

THE RACE AGAINST TIME

AN OCEAN RACE FOR EXTRAORDINARY STAKES.

The Tobacco Syndicate's effort to beat the record of the "Frisco" in a narrow escape defeat. A valuable cargo.

New York, Sept. 29.—An ocean race against time in which the contestant was a slow-going freight steamer, but in which the stakes were about \$2,000,000, was concluded this morning at Fire Island. The start was disastrous one for the steamer Spargnum of the Netherlands-American line...

It is a novel race against a tariff. If the truth were known, is not the only one that has taken place during the last few months. A syndicate of tobacco men formed in this city to import the cargo of Sumatra leaf tobacco and get it into this city in anticipation of the McKinley duty of two dollars a pound.

The Spargnum left Rotterdam for New York September 22. She had to proceed to the Indies where she ran aground. For four days all the efforts were made to get her out of the straits to release the vessel were unavailing. She is by no means a fast steamer.

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BIRCHALL CONVICTED.

The Woodstock Murderer Sentenced to be Hanged.

Woodstock, Ont., Sept. 29.—This was expected to be the last day of the trial of John Reginald Birchall, charged with the murder of F. C. Benwell in February last. Interest in the case has steadily increased to no excess of the degree known in a similar case in the history of Canadian criminal jurisprudence.

Convicted and Sentenced. Woodstock, Ont., Sept. 29.—The jury in the Birchall case, after being out an hour and a half returned a verdict of guilty. Birchall was then sentenced to be hanged on November 1.

CONGRESSIONAL.

The House Providing for Deficiencies and the Senate Approving the Bill.

Washington, Sept. 29.—The speaker laid before the house the bill to define and regulate the jurisdiction of the United States court, with the senate ratifying the same.

Mr. Henderson of Iowa submitted the conference report on the general deficiency bill. Mr. Henderson of Georgia called attention to the difference existing, comparatively, between the number and the salary of the employees of the senate and the house.

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BIG BLEAT AT NEWAYGO

SPARKS FROM AN ENGINE IGNITE THE SLAB PILE.

The Town Endangered Call for Help From Grand Rapids—No Great Damage—St. John and His Followers.

Newaygo, Sept. 29.—A spark of fire from a passing engine ignited an immense pile of slabs belonging to the Converse Manufacturing company just north of the village this afternoon, and for the prompt action of the fire company would have destroyed the saw mill and the railroad bridge of the C. & W. M. The boys stretched 2,000 feet of hose over one of the biggest bluffs in the state, and worked bravely.

WAR AT OGDEN. Guns and Bayonets Used by United Brethren. OGDEN, Mich., Sept. 29.—The radical element of the United Brethren church at Ogden had extensively advertised its would conduct services at Zion church yesterday. But upon arriving at the sanctuary it found the place occupied by a crowd of outsiders and were allowed no "frads" to come within the picket lines.

SPRING LAKE NEWS.

Death of a Pioneer—Frost—The Goodrich Co. Spurred Lake News.

Mr. C. D. Richmond, the happy bachelor, has just returned from a visit to his residence in Chicago for an addition to his property.

Mr. Harry Angel and his friend, Mr. Winchester of Grand Rapids, were on the lake Saturday inquiring for a small boat to travel on the lake.

RED TAPE REGULATIONS.

Postal Parcels From Japan Must Come Through Canada. New York, Sept. 29.—The incongruity of the postal regulations in regard to parcels from Japan was clearly manifested today at the post-office.

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MUSIC AND DRAMA.

A RIVY BARD IN THE DIVISION STREET SCHOOL.

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DEER LAKE, Sept. 29.—William Morse, son of Stephen Morse, living south of this place, was instantly killed today by a runaway team while he was driving his team through the woods.

BOULANGER IN CLOVER.

Enjoying Life Free of Care While the Orientals Are Heading. The late John Bullinger, who has been in the island of Jersey tells a tale which would do little to the idle of Jersey tully or the Royalists in the midst of their uncomfortable revelations and intrigues.

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THE STREET RAILWAY COMPANY MUST ISSUE TRANSFERS.

Treasurer Perry Shows What the Council's Carelessness Cost the Taxpayers—Last Night's Meet.

At the meeting of the council last evening very little was done which would be of interest to the general public.

James Panting Just Arrived From Seattle, Washington.

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ADVERTISING RATES: Display advertisements, one line per inch for each 100 papers circulated.

CIRCULATION YESTERDAY: Number of papers printed, 3,200; Delivered by carriers to city subscribers, 886.

QUAY IN THE BALANCE: The political contest in Pennsylvania turns upon the question of Quay's vindication.

NOT AN OBSCURE BOOK: Judge Tracy of Philadelphia decides that Tolstoy's 'Kreutzer Sonata' is not an obscure book.

THE CHICAGO ROUTE: Grand Rapids & Indiana and Michigan Central railroads.

CAMPAGN OF 1890: Prohibition, Republican and Democratic Nominations.

MORSE'S: Closing Out Sale. On account of removal to our new store.

THE CHICAGO ROUTE (continued): Direct connection at Kalamazoo Junction.

CAMPAGN OF 1890 (continued): State of Michigan, 1902, a. m., 11:20 p. m.

MORSE'S (continued): Every Cloak in our store at Cost or Less.

THE CHICAGO ROUTE (continued): Special train will leave Grand Rapids on September 30.

CAMPAGN OF 1890 (continued): Republican—James A. Wilson.

MORSE'S (continued): 314 Patterns of Trousers.

THE CHICAGO ROUTE (continued): Fare for the round trip from Grand Rapids to Manistee and Traverse City.

CAMPAGN OF 1890 (continued): SENATOR—Republican—Charles W. Watkins.

MORSE'S (continued): WE SHOW 314 Patterns of Trousers.

THE CHICAGO ROUTE (continued): Tickets will be good to return until October 1.

CAMPAGN OF 1890 (continued): COUNTY CLERK—Republican—John S. McManis.

MORSE'S (continued): HARTMAN'S HALL.

THE CHICAGO ROUTE (continued): On the above date, two of Wagner's best buffet drawing rooms.

CAMPAGN OF 1890 (continued): SUPERVISOR—Republican—John S. McManis.

MORSE'S (continued): Hon. Roswell G. Howell.

THE CHICAGO ROUTE (continued): On the above date, two of Wagner's best buffet drawing rooms.

CAMPAGN OF 1890 (continued): ACTING GENERAL PASSENGER AGENT.

MORSE'S (continued): COMMENCING Monday Night, Sept. 29.

THE CHICAGO ROUTE (continued): On the above date, two of Wagner's best buffet drawing rooms.

CAMPAGN OF 1890 (continued): WILBUR OPERA CO.

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CAMPAGN OF 1890 (continued): THE GIVING OF THE NEWS.

MORSE'S (continued): \$3 PER YEAR.

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CAMPAGN OF 1890 (continued): THE GRAND RAPIDS BOOK BINDERY.

MORSE'S (continued): LIME, CEMENT, FIRE CLAY.

Without disparaging in any degree the merits of most of their illustrations.

The judge is without the reach of the law. The judge is without the reach of the law.

We are glad to learn from the sons of General Fremont that the story of what circulated concerning Mrs. Fremont and daughter is exaggerated.

The honest independent Republicans should resist against Turner as the brave, upright Republicans in Pennsylvania rising against Quay.

Almost every article in the stores of this city has been or will be advanced in price.

THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY. Brief sketches of William F. McKnight the Democratic nominee.

The Democratic candidate for prosecuting attorney is William F. McKnight, a young man of excellent legal ability.

These rebellious elements had nomination and corrupt leadership as healthy political movements.

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A breakfast and manicure recently given in a suburban hotel.

A pink and white table had a white cloth, and a large Japanese umbrella.

The southern girl is here, too, in all her beauty of warm coloring.

Those wishing to attend the Chicago position can secure round trip tickets over the G. & W. road.

The illustrated Adams Express company has recently received new views.

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Every Cloak in our store at Cost or Less. Everything in our Show Department at Bargain Prices.

MORSE'S, The Leaders of Low Prices. 41, 43 and 45 Monroe.

314 Patterns of Trousers. WE SHOW 314 Patterns of Trousers.

BODENSTEIN BROS., MEN'S OUTFITTERS. 228 CANAL STREET.

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COMMENCING OCT. 8. Hon. Roswell G. Howell. Wednesday Evening, Oct. 4.

EDMOND'S GRAND OPERA HOUSE. COMMENCING Monday Night, Sept. 29.

WILBUR OPERA CO. SUSIE KIRWIN!

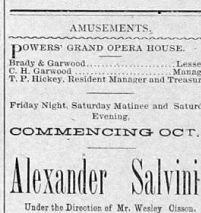
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LIME, CEMENT, FIRE CLAY. MILLARD'S OINTMENT.

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MILLARD & CO., Grand Rapids, Mich.



PUBLIC OPINION.

In accordance with my request, the street railway company put on its closed cars yesterday and its patrons, who rose last evening were very grateful for the change. The cars on the Jefferson avenue and Stocking street line are old, but the cars on the other lines are new and they are very convenient. If the company has not already arranged for better cars for this line I would advise them to, as they will be anything but popular with the people in winter.

The cable company has not yet put on its coaches, for the reason, I believe, that they have not sufficient cars to accommodate all the trains. The cable lines have been very successful so far, and the new south end line has been especially so. If they put on good service and continue the good service they are patrolling will undoubtedly be extensive.

I hear considerable complaint from the patrolmen because of the expense entailed from the purchase of new clothes as ordered by the commissioners after the annual inspection last week. The patrolmen's clothes are submitted to all kinds of weather and use, and they are very expensive. It takes about a quarter of their salary to keep them in presentable shape.

A few days ago I called the attention of the city auditor to the fact that the sidewalks. Since then I have been in different parts of the city and I found some pretty bad walks. Yesterday I was on West Fulton street, and for several blocks the boards were so rotten that even and in many places they are dangerously loose. This street is to be repaved, and new walks should be laid down with the other improvements.

"Those things are a nuisance," said a man on the Division street car line the other day, and he looked up at a street register with a glare that would have done credit to a bulldog. He had been fished two or three times at night, but after this I won't pay attention to them. The drivers forget to pull the string about a yard, and the register in the name of the street rarely ever corresponds with the reality. It is purely an advertising scheme for the benefit of the public, the street car company should show them out.

Both the firemen and the policemen deserve better pay. They are very important officials, doing real work for the city, and still they are only paid the wages of a common laborer, or at best a good factory hand. They endanger their lives every day, and for a mere pittance, while officials who are not in the line through political motives are largely enjoying life and drawing a princely salary. The companies are not doing, but agreeable to the masses.

All Paris Antebellum.
A few choice spirits in the Parisian fashionable world are wearing flannels, with straw hat and chambré leather shoes, in town during the winter, and would at the seaside. The daring innovator who conceived this brilliant idea showed himself for the first time in the guise in the Jardin des Arts two weeks since, and was much complimented by his friends, who immediately made up their small minds to imitate him. What fun for the street boys! The flannel sleeves shame the women with their love for fine clothes. Colored cravats, and ties taken the place of bow ties and parties with the younger members of the community. The latest fashion in coats is olive green, with crimson facings.

But not content with getting themselves up like gaily paraded performers, they are now turning out in groups also. Their coats are of one color and lined with another, and so made that they can be turned inside out, and worn in the middle of the evening when the girls may possibly be tired (they think) of admiring their faces or their green get-up, they disappear, turn their coats inside out, and appear in view once or "Eiffel" red—a transformation which earns them the applause of their own clan and a fresh batch of admiration from their partners—poor dears—who are so simple that they do not notice how much their own solids lose by not wearing the usual black background.—*Tablet.*

The Robber's Dog Was Tagged.
Chief of Police Spicer received a letter, stating that a daring burglar had recently been committing a series of robberies. The robbers who did the work, the letter stated, had a dog with them, and there was also a dog on the premises of the man whose house was burglarized. The dog does not go to fighting, and the robber's dog was killed and its owners left it carcass in the yard where it fell. Around the dead animal's neck was a collar, and fastened to it was a Kansas City dog tag that showed that it had been captured in 1899. Chief Spicer turned the letter and the number of the dog tag over to the city clerk, who by looking over the tag for 1899 found the name of the man to whom the tag had been issued. His residence was given as East Seventeenth street.

When the city clerk looked in the directory to see if the man still resided on East Seventeenth street he found opposite the name his residence had been changed to Kokomo, Ind. The authorities at Kokomo had been notified.—*Kansas City Times.*

The Cheering 'em Habit.
A prominent New York physician told me a few days ago that the constant blowing of steam whistles, and the shrieks in fourteen cases of young girls now under treatment, the constant movements of the machinery, and the strain on the head.—*Ladies Home Journal.*

Last year the internal revenue from cigars was \$1,000,000. The increase over the year 1899 was \$200,000. And this indicates the increase of the consumption of the deadly article. During the year 1899, there were sold 1,000,000,000 of these little paper rolls of poison. There are multitudes of boys, not yet grown who smoke from twenty to sixty a day.

The Serbian government has decided to do everything in its power to stop the sale of opium. A contract has just been signed by which a well known English firm are bound to withdraw 100,000 lbs of opium during next year and 100,000 lbs in 1899, and the number is to go on increasing until 1895, when 800,000 lbs to be killed there.

FARM, FIELD, GARDEN.

ARE YOU ALWAYS SLEEPY?
Do you get up drowsy?
Can you control your urine?
Is there pain in your back?
Or nervous prostrations?
Or nervous debility?
Ever had Rheumatism?
Have Catarrh?
Have you deafness?
Or noise in your ears?
Have you frightful pains in your lungs?
Is your breath short?
Do you dream?
Is stomach weak?
Do you feel worn out?
Is there a sense of weakness?
Pains in back of head?
Are you dreadful nervous?
Not enough or too much urine?
Does it hurt to urinate?
Does it smart or burn?
Is there weight or pressure in lower part of abdomen?
Does your urine scald?
Brickbat or cloudy deposits?
How long this way.
Mattered or slight?
About what age?
Then write to or call on Dr. S. Clay Todd, 61 Monroe street, room 4, Grand Rapids, Mich. He is the famous Specialist Physician who is curing all these dreadful complaints. There is hardly a town or city or neighborhood in the United States who has not been restored to perfect health and manhood or womanhood by Dr. S. Clay Todd, in the past 25 years. He sends medicines every where.

SUBJECTS OF INTEREST TO WIDERS.
AWAKE AGRICULTURISTS.
The Loss of Corn in Kansas. Making a Record from the Kansas Agricultural Experiment Station—Two Corn Fields Are Advised for Every Farm.
The director of the Kansas station has the following to say on the fodder question:
If we make fodder of any real value the corn must be cut up while it is yet green. At what stage of ripeness the plant yields the best and largest amount of fodder has not yet been definitely determined, but all agree that the corn plant matures and is ready for the use of cutting. Now the experiments of last season made at this station seem to show as conclusively as any trial can show anything that the less of corn when cut even slightly green is very great.

To still further test the question of the best time to cut standing corn with the view of securing the largest yield of corn without much sacrifice to varieties, a series of cuttings and green and afterward accurate weighing was held in a field with rows of corn equal to length, and made by turning axially into a number of rows in a row, were measured off on opposite sides of the field. At one side, occupied by a yellow corn, four cuttings were made when the corn was in as many different degrees of ripeness, viz, in milk, dough, hard dough state and corn hard. At the other side, cuttings were made in nearly every case that adjacent rows cut at intervals of seven to twenty days showed variations, with only two three exceptions, in seventy odd cases, almost exactly proportionate to the difference in the time of cutting. The large field of the best quality of corn gained with the row cut latest. Indeed, it was plainly taught that the corn continued to improve in weight until the very last—after the blades of the plant had been dried up and likely to be blown away; until the juices of the stalks had been completely sucked out.

It seems perfectly clear from these results that we must raise corn for corn, with no thought of fodder, and corn which has no higher purpose than the production of fodder. We must, in short, have two corn fields on every farm, one for raising corn for stock, to correspond with the different purposes for which they are cultivated.

In the Orchard.
Do not advocate autumn pruning before the return of the sap and the fall of the leaf, and the meeting of the Michigan Horticultural society at one of the meetings. The time to prune apple trees has never been definitely settled, but the best practice is to prune when the sap is sharp, large branches should be cut when the sap is most active and the healing process most rapid. When large branches are cut at other times gum exudation should be used to prevent decay. Pruning, to be properly done, requires the best forestry and the skill of the orchardist. In all phases of pruning its immediate and future effects upon the trees should be well considered, that no permanent injury may be done. It is a good practice, with a view to thinning the tree, to prune when the tree is in flower with a well trained and practiced eye and hand.

The general tendency will be to keep the trees low. High pruning is being abandoned, and the average height as the extra time required to gather fruit from high pruned trees in a large orchard is very considerable, and when fruit falls it is more likely to be lost. In low pruned trees gathering fruit is very much facilitated and cheaper. The trees should be kept low and wide, and as a rule are more shapely.

Sheep as Weed Destroyers.
Sheep, especially those of the merino breed, are great weed destroyers, and they can be turned into the corn land in the season. They will do very little in the corn. After nibbling off the lower blades they will hunt up the weeds, and they bite these off so close to the ground that they are often completely destroyed. They will also feed weeds in nooks and corners that no one else would ever think of discovering. They are especially good at destroying weeds in the pasture lots but in the cornfields as well. After the corn has been gathered up the sheep are best used to clean up the corn stubbles. Raise over the field several times until the surface soil has been thoroughly scratched. This will start the seeds of a few late weeds but growth. If the sheep are then turned in the field again almost the last remnant of weeds will be destroyed in winter and here. In the following spring a once weedy lot will be found to be comparatively free from these pests.—*American Cultivator.*

Roses That Bloomed Well This Season.
According to Garden and Forest, among the hybrid perpetual roses blooming out of doors not one has been better this season than Ulrich Brunner, in its full and perfect bloom, and its color and care fragrance. The Baronesse Rothschild, too, is blooming unusually well, and so are the hybrid perpetuals Charles and Paul Ricart. If they would only bloom again, as do other hybrids which have no China blood in them. The most beautiful of these is Rev. J. B. Camm, an uncommonly good, and moss roses never bloomed better.

Washers for Peaches.
Peach trees are especially on old lands, for the want of mineral plant food. Light or sandy lands, in which the peach is so often planted, have very little plant food. The seed cannot form without potash, and lacking this the peaches fall off soon after setting. It is believed by the horticulturists of this country that the best positing cause to the disease known as peach yellows. When taken early enough this can be cured by the use of heavy applications of a fertilizer of potash salts.

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