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HEAVEN WITHIN.

More sweet than smiles are tears which rise upon the lids.
When some fair smile first dawned upon my eyes.
A gift which by nature long kept hidden,
That thrill'd us with theapture of surprise.
But danger yet and deeper is our feeling
When some fair deed by one we love is wrought.
Some unexpected grace of soul revealing,
The lovely blossom of some secret thought.

Oh! in those moments of divine emotion
The darkening veil of doubt is rent apart;
More near we seem to the God of our devotion,
The heaven we hope for dwells within our heart.

WHEN THE SHIP COMES IN.

A sweet-faced woman and a sweet-faced child are wandering among the shipping docks of this great city. The woman is plainly dressed, but evidently in her best attire, and there is a touch of gentility in her features, in the neat lace collar, neck of better days, perhaps, the pearl ear rings and neat gloves. The child is neatly dressed, too, and as she clings to the woman's hand, looks love at her guardian.

But the woman's face is not at its best now; a careworn look, and a faint wrinkle upon the forehead that ages her, and lessens the charm of her features.

She is inquiring of the dockman and stevedores who no longer about the wharves, whether the brig Good Luck had come in. She always receives the same reply for her eager question, for the brig Good Luck had been lost a month ago, dashed on a lee shore, and ground to pieces by the sea, and will never come in—never.

If they told her, she would not believe them, for the woman and her child have supreme faith that the brig Good Luck will come in soon with cargo and crew, though they have been asking the same question and prayer for many a day.

Then she goes across the street and views her way among the sales and boxes and passing carts, and through all the hubbub and bustle of the wharf, and climbs a flight of stairs to where the brig owners have their office. They are used to seeing her, and smile as she enters, and she smiles as they look significantly at one another as much as to say—

"Poor thing! she's mad. No wonder, no wonder!"

"Mad! Yes, she is mad with 'hope deferred' and 'a cup of sorrow' and her husband, Cal's Shelter, master of the brig Good Luck; to meet the master of the brig, her husband and the father of her child. Why does he stay away from her so long?"

"Is the Good Luck in yet?" she asks of a clerk.

"Not yet, ma'am."

"She is expected, of course, to-day?"

"Of course."

"There's a vessel coming in now. I see the tall masts. Look!" pointing out the office window to the river front. "Maybe that's it, Ellie, dear, look! There's the father's vessel with father on board!"

The child claps her little hands at the sight.

"Sorry to say that ain't it, ma'am," says the clerk, relapsing into his calculations, and paying no more attention to the woman.

She stares out at the window at the approaching vessel drawn by a tug, and then with a blank look upon her face, and a moan that is heart-rending, says:

"No, Ellie, no; that is not the Good Luck. I can see the figure head. The figure head of the Good Luck is an angel; a white and good angel. No, no; that isn't it."

"But papa will soon come home, won't he, mamma," said the child.

"Old Mr. Tawman, who is the head of the establishment here, now comes from behind the desk, and approaching the woman, says in a kind tone:

"Mrs. Shelter, sit down; make yourself as comfortable as you can in a dingy office like this. Here, little one, come here and give me a kiss. A bright, pretty, little dear, Mrs. Shelter."

"She looks pale," said the mother, "she is tired, she has been walking too much."

The old gentleman sits down and lifts the little girl upon his knee and kisses her.

She winds her arms around his neck and says:

"You will tell my papa to come soon, won't you?"

"Yes, dear."

"It was a habit of this firm to pay a sort of pension monthly to the widows of captains who were lost while in their service. It was not much of a stipend being only half pay, but it was certainly a blessing in a great

many cases. Mrs. Shelter had always received her husband's money here while he was at sea, or it was sent to her when she was sick, or the weather was bad.

"Ah! Mrs. Tawman, I'm sure the Good Luck will be in to-day."

"Certainly, it will; what's to hinder it?" he answered.

He took the child down and goes over to his desk, and unlocking the drawer, he takes out an account book and begins writing a receipt. Then he goes over into the cashier's room, and while he is there the telegraph operator calls him over.

"Click, click, click, goes the magic instrument, repeating its dot and dash message.

"Hear that?" says the operator.

"That's news for you."

"The proprietor could read every word by its sound."

"He'll get a message from God," said Mr. Tawman, reverently. "I must not tell her."

He comes back to where the woman is sitting; his face is flushed with emotion—some strange excitement. He throws into her lap a bundle of bank notes.

"There, Mrs. Shelter, now go home. Take a car at the door."

"Oh, no, I'm not tired; and I should like to be here when the brig comes in. But I thank you so much."

"Here, little one," says the good-hearted Tawman, "here's something for you to buy candy with, and he'll put her into his, untrotted hand, a bright quarter dollar, and laughs at the wonder and delight of the little recipient.

"I'll keep this for my papa."

"Poor little thing, she is weary unto death. She collapses herself in the big chair and sinks into slumber in an instant.

"Now, Mrs. Shelter, you've had no dinner," says Tawman.

"Oh, yes, sir."

"Yesterday, perhaps, but I mean today. Go down with Mr. Pelton, there, our serving man, and get something to eat. You see we have made arrangements for the comforts of our clerks. We give them a meal and a hot one, too. There's nobody there."

"Go down there and ask the waiter, Mr. Pelton, addressing Mr. Pelton, "to give me a cup of tea, and a slice of toast, some chicken, and all that."

Then, pausing a moment, as if propriety and philanthropy were struggling for mastery in his mind, he said:

"No, no, George. Tell Henderson to send the dinner up here, that's better."

The young man leaves the office again and consults the telegraph operator.

"Send the message at once, Mr. Lindsay, if you please."

He writes something, a long message, and sends the message. Indeed, he writes the message itself is not half so important, so interesting to those who concern.

By the time the message is sent the dinner is ready in the proprietor's private office, where Mrs. Shelter partakes of it, but does not awaken the first child that she may see also.

Then Mr. Tawman says:

"Now you had better go. I'll see to the little one. I'll bring her up with me to-night."

"No, no!" exclaims the mother, "I must have my Ellie with me always, sir. You are good sir—so very good. And is there no news of the Good Luck?"

"Not a word, I am sorry to say."

"It can't be possible. The brig must come in to-day."

"I'm sure I hope so with all my heart and soul, Mrs. Shelter."

"I know you do," she responded, with a sigh.

"Now go. I'm sorry you have to wake the child, but I suppose you can't help it."

"Come, Ellie," said her mother, "tossing her lightly on the shoulder, and with a start, awakes and cries—

"It is my papa. Dear, dear papa."

Seeing her disappointment, she burst into tears.

"Don't cry, dear, don't cry; the ship will soon come in."

The good old man speaks soothingly to the sobbing child; and the mother, catching her hand, walks sadly away, followed by Mr. Tawman, who follows down stairs and helps her and her child into a car.

The next morning the woman is again brought about the wharves with the same agonizing inquiry. She puts the same question to the wharfman and again receives the same answer, and as before she seeks the office of the

brig owner, still accompanied by the little girl, and asks:

"Has the brig Good Luck come in yet?"

"Not yet, Mrs. Shelter."

"Will it be in to-day?"

"I hope so."

And then he goes behind his desk and looks over his letters. He has not long been engaged in his correspondence, when a screen from the woman starts him. She has risen and is pointing excitedly out of the window.

"Here is the ship coming in; look! look!"

"That's not it," said a clerk, "that is a schooner."

"Oh, no," adds Mr. Tawman, "it is not the Good Luck."

"It is—it is!"

She dashes across the office, dragging the child after her, runs across the landing wharf down to the very edge of the water. Mr. Tawman rushes to the window, opens it, and calls to her, but to no purpose, however. All the clerks cluster around the window to catch sight of her.

"She is going mad," says one, "she is going to drown herself."

"Tawman," says quietly to the telegraph operator.

"Is it the Mary?"

The schooner is being towed up the river by a tug. She is making preparations to anchor in the stream opposite the wharf. All this time Mrs. Shelter is standing in the mist of the fog of excited people waving her handkerchief and the little girl is wailing her.

"Look, look! there! there! a man overhead," cries one of the clerks.

A cry of alarm goes up from the wharf.

"Heaven!" exclaimed Mr. Tawman, "what does this mean?"

"He is swimming like a fish," said a clerk.

"He has landed. Listen to those cheers."

"Look! look!" shouted the operator, "she is landing here! so is the little girl. It's God! Shelter."

"Thank God!" exclaimed Tawman, and pray heaven that she may not sink under the shock. Poor woman! who she clings to the drenched man! Dear deity!

He put on his hat and ran down the steps like a boy, and darted over to where husband, wife and child are united and happy.

"Ah!" he exclaimed, shaking the captain by the hand, and not caring for the gaping and wondering crowd all around him. "This is good luck, isn't it, old? Did you get my telegram?"

"When the man can speak he answers—

"Yes."

"I planned it all!" chatters old Tawman. "You see I got a dispatch yesterday from the Bookkeeper, saying that Capt. Shelter had been picked up on a raft by the schooner Mary. I told her in the car yesterday that the brig would come in, and come it did. Over to the office, every one of it, and after dinner and dry clothes, captain, we'll have a talk about business. Come on."

The next evening, as a rule, the labors of government departments receive but a scanty recognition from the general public. The people of this country are too busy to look into them. But this is not the case with our census reports, which are too useful in sundry ways to fade easily from the memory, or to be disregarded. Since the last census of 1870, its detailed results have been in constant application and active employment; and such must be the case with the census which is to be taken throughout the Union next June under the direction of Gen. Walker and his band of assistants. Everything is in readiness for the work, and it is proposed to gather up the points within a limited period of fifteen days. It is anticipated that the total population will foot up to fifty millions, despite the fact that during the last decade the panic and consequent depression in business kept many thousands from landing on these shores.

The taking of census is a very difficult and delicate transaction, when properly and thoroughly performed. Difficulties caused by differences of race, religion, climate, and resources, all have to be mastered in such a case, and a trustworthy statement of numbers, not a mere rough estimate and guessing (as unfortunately too many of our census have been) should be constructed for this Union. The value of such figuring is such that it is almost impossible to take in an

view the full meaning of their value. As in some mountainous country the stupendous size of some giant of the Alps is scarcely understood till the slow labor of the traveler painfully attempting to climb the shelving sides, even of its lower slopes brings home to us the magnitude of the mountain of which but a small portion can be traversed in a day of severe toil, so it requires a considerable mental effort to arrive at an adequate appreciation of what those figures amount of human life, which form in the aggregate the stupendous power of this great country. Let anyone try to remember the names of those persons who have himself known; let him count them carefully, and put down their number. Then let him compare that handful to those who owe allegiance to the Stars and Stripes, and he may form some faint notion of what an amazing such multitude of people and resources really means.

The importance of such an inquiry as the census, and the advantage which such information may be in the public administration of so wide a domain as in the active possession of vast individualities, are very often underestimated. Hence it is very regrettable that the machinery for enumerating the population and resources of the country should be still so imperfect, so glaringly inadequate, as it now is. Congress might well set to work and improve it, making it a permanent institution to collect and store useful knowledge between the decennial periods when the forms are to be made up on a large scale and published. There is no work of more appropriateness or greater value to which the country should be put, as now organized, the census of 1880, and a snare in point of reliability; its chief members are few, poorly paid, inexperienced, unqualified, makes shifts, census-takers should really be men of parts in every respect—cultivated, judicious, honest workers, giving their lives to the subject, and hence their claim to a living from the profession.

No guess work should be tolerated for a moment; it should be as strictly fact and figure as possible to be gathered and sifted. The aim, indeed, should be to give a census report as reliable as the reports of the weather bureau. Now if your saddle happens to be one of the predestinated saddles, and I happen to be one of the predestinated men, I can't help it. Dar was Judas, for instance. He couldn't help betraying de Saviour, case de Saviour said, "Judas, go in thy dish and go and betray me." It wasn't Judas' fault, case he was one of the predestinated, so attended from de foundation of der world.

"I don't want any religious discussion, Dave. It isn't the saddle now that I care so much about. It is that you told me a lie in saying that you didn't betray me."

"Well, den, parson, suppose I takes back de lie and keeps de saddle?"

"A lie lie told always stands. You have lied to me, you scoundrel, and I believe it is my duty to have you arrested."

"Parson, dar is jes a certain amount of lies in der in der world, and of I is one of dem what is predestinated, ter tell one ob dese lies his not my fault, and I can't help it."

"You go on now and get that saddle or I'll swear out a warrant for your arrest."

"I'll do de best I kin, parson, but dar is jes a certain amount ob stole saddles ter be returned in dis world. If I is one ob der predestinated men, and I believe I is, you'll fine your saddle hanging on de yard fence sundown dis evening."

The answer in the affirmative. The usual questions were asked of the lady, when, to the surprise of all present, she replied with a decided and emphatic No! and, with head erect and a most quietly air, strode from the room. The affair created a commotion among the wedding guests, who were at a loss to understand the cause of the lady's strange conduct. It afterwards leaked out that her intended husband had been displaying his gallantry in another direction, which was not pleasing in the sight of the lady, and she determined not only that she would not marry him, but that she would punish him as well, and she succeeded.

The Iron says that besides the diamonds which Mr. Maceter is trying to make, there is another class of stones known as false, imitation, or Parisian diamonds, composed of silica in combination with other ingredients, which has been brought to such perfection that it is claimed for most of them that they can stand the usual criticism either by gas or day light. Most people are familiar with the story of the gentleman who, desiring to pass his wife's jewels, took them to a tradesman to have false diamonds substituted for the real, but found that the lady had anticipated him. Still the old imitations, the manufacture of which dates back to the middle ages, could easily be detected by an expert. Besides silica they consisted mainly of oxide of lead, but they were soft and glassy, and often became dull through wear or exposure to moisture. About two years ago, however, a preparation of gold was substituted for the oxide of lead, and an expedient was found for increasing the refractive power of the product, so that when properly cut it is said to be indistinguishable from the finest Indian or Brazilian gems, even when placed in juxtaposition with them. The artificial gems are cut as carefully and mounted as expensively as the real diamonds, but their cost is only about a three-hundredth part of the latter. So that, even if the Glasgow alchemist were to succeed in his experiments beyond what he is at all likely to do, the Diamond Brilliance, as the new stones are called, would probably drive his more genuine articles out of the market.

THE VALUE OF THE DIAMOND DRILL.—Mr. A. J. Severance, of San Francisco, says that the diamond drill has developed a very important part in developing the mineral wealth of the West. The first great treasure house which these drills opened up was that known as the Consolidated Virginia and the California Bonanzas, which have yielded \$107,000,000, of which the stockholders have received \$74,000,000 in dividends. One of the owners of the mines told Mr. Severance that the diamond drill had realized for him \$5,000,000. All the principal Comstock mines, and many of the largest mining properties located in California and Nevada, use those drills. They are also extensively used in Colorado; have pushed their way to most of the Territories; have been introduced and operated in New Mexico, old Mexico, and Australia. The Japanese Government has also been supplied with them.

Mr. Severance enjoys the distinction of having perfected the diamond drill, and of proving its utility by running a horizontal hole (then regarded an impossibility) eight hundred feet, taking out a complete cylindrical core, and showing the strata of every inch of rock passed through. This was done in Vermont. Soon after he introduced the drill upon the Pacific coast, with the results already noted.

Two brothers at Evergreen, Ala., were not only alike in looks, but so equal in strength that a wrestling match was arranged as a test. This did not settle the question, however, for one was thrown on his head and killed at the beginning of the contest.

A CALIFORNIA BOY STOOD AN unalike in a public doorway during a religious meeting. The umbrella was attached to a strong cord, an end of which the boy held in his hand. Eleven different people are said to have carried the umbrella to the length of the string.

NEVADA GAVE A PENNY AWAY indiscriminately. If a beggar tells you he is starving, order him to come to you the next day. If he makes his appearance it is a proof of the falsehood of his statement. If it had been true he would have died during the night.

A BIRD'S REVENGE.—A sensation of a rather unusual character took place not long since in the quiet and sequestered village of Colledgeville, the circumstances as related being as follows: A marriage was announced to take place in the above named village, the wedding guests were invited and everything appeared to be lovely. At the hour appointed the wedding party took their place and the clergyman proceeded with the ceremony. He propounded the usual questions to the groom as to whether he would take this woman to be his wedded wife, to love, cherish and protect her, etc., to which the gentleman gave a prompt

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The Lake Superior Iron Company have commenced stripping on their property at the head of Main street, in the vicinity of "A" shaft, with the intention of uncovering the roof of the latter, and subsequently mining and shipping it. In the ordinary working of the shaft an immense quantity of ore had necessarily to be left as a roof covering, which will hereafter be mined from open pits. The present houses of the company, some fifty or twenty in number, located on this part of the property, will have to be torn down or removed to permit of the time to time to permit of these workings being carried on.

At a meeting of the American Institute of Mining Engineers, held in New York on the 17th ult., Messrs. C. H. Hall and Jay C. Smith, of this city, being agent and superintendent of the Superior mine, and the latter holding a similar position at the Cleveland, were elected members. The election of these gentlemen as members of this Institute is a deserved tribute to their unquestionable ability as mining men, and the indomitable energy with which they have applied themselves to the study of all that tends to benefit mining industries in general, as demonstrated by their most wonderful achievements at the Superior and Cleveland during the past few years. These are the only members of the Institute in this region, as far as we have been able to learn.

We are informed that, at the invitation of the Marquette Iron Ore association, the American Institute of Mining Engineers will meet at a meeting at some point in this county during the coming summer. The matter has not yet been fully decided upon, as we understand it, but as the members of the Institute have expressed a willingness, even a desire, to come, and a very pressing invitation has been extended to them to do so, it is but reasonable to suppose that the meeting will be held, probably some time in June or July. The party will come, if at all, by special train, visiting the iron mines of the Menominee range and Marquette county, and thence by boat from L'Anse to the copper district, after which the meeting will be held in this county. No other institution of the kind has ever gained such notoriety or prominence in this country as the American Institute of Mining Engineers, and when the members do condescend to visit this peninsula, they may deem that the most courteous treatment at the hands of mining men generally.

The Excelsior (old Peat) furnace has not yet been blown in, though at the time of beginning the work of repairing and remodeling it was thought all would be in readiness to put on the blast about the 1st of January. The repairs and alterations, however, are now about completed, and it is safe to say that, if no unforeseen obstacles present in the meantime, the furnace will be blown and making iron within three weeks' time. The Auriferous has at different times made mention of the changes and improvements being made at the furnace, but there is constantly something new to note. A new and entirely different crucible from any we have yet seen is in place, and will stand about five feet below the level of the stockhouse, in which it stands. A track is to be run just aside and to the south of it, so that ore can be shoveled direct from the cars into it, when, after being crushed, it will be taken up by the hoist and deposited in pockets, from which it is run into the "buggies" as desired, and sent to the top of the furnace. The hoisting house is entirely completed, and the cages ready to be put in place. A new boiler arrived on the ground Wednesday, which is to be placed in the boiler room apart from the others, and it is not to be used except in case of accident. A large smoke stack, 30 feet high outside the roof, also arrived the same day, and after it is in place the boilers will be ready for work. The furnace formerly was what is known as an open furnace, but has been changed to a closed form, leaving openings but the two notches through which the iron and cinder run. Mr. Carroll, under whose management the repairs and changes are being conducted, and who, after they are completed, is to be the furnace, informs us that with ordinary good luck he can make the furnace produce at least 25 tons of pig metal per day. About 20,000 bushels of charcoal are on the bark, as well as a quantity of ore which has been handled by team from the Lake Angeline mine. Other news taken at our recent visit will be written up another time, want of space forbidding our doing so the present week.

The Cleveland Iron Mining company has begun the erection of a large and commodious engine house, which, when completed, will be among the largest and most substantial in the district. The building proper will be 100x44 feet outside walls, to which will be added a boiler room 44x40 feet, forming an "L," both departments to be under the same roof. It will be situated on that part of the company's property just north of the county road and east of the side track leading to the mine, and is to be fire-proof in every particular. The walls are to be of stone, and the roof, pillars, etc., of iron. The engine house proper will be divided into two rooms, in one of which will be placed two engines and four 6-foot drums supplied with Merritt's interior gear, while the other will contain a pair of Rand's air compressors and engines. The boiler room will contain three 4-foot boilers, 19 feet long. When completed and equipped, this engine house will do the work done by No. 4, and most of that of No. 2—so called because of its location, being the first engine house built by the company—leaving only the air compressors in the latter, to be in case of necessity or accident; it will also do the hoisting from the Incline and Saw Mill pits, and will consume sufficient air for the entire mine. The cost of putting in this elegant plant of machinery, boilers, etc., which is to be new and complete throughout, together with the cost of constructing the building, will, of course, involve the expenditure of a very large sum of money—more, in fact, than it is absolutely necessary to spend for the purpose of properly carrying on the workings of the mine—but the older engine houses of the company, being constructed of wood, and made dry as tinder, are therefore in danger of being consumed by fire at any moment, retarding operations at the mine, or some parts of it, for a considerable length of time, it was deemed best to make the investment, which we have no doubt will demonstrate its economy in the long run. In the language of the management, he "wants an engine house that will not keep him awake nights for fear of waking up in the morning and finding it burned to ashes."

and the right man in this stable would reap a little fortune the coming season, which he could not count upon to increase the season following.

Bill Steele, one of the D. M. & M. employees, left here Wednesday last in company with the chief engineer, McKown, for Mackinac, where he will be employed assisting in the survey of the line from that point. Steele was here but two or three weeks, but at that time made many friends who were saddened at his departure. Bill: "Steele" the young heart from there: "Just show a 'picket' at her head. And see it waits up a tree."

We are now engaged writing a story which, with the permission of our publishers, will appear in these columns shortly, unless the Mrs. is withheld at the request of the hero, who is inclined to be modest and not caring considerably for public notoriety just at present. Our story, if it appears at all, will appear under the following title: **THE CONQUEST OF A SON IN EAST CIRCUMSTANCES**

STARVING FATHER.
OR,
WHY THE UNNATURAL SON SOUGHT TO HAVE HIS FATHER ANNOYED CRAZY.
The hero can call upon us and we will inform him upon what terms the Mrs. will be withheld. The National hotel, under the proprietorship of W. A. Jellison, is daily growing in popularity. It now stands first among the hotels of the city, and we predict for it that if the present management continues at the helm it will receive a profitable patronage during the coming summer season. The hotel, which is a large roomy one, has unquestionably acquired a poor name through the mismanagement of previous proprietors, but it is now run on an entirely different plan from any on which it was conducted heretofore, and is, indeed, not only a credit to its manager, but to the city in which it is located. Let the traveling public try it once, and we venture to say that thereafter they'll try no other.

From the sixteen mile camp on the line of the D. M. & M. comes up another wall of agony. This time the unfortunate man was kicked in the head by a mule, and seriously if not dangerously injured. We have not learned the individual's name, but understood that he is only one week from Canada. If the fellow recovers from his injuries we will feel no sorrow for him; he should have had sense enough to know that no full grown respectable American mule would allow a Canadian to get within kicking distance of his heels. We sincerely trust that his fellow Canadians on the road will be warned by the fate of their companion. "Kicked to death by an American mule," would read bad on a Canadian tombstone.

A meeting of the citizens of this city will be held at Mother's hall to-night (Thursday) for the purpose of raising money for the relief of the sufferers in Ireland. There will be many speakers present, among them the Hon. F. O. Clark and A. P. Swinford. We are sorry that circumstances will not admit of our reporting the proceedings of the meeting in this issue, but we have no doubt of its entire success. Although the citizens of Marquette take but little stock in dog races, they are never backward with money or influence when the cry of the distressed people reach their ears. Owing to the severe snow storm occurring on Sunday morning last, the attendance at church was small and the collections there consequently light.

One day this week two "wild deer of the forest" put in an appearance on Washington street, coming from the woods in the vicinity of the Protestant cemetery, much to the amusement of the many small boys on the street. The deer came bounding down the street at greater than race-horse speed, until they reached Klockner's, when, leaving the road, they began jumping fences as well as every other obstruction around there. One of them ran into a barn; the door was closed upon him, but he afterwards broke out and escaped to Hill and Ridge streets. The other, after going into a chicken coop and jumping through the top of it, escaped in the same direction. The deer were driven into the city by an Indian hunter who had followed them all morning, but gave up the chase when he reached this place.

A distressing as well as a very painful accident, met Mr. Whipple, of the engineer force on the D. M. & M. Saturday last. The young man was engaged laying out the line somewhere in the vicinity of the Carr furnace, and needing a "picket" which was in the hands of one of his assistants who stood at some distance, he called to the assistant to throw it to him. The assistant threw the picket, but threw with much greater force than was expected or called for, the picket coming with great velocity straight at the engineer's head. He involuntarily put out his hand to ward off the expected blow, and its sharp point struck

squally in the palm of the right hand, and passed so quickly through that the skin on the back of the hand was raised and just on the point of breaking. The young man immediately came to the city and had the wound, which was not only dangerous, but exceedingly painful, dressed, and is now, under the care of several good nurses, recovering rapidly.

MICHIGAN.
Geo. Sheldon and Capt. W. A. Dunn of Houghton, were in town Monday looking over the Sheldon property, where a party of men have lately been making some explorations. We understand it is intended to dispose of the property to some eastern capitalists.

The party given by Mr. and Mrs. L. Getz, on Saturday evening last, as reported to have been one of the most pleasant affairs of the season.

Michael Gleason returned Monday last from the Menominee range, after having looked that region over pretty thoroughly, being absent about three weeks. He reports everything booming in dead carriages in that section of the country.

Capt. W. J. Morrison, formerly of the Spaur mines, we are informed, being appointed mining captain of the Florence mine, Menominee iron range, and assumed charge last week.

The friends of the captain in this section will be rejoiced to learn of his good fortune, while the managers of the Florence can at the same time congratulate themselves on their good fortune in securing the services of so competent a man.

Most of our merchants have been busy the past week taking invoice of stock. We have every reason to believe that all will find themselves in a most healthy condition.

The ice harvest has just about been gathered in in this town. A goodly quantity has been stored away for winter use. John Jewell has resigned his position as one of the foremen at the Michigan mine, and has accepted a more lucrative one as captain of one of the hematite mines on the Negaunee range.

We have just barely space enough to call the attention of parties heretofore, or elsewhere, who wish to secure a good investment for a small amount of capital, to the item in Marquette relative to the sale or lease of Mrs. Hurley's livery stable.

BUSINESS NOTICES.
WANTED—Any one having a horse of 4 or 5 years to rent, can find a tenant by applying at the AGITATOR office.

F. BELMONT & Co. have just received a full and complete spring and summer stocks in Dry Goods, Clothing and Gent's Furnishing Goods. An examination of our list and all of these goods is solicited, knowing that their quality cannot fail to suit, and having all been purchased previous to the recent advance in prices, they will be sold at the old and popular figures. Give us a call if you wish to "make hay while the sun shines."

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Go to Austin's for Radishes.

Fresh Codfish, for the Lenten season, at Austin's. 19¢

Fresh Eggs, by the dozen or barrel, at Austin's.

Writers and trout, fresh from Lake Superior, at Austin's. 19¢

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Best rigs in town. Prices as low as the lowest.

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A fine lot of horses always kept on hand for sale.

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THE "BOOM"
Has struck the Clothing trade an emphatic blow, sending prices in that line of goods, like in everything else, away up beyond the reach of the laboring man, as well as the more well-to-do citizen to purchase goods of the best quality and latest styles. Appreciating the advantages to be gained by purchasing while the market was still at a low ebb, Messrs. T. & P. J. NORTON selected and have just received one of the largest stocks of

CLOTHING HATS AND CAPS
Ever brought to this Peninsula, from the best markets of the country, combining the best material with the very latest styles, which they are enabled to sell at old-time prices, and guarantee to fit you out with as noble a suit of clothes as can be had anywhere. In

The stock is more complete than ever, and sufficiently large to furnish the whole county. Any Hat or Cap, of any desired style, not found in the stock will be cheerfully ordered from the most experienced Hatters of Chicago or New York.

FURNISHING GOODS
Now on the shelves appear all previous efforts, and there is an article in their stock but what will sell full at all times, making our store the most desirable in the county to select from. Our

Merchant Tailoring
Department is also complete, having received the same attention as the other departments. Perfect fits with first-class workmanship guaranteed in every case.

Remember the place, and call while the stock is now and complete. Corner Main and Pearl streets, Ishpeiming.

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THE LIGHT RUNNING New Home.

A Model of Strength, Simplicity and Beauty. Never gets out of Order. Does not fatigue the Operator. Is fully abreast of the times in all the Improvements.

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For sale by RALPH B. DUNN, Agent for Marquette County, Ishpeiming, Mich.

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THE WEEKLY AGITATOR.

CITY AND COUNTY.

March!
Why don't you show your face?
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The young manhood soon take a front seat.
The days of Tom and Jerry are almost numbered.
There is said to be a slight advance in the wages of sin.
Four cents per bushel for Lent jokes at this office.

The traveling man from Chicago are coming by the cars and the cry promises to be large. There ought to be a rattling bustle down in the square line.
It's about time to be looking around for your July coats.
The road to fortune must be covered with ice, so many people "slip" while traversing it.
A quick way for a man to get a raise is to be on the way out.

M. J. Hiten, veterinary surgeon, has opened an office in the Bank building in this city, and holds himself in readiness to attend to any and all diseases to which horses are subject.

NORMAN McPHERSON was down from the Taylor mill Monday last, and on Tuesday returned with a number of workmen, horses and tools to assist in the work of development.

The monthly meeting of the Ishpeming Fire department was to have been held Monday evening, but as the weather was so bad, the meeting was adjourned subject to call.

ACCIDENT.—An accident occurred at the National Mine Friday last week by which a miner named Daniel Murphy was so badly injured that his life was despaired of. He was struck by falling ground.

AND still the good work of building goes on in Ishpeming. Henry McCreary and Andrew Holmgren are having two new buildings erected on North Pine street. The houses are to be neat, two-story, frame buildings, and, when completed, will add much to the general appearance of that locality.

We have received No. 1, Vol. 1, of the *Choboyan Democrat*, published at Choboyan, Mich., by Forsyth and Rummel. The paper is a seven-column folio, well edited and neatly printed, and, in politics, just what the name would indicate. The senior member of the firm was a former resident of this county.

A NUMBER of our merchants are already receiving, or have received, spring and summer stocks, while others will have eastern cities in a week or two make selections and purchases. It is asserted that the stocks the present spring will be very much larger than ever before.

DENVER the past week another transfer of real estate, situated on Main street, was recorded in this city. The transaction was between A. A. Anderson and C. Kennedy, the former purchasing from the latter a feet front between the business places of the gentlemen named. It is a reasonable of \$350.

DENNIS HOGAN, of Hogan Bros., wood contractors at Deer Lake, went down to his home at Marquette Sunday last, to find that his better half had been making a party awaiting him in the shape of and form of a nine-pound baby boy, born the same morning. He returned to the scene of his business Tuesday, wearing a smile like a candle in the office.

One of the best investments that can be made in this city at present is the construction of a goodly number of tenement houses. For months there has not been an available house, or even rooms, to be had, and the demand is steadily increasing, and will continue for years to come. With plenty of living room the population of Ishpeming will double in five years.

ATTENTION is called to the card, in this issue, of J. Ropes, chemist, and proprietor of the Ishpeming Laboratory. Mr. Ropes is now prepared to analyze any and all ores and minerals, as well as the assays of gold, silver and lead, and being one of the oldest and most competent chemists in this section of country, is sure to command an extensive business.

HAVE you been in to see Biegler lately in his shaving parlors? If not, you will be taking advantage when you drop in and see the changes and improvements which have there taken place, while Ed says that many more are to follow. He says he is determined to run the best and neatest barber shop in the city, and in coming summer, though he doesn't lay out an cent.

WEDNESDAY last we were visited by a cold, drizzling rain, which lasted nearly the entire day, and made pedestrianism on our thoroughfares anything but pleasant. The only one who was really satisfied was the state of the weather, for it was the irrefragable small boy, its condition enabling him to make his little snow ball like unto a solid chunk of lead, and to shoot it at the back of the unsuspecting wayfarer with the utmost precision.

INFORMATION WANTED, concerning the present whereabouts of John H. Perry, formerly employed as a miner at the Quincy copper mine. When last heard from, in May, 1878, he was working in the mine, but his whereabouts since that time the Quinnessee iron mine. Information concerning him will be most thankfully received by his wife and four children, residing in Hancock in very straitened circumstances. **ANSW. B. PRATY.**

We have been informed by Freeman Bros. that they have secured the contract for getting out the ties for the first twenty miles of the Detroit, Mackinac and Marquette railway, that they expect to have fifty 35,000, nearly half the number which they were to get out on the plans by yesterday, the 5th inst. They expect to have the entire quantity which the contract calls for, 55,000, out of the ground along the line by the 15th of April.

HEMATIC.
We have received the first number of the *Norway Iron Chronicle*, published at the new town of Norway, on the Mesopotamian range, by Gersjon Jones, with J. P. Bennett as local editor. The paper is a first class sheet, and is published by and for general appearance reflects no little credit on the publisher and his assistants. Jones will make something out of the *Chronicle*, yet, inasmuch as the paper is published in a remote and isolated spot in this country, it is not likely to flourish in its career in this city.

ACCOMMODATION—A new meat market will be started by Wm. J. Smith, by Wm. Andrews & Co., who will hold forth in the Old Union store building, in the store occupied last fall by Kirkland, Curtis & Co. We see no reason why the concern will not be successful. Mr. Andrews has been engaged in the butcher business for many years at the Champion mill, is a pleasant gentleman to do business with, and understands how to retain customers once he has them.

THE sad news of the death of John Mullins, Esq., who left this city a short time ago, has been received in this district, was engaged at one of the mines on the range and was killed by falling ground. He has many friends in this district, and the death of a member of the oldest residents, a sober, industrious man, and a kind husband and father. He leaves a wife and a family of grown up children to mourn his loss. His remains are expected here to-day and the funeral will probably take place to-morrow.

A PARTY of drunken Frenchmen created quite a rumpus and attracted a goodly-sized crowd in front of Donolo's store Monday evening, by indulging in numerous blows, which were imparted to all the participants. The arrival on the scene of a number of "b'hoys," who were in about as bad a condition as the squabblers, and their very evident desire to see the row go on that night, resulted in the destruction of the party being put to an end in short order.

THE "Ishpeming Water Club" is the name of the organization which has been organized in this city, for the purpose of giving a series of weekly dancing parties, the first of which is to occur at Austin's hall on Wednesday evening next. The "Waltz Club" is the name of the organization, and the best people in the city, and the parties given by them will no doubt prove highly enjoyable to those having the opportunity, and wishing to indulge in the festivities.

THE marble shop of Wilkinson & Stewart, at which operation were commenced, is now suspended during the winter months, is once again the scene of the greatest activity, and the firm are now busily engaged turning out monuments, tablets, etc., as descriptions, as rapidly as possible. Owing to the severity of the winter season in this latitude, the marble business cannot be very successfully carried on, but during the resting season the marble workers will endeavor to keep the concern busy far into the summer.

A. A. ANDERSON is having an addition built to the south side of his jewelry store, in which, when completed, will be placed a mammoth stock of pianos, organs, and musical medals, as well as an assortment of his stock that can be conveniently placed there, all of which will give him much more room to spread himself in the big business of the town. Mr. Anderson has been steadily increasing since the beginning of the new year, till at the present time it is at least 75 per cent. greater than last year.

IT is reported that large quantities of speckled trout are being taken on the shores hereabouts, through the ice. It may be interesting to those who are making "catches," if they are not already aware of the fact, that they are doing so unlawfully and at their peril, the statute in this case made and provided prohibiting the taking of speckled trout on any day of May in each year, and imposing a penalty for each and every violation. Beware that you are not caught with your own bait, by piscatorial artists.

ON Saturday afternoon last we were visited by a most severe snow storm, one which had been foretold, which was well welcomed at the time, however, for the reason that it would materially improve the sleighing, which had become anything rather than good, and at the same time, and inasmuch as the snow was so soft and fell so thickly, it would be a most desirable thing, if it were not that the sleighing is still somewhat the letter of it.

THE advertisement of the "New Home" sewing machine, for which Ralph E. Jones is agent in Marquette county, will be found in another column. The machine is said to be the very best of its kind, and the fact that the manufacturers warrant it against breakage for two years, if properly used, should be a sufficient guarantee that they mean business and intend giving you your money's worth. There is no reason why you should be patient with Ralph E. Jones, and inasmuch as he has no press upon your mind the superiority of his particular machine.

EFFORTS are being made to secure the establishment of a money order office in connection with the Republic postoffice. Mr. A. J. Leopold, deputy postmaster of this city, is in charge of the matter, and in consultation with J. Ropes Esq., postmaster here, in regard to that matter. We see no reason why a money order office should not be established there to one that the town has not had one for some time back. With a population aggregating from 2,000 to 3,000, an emergency fund of business means, and a working, industrious lot of workmen, it is safe to say that there is a larger money traffic through the mails to and

from Republic than in any of the much larger towns and cities of the peninsula, who are, and have for years, been supplied with money order offices. It may be said, however, and with good reason, that Republic is not a city, but the Aurora will be solely anxious in its calculations if, in a few short years, it has not attained such prominence as will place it near the top of the list of Lake Superior towns.

THE collection at the St. John's Catholic church, for the relief of the sufferers from famine in Ireland, up to the close of the evening service, had footed up to the handsome sum of \$428. Those who were willing and not prepared to contribute on the spot, were invited to do so during the week, and we have no doubt that by to-morrow evening the sum total will have reached at least \$500. Considering the great storm of the evening previous, and the great depth of the snow on Sunday morning, the collection can but be looked upon as a most successful one—probably the best yet held at any of the churches on the peninsula.

OUR worthy sheriff came near being a subject for cremation, Wednesday last. He had taken a benzene-charged cigar to the jail, and upon getting him in the cell he had a lively scuffle with him in which the stove was knocked over, setting fire to the room. Sheriff Anderson, however, managed to get out of the room in time to obtain water with which to quench the fire, but found the door was locked. The sheriff luckily saw a small boy on the street, and he dispatched him for a ladder, and then sending the prisoner he commenced popping the fire out with him, and by the time the ladder arrived the flames were quenched. Anderson don't care for the indignity of performing such a task, but he is a smaller man to swing.

THE Lake Superior Iron company have just had their largest and best made, a handsome and substantial fire-proof vault, in which will be kept the safe, books, and other valuables of the company. The foundation is of solid masonry, and is 10 feet high, and six-and-a-half feet deep. The interior is six feet, with a double iron door at the entrance, the outer one of which was originally intended for one of the banks in the city, but was being built for the National Bank building. Made quite the improvement was a most needed one, the office building being constructed entirely of wood, and its contents would be successfully destroyed by fire, unless that which we have heretofore called on the part of the company or its officers.

READ the new advertisement of T. P. Norton in this issue, and if, by chance, after doing so, you are not satisfied that every word is gospel truth, or if they really have the largest and best stock of clothing on the peninsula, look no more in calling at their establishment, where you can speedily convince yourself. Ever since the enlargement of their store, and in fact, before the enlargement, improvements were half completed, new goods have been constantly arriving, till to-day their stock is ready-made clothing enough to furnish a goodly number of men, and the outer one of the largest and most valuable in Upper Michigan. Their merchant tailoring department is also in full blast, and with a full line of choice piece goods, and all the latest designs and patterns, is enjoying a good run of trade.

OUR Tuesday evening last, Ed. James received quite a scare, regarding his wife to her home, from a visit to some friends, to discover that he had lost his pocket book, containing some \$200. Recalling that the book had been left on the street, he retraced his steps down town through the streets over which he had passed, being assisted in the search by some of his friends who kindly volunteered their services, but all to no purpose. Imagine his surprise and joy, however, when the day following he picked up the pocket-book, with contents untouched, at the same location. Ed. has good reason to be grateful to his good friends, and to being the fortunate finder, for where one other person would have returned it to him, it is safe to say that at least two would appropriate it to their own names.

NEW Firm.—Out or about the 10th of the present month, H. J. Collier, of C. LaFlore, of this city, and C. J. E. LaFlore, is to be general manager of a number of years been attaches of the Old Rock store, and in their respective positions have made heads of Ontario, and all classes and nationalities, so that the success of the new concern is already more than half assured. They propose bringing forth the complete lines in grocery goods, dry goods, and all the other provisions of more than ordinary energy and business tact, the Aurora will have missed his guess if they do not succeed in a surprisingly short time, a permanent and prosperous trade guarantee that, is the worst fortune it wishes them, or any other who may decide to cast their lot with the people of this, the King city of the Lake Superior region.

THE change which is to take place in the ownership of Austin & Co's meat market, in the case of the coming month, caused a change in the management, and the clothing store of Myers, Wright & Co., in Mackay's block, Scott Nelson, who has so well and acceptably filled the position for some time past, has resigned, and having concluded to take a position with Mr. Ham, who is his father-in-law, in the meat market. Scott's employees, as well as all who have done business with him, are sorry to see him leave, but where he has grown deservedly popular, yet he will enter upon the duties of his new position with the best wishes of all his friends, and we have no doubt that in the clothing store will be filled by Fred. Schweizer, of Marquette, the young

man of considerable pluck and perseverance, who has for some time past acceptably filled a position in the dry goods house of Skeels & Best, Green Bay. He has been in the business for some time, and will fully post himself in the various branches of the trade before Mr. Nelson goes out of the concern.

THE benefit masquerade, given as a compliment to Prof. Alfred Gerardi, at Austin's hall, Monday evening last, was without doubt the most successful social affair of the kind ever given in this section of the county. At an early hour in the evening maskers, as well as lookers-on, began to arrive, and ere long the spacious hall was densely crowded. About seventy maskers, in all, were on the floor, and the costumes, without a single exception, were very fine and of the most costly material. But one or two comic costumes were worn and they were not of the troublesome, disorderly kind usually seen on occasions of the kind. Kings, queens, princesses, dukes and duchesses, counts and countesses, and a variety of other titles, as well as Quakers and Quakeresses, and even the father of his country, together with his beloved Martha, was remembered through the anniversary of the birthday as a general rule. A temporary set of stairs, laid and wooden shoe artists were ignored altogether, and but one original costume was to be seen, and that a very pretty one in Indian costume. About 10 o'clock the masks were removed. The hall was tastefully arranged and everything done to insure the comfort of guests and visitors, a principal feature being the arrangement of the temporary set of stairs, laid with carpet, the full width of the stage, making the approach from the hall to the stage and thence to the dressing rooms, much more pleasant than through the narrow side doors. At the rear of the stage an unceremonious repast or lunch was spread by P. Werner, who also furnished temperance drinks to the thirsty. The programme consisted of 15 numbers, and a number of songs, some of them of excellent music furnished by Prof. Hermann and Messrs. Zyrnd and Stocker. All in all, the undertaking may be classed as a most successful success, reflecting much credit upon the projector. Where all did so liberally we would not feel at liberty to venture an opinion as to the superiority of one costume, in point of taste or excellence over another, and those who are present can draw their own conclusions.

RELIEF FOR IRELAND.—Pursuant to call, a meeting of the citizens of this city was held at the residence of J. M. Colwell, for the purpose of talking steps to assist in the relief of the famine-stricken people of Ireland. The meeting was not so generally attended as was anticipated, but a sufficient number were present to warrant, yet a goodly number of our most prominent business men were present. The following, which has been kindly furnished us by the secretary, J. M. Colwell, is a list of the names in connection with the meeting, and the amount they were pleased to report, from time to time, the progress of the different calls:

A meeting of the citizens of Ishpeming, held at Austin's hall, Tuesday evening, March 2, 1879, pursuant to a call made by the prominent men of the city, for the purpose of collecting and forwarding funds to assist in the relief of famine-stricken Ireland. The following named gentlemen were executive officers: J. M. Colwell, secretary; Wm. C. Carpenter, J. Ropes, Esq., moved that the funds for the relief of the famine-stricken Ireland be forwarded with the Farmers and Dillion fund, which motion was carried. Messrs. McNamara, W. C. Carpenter, E. M. Colwell, and J. Ropes were appointed a committee to prepare an address for the citizens of the city, and to circulating subscriptions for this charitable purpose.

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- 1st ward—J. Wahman, P. H. Devine, S. J. Peck.
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M. C. Bullock, of diamond drill fame, is in the region looking after the numerous drills of his make and perfection which are in operation hereabouts. The greater the number of drills in use in the mining regions the greater appears to be the demand, and if he doesn't make a princely fortune out of them some of these days, it will not be because he does it poorly.

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Drunkness places man as much below the level of the brute as reason elevates him above them.

Humility is the Christian's greatest honor; and the higher men climb, the farther they are from heaven.

One who is contented with what he has done, will never become famous for what he will do.

The beautiful is a manifestation of the sweet laws of nature, which, but for this appearance, had been forever concealed from us.

Nothing is so wholesome, nothing does so much for people's souls, as a little interchange of the small coin of benevolence.

Every good picture is the best of sermons and lectures. The sense informs the soul. Whatever you have, have beauty.

Wealth may minister to the best part of man, but only minister—not master. When it usurps the throne and becomes monarch it is of all things most pitiful and unjust.

The power of the mind, when they are subdued and expanded by the amiable use of felicity, more frequently luxuriate into the flowers of wisdom than into goodness.

No language can express the power, beauty, heroism and majesty of a mother's love. It strikes not when men covet, and grows stronger when man fails, and over the wastes of worldly fortune sends the radiance of its queenly fidelity like a star in heaven.

THE VOICE IN CONVERSATION.—In conversation one should of course speak loud enough to be understood. But a remark addressed to a person at your side, or across the table, need not be shouted out loud enough to be heard in the adjoining room.

Some persons seem to have almost no control over their engines of speech. Though but a little force is needed for a given purpose, they seem to have no other way to do than to pull the valve wide open, and let on steam enough to make everything shake.

The control of the voice in conversation is an important matter. It makes a great difference in the respect one makes upon those he meets whether his voice be on a high key—sharp, rasping, unpleasant—or low-toned, smooth, rich and full, pleasant to the ear.

"Vocal culture"—the scientific and long continued training of the organs of speech—is more important for use in conversation than for the purpose of singing. Few need sing but all must converse. Attention should be given to this matter in schools; the more so if it be true that the voice of the average American is loud, high-keyed and unpleasant as compared with that of his Trans-Atlantic cousin.

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