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A DELIGHTFUL TRIP FROM THE FAR WEST

Capt. Beath Furnishes an Interesting Descriptive Article.

The Scenery Along the Route of this Overland Trip Grand and Picturesque. Over Mountains and Through Valleys the Iron Horse Goes.

The Iron Port is indebted to Capt. Beath, formerly of this city, now a resident of California, for the following very interesting descriptive article on his trip overland:

Leaving Los Angeles, Cal., on the 10 p. m. train G. P. H. reached the Tehachapi mountains next morning, about daylight, and slowly made the steep ascent by winding about the hills, making curves, including "the loop", where the train doubles upon itself. After the summit was reached, it was at a greatly accelerated speed the descent of the mountain was made, and I was reminded of the catastrophe which occurred at this point several years ago; when the train having been brought to a stop and the air breaks being set, the trainmen wandered a short distance away. Owing to some unexplained circumstance, the brakes failed to hold, and the train, upon which were many passengers, started, slowly at first, down the steep descent, and before the trainmen could get to the disappearing train, it was with continually accelerated speed it rushed on, and on to destruction—the cars leaving the track and piling up in wreckage and confusion—bearing to death the passengers who had remained in the cars. Arrived at Tracy on the afternoon of the 20th, where after waiting nearly an hour, changed cars for Sacramento and arrived there at 6:20 p. m., then had to wait till eleven o'clock to take the train for Portland, Oregon.

21st. The weather was uncomfortably cool last night, as we crossed large streams of water and swampy ground, and the cars were not warmed with stoves or steam. Trees and bushes are now becoming abundant. For a long distance this morning our road wound along the margin of a beautiful, fast-running creek.

At 9:30 a. m. stopped for a half hour at "Shasta Springs", which are strongly impregnated with soda. The water gushes from out of the mountain side, and falls in several cascades from quite a height, and two jets rise from the base, fountain-like, to a distance of fifteen feet. As the water falls into an artificial pool or basin; visitors throng about it, and from the long handled drinking cups provided, dip up and quaff the effervescent, sparkling liquid, which only lacks the flavoring extract and syrup, to make it fully equal to that drawn from fountains by confectioners. The springs are located in a highly romantic spot, amid the spurs of surrounding mountains covered with a dense growth of trees. The deep valleys, and the track of the railroad winding along the mountain sides, in curves doubling upon itself, with ascents so steep that it requires three heavy locomotives to propel the train, from which, as one gazes down, another train may be seen, so far below in the valley, moving on, that it does not seem possible that our train can descend to the same level—but we reach it, and continue to wind along for many miles—then tunnels are to be gone through and a variety presented which few routes can equal and none excel.

Located at the Springs is a comfortable hotel, and the tourist can here spend a short time most pleasantly and study the grandeur of mountain scenery, Mt. Shasta being most prominent; rising to an elevation of 14,440 feet and so covered, at this season of the year, with snow from base to summit, as to resemble a huge rounded loaf of sugar. The lesser mountains are covered with a heavy growth of pine trees, which supply material for manufacturing into lumber at the various mills met at intervals along the route. The elevation at Shasta Springs is 2700

feet, and shortly beyond, the road winds around the loop, and the train gradually makes an ascent of 3200 feet, while Mt. Shasta towers to its greater height 11,244 feet beyond, or a total of 14,444 feet.

Stopped half an hour at Ashland, Oregon, near the state line. Passing through an extensive and beautiful valley, the soil is black and rich like an Illinois prairie, and the grass and grain as green and luxuriant as that state can present.

The apple and pear orchards between Ashland and Central Point are loaded with bloom, fully equal to the luxuriant bloom of California.

22nd. From daylight passed through much level, well watered country, having fertile soil and excellent pasturage, fenced with rail fences, and supplied with running streams. The land is here plowed with many deep furrows, to afford drainage for the surplus water. Reached Salem at 5:25 a. m. and came in sight of the State House. The Willamette River flows through the city, and is a rapid, navigable stream to this place, and at a high stage of water to Albany, beyond.

Reached Portland at 8 a. m., to leave at 11:30 for Tacoma, via Centralia, to which place telegraphed to H. L. Mead, that I would be on the next train.

My whole impression of the Willamette Valley as I view it is, that while it has a fertile soil, yet there is too much natural irrigation to suit my ideas of a desirable country in which to reside. Cherry trees have an abundance of bloom, prune trees also, but the orchards generally, of all description, are overrun with grass and weeds and show an appearance of neglect and total want of cultivation. The soggy appearance of the ground indicates that spring plowing and cultivation must be very late, other seasons as well as the present, which the settlers declare "is an exceptional one."

Left Portland at 11:30, following the Willamette a portion of the way, and after making 39 miles reached Goble, where the train was transferred in sections, to a huge ferry-boat upon which we crossed the Columbia to Kalama, about one mile across. Reaching Centralia, was met by Mr. Mead accompanied by his wife and daughter, and after a few minutes pleasant conversation, inquiring for, and replying to questions of the welfare of absent friends—some of whom we had been separated from for ten years or more—and we, who had not looked upon each others faces for that length of time, were naturally glad of the brief interview. Before reaching Centralia, had a fine view of Mt. Rainier, 14,500 feet high, and covered with snow. Stopped at Tacoma but 20 minutes.

23d. A heavy frost along the road. Reached Spokane at 7 a. m., 20 minutes for refreshments, country in vicinity rather poor for farming, but proceeding east becomes much better. Passed through northern Idaho, then Montana. At 9:15 came to Sand Point station, where is the beautiful Lake Pond d'Oreille, thirty miles long. The deep green of the water of the lake, surrounded by a setting of snowy mountains, formed a picture of magnificence, suggestive of delightful coolness for the approaching summer season. The Flathead reservation is in the vicinity of the lake. We have here blended a grand picture of water, earth, mountain and sky, drawn by that unexcelled artist, the hand of nature.

Sunday evening—Have been running all day among the many mountains of Montana. Sometimes along the thick woods, at other times passing small, cultivated farms, some of them possessing good soil, and no lack of moisture, rivers and running streams being abundant. The altitude is high, and the near by snow-covered mountains cause the atmosphere to be more than comfortably cool when, as the train stops at the platforms, we stroll on the platforms.

24th. Yet in Montana, having made slow running time in climbing the high elevations amid fields of snow yesterday afternoon and part

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STREET RAILWAY IMPROVEMENTS

The Company is Now Attempting to Solve the Power Problem.

The Water Works Company Not In the Market as a Provider of Aqua Pari in a Condensed Form—Will Build a Power Plant.

Manager A. R. Moore, of the Street Car company, informs The Iron Port that two and one-half miles of track are now completed, leaving only one mile to build, one half of which is graded. The company has experienced considerable difficulty in a swamp this side of the steam saw mill of the I. Stephenson company, there being some three thousand feet where, as Mr. Moore expresses it, one may shove any length pole out of sight without half trying. Overhead construction will be commenced next week, and the manager expects to have cars running over the entire line by June 1st, provided the Water Works company furnishes power, negotiations for which are now hanging fire. The Water Works company considers the service worth \$300 per month, notwithstanding the 80-horsepower engine is the property of the Street Car company, and does not want to furnish the steam even at that figure. The street car folks will build a power plant as soon as possible, and will install a 250 horse-power engine in addition to its present one of eighty horsepower. Cars will run to North Escanaba about the 20th. Mr. Moore will go to Chicago in a few days to purchase the engines and other necessary machinery.

The large interurban car and four open cars are expected any day, and the company's electrician, Mr. Bartlett, of St. Paul, is now getting the old cars in shape for use.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

This Society Has Rapidly Spread All Over the World.

It may be safely asserted that no organization, social, political or religious, in any age of the world's history, can compare with Christian Endeavor in the rapidity and steadiness of its expansion. In the short period of sixteen years it has increased to over 50,000 societies, with a membership of upwards of 3,000,000. It has struck its roots deep in every continent, and has blessed many of the dark places of the earth. Christian Endeavor surrounds the world. Its sun never sets. It is advancing at the rate of one branch every two hours, or nearly 1,000 members a day. The growth of the local organization has been somewhat remarkable. At each session there is a large attendance and no inconsiderable interest is manifested by its members. Mr. F. C. Comstock, president of the Lake Superior Christian Endeavor Union, is endeavoring to form an interdenominational Endeavor, to include all churches of the peninsula, and to this end has issued a circular letter to those interested in the work. Mr. Comstock believes in the expansion policy, and hopes to succeed in getting new societies in his district.

ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

A Meeting Held at the Court House Saturday Afternoon.

The county road commissioners have \$5000 to expend in the improvement of highways and it will be expended. At a meeting held at the court house last Saturday it was decided to complete the county road to the line of Menominee county, and the work will be done by the day under the supervision of Commissioner Edouin. A road machine will be purchased, also scrapers and other tools. John Gasman, of Bark River, was elected chairman of the commission.

Excursion Season Opens.

Commencing tomorrow evening the steamer Lotus will run Sunday evening excursions around the bay, leaving her dock at 7:15 and returning at 10 o'clock. These excursions are very popular, and will doubtless be more largely patronized this season than in the past. The interior of this handsome little steam-

er has been very materially improved since last season. It has also been furnished with a new piano. The round trip costs but 25 cents.

THE JEWEL.

Mr. Wixson's Summer Hotel Across the Lake to Open in June.

On the east side of the G. R. & I. railroad halfway between the Potomky and Bay View stations, is the new hotel belonging to Mr. J. T. Wixson, of Escanaba, Mich., and which will be named "The Jewel" when thrown open for guests next June. We looked through the house one day last week and were not a little surprised by what we saw. In the first place the outside aspect of the house gives one no hint of the really fine finishing of the interior, and in the second place its peculiar shape greatly deceives one as to its real capacity. To take the last first, besides ample halls, office, reading room, a public parlor on each floor, dining room, bath rooms and closets on each floor, there are forty-two bed rooms, each with a closet and averaging larger in size than those of any city hotel. The doors, casings, transoms, mop-boards, stairways—in fact all the inside work—is in black or red birch and gives it a finish not possessed by any other house in the city. The water supply comes from a large spring on the side of the Arlington hill and is piped into a huge tank in the attic, from which it is distributed to the whole house below. The plumbing for the bath-room, closets, kitchen, is of the best, and a private sewer of ample capacity runs into the bay. When furnished to correspond with the finish of the house it will be a bijou hotel and undoubtedly very popular. The house was planned and built by the brother of the owner, Mr. S. Wixson of this city, and he has certainly secured some ingenious and novel effects, especially as to the main stairways, which are worthy of study by other builders. The Jewel will open for business in June, and already a large portion of the house has been reserved, principally by St. Louis people.

TO WHAT DEPTH IS THE INTAKE.

The Question to Be Determined by His Honor and the Superintendent.

The Mirror is the authority for the statement that Mayor Hartnett and Supt. Rathfon will investigate the depth of the intake pipe which furnishes the city water supply tomorrow. O, What's the use? The Superintendent says the water is free from impurities, and if we are getting pure water what difference does it make to what depth or where the intake pipe is located? The fact is The Iron Port's articles calling attention to the wretched water the company is furnishing, is bearing fruit. Professors of Universities may declare the city water pure and free from typhoid fever germs, or any other old germs, but the consumers are dissatisfied with it and claim the contrary. Should the cause of typhoid be investigated we are not sure but what the city water would be held responsible for a large number of the cases that are constantly developing throughout the city.

A GIGANTIC FRAUD.

Internal Revenue Collector Here Looking For Fraudulent Revenue Stamps.

Deputy Internal Revenue Collector C. F. Sundstrom, of Michigan, was in Escanaba the other day looking up cigars bearing fraudulent revenue stamps. He found and seized 3,000 cigars. Three firms located at Lancaster, Penn., are shipping out these cigars with the fraudulent stamps. The companies are the Postal Cigar Co., Cash Cigar Co., and the Jacobs Cigar Co. In reality a Mr. Jacobs is the owner of all three and he has escaped the clutches of the law. According to Mr. Sundstrom the government officials have discovered that \$4,000,000 worth of these counterfeit revenue stamps were manufactured. The officer has seized 50,000 cigars in the upper peninsula.

Money for Ore Docks.

The Chicago & Northwestern will expend \$25,000 within the next 3 months in rebuilding ore docks at Ashland, Wis.

GENERAL PICKUPS ABOUT ESCANABA

General City News Presented in Condensed Form

The Iron Port Reports' Weekly Grist of Interesting Information. Gathered Here, There and Elsewhere, For Easy Reading.

Glen D. Stewart the official handicapper of the Michigan bicycle circuit is arranging a circuit for the upper peninsula to include Menominee, Ishpeming, Hancock and Calumet. There will be over 70 circuit riders including some of the speediest people in this part of the country. Here is an opportunity for Escanaba to get into the circuit, and the cycling club should lose no time in completing their new track. Memorial day will be observed here this year, as always, under the auspices of the G. A. R. Some time ago the post appointed a committee to arrange for the celebration. This committee has been at work and has nearly completed its arrangements for the day's observance. There will be the customary parade in the morning followed by exercises.

It is Theo Burg instead of Theo "Bing" as the types made it appear in the last issue of The Iron Port, who has succeeded Mr. Bohner as proprietor of the Delta County Bottling Works. Mr. Burg is well pleased with the business outlook so far and thinks this season will be better than it has for some time past.

Mrs. John Sundbrom died of consumption on Sunday night last at the age of twenty-seven years. She leaves a husband and two children. The funeral took place from the Swedish Lutheran church Tuesday afternoon.

Tomorrow is Epworth League Anniversary at the Methodist church, sermon in the morning, text "Tell me what hast thou in the house." II Kings 4 and 2. In the evening an excellent program will be given.

Morning subject at the Presbyterian church tomorrow, "Summer Hopes." Evening Subject; Some Sayings of Jesus; (c) about Sinners. There will be special music in the evening. All are cordially welcome.

John W. Vogels "Darkest America" held the boards at the opera house Tuesday evening and was greeted with a crowded house. On the whole it was fairly good.

The Gladstone Board of Education has re-engaged Prof. J. H. McDonald as superintendent of the Gladstone schools for the coming year.

The vestry of St. Stephen's Episcopal church has extended a call to Rev. Green, formerly located here but now in Philadelphia.

The common council of Gladstone has difficulty in selecting a city attorney acceptable to a controlling number in the council.

The Delta Gun Club has received an invitation from Marinette to participate in a shoot at Clay birds in that city today.

The Escanaba River company advertises wood in another column. Now is the time to put in a year's supply.

The funeral of Fred Bailey, who died at the Tracy hospital last week Thursday, was held Monday afternoon.

The Elks will initiate a class of twenty early in June. The Elks are prosperous.

Shade trees have been planted around the Methodist church property.

Chas. McGinley, of Menominee, will open a brokerage office in this city.

The Presbyterian church in Gladstone is fast nearing completion. The race track has been put in good condition for the season.

Mr. Brace will open a saloon in the Hodges building.

Board of Education Meeting.

Tuesday evening the Board of Education held a regular meeting at which only routine business was transacted. The committee on plans for the new school building were

not ready to report as they have not received all the sketches that are to be submitted. This evening another meeting will be held to consider the matter of engaging teachers for the ensuing year.

NO DIRECT EXPRESS.

Detroit at a Great Disadvantage in Shipping to Upper Peninsula.

Detroit merchants are considerably worked up over a recent order of the Dominion Express company to the Western Express agent at St. Ignace not to accept freight from the American Express company for delivery to points in the upper peninsula, and by a similar order to the Dominion express agent in Detroit to consign all freight in this part of the state via the United States express. These orders necessitate Detroiters sending express freight here by way of St. Thomas and Toronto, and in shipments of perishable goods this longer route will make much difference.

This is worrying the merchants of Detroit because they are preparing to make a concerted effort to wrest the trade which they admit has been largely taken from them by Chicago and Milwaukee and are soon to visit the peninsula in a special train on a grand jollying trip. "With our pending preparations for the upper peninsula excursion," says Secretary Campbell of the Merchants' and Manufacturers' association in an interview, "we cannot help feeling some concern about matters which affect shipping facilities up there."—Mining Journal.

A BITTER COMPLAINT.

The Business Men Grumble Because the Streets are Not Sprinkled.

The business men along Ludington street complain bitterly because of the penuriousness of the common council in cutting down the price for street sprinkling and street sweeping to such an extent that no one can afford to do the work. The dry goods and clothing merchants who have goods displayed at their doors say that the dust and filth from the principal thoroughfare are ruinous to the stock so exhibited, and not only that but during a brisk wind the dirt finds its way to every part of their store. Other merchants likewise complain of the uncleanness forced upon them by the city council. The city fathers should reconsider its action.

On Wednesday night Mr. Beauchamp swept Ludington street, being assured that the council at its meeting next Tuesday evening would reconsider its action cutting off the sprinkling of that thoroughfare.

FIRST AND SECOND MONEY.

The Agricultural Society Decides to Make Two Money in the June Races.

At a meeting of the Agricultural society Monday evening the action of two weeks ago was reconsidered and it was decided to offer first and second money, in the several classes at the June meeting instead of only one money. This, it is thought, will prove more satisfactory to the horsemen. It is likely that the Stephensons will enter a string and Two Strike may be here.

FOR A TOWN HALL.

The Electors of Bark River Township Will Vote on the Question Monday.

Next Monday the qualified electors of Bark River township will vote upon the proposition to build a town hall the cost of which will be about \$800. It is proposed to raise \$300 this year, and \$300 next year, borrow the amount to be spread upon the tax next year and erect the building this summer. There is some question as to whether or not the proposition will carry, there being considerable opposition to it in another part of the township.

DEALS IN DELTA DIRT.

A List of Recent Real Estate Transfers as Recorded With the Register.

Peter Olson and wife to Napoleon Primeau, lot 1 of block 100, Proprietor's addition to Escanaba; consideration \$550.

George T. Burns to Mary A. Thatcher, lot 17 of block 34, Escanaba; consideration \$1,000.

Christian Anderson and wife to Anna C. Carlson, lot 2 of block 10, Gladstone; consideration \$800.

MINERAL WEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEN peace reigns again in the Philippines, a condition which cannot be said to have existed for a number of years under Spanish rule, the natural resources of the country will come prominently before the American people.

None of the islands of the Pacific are so rich in natural resources as the Philippines, and but few have been developed to a less extent. Scattered here and there over this country one finds individuals and corporations waiting for favorable opportunities to invest money in this new American colony, and it is safe to say that it will be a question of but a few years when the savagery and illiteracy of the islands will give place to a high state of civilization which improvements and natural opportunities will attract.

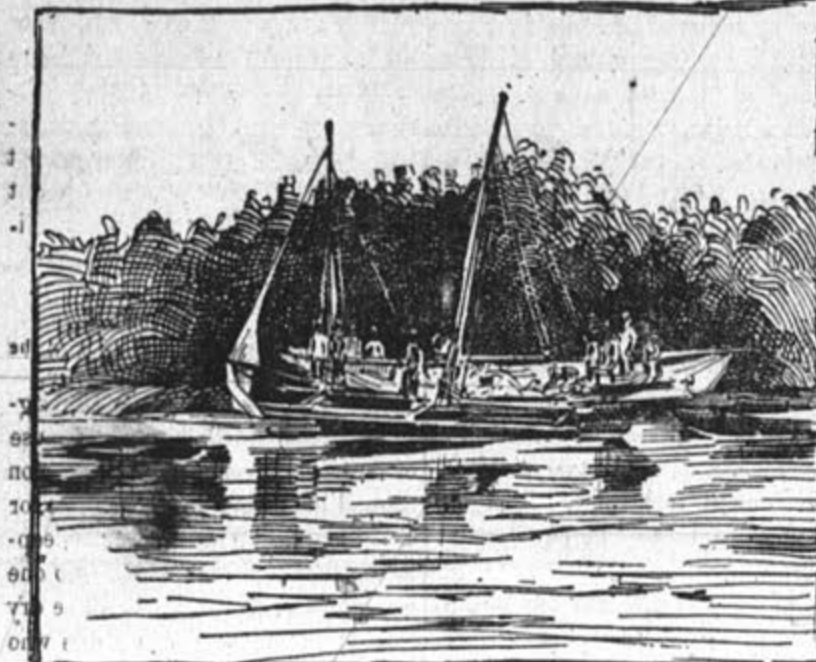
The first thing needed in the Philippines is means of transportation. At the present time the islands have but one railroad, a short line extending from Manila to Dagupan, a distance of 120 miles to the north. Throughout the remainder of the islands, as well as the remainder of Luzon, the only means of transportation is the native water buffalo or the native sailing vessels on the ocean, bays and rivers. Between the principal ports of the island a few small steamers ply, but the smaller places must depend on the cruder means, and all interior points have only the slow-going buffalo.

Railroads are needed in Luzon both north and south from Manila, as well as a line to connect with the east coast of the island and the rich mining dis-

place, with the exception of the few to be found around Manila. Men with the means needed for the proper development of the islands found Spain a hard taskmaster and would not invest under the conditions which the mother country demanded. As for the natives, they are but little if any better than African savages to a great extent. In many of the islands they are living in practically the same state of savagery that existed at the time of the discovery of the islands. Those of Luzon and a few other places have progressed to a certain extent, and some of them are bright, intelligent men and women, but the large majority are not. The tropical forests afford them all that they find necessary for their mode of life, and the natural resources have been, and will continue to be, neglected until a higher state of civilization steps in and develops them.

Still another industry that awaits development is that offered by the vast forests of valuable timber. Dean C. Worcester says that in the island of Mindora alone he found 106 different kinds of wood, four of which were so heavy they would sink in water. Of the hard woods there are more than 50 varieties, many of which are of the most valuable kinds. For shipbuilding and house construction some of these woods cannot be excelled, while others of them are capable of taking a beautiful polish, and so would be valuable for furniture and decorative purposes. Among these woods ebony is noticed in large quantities.

The natives have never realized the



A Crude Native Sail Boat.

tricts of the mountains. Aside from its agricultural possibilities Luzon has untold mineral wealth. Immense quantities of an excellent quality of lignite, which is a satisfactory fuel for steamers and manufacturing plants, are stored away in nature's storehouses, waiting for a more progressive race than the natives to unearth it.

Aside from this the island promises to become quite a factor in the gold production of the world. For years the natives have been mining gold in a crude way, but they have never recognized its value, and their methods of mining have been so poor that half of the metal is wasted or washed away with the debris. An English syndicate is even now working some of the mines of Luzon, but the lack of transportation hampers their progress to a great extent.

Aside from these, Luzon abounds in silver, copper, marble and iron. The



A Native Hut, Palayan Island.

iron promises to become a valuable feature of the island's products. It is 55 per cent. pure and exists in large quantities.

But Luzon is not the only island rich in mineral wealth. Mindora, Cebu, Panay, Romblon, Mindanao and Iloilo are all rich in minerals of various kinds, none of which have ever received any but the crudest kind of development. In Cebu an excellent quality of petroleum is found; in Mindora are mines of natural asphalt; and in Panay and Mindanao are found vast quantities of sulphur from the volcanoes.

All of this vast mineral wealth but awaits the coming of a master hand to develop it. There must be means of transportation provided if the islands are to be made profitable. The larger islands need railroads and the smaller ones at least good wagon roads. At the present time neither exist any

value of these natural forest products, while Spain has pursued such a policy as to prevent Europeans or others from developing the industry which they represent.

About the only use to which the natives put these great natural resources is to build of them their little thatched huts. Even in these bamboo is much oftener employed because of the ease with which it is handled. In the seacoast towns, where civilization has made some strides, one can find a better class of dwellings in which the valuable woods are sometimes put to good use, but they are rarely seen in the interior, where the natives are content to live in the easiest manner possible, and with none of the luxuries which nature has so bountifully surrounded them. Here one finds the little hut of bamboo with its thatched roof built in out-of-the-way places of the forest, where nature provides all that is needed for the family without any exertion on the part of the occupants, and with the great majority of the natives of the Philippines that is the ideal of existence. They care nothing for the great wealth which nature has placed at their disposal, and if left to themselves would never develop it to any greater extent than their own simple wants required.

DANIEL CLEVERTON.

Excavation of Babylon.

German savants are busy with plans for the excavation of Babylon. Layard, the discoverer of Nineveh, was the first really to do anything in the way of excavating. The Germans are determined that their work shall be thorough. It will be costly and take five years. The excavators will begin with El Kasr, the fortress, which is the remains of Nebuchadnezzar's palace, and where Alexander died. They will also investigate a number of other ruins near by.

The Dancer's Big Toe.

Nothing is held sacred by the X-ray. It has been turned loose upon the foot of Miss Marie Kink, one of the best-known professional dancers. The result was to show that the whole weight of the body of an expert toe-dancer rests upon the big toe. It has always been a problem just what portion of the foot it was that supported the entire weight of a dancer's body. The X-ray has now solved that momentous question.

Rulers of the World.

The world has had 2,550 kings or emperors of whom records are known, and who have reigned over 74 peoples. Of these rulers 300 were overthrown, 64 were forced to abdicate, 28 committed suicide, 23 became mad or imbecile, 100 were killed in battle, 123 were captured by the enemy, 23 were tortured to death, 151 were assassinated, and 108 were executed.

GOTHAM IS MOVING.

Owen Langdon Says Migration Up Fifth Avenue Continues.

By training a theodolite upon the social glacier of New York from time to time you can see that it moves. It has a lateral moraine on Madison avenue and Riverside drive, and a terminal moraine "up Fifth avenue"—farther up each year.

Delmonico's, for instance, has followed the social drift from the Battery to Forty-fourth street, almost exactly four miles, since 1844, making mile-long jumps about every 15 years. It has always kept at the lower focus of fashionable New York.

Delmonico's is a public institution. There was a time when Sherry's, backed by the powerful influence of the Astors, who own the handsome Sherry building, contested the supremacy with "Del's." But the indescribable scenes of the famous "Seeley dinner" nearly ruined Sherry's and drove it to catering for a cheaper class of trade. Now that Delmonico is in the same neighborhood, its rival will have even a harder task to survive.

The older house has never made a blunder; it has never truckled to a customer, however powerful; it has never had a sign—or needed one; it has never dunned a customer for money—any of its regular patrons could eat for a month if he was short of cash before his credit was exhausted, and this custom must have cost it millions, but it still followed; it has never driven a woman from its door with insults—and if that does not seem to you a thing to boast of, either you are not a woman or you have never tried to get a meal in a New York eating house after six o'clock, unaccompanied by a man.

Of course Delmonico's has its rules, like all the other places; if a woman obviously not respectable tries to get a meal there she is treated with signal courtesy. Her order is taken—and the waiter forgets to come back. If another waiter is called, he also takes the order and forgets to come back. By and by the woman gets so fidgety that she cannot stand it any longer; she rises and goes out—bowed from the door with the utmost civility by the head waiter. She never comes back.

By such gently firm measures has the famous house maintained its position as the most decorous of New York restaurants. Its private rooms have never witnessed anything worse than gambling parties—men only. It is sometimes called rigidly puritanical.

The Drift Uptown.

Even the book firms are drifting uptown almost as fast as the hotels and fine mansions.

At present the most famous retail book shops are between Fourteenth street and Fortieth, and of or near Fifth avenue. Harper's is the only publishing firm of any consequence now remaining downtown, and this house makes no effort to combine the business of book-selling with that of book making. Nassau street, formerly the most famous thoroughfare of bookshops, now contains but a single one of the first-class—though there are a number of shops where old and rare books are sold; for women are not considered in this trade, and business men through Nassau street all day long.

Another melancholy reminder of the uptown drift is the sale of the two houses in Gramercy park, so long occupied by Cyrus W. and David Dudley Field. They brought \$200,000, it is true, but that is not much more than they would have been worth 20 years ago, when Gramercy park was the home of men like the Fields, Samuel J. Tilden, S. L. M. Barlow and many others. Now it is a region of high-class, boarding houses, and of the entering wedge of trade.

As for churches, there are in the lower four miles of New York, inhabited by nearly half its 2,000,000 population, scarcely any churches left of the Protestant faith, except those which have been preserved by historical interest, like the Judson Memorial, old Trinity and the John Street Methodist church, cradle of a sturdy faith in a new world. All the rest are gone—all removed uptown, their buildings turned into theaters or put to other uses.

Still Need of Churches.

There is still need of churches. The troubles of the Sloanes are not the only evidence that New York society is not as careful of its reputation as it might be. These troubles seem to make throughout a curious parallel to those of the W. K. Vanderbilts.

As in that case, the man is a Belmont; the aggrieved husband will consent to be made the plaintiff, instead of the defendant, in a divorce suit, and after everything was satisfactorily arranged, brother Perry—married the divorced woman, as brother Oliver did in an earlier instance.

Now, if in a short time the beautiful

lady in the case succeeds in marrying one of her charming daughters to a British duke, the cases will be sufficiently near enough alike each other to satisfy everybody. Mrs. Sloane is a close relation of the Vanderbilts by marriage, and her husband was a man of vast wealth, like the bereaved Willie K. Her eldest daughter, Jessie Sloane, is about 15 years old.

The daughter of another parted pair, Mr. and Mrs. James Brown Potter, is a few years older than Miss Sloane. Miss Fifi Potter is in society, her debut having taken place last winter. She is one of the most charming girls in New York. She has not seen her mother since their memorable meeting in New York a few years ago. On that occasion the mother wept upon her daughter's neck. After the girl had gone—they had met in a hotel—the servants found behind a sofa a bunch of flowers. The mother had given them to the daughter; the daughter had flung them there as soon as she conveniently could; they have not since met.

The Stock Gambling Fever.

In 15 years I have never seen such a fever of stock gambling as has swept over New York.

Everybody is taking flyers in the street. Men who a year ago talked of books, theaters, sports, now wonder whether Brooklyn Rapid Transit and other favorite gambling shares are going up or down. Clerks, reporters, office boys, messengers and other people who can ill afford to lose their money are staking every cent they can raise upon margins. From what I can hear—though it is not so easy to be sure of this—a good deal more money than usual is coming in from the farms to be invested by "blind pool men" and other smooth robbers. Probably the proceeds of many a broad wheat field will disappear in the final shearing of the lambs.

The current prices of long standing and substantial interest-bearing securities—bonds of good railroad lines, stock of conservatively managed concerns—are not too high, and in these there is, indeed, but little gambling; they are not sufficiently exciting. The most reckless bidding is done upon new "industrials," upon street car lines and combinations and in general upon stocks that have never paid a dividend. Such stocks are good to gamble with, for they may be worth everything or nothing. A safe four per cent. bond is not good to gamble with, because everybody knows almost exactly how much it is worth.

Of course fortunes are made every day in a market where values are kiting up and down with each breath of rumor; but they are necessarily made at the expense of some one else. When the losses are reckoned up at the end of the game, a few men will have all the chips; the rest will have experience. Men will call that time a panic. We are getting ready for it in the street. Good markets for wheat may delay it, or a falling market may hasten it. But when it comes—in many cases sooner—the lambs will lose their fleeces and have not even sympathy to console them. It's a good time to invest money; a bad time to gamble with it.

The Bradley-Martins.

The enormously rich Bradley-Martins are going to leave New York for good.

Mrs. Bradley-Martin is now in the city, having come over for a brief visit and a season of social activity, but she will soon sell her house and take her 40 trunks full of dresses back to London, where she will make her permanent home. It is said that she is going to buy a house in New York for sale. It will not be strange if the legislatures of the various states are in the end driven to some scheme of legislation to counteract the effects of this continual exodus of rich Americans.

They do, from the standpoint of the tax gatherer, "take money out of the country." Mr. William Waldorf Astor, for instance, not only spends in England most of his \$3,000,000 of income, but he pays to the British government eight pence in every pound of his income as assessed.

I have never seen the exact figures stated, but if the assessors do not err on the side of mercy, his income tax in England must be some \$96,000 a year. His being an American will not help him. He must pay. And naturally he doesn't feel like paying a personal tax in New York at the same time, though he has heretofore done this.

It would only take ten men of Mr. Astor's wealth, transplanted from the United States to England, to pay the latter country a million a year in taxes. This would be a serious loss to the taxablers of this country, and, as things are, it falls most heavily upon New York.

Mr. Julian Ralph has computed that it costs rather more to keep house in London than in New York. Considering the taxes also, it is evident that Americans do not go to live in England for reasons of economy.

OWEN LANGDON.

BEAUTY AND STYLES AT MONTE CARLO

SADIE MERRITT TELLS WHAT SHE SEES AT THIS FAMOUS GAMBLING RESORT.

THE SWELL SET LOVE THE GAMBLING TABLES.

There is no place in Europe where one can study the summer styles so well as at Monte Carlo. There the reign of the summer gown begins early in April, and one can see the same things then that one sees in Paris in June or in the more northern resorts in July.

Around the tables of this world-famous and wholesale gambling house, which in itself supports one of the most unique principalities of Europe, one sees the beauty of a world arrayed, and always dressed in the best that money can buy and the dressmakers can turn out.

One does not have to remember back many years to be reminded of the time when Monte Carlo was frowned upon by the same class of people that are today its best patrons. Then there were no palatial hotels with charges that almost make one's head whirl to think of unless one has more money than the fickle goddess is in the habit of according to any one individual; there were no concerts by world-renowned orchestras; there was no questioning the man or woman who wished to woo fickle fortune at the gambling tables. In those

trimmed with guipure insertion, and the sleeves were also of guipure. The guipure yoke was outlined with tiny black velvet ribbon, which was also used in the belt. With this waist was worn a toque of the same shade of blue, trimmed with wings.

PRETTY GOWNS WORN BY AMERICAN GIRLS.

At one of the tables as I watched a bright young American girl losing her papa's wealth faster certainly than he had made it I noticed the costume she was wearing. It attracted my attention more because it was an American girl wearing it, but also because it was out of the usual run of pink and blue for day dresses. It was a white taffeta with a heavy flounce, the flounce being embroidered and edged with tiny ruffles of black and white chiffon. The yoke was of green and white chiffon over green velvet, ornamented with black chenille. The bolero was of tucked white chiffon, finished with six tiny rows of green velvet ribbon. The hat was trimmed with masses of white flowers and green foliage.

Another worn by a friend at the same table, which also did not conform to



Two Summer Gowns at Monte Carlo.

days Monte Carlo was looked upon as a plain gambling resort with a bad reputation, a place it behooved respectable people to keep away from.

But the doctors changed all of that, and the prince of Monaco owes to them a debt which he will probably never attempt to pay. They made the discovery that the little principality offered their wealthy patrons the climate which their health so much demanded, and these same wealthy persons were not backward at taking the bait held out to them. It does not take a close student of human nature to arrive at the conclusion that there is not one in ten of the visitors at Monte Carlo that are attracted there by the climate or their health. Society, as represented by wealth, has a passion for the gambling table, and it suits their fancy to have society countenance this passion, even though it is under the guise of health.

WHERE BEAUTY FROM ALL NATIONS CONGREGATES.

One sees beauty and wealth from all nations here. Even far-away America is represented, and it did me good to see that the American girls were the most attractive of all. Most of the American women that one sees in Europe are never mistaken for any other nationality. They carry with them the American stamp, and it is by far the most attractive of all. At the card tables, however, they are the most reckless gamblers, and one of the attendants said to me a day or two ago that one American woman was worth two from England or any other European country. He referred, of course, to the profits the tables derived from them.

In the old days, it is said, it was an easy matter to gain access to the gambling-rooms. Then all was fish that came to the net of the prince. But now one must needs have some sort of an introduction. If there is nobody to render the needed service an accounting of one's wealth is demanded, as well as one's social standing, for it would never do to mix the swine and the sheep too promiscuously. The sheep would soon take fright and leave.

But of the fashions one sees here nothing is in more evidence than the light gray gowns of all descriptions. These are for evening wear, while for day dresses pink and blue are the prevailing colors.

Still another fancy that is carried to the verge of extremes in day dresses is the fad for a hat to match the costume. A hat must be provided for every gown, and the array of millinery is certainly striking as well as pretty. Another novelty that goes with the gown and hat is a bag of the same color. These hand-bags are quite pretty and quite sensible.

A pretty waist in the prevailing blue was of baptiste. It was plaited and

the prevailing styles, was of flowered organdie over white taffeta, and made with a heavy flounce of real lace. On the flounce flowers and leaves of lilac chiffon were let into the net, and the ruffles on the overskirt were of lilac and green chiffon, headed with beads of ecru insertion. Her hat was of white mull on wire, with large roses of tulle and mousseline de soie.

GOWN OF PEARL GRAY ON PRINCESS ORDER.

A gown on the princess order was of pearl gray cashmere frise. It was made with a princess polonaise and scalloped corslet cut in one, showing a decided train effect at the back. The polonaise was lined with cream silk and bordered at the front and around the corslet with a band of mauve bengaline. The tablier sleeves and deep yoke were both of cream Colbert lace appliqued on cream satin, the design being outlined with a fine mauve silk cord. Beneath



Worn by an American Girl.

the lace at the hem was a narrow flounce of cream satin.

Among the pretty sailor hats one sees none are more attractive than those worn far over the face and trimmed with a pale velvet band and a tuft of blue violets standing straight up on one side.

A pretty gown in pink was one made with a long princess tunic over an underskirt which showed a shaped ruffle about a quarter of a yard deep. The tunic was scalloped and finished with stitched bands and had a tiny yoke at the top of black and white striped silk and a collar with little pates.

SADIE MERRITT.

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Unless more great bodies of iron ore are discovered in the mining region of Lake Superior, the iron and steel manufacturing interests of the United States, which are dependent upon that great district for more than 70 per cent. of supplies, will within a few years meet with the serious problem of a shortage of ore says the Marine Review. This is not a sensational claim intended to convey the idea that the great iron ore deposits of the lake region will soon be exhausted. It is a statement prompted by the fact that within the last few months especially, the question of a possible shortage in ore supply has been given serious consideration by the largest mining and consuming interests of the country. There is no longer any talk of an inexhaustible supply of ore on any of the Lake Superior ranges. The best evidence of a great change of opinion on this score is the scramble that has been made lately by the big steel and iron combinations—consuming interests—for the purchase of mining properties at double the prices that would be paid for them a year or two ago. In the short period since the Mesabi range was opened, the claims of inexhaustible deposits on that range have been fully disproved and its position as a factor in the situation clearly defined. A geological survey of the Mesabi, made only recently by the Rockefeller interest known as the Consolidated Iron Mines, was followed by the purchase of several large prospects for that interest, which is the largest on the Mesabi. A most convincing argument as to the enormous withdrawal of ore within the past few years from the Lake Superior country is found in the following short summary of figures dealing with the gross ton output in round numbers:

Total output from date of first shipments forty-three years ago.....134,000,000
Output during ten years ending with 1898.....94,000,000
Output during five years ending with 1898.....55,000,000
What will be the result of the natural increase in this enormous consumption during the next ten years? Furnaces and steel works drawing supplies from the Lake Superior region are today consuming ore at the rate of full 15,000,000 gross tons annually. The above figures show that there was consumed in the past ten years nearly 100 millions out of a total of 134 millions produced during some forty-three years since the first shipment was made.

Hon. Frank Wells, president of the board of health, has laid before the members of the legislature a statement showing how the work of the board has been curtailed during the past few years because of inadequate appropriations. Several lines of work which have yielded excellent results have had to be abandoned. Among these the sanitary conventions, a pioneer work of this board, for which it has received unstinted praise from its contemporaries. For want of funds no conventions have been held since January, 1898. Another work abandoned for this cause is the holding of annual conferences of local boards of health. These conferences were of great value to the state, as they brought together for instruction and comparison of experiences the officials to whom every community must look for the stamping out promptly of each outbreak of dangerous communicable diseases. It would be difficult to overestimate the importance of these conferences, and President Wells urges the legislature to provide means for their resumption.

It is obvious that if our present superiority in many branches of

manufacture is due to the machinery we use, it is a superiority upon which we cannot depend forever to find for us foreign markets. Sooner or later our foreign rivals will be provided with our own best machinery and then, with their great advantage of a much lower payroll, will not only wrest from us our foreign markets but our domestic markets as well, if we ever leave them exposed for any length of time. This is an eminent practical matter and one which concerns the whole American business world. What we want is a steady market, and we all know that, whoever enjoys it, the American market is the best in the world; and we may keep it the steadiest if we preserve our common sense upon an even keel.—New York Commercial.

It is gratifying to the property holders and owners in this city and the county, to know that real estate is becoming more substantial. The prices are steadily advancing and the prospects are that it will continue to do so. It is not so much the price as it is the disposition to buy which has been shown of late, because the advancement in price has been small however, the small advance is but an index to what real estate men think a continuance of the upward flight of prices.

The veterans of the civil war are now old and many of them are feeble. Few of them are rich and many of them are poor. The debt of gratitude we owe them and the feelings of love and veneration we have for the soldier dead, should make all willing and ready now to help commemorate the day especially set apart for that purpose. Let C. F. Smith Post be assured that it has the appreciation and support of the community.

This is the way one of Escanaba's bright pupils illustrated the difference between sit and set: "The United States is a country on which the sun never sets nor any other country ever sits."

There is yet a glimmer of hope that we may be saved. The city water question is to be investigated.

DEATH OF MRS. P. M. PETERSON.

She Passes Away Very Unexpectedly, Typhoid Fever Being the Cause.

It is with sadness and regret that The Iron Port this week chronicles the death of Mrs. Peterson, wife of P. M. Peterson, one of our prominent citizens, who died at her home, corner Wells avenue and Georgia street on Thursday night, of typhoid fever. While it was generally known that Mrs. Peterson was ill, it was not supposed that any doubts were entertained as to her recovery, and the announcement early Friday morning of her passing away was received with great surprise. Mrs. Peterson was respected and loved by all who knew her, as she was a woman possessed with a most amiable disposition, and many traits of character that won friends.

The deceased was 44 years old. She leaves a husband and four daughters—the Misses Lucy, Lottie, Hulda and Lillian Peterson—to mourn her departure. One daughter, Miss Lottie, resides in California. Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock from the Swedish M. E. church.

A SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE.

The Sunday School Workers of Delta County Will Meet in Escanaba.

On Friday afternoon next the Delta County Sunday School Institute will be held at the Methodist church, and in the evening a session will be held at the Presbyterian church. Following is the program:

- 2:00. Devotional Services, led by.....
- 2:15. "Why are we here?".....Rev. J. Bickford, Lathrop
- 2:30. "The Sunday School a Necessity".....Mrs. Malloy, Lathrop
- 2:30. Discussion.
- 2:45. Report from Nominating Committee.
- 3:00. Paper, "How to Secure and How to Retain Young Men in the Sunday School".....Rev. A. R. Johns, Gladstone
- 3:15. Discussion.
- 3:30. Paper, "The Sunday School Teacher".....Rev. J. S. Jewell, Gladstone
- 3:45. Paper, "The Sunday School Teacher a Co-worker with God".....Mr. Boone, Escanaba
- 4:00. Discussion.
- 4:15. Children's Meeting, led by.....
- 4:45. Paper, "Jesus the Model Teacher".....Mrs. Helph, Escanaba
- 4:55. Discussion.
- 5:00. Devotional Exercises.
- 5:30. Short Address by Chairman.
- 8:15. Address, "Two Essentials in a Sunday School Teacher".....Rev. J. M. Rogers, Marquette

PORTER J. WHITE COMING.

He Will Appear in Faust at the Opera House next Thursday Evening.

Porter J. White in "Faust" will be at the opera house on the even-

ing of May 18th. Mr. White was here last season in the same play and gave excellent satisfaction, and there is no doubt but what he will receive a liberal patronage on this, his second visit to our city.

THE WEATHER BULLETIN.

A Forecast of the Weather as Furnished by Local Observer Wutz.

Upper Lakes: Diminishing north-west winds tonight, becoming variable over Michigan and Superior Sunday. Fair weather.

Upper Michigan: Fair and continued cool tonight and Sunday. Frost tonight.

MORE PAY.

Michigan Soldiers of the Late Spanish War to Receive Additional Compensation.

At last the Michigan legislature has decided upon a measure to give the privates of the late Spanish war extra pay. It will be known as the Kelly-Gustin bill, and will give each soldier 48 cents per day for the full period of enlistment. The bill will net each soldier from \$60 to \$120, and it is estimated that it will take at least \$500,000 to pay the claims.

Dining Cars on the North-Western.

The Chicago & North-Western Railway has greatly improved its service on the Chicago-Ishpeming Line by the addition of dining cars, which serve breakfast, luncheon and supper in the various trains. All meals are served "a la carte." This new arrangement will undoubtedly be greatly appreciated by the traveling public between Chicago and the Copper Country.

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THE MOVEMENTS OF OUR PEOPLE

Social Events as Reviewed by The Iron Port Reporters.

A Weekly Grist of Personal Mention as Picked Up Here, There and Everywhere Throughout This Section of the Country

Rev. Dr. Stalker, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Calumet, is expected here in a few days for a visit with Rev. Todd. For the past year Rev. Stalker has been traveling in the Holy Land and through the European continent, and is now en route to his home. On several different occasions he has occupied the Presbyterian pulpit in this city, and has quite a large circle of acquaintances who will be pleased to meet him.

Capt. James Casey, for some time in the employ of Capt. John Coffee on the Anabel has gone with the Bay de Noc Co. and will command the Sunbeam. The genial Jim's many friends are sorry to have him leave here but wish him prosperity wherever he may go.—Manistique Courier.

Frank Stenerwald and Flora Hammer, both of Gladstone, were married on Tuesday by Justice Gieser. On Thursday, his honor performed the ceremony that united Swan Swanson and Mary Brien in the holy bonds of matrimony. The latter named couple reside at Perkins.

Mrs. Ed. Erickson is still in a very critical condition and but slight hopes are entertained for her recovery. Mr. Anthony, a brother of Mrs. Erickson, accompanied by his wife, arrived Thursday from Chicago.

Robert Lyman, of Chicago, is visiting Escanaba friends this week. Mr. Lyman was formerly cashier of the First National Bank and he has scores of friends here who are always pleased to see him.

Friends of Miss Annie De Marsh gave her a surprise at her home on Mary street last Tuesday evening, the occasion being her birthday anniversary. Dancing at Dupont's hall was indulged in and all present report a good time.

Monday being the anniversary of Mrs. H. Salva's birth she was agreeably "surprised" by a party of friends, who spent a pleasant evening as her guests.

Geo. D. Sherman, Gen. Supt. of offices for the upper peninsula for the Michigan Bell Telephone Co., looked after business matters in Escanaba this week.

F. J. Kamacher, formerly weigh master for the C. & N. W. in Escanaba, is expected to return from Marquette today to accept his former position.

J. E. Keenan of Escanaba, is assuming Conductor Frank Moran's run on the C. & N. W. road temporarily. Mr. Moran will enjoy a short vacation.

John K. Stack, of Escanaba, president of the Metropolitan Lumber company, was in the city the first of the week.—Iron Mountain Press.

Ole Erickson has gone to West Baden, Ind., for a two weeks stay to try the recuperative powers of the spring waters at that place.

Hugh McDonald has purchased Paul Kelly's saloon business at Munising. Mr. Kelly will engage in another line of business.

C. E. McCrom, B. G. Dun's Mercantile Agency representative for the upper peninsula, was in the city Wednesday on business.

F. F. Bigelow is a new comer in Escanaba. He is an experienced optician and has engaged with H. M. Stevenson, the jeweler.

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Ancient Order of Hibernians entertained at North Star hall last evening. Cards and dancing.

Henry Armstrong is again punching tickets on his regular run on the North-western, after a five week's vacation.

Mrs. E. A. Elliott has been at Grand Rapids this week attending the state convention of the Rathbone Sisters.

Theodore Farrell has gone to attend a meeting of the Grand Commandery at Grand Rapids, Mich.

Mr. Ole Harstad, clerk of Bark River township, was in Escanaba on business Tuesday.

Rev. Bynton who was temporarily in charge of St. Stephen's Episcopal church here, has gone to Marquette to

await orders from the Bishop assigning him to a new place.

Dr. C. M. Cutbert returned home Sunday from Waupun, Wis., where he went to attend the funeral of Dr. Rowells.

Miss Annie Boyle has closed a successful term of school at Faunus, and is now at home enjoying her vacation.

W. P. Hibbard, clerk of Masonville township, made Escanaba one of his periodical visits on Wednesday.

Miss Belle Schram went to Chicago last evening. She expects to be gone about two months.

Fred Giese, of Menominee, an experienced tinner, has accepted a position with Olson & Co.

Miss Marie Lyons is confined at the Traey hospital with an attack of typhoid fever.

The ladies of St. Joseph's Catholic church have commenced to make arrangements for a Harvest Home Festival to be held sometime during the month of August.

Miss Winnie Longley is expected to arrive home from school in about a fortnight.

Will Dolan and wife arrived home this week from an extended visit at Clinton, Iowa.

O. V. Linden was at Chicago the first of this week, returning home Thursday.

Edmund E. Flath of Dubuque, Ia., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Wickert.

Peter Snyder and Frank Greene drove over from Gladstone on Tuesday.

C. W. Hirschleff of St. Ignace, transacted business in Escanaba Thursday.

Mrs. John McHale of Lathrop was an Escanaba visitor on Thursday.

Mrs. Theodore Farrell and mother are spending the week in Chicago.

Solomon Greenhoot and Paul Hohlfield are at West Baden, Indiana.

Miss Nellie Golden is visiting the Misses Anna and Margaret Killian.

Mrs. C. D. Miles returned to Milwaukee the forepart of the week.

Louis Stegmiller and E. Gaynor were Chicago visitors this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anthony arrived in Escanaba on Thursday.

Chas. McCauley went to Green Bay on Thursday.

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Delta's Share of the Primary School Money is \$3,083.

County Clerk O. V. Linden has received notice from the Department of Public Instruction of the twenty-eighth semi-annual apportionment of primary school interest money for Delta county.

The rate is 50 cents per capita which is one half less than the apportionment made in Nov. 1898. Below is given the number of children in the school census, number included in the apportionment and the amount each township or city receives:

Township	Whole No. of Children in School Census	No. included in apportionment	Amount
Baldwin	195	195	\$97.50
Bark River	208	208	\$104.00
Bay de Noc	145	145	\$72.50
Escanaba	142	142	\$71.00
Escanaba City	2,313	2,313	\$1,156.50
Fairbanks	54	54	\$27.00
Fort River	359	359	\$179.50
Garden	445	445	\$222.50
Gladstone	661	661	\$330.50
Maple Ridge	145	145	\$72.50
Masonville	645	645	\$322.50
Nahma	242	242	\$121.00
Sac Bay	81	81	\$40.50
Well	175	175	\$87.50
Total	6,174	6,164	\$3,083.00

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Fourth Annual Meeting of the Upper Peninsula Veterans' Association.

All veterans of the Civil and Spanish-American wars, are cordially invited to attend the fourth annual meeting of the Upper Peninsula Veterans' association, which will be held in Menominee, Mich., June 14 and 15th, 1899. An elaborate program has been arranged and reduced railroad fares to parties of 10 or more will be granted by the railroad companies entering that city. Remember the date and be sure to attend.

Half Rates to San Francisco.

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Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold at greatly reduced rates, from all stations, May 18 and 19, limited to include June 23, account of meeting German Baptists. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

MANY MATTERS TERSELY TOLD

General City News Presented in Condensed Form

The Iron Port Reporters' Weekly Grist of Interesting Information, Gathered Here, There and Elsewhere, For Easy Reading.

The following licenses to wed have been issued by the county clerk this week: Geo. G. Hicks and Mary E. Ely; Swan Swanson and Mary Brien; John Poquette and Louise Salvand; Geo. W. McGregor and L. Annie Thompson; Frank Stenerwald and Flora Hammer; Robert B. Beattie and Annie Ryser.

Property at Flat Rock belonging to the I. Stephenson company will soon be placed and placed upon the market at reasonable prices, for the benefit of the company's employees. This land is situated near the street railway and is said to be desirable property for building purposes.

The public schools will give an entertainment at Peterson's Opera House, Tuesday evening, May 16th, consisting of drills and choruses and the production of the comic opera "Penelope." Admission 35 and 25 cents. Seats will be on sale at Mead's drug store.

The North-western road is now running 11 ore trains between Escanaba and Iron Mountain, just half the number scheduled. There are fifty cars in each train, which means 550 carloads of ore dumped into the docks daily from the Menominee range.

M. Pepin's livery stable on Charlotte street has recently been equipped with new turnouts of the very best kind and Mr. Pepin is now in a position to furnish a service that is first class in every respect. Read his "ad" in The Iron Port.

Gunter's candies in boxes at Ellsworth's. Always fresh.

On Thursday morning Ed. Erickson heard a noise in the front hall of his residence, and upon making an investigation discovered a tramp searching the pockets of the clothing hanging there. Mr. Erickson forcibly ejected the fellow.

A complete line of cameras at Ellsworth's drug store. Call and see them.

Surveyor Albert Hass leaves tomorrow morning for Flat Rock. He will make surveys for an extension of the Escanaba & Lake Superior railroad. The road will be extended several miles westward.—Menominee Herald.

Buy your photo supplies at Ellsworth's drug store.

The Vibe camera can be purchased at Ellsworth's. It is a standard make. There is none better.

Gunter's candies have a reputation. You can get them in boxes at Ellsworth's drug store.

A change has been made in the dining car service on this division of the C. & N. W. Hereafter the dining car which has been running between Ishpeming and Powers, will be put on at Marinette instead of Powers.

The U. S. Woodmen Co. has purchased a tract of land from the C. & N. W. Co., near Powers. The description is, section 13, township 40, range 25. Consideration \$1,800.

INTO LITTLE BAY DE NOC.

One of Kaufman's Teams Run Away and Plunge into the Bay.

Quite an exciting runaway occurred Thursday evening at about 10:30 o'clock in which four of Escanaba's young people miraculously escaped serious injury.

Mr. Geo. Powers, accompanied by Misses Mattie McRae, Nina Doton and Alice Robertson were driving along Stephenson ave., when the team became frightened at a street car. In crossing the track two wheels on one side of the buggy became detached throwing Mr. Powers and Misses McRae and Robertson to the ground. The team then started down Ludington street with Miss Doton in the buggy. When opposite Ed. Erickson's store Miss Doton succeeded in getting out, without injury.

The team continued down Ludington street going direct to Stephenson's dock, where horses and buggy plunged into the bay, the horses being drowned. The outfit belonged to Kaufman's livery stable and it was recovered Friday morning. Aside from two broken wheels and a slight crack in one of the seats, the buggy appears to be all right. The young people are to be congratulated upon their escape from serious injury.

Exceptionally Low Rates to Denver. Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold at greatly reduced rates from all stations, May 15 and 16, limited to June 15, account of Annual Meeting, Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y. 17.3t.

Half Rates to Madison, Wis.

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold at one fare for

the round trip from stations in Wisconsin and Michigan, for trains arriving at Madison the afternoon and evening of May 25, on May 26 and for trains arriving at Madison before 1:30 p. m., May 27, limited to include May 29, account of Inter-Scholastic Meet, etc. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y. 19.2t

LOOKING FOR A LOCATION.

The Cycle Club May Go to the Agricultural Society's Grounds.

At a meeting of the D. C. A. S. Monday evening a committee from the Cycle club invited a proposition for the use of the fair grounds for cycle purposes, and President St. Jacques referred the matter to a committee consisting of Pat Fogarty, Lew. A. Cates, C. C. Stephenson, Mose Kurz and E. M. St. Jacques. The gentlemen met with the Cycle Club Wednesday evening and offered the wheelmen the ground for \$75 per annum, which proposition was taken under advisement. A committee was appointed to act in behalf of the club. The two committees will meet tomorrow for final action.

ANSWER IT HONESTLY.

Are the Opinions of Escanaba Citizens Not More Reliable than those of Strangers? The above is a vital question.

It is fraught with interest to Escanaba. It permits of only one answer. It can't be evaded or ignored.

An Escanaba citizen speaks here. Speaks for the welfare of Escanaba. A citizen's opinion is reliable; An utter stranger's doubtful.

The impression created is lasting. Curiosity is at once aroused. Read what follows and acknowledge these facts.

Mr. Theo. Farrell, of 411 Wells Ave., Engineer on the North Western, says: "The majority of men who follow my calling suffer from backache. In some cases like myself they are a long time on the road before the symptoms develop, in others the jarring and swing of the cab brings on attacks much sooner. I watched the action of my kidneys carefully and had a specially constructed seat made on the engine to counteract its effects. As soon as I found my kidneys were not just right I took some good kidney tonic to correct them. I found Doan's Kidney Pills answer my purpose admirably. Reading about them I decided to leave off the remedy I always depended upon, and procured a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at Mead's drug store, with the intention of giving them a chance to prove that there was something of merit in their composition. The results obtained were all that could be wished. Since I stopped the treatment I have had no indication of a return."

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WANTED—A Teacher for School at Nahma, Mich. Term nine months to begin Sept. 4th. Applicant must hold First Grade Certificate, have experience and give references, especially as to ability to govern. Address Board of Education, Nahma, Mich.

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FOR SALE—A second-hand elevator for sale cheap. Suitable to place in store building for hoisting. Apply to Hansen & Jensen, at the foot of Tilden avenue.

FOR SALE—House and lot on Delta avenue; 3 rooms, two story. Good condition. Inquire of Hansen & Jensen, at foot of Tilden avenue.

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A GROCER HAS NO COMPLAINT TO MAKE

His Trade Is Good and Still Continues to Increase—Specialties.

The retail grocers of Escanaba have made less complaint of dull trade during the past few months than almost any other branch of trade, and even the latter class have enjoyed a good business. One of the most prosperous of our grocers is Henry Wilke, who recently succeeded Mashek & Arnold. He has a wide circle of friends throughout the city and his reputation for fair dealing, and a splendid stock, are constantly increasing his business. Mr. Wilke makes a specialty of fancy groceries and table delicacies, carries a large line of these goods, which are fresh, crisp and sparkling. Of canned vegetables and fruits, biscuits and baked goods, fine flavoring extracts, evaporated fruits, breakfast goods and cereals of every description, bottled pickles and jams, prepared horseradish, mustard, pepper-sauces, catsups and meat relishes, foreign and domestic fruits, chocolates, cocoas, etc., he has an assortment second to none in this section. He pays special attention to choice teas and coffees, and having had years of experience knows what "choice" goods in this line means.

As a special inducement to his old customers, and to make new ones, on Saturday, May 6th, and also on Saturday May 13, Mr. Wilke will sell 19 pounds of sugar for \$1.00.

Every Monday will be Soap Day, when a discount will be given on every brand in the store.

If you will call and inspect Mr. Wilke's stock and get prices you will become his regular customer. Will you do it?

Dr. D. H. Rowells, who died while in Texas recently, carried \$8,000 life insurance.

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Orange Punch Frappe
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Unless more great bodies of iron ore are discovered in the mining region of Lake Superior, the iron and steel manufacturing interests of the United States, which are dependent upon that great district for more than 70 per cent. of supplies, will within a few years meet with the serious problem of a shortage of ore says the Marine Review. This is not a sensational claim intended to convey the idea that the great iron ore deposits of the lake region will soon be exhausted. It is a statement prompted by the fact that within the last few months especially, the question of a possible shortage in ore supply has been given serious consideration by the largest mining and consuming interests of the country. There is no longer any talk of an inexhaustible supply of ore on any of the Lake Superior ranges. The best evidence of a great change of opinion on this score is the scramble that has been made lately by the big steel and iron combinations—consuming interests—for the purchase of mining properties at double the prices that would be paid for them a year or two ago. In the short period since the Mesabi range was opened, the claims of inexhaustible deposits on that range have been fully disproved and its position as a factor in the situation clearly defined. A geological survey of the Mesabi, made only recently by the Rockefeller interest known as the Consolidated Iron Mines, was followed by the purchase of several large prospects for that interest, which is the largest on the Mesabi. A most convincing argument as to the enormous withdrawal of ore within the past few years from the Lake Superior country is found in the following short summary of figures dealing with the gross ton output in round numbers:

Total output from date of first shipments forty-three years ago.....	134,000,000
Output during ten years ending with 1898.....	94,000,000
Output during five years ending with 1898.....	55,000,000

What will be the result of the natural increase in this enormous consumption during the next ten years? Furnaces and steel works drawing supplies from the Lake Superior region are today consuming ore at the rate of full 15,000,000 gross tons annually. The above figures show that there was consumed in the past ten years nearly 100 millions out of a total of 134 millions produced during some forty-three years since the first shipment was made.

Hon. Frank Wells, president of the board of health, has laid before the members of the legislature a statement showing how the work of the board has been curtailed during the past few years because of inadequate appropriations. Several lines of work which have yielded excellent results have had to be abandoned. Among these the sanitary conventions, a pioneer work of this board, for which it has received unstinted praise from its contemporaries. For want of funds no conventions have been held since January, 1898. Another work abandoned for this cause is the holding of annual conferences of local boards of health. These conferences were of great value to the state, as they brought together for instruction and comparison of experiences the officials to whom every community must look for the stamping out promptly of each outbreak of dangerous communicable diseases. It would be difficult to overestimate the importance of these conferences, and President Wells urges the legislature to provide means for their resumption.

It is obvious that if our present superiority in many branches of

manufacture is due to the machinery we use, it is a superiority upon which we cannot depend forever to find for us foreign markets. Sooner or later our foreign rivals will be provided with our own best machinery and then, with their great advantage of a much lower payroll, will not only wrest from us our foreign markets but our domestic markets as well, if we ever leave them exposed for any length of time. This is an eminent practical matter and one which concerns the whole American business world. What we want is a steady market, and we all know that, whoever enjoys it, the American market is the best in the world; and we may keep it the steadiest if we preserve our common sense upon an even keel.—New York Commercial.

It is gratifying to the property holders and owners in this city and the county, to know that real estate is becoming more substantial. The prices are steadily advancing and the prospects are that it will continue to do so. It is not so much the price as it is the disposition to buy which has been shown of late, because the advancement in price has been small however, the small advance is but an index to what real estate men think a continuance of the upward flight of prices.

The veterans of the civil war are now old and many of them are feeble. Few of them are rich and many of them are poor. The debt of gratitude we owe them and the feelings of love and veneration we have for the soldier dead, should make all willing and ready now to help commemorate the day especially set apart for that purpose. Let C. F. Smith Post be assured that it has the appreciation and support of the community.

This is the way one of Escanaba's bright pupils illustrated the difference between sit and set: "The United States is a country on which the sun never sets nor any other country ever sits."

There is yet a glimmer of hope that we may be saved. The city water question is to be investigated.

DEATH OF MRS. P. M. PETERSON.

She Passes Away Very Unexpectedly, Typhoid Fever Being the Cause. It is with sadness and regret that The Iron Port this week chronicles the death of Mrs. Peterson, wife of P. M. Peterson, one of our prominent citizens, who died at her home, corner Wells avenue and Georgia street on Thursday night, of typhoid fever. While it was generally known that Mrs. Peterson was ill, it was not supposed that any doubts were entertained as to her recovery, and the announcement early Friday morning of her passing away was received with great surprise. Mrs. Peterson was respected and loved by all who knew her, as she was a woman possessed with a most amiable disposition, and many traits of character that won friends.

The deceased was 44 years old. She leaves a husband and four daughters—the Misses Lucy, Lottie, Hulda and Lillian Peterson—to mourn her departure. One daughter, Miss Lottie, resides in California. Funeral services will be held tomorrow afternoon at two o'clock from the Swedish M. E. church.

A SUNDAY SCHOOL INSTITUTE.

The Sunday School Workers of Delta County Will Meet in Escanaba. On Friday afternoon next the Delta County Sunday School Institute will be held at the Methodist church, and in the evening a session will be held at the Presbyterian church. Following is the program:

- 7:30. Devotional Session—METHODIST CHURCH.
- 8:00. Paper, "How to Secure and How to Retain Young Men in the Sunday School".....Rev. A. H. Johns, Gladstone
- 8:15. Discussion.
- 8:20. Paper, "The Sunday School Teacher".....Rev. J. S. Jewell, Gladstone
- 8:45. Paper, "The Sunday School Teacher a Co-worker with God".....Mr. Boone, Escanaba
- 4:50. Discussion.
- 4:55. Children's Meeting, led by.....Rev. M. Collins
- 4:45. Paper, "Jesus the Model Teacher".....Mrs. Helph, Escanaba
- 7:30. Devotional Exercises.
- 8:00. Short Address by Chairman.
- 8:15. Address, "Two Essentials in a Sunday School Teacher".....Rev. J. M. Rogers, Marquette

PORTER J. WHITE COMING.
He Will Appear in Faust at The Opera House next Thursday Evening.
Porter J. White in "Faust" will be at the opera house on the evening of May 18th. Mr. White was here last season in the same play and gave excellent satisfaction, and there is no doubt but what he will receive a liberal patronage on this, his second visit to our city.

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THE WEATHER BULLETIN.

A Forecast of the Weather as Furnished by Local Observer Watts.

Upper Lakes: Diminishing north-west winds tonight, becoming variable over Michigan and Superior Sunday. Fair weather.

Upper Michigan: Fair and continued cool tonight and Sunday. Frost tonight.

MORE PAY.

Michigan Soldiers of the Late Spanish War to Receive Additional Compensation.

At last the Michigan legislature has decided upon a measure to give the privates of the late Spanish war extra pay. It will be known as the Kelly-Gustin bill, and will give each soldier 48 cents per day for the full period of enlistment. The bill will net each soldier from \$60 to \$120, and it is estimated that it will take at least \$500,000 to pay the claims.

Dining Cars on the North-Western.

The Chicago & North-Western Railway has greatly improved its service on the Chicago-Ishpeming Line by the addition of dining cars, which serve breakfast, luncheon and supper in the various trains. All meals reserved "a la carte." This new arrangement will undoubtedly be greatly appreciated by the traveling public between Chicago and the Copper Country.

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THE MOVEMENTS OF OUR PEOPLE

Social Events as Reviewed by The Iron Port Reporters.

A Weekly Grist of Personal Mention as Picked Up Here, There and Everywhere Throughout This Section of the Country

Rev. Dr. Stalker, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Calumet, is expected here in a few days for a visit with Rev. Todd. For the past year Rev. Stalker has been traveling in the Holy Land and through the European continent, and is now en route to his home. On several different occasions he has occupied the Presbyterian pulpit in this city, and has quite a large circle of acquaintances who will be pleased to meet him.

Capt. James Casey, for sometime in the employ of Capt. John Coffee on the Anabel has gone with the Bay de Noc Co. and will command the Sunbeam. The genial Jim's many friends are sorry to have him leave here but wish him prosperity wherever he may go.—Manistique Courier.

Frank Stenerwald and Flora Hammer, both of Gladstone, were married on Tuesday by Justice Glaeser. On Thursday, his honor performed the ceremony that united Swan Swanson and Mary Brien in the holy bonds of matrimony. The latter named couple reside at Perkins.

Mrs. Ed. Erickson is still in a very critical condition and but slight hopes are entertained for her recovery. Mr. Anthony, a brother of Mrs. Erickson, accompanied by his wife, arrived Thursday from Chicago.

Robert Lyman, of Chicago, is visiting Escanaba friends this week. Mr. Lyman was formerly cashier of the First National Bank and he has scores of friends here who are always pleased to see him.

Friends of Miss Annie De Marsh gave her a surprise at her home on Mary street last Tuesday evening, the occasion being her birthday anniversary. Dancing at Dupont's hall was indulged in and all present report a good time.

Monday being the anniversary of Mrs. H. Salva's birth she was agreeably "surprised" by a party of friends, who spent a pleasant evening as her guests.

Geo. D. Sherman, Gen. Supt. of offices for the upper peninsula for the Michigan Bell Telephone Co., looked after business matters in Escanaba this week.

F. J. Knaueher, formerly weigh master for the C. & N. W. in Escanaba, is expected to return from Marquette today to accept his former position.

J. E. Keenan of Escanaba, is assuming conductor Frank Moran's run on the C. & N. W. road temporarily. Mr. Moran will enjoy a short vacation.

John K. Stack, of Escanaba, president of the Metropolitan Lumber company, was in the city the first of the week.—Iron Mountain Press.

Ole Erickson has gone to West Baden, Ind., for a two weeks stay to try the recuperative powers of the spring waters at that place.

Hugh McDonald has purchased Paul Kelly's saloon business at Munising. Mr. Kelly will engage in another line of business.

C. E. McCrom, R. G. Dun's Mercantile Agency representative for the upper peninsula, was in the city Wednesday on business.

F. F. Bigelow is a new comer in Escanaba. He is an experienced optician and has engaged with H. M. Stevenson, the jeweler.

The Ladies Auxiliary to the Ancient Order of Hibernians entertained at North Star hall last evening. Cards and dancing.

Henry Armstrong is again punching tickets on his regular run on the North-western, after a five week's vacation.

Mrs. E. A. Elliott has been at Grand Rapids this week attending the state convention of the Bathbone Sisters.

Theodore Farrell has gone to attend a meeting of the Grand Commandery at Grand Rapids, Mich.

Mr. Ole Harstad, clerk of Bark River township, was in Escanaba on business Tuesday.

Rev. Bynton a who was temporarily in charge of St. Stephen's Episcopal church here, has gone to Marquette to

await orders from the Bishop assigning him to a new place.

Dr. E. M. Cutbert returned home Sunday from Waupun, Wis., where he went to attend the funeral of Dr. Rowells.

Miss Annie Boyle has closed a successful term of school at Faunus, and is now at home enjoying her vacation.

W. P. Hibbard, clerk of Masonville township, made Escanaba one of his periodical visits on Wednesday.

Miss Belle Schram went to Chicago last evening. She expects to be gone about two months.

Fred Giese, of Menominee, an experienced tinner, has accepted a position with Olson & Co.

Miss Marie Lyons is confined at the Tracy hospital with an attack of typhoid fever.

The ladies of St. Joseph's Catholic church have commenced to make arrangements for a Harvest Home Festival to be held sometime during the month of August.

Miss Vinnie Longley is expected to arrive home from school in about a fortnight.

Will Dolan and wife arrived home this week from an extended visit at Clinton, Iowa.

O. V. Linden was at Chicago the first of this week, returning home Thursday.

Edmund E. Flath of Dubuque, Ia., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Wickert.

Peter Snyder and Frank Greene drove over from Gladstone on Tuesday.

C. W. Hirschleff of St. Ignace, transacted business in Escanaba Thursday.

Mrs. John McHale of Lathrop was an Escanaba visitor on Thursday.

Mrs. Theodore Farrell and mother are spending the week in Chicago.

Solomon Greenhoot and Paul Hohlfield are at West Baden, Indiana.

Miss Nellie Golden is visiting the Misses Anna and Margaret Killian.

Mrs. C. D. Miles returned to Milwaukee the forepart of the week.

Louis Stegmiller and E. Gaynor were Chicago visitors this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anthony arrived in Escanaba on Thursday.

Chas. McCauley went to Green Bay on Thursday.

FIFTY CENTS PER CAPITA.

Delta's Share of the Primary School Money is \$3,089.

County Clerk O. V. Linden has received notice from the Department of Public Instruction of the twenty-eighth semi-annual apportionment of primary school interest money for Delta county. The rate is 50 cents per capita which is one half less than the apportionment made in Nov. 1898. Below is given the number of children in the school census, and the amount each township or city receives:

Township/City	Whole No. of Children in School Census	No. included in apportionment	Amount
Baldwin	196	196	\$ 98.00
Bark River	208	208	104.00
Bay de Noc	146	146	73.00
Escanaba	142	142	71.00
Escanaba City	2,523	2,523	1,261.50
Fairbanks	84	84	42.00
Fort River	259	259	129.50
Garden	445	445	222.50
Gladstone	663	663	331.50
Maple Ridge	148	148	74.00
Masonville	648	648	324.00
Nahma	247	247	123.50
Sac Bay	81	81	40.50
Wells	178	178	89.00
Total	6,174	6,164	\$3,082.00

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN.

Fourth Annual Meeting of the Upper Peninsula Veterans' Association.

All veterans of the Civil and Spanish-American wars, are cordially invited to attend the fourth annual meeting of the Upper Peninsula Veterans' association, which will be held in Menominee, Mich., June 14 and 15th, 1899. An elaborate program has been arranged and reduced railroad fares to parties of 10 or more will be granted by the railroad companies entering that city. Remember the date and be sure to attend.

Half Rates to San Francisco.

Via the North-Western Line. Quickest time, grandest scenery, variable routes, perfect service. Excursion tickets will be sold at one first-class fare for round trip, May 14-17, limited to return until July 15, 1899, inclusive, account of National Baptist Anniversaries. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

Low Rates to Roanoke, Va.

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold at greatly reduced rates, from all stations, May 18 and 19, limited to include June 23, account of meeting German Baptists. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y.

Baking Powder.

Exceptionally Low Rates to Denver. Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold at greatly reduced rates from all stations, May 15 and 16, limited to June 15, account of Annual Meeting, Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y. 17-31.

Half Rates to Madison, Wis.

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold at one fare for

MANY MATTERS TERSELY TOLD

General City News Presented in Condensed Form

The Iron Port Reporter's Weekly Grist of Interesting Information, Gathered Here, There and Elsewhere, For Easy Reading.

The following licenses to wed have been issued by the county clerk this week: Geo. G. Hicks and Mary E. Ely; Swan Swanson and Mary Brien; John Poquette and Louise Salvand; Geo. W. McGregor and L. Annie Thompson; Frank Stenerwald and Flora Hammer; Robert B. Beattie and Annie Ryerse.

Property at Flat Rock belonging to the L. Stephenson company will soon be platted and placed upon the market at reasonable prices, for the benefit of the company's employees. This land is situated near the street railway and is said to be desirable property for building purposes.

The public schools will give an entertainment at Peterson's Opera House, Tuesday evening, May 16th, consisting of drills and choruses and the production of the comic opera "Penelope." Admission 35 and 25 cents. Seats will be on sale at Mead's drug store.

The Northwestern road is now running 11 ore trains between Escanaba and Iron Mountain, just half the number scheduled. There are fifty cars in each train, which means 550 carloads of ore dumped into the docks daily from the Menominee range.

M. Pepin's livery stable on Charlotte street has recently been equipped with new turnouts of the very best kind and Mr. Pepin is now in a position to furnish a service that is first class in every respect. Read his "ad" in The Iron Port.

Gunter's candies in boxes at Ellsworth's. Always fresh.

On Thursday morning Ed. Erickson heard a noise in the front hall of his residence, and upon making an investigation discovered a tramp searching the pockets of the clothing hanging there. Mr. Erickson forcibly ejected the fellow.

A complete line of cameras at Ellsworth's drug store. Call and see them. Surveyor Albert Hass leaves tomorrow morning for Flat Rock. He will make surveys for an extension of the Escanaba & Lake Superior railroad. The road will be extended several miles westward.—Menominee Herald.

Buy your photo supplies at Ellsworth's drug store.

The Vibe camera can be purchased at Ellsworth's. It is a standard make. There is none better.

Gunter's candies have a reputation. You can get them in boxes at Ellsworth's drug store.

A change has been made in the dining car service on this division of the C. & N. W. Hereafter the dining car which has been running between Ishpeming and Powers, will be put on a Marinette instead of Powers.

The U. S. Woodware Co. has purchased a tract of land from the C. & N. W. Co., near Powers. The description is, section 13, township 40, range 25. Consideration \$1,800.

INTO LITTLE BAY DE NOC.

One of Kaufmann's Teams Ran Away and Plunged into the Bay.

Quite an exciting runaway occurred Thursday evening at about 10:30 o'clock in which four of Escanaba's young people miraculously escaped serious injury. Mr. Geo. Powers, accompanied by Misses Mattie McRae, Nina Doton and Alice Robertson were driving along Stephenson ave. when the team became frightened at a street car. In crossing the track two wheels on one side of the buggy became detached throwing Mr. Powers and Misses McRae and Robertson to the ground. The team then started down Ludington street with Miss Doton in the buggy. When opposite Ed. Erickson's store Miss Doton succeeded in getting out, without injury. The team continued down Ludington street going direct to Stephenson's dock, where horses and buggy plunged into the bay, the horses being drowned. The outfit belonged to Kaufmann's livery stable and it was recovered Friday morning. Aside from two broken wheels and a slight crack in one of the seats, the buggy appears to be all right. The young people are to be congratulated upon their escape from serious injury.

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Half Rates to Madison, Wis.

Via the North-Western Line. Excursion tickets will be sold at one fare for

the round trip from stations in Wisconsin and Michigan, for trains arriving at Madison the afternoon and evening of May 25, on May 26 and for trains arriving at Madison before 1:30 p. m., May 27, limited to include May 29, account of Inter-Scholastic Meet, etc. Apply to agents Chicago & North-Western R'y. 19-21

LOOKING FOR A LOCATION.

The Cycle Club May Go to the Agricultural Society's Grounds.

At a meeting of the D. C. A. S. Monday evening a committee from the Cycle club invited a proposition for the use of the fair grounds for cycle purposes, and President St. Jacques referred the matter to a committee consisting of Pat Fogarty, Lew. A. Cates, C. C. Stephenson, Mose Kurz and E. M. St. Jacques. The gentlemen met with the Cycle Club Wednesday evening and offered the wheelmen the ground for \$75 per annum, which proposition was taken under advisement. A committee was appointed to act in behalf of the club. The two committees will meet tomorrow for final action.

ANSWER IT HONESTLY.

Are the Opinions of Escanaba Citizens Not More Reliable than those of Strangers?

The above is a vital question. It is fraught with interest to Escanaba. It permits of only one answer. It can't be evaded or ignored. An Escanaba citizen speaks here. Speaks for the welfare of Escanaba. A citizen's opinion is reliable; An utter stranger's doubtful. The impression created is lasting. Curiosity is at once aroused. Read what follows and acknowledge these facts.

Mr. Theo. Farrell, of 411 Wells Ave., Engineer on the North Western, says: "The majority of men who follow my calling suffer from backache. In some cases like myself they are a long time on the road before the symptoms develop, in others the jarring and swing of the cab brings on attacks much sooner. I watched the action of my kidneys carefully and had a specially constructed seat made on the engine to counteract its effects. As soon as I found my kidneys were not just right I took some good kidney tonic to correct them. I found Doan's Kidney Pills answer my purpose admirably. Reading about them I decided to leave off the remedy I always depended upon, and procured a box of Doan's Kidney Pills at Mead's drug store, with the intention of giving them a chance to prove that there was something of merit in their composition. The results obtained were all that could be wished. Since I stopped the treatment I have had no indication of a return."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sole agents for the U. S.

WANT COLUMN.

WANTED—A Teacher for School at Nahma, Mich. Term six months to begin Sept. 4th. Applicant must hold First Grade Certificate, have experience and give references, especially as to ability to govern. Address Board of Education, Nahma, Mich.

FOR SALE—First class farm lands at Maple Ridge, on easy terms, within half a mile of postoffice and school house. For further particulars apply to Herman Johnson, Rock R. O.

STONE QUARRY FOR LEASE—A fine stone quarry at Flat Rock. Apply to John Youngblood.

WANTED, to rent, a 4 or 5 room house by a family of two. Apply to O. H. Watson at The Iron Port office.

FOR SALE—A second-hand elevator for sale cheap. Suitable to place in store building for hoisting. Apply to Hansen & Jensen, at the foot of Tilden avenue.

FOR SALE—House and lot on Delta avenue; 5 rooms, two story. Good condition. Inquire of Hansen & Jensen, at foot of Tilden avenue.

FOR SALE—A top buggy at a bargain. In good condition. Apply to Dr. C. H. Long, or at Kaufmann's livery stable.

James S. Doherty,

GROCERIES

Crockery and Canned Goods.

A Specialty. Lowest Market Price on All Goods.

642 Fannie St., Escanaba

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DOORS,

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Balustrade Work, Turning, Band Sawing, etc. Plans furnished and contracts taken.

A GROCER HAS NO COMPLAINT TO MAKE

His Trade Is Good and Still Continues to Increase—Specialties.

The retail grocers of Escanaba have made less complaint of dull trade during the past few months than almost any other branch of trade, and even the latter class have enjoyed a good business. One of the most prosperous of our grocers is Henry Wilke, who recently succeeded Mashek & Arnold. He has a wide circle of friends throughout the city and his reputation for fair dealing, and a splendid stock, are constantly increasing his business. Mr. Wilke makes a specialty of fancy groceries and table delicacies, carries a large line of these goods, which are fresh, crisp and sparkling. Of canned vegetables and fruits, biscuits and baked goods, fine flavoring extracts, evaporated fruits, breakfast goods and cereals of every description, bottled pickles and jams, prepared horseradish, mustard, pepper-sauces, catsups and meat relishes, foreign and domestic fruits, chocolates, cocoas, etc., he has an assortment second to none in this section. He pays special attention to choice teas and coffees, and having had years of experience knows what "choice" goods in this line means.

As a special inducement to his old customers, and to make new ones, on Saturday, May 13, Mr. Wilke will sell 19 pounds of sugar for \$1.00. Every Monday will be Soap Day, when a discount will be given on every brand in the store.

If you will call and inspect Mr. Wilke's stock and get prices you will become his regular customer. Will you do it? Dr. D. H. Rowells, who died while in Texas recently, carried \$8,000 life insurance.

Young's Bakery.

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ICE CREAM.

Vanilla Strawberry Chocolate
Lemon Coffee Peach Banana
Harlequin Bricks Chicago Bricks
Neapolitan Bricks Nut Cream
Vanilla, with French Cherries
Vanilla, with German Strawberries
Pistachio Peach Banana
Tutti-Frutti Carmel
Raspberry Orange
Pineapple Strawberry
Apricot New York
These creams contain the Natural Fruit—no artificial coloring or flavoring.

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Chateaubriand

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Champagne Lallah Rookh
Apricot Punch Cardinal

Lemonade Frappe
Strawberry Punch Frappe
Orange Punch Frappe
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Young's Creams are absolutely pure and wholesome—never vary in quality.

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The Iron Part.

ESCANABA, MICH.

WHO KNOWS?

Perchance the spirit, freed from flesh's chains,
May doff its ornaments and escape the tomb;
Perchance may wander while all time remains,
Wearily waiting for the day of doom,
Released by death from all its earthly throes—
Who knows?
Perchance the disembodied spirit may
Come back among the scenes of care and strife,
To learn how useless was its former way,
How little were the greatest things of life;
How very petty were its many woes—
Who knows?
Perchance the spirit, when the life is o'er,
May sink in apathy so long and deep,
Of earth and heaven, or hell to know no more,
Till the last trump shall rouse it from its sleep,
Unconscious while life's current steadily flows—
Who knows?
Ah! if the spirit may at times return
And gaze around with immaterial eyes,
Or sightless, senseless, nothing may learn
Until the day for judgment shall arise,
Seek not to learn; in God your trust repose—
He knows,
—Thomas Dunn English, in N. Y. Independent.

An Unmanly Triumph

By Edwin Pugh

“THERE is only one satisfactory way of arranging a party,” said Mrs. Cheedle, very positively.
“And that, of course, is yours?” said Cheedle.
“Now, please, Josie, don't be horrid. Take a night off—as you say, Josie—and be nice.”
“I meant, ‘satisfactory to you,’ my dear,” said Cheedle, insincerely.
“I believe you—with an effort. What was I saying when you contradicted me?”
“You know I didn't contradict you, Nell.”
“Oh, how you argue! Isn't that the right word? You interrupted, at any rate. Now, didn't you?”
“Let us say that I interpolated a remark.”
“How ridiculous! An injudicious remark.”
“Certainly—in the light of the subsequent discussion.”
She looked at him doubtfully. “I don't know how you do it. And it's rather mean. You're always insufferable or incomprehensible. And it's growing on you dreadfully.”
“Let us say ‘always insufferable,’” said Cheedle, cheerfully; but when she assented as cheerfully, he seemed downcast.
“I was saying that there is only one satisfactory way of arranging a party,” said Mrs. Cheedle. “And that is—ours!”
“I accept no responsibility. Why ‘ours?’”
“Because everything that either of us has is ours. Now, isn't that nice of me?”
“Well, my dear, you see—”
“If you hesitate it will be cruelty, and I shall get a divorce.”
“To prevent a deplorable scandal, I admit that it was nice of you.”
She made a little moult at him.
“The way is this,” she said. “To mix in the proportions of three to two.”
“Of course. But I'm afraid I hardly follow you—yet.”
“To have three men to every two women, and apologize for the other one.”
“I really don't quite see it.”
“And you call yourself a civil engineer! It is as simple as—as you were before I took you in hand. Now, listen.”
“I believe I am listening, my dear.”
“You are not—you are thinking. I can always tell by your eyebrows. You mustn't think when I'm talking. It's rude.”
“Well, well. Go on, my dear.”
“And don't pretend to be meek, Josie. If there is anything I dislike more than meekness, it is a pretense of it. And you know you're not a bit meek, really.”
“Sometimes I think I can feel it coming on. But about the party.”
“In the proportions of three to two. Then, you see, women being scarce, and men being plentiful, there is joy. The men are polite, and the women are happy.”
“Does that mean the men are miserable and the women are rude?”
“You put it very coarsely, but—well, yes. In a way.”
“And this is the way you would treat my friends?”
“It is the way I would treat my friends.”
Cheedle meditated. At last he spoke. “It's a good idea,” he said, slowly.
Mrs. Cheedle was very surprised and could not help showing it.
“I am glad you like it,” she murmured.
“It's immense!” said he.
She bit her lip. “I did not think you were a hypocrite, Josie,” she said.
“You were quite right not to think so. I never was. And I hope I never shall be.”
“You know you wouldn't like to—”
“I think it an excellent arrangement. In the proportions of three to two. Splendid! Your friends won't mind, I suppose?”
“Three men to every two women.”
“Grand idea! Magnificent! I hope none of the men will forsake you after this affair, though. It would be so precious dull for my friends.”
“Joseph Saunders Cheedle!”
“Madam!”
“What do you mean?”
“By Jove she doesn't know. She has

never heard of it,” cried Cheedle, springing up.
“Heard of what?” faltered Mrs. Cheedle.
“The saying.”
“What saying?”
“He seemed to reflect.”
“What saying?”
“That saying about a fellow's married all the wife's old female friends coming to see the husband, and all the husband's old male friends coming to see the wife. By ‘old’ I mean ‘young,’ of course, in a general way of speaking. You see, it's a sort of transfer, my dear. His friends become hers, and hers become his. A married man looks forward as a matter of fact, Nell—”
“I don't believe there is such a saying.”
“Eh? Well, no. N-no, there is not.”
“There is!”
“Pon my soul, there isn't. I made it up.”
“You did not make it up, Mr. Cheedle. It is no use trying to hide it now. Oh, I did not think the world was so wicked.”
“It's pretty bad, I'm afraid,” said Cheedle, sadly. “But I'm sorry you've had the first fresh bloom of your innocence rubbed off by me, my dear.”
“I'm not so innocent as you think.”
“After all, it really isn't such a bad old world if you can only bring yourself to conform to its standards of right and wrong. Why should I run it down? I won't. It's a jolly old world.”
“For men!”
“For women, too, if they're sensible.”
“I'm not going to be—sensible.”
“I hope, my dear, you are not going to alter that very excellent arrangement you mentioned. I assure you I don't mind about the fellows one little bit, so long as the girls—”
“I shall think about it.” Cheedle masked a chuckle. “It must be a small party, of course. Eight, besides ourselves, will be enough.”
“Five men and three women. Let us have pretty old men, too—eh? Old men are always such brilliant conversationalists, if you can only keep them awake.” Cheedle rubbed his hands and laughed gaily.
“We must have four men and four women,” said Mrs. Cheedle, firmly.
“But your idea?”
“Four men and four women.”
Cheedle sighed heavily as he winked over his wife's head at his reflection in a mirror.
“Oh, very well. But I wish you would be more consistent, Nell.”
“The question is whom to leave out,” said Mrs. Cheedle. “Take some paper and jot them down, Josie, dear. Oh, one of the large sheets!”
“Selection by a process of elimination, eh?” said he.
“Oh, don't,” she cried. “I wish you wouldn't. Now, are you ready?” He grunted assent. “What do you say to Miss Pringle?”
“Nothing. She is such a chatterbox she never gives me a chance.”
“You hardly know her.”
“Excuse me. I often meet her at her brother's.”
“She must be put down.”
“And she was.”
“Old Bass, now,” said Cheedle.
“There's no objection to him, I suppose?”
“No objection to his being put down.”
“I didn't mean that.”
“I think I ought to choose the men.”
“Choose your own friends, Josie.”
“Very well. Miss Dot Souby.”
“To go down?”
“With me? Certainly, if you think

it right. Though she rather spoils a party, you know. She makes you laugh so confoundedly.”
“You know we are considering whom to leave out.”
“Of course. Then we needn't mention Miss Dot. I beg your pardon.”
“I don't think I care for Miss Souby.”
“Why not?”
“She's so frivolous.”
“Ah! you don't know her as she really is.”
“Joseph!”
“My dear!”
“Put Miss Souby down.”
“I don't think she deserves to be put down.”
“She shall be put down.”
“Is she one of your friends, or one of mine?”
“She certainly is not one of mine.”
“Then I don't see what right you have—”
“Am I your wife?”
“Can you doubt it?”
“Answer me, sir!”
“I refuse to be made ridiculous.”
“And this,” said Mrs. Cheedle, “is the man who swore to love and cherish me!”
“And this,” said Mr. Cheedle, no less tragically, “is the woman who swore to honor and obey me!”
“Oh, mother, mother!” sobbed she.
“Oh, darn!” cried he.
She got up and left the room. When she was gone Cheedle turned a somersault among the sofa cushions, solemnly.
“Our arrangement,” he said, cctly, “Ours!”—Chicago Times-Herald.



THERE IS ONLY ONE SATISFACTORY WAY.

FRANK JAMES' CLOSE CALL

The Timely Arrival of a Negro Prevented His Capture in Kansas City.

Frank James, the former outlaw, told when he was in the city recently the following story of how narrowly he escaped capture once when there was a price of \$50,000 on his head and officers of the law were hunting everywhere for him:
“It was about two years, I reckon, before I surrendered to the governor,” he said. “At any rate, it was before my brother Jesse was killed. My wife and I were visiting relatives in Kansas City. We intended to go to St. Louis, and we bade our relatives good-by and started to walk to the Missouri Pacific depot at the foot of Grand avenue, I was carrying a small handbag. No one paid any attention to us till we got to where Fourth street crosses Grand avenue. At that point there was a policeman wrestling with a drunken man, trying to arrest him and get him to the police station. In those days there were no hoodlum wagons, and when a policeman had more than he could handle he used to call on passers-by to help him, and the law made it a misdemeanor for anyone to refuse to assist a policeman when called on to do so. I knew this, of course, and so when the policeman called to me as I and my wife were passing and ordered me to assist him in taking the drunken man to the station I halted.
“At that time there was a big reward up for my capture. Of course, the policeman did not know me, but Tom Speers, the chief of police, did know me very well. I knew that if I went into the station that Speers would see me and hold me. I made up my mind right there and then that I would not go to the station. I told the policeman:
“‘My friend, I am in a hurry to catch a train; if I stop to help you I'll miss it.’
“The policeman was a big fellow, and so was the drunken man, and the drunken man was getting the better of him. The policeman, out of breath, and almost exhausted, answered me:
“‘Train or no train, my friend, you'll come here an' help me with this fellow.’
“I began to argue the question, and the policeman began to get fighting mad. I started to move on and the policeman, who had the drunken man down on his face in the street and had his knees planted on his back, reached back and pulled his gun out of his hip pocket and said:
“‘Come here an' get hold of this buck or I'll let him go and run you in.’
“By that time a crowd of women and children began to gather, but strangely enough there was not another man in sight anywhere. I was in a tight fix. If I went to the station I was a goner, if I moved on the policeman would nab me, and if I stayed and argued the question much longer the crowd would get bigger and some one might recognize me. For once in my life I was up a tree. Just at that moment a big buck negro came up and I said to him:
“‘See here, my friend, I'm in a hurry to get a train; here's a dollar for you; help the officer get this man over to the station.’
“The negro thanked me; the officer grumbled and growled as I helped him and the negro got the prisoner on his feet and started them on their way. Then I joined my wife, who was standing pressing her handkerchief nervously to her mouth, and we hurried down and caught our train at the little by-station of the Missouri Pacific at the foot of Grand avenue.”—Kansas City Star.

TOO FAST FOR MEXICO.

The Sensation Created by the First Street Car Line in That City.

“I made the survey for the street car lines in the City of Mexico,” said the civil engineer, “and when we got the tracks down and the cars running we had a laughable time. Young men of the first families not only ventured to act as drivers and conductors, but insisted on taking those places without wages. The thing was like a new toy to children. People paid fare or withheld it just as they saw fit, and some would ride around for half a day. The Yankee superintendent of the lines was in a sweat all the time, but it was kicking against a stone wall. The tracks were single ones, with switches here and there for the cars to pass, but such little things didn't bother the drivers. Some of them would start the mules on a dead run and go clear to the end of the line, and others would pull out on a switch and go to sleep or indulge in games with the passengers. I guess it was two months before the drivers consented to give up their siesta hours. At 12 o'clock precisely the mules were brought to a halt, no matter where the car was, and the driver would walk off to eat, sleep and smoke and be gone two hours. No Mexican ever hurries. Most of the complaints received were to the effect that the cars went too fast. Even after we got things somewhat systemized Don Pablo Chora, the president of the road, returned from a trip one day to say to the manager:
“‘Ah, señor, but I am afraid we shall never get our people to accept this enterprise.’
“‘What is wrong now?’ was asked.
“‘Why, one of our greatest merchants paid his fare to be taken to the alameda in 20 minutes, and he and he hold the driver cut the time down to 15! We shall be ruined by moving folks around too quickly. Let us tie up the legs of the mules and take the whips away from the drivers!’”—Philadelphia Press.

An Advantage of Keeping Still. The man who keeps his mouth shut seldom acquires a reputation as a liar.—Chicago Daily News.

PITH AND POINT.

The absent have their faults and the present their excuses.—Chicago Daily News.
Young people who want to save money try everything but going to bed early.—Acheson Globe.
“Leaves have their time to fall.” The beginning wheelman may fall any time.—L. A. W. Bulletin.
It is better to be afraid of your own tongue than of the tongues of other men.—Congregationalist.
The Hobo's Grievance.—Reformer—“You wish to join our crusade against the rumsellers?” Tramp—“You bet! I'm sore on dem slobbs. Deys won't trust a feller.”—N. O. Times-Democrat.
“Jack says this new horse he has bought is a bargain.” “Then it is a safe lady's horse.” “Why?” “Because a woman can always drive a bargain.”—Sydney Town and Country Journal.
“Jack—‘Poor Dobbies! They say he got a pair of beautiful black eyes lately. I feel very sorry for him.’ Harry—‘You needn't. He got a very handsome girl with them.’”—Melbourne Weekly Times.
Lovejoy (as he is about to leave after his rejection)—“Come, Miss Spurner, help me on with my overcoat. Since you cannot be my wife, you may at least be assister to me.”—Sydney Town and Country Journal.
Highwayman—“Your money or your life.” Lawyer—“Here's all I have.” Highwayman—“All right. Now get out.” Lawyer (taking him by the buttonhole)—“Wait a minute, friend. Don't you want to engage counsel to defend you in case you should be arrested for this affair?”—Boston Journal.
“Well, sir, there is no use talking, the women are always surprising us. You never can tell about them.” “Why?” “Didn't you notice it when you called last night? Your wife and mine talked for nearly 20 minutes and neither asked the other if she knew of a good dress-maker.”—Chicago Daily News.

GUARDING THE BANKS.

One Precaution That Is Taken to Make Sure That Watchmen Are Vigilant.

Some people think that time locks, burglar alarms and steel-barred windows, with a watchman awake or asleep inside and the police outside, might afford protection in plenty for a bank. A visitor in a district messenger office the other day found that bank authorities do not hold to this opinion.
The visitor noticed when he entered the office that the manager seemed to be watching the clock with great solicitude. Without any warning the young man jumped up from his desk, grabbed his hat and dashed out. The stranger's curiosity was aroused and he waited until the manager came back.
“What was the matter?” he asked.
“The bank watchman was testing me,” he said, and then went on to explain the system. At every hour and half hour the watchman inside the bank pushed a button that rang a bell in the messenger office. This button was at the rear of the bank. At a quarter before and a quarter after every hour he touched a button in the front of the bank that rang a bell in an entirely different messenger office. The manager of the telegraph office took down the time to the minute when the bell rang. If the bell at the bank failed to ring within five minutes of the hour or half hour, it was the duty of the manager of the office to make all speed to the bank. When he got there he must actually see the watchman and speak to him. If within five minutes after reaching the bank he did not see the watchman he was to call the police. If the manager failed to go to the bank promptly when it was his duty to do so, the watchman must report him, receiving a reward therefor. The object of having the bank connected with two messenger offices was to lessen the possibility of collusion between the watchmen and the managers.
But this was not all. An outside watchman was also employed. He was the regular special watchman who was employed by the property owners of the neighborhood. It was his duty to meet the inside watchman at the front door every hour, and then to go to the back door and meet the inside man. Then there were burglar alarms on every window, door and vault door.
The stranger went to a bank officer and asked him whether all these precautions were necessary for the detection of robbery.
“Not to detection,” he said, “but for prevention. The burglar who tries to break into this bank at night is insane. He has not the slightest chance in the world, and he knows it. Then, too, we are sure no fire can gain any headway in the building while the watchmen are kept so thoroughly awake. Of course we are fireproof, theoretically, but we do not even trust that.”—N. Y. Sun.

A Vanished Dream.

Mrs. Bramble—Don't you remember, Will, how you used to rhapsodize over the thought of just you and I living together in a dear little cottage somewhere, far from the madding throng? You used to say that would be paradise, but you don't seem since we are married to hold the same opinion.
Mr. Bramble—No, I gave up that idea the week you were without a girl. You see, if we lived that way you would have to do the cooking for us right along.—Chicago Evening News.

An Attractive Prospect.

The Cook (answering advertisement for help)—I never was raked in a fist before.
The Maid (also answering advertisement)—Don't you like the idea?
“Oh, I'll try it. They do tell me they can have fine old rovers wid de janitors.”—Puck.

FRANCES WILLARD HOSPITAL

USES PE-RU-NA FOR CATARRH OF THE STOMACH.



The Frances Willard Hospital, Chicago, Ill.

Miss Georgiana Dean was for three years missionary in Liberia under the M. E. Church from the training school in Chicago. After her return she studied nursing, graduating from the present Frances E. Willard National Temperance Hospital of Chicago. She is an enthusiastic friend of Pe-ru-na, as is evident from the following letter:
Chicago, Ill., Jan. 20, 1899.
Pe-ru-na Drug Mfg Co., Columbus, O.:
Gentlemen—You will be glad to know of the happy results obtained from the use of Pe-ru-na among the patients under my care whenever prescribed by the physician. I have seen some very remarkable cures of cases of very obstinate catarrh of the stomach, where Pe-ru-na was the only medicine used. I consider it a reliable medicine.
Georgiana Dean.
The symptoms of catarrhal dyspepsia are: Coated tongue, pain or heavy feeling in the stomach, belching of gas, dizzy head, sometimes headache, despondent feelings, loss of appetite, palpitation of the heart and irregularity of the bowels.
Send for a free book written by Dr. Hartman, entitled “Health and Beauty.” Address Dr. Hartman, Columbus, O.

HARD TO GET.

The Girls Were Learning to Make Hair Flowers and They Wanted White.

A venerable white-haired clergyman recently preached in the church of a friend. He had hardly got back to the vicarage from the church when the door bell rang and a young lady asked to see him. He received her. They talked about the sermon and other things, until finally she asked, diffidently:
“Oh, won't you please give me a lock of your hair?”
“Certainly, my child,” said the old gentleman, flattered at the request. “I'll send it to you to-morrow.” And he did.
On his return to his own home he had five more requests of the same kind, and he proudly boasted to his wife that he was glad to see that he had not yet lost his power to please. All went well until his wife received this note:
“Dear Mrs. Fourtly: Won't you please ask your husband to send me just a little lock of his hair? We have all been taking lessons in making hair flowers. So many of the other girls asked him, and he sent it to them, that I thought I would rather ask you to get it for me. Won't you please do this for me. It is so hard to get white hair for ladies of the valley.”
This was a terrible blow, and the less now said about locks of hair in that old gentleman's presence the better.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Simple Addition.

A teacher at Garden City said to her primary class the other day: “If your father gave you seven dollars to-day and eight dollars to-morrow, what would she have?” And the smaller boy over in the corner replied: “She would have a fit.”—Kansas City Journal.

Ask Your Dealer for Allen's Foot-Ease.

A powder to shake into your shoes. It cures the feet. Cures Corns, Bunions, Swollen, Sore, Hot, Callous, Aching, Sweating feet and In-grown nails. Allen's Foot-Ease makes new or tight shoes easy. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores, 50c. Sample mailed FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Who's to Blame.

When a girl graduates she has an ambition to show the world what a noble woman, with a high purpose in life, can do; but she meets a man and marries him, and soon begins to get that funny look in her eyes.—Acheson Globe.

Fruit Farming Along the Frisco.

An attractive, illustrated and thoroughly reliable 64-page booklet, devoted to fruit culture along the Frisco Line in Missouri, Arkansas, Kansas and Indian Territory, just issued. A copy will be sent free upon application to Bryan Snyder, G. P. A., Frisco Line, St. Louis, Mo.

Whisky relieves dyspepsia on the theory, perhaps, that the feeling of a brick in the stomach offsets the feeling of a brick in the stomach.—Detroit Journal.

A CHARMING grandmother!

What a pleasant influence in the house is a delightful old lady in good health!

Mrs. MOLLIE BARBER, St. James, Mo., writes: “I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound during change of life, and have passed through that critical period safely. I suffered for years with falling of the womb and female weakness. At times could hardly stand on my feet, also had leucorrhoea. I tried several good doctors, but instead of getting better, grew worse all the time. A friend advised me to try Mrs. Pinkham's Compound. I did so and after taking six bottles, was cured of both leucorrhoea and falling of womb. I am now enjoying good health and feel very grateful for the good your medicine has done me. I would recommend it to all women suffering as I was.”

HEALTHFUL OLD AGE

Mrs. N. E. LACEY, Pearl, La., writes: “I have had leucorrhoea for about twenty years, falling of womb by spells for ten years, and my bladder was affected, had backache a great deal. I tried a number of doctors. They would relieve me for a little while, then I would be worse than ever. I then thought I would try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Eleven bottles of Compound and one box of Liver Pills cured me and I am now sound and well. It helped me through the change of life period. I am fifty-five years old.”

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The Iron Port.

ESCANABA, MICH.

WHO KNOWS?

Perchance the spirit, freed from fleshen chains, May doff its ornaments and escape the tomb; Perchance may wander while all time remains...

An Unmanly Triumph

By Edwin Pugh

THERE is only one satisfactory way of arranging a party," said Mrs. Cheedle, very positively. "And that, of course, is yours?" said Cheedle...

never heard of it," cried Cheedle, springing up. "Heard of what?" faltered Mrs. Cheedle. "The saying."

FRANK JAMES' CLOSE CALL. The Timely Arrival of a Negro President's Capture in Kansas City. Frank James, the former outlaw, told when he was in the city recently the following story of how narrowly he escaped capture once when there was a price of \$50,000 on his head...

PITH AND POINT. The absent have their faults and the present their excuses.—Chicago Daily News. Young people who want to save money try everything but going to bed early.—Acheson Globe.

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The Sensation Created by the First Street Car Line in That City. "I made the survey for the street car lines in the City of Mexico," said the civil engineer...

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Brown Bess

"I WISH I could sell Brown Bess," said Susy Ross, rinsing the dishes she had just washed. "Oh, Susy!" cried her brother. "What in the world do you want to sell Brown Bess for?" her mother asked, looking up from the dough she was kneading. "I could go to the academy, mother, for two more terms," was the answer. "Then, perhaps I could—get the school at the Corners." "Nonsense, Susy. I need you to help me," her mother said. "Keeping school is a thankless business."

"It's money," said Susy, "and I do long to help myself, and you, too. Money will do everything that needs to be done."

"Yes, that's a fact," spoke up Tom, "and there's lots wants to be done. I'd like to clear that five-acre lot for potatoes and corn, but I can't do it."

"And the house wants shingling," her mother said, plaintively, her careworn countenance taking on another shadow.

"The front door's got a crack all the way across," Tom spoke up again, "and these ought to be a fireplace in granny's room. Then there's the barn; it's all we can do to keep the hay dry."

"I know all that," said Susy. "I know the house is getting to be a scarecrow, and the barn is worse, and that's why I want to be earning. As for the shingles, I should think you could put them on yourself, Tom; yes, and mend the roof."

"Where's the shingles?" Tom asked, in his matter-of-fact way. "Where's the nails? Where's the hammer? The old one is broken past mending. And where's the money to get them with, I should like to know?"

"Sure enough," said Susy, "unless I could earn it. That's why I want to sell Brown Bess."

"And if you do sell her you won't get much," Tom said. "She's so full of her tricks—the craziest colt I ever saw."

"I'm more and more afraid to have you ride her," her mother said. "But if you should sell her, there's the mortgage to be paid in October."

"If I sell her," said Susy, quietly, "it will be to finish my education."

"That's always your cry," her mother went on, in plaintive tones; "no matter what's needed; but I s'pose we must give in. Bad as the roof is, it shelters us. What would we do without a house over our heads?"

"I'd sell the cow, too," put in Tom.

"And then grandma would just about starve," the mother supplemented.

Susy turned away from the table, angry and grieved, but she said nothing, only ran upstairs to her own room. After helping her mother about the house she donned her sunbonnet and ran into the barn. Tom was rubbing down Brown Bess, whose bright, glossy coat shone like satin.

"Much as I can do to take care of her," said Tom. "She wants a regular groom who would break her of her nasty little tricks. See how she throws her head up, and look at her eyes flashing fire. Are you going to the store? Mother wants sugar and molasses and vinegar—and I've got to go in the field."

"Yes, I'm going," said Susy, "though I dread if, the bill is so large. If I sell Brown Bess that's the first thing I'll pay."

"That and the mortgage," said Tom. "Well, I'll saddle old Dick."

Susy mounted to the back of the slow old cart horse with gloomy forebodings. It was a warm September day. Even in the midst of her anxiety the beauty of the ride to Hillston soothed and delighted her. Every detail of the way was familiar to her, yet when she came to Silver Ledge falls and saw the white spray leaping over granite rocks and dancing among tiny islands she stopped old Dick and sat enjoying the scene as if she had never beheld it before.

"Good morning," a voice said behind her.

"Oh, Charlie!" she exclaimed, with a start, "I didn't hear you coming."

"No? The falls are so loud. I saw you at the bend and followed. Going to town?"

"Yes, Charlie," she made reply, and in spite of herself her voice held a curious tremor.

"You're worried over something," he said, the keen lover's eyes noting the shadows.

"Yes, Charlie, a little—the same old trouble. I want to set things to rights—and it's hard work," she said, in a low voice.

"I knew it. Why won't you leave all these matters and come with me? The house is waiting for you—and so am I." Susy, darling, make up your mind."

He held out his hand, a look of unutterable love making his rugged face beautiful.

"If father had only lived," she said. "But you know it is impossible now. Charlie. I can't leave mother—not yet—and I must finish the course at the B— academy, and keep school at least a year before I get things straightened out."

He gave a long, low whistle, then urged on his horse, but stopped again till Susy came up with him.

"You know I'll wait for you, Susy, as long as you say, but it's rather hard on me, as I'm forehanded and ready to marry. Susy, come, make up your mind. My house is a large one. I'll take your mother and granny. Tom can run the old farm, and—"

"What! Let you support me and the family, too? Never!" and her eyes flashed. "I would never permit it."

"Well, Susy, I've declared my willingness to help you, if only you would let me," said Charlie, "but, since you won't, don't look so sad and worried, my darling. It's worth serving and saving

for seven years if I can only win you at last for my wife."

"Oh, Charlie!" she said, brokenly, "your love is priceless. Only be patient."

"I'll try, and keep on hoping," he said, and they parted at the store.

The grocer met her with a smile. Everybody liked Susy. No girl more genteel than she under ordinary circumstances, but to-day her face was clouded, her manner preoccupied.

"Mr. Lee, I have made up my mind to sell Brown Bess," she said, after getting the things she needed. "Do you know anybody that wants a horse?"

"Dear me! Going to sell Brown Bess! Well, I was thinking of buying a young horse for my Alice. Is she safe for a girl of ten, do you think?" the grocer asked.

Susy grew pale. She had not anticipated a question of that sort, but she answered, after a moment's indecision: "She is fond of taking her own head sometimes. No, Mr. Lee, if I find it hard to manage her, she would never do for your little girl."

"Ah, I'm sorry for that, Miss Susy," said the storekeeper. "But I know a man who wants a spirited horse. What would you sell her for?"

"I leave that to the purchaser," Susy made answer. "Papa paid \$75 for her more than a year ago, and I wouldn't want to take less than that. For I need the money very much," she went on, "and if you will be so kind as to take an interest in the matter—" She stopped, her eyes wistful.

"Why, of course I will," the grocer responded. "I'll send my boy to your house with the groceries, and he can bring the horse back with him. If anything is done in the way of a sale I'll let you know at once."

Susy thanked him and went on her way home. As she came in sight of the house, an old-fashioned, two-story building, where dilapidation was rendered picturesque by a profuse growth of ivy that covered the front porch and much of the exterior walls, she felt more comfortable as she thought over her prospects. In imagination she had her mother quite reconciled to all her plans, her school life assured and all things going on swimmingly. For who knew but Brown Bess might bring her \$100, she was so spirited and handsome?

Work and home seemed brighter. The grocer's boy came for the horse, and though it was hard parting with the pretty creature, Susy, in expectation of results, bore the separation bravely.

"Can't we take a little of the money you get to shingle the roof?" her mother asked, as the horse was led away.

"I hope so," Susy replied blithely. "And you still think of going to school? Ain't you too old?"

"I'm not 15 yet," was Susy's answer. "Many girls go to school till they are 20."

"And there's clothes, to think of, dresses and bonnets and shoes."

"Oh, they'll be provided," Susy said, with a little laugh.

"An' winter's comin'—an' it's two or three miles to the academy," her mother went on, each time throwing a more plaintive cadence into her voice. "Tom's clothes are terribly patched, an' mother needs flannels. I ain't so young as I was once, but I ain't sayin' anything about myself, on'y it's kind o' hard to spare you," and the lines in her mother's weak face deepened.

"Mother, I wish you could see it as I do. I must go to the academy," Susy made reply. "It's the opportunity of my life. But I tell you what I will do. If I get \$100 for Brown Bess I'll divide even. Fifty dollars would go a long way, wouldn't it?"

"Well, yes, \$50 would get everything we need," was the reply. "But you're never going to get \$100. You'll be more than lucky if you get \$50."

"Well, mother," said Susy, desperately, "if I only get \$50, I'll divide even. It will be \$30 coming in every month if I only get the school."

"I don't see there's any chance of that," said her mother, with a woe-begone face.

Day after day Susy waited, but no word came about Brown Bess. Tom declared that he believed there was no prospect of selling her, but one day Charlie Grant drove up to the house, his face fairly beaming.

"I thought I'd bring you the news," he said, as he came in the bright living-room.

"Have they sold Brown Bess?" Susy asked, her voice trembling in her excitement to hear.

"Well, yes—that is, if you'll take the price they offer," Charlie made answer. "Oh, I hope it's a hundred," said Susy. "A hundred!" laughed Charlie. "Is that what you value her at? Lucky for you that I was in at the bargain. That horse will be worth thousands of dollars before long. The man who bought her trains horses for the race course. He has discovered remarkable qualities in Brown Bess as a trotter, and is willing to give you \$1,000 for her."

A thousand dollars! Susy stood for a moment like a statue; then she flew into the kitchen, where her mother was making the daily batch of bread, exclaiming:

"A thousand dollars, mother! we're rich! Brown Bess is sold for a thousand dollars! You won't have to work hard this winter. Tom can get two suits of clothes if he wants them, and buy the five-acre lot. Grandma can have all the fire she needs; the roof shall be shingled; the mortgage paid off and—"

"What am I to have?" Charlie asked, as she stopped, out of breath, behaving followed her into the kitchen.

She turned round, and, blushing beautifully, held out her hands. He kissed them both and drew her to his bosom.

"What do you think of this, mother?" he asked of the glad-hearted woman at the bread pan. "Susy is to be my wife."

"Why, I think it's a good deal better than keeping school," she said Waverly.

THE AMERICAN REGULAR.

High Character of the Men Enlisted in the Service of This Country.

I have often heard with pain and indignation the flippant, ungenerous sneer at the man who fights for pay. It is undoubtedly true that the ranks of the army and marine corps—and to a lesser degree the crews of the navy, for in this service the admirable apprentice system, which it is a pity is not more widely extended, furnishes constantly an excellent element in the ship's companies—were mainly recruited from the vast numbers of the unemployed, who join the colors under stress of poverty; but environment, example, the traditions of the services, soon exert their influence, and a very large proportion of the enlisted men remain, for at least a portion of their lives, soldiers or sailors from choice, just as others in civil life are mechanics, farmers, tradespeople, doctors, lawyers or even writers and artists. Forming, as they do, in the community a class by themselves apart, yet are they sprung from all parts of a great nation, with all its virtues, all its faults, but with the attributes of courage, patriotism, and robust, physical vigor, qualities which the American people possess to a high degree, fostered and developed by careful and intelligent training of officers and men in both land and sea services. All sorts and conditions fill the ranks—from the college graduate to the farmer's boy, from the deep-chested, long-legged Yankee fisher to the wharf-rat of a sea-side city; most of them are hard-fisted, hard-headed, rough-hewn men. Some fall by the wayside, a few are unworthy of this or any other honorable calling, but by far the great mass are bright-eyed, vigorous, clean, manly fellows, respecting themselves and others—"first-class fighting men."

One of those admirable women, a lady prominent in the good deeds of the Red Cross, who gave her services day after day at one of the supply-bureaus of the society, said to me recently: "We can always pick out a 'regular' among the soldiers we see here. Not many come to us, but those that do are invariably clean and neat in appearance, respectful and deferential in their demeanor toward the ladies here, with a modest courtesy of brave men that goes straight to our hearts." I can bear that statement ready witness. I have seen them under many circumstances—in war and in peace, in the field and in garrison, on shipboard and in port, on and off duty—and I have yet to meet the regular soldier or sailor who has treated me otherwise than with decency and civility. I happened to be in Tampa last spring when the troops were paid. Some 12,000 to 15,000 regulars, infantry, cavalry and artillery, had received their money, and the streets were crowded with the men.

I had occasion to go to the post office, but I gave up the attempt to reach the "stamp window," so packed was the room with soldiers buying money orders to send to their homes. Although the drinking places—I dislike the term saloons—were wide open all through the principal streets, and no visible restraint was placed on any one, soldier or civilian, who desired to visit them, I saw no instance of disorderly conduct, and during the whole time that these troops were encamped at Tampa and the vicinity peace and good order prevailed among them generally, except in isolated instances when, as I regretted to learn afterwards, some of the negro troops, under great provocation of their pride as soldiers, at the hands of civilians, were guilty of acts of disorder and violence, speedily checked, however, by the authorities. I wonder how many of our people know that hundreds of the fine fellows on Admiral Sampson's ships had not set foot ashore on liberty for more than six months—many of them for even a longer period—until they met with the enthusiastic welcome that all, high and low, vied with one another in extending to them on the return of the fleet to New York? All through the dreary waiting at Tortugas and Key West, before the breaking out of the war; all through the long, monotonous days and anxious nights of the blockade; all through the tropical summer, through wind and storm, bombardment and chase, and the last glorious fight with Cervera; through the hard and ceaseless work in the torrid waters of Guantanamo bay—no leisure had been theirs. Would not anyone with a drop of warm blood in his veins make indulgent excuses if, free for the time from the rigid discipline of the ship, in the exuberance of brawny health and high animal spirits, many among them yielded to the temptations of the lavish hospitality pressed upon them by an admiring and patriotic people? Yet out of about 2,000 men ashore on that occasion, but six per cent. of the number overstaid liberty, and practically all of them reported for duty eventually. Taking the instance on that occasion of one of these ships, the New York, as an illustration, of 255 liberty men all but three returned on board on time. I think that under the circumstances the incident speaks volumes for the character of the men and the discipline of the service.—R. F. Zoegabam, in Harper's Magazine.

Proof Against Wasp-Stings.

Mr. Murray, a Scottish naturalist, in a recent paper on the habits of wasps, tells how a blackbird will stand at the side of a hanging wasp's nest and deliberately tear it in pieces, in order to get at the larvae, apparently undisturbed by the swarm of angry insects, whose vicious stings instantly put to flight the human curiosity-seeker who ventures near to watch the demolition.—Youth's Companion.

Long Tails Handy.

The tails of fish are so much larger than their fins because their tails are their chief instruments of motion, while their fins are employed more to direct their progress and steady their movements.—N. Y. World.

FOREIGN GOSSIP.

Japan has a new lighthouse made of bamboo, which is said to resist the waves better than any kind of wood. Fire has destroyed the cottage in which Joseph Haydn was born at Rohrau, in Lower Austria. The commemorative tablets were saved.

Last year the number of Germans who emigrated to other countries across the Atlantic was only 20,966, as against 120,089 in 1891, and 220,003 in 1891.

The Norwegian government has issued an order prohibiting Swedish officers from inspecting forts or witnessing the drill of troops in Norway, and has decided to use on forts and war material certain moneys borrowed for railways.

Queen Victoria appears to have made, by proxy, a good schoolmistress, as well as sovereign, judging from the fact that when she ascended the throne more than 50 per cent. of the British people could not write their names, while now only seven per cent. are in that lamentable condition of illiteracy.

Scotland is apparently in the forefront so far as advertising novelties is concerned, for, if rumor does not lie, a soap firm, on hearing that the congregation of a church found it difficult to provide their minister with a suitable salary, promised to pay £120 a year for five years on condition that its advertisement should be hung up in front of the gallery in the church.

A London bookseller has just been sentenced to nine months' imprisonment for selling indecent French books, in spite of his counsel's plea that a book in a foreign tongue could not corrupt the morals of her majesty's subjects. Though this was the first successful prosecution on record where the book was not in English, the court would not allow an appeal.

A cow is the last creature one would expect to see with earrings, yet every cow in Belgium must wear them now. The director-general of agriculture has issued a regulation that all animals of the bovine species are to wear earrings as soon as they have attained the age of three months. Breeders are obliged to keep an exact account of the animals raised by them, and the ring, on which is engraved the number, is fastened in the animal's ear to prevent the substitution of one animal for another.



A RAINY DAY.

"Oh, dear!" said Ned, "what shall I do? It rains so very hard, I can't go out to play at all, not even in the yard."

"That it should rain to-day, and I am forced to stay indoors and have no chance to play."

"Come up into the attic, Ned," called out his sister Bess.

"There's lots of curious things up there. We'll have some fun, I guess."

And upon they climbed the attic stairs.

Against the window pane And on the shingles overhead They heard the beating rain.

Around among the "curious things" They played and romped and ran; Ned found a cap and sword and gun, And was a soldier man; White Bessie dressed in trailing gowns That swept the attic floor, And played that she was very rich And kept a ten-cent store.

Then Bessie she was very sick, And Ned was Doctor Gray; He felt her pulse, and hawed and "hemmed," And then he said good-day.

When he got home he sent his bill—"Twas cheap enough, she said—"Twas forty dollars were she well, And fifty were she dead!

Then Ned became a circus clown, And played beneath a tent; And when the circus came along, Of course Miss Bessie went. The clown he hopped and danced and sang Till Bessie laughed: "Oh, dear! I never seed a funny man Who acted quite so queer."

And while they played it ceased to rain, The sun shone in the room.

"Oh, dear!" said Ned, "I hate to stop From playing quite so soon."

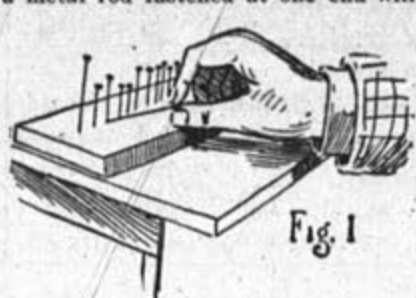
"Me, too," Miss Bessie said. "We've had such fun at play—A splendid, jolly time—I wish 'Twould rain most every day." —William G. Patten, in Golden Days.

TWO CLEVER DEVICES. How Boys and Girls Can Construct Simple Instruments That Are Full of Sweet Music.

There is in Scandinavia a popular belief that all lost pins are gathered by gnomes or mountain sprites and used as weapons in subterranean battles among hostile factions of those mythical and diminutive hill dwellers.

One need hardly seek, however, such remote places to find good use for stray pins. They can be employed in making at least two different patterns of musical instruments—dolls' instruments, perhaps, but nevertheless full of sweet music.

It is well known that the vibrations of a metal rod fastened at one end will



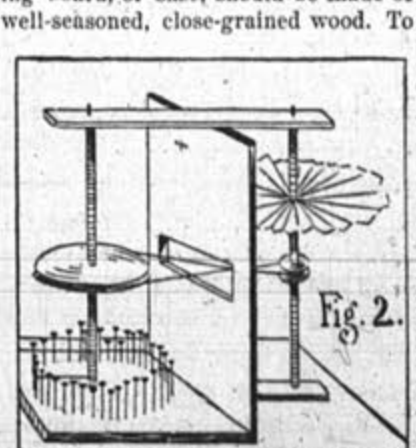
produce a tone the sound of which is regulated by the length and thickness of the rod. A pin fastened to a board by its point and put in vibration (struck) by a nail or a strong needle is no exception to this rule. Whether arranged in rows, as shown in figure 1, or in a circle, pins will vibrate when "struck," and the tone may be made to conform to a certain scale of tune by inserting the pins at a greater or less depth in the board.

Figure 2 represents a row of pins arranged in a circle and touched by a needle, which is set in motion by a hot-air wheel.

Carefully examine figure 2 and you will easily see how the device may be made. Half-inch pine boards will do, or even shingles, for the framework, and the air wheel should be made of paper after the manner of the ordinary whirligig. Waxed twine will serve to connect the whirligig wheel with the wheel that moves the needle, and the machine should be made as light and easy-running as possible, but the sounding board, or base, should be made of well-seasoned, close-grained wood. To

properly place the pins to make the desired tune drive them in very slowly, testing their sound frequently, and as soon as a pin is at the proper "pitch" or gives the desired sound leave it and pass to the next one. The pins must be straight and strong and placed in a perfect circle.

When the pin-music machine is completed arrange it on a shelf or box, so that it will stand with the air-wheel portion six or eight inches above an ordinary lamp. The hot air from the lamp will make the air-wheel revolve; this will make the needle move along the circle of pins and play a tune.—J. Christian Bay, in Chicago Record.



The Savage Bachelor.

"Persons who stammer," said the pseudo-scientific bolder, "do so because they think faster than they can talk."

"Is that the reason," asked the savage bachelor, "that we so seldom meet a woman who stammers?" —Indianapolis Journal.

How Spain Raised Money.

Under Spanish rule a chief source of income to church and state in the Philippines was a lottery, which yielded \$200,000.

FERRETS ARE USEFUL.

In Europe They Are Used as Aids by Sportsmen and for Ridding Houses of Rats.

The ferret, practically unknown in this country, is an almost indispensable adjunct of country life in England. There this fierce, snake-like little animal is used for hunting rats and rabbits from their burrows, and never a gamekeeper but has a hatch that serves as a home for the little "varmint."

The ferret is regarded variously by naturalists as an albino variety of weasel, or a deviation from the usual type of the polecat. It differs from the polecat mostly in color, which is usually yellowish-white, though the coat sometimes runs considerably darker, or pure white. The eyes are pinky-red and sharp as needles. The animal measures about 14 inches, exclusive of its tail, which is about five inches long.

In practical use for the purpose of bolting rats or rabbits from their holes, the ferret has to be used when hungry, so as to make it fierce, and is almost invariably muzzled to prevent it from killing its quarry and then sleeping off its gorge in the burrow. It often has a bell attached to its neck to aid in locating its whereabouts when underground.

Ferrets are very susceptible to cold, and need warm hutches and bedding while in the field, and they often travel



in a keeper's side pocket. They are, of course, carnivorous, but in captivity thrive on plain bread and milk, with an occasional rat or bird thrown in for a luxury.

On this side of the Atlantic ferrets have been seldom used except by some men who have made a business of rat-catching, i. e., clearing buildings, ships, etc., of rats. One reason for this may be the comparative scarcity of the burrowing rabbit. The methods employed in hunting rabbits with ferrets are two. If it is desired to bag the rabbit, i. e., catch him alive, for coursing with terriers or any other purpose, loose nets are spread over the mouths of the burrow, into which the bunny bolts and becomes entangled. More usually the rabbits are simply bolted into the open, so affording very lively snap-shooting, especially when there is plenty of covert, and it becomes necessary to bowl the swift-footed little beasts over while they are crossing some strip of ground no wider than an ordinary road.

It is common to find persons manifesting the utmost repugnance to these animals, which may be due partly to their snakelike way of coiling together in a tight knot in the straw of their hutch, and partly to the idea that they are unclean and unsavory.

Like the domestic pig, the ferret may frequently be unclean—because it has no chance to be otherwise. This is the fault of those human beings who will not clean the hutch or pig pen, as the case may be. For example, when they are fed a bird or a rat, they never touch the skin, and this of course should be removed, as it will speedily become offensive.—N. Y. World.

BEARS EAT INSULATORS.

They Thought They Were Crab Apples or Some Other Delicacy Dear to Bruin's Appetite.

A railway cannot get along satisfactorily without a telegraph line. For every train that is run on the road a dozen telegrams are sent over the wire, and it would be a dangerous operation to send out a train without this constant supervision. In northern Maine, some years ago, a railroad was laid, and the usual telegraph line erected by its side, but it looked for a time as if the road would have to be abandoned. The telegraph acted as if bewitched; every day there was a break in a certain patch of woods, and in nearly every case the insulators were found to have been either broken or torn from the wire and pole. No one could imagine why persons should commit such damage from mere malice, and there certainly could be no monetary reward in stealing insulators worth a few cents each. The company hired detectives, and finally discovered that bears were doing all the mischief. One man suggested that the bears thought the insulator knobs were crab apples, but of course no one knows the real reason. So the company invited some hunters to camp in that patch of timber, and in a short time the bears emigrated to some place where it was safer to climb telegraph poles.—Golden Days.

Most Temperate Nation.

The Greeks were perhaps the most temperate of the ancient nations. True they had their wine, but it was of a mild character, containing but little alcohol, yet they never drank it without the addition of water, and to drink it otherwise they deemed to be the act of a barbarian. In show—the Greek drank for exhilaration, and never allowed his cups to carry him beyond it.

RAPID RIVER RIPPLES

The supply of water for the drives left the many dams on the White fish and its tributaries of little bene...

building next to Boedcher's merchant tailor shop.

Jos. Collette, who moved his family to Green Bay last fall, is now engaged in Madden & Schaible's mill.

Henry Cardin and mother went to Escanaba Saturday, on business, and returned the same evening.

Rev. Robert Houston started for Sarnia, Canada, Monday to attend the funeral of his brother.

Chas. Fish and family of Menominee moved into Hibbard's small house Monday.

Linda Boyer went to Nahma Saturday to reside a few months with Mrs. Jereau.

Jas. F. Simoneau transacted business in Escanaba Tuesday and Wednesday.

John Angulm was down from the woods Saturday of last week, returning Sunday.

Mrs. Fred Darling has been sick since last Monday, but is slowly improving.

Miss Kate Dineen and Miss Maggie Fleming visited their homes in Escanaba Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. B. Buchman and daughter Annie, went to Gladstone Friday to have-dentist work done.

Dr. Laing's horse has nearly recovered from injuries received in a runaway this spring.

R. C. Young came down from Turine Saturday and returned Monday morning.

Elmer Gray, the Masonville school teacher, visited William Vitzke last Sunday.

Henry Baraboo commenced work in D. C. Dillabough's hardware store Monday.

Capicola Kniskern and Annie Engelke went to Escanaba on business Friday.

A boy arrived at John Carmody's Friday of last week. He has come to stay.

Gordon R. Wolf came from Escanaba Saturday night and returned Sunday.

John Gill went to Ensign Saturday on business and returned Tuesday.

Nora Fleming, of Escanaba, is cashier and bookkeeper for Jos. Sinnitt.

Mrs. A. Pfeifer went to Green Bay Wednesday to visit a few weeks.

Adam Schaible went up the river again Monday; to oversee his drives.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hooks removed from Sevastopol Friday to this place.

Max Glazer attended to business in Escanaba Sunday and Monday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Heintz on Saturday May 7th, a daughter.

Mrs. Rogers of Chicago is visiting her mother, Mrs. Sol Jerome.

Gilbert Grandchamp went to Escanaba on business Wednesday

It is reported here today that some important jobber, who may have a few poles he wants down at once, has blown out the wide water dam and that many millions of feet of pine belonging to the Garth Co., will consequently be hung up.

Mr. Pfeifer has removed his feed store to this building on Main street. This is a decided improvement over the former location, and one that will be appreciated by his many patrons.

Mrs. Michael of Sevastopol, Wis., was called to this place Friday of last week on account of the illness of her daughters, Mrs. Jos. McDermitt and Mrs. Fred Heintz.

Mrs. Marshall will move to the Hay Meadow in about three weeks, where her husband will be railroad engineer for Stickney & Johnson during the summer.

Geo. Birch while at work on a scow attempted to catch a tie with a pick. eron it slipped and went into his foot. He will be laid up for a few days.

The board of appraisers has fixed the damage to Anton Schultz at \$35 on account of the flood and injury to his field caused by the log jams.

B. W. Young has gone to Rook. land, Ontonagon Co. in search of carpenter work and finds plenty of it at remunerative wages.

Michael LaCross and family of Green Bay moved here Saturday, occupying one of the houses of Schiable & Madden.

Louis Belongie with his wife and daughter Lucy, went to Gladstone Sunday to attend the funeral of Miss Lizzie Burnett.

Kate Carmody stopped over Monday night on her way to Defiance, where she will finish six weeks of a term of school.

A. P. Waldo, the genial merchant, has a timely suggestion for you in our advertising columns this week. Read it.

Mrs. Fred Heintz has been at the point of death, and at this writing, shows very little signs of improvement.

D. C. Dillabough's new residence southeast of the school house will be ready for occupancy in two weeks.

Miss Capie Kniskern and Annie Engelka will open an Ice Cream parlour about the 21st inst. in the

gone by since the romantic days of our early manhood, when we first made the acquaintance of the locality symbolized by the Indian maiden whose name the poet has made imperishable.

Next we greet St. Paul, not the venerable saint, but the city named in honor of him, and which first attracted our attention when its birth-day numbered but four years, and the little log building erected by the Jesuit missionaries was then standing on the plateau overlooking the river.

Considering the delays and inconveniences one has to endure between St. Paul and Escanaba, if the route selected is via Ashland, I could not conscientiously recommend my friends to make selection of that route to this point of destination.

NEW OIL INSPECTION LAW.

Gasoline, Naphtha or Benzine Must be Labeled by Dealers. State Oil Inspector Smith calls attention to the fact that the amended state law, providing for the inspection of illuminating oils, went into effect May 1.

First two barrels, 40 cents per barrel; next three, 30 cents per barrel; next five, 20 cents per barrel; next 15, 15 cents per barrel, and one-fifth of a cent per gallon for all above 25 barrels. The fee for car lots is also one-fifth of a cent per gallon. The fee is made a lien upon the oil inspected.

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WALDO'S advertisement for a spring tonic. TAKE A SPRING TONIC YOU NEED IT! It will do you good. Go to Waldo's, buy 25c worth of anything you want and get a wine glass of De Witt's Sarsaparilla to cleanse your blood.