Christmas should sound a note of warning to all people. Do not think that by waiting until the last day or night before Christmas that you can run out and get all you need in the gift line. It is a sad thing to tell, but nevertheless a great truth, that everybody does the same thing—or nearly everybody. There is always something forgotten, always one last present to find, but by starting early and buying something every day from now to Christmas, the danger of forgetfulness is lessened, and that is something devotedly to be wished.

GET IN THE GAME. You can get any game you want at The Hill Drug Store. Fashion Games, Fireside games, Educational Games and everything new in games for young and old.

One thousand dollars worth of painted china at The Hill Drug Store. Nothing like it ever shown in this city.

Get a "gusher" takes lots of people.

EXPOSITION NOTES.

Brief Items Relating to Progress of the Pan-American.

The Chittanooga Pottery Company has been granted the exclusive privilege of selling pottery at the Exposition.

Frederick Law Olmstead, who advocates the abolishment of billboards because of their inartistic and unsightly character, is the landscape architect who laid out Delaware Park, Buffalo, a part of which is to be used for the Pan-American Exposition in 1901.

We have only admiration for the courage, enterprise, liberality and energy displayed by the city at the foot of the lake in preparing for the great Exposition which is to be held next year. If ever success was earned, Buffalo has earned it.

"We have never advertised the resources of our state half enough," says The Times-Democrat of New Orleans in an article upon the Pan-American Exposition, in which it urges an adequate representation of the resources of Louisiana. The same may be said of other states, and the opportunity now offered by Buffalo is of exceptional value.

The enthusiasm and interest displayed by the people of southern California in the preparation of their great display of products for the Pan-American Exposition present a lesson and an example for all citizens to contemplate. American enterprise seems to have a very high development in "the glorious climate of California." The Californians purpose to make a very large and effective display.

One of the most conspicuous features of the Niagara Falls landscape now is a mammoth sign handsomely lettered thus: "Pan-American Exposition, Buffalo, N. Y., 1901." There are several similar signboards placed where thousands of people passing and repassing upon the great railroads may in this way have their attention called to the great event of next year which so vitally interests all the states and countries of the western hemisphere.

MENU FOR CHRISTMAS DAY. Dinner: Brown Bread and Butter, Oysters on Half Shell, Roast Turkey, Stuffed Mangoes, Salted Almonds, Turkey Cranberry Sauce, Spinach, Potato Croquettes, Rum Punch, Royal Plum Pudding, Burning Brandy, Ice Cream, Branded Fruit, Rose Leaves, Candied, Fruit, Apollinaris Water, Coffee.

ELECTRIC SCIENCE.

Feature of Great Importance at the Pan-American.

Electricity and electrical appliances are to receive such attention as to make this one feature of the Pan-American Exposition of the greatest importance in the history of electrical development. In addition to the spectacular uses of electricity in illuminating buildings, towers, courts and fountains there will be very important demonstrations of the application of the force to many new purposes.

Both to stay indefinitely. Hopperly—I hear there's an arrival at your house. I congratulate you. Popperly—Mix a little condolence with your congratulations, old man. There's been two arrivals. Hopperly—Twins? Popperly—Oh, no. The baby and my wife's mother.—Catholic Standard and Times.

His Wants Were Few. "What'll you have?" she asked severely at the breakfast table, for he had been out late the night before and she had not yet forgiven him. "I think," he replied meekly, "that I would appreciate a genial smile and a pleasant word about as much as anything."—Exchange.

"The Best Husbands in Europe." An English gentleman living in Italy whose daughter's husband was an Italian officer said, "Italians make the best husbands in Europe if they have good wives."—London Mail.

No man is a safe guide who acts from selfish motives. Follow rather the man of principle who has only the broadax of the common good to grind.

STILL THEY COME

Another Powerful Delegation On Our Side—An Open Letter to the President.

(From The People.)

Punktown-on-the-Bay—Dec. 23 1901.—The editor of the Punktown Punctuator, one of the most influential papers in the whole northwest comes out in a masterly arraignment of himself, for the opposite party, in an open letter to the president, as follows:

Dear Colonel:—While you were plain "Rosy" or in other words just "Teddy," the editor of this paper had no earthly use for you, and didn't think he ever would have either, until we happened to learn that you had been advanced to the high office of president of the united-undemocratic states with several hundred thousand offices to pass out to the boys. We have roasted you and your party on several occasions and from several platforms, stumps and drygoods boxes. We did not think that we could ever be induced to swallow half we ever said about you and the then rotten old party we often pictured to the multitudes. But aleck, and alas the sight of so many offices hanging so loose, and swinging so low we stumbled twice over ourselves yesterday trying to reach the little red band wagon in which you ride. The flesh is weak, temptation is strong, and your allurements are the best we ever saw. We have voted against you solidly every chance until last year, when we called it all off and lumped the whole thing in for your opponent. Yes, our conscience pricked us some but it didn't lessen his majority. We never liked your tariff, gold or trust ideas, and have preached against you up and down the neighborhood until we believed it ourselves, but its all off now Col, and the sooner you hand us one of those offices the better for us. We did not exactly change our politics for an office but are willing to lick up the Punktown postoffice on the strength of it. We are now willing to shake hands with every monopoly in the party, or sit down to dinner with the steel trust, if it will assist you in recognizing our intense desire to be Postmaster at Punktown, U. S. A. If you can see your way out and see us in, we will haul the party we have just left, over the coals in great shape.

Yours to appoint. P. D. PUNK. P. S. This holds good if we get the office. P. D. P.

Punktown - On - The - Bay—Early candle light—Dec. 27, '01.—A mass meeting of the citizens and people of this town and vicinity was held here tonight in the log school house west of the town, to take appropriate action on the measly verdict rendered against Admiral Schley as published in last week's Punktown Punctuator. Some were inclined to believe that The Punctuator had a grudge at the admiral also, and had manufactured about two-thirds of that verdict, just to get even with him, but after the news had oozed into the community from several sources, and read like it did in The Punctuator, that theory was held only by those who were behind on their subscription, or had been roasted by the editor. The room was soon filled with the best people to be found in these parts or any other parts and all looked very grave except Squire Lumpy, who is cross eyed and can't look any other way. After the Punktown Silver Cornet Band had punctured the atmosphere for about thirty minutes playing "Rawhide Rube" and other ragtime selections, the meeting was called to order with Squire Lumpy in the chair, as he could see both sides of the house at once. He stated that the object of the meeting was to help lick Spain again and try and prove if possible that Schley was really in the fight, as he had been eched out of the glory and dollars for what he had done and that Sampson was strutting around with a yellow peacock's feather in his Fedora hat just as if he was the whole tomato. He said he wanted some resolutions drawn up so dog-gone strong that Sampson and the whole navy clique will know that Punktown is madder than a wet hen, and that this old town is still on the map. Several other fiery speeches were reeled off, after which Smantha Grouty sang "The Fly in the Butter Will Never Return," and her sweet soprano sentiments are soaring out through the roof as we go to press.

A committee on resolutions was finally selected, consisting of the editor of The Punctuator and two or three other good men, who offered the following resolution: Whereas, and Resolved, First

Schley went after the Spanish fleet under orders of the Navy department, found them and licked 'em to a piano finish without orders. We find him guilty in not waiting for orders, but commend him for the way he soaked 'em at first sight.

Second: He was ordered to let Willie Sampson get one punch at 'em with a long pole, which he didn't do, but sunk the whole gang while he was mad. We regret he did not wait until after tea for Sampson, but admire the way those Spanish junkies were made to hug the bottom.

Third: Sampson wanted to get out a real Fourth of July souvenir with his name blown in the bung, but couldn't do it because Schley touched the thing off too soon. This we regret but applaud Schley with both hands and recommend that the people of Punktown burn a haystack and other fireworks on the third of July each year in commemoration of the event.

Fourth: Be it resolved good and hard that Admiral George Manilla Dewey and Admiral Winfield Santia-

go Schley are all wool and a yard wide and that Punktown and the American people are with them.

Dear Santa Claus;—I want an airship, an auto or two, also a fast horse and good gum to chew. I'd like a stone house, a big diamond ring, a nice great big store with most everything. But now old fellow you needn't come, if you can't bring me some Blood Berry gum. Hoping that you'll leave all these in my yard, I'll have Mulcahey out there on guard.

Your boy, JOHNNIE ONTHERPOT.

Many Lives Lost.

A boiler in the Black Diamond rolling mills of Pittsburg exploded this morning wrecking a portion of the structure and instantly killing five men, and injuring twelve others. Two more are missing, and it is feared they too have been buried in the wreck, and in all probability killed. All the killed and injured were employed in the establishment.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTS AT COBURN'S DRUG STORE. Useful and Unique Christmas Presents FOR EVERYONE. In selecting our stock of Holiday Goods we have endeavored to obtain only useful and sensible articles. We would like to have you call and make your selections while our assortment is complete. We will be glad to lay your purchase aside for you, or if you wish, will deliver it any suitable time without charge.

THE CHICAGO POST THE HOME PAPER. Every FARMER should read daily The Chicago Post. Every LIVE STOCK Shipper should read daily The Chicago Post. Every PRODUCE Shipper should read daily The Chicago Post. Every GRAIN Shipper should read daily The Chicago Post. THE GREAT MARKET NEWSPAPER. THE BEST IS NONE TOO GOOD FOR YOU.

Special Holiday Sales OF H. M. STEVENSON THE JEWELER. Diamonds \$5,000 worth of DIAMONDS bought direct through New York Importers. To be sold at prices less than they can be bought in Chicago at wholesale. Fine, White, Perfect Gems. Will be sold for cash or on monthly payments, from \$50.00 to \$110.00 a karat. Price and quality guaranteed.

The Celebrated Roger's Knives and Forks known the world over as leading all others will be reduced from \$5.00 to \$3.85 per Dozen. French Ebony The finest grade of French Ebony and Military Hair Brushes, sold at the following reductions: \$1.00 Hair Brushes at \$0.60, \$1.50 " " \$1.20, \$2.50 Military Brushes at \$1.85 per pair, \$3.50 " " \$2.85, \$4.50 " " \$3.65.

Chafing Dishes Through a mistake in ordering we are over-stocked with chafing dishes, and are going to close them out regardless of cost. Dishes that never could be bought for less than from \$5 to \$10 will be sold from \$2.85 to \$6.00.

Our 25 Cent Sale Our great 25 cent sale is a winner. We are placing in this sale every morning, goods worth \$1.00 and upwards, consisting of jewelry, pieces of silverware, etc. If you don't find what you want today, come tomorrow. H. M. STEVENSON the Jeweler.



USEFUL HOLIDAY GIFTS. Your last opportunity to secure them. We still have a splendid assortment to choose from.

ONLY EXCLUSIVE MEN'S BAZAAR in the city that comprehends all the gifts dear to the heart of man.

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Men's and Boys' Suits.



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\$10.00

BOYS' VEST SUITS from 3 to 8, enormous variety, at.....

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BOYS' SINGLE and DOUBLE Breasted Suits, sizes from 8 to 16, prices.....

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## Smoking Jackets.

The most perfect line of Jackets exhibited in this city and prices much the lowest. New colors and fancy pockets, cuffs and collars.....

\$4 50, 5.00, 6 50.

## Handkerchiefs, Pajamas and Night Robes.

Fine Handkerchiefs in Silk and Linen, in plain and fancy colors..... 10, 15, 25, 50 and 1.00

Pajamas in all colors at..... 1.50 and 2.50

Fine Night Robes in various patterns .... 50, 75 and 1.00

In buying from us you can't do better and might do worse.

The SURTOUT, just a few of these most fashionable coats will close at.....

\$14.00

BOYS' RUSSIAN OVERCOATS and Reefers in Kerseys and Friezes; all colors at.....

\$2.00, 2.50, 3.00, 3.50

BOYS' SWEATERS, a splendid assortment in all colors, plain and fancy striped, at.....

75c, \$1.00, 1.50,

Combines comfort and beauty.



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## TRAVELLING BAGS and SUIT CASES

Splendid display of Traveling Bags and Dress Suit Cases. Swell all leather bags at.....

\$2 00, 2 50

3.00, 3.05



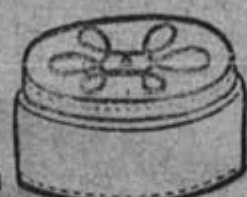
Handsome Suit Cases, with Shirt folds, leather and linen laid, at.....

4 50, 5 00, 6 50, 7 50, 8 00, 8 50.

## CAPS and TOQUES.

BOYS'

and Children



Beautiful line in all styles and colors at..... 25, 50 and 75

You are sure of Clothes satisfaction here.

## SUSPENDERS and UMBRELLAS.

Fancy Suspenders for your brother or sweetheart, put up one pair in a box, prices.....

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Umbrellas, suitable for Holiday gifts, we offer at special price reductions, in union, serge, silk taffeta, and spitalfields, self-rising and closing at.....

1 00, 1 50, 2 00, 2 50, 3 50, 5 00.

**How Good Manners Saved Him.**  
This anecdote proves the profitable character of good manners and was told to me by a descendant of the gentleman who owned them: Mr. M. of — was a rebel in 1743. He was taken and was being brought to the tower with Kilmarnock and Balmerno. A block stopped the sad cortege, and a lady, looking from a window, cried, "You tall rebel!" (Mr. M. was 6 feet 4 inches), "you will soon be shorter by a head!"  
"Does that give you pleasure, madam?" said Mr. M.  
"Yes, it does."  
"Then, madam," said Mr. M., taking off his hat and making a low bow, "I do not die in vain."  
Lady — was moved. She made interest for Mr. M. There exists a paper in the hand of George II. to this effect: "Let Lady — (the name is obliterated) have access to her tall rebel and be hanged to her."  
The royal clemency was extended to Mr. M. I saw his pardon, beautifully engrossed within a decorative border and framed, on the wall of his descendant's study. It is fair to add that practically the whole county of Ross and also the Earl of Sutherland petitioned for the life of the courteous Mr. M.— Andrew Lang in Longman's.

**Be Sure You Read.**  
The man who would like to know something about astronomy must lay out a little scheme of study for himself, get the books which are necessary and have them at hand the moment he is at leisure. The man who wishes to familiarize himself with political economy, with politics or with industrial questions, which are now of such importance, must find out what textbooks he ought to have, secure those textbooks and keep them by his side.  
The man who wishes to know literature does not need to lay out an elaborate plan which fills him with discouragement by its very magnitude, but he does need to decide what author he is going to read next, and he does need to get the book and keep it within easy reach.  
Almost all the great classics are now published in such portable forms that a man can carry a play of Shakespeare, the essays of Bacon, the poems of Tennyson or of Browning, a translation of "Faust," Matthew Arnold's criticisms, Emerson's essays or John Burroughs' charming transcriptions of nature in his coat pocket and substitute them for the newspaper which is thrust in his face by an eager newsboy and which he buys because he has nothing else to read.—Success.

**One Hopeful Sign.**  
While I was living in California, writes an Englishman, I had the opportunity of noting the extreme consideration shown to employees by California employers. I cannot recall an instance of a cruel and cutting rebuke from one

in authority to a clerk or servant during the seventeen years of my stay.  
A friend of mine had a clerk who was always forgetting important duties. Letters would be forgotten, important entries on the books omitted, and messages even were sometimes not delivered. Said my friend to me one morning:  
"Really, I must speak to John."  
So John was summoned, and I wondered what manner of rebuke would fall upon his head.  
"John," said my friend, "it is most astonishing what a very bad memory you have. But I believe that in time it will improve, because I have noticed that you have never once forgotten to draw your salary on the first of the month."  
John took the hint, and after that my friend was more faithfully served.  
**No Reciprocity.**  
"Brownly thinks he has the smartest child in the world."  
"Yes," answered the morose man. "That illustrates the ingratitude of life. There isn't one chance in a thousand that that child when he grows up will go around declaring that he has the smartest father in the world."—Washington Star.

**No Blanks There.**  
"There are no blanks in the matrimonial lottery."  
"No blanks! Do you mean to say that every one draws a prize?"  
"Yes, sir, I do, but some of them are booby prizes and a good deal worse than blanks. Still, every one gets something."—Chicago Post.  
**As to Luck.**  
"I wonder if anybody's as unlucky as I am," grumbled the first pessimist. "I never have any luck at all."  
"Huh!" snorted the other. "You're lucky. It's better to never have any luck at all than to be always having bad luck-like me."—Philadelphia Press.

**He Was Lost.**  
"So he finally proposed to you in the surf?"  
"Yes. You see a heavy wave came in, and I lost my feet, and then he—" "Well?"  
"Well, then he lost his head."—Brooklyn Life.  
**Those Boston Girls.**  
Kate (returned from the city)—And we went through the subway, Charley and I.  
Susan—No! And how did you like it? Kate—I d.d.n't think much of it. It is all lighted up, you know.—Boston Transcript.

**A Gallant Retreat.**  
He (playfully)—How old are you Miss Browne?  
She—I cannot tell a lie. I—  
He—Oh, if that is the case I will not take a mean advantage of you. I will draw the question.

**Cure Too Expensive.**  
Warts are curious things. They come and go mysteriously, although their going is frequently marked by exasperating delays, and there are almost as many infallible cures as there are warts, the only trouble with these cures being that they are useless when applied to the particular wart you happen to have. They are only good for other people's.  
"In my opinion," said a clubman, who was discussing the subject with a friend one day, "a wart is merely the outward correspondence of some mental exorcism. Get rid of that, and it goes away."  
"Let me give you a bit of my own experience," he continued. "Last year I went to Europe. For about three years I had had a wart on my little finger, on which I had tried everything I could hear of, but without effect. It only grew larger.  
"Well, in the excitement of preparing for the trip and of the journey itself I forgot all about my wart, and when I looked for it about six weeks later it had vanished without leaving the slightest mark. I simply forgot it, and it had no mental condition to feed on. I see you have one on the back of your hand. Forget all about it for a few weeks, and it will go away of itself."  
"Yes," said the other clubman, shrugging his shoulders, "but I can't afford to take a trip to Europe for the sake of curing one wart."—Youth's Companion.

**Giving Life a Lesson.**  
The habit of describing things as "awfully jolly" was amusingly satirized by a gentleman who came home prepared to chat on events of the day. An acquaintance had failed in business. He spoke of this incident as "deliciously sad." He had ridden in an omnibus with a friend whom he described as "horribly entertaining," and to crown all he spoke of the butter which had been set before him at his restaurant as "divinely rancid."  
"Why, dad, you are going off your head!" said his youngest and most impertinent daughter.  
"Not in the least, my dear," he said pleasantly. "I'm merely trying to follow the fashion. I worked out 'divinely rancid' with a good deal of labor. It seems to me rather more effective than 'awfully sweet.' I mean to keep up with the rest of you hereafter. And now," he continued, "let me help you to a piece of this exquisitely tough beef."—London Telegraph.

**The Man Faced Crab.**  
One of the most singular looking creatures that ever walked the earth or swam the water under the earth is the world famous man faced crab of Japan. Its body is hardly an inch in length, yet the head is fitted with a face which is the perfect counterpart of that of a Chinese coolie, a veritable missing link, with eyes, nose and

mouth all clearly defined. This curiosity and was once captured, besides the great likeness it bears to a human being in the matter of facial features, is provided with two legs which seem to grow from the top of its head and hang down over the sides of its face. Besides these legs, two "feelers," each about an inch in length, grow from the "chin" of the animal, looking for all the world like a colonel's forked beard. These man faced crabs fairly swarm in the inland seas of Japan.  
**A Devoted Mother.**  
Although looked upon as vermin and destroyed accordingly, the weasel is a good mother and probably treats her young ones more kindly than many of her human enemies treat theirs. A weasel, carrying something in her mouth, was once seen to enter a hole in a tree. The observer, applying lighted straw, soon smoked her out. She then darted toward a stone wall, near which she was attacked by a terrier, which speedily slew her. She fell an easier victim because of the burden she bore in her teeth. Anxious to see what this was, the onlooker went forward and found it was a baby weasel. The mother's nest in a field close by had been plowed up, and she had been searching for another home. As her youngster could not run she carried it in her mouth rather than leave it to perish.

**The Adornment of an Arab Girl.**  
Arab girls, before they enter the harem and take the veil are a curious sight to behold. Their bodies and face are dyed a bright yellow with turmeric. On this ground they paint black lines with antimony over their eyes. The fashionable color for the nose is red, green spots adorn the cheeks, and the general aspect is grotesque beyond description.—"Southern Arabia," by Mr. and Mrs. T. Bent.

**Cologne Cathedral.**  
One would think that the identity of the architect of such a superbly designed building as the Cologne cathedral could not possibly be lost to the world. But it is. The cathedral took centuries to build, and many architects have modeled parts of it according to their own ideas. The result is the most beautiful cathedral in the world.  
**The Ivory Nut.**  
The vegetable ivory nut of commerce is the albuminous seed found in the drupes of a dwarf palm. From these nuts European turners fashion the reels of spindles, small boxes and many other little fancy articles, which can be colored with sulphuric acid.—Chambers' Journal.  
In Switzerland and Italy good people go about with little cards containing pledges against swearing. These are presented whenever the bearers hear some one indulging in profanity. The penalty for violating the pledge is a small self imposed fine, to be paid to charity.

**THE HUNTER FROM THE CITY**  
Now the hunter from the city takes his gun and hies away, With a wild determination in his heart to maim and slay; He stumbles through the pastures, and he scrambles over logs, And he dodges through the briars and goes sloshing through the bogs.  
And here and there he sees Warning signs upon the trees, And now and then he hustles to outrun the farmer's dogs.  
Oh, the hunter from the city, starting out with hope so high, Couldn't hit a sock of wool, and he passed him on the fly.  
But his sporting blood was boiling, and his breast is all a flame, As he halts and blindly blazes at the startled, fleeing game.  
And the words he has to say As the white smoke drifts away Are intended to show clearly that his weapon was to blame.  
Oh, the hunter from the city goes out boldly hunting now, And he fires at the chipmunk and brings down the farmer's cow, And at night, with aching shoulders, he slinks homeward with his gun And a deeply set conviction that it weighs as least a ton— There's a farmer with a bill For a cow that's cold and still, But no matter, for the hunter from the city calls it fun.  
—Chicago Record-Herald.



**Not Guilty.**  
"Here, sir! What do you mean by talking behind my back?"  
"Honest, I wasn't, lady. It was behind Willie Smith's barn."—New York  
**Not the Grammatical Kind.**  
"What is a conjunction?" asked the teacher.  
"That which joins together," was the prompt reply.  
"Give an illustration," said the teacher.  
"The up to date miss hesitated and blushed."  
"The marriage service," she said at last.—Chicago Post.  
**The Pain of It.**  
Mrs. Phoxy—I'd like to be a man just for awhile.  
Mr. Phoxy—What for?  
Mrs. Phoxy—I'd like to experience the feeling of buying my wife a new gown.  
Mr. Phoxy—You could easily imagine that feeling; you've been to the dentist.

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