

# The Hartford Day Spring.

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The Day Spring prints all of the Local and County News, and PRINTS IT FIRST.



## PROSPERITY IS SHOWN IN BRISK HOLIDAY TRADE

Hartford Proves Popular Shopping Center for Gift Seekers.

## FINE STOCKS ATTRACT CROWDS

Typical Winter Weather Characterizes Christmas Week and Gift Seekers Are Out in Force.

Prosperity is still catering with lavish spirit to the wants and whims of the American public, and especially to those of rural folk. The brisk holiday shopping noted in Hartford for the past three weeks may be taken as a criterion. "All of the folks for ten miles about must be in Hartford today," remarked an observing farmer last Saturday, and it seemed to be true. Interviews with the local merchants bring forth the fact that never before in the history of the village have the tradespeople enjoyed a greater holiday business.

There are several excellent reasons for the popularity of Hartford as a holiday shopping center. It is one of the most accessible points in the entire county, Hartford merchants carry the choicest stocks available in any village of similar size in this section, and that they are alive to the situation and to present day competition is evidenced by the liberal patronage accorded the Day Spring's advertising columns.

The Day Spring enjoys a circulation of approximately 2,000 copies which is far in excess of the average country newspaper and the opportunities afforded the merchants to make Hartford the busiest shopping point in the county.

## BENTON HARBOR LEADS DISTRICT

City Has Population of 9,185, Largest in District.

Benton Harbor is the largest city in the fourth congressional district of Michigan, having a population of 9,185 according to the census figures for the smaller cities announced last Monday. Still, Benton Harbor is inclined to dispute the census report and claims the actual population of the city to be over 10,000.

St. Joseph has a population of 5,936, Niles 5,156 and Dowagiac 5,086.

## STORES WILL CLOSE ON CHRISTMAS

Local Merchants Agree to Enjoy Partial Holiday on Monday.

Christmas falls on Sunday this year, and local merchants have agreed to observe a partial holiday by closing their stores at 12 o'clock noon on Monday, December 25. The following merchants signed the agreement:

F. W. Hubbard, Knapp & Co., W. H. Blashfield & Co., Frank Warren, C. H. Myers, B. D. Jessup, Hurlbut & Co., E. M. Johns, G. W. Ocobock, M. O. Oppenheim, S. M. Carpp, Frank L. Eagan, G. T. Chamberlin, H. N. Robertson, Perry & Dowd, Carl W. Rice, W. J. Clark, J. H. Conrad, Bert Conklin, W. H. Dunbar, Conklin & Smith and Mortimer & Hickey.

are thus considerably augmented.

Despite the blizzard which raged the first of the week the holiday buying continues brisk. Next Saturday is the last one before Christmas and with anything like favorable weather Hartford's streets should be more than crowded all day.

Remember h Christmas ball at the town hall next Monday evening.

## THE DAY SPRING TO GIVE FINE ART CALENDARS TO SUBSCRIBERS SATURDAY

Seventy-Five Subscribers May Share in the Annual Calendar Distribution.

Following its custom for the past several years, the Day Spring will make its distribution of fine art calendars next Saturday afternoon. A year ago these calendars were distributed in a similar way, and the demand far exceeded the supply.

This year we have secured a greater number of calendars and hope to be able to cope with the demand. Here is the proposition in a nutshell:

We have laid aside seventy-five art calendars which will be distributed free to the first 75 subscribers, new subscribers or old ones who pay their subscriptions after two o'clock next Saturday afternoon. Either new or renewal subscriptions will be accepted and the art calendar given to the subscriber as long as the supply lasts, but no calendar will be given on this offer until two o'clock Saturday afternoon. This offer will be promptly withdrawn as soon as the seventy-five calendars have been given out.

These calendars are the choicest specimens of the calendar maker's art.

Some of them retail as high as one dollar each, while many of them cost from forty to sixty cents in wholesale lots. They carry no printing or advertising of any kind, but are truly what

the name implies—high grade art calendars. The Day Spring sells many of them every year for Christmas and New Year's gifts. You may choose from the assortment next Saturday by merely paying your subscription for one year in advance.

To give our old subscribers who have already paid their subscriptions in advance an opportunity to share in this distribution we have decided to give each of them who brings in one new subscription for one year next Saturday one of the calendars and a year's subscription to the Weekly Inter Ocean.

If you have already paid your subscription to the Day Spring, secure one new subscriber for the paper for one year, paid in advance, and we will not only give you one of the art calendars but will give you a year's subscription to the Weekly Inter Ocean as a special premium.

Our subscribers are asked to bear in mind that no subscriptions on this offer will be accepted before two o'clock next Saturday afternoon, in order that all may have an equal opportunity to secure these calendars. Judging from the demand in previous years, it will be wise to be on hand at two o'clock for the whole number of these fine calendars is usually taken up quickly.

No calendars will be reserved before the hour set for the distribution, so it will behoove all who hope to share in the offer to be at the office as soon after two o'clock as possible.

## FORMER HARTFORD BOY SEEKS HOME TOWN TO START BUSINESS CAREER

Robert J. Eagan has opened undertaking parlors in the Sherburne building, using the north half of the building occupied by the Hurlbut bazar. Mr. Eagan is a former Hartford boy and a graduate of the Hartford high school in the class of '09, and is a son of Mr. and Mrs. James Eagan, now residents of

Lawrence. Mr. Eagan is a graduate of the Barnes School of Anatomy in Chicago, and holds an embalmer's license in both Michigan and Illinois. He was also employed in the undertaking rooms of G. M. Baitinger at St. Joseph for two years. Mr. Baitinger formerly conducted a similar business here.

## ONE OF THE BEST IN THE STATE

Coloma Paper Praises the Day Spring's Plant.

The Hartford Day Spring is this week installing a Cottrell two-revolution press. This will make it one of the best equipped country newspaper offices in Michigan—Coloma Courier.

## HARTFORD'S TALL WHEAT CAME FROM BANGOR

Or Was It Merely the Product of a Suburb of Hartford?

While the products of the field and the orchard sent from Hartford and vicinity to the Chicago land show were all too limited, still this township took first honor for the tallest wheat sent to the exposition. The wheat was grown on the C. B. Whitcomb farm near Rush Lake, and the sample sent to the show measured over five feet in length. Although samples of wheat were shown from nearly all the states of the union, and especially from the wheat producing states of the west, still the product of Mr. Whitcomb's Norwood farm proved the tallest shown at the exposition, and attracted much comment, says the Hartford Day Spring.

That is a nice little "puff" for Hartford township, that is, it would be if it was true—but it isn't. C. B. Whitcomb is a resident of Bangor township and his whole farm lies within the borders of Bangor, although somewhat nearer the village of Hartford than it is to Bangor.—Bangor Advance.

The above article from the Bangor Advance of last week shows the Advance to be somewhat peevish because the Day Spring credited to Hartford the tallest wheat shown at the recent land show in Chicago, when as a matter of fact the wheat was raised just across the line in Bangor township.

The Advance admits, however, that the farm lies nearer to Hartford than to Bangor, and that Mr. Whitcomb recognizes Hartford as his home town.

It should have gone farther and admitted that Mr. Whitcomb is not wholly to blame because his farm lies over the line in Bangor township.

But the Advance is too technical. The Day Spring accorded credit to Hartford and vicinity, and Bangor has always been considered as in the vicinity. The Advance, it is to be hoped, will not resent so seriously the allusion to itself as Hartford's suburb, and we are quite willing to recognize it as such.

## CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT THE CHURCHES

Christmas Trees and Exercises Will Add to Joyful Occasion.

## CELEBRATIONS CHRISTMAS EVE.

Special Services from All Pulpits on Sunday, Christmas Day.

The Christmas observance in the Hartford churches, the one event of the year eagerly and joyously anticipated by the children of the Sunday schools, will be held on Friday and Saturday evenings, while special sermons prompted by the Christmas spirit will be preached from all pulpits next Sunday.

At the M. E. church on Saturday evening an innovation will be attempted in the form of a "Living Christmas Tree." A coterie of little girls will appear upon a specially constructed terrace assuming the form of a tree, and about them will be placed the gifts usually suspended from the evergreen boughs.

"The Holy Night" and "Santa Claus" will be given in pantomime, and a program of recitations and music will complete the observance. The Sunday school of the Hawley M. E. church will observe Christmas exercises on Saturday evening with cantata entitled "Santa Claus and His Friends."

The Sunday school of the Baptist church will hold a Christmas tree and exercises at the home of E. W. Ewald southwest of the village on Friday evening. Conveyances will be provided to start from the office of Dr. J. D. Stewart at seven o'clock. At the church on Sunday evening special Christmas exercises will be conducted by the school, the subject being "A Christmas in Japan."

At the Christian church a tree and special exercises will be conducted by the Sunday school at 7:30 Saturday evening, and on Sunday morning Rev. Brown will preach a special Christmas sermon to the children.

All of the churches invite the general public to attend any of the services, and visitors will be welcomed with all the good cheer that prevails at Christmas time.

## DO YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING EARLY



## Our Last Call To Holiday Shoppers

FOR CHRISTMAS



KODAK

A brief list of some of the things we offer for Christmas Gifts:

Choice pieces of Cut Glass \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50 and up.

Genuine hand painted plates 90c, 1.00, 1.25 and \$1.50 each.

Fancy decorated 8 inch plates 50c. Six inch fancy plates 25c each in large variety.

Berry sets elegant designs 1.25, 1.65 and \$2.00.

Star pattern Cut glass water sets \$3.25 per set, can buy glasses or pitcher separate.

Beautiful Water color Calendars 10c, 5c, 25c, and up to \$1.25 each.

The Morse Chocolate and Bon Bons in fancy boxes from 30c to \$2.50

The largest line we have ever shown of Brush and Comb sets at 1.00, 1.25, 1.50 and up to \$3.50 each.

Manicure sets 1.50, 2.00 and 2.50

Men's, Traveling sets from 1.50 to \$4.00.

Fancy box stationery 20c, 25c, 35c, 50c, to \$2.00.

Big line of gift books 15c, 25c, 50c, including a line of the padded poets from 50 to 75c

Boy's and girl's bound books 25c, 35c, and 50c

Popular copyrights 50c, and a big line. Come in and look them over.

Large line of bottled perfumes in fancy cases 25c, 50c, 75c to \$3.50 each.

Hand Mirrors both in ebony and dark wood from 50c to \$2.50 each.

Military sets \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.00 to \$4.00

A good assortment of the famous Kavanah Brass goods which must be seen to be appreciated.

Many other things which we will be glad to show if you call, not least of these the biggest line of Christmas Cards ever shown in Hartford.

## NATHAN F. SIMPSON MAY BECOME PRISON WARDEN

Rumor Has It That Hartford Man Will Be Warden of Jackson Prison.

According to the latest political gossip about Lansing, Nathan F. Simpson of Hartford, at present deputy under Auditor General O. B. Fuller, will be tendered the appointment as warden of Jackson prison, the matter to be settled at a meeting of the Jackson prison board of control called to meet on December 19.

Since the conviction of Warden Armstrong on a charge of bribery the question of a warden at Jackson has hung in the balance. Several times the board has attempted the selection of a warden, each effort resulting in a deadlock. Mr. Simpson is now said to be the choice of Governor Warner for this post, and it is altogether probable that, if Mr. Simpson will accept the appointment, his selection will meet with the approval of the board.

A prison warden usually retains his office during his satisfactory administration of its affairs, and the position, which pays a salary of \$3,000 a year, is thus considered a permanent one. Mr.



HON. NATHAN F. SIMPSON.

Simpson is well qualified for the position and may be expected, if appointed, to give the affairs of Jackson prison a thorough business administration.

Yesterday Governor Warner appointed John Haggerty of Detroit to fill the vacancy on the Jackson prison board.

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G. T. Chamberlin's Pharmacy

## KNOWS HOW TO RAISE, PACK AND SELL FRUIT

### Successful Grower Puts Special Stress on Care- ful Packing.

From the Benton Harbor News-Paladium:—In Oceana county, at South Frankfort, there lives a fruit grower—a successful and money making raiser of peaches and cherries. He knows how to raise fruit and he knows how to pack and sell it. This man is Paul Rose, a former Berrien county resident. He was a speaker before the Horticultural society and, unlike other successful men in other lines of endeavor, he told how he had achieved some of his success. Incidentally Mr. Rose told Berrien county fruit growers that the soil hereabouts has become exhausted for fruit growing, that it needs enriching. He also surprised his hearers by saying there was not a fruit disease in the whole of Oceana county, thanks to proper precautions.

Mr. Rose's farm lies near the lake. When he went north he secured some land about 300 or 400 feet back from the shore, finding this particular county especially adapted to the cultivation of cherries. His land was high and rolling, not too high, but yet above the lowland average. His first cherry trees he planted 20 feet apart, which he found to be a mistake. He now plants them 40 feet apart. He raises various varieties of cherries, including Purple Green, the Rockford and Bigarraux.

Mr. Rose never plows his orchard, only cultivating it with a harrow. He believes in fertilization, so bought much commercial fertilizer and spread over his acres.

Like the fruit growers of the west he found that packing was very essential. He packs carefully by hand, or cherries using a box holding 23 pounds. For his sour cherries he received from \$1.00 to \$1.50 a box and for his sweet ones he received \$1.00 from one tree he picked 550 pounds of cherries, getting 4 cents a pound.

Mr. Rose's favorite peach is the Elberta, and he is getting rid of the other varieties. He sprays carefully and plants his trees 30 feet apart, thus letting plenty of sun shine in between the rows. He declared it was a mistake to plant peach trees in an apple orchard; both suffer.

Mr. Rose prunes his trees from the top down, and so low are his trees that most of the fruit can be picked from the ground. He found that judicious pruning paid, getting from four to five bushels from each tree.

In packing peaches he at first bought a box which Colorado growers used and used tissue paper, but he found that this did not pay. Now he packs his peaches carefully in bushels and last fall he got \$3 a bushel.

The Gold Mine peach he said was an excellent variety, but he has no use for the New Prolific. It has too many faults, chief of which was the growing of fruit of various sizes.

Trees in Mr. Rose's orchard are 11 years old and they are still bearing fruit. Peach diseases are unknown, although the growers occasionally lose a tree from frost. He advised keeping the roots covered, and declared the secret of plant food was bacteria. Stimulate the soil, he said in closing, and the fruit grower who raises peaches and cherries will surely reap success.

## OVER \$4,000 FOR PEPPERMINT OIL

### Lawton Growers Receive Big Returns from Thirty Acres.

Robinson Bros. of Lawton put out thirty acres of peppermint in 1907 which during the past four years has yielded 2133 pounds of oil, says the Lawton Leader. Prices being low they held all of the oil until this season. The oil sold at \$2.00 per pound, bringing the neat sum of \$4366. A thousand pounds were sold earlier in the season, the balance being disposed of Tuesday, M. S. Carney of Decatur being the purchaser.

At one time the price of oil was down to \$1.25, thus it will be seen that over \$1500 was made by holding it. Robinson Bros. fertilize heavily with manure, and say they secured more oil from the same patch the past year than they did the year before. Besides growing mint they raise grapes and keep thirty head of cattle.

#### Gets New Factory.

Eau Claire will have a \$25,000 canning factory, according to the latest advices from that village. The concern will can all kinds of fruit and vegetables and will be in operation all year. The farmers about the village are enthusiastic over the plan and many of them have subscribed for stock in the enterprise.

## CORRESPONDENCE

CORWIN.

Vacation of three days last week in the Corwin school.

Mr. and Mrs. Claire McAlpine and daughter, Leila, are numbered on the sick list.

Charles Zimmerman and the Stickney brothers are marketing their baled hay at Decatur.

The daughters and families of Mr. and Mrs. Roll Harris will spend Christmas at their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Rose entertained a company of twenty-four at an elegant three course dinner Thursday of last week.

Mrs. Gertrude Abbott has moved onto her farm. Mr. and Mrs. Chris having moved onto her father's (Will White) to care for him.

Mrs. Roll Harris was a caller at the Byron Ostrander home at Hartford Saturday last. Mrs. Ostrander is recovering as rapidly as possible from her recent accident.

The Maxwell reunion will be held at the home of J. Knoll Christmas day. All are expected to be present with the exception of Tom Maxwell who is in the west. Miss Ella Maxwell of Marquette will arrive Wednesday of this week.

Mrs. Ed Klett planned a surprise on her husband last Friday evening. Upwards of one hundred were present. An enjoyable time with an elaborate spread until the "wee small" hours of the morning. Singing and dancing afforded the amusement.

Writings were drawn at Hartford Thursday of last week which conveyed the A. A. Olds farm to the hands of W. Neville, Mr. and Mrs. Dine, the former owners, spent Thursday night and Friday at the farm with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Johnson.

#### PINERY.

Much hunting these days.

Lloyd Garrison is very sick with quinsy.

Mrs. Adams returned from Chicago Monday.

Peace on earth, good will to men, seems the spirit prevailing in this section.

A fire early Monday morning was seen off the northwest. The fire fiend gets in his work at this season.

Sleighing is good and sleigh bells, wedding bells, Christmas bells and dinner bells are heard in the land.

Wedding bells are ringing at the Richardson home. One of the daughters will be married on Christmas.

#### KEELER

The cold weather has diminished the flow of eggs in this village.

W. H. Ryder and family visited with Fred Wilson in Wayne Sunday.

Mr. J. McMillon, who has been sick for some time is reported as being no better.

Charles Austin and wife drove to Benton Harbor Saturday and returned Sunday.

Miss Mary Roosevelt, who has had a long illness, is on the gain but her young brother is having an attack of jaundice.

W. H. Ryder and wife drove to Millburg Saturday morning and motored from there to Benton Harbor returning in the evening.

The Pentecost services in the little brown church still continue evenings but without satisfactory success, but with the ring of Gabriel's trumpet.

H. E. Corwin took a load of hogs to Decatur Tuesday. His load, twelve in number run from 200 to 400 pounds. We think he will be able to buy a new coat.

We suppose those who are not in a position to know think it is high time to hear from the "big" man but we are informed that he is not able to be around.

We are informed that the old Never Sweat club has been reorganized under the name of the Keeler Lilly club, for they toil not, neither do they spin, yet Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of them. Several resolutions were laid on the table but none were acted upon from the fact that the fire went down and no one felt inclined to hunt up some cobs. More anon.

We may say it is close winter weather. We would not dare say it is tight winter weather in Keeler, as we are living in a straight jacket, for services are held first door on our left and first door on our right, hence we have to be a little careful in what we say or else some of those with beams in both eyes will be trying to pick the little motes out of our eyes. We would say in broad English this Tuesday morning the weather seems to be on a big toot and let down 10 inches of snow in three hours.

Children Cry  
FOR FLETCHER'S  
CASTORIA

## FRUIT SUBJECTS TO BE DISCUSSED

### South Haven Society May Come to Hartford this Winter.

The South Haven Pomological Society is planning to include Hartford in its series of meetings this winter. A meeting of the society is being held at South Haven today at which the program for the winter will be arranged.

In a lengthy article the other day dealing with the society, and its work the South Haven Tribune said upon this point:

"The society wants to reach as many people as possible with the topic of the most interesting and practical value, and so will welcome all suggestions on how to extend its influence to the greatest extent and on what topics discussion is most desired by those interested in the fruit industry.

"There is no doubt that the society will continue the meetings at nearby points as begun last winter. The only difficulty will be to fill all the calls that have come in for such meetings.

"Last year, besides the bi-weekly meetings in South Haven, the society held meetings at Covert, Leisure, Lacota and Bangor. The attendance at all of these outside meetings was very large and the interest shown was most gratifying. The people of these four places all want at least one meeting this winter, and would probably be more than willing to arrange for two.

"In addition requests for meetings have come from Hartford and Lawrence, and if the necessary arrangements can be made for train service, it is probable that both of these places will receive visits from the South Haven society.

"It is proposed to make the meeting at Hartford a union meeting at Hartford for the societies from Benton Harbor, Fennville and Ganges, and South Haven and Casco. This plan was informally discussed by members of the three societies concerned at Benton Harbor last week, and they were all so enthusiastic over the plan that negotiations carry it through are pretty sure to be taken up within a short time."

#### SOUTHWEST HARTFORD.

Who said an open winter?

Mrs. E. W. Cur is on the sick list. Clyde Robinson moved to Lawton Monday.

Elmiron Robinson is marketing hay at Colo-a.

Florence Irey visited the North Bell school Friday.

Mrs. Jennie Conklin is sewing for Mrs. Shaul this week.

E. W. Irey and wife made a trip to Benton Harbor Friday.

C. L. Jennings killed the champion hog Monday, tipping the scales at 510 pounds. Next

#### BANGOR.

John Mutchler, of Raw Paw, was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. J. Cross was a recent visitor at the Geo. Webster home in Hartford.

About \$120 was realized by the Congregational Aid society from their bazaar.

Earl Gilbert and wife of Grand Rapids, will spend Christmas with Bangor relatives.

A special meeting for work was held by the W. C. T. U. Tuesday with Mrs. I. B. Sheldon.

Mrs. G. Wienhold, of Chicago, is caring for her parents who have been quite poorly for a few days past.

#### County Normal Notes.

Parents should visit the school.

We as teachers should love the bad boys.

Bad boys are made, not born.—W. J. McKone.

Examination in Psychology Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Johns and Mr. Foster were absent Tuesday.

We attended the institute Wednesday and Thursday.

School closes Friday night for two weeks vacation.

When you are pleased with the teacher's work, tell her.

We are making Christmas post cards, booklets and calendars.

Misses Curney and Stewart of class '09 and Miss Stowell of '08 were visitors Friday.

Parents should not accept their children's stories of the school without investigation.

I would rather have one flower in this button-hole today than a whole yard full after I die.—W. J. McKone.

A carpet sweeper in the house is just as necessary as a pitch fork in the barn.—Mrs. Barber.

Children Cry  
FOR FLETCHER'S  
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# Storm Sash

## SAVES HALF YOUR FUEL

Cut your coal bill in two this winter. It is easily done by fitting your house with our Storm Sash. They keep out the cold, keep the house comfortable, prevent unhealthy drafts—and save doctor's bills.

Whether the doctor orders them or not, you had better.

## Blashfield & Son



## Christmas Bargains

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Watches  
Clocks  
Jewelry  
Silverware  
Toilet Sets  
and  
Hand  
Painted  
China



COME EARLY  
AND MAKE  
YOUR SELEC-  
TIONS WHILE  
THE STOCK IS  
COMPLETE.

If Diamonds are Wanted

We Can Supply Your Wants

## H. N. ROBERTSON, The Jeweler



Our holiday stock was never more complete than now. It is on display, offering some of the finest Gift Suggestions we have ever been able to give the shopping public. We invite your careful inspection of our stock of—

## Toys, Games, Books, Toilet Articles Fancy Stationery, etc.

Many useful gifts—gifts that will be appreciated by every member of the family—may be selected here. It's easy to choose them, both, as to quality and price. In fact, popular prices combined with popular merchandise are a holiday feature at this store.

A toy for the baby, a beautiful toilet article, a post card album or other suitable gift for daughter or sister—an appropriate gift for any relative or friend—may be chosen here while on your shopping tour.

## E. M. JOHNS

L. A. McNitt, D. C.

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"I have the science of adjusting the subluxation (displacement) in the spinal column, commonly called the back bone, for the purpose of removing pressure from the nerves."

The spinal column is the only place nerves pass between two hard bony surfaces that are MOVABLE, therefore practically the only place nerves can be impinged or the nerves restricted and it matters not what part of the body or organ is affected, the CAUSE is the spinal column. I ask no questions, simply analyze the spine and I tell you every place you are affected.

This is the only science that REMOVES the CAUSE of disease and is done without pain, drugs or knife. I use nothing but my hands, and it takes but the fraction of a second and the whole object is accomplished when the nerve is released.

Paralysis, deafness, loss of voice, cancer, catarrh, gall stones, overweight, rheumatism, appendicitis, neuralgia, neurasthenia, eye, ear, throat, lung, stomach, liver, kidney, bladder trouble etc., all quickly and PERMANENTLY disappear under my adjustments.

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Let me tell you where you are affected by analyzing your spine.

Because this is new do not say "it is impossible"

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Hours 10 to 11, 2 to 5 and 7 to 8 p. m. Other hours by appointment. Lady Assistant.

## MILD, GENTLE LAXATIVE FOR WOMEN GIVEN FREE

So many of the ills of women are due to habitual constipation, probably because of their false modesty on the subject, that their attention cannot be too strongly called to the importance of keeping the bowels open. It is always important to do that, regardless of the sex, but it is especially important in women.

From the time she begins to menstruate until menstruation ceases she has always vastly better prospects of coming through healthy if she watches her bowel movements. If you find yourself constipated, with bad breath, pimply complexion, headaches, belching gas and other symptoms of indigestion and constipation, take a small dose of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin. It is a woman's favorite laxative. You will find that you can do away with salts, strong cathartics, etc., which

are entirely unsuited to woman's requirements.

Mrs. Katherine Haberstroh of McKees Rocks, Pa., and Mrs. A. E. Herrick of Wheeler, Mich., who was almost paralyzed in her stomach and bowels, are now cured by the use of this remedy. A free sample bottle can be obtained by addressing Dr. Caldwell, and after you are convinced of its merits buy it of your druggist at fifty cents and one dollar a bottle.

Dr. Caldwell does not feel that the purchase of his remedy ends his obligation. He has specialized in stomach, liver and bowel diseases for over forty years and will be pleased to give the reader any advice on the subject free of charge. All are welcome to write him. Whether for the medical advice of the free sample address him Dr. W. E. Caldwell, #62 Caldwell building, Monticello, Ill.

## The right powder at the right price

One cent an ounce—25 ounces for 25 cents is the right price to pay for baking powder. It's the price



## K C BAKING POWDER

sells for. Do not pay more; it's a waste of money. K C Baking Powder is pure, wholesome and effective in action. Results are sure and certain. A trial will not only convince, but make you a firm, fast friend. You really ought to know for yourself what a wonderful baking help K C Baking Powder is.

Send for the K C Cook's Book  
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The K C Cook's Book, containing 90 tested, carefully-made recipes, sent free upon receipt of the colored certificate packed in the 25-cent can. Send it today.

Jaques Mfg. Co., Chicago

## THE DAY SPRING INSTALLS FAST TWO-REVOLUTION NEWSPAPER PRESS

### Hartford Can Now Boast By Far the Finest Newspaper Press Room in Van Buren County.

In keeping with its ambition to issue not only one of the best local newspapers but to issue it from one of the best equipped and most modern newspaper publishing plants possible to maintain in a small village, the Day Spring last week installed a fast two revolution Cottrell newspaper press.

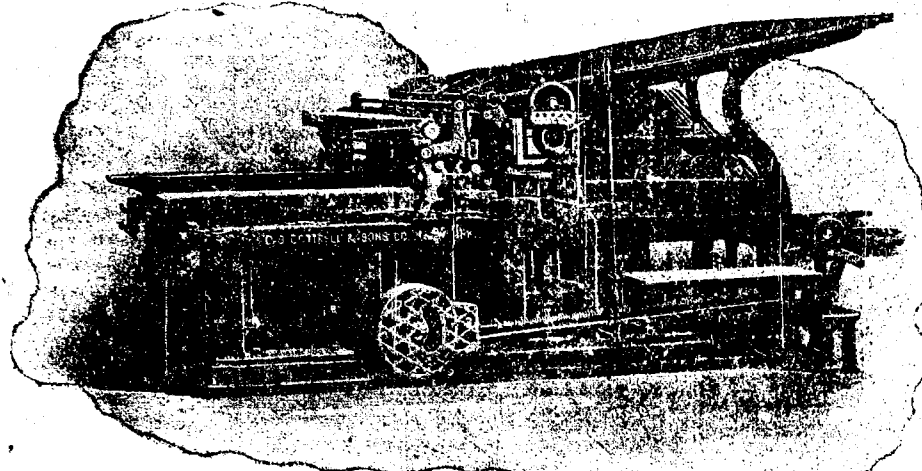
It is with no idea of braggadocio that the Day Spring presents a view and a description of this new machine, but we believe our readers will be interested in knowing something of the mechanical equipment utilized in the weekly production of the paper.

The new press is of the best and most modern type of flat bed printing ma-

chine in the Day Spring's equipment is the typesetting machine which sets the type for each issue of the paper. It is of the Unitype patent and is built by the Unitype Company of Newark, N. J. This machine is operated by means of a keyboard similar to that employed upon a typewriter, and sets the type into columns ready for publication.

This machine will do the work of from four to five people, making it possible to set a considerable quantity of type and to handle in a satisfactory way all matters of late news which come in the closing hours of the publication day. The machine also takes the type from the paper in the exact form in which it was printed and distributes it mechanically ready for the next issue, thus eliminating the distribution of the type which required two days in each week under the old method of hand composition.

Two Chandler & Price Gordon job presses, both installed during the past few years, take care of the press work



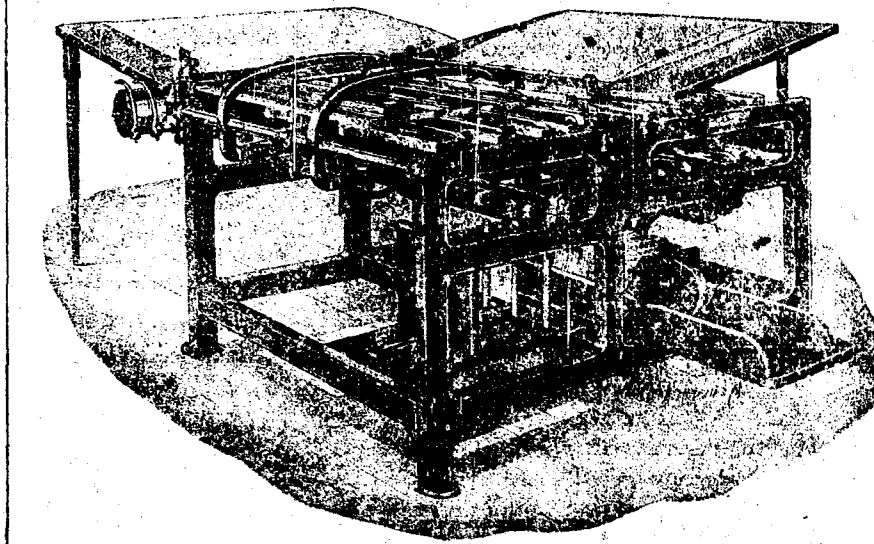
TWO REVOLUTION COTTRELL PRINTING PRESS. Just installed in the office of the Day Spring.

chine, and is the product of the C. B. Cottrell & Sons' Co., of New York, among the largest and best known of American printing press manufacturers.

The press is guaranteed by the makers to produce 2,000 perfect papers in one hour, but is operated by many publishers of daily newspapers and magazine printers at speeds varying from 2,300 to 3,000 per hour. The press derives the term "two-revolution" from the fact that the cylinder is of a circumference equal only to the printing surface of the press and makes two revolutions to each printed paper. The advantage of the two revolution machine is to obtain far greater speed, greater rigidity of impression and more perfect work than it was ever possible

to obtain on the old style drum cylinder press with which a majority of the weekly newspapers and the smaller daily papers are equipped.

An idea of the size of the machine is gleaned from the fact that when erected it weighs a total of 19,000 pounds. The machine arrived in Hartford on December 1, and it was only through the persistent efforts of the machinists in charge of the work that the press was installed in time to issue the Day Spring last Wednesday. The press was installed by Messrs. Lewis Armstrong and Ivan Graff, expert machinists from Kalamazoo. Much labor and detail work was involved in the erection of the big machine, and when it became apparent that extra effort must be made to place the press in proper adjustment in time for the Day Spring's last issue Messrs. Armstrong and Graff labored without intermission from early Tuesday morning until Wednesday night, and as a result the paper made its appearance not more than three hours late.



THE ECLIPSE FOLDER. Which Folds, Trims and Pastes 1800 Papers an Hour.

On Friday, Mr. H. B. Morse, an expert pressman from the A. B. Morse Printing Company of St. Joseph, was in Hartford and made the final adjustments on the press from the critical viewpoint of the practical pressman. The press is of the same type employed by the Morse company in printing the Fruit Grower, the Thresherman's Review and the other magazines issued by that firm, and Mr. Morse was enthusiastic in pronouncing it a particularly fine machine.

The press will not only increase the

demands upon a press are not so exacting as they have grown to be in the Day Spring plant.

Another new machine installed by the Day Spring during the past summer is an Eclipse newspaper folding machine, the product of the Eclipse Folder company of Sidney, Ohio. This machine takes the papers after they are issued from the press, folds and trims the pages and pastes the sheets together if desired, and delivers them in packed form ready for mailing. Previous to the installation of this machine from three to four girls were employed for from four to five hours in folding the issue of the Day Spring by hand. The new machine folds the papers far more perfectly than was possible by the hand method, and as it will fold

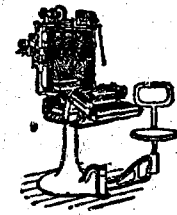
and trim 1800 four, six, eight, ten or twelve page papers in an hour the entire issue is ready for mailing when the press run is finished.

Probably the most interesting ma-

chine in the Day Spring's equipment is the typesetting machine which sets the type for each issue of the paper. It is of the Unitype patent and is built by the Unitype Company of Newark, N. J. This machine is operated by means of a keyboard similar to that employed upon a typewriter, and sets the type into columns ready for publication.

This machine will do the work of from four to five people, making it possible to set a considerable quantity of type and to handle in a satisfactory way all matters of late news which come in the closing hours of the publication day. The machine also takes the type from the paper in the exact form in which it was printed and distributes it mechanically ready for the next issue, thus eliminating the distribution of the type which required two days in each week under the old method of hand composition.

Two Chandler & Price Gordon job presses, both installed during the past few years, take care of the press work



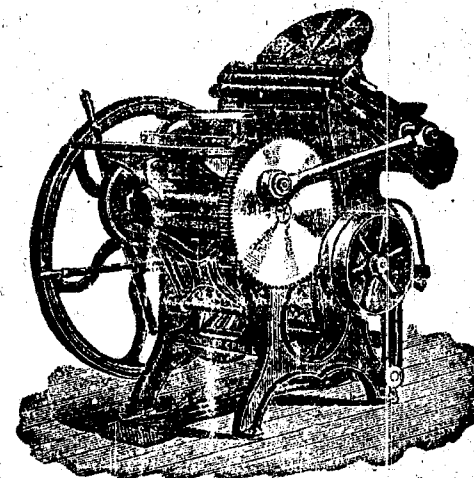
THE UNITYPE PATENT.

in the Day Spring's job department. A paper cutting machine, stitching machine for binding pamphlets and other minor machines essential to a well equipped printing plant make up the Day Spring's job department. Added to this is an excellent equipment of the latest series of type, all combining to form a modern printing plant in which the Day Spring takes a justifiable pride.

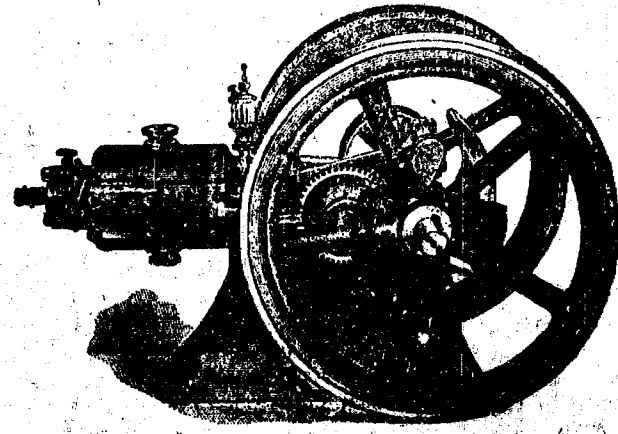
One machine which plays an important part in the operation of the plant is a Hatford product. It is a five horse power gasoline engine built by Floyd F. Leach, the Hartford manufacturer. This engine drives the entire battery of Day Spring presses, the folding machine and the typesetting machine and seldom if ever "balks on the job." This engine was installed nearly two years ago, and during a greater portion of that time has been in operation ten hours a day.

All of this excellent equipment is housed in a partial newspaper home provided especially for the Day Spring by H. M. Olney when the new Postoffice Block was erected three years ago, and which renders it in its entirety one of the most modern weekly newspaper plants in the state.

The Day Spring's typesetting machine may be found in operation at any time during the first three days of the week, while the new press and folding machine are started about four o'clock on Wednesday afternoon for the regular publication. Our readers are invited to call and see the machines in operation at any time.



THE GORDON JOB PRESS.



THE LEACH GASOLINE ENGINE.

## BARGAIN PRICES ON ALL PUBLICATIONS

The Day Spring Has Several Big Club Offers for December.

In all the history of newspaper and magazine clubbing the Day Spring has never been able to offer greater bargains to the reading public than we have planned for this year. Every family can afford to be supplied with the news of home, the county, state and nation at the prices we are able to quote.

Here are a few of the combinations which hold good through the month of December:

Combination No. 1.—The Day Spring, the Grand Rapids Daily Herald, the Uncle Remus Magazine and the Orange Judd Farmer, all four papers for one full year, for \$2.80.

Combination No. 2.—The Day Spring, the Grand Rapids Daily Herald, Uncle Remus Magazine and the Michigan Farmer, all four papers for one full year, for \$3.05. These two combinations are good only during the bargain days from December 17 to December 31. Orders may be left with the Day Spring, however, any time before December 31.

Combination No. 3.—The Day Spring and the Chicago Daily Tribune, both one full year, for \$3.50. This offer holds good during the month of December.

Combination No. 4.—The Day Spring and the Chicago Weekly Inter Ocean, both one full year, for \$1.25.

Combination No. 5.—The Day Spring and the Semi-Weekly Detroit Journal, both one full year, for \$1.65.

Combination No. 6.—The Day Spring, the Grand Rapids Evening Press, the Uncle Remus Magazine, the Prairie Farmer, Home Life and Woman's World, all for one year, \$2.55.

Combination No. 7.—The Day Spring, The Grand Rapids Evening Press and the Michigan Farmer, all a full year for \$2.80.

Combination Nos. 6 and 7 are good from December 15 to 24 and are open to rural route subscribers only.

Combination No. 8.—The Day Spring and the Michigan Farmer, both a full year, for \$1.50. After January 1 the price of the Michigan Farmer alone will be \$1.00 a year.

The Day Spring can not guarantee any of these prices after January 1.

Many publishers have announced an advance in price to take effect then. December is the logical subscription month, and we strongly advise our readers to take advantage of the clubbing rates before the first of the year.

The Day Spring is also prepared to quote cut prices on almost every newspaper or magazine published. We have issued a catalog in which nearly all American publications are listed, and money can be saved by making up your list from this catalog. The catalog is free for the asking, or will be sent upon request.

Your orders should be in early. Leave or send the orders direct to THE DAY SPRING, Hartford, Mich.

## News of the County

Niles reports 10 cases of scarlet fever of a mild form.

A fourth dividend is in sight for the creditors of the defunct Dowagiac City bank.

Mrs. Minnie Hall has been re-appointed postmistress at Lawton for another four years.

The managers of the Kalamazoo Rescue Mission have opened a successful mission at Paw Paw and are now planning upon opening another at Lawton.

An incendiary fire Saturday morning destroyed the old George H. Jerome homestead just south of Niles. The Jerome homestead was one of the finest old farm residences in Berrien county.

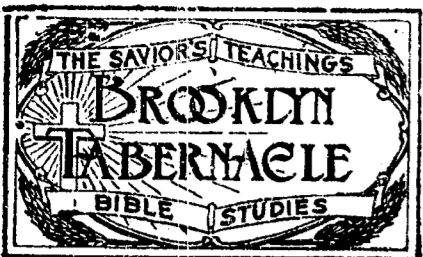
Wm. Peoples, a telephone lineman at Benton Harbor, met death by falling on a "live" electric wire last Friday. His body formed a human torch and could not be recovered until the current was cut off by the street railway company.

Sheriff Chas. Chappell has purchased a residence in Paw Paw and will continue to make the county seat village his home after his term of office expires January first. Deputy Sheriff Maicomb McGregor will locate in Kalamazoo.

## WANTS TO HELP SOME ONE.

For thirty years J. F. Boyer, of Fertile, Mo., needed help and couldn't find it. That's why he wants to help some one now. Suffering so long himself he feels for all distress from Backache, Nervousness, Loss of Appetite, Lassitude and Kidney disorders. He shows that Electric Bitters work wonders for such troubles. "Five bottles" he writes "wholly cured me and now I am well and hearty." It's also positively guaranteed for Liver Trouble, Dyspepsia, Blood Disorders, Female Complaints and Malaria. Try them. Sent by J. C. Chamberlain's.

Get your Christmas Cigars and Candies of T. F. Brown.



"GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST" December 25

"For unto you is born this day in the City of David a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord."—Luke 2:11

GOD'S promise that the Seed of Abraham should ultimately bless all nations has influenced thought the world over, but particularly amongst those nations living contiguous to Abraham's home and northward and westward from there, in the directions in which the message of Divine favor has gone.



The path leads to the tabernacle which was the first step toward the building of the church.

the Law, going down into death, instead of attaining to perfection of life. Even Moses, the special servant of God, could not, and did not, attain the blessing of the Law.

Then God made them the promise of some better thing—of a greater Mediator and of a more successful Covenant through that Mediator. The Mediator of the New Covenant (Jer. 31:31-34) was to be greater than Moses; as he himself declared, "A Prophet shall the Lord your God raise up unto you from amongst your brethren like unto me (but greater)—him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall speak unto you. And it shall come to pass that the soul that will not obey that Prophet shall be destroyed from amongst the people." (Acts 3: 22, 23.)

"The Desire of All Nations" As surrounding nations and those afar off heard of Israel's hopes—that to them would come a great Saviour, Deliverer, who would bless them and exalt them in the world and through whom bless all peoples, the beauty of the thought took root in every direction. Messiah was more or less looked for under various names, and the glories of his Kingdom were pictured by heathen poets as the Golden Age.

Thus it happened that when our Lord was born, when he was made flesh and dwelt amongst us, "All men were in expectation of him"—not of Jesus, but of the promised Messiah, whom Jesus was. This it was that drew men to the East were attracted to see and to worship him that was born King of the Jews. Thus it was also that during Jesus' ministry certain Greeks came to the disciples saying, "Sir, we would see Jesus." They had heard of him and recognized that in some respects his magic power implied a relationship with the long-expected Messiah. And so it was with the multitudes of Palestine. They heard; they listened. They said, Is this he? The rulers said, No, this is not the Messiah. Then the people asked, When Messiah cometh can he do greater works than this man? Never man spake like this man!

Nevertheless, there were few ready to receive him, even amongst his own—"Israelites indeed," to whom, because of worthiness of heart, God especially revealed his Son. This was in harmony with the prophecy of old, "The secret of the Lord is with them that reverence him and he will show them his Covenant." (Psa. 25:14.) As again it is written, "I will give him for a Covenant of the people." (Isa. 42:6.) Neither Jews nor Greeks nor Persian wise men knew to expect that Messiah would first appear to offer himself, through obedience to the Truth, a living sacrifice for sinners. None of them knew that a long period must elapse from the time when Messiah would be the man of sorrows and acquainted with grief, of whom the people would be ashamed, until he would appear in power and great glory to establish his Empire under the whole heavens, in fulfillment of the prophetic picture of Daniel 2:34; 7:13, 14-27.

"Little flock" has been selected during these nineteen centuries from every nation, people, kindred and tongue, and that they are all saints, in the spirit of their minds, at least, and follow the Lamb, whithersoever he goeth, walking in the footsteps of Jesus. Few understand that, as soon as these joint-sacrificers with the Master shall have filled up the measure of afflictions appointed, then the Kingdom of glory will be revealed and all flesh shall see it together and all shall be blessed by it.

A Savior—Christ the Lord It was prophetically, of course, that the Babe of Bethlehem was called a Savior—he was to be a Savior, The Christ, the Lord. But as the Babe he was none of these. He became The Christ before becoming the Savior and Lord. The word Christ signifies anointed. In the Divine purpose it was arranged that Messiah should be anointed High Priest of Israel on a higher plane than Aaron—after the order of Melchisedec. (Psalm 110:4.) And every priest must be anointed to his office before he could fill it. Similarly, it was prophesied that Christ would be the great King, greater than David and Solomon, who were his types and foreshadows.

The anointing of Jesus was not with literal oil, but with that which the oil upon the head of the kings and priests of Israel typified—the holy Spirit. He received this holy Spirit at the time of his baptism, the Spirit falling upon him and abiding with him, anointing him for his great work of antitypical Priest and antitypical King of Israel, who, as the Messiah long-promised, would bless them, and through them, the world. But every priest was ordained to offer both gifts and sacrifices for sins, and in this also they typified Jesus, who, under the Divine arrangement, must first offer up himself as a sacrifice acceptable to God for the sin of mankind—in order that he might be the Savior or Deliverer of men from the curse of sin and death—that he might restore them and their earthly home to the glorious condition of perfection represented in Adam and his Eden home. Hence it was necessary that Jesus should not only consecrate his life to the Divine service and be anointed with the holy Spirit, but that, sacrificially, he should lay down his life, even unto death—even the death of the cross. As a part of his reward he was raised to glory, honor and immortality, on the third day thereafter.

As the glorified One, he was now fully commissioned and empowered to establish the long-promised Messianic Kingdom, but has been waiting while a "little flock" have walked in his footsteps—until the elect number shall be completed and shall share his glory. Then his Kingdom will take the control of earth. Satan shall be bound for a thousand years and all the wonderful blessings promised in the Law and the Prophets and Gospels and Epistles shall be fulfilled.

"A Savior and a Great One" We have seen how the Son of God attained his Priestly Office, for the sacrifice of himself; how he was anointed thereto, and also anointed to be the great King, and how he has been merely waiting for the due time for his Kingdom to begin. Now we inquire as to the force and significance of the word Savior, and how he saves his people from their sins!



Jesus became King of the world of Abraham (Anointed) when he was born in Bethlehem.

But the Christ, the Savior of Glory, Bride and Bridegroom, will, unitedly, be the world's Savior. The glorified Redeemer saves his Church first—by a special salvation and High Calling. These are the "elect," called to suffer with him and, if faithful, to reign with him on the Heavenly plane. These are dealt with now on the basis of faith; they pass from death unto life by the exercise of faith and their entering into a Covenant with God, of sacrifice, through the merit of the Redeemer. Their salvation will be made actual when they shall share in his resurrection, the "First Resurrection," and become kings and priests unto God, to reign with Christ a thousand years.—Rev. 20:4.

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"Was she disappointed in the beauty of the place?"

"Oh, no. It wasn't that. You see, she had planned to fall desperately in love with her gondolier, but he proved to be a frowzy old chap with a swarm of grandchildren."

A Tragic Victory. "Jim was informed that he won the beautiful Angora cat offered as a prize in the bazaar. He was delighted."

"I don't see why he was delighted at what was a literal disaster."

"Disaster to win such a valuable pet?"

"Well you must admit it was a cat as trophy."

Trying to Be Complimentary. "Mr. Link, do you think that man sprang from the monkey?"

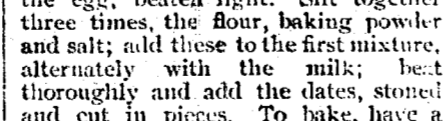
"Not if the monkey looked like you, Miss Prune—or—that is—or—"

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

Date Muffins A New Way of Using Dates

By Mrs. Janet McKenzie Hill, Editor of the Boston Cooking School Magazine

The value of dates as a food is hardly appreciated. They are wholesome, nutritious, and when used in K C Date Muffins, make a recipe that is appreciated by the entire family.



K C Date Muffins One-third cup butter; 1/2 cup sugar; 1 egg; 3/4 cup milk; 2 cups flour; 3 level teaspoonsful K C Baking Powder; 1/2 teaspoonful salt; scant 1/2 pound dates.

Cream the butter, add the sugar and the egg, beaten light. Sift together three times the flour, baking powder and salt; add these to the first mixture, alternately with the milk; beat thoroughly and add the dates, stoned and cut in pieces. To bake, have a slow oven until the muffins double in bulk, then increase heat to bake and brown quickly. Muffins baked this way will be light, appetizing and more easily digested.

This is only one of the many appetizing recipes found in the K C Cook's Book.

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**CHRISTMAS CHEER.**  
 "Commercialism" it has been charged, is a potent factor in an alleged degeneracy of the age, and upon which pages have been written by the most profound thinkers who would halt mankind in the seeming mad rush for the dollar, which if their deductions are true, has resolved itself into the one goal of human ambition.

Now, when the whole world is aglow with the Christmas spirit and even the hardest of hearts is melted by the manifold manifestations of Christmas cheer is an opportune time to weigh such logic in the balance.

Who can view the activities of the past weeks in the larger cities and reason that the milk of human kindness has been altogether eradicated from the human heart? In Chicago a movement was started by the "good fellows" to give to each child and each family who might be in destitute circumstances a glimpse of genuine Christmas cheer. It is all being done without ostentatious display. The men who have been more highly favored in the accumulation of worldly goods have set about in a practical way to discover their less fortunate brothers, and more especially the children, and on Christmas eve thousands of hearts will be gladdened by the receipt of the necessities of life, of toys and dainties which will add materially to the general store of happiness and comfort and good cheer on Christmas morning.

It is significant that this movement found its origin in Chicago, a city which, rightfully or wrongfully, has achieved a reputation as one of the most heartless and unsympathetic centers of population on the globe. The "good fellows" of other cities quickly caught the idea, and practically the same distribution of good cheer and happiness will be made in every important city in the United States on Saturday evening. As a result thousands of homes will receive a ray of Christmas sunshine, and thousands of hearts will be made happy which, save for this manifestation of human kindness, would have experienced little of the joy and gladness that pervades the entire Christian world on Christmas day.

Probably no other factor has had a more potent influence in bringing about this result than the cartoon of Tom May published in the Detroit Journal in 1907. Mr. May doubtless intended that it should lay upon the hearts of men—and it did. The picture represented a small child in a home of poverty, who had arisen from bed on Christmas morning in eager anticipation of what mythical old Santa had bestowed, only to find an empty stocking, and Mr. May's portrayal of the childish disappointment was most pathetic. The cartoon was captioned "Forgotten," but it was a human picture, teaching a lesson in human sentiment, and it has since been reproduced throughout the land until its fame is nation wide and the lesson it conveyed world taught.

Whatever of credit may belong to cartoonist May for calling attention of a bustling world to the childish disappointment that has doubtless been enacted thousands of times on each Christmas day, the real credit for the spreading of human happiness and contentment belongs to the "good fellows" of the cities who have taken the work in active charge.

"Commercialism" may be charged in all sincerity. It is doubtful if selfishness will ever be banished, or if human ambition which finds expression in the mad struggle for financial and social supremacy will ever be materially throttled. But a score of years ago the present manifestation of human kindness through the distribution of Christmas cheer would have been little thought of. Today it is a reality, an unmistakable indication that the finer sensibilities of the human race are, in no sense dulled or banished.

**THE PUBLIC SCHOOL.**  
 The Hartford public school closes the fall term this week and the Day Spring would like to know just how many persons have taken the time to visit the schools and examine the work that is being done.  
 The payment of their annual school tax, in the opinion of many people, is all the duty they owe to the public school. They pay less attention to the training of their children and to the expenditure of the larger share of their public tax than to any other matter of public moment that affects so materially their financial and social welfare.  
 If the teachers of the public school are doing good work they deserve en-

couragement, and if they are not then it is time the fact was established and a change was made.  
 If the schools are to be a success and a benefit to the community they must be provided not only with good buildings and ample funds for their maintenance, but the patrons should take an active interest in the schools and their work.

In no other way can this moral support be accorded with greater influence than by frequent visits to the various school rooms. Reports should not be accepted literally, but parents should visit the schools in person and satisfy themselves as to the progress that is made.  
 A man who leaves his business solely to his clerk deserves nothing more than failure and usually gets it.

A Bangor man who finds it convenient to do business in Hartford was able to give one-fourth of the township's entire appropriation to the Chicago land show, says the Bangor Advance. A whole host of Bangor men might find it convenient and profitable to emulate his example and also do business here. The glad-hand awaits them.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to you. Of course, you'll not experience the keenest delights of it all unless the Day Spring is a weekly visitor in your home and paid for in advance.

When it comes to providing all the Christmas delights made possible by up-to-the-minute merchandising methods, Hartford merchants have made Hartford the banner town in the county.

War is what Sherman said it was. Likewise, rumors of war, when prompted by an erroneous departmental report, may be included in the same classification.

As an orthographical adoration the man who spells it "Xmas" will soon be in oblivion for another eleven months.

Society note: Mr. A. Blizzard has been a persistent guest of the village this week.

Did you or did you not buy 'em early this year? You promised to a year ago.

A Green Christmas is—well it is out of order this year.

A merry Christmas and—

A Happy New Year.  
 Dunshoppin'?

**THESE MUST SIT IN JUDGMENT AT PAW PAW AT THE JANUARY TERM OF COURT**

The following named jurors have been drawn for the January term of the circuit court and are to be in attendance for such jury service on the 16th day of January A. D. 1911, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day.  
 John Ryan, Bangor.  
 Jasper Fellows, Geneva.  
 D. C. Harrington, So. Haven Twp.  
 P. C. Snyder, Covert.  
 Aaron Ryan, Kendall.  
 Ed. C. Anson, Almena.  
 E. A. Morehouse, Antwerp.  
 Charles Holliday, Porter.  
 Herrick L. Sutton, Decatur.  
 Henry Hawley, Paw Paw.  
 A. K. Cleveland, Waverly.  
 H. M. Lockwood, So. Haven, 1st Ward.

**Among the Churches.**

**BY THE PASTORS.**  
**Christian Church.**  
 Aid society meets with Mrs. A. E. Shepard.  
 Christmas sermon to the children, young and old, Sunday morning. The children are specially invited.  
 There will be no evening service.

**Baptist Notes.**  
 Preaching Sabbath morning by the pastor.  
 Sabbath school at 11:45; B. Y. P. U. at 6 p. m.  
 Christmas service of the Sabbath school in the evening at 7:30, representing a Christmas in Japan. A welcome to all.

**Methodist Mention.**  
 10 a. m., Class meeting; 10:30, subject, "Christmas". Text Lu. 2, 10 and 11. 11:45, Sunday school; 6 p. m., Epworth League, subject, "The Fullness of Times and God's Great Gift"; 7, subject, "The Night of Agony."  
 Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7 p. m. L. A. S. special meeting for work at Mr. Broxham's Thursday afternoon. Ladies are to make the costumes for the Christmas eve entertainment Saturday evening. Sunday school Christmas exercises at 7:45 p. m. Services at Hawley M. E. church Sunday at 3 p. m. Sunday school Christmas exercises Saturday evening. The Epworth League business meeting at President Dowd's last Thursday evening turned into a marshmallow roast.

**Nathan F. Simpson May Become Prison Warden**  
 (Continued from page 1.)

caused by the death of Thos. Navin of Detroit a few days ago, and with G. W. Merriman of Hartford and Judge Adams of Kalamazoo as the other members of the board the suggestion of Mr. Simpson as warden is expected to meet with favor.

The term of G. W. Merriman as a member of the prison board of control will expire in February. Political gossip has had it that Governor-elect Osborn had slated Postmaster John T. Owens of Benton Harbor for warden of the prison, but the appointment of a new member of the prison board by Governor Warner has given a new turn to the events and if the board can agree upon a warden at its meeting

Earl Hemmenway, So. Haven, 2nd Ward.  
 Ralph Cady, So. Haven, 3rd Ward.  
 William Eaton, Bloomingdale.  
 James Hudson, Columbia.  
 William Robbins, Arlington.  
 Walter B. Crane, Lawrence.  
 John Mumaugh, Hamilton.  
 Alfred McCowen, Keeler.  
 John F. Leach, Hartford.  
 W. D. Taylor, Bangor.  
 Clifford Pierce, Geneva.  
 Henry Emmett, So. Haven Twp.  
 W. S. Stratton, Covert.  
 Charles Eaverson, Pine Grove.  
 Ralph E. Whitney, Almena.  
 Howard Langdon, Antwerp.  
 Claude Shugars, Porter.  
 S. W. Reeves, Decatur.

next week the matter will doubtless be settled. If Mr. Simpson decides to accept the appointment his selection should prove satisfactory from all political angles.

**Many Children Are Sickly.**  
 Mother Gray's Sweet Powders for Children Break up Colds in 2 hours, relieve Feverishness, Headache, Stomach Troubles, Teething Disorders, and Destroy Worms. At all druggists, 25c. Sample mailed Free. Address, Allen S. Olmstead, LeRoy, N. Y.

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**Engle Bazar in Her Holiday Attire**



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**Special 50c Articles in Single Boxes**

Newest Ties, Persian Ties, Mercerized Mufflers, Wool Mufflers, Special Silk Hose, Black, Navy Grey and Tan, Novelty Hose, President Suspenders, Lyle Thread Suspenders and Fancy silk handkerchiefs.

**NEWEST NOVELTIES**

SILK HOSE and TIE to match in swell leather case	<b>\$1.50</b>	1/2 Doz HANDKERCHIEFS fine linen, in swell leather case	<b>\$1.50</b>
<b>\$1.00 AND \$1.50 TIES IN SINGLE BOX</b>			
3 Pair Special Black Lyle Hose in Box	<b>\$1.00</b>	Pure Silk Hose and Tie to match in box	<b>\$1.00</b>
Newest Enameled and Beaded Scarf Pins. Tie Clasps and Cuff Links	<b>50c each</b>	SILK MUFLERS IN BOX \$1.00 and \$1.50	
SILK LINED GLOVES \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50	PERINS GLOVES, Imported GREY SUED	<b>\$2.00</b>	
Newest Shades in plaited Shirts Ties to Match	<b>\$1.50</b>	Extra Quality Shirts, Cuffs attached	<b>\$1.00</b>

Extra Quality night Shirts, flannel 60 inches long auto collar \$1.25. Suit Cases \$1.00 to \$7.00. Traveling Bags \$1.00 to 7.00. Hats \$1.00 to \$3.00, Caps 50c to \$2.50. Shoes \$2.00 to \$4.00, Cushman Sole \$4.00. Smoking Jackets, Fancy Vests, Fur Overcoats, Two in one Overcoats, Suits for men and boys. Overcoats for men and Boys. 25 per cent off on clothes.



**DAVENPORT LEATHER BAG**

We have that Davenport leather bag advertised in the magazines for \$1.00. It's full size, genuine leather, real leather lined, has solid metal mountings and is guaranteed by the makers.

Guaranteed Real Leather. Genuine Leather Lined.

An Ideal Gift.

**The Wise Shopper Shops Early**

And in the selection of suitable Christmas gifts we have taken especial pains to please in variety, qualities and prices. The selection of pleasing gifts is oft times perplexing, but it is easy here. The problem is easily solved by choosing useful gifts. Our array of gift suggestions includes:

**Handkerchiefs, Hosiery, Fancy Linens, Umbrellas, Sash Pins, Belt Pins, Hat Pins, Hair Combs and a Thousand and One Pleasing Gifts**

New goods are arriving every day for the holiday trade. You'll miss the one best opportunity if you fail to inspect this choice holiday stock, and we hope to see you while on your shopping tour.

**G. W. OCOBOCK**  
 The Best in Dry Goods and Notions at Hartford, Michigan

**HOME MARKETS**

Corrected Dec. 21, 1910.

Hogs, light	7.00
Hogs, heavy packers	7.00
Fat Cows	3.25
Steers	4.00
Lambs	5.00
Sheep, fat ewes	3.50
Veal, on foot	7.25
Butter	23
Eggs	30
Potatoes	72
Rye	43
Oats	45
Corn	89
Wheat	1.70
Beans	7.50
Clover Seed	

**HARTFORD**

**News of the Week**

Fine sleighing.  
 Mrs. G. W. Merriman is ill.  
 Mrs. M. McAllister has been quite ill.  
 Miss Lauree Hoover is at home from Chicago.  
 Miss Marjorie Engle was in Grand Rapids Saturday.  
 Born to Mr. and Mrs. Elon Conklin last Thursday, a son.  
 Miss Bertha Stowe is spending the week in Benton Harbor.  
 Miss Grace Stratton returned from Benton Harbor yesterday.  
 Misses Anna and Kate Carney were in Benton Harbor Friday.  
 Read the Day Spring's special calendar offer for next Saturday.  
 Mrs. Maryetta Brown left Friday to spend the winter in Chicago.  
 Mrs. F. W. Northrup, of Niles, is a guest of her brother, Fred Fish.  
 Harry Mutchler is at home from the M. A. C. for the holiday vacation.  
 Mr. and Mrs. D. Coughlin spent the first of the week in Benton Harbor.  
 Justice J. H. Stocum will spend the holidays with his children in Chicago.  
 H. C. Hatch, of Glendora, was an over Sunday guest of Hartford friends.  
 George Bennett has been at home from Lansing this week for the holidays.  
 Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Rowan spent last week with friends in Jackson and Ypsilanti.  
 Walter Conklin left Saturday to spend the balance of the winter at Highlands, Calif.  
 A. Martin has leased his farm northwest of town to Frank Orris for a period of three years.  
 Mrs. Fred Fish and Mrs. Henry Shepard left yesterday for a month's visit at Oklahoma City, Okla.  
 Mrs. W. E. Stratton will leave this week to spend the winter with her daughter in Battle Creek.  
 Geo. De Haven has sold his residence property near Stoughton's Corners to Frances Rotzel of Chicago.  
 Mr. and Mrs. A. Kicaby, of Beyton Harbor, were over Sunday guests at the G. T. Chamberlin home.  
 N. E. Young is preparing to open a hardware store and sheet metal shop in Benton Harbor February 1.  
 Mrs. Jay Stratton has returned from a visit with Policeman Martin Bates and family in Benton Harbor.  
 The installation of officers will occur at the regular meeting of Florida Lodge F. & A. M., next Tuesday evening.  
 Mrs. Elizabeth Prichard was remembered by friends with a shower of post cards and presents on her 77th birthday yesterday.  
 Fred Simpson was in Chicago Monday, where he purchased a car of feeding cattle for the big A. M. Todd farm near Fernville.  
 A pair of new baby shoes has been found and left with the Day Spring, which the owner may have by paying for this notice.  
 The Misses Marie Spaulding, Ethel Thompson and Bernice Gustine are at home from the Ypsilanti, Norma for the holiday vacation.  
 E. H. Fredericks and family of Earlville, Ill., have taken possession of the August Ament farm southwest of town, which they recently purchased.  
 Chester Spalding is at home from the Michigan Agricultural college and has as his guest, Nathan Simpson, Jr., of Lansing, also a student at the college.  
 The new Gem electric theatre in the Conklin building has been sold by Messrs. Hotchkiss and Brown to Will Lay who will continue the playhouse, showing moving pictures each night.  
 News has been received of the death of John Richter, who died suddenly at his home in Jenison Monday. He was a former resident here, having been an operator at the Pere Marquette depot for several years.  
 James Foote, a brakeman on the Michigan Central, lost three fingers of his right hand while coupling cars at South Haven Saturday. Mr. Foote is a son-in-law of H. E. Congdon and formerly resided here.  
 December 31, 1910, has been fixed as the last day on which suspended members can reinstate in the L. O. T. M. M. It is understood that officers of the local have been in receipt of important information for all members, but what it is could not be ascertained.

Come to the Day Spring for clubbing prices on all publications.

Mrs. Bert B. Beck, of Benton Harbor, was a guest of her brother, Elon K. Conklin, Monday.

A year's subscription to the Day Spring would make an acceptable Christmas gift to an absent friend or relative.

Messrs. Edward Hickey and Lee Harley have announced a Christmas ball at the Hartford town hall on Monday evening, December 26. Music will be furnished by Denny's full orchestra of St. Joseph.

Mrs. Sophia Curtis, mother of Mrs. Fred F. Allen, died at her home in Coloma last Friday morning of paralysis, aged 83 years. For several days prior to her death Mrs. Allen had been caring for her there.

Robert E. Preston returned Friday evening from Kalamazoo college. Mr. Preston will go with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. R. P. Preston, to their new home at Ripon, Wis., where he will pursue his studies in the Ripon college.

By courtesy of the G. A. R., the W. R. C. are invited to have a joint installation and banquet with them at their first meeting, Saturday, January 7, 1911. All ex-soldiers and their wives and all W. R. C. and their husbands are invited.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Rowland left yesterday to spend the balance of the winter with their daughters at Stoughton, Wis. Mr. and Mrs. Rowland closed their cottage, Lincoln Cabin at Paw Paw lake, in November and have spent the past month at the Marian Anderson home.

This is the last shopping week before Christmas. Belated shoppers will find many bewitching gifts on display at the stores, which are all setting forth their brightest holiday dress for the enjoyment of those who come shopping. The stores are open every night this week for the accommodation of the holiday buyer.

Writing from Big Rapids in renewal of his subscription to the Day Spring for another year, Adney Adams says: "Enclosed find one dollar for our subscription to the Day Spring for another year, as we enjoy our old home paper. The weather has been fine here so far this fall and winter and not very cold and but little snow."

Matthew Haney was acquitted in Justice F. L. Hammond's court at Benton Harbor Thursday of a charge of using indecent language, the complaint having been made by Mrs. W. Itebarger, of Watervliet. The affair grew out of a business transaction when Mr. Haney was buying produce at Watervliet and his acquittal seems to justify his contention that it was principally a matter of revenge.

**INSTITUTE PROVES BIG SUCCESS**

**Many Farmers' and Teachers' Met in Hartford Last Week.**

The joint sessions of the Van Buren County Farmers' and Teachers' institutes, held at the Academy of Music last Wednesday and Thursday, were all well attended, although the ladies predominated at nearly all of the sessions. The educational features also took precedence over the agricultural in point of interest, fully three-fourths of those present being either teachers or attracted especially by the teachers' institute, and the educational topics were ably handled by W. A. McKone, the state speaker.

The farmer's institute was an especial success from a fruit standpoint. Horticultural topics were given the preference in the arrangement of the program, and were very ably handled by C. B. Cook of Owosso, the state speaker.

If any criticism of the institute should be offered it would lie in the fact that the program failed to allow ample time for the discussion of the various topics by local growers, who are more familiar with local soil conditions and possibilities, and whose opinions brought out by discussion are usually of particular value.

**LITTLE HOPE OF EARLY ICE HARVEST**

**Moderate Weather Causes Hopes of the Ice Men to Melt.**

With the approach of the new year the question of an early ice harvest is giving concern to the local dealers. Thus far only thin ice has formed over the lakes, the moderate temperature and the covering of snow preventing the formation of ice of the proper thickness for packing.

The latter part of December or the first of January usually affords the best crop of ice, and if it is not available by that time the dealers are usually concerned over the crop. Last year the local ice harvest began on January 12. Prior to that date a heavy blanket of snow covered the lakes, but a January thaw followed by a cold snap afforded an adequate supply.

**OLDEST INDIAN DIES AT OVER 100**

Mrs. Betsy Pokagon, whose death occurred Monday at the Thomas Topash home in Silver Creek, was while living supposed to be the oldest person in this section of Indian descent. Her exact age was not known, but it was generally conceded by those who knew her best that she had passed the century mark.

She was a relative by marriage of Simon Pokagon who for years was chief of the Pottawatomies, her husband being related to the once famous chief.

Mrs. Pokagon was born in Indiana, but soon came to Cass county, Michigan, and lived for some time in Pokagon township where her husband was buried. For many years she made her home in Dowagiac but of late she had lived at Thomas Topash's in Silver Creek.

Mrs. Pokagon was a Catholic and was buried in that faith. Her funeral was held Tuesday morning at Holy Maternity church in Dowagiac. She was buried in the Catholic cemetery in Silver Creek.

**Fire Visits Farm.**

Fire early last Monday morning destroyed the farm residence of George Camp on the west side of Rush lake, the house and all of its contents being a total loss. The fire originated from a defective chimney soon after a fire had been started in the kitchen stove. The loss was partially covered by insurance.

**N. w. Century Club.**

A delightful afternoon was passed by the members of the New Century club last Friday. The day was in charge of Mesdames Clinton, White and Clark, who had arranged a novelty in the way of a club program.

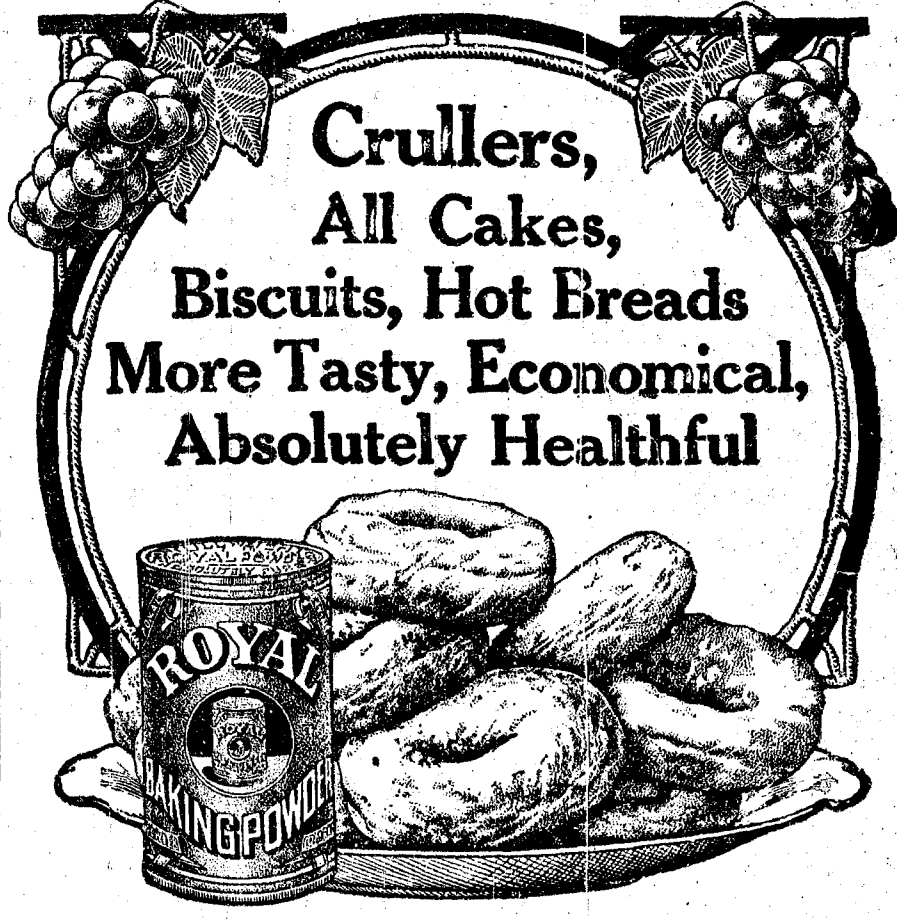
Each one had been asked to bring sewing and a Christmas gift. A pleasant social hour was enjoyed while the members were busily plying the needles. Then followed a magazine contest in which Mrs. Penwell won the prize.

The numbers and gifts having been duly numbered a merry half hour was enjoyed as each one received a gift from the package laden table. Popcorn and candy were served, and the club meetings for 1910 closed with a "Merry Christmas" for all.

**Cor. Sec.**

The last meeting for 1910 of the W. R. C. will be held Saturday, December 24. The president would like to have all members present; special work for that afternoon.  
 Mahala Olds, President.

**Royal BAKING POWDER**



**Crullers, All Cakes, Biscuits, Hot Breads More Tasty, Economical, Absolutely Healthful**

**FRUIT OFFICERS MET IN HARTFORD TODAY.**

A meeting of the officers of the Original Fruit Belt association, headed by President R. A. Smythe of Benton Harbor, was held at the Hartford House today to settle all business matters connected with the recent exhibit made by the association at the Chicago land show in the interest of Van Buren, Allegan and Berrien counties. The officers of the association are enthusiastic over the success which attended their efforts, and are planning for an even greater exhibit to be made next year.

**R. N. of A.**

Personal of Camp 1681, R. N. A. for 1911.  
 Ida Conklin, oracle; Julia Cushing, vice oracle; Aminta Kime, past oracle; Hattie Woods, recorder; Lillian Edmunds, reliever; Lena Taylor, chaplain; Gertrude Fisher, marshal; Helen Vorce, inner sentinel; Fanny Johnson, outer sentinel; Florence Long, manager.

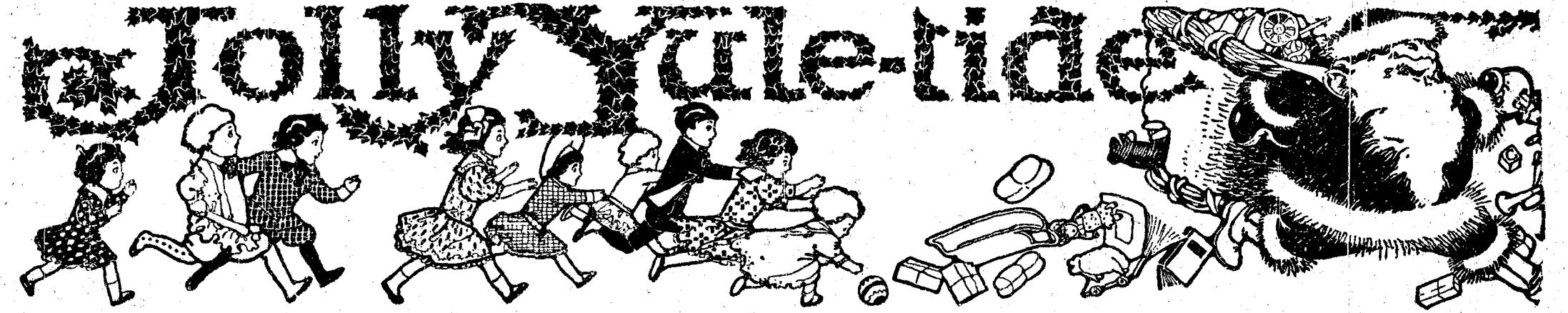
**No. 1. Delegation to state camp Lora Toogood; alternate, Eloise Kellogg, Rosa Knapp, pianist, physicians, Drs. Lawrence and Stewart.**

The next regular meeting will be held on the evening of the 28th. The committee requests each neighbor to bring something for a Christmas box.

Recorder.  
 John Carmody, the Watervliet auctioneer, was in town today and also has an ad in this issue of the Day Spring.

**JOHN D. CARMODY ...AUCTIONEER**

All farm sales 2 per cent for the first \$250 and 1 per cent for over that amount.  
 Phone McNetts for Carmody or write John D. Carmody, R. F. D. No. 2, Watervliet, Mich.  
 Prompt attention given to all calls.



**BE WISE**

**And Begin Your Christmas Shopping Early**

There are many reasons why you should: The important one is that when Xmas week comes and the rush is on, you will have finished and will be rested and happy. And then again our stock is now complete and comprises suitable gifts for every one. We call your attention especially to our large stock of—

**Coats, Sweaters and Furs**

on which we will make our annual after holiday discounts. Beginning to-day, we will sell any coat, sweater coat or fur in our store at from 10 to 25 per cent discount. What would make a more suitable present? We are showing a beautiful line of Bath robe blankets, Wool bed blankets and baby blankets. We have a large stock of ready made Kimonos and house dresses, table linens, napkins, towels and lunch cloths. Stamped sofa pillows and pillow slips, rugs, shopping bags, belts, belt and collar pins, neckwear, handkerchiefs, umbrellas, gloves and knit wear. You will be more than pleased with a pair of our Pingree shoes or slippers.

Do not forget that our Grocery department embraces the very best the market affords in the way of teas, coffees, fruits, nuts, candies, etc. for the Xmas dinner. Send the children if you can not come yourself. They will receive the best treatment and attention we can give them.

**YOURS FOR A MERRY XMAS F. W. HUBBARD**







# Christmas Greetings




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Our Stock of Ladies' Warm Shoes and Slippers is very Large. Shoes at \$2.00, \$1.50 and \$1.25. Slippers \$1.50, \$1.25, \$1.00 and 50c.

Ours is pre-eminently the gift store. We are offering practical, useful gifts for both ladies and gentlemen and we've taken especial pains in the selection of them. For gentlemen we have such swell toggery as:

*Fancy Neckwear, Shirts, Mufflers, Gloves, Shoes and Stylish Clothes.*

*An appropriate gift can be selected for her from our line of ladies' Fine Shoes.*

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We will sell you one for \$25.00, or if you prefer will rent you one at one dollar a day. It will save you more than that. Leave your order early.

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Our certificates of deposit are good interest investments. Learn to save. One dollar or more will start an account in our savings department; interest compounded at 3 per cent by being added to your account twice a year. Get a savings book.

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*This Store Will Be Christmas Headquarters in  
Hartford, and will offer to the shopping  
public the finest array of*

## CHRISTMAS GIFTS

to be found in the village. The stock is on display and it is easy to choose here. Our new stock embraces such desirable gifts as Fancy China, Books, Toilet Cases, Brush and Comb Sets, The latest in Pearl and Silver Novelties—in fact, the finest of holiday wares direct from the best merchandise centers. It is all temptingly arranged for your convenience and your dollar will go farthest at—

**A Watch for Christmas**

We have a fine stock of both Ladies' and Gents' fine gold watches in various grades. We can save you from \$5 to \$10 on a watch. Look at our guarantee, then see our watches. Here it is, can you get one like it any other place? No matter what happens to any of our 17 Jewel-Adjusted watch movement or those of a better grade, we will repair them free of charge any time within one year, provided they are not beyond repair.

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*We are Headquarters for Christmas Cigars.*

Public Notice

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Highest prices paid for grain of all kinds.

Come and see me before you buy or sell, and make no mistakes.

..Edward Finley

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FLOUR

which we have coming, until further notice we will sell Herd Flour for—

65c per Sack

or \$5 per barrel. We will also handle the Lilly White Flour from now on.

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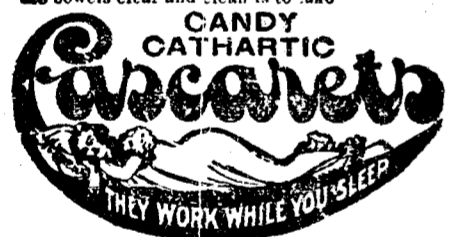
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I have two prescriptions, one for men under 50 and one for men over 50 years old. What I believe is A POSITIVE CURE FOR MEN SUFFERING FROM ANY FORM OF OLD CHRONIC DISEASES, ESPECIALLY ALL FORMS OF NERVOUS DIFFICULTIES, which is a QUICK-ACTING, SPOT-TOUCHING, UPBUILDING RESTORATIVE REMEDY, that you can use at your own home.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Order for Hearing. STATE OF MICHIGAN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF VAN BUREN.

In the matter of the estate of Henry Krohne, deceased. In the matter of the estate of George A. Donahue, deceased.

Order for Hearing. STATE OF MICHIGAN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF VAN BUREN.

In the matter of the estate of George A. Donahue, deceased. In the matter of the estate of Mrs. Hannah Baxter, deceased.

Order for Publication. STATE OF MICHIGAN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF VAN BUREN.

Hearing of Claims. STATE OF MICHIGAN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF VAN BUREN.

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Non-Medical Healing THE HUNOD (THE VACUUM DRUGLESS AND BLOODLESS) METHOD.

Had None. "We went to hear that new musical organization in the new theater."

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

MICHIGAN NEWS TERSELY TOLD

Lansing.—Information from the state highway department is that the Standard Oil company will spend considerable in Michigan next spring, experimenting with oil roads, such as run through the Cape Cod country.

Mt. Pleasant.—All high school students except three, who revolted against a set of new rules and went out on strike, have returned to school.

Battle Creek.—The movement to free John Anthony (colored) convicted of slaying Mrs. Jessie Burch, has been balked by the county prosecutor, and the negro will be given a new trial.

Owosso.—While coasting down a steep hill Horace Jenkins, 12, collided with a bridge and was thrown from his "bob" against a stone pier, then falling to the ice and breaking through.

East Lansing.—Wells Pratchner of Santa Cruz, Cal., a senior agriculture student, has been awarded the second prize in the Dupont Carriage company's annual essay contest.

Grand Rapids.—Harry Livingstone has been sent to jail for 60 years for compelling his wife to lead a life of shame.

Traverse City.—On complaint of Deputy Game Warden Smith, August Anze of Lees Bay, was arrested and pleaded guilty of the charge of fishing in an unlicensed gasoline launch.

Hastings.—Galvin Demery, fourteen, had his hand shot off when he accidentally discharged his rifle.

Holly.—Word received here tells of the death in East Chicago, Ind., of Mrs. J. W. Stone, a well-known W. C. T. U. worker and former resident of this city.

Owosso.—The auditor general has agreed to wait until March for the \$5,708.39 which Shiawassee county owes the state for services of the National Guard during the Grand Trunk strike in Durand last summer.

Owosso.—John Coe, fifty-five, a bachelor, came within an ace of being burned to death. Coe was in bed and asleep in the house where he lived alone in Bennington township, when a neighbor, Simon Sales, saw that the house was afire.

Battle Creek.—That her husband married her when she was only seventeen years old and then tried to force her to become an inmate of a Detroit resort, was the testimony given here by Mrs. Helen O'Brien, whose husband, John O'Brien, is under arrest on a serious charge.

Lansing.—The annual meeting of the Michigan Millers' association will be held in Lansing, January 17 and 18, at the same time that the seventh annual exhibit of the Michigan Corn Improvement association is in progress.

Muskegon.—Mrs. Mary Graal, a prominent society woman, and wife of a former shoe merchant, has begun suit for divorce, alleging infidelity.

THE WEEK'S NEWS AT THE COUNTY SEAT

Synopsis of What Has Been Done at the Court House in Six Days.

Estate of Lucile M. Smith et al. minors; nomination of guardian filed, bond issued.

Estate of John Dowzer, deceased; petition for determination of heirs filed, hearing January 16.

Estate of Hugh McPherson, deceased; final account allowed, order of distribution entered.

Estate of Sarah J. Brunson, deceased; order appointing administrator, bond issued.

Estate of Eugene Trim, deceased; final account filed, hearing Jan. 16.

Estate of Margaret Pepper, deceased; testimony of freeholders filed, license to sell real estate issued.

Estate of Henry K. Halsted, deceased; petition for specific performance of contract filed, hearing Jan. 16.

Estate of Albert C. Martin, deceased; order allowing final account and discharging executor.

Estate of Sarah Martin, deceased; bond filed and letters issued to Charles Phillips, order appointing appraiser and hearing claims before the court.

Estate of Squires Franklin Moore, deceased; testimony on determination of heirs filed, order determining heirs entered.

Estate of Susan Tittle, incompetent and oath before mortgage of real estate filed.

Estate of Peter O. Leary, deceased; bond and oath and report of sale filed.

Estate of Nelson C. Decker, deceased; warrant an inventory filed.

Estate of Chas. C. Robinson, Sr., deceased; bond of special administrator, special letters of administration issued to Frank P. Robinson, inventor.

Estate of S. Harold Dwight, minor; petition for appointment of guardian filed, order for nomination of guardian.

Matter of E. Irene Hoyt, minor; petition for adoption and change of name, order confirming adoption and change of name.

Circuit Court. No new suits filed.

Marriage Licenses. Almon R. Smith, 40, South Haven; Mary Kendall, 41, So. Haven.

Clarence Cramer, 23, Decatur Pessie May Conrad, 16, Leelanau.

Fine Christmas Cigars and Candies at T. T. Bratton's.

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## Her Tragedy— His Comedy

By DONALD ALLEN

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Miss Ida Gregg had been worrying about financial matters. Her widowed mother was fairly well off, and Miss Ida's aunt had left her a comfortable legacy, but she read of strikes and earthquakes and floods and falling brokers, and she felt that her capital ought to be doubled.

How to do it? It took the young lady just fourteen minutes to decide, and in sixteen she was laying out the plot. She would write a play. It should be a tragedy. There would be five acts. She would sell it for \$10,000 cash down and a royalty of 10 per cent. It was just as easy as going down to the village postoffice and registering a letter. Miss Ida was very calm, but at the same time very determined, as she hunted up her mother and announced:

"I am going to write a play."

"Yes, dear?"

"A five-act tragedy."

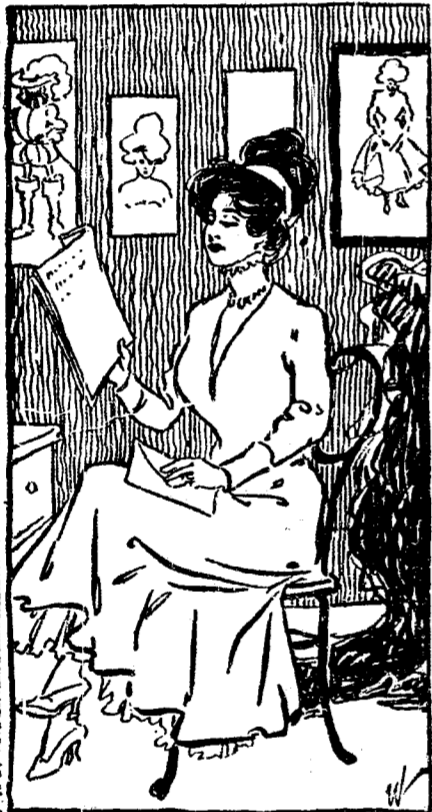
"Certainly."

"I shall get \$10,000 for it, at least."

"Yes?"

Five minutes later the girl was on her way to buy foolscap, a bottle of black ink, another of red, and two penholders and pens. Before 12 o'clock, noon, the stage was set, the characters introduced, and the heroine was standing in the wings and waiting for her cue to jump to the center of the stage.

Queerly enough, a hundred miles away, Mr. Arthur Cheeseman was undergoing financial worry. He had money, too, but he also thought of earthquakes. It came to him like a flash to write a play. It should be a comedy. Just how many acts he wouldn't determine offhand. There should be anywhere from three to seven. It would be at least a \$10,000 play—\$10,000 and royalty. He didn't speak to his mother or any one else



Missed One Chew in Order to Say "Nit."

about it, but hustled for foolscap, took off his coat and wrote the title. That pleased him so much that he also removed his vest and wrote till midnight without a stop.

It was an odd coincidence that the two plays were finished at about the same time, and that on a certain day and hour the two authors called on a well-known theatrical manager in an eastern city. They could not trust their plays to the mail or express. They could not wait days and weeks and months and years for a decision. They could wait thirty minutes.

Every theatrical manager is prepared for these thirty-minute dramas. Miss Gregg's play, inclosed in a large envelope, was received with a bow and promised immediate attention. Mr. Cheeseman's play was received with another bow ten seconds later and promised the same thing. A bell was tinkled, a boy appeared, and he was instructed to take those plays to the secretary and request prompt decision. The secretary was a girl stenographer who chewed gum and read novels. She took the tragedy from its envelope, read the title and missed one chew in order to say, "Nit."

Then she took the comedy from the other envelope and missed three or four chews. The title read \$1,000 Certificate. It was railroad stock. Mr. Cheeseman had figured to see his broker as well as the theatrical agent, and had left the other envelope at home. There were four certificates. "Nit," said the secretary for the first envelope, and "Nit" for the second; and she resumed her gum-chewing as she sent them back to the manager.

"You see how it is," said the manager to the two waiting dramatists. "I am heartbroken, but what can I do? My secretary announces 4,344 tragedies and 4,856 comedies ahead of yours, I fear—I fear—that is, I fear."

And he extended the envelopes with a sorrowful smile—a smile that plainly said this was the saddest moment of his life.

Miss Ida Gregg rose and bowed and departed. Mr. Arthur Cheeseman did the same. Miss Ida Gregg said to herself that she would like to stab that man to the heart with her hat-

pin. Mr. Arthur Cheeseman began to make arrangements to burn him at the stake. Miss Ida tucked her envelope into her hand-bag and went home to find his broker. An hour later he was back at the theater.

"No, I don't know who she is," replied the manager. "All I noticed about her was that she had red hair. If she got your envelope she will probably return it. Dramatists are always honest."

"But I don't think my name was on it."

"Oh, I see. Sorry—very sorry. I think you will have to go looking after a red-headed girl."

An interval of three weeks elapsed and Mr. Cheeseman had spent every waking minute of those weeks looking for a red-headed girl and tearing up the comedy left at home. For obvious reasons his language is not here reproduced. Then, one day, he found himself at the depot in Tarrytown. He overheard two girls who were waiting for a train and gossiping.

"So she wrote a play?" queried one. "I suppose she called it a play," sneered the other.

"Is it going on the road?"

"Not much, and I am just glad of it. When I wrote some poetry she made fun of it."

Mr. Cheeseman's heart pounded on his ribs. Here was a clue. Somewhere in Tarrytown was a girl who had written a play and failed to have it accepted. He started forward to ask if she was red-headed, but the two gossips gave him stern looks and he retreated. He walked straight down to the office of the Tarrytown Herald-Advertiser - Record - Intelligence and asked of the editor:

"Do you know of a young lady in Tarrytown who is literary?"

"Why, yes," was the reply, after awhile. "I believe Miss Gregg has a leaning that way."

"Is she red-headed?"

"Can't say, as I never saw her. You can call at her mother's house and see."

Mr. Cheeseman was naturally a brave man. He was one of the brand that faces a spouting battery of six guns and thinks nothing of it. If he hadn't been he would never have called at Miss Gregg's and asked of Miss Ida, who received him:

"I—I want to ask of you if there is a red-headed girl here who is literary?"

"Sir!" demanded the brown-haired Ida.

"Red-headed, you know, and she wrote a play some time ago?"

"Sir!"

"And the play was not accepted?"

"Sir, if this is your errand here I must ask you—"

"I was in the manager's office at the same time, and he also turned my play down. I had a comedy."

"O-h-h-h!"

"Oh they changed envelopes when they handed them back. Here is your play."

And Miss Ida excused herself and went to her desk and brought out the envelope with the certificates. She apologized for her carelessness; he apologized for having thought her red-headed, and they sat down and maligned and abused the manager and his gum-chewing stenographer. This brought them together, as it were. It was common ground—and good ground. There was no chance for disagreement.

Maybe it was a year before they planned another play. They were to be joint authors. The plot was matrimonial, and the cast included but two persons. It had a great run.

"Dentomacy."

In Paris the theory that man's soul, and also woman's, is revealed by the length, shape, inclination and spacing of the teeth has been put forward by certain dentist-physicians, and society is greedily grasping at the novelty. The new method of "dental divination" is declared to be much more certain than palmistry, mind reading, phrenology or such old-fashioned diversions as fortune telling by cards and teacups. One newspaper announces that invitations are already out for a "dentomacy seance." Here are some of the "secrets" which the new "science" professes to lay bare: Long, narrow teeth indicate vanity; teeth small, separate and very white are a certain sign of inconstancy and fickle character; long, irregular teeth, projecting forward, are an index of avarice and egotism; small, uneven teeth indicate an uncertain disposition, with a tendency to nervousness; untruthfulness is shown by teeth which crowd and overlap.

Moral Not Forgotten.

The teacher of a class in a downtown Sunday school had spent the previous Sunday afternoon teaching her charges the parable of the seven virgins. This day she opened her lesson by asking: "Now, which of you girls can tell me what we learned last Sunday?"

There was a dead silence for a minute, until one girl spoke up: "I can, teacher; it was about them girls that forgot their kerosene, but (proudly) we has gas in our house."

The same young lady invited all her charges to come and visit her one Saturday afternoon, and promised them plenty of cake and ice cream. She also pledged her big brother, who is something of an amateur conjuror, to come home early and assist in the amusement of the guests.

When big brother arrived he found two tots standing on the steps of the big brown-stone mansion. "Hey, mister!" they exclaimed, "Kin youse tell us what floor Miss X— lives on?"

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## FIRE AGAIN SWEEPS VILLAGE OF BARODA

### Citizens Believe Doomed Village Harbors a Firebug.

The village of Baroda, in Perrien county, was all but destroyed by fire last Friday morning. Practically the entire business section of the village was destroyed entailing a loss of \$40,000. This is the third or fourth time the village has been swept by fire.

Has Baroda a firebug? Is there some one in the village who, either for revenge or because of a criminal tendency due to some mental defect, who is responsible for the destructive conflagrations which have brought about a loss totaling in all something like \$100,000?

Is there a pyromaniac at liberty and unknown in the village?

These are questions which prominent Baroda citizens are asking themselves, now that they have passed through the exciting moments of Friday morning, when a block and a half of the business district was swept by flames.

Many believe that the fires—there have been seven in all in the past two years—are of incendiary origin. They can explain it in no other way. Two years ago when a large portion of the business district was wiped out he origin of the blaze was a mystery and there were a number who entertained the suspicion that the fire at that time had been caused through some human agency.

Various reasons, common to the causes of fires, were advanced but no one ever knew exactly how the fire started. Every care was used to prevent a repetition of the disaster of the spring of 1909, but yet there were five other mysterious blazes. None were very serious, but yet brought the total fire loss up to a higher figure.

Now the fire of Friday has added deeper mystery to the problem besides causing a monetary loss of something like \$40,000.

The residents of the village are aroused and a quiet investigation is now on to ascertain, if possible, the exact cause of Friday's fire. The blaze originated in the Raas implement building, supposedly on the first floor in the rear. When it was discovered it had made sufficient headway to thwart any attempt of the village department to save the buildings. Thus if there were any evidences of incendiaryism they were destroyed with the burning of the building.

### WEST LAWRENCE.

Ben Reynolds went to Kalamazoo last Friday to secure a position.

Emmet Jacobie of Kalamazoo, was a recent caller on Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stanley.

Miss Sylvia Woodward spent several days last week in Benton Harbor visiting her sisters.

Mrs. Lucy Cross was in Bangor Sunday and reports her sister, Mrs. Etta Piper as no better.

Miss Lena Woodward returned from Benton Harbor Monday where she has been visiting several weeks.

C. B. Wilcox visited several days in Benton Harbor last week and this week with relatives and friends.

Burnette Fish expects to go to Elkhart to resume his run as fireman from that point to Chicago on the L. S. rail road.

Mrs. W. M. Woodward was called to Benton Harbor last Saturday to attend the funeral Sunday of Wm. Peaples who was killed in that city Friday with electricity while repairing telephone lines.

Dr. Bell's Pine-Tar-Honey For Coughs and Colds.

### A SLY POKE.



Edith—When I met Grace today I had on my new gown. Of course I expected her to say something about it, but she pretended not to have seen it.

Ethel—Yes, she's an awfully considerate and tender-hearted girl.

### The Test.

Mrs. Lamble—I think you do Mrs. Coler an injustice when you say she's unwomanly.

Mrs. Daubster—You do? Then you have never seen her at a bargain sale—she doesn't get a bit excited.

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I cannot sing the old songs.  
It's just as you suppose  
I've got hay fever and I have  
To stop to blow my nose.

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