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Physician and Surgeon.  
Office night and day over Ryback's store.  
Night calls promptly responded to.  
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Office opposite Pukekama Hotel. Office hours, 9 to 12 a. m., 1 to 5 p. m.

**E. A. Jesmer,**  
VETERINARY SURGEON.  
All diseases of domesticated animals treated in a scientific manner. Can be found night or day at my farm, three miles west of Pine City, on the Bruwauk road.  
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Physician and Surgeon.  
Graduate of the University of New York City, 1887. Office in new building, first door north of Postoffice. Residence second north of office.  
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**S. G. L. Roberts,**  
Attorney and Counselor at Law.  
Pine City, - - - Minnesota.

**Robt. C. Saunders,**  
Attorney at Law.  
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**J. A. Oldenburg,**  
DEALER IN  
General Merchandise.  
Best Goods at Lowest Prices.  
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**Pine City Restaurant and Bakery.**  
First Door West of Kowalek's.

Fresh Bread, Cakes and Pies  
Kept constantly on hand. Also a choice line of Confectionery, nuts, and fruits in season, as well as the best brands of Cigars, and best grades of Tobacco manufactured. Give me a call when in need of any thing in the above goods.  
JOS. VEVERKA.

## Groceries!

I have just added to my stock a first-class and complete line of Groceries, which I will sell as cheap as the Cheapest.  
JOS. VEVERKA.

### WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb 20, '98  
President McKinley will take no part in the contest which is now on in the senate, and which will determine whether an extra session of congress will have to be called. There will be no necessity for an extra session, unless the democrats filibuster to prevent a vote being taken on the Hull army bill. If they are willing to take the responsibility, they can do so. An attempt is being made to bring about a compromise that will let the democrats who are opposing the Hull bill down easy, but republicans are not content in it, and Senator Hawley, chairman of the military committee, who has charge of the Hull bill, says he will accept no compromise; that it shall be the Hull bill or nothing. The military court of inquiry, which was somewhat delayed in getting together, by last week's snow blockade, devoted the first session to mapping out a program and arranging the list of witnesses—a lengthy one—who will be called, but this week it will begin to take testimony, and the meetings will be public. The court may sit for several weeks, and may visit other places, as its instructions are to go to the root of the whole business, and settle for good and all, whether Gen. Miles made his charges that bad meat was issued to the army on good evidence, or whether he was imposed upon by those who sought to use him and his high office to create a scandal. The court will not seek to vindicate anybody, or to incriminate anybody, only to get at the truth, and to give it to the president and the people. Gen. Miles declined to be sworn when he appeared before the war investigating commission, but he will be sworn by this court.

Hon. Ethan Allan Hitchcock has relieved Mr. Bliss of the assumed duties of the secretary of the interior. Secretary Hitchcock is no stranger in Washington, and there is no doubt of his making a success of administering the affairs of that great department of the government.

Senators are determined that they shall not be charged with responsibility for the failure of the Nicaragua canal legislation at this session. The house having by a majority vote, sustained the ruling of its presiding officer, that the canal bill was out of order as an amendment to the sundry civil bill, and it being certain that no time can be secured in the house for the reception of the Hepburn canal bill, which was made a substitute for the Morgan bill and reported to the house, the senators propose giving the house another opportunity to act upon the canal legislation, that cannot be blocked by points of order, by putting the Hepburn canal bill in the river and harbor bill. The bill so amended has already been reported to the senate, and there is no doubt that it will pass that body.

The naval reorganization bill will become a law in a few days. It is now in conference, having been slightly amended before passing the senate, but it will go to the president shortly.  
Senator Frye has offered an amendment to the sundry civil service bill, authorizing the payment of \$100,000 a year for twenty years, by the government, for the use of a Pacific cable, from some point in the United States to China and Japan

via Hawaii, Guam and the Philippines, provided that the cable be in working order to Honolulu by July 1, 1900, and to Manila by Jan 1, 1901, and that messages of the U. S. government be carried free forever.

No one was surprised, after the canal bill was ruled off the sundry civil bill, on a point of order to see the item appropriating \$20,000,000 to carry out the terms of the treaty of peace with Spain go the same road. But the money will be paid. Representative Cannon has introduced a bill making an appropriation, which will go through all right. The attempt of Representative Gillette, of Massachusetts, to mix up the appropriation and the McNary resolution, adopted by the senate last week, will do no harm, as the bill will never be heard of again.

Mr. A. E. Noyes, the well known Minneapolis lawyer, waged a case of champagne against a case of beer that the democrats will not nominate Bryan next year. The wager was taken by Representative Jones, of Washington, but when Mr. Noyes offered to make the same wager that President McKinley would be re-nominated and re-elected, Mr. Jones declined.

When President McKinley, in his Boston speech, punctured the imperialistic falcon which the democrats in congress have been trying so hard to get sufficiently inflated to take it off the ground, he also punctured the hopes of numerous democrats, who, having nothing else in sight to make an issue out of, had been hoping that the straw man of imperialism they have been trying to set up under that balloon, might be used. Needless to add that the President's remarks pleased the republicans in congress, because they were in accord with nearly all of their speeches. There are no advocates of imperialism in this country nor is there likely to be, simply because there is no room for such under our form of government.

### MEADOW LAWN.

There was a Valentine party given at J. Eline's, Tuesday evening.

I. W. Purdy returned home from South Dakota on Saturday last.

There is talk of a boom in this place, with a store and a postoffice.

The Bork brothers made a trip to Kimball on Saturday last, returning on Tuesday.

W. L. Cummings has commenced work on one of his houses with a chipping axe.

At times the weather is too cold to work—at other times too warm so that some people don't get much done.

Ercin Haller is engaged in hauling logs without any snow. But he has four white horses, so the sleighs have to go.

### An Honest Medicine For La Grippe.

George W. Waitt, of South Gardiner, Me., says, "I have had the worst cough, cold, chills, grip and have taken loads of trash of no account, but profit to the vendor. Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is the only thing that has done any good whatever. I have used one 50 cent bottle and the chills, cold and grip have all left me. I congratulate the manufacturer of an honest medicine." For sale by J. Y. Breckenridge & Co.

### WANTED.

Reliable men for Manager of Branch Office I wish to open in this vicinity. If your record is O. K. here is a good opening. Kindly mention this paper when writing.

A. T. MORGAN, Cincinnati, O. Illustrated Catalogue, Agents postage

### WANTED.

Live correspondents in every neighborhood in the county, to send news regularly to THE PIONEER. Write to or call on us for stamps, stationery, and general information.

### STATE FARMERS' INSTITUTE.

A Meeting of Unusual Importance to Every Farmer in Pine County.

The State Farmer's Institute will be held in Court House hall on Tuesday and Wednesday, March 21 and 22, 1899, session to commence at 10 o'clock a. m. and 2 p. m. of each day. The best of instructors have been secured in the different branches—farm work, breeding and care of stock, dairying, horticulture, etc.

Farmers' institute work in this state has become a permanent institution, and the instructions the farmers have received from the previous meetings have resulted in a vast amount of good to the community at large. Every farmer in the county should try and attend this institute as they will receive pointers that will help them in their work.

This is state work, and is consequently free. No charge for anything, and no collections; and besides, all those who attend the meeting in the forenoon of the first day will receive a very valuable book free of charge. The book contains over 350 pages, and is estimated to be worth from \$5.00 to \$25.00. The book is made by practical workers, and can be relied upon with confidence.

In connection with the institute work there will be held in the afternoon of each day, at Pioneer house hall a cooking school which is a special feature of the Institute this year. The instructions will be given free and by an experienced teacher. This cooking school is for the benefit of the farmer's wives and daughters, so on the above dates bring the whole family to the institute as you can all receive valuable instruction, come not only yourself, but see to it that your neighbors know about it. Neither yourself nor your neighbor can afford to miss this institute.

The book will only be given on the forenoon of the first day, so if you want one be sure and beat the court house hall before 12 o'clock on March 21st, as after that time you will be unable to get one, as they are not sold in book stores.

Remember the dates, Tuesday and Wednesday, March 21st and 22d, 1899. For further information call on or address Robt. Greig, president of Pine county association, or Robt. Wilcox, secretary.

### 1899 Columbia Calendar.

The Pope Mfg. Co., of Hartford, Conn., has issued the Columbia Desk-pad Calendar for 1899. This handy reminder has been for years one of the most pleasing of special advertising features. We note that the new calendar is very similar in design and make-up to the 1898 calendar, although it has more artistic covers and is more profusely illustrated.

Any person may obtain a copy by applying to the nearest Columbia Desk-pad Calendar for 1899. This handy reminder has been for years one of the most pleasing of special advertising features. We note that the new calendar is very similar in design and make-up to the 1898 calendar, although it has more artistic covers and is more profusely illustrated.

### Tetter, Nails Itching and Eczema.

The intense itching and smarting incident to these diseases, is instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment. Many very bad cases have been honorably cured by it. It is equally efficient for itching piles and a favorite remedy for sore nipples, chapped hands, chilblains, frost bites and chronic sore eyes. 25cts. per box. For sale by J. Y. Breckenridge & Co.

### DANGERS OF THE GRIP.

The greatest danger from La Grip is of its resulting in pneumonia. If reasonable care is used, however, and Chamberlain's Cough Remedy taken, all danger will be avoided. Among the tens of thousands who have used this remedy for a grippé we have yet to learn of a single case having resulted in pneumonia, which shows conclusively that this remedy is a certain preventative of that dangerous disease. It will cure the grippé in less time than any other treatment. It is pleasant to take. For sale by J. Y. Breckenridge & Co.



## The First Sign Of a Cold

Should remind you that the best time to commence taking something was at the beginning. It should also remind you that the remedy to head off a spell of sneezing, coughing, and general unpleasantness is

## Our No. 3 Cold Tablets.

They stimulate the depressed nerves, allay fever and start the vital machinery to running with its accustomed smoothness. A box costing 25 cents will often prevent a several-dollar cold.

## At BRECKENRIDGE'S PHARMACY.

Main Street, Pine City, Minn.



### Changing Old Post Office Names.

Some years ago the post office department created a "board of geographic names," with the object of simplifying the names of post offices and bringing about more uniformity in their spelling. One of the rules adopted by this board was that where a post office consisted of two names they were to be consolidated. Several attempts have been made recently to carry this rule into operation, but each attempt has been met with such storms of disapproval on the part of the residents of the place that the department has been sorely troubled as to just what to do. The post office at Frier's Point, Minn., was changed recently to Frierpoint. When the people learned of the change there was much indignation and the department was flooded with protests. West Point, for instance, has been changed to "Westpost." The people near the military academy object very strenuously to this change. In recent years the compilation of the postal guide shows many changes in line with this rule. There is much contention over the matter, and it may be that another board will shortly be appointed to adjust the subject. — Washington Star.

### Extracts from French Papers.

"They (the English) paralyzed the plan by means of the American troubles which they got up, and by means of the war with Greece, which was likewise their handiwork." France, where we were on the lookout for English tricks, they actually organized the whole Dreyfus affair, as well as many of its side issues. \* \* \* In Abyssinia they first expelled Menelik, and were now egging on Ras Mangacha to march against him. In Uganda, these English birds shortly gave the length of provoking massacres of their own missionaries in order to acquire thereby the right of annihilating the whole aboriginal race, and making themselves masters of Matabeland. And these are but a few of the horrors perpetrated by these civilized shopkeepers." — Paris Petit Journal.

### Curious Chinese Custom.

In the Chinese morgue one of the strange sights is a number of life-size dolls which are burned to accompany the corpses, as their servants, to the next world. They are doubtless a relic of the time when human beings were thus burned as companions of the deceased. — Chicago Evening News.

### \$1,000 Premium.

The above premium is offered by the Minnesota State Horticultural society for the production of a seedling apple tree as hardy and prolific as the Duchess, with fruit equal to the Wealthy in size, quality and appearance, and that will keep as well as the Malinda. This offer is open to all.

Quite likely the seed to produce this tree may not yet have been planted even. Select a corner of your garden or orchard for a seedling nursery, and plant seed of the hardiest varieties of apples. You will find the work of growing and testing seedlings an interesting one, and it promises much for the future of pomology in the northwest.

For full particulars as to the Horticultural society, Fruit List for 1899, terms of membership, premiums offered, sample copy of its monthly publication, etc., address

A. W. LATHAM, Secy.,  
207 Kasota Block,  
Minneapolis, Minn.

### Progressive, Pushing People

demand up-to-date train service. Two fast trains leave Minneapolis and St. Paul daily via Wisconsin Central lines for Milwaukee, Chicago and eastern and southern points, elegantly equipped with sleeping, dining, cafe and parlor cars. Ask your nearest ticket agent for further information.

JAMES C. POND,  
Gen'l. Pass. Agt.,  
Milwaukee, Wis.

G. A. Carlson, of Rush City, has the largest and finest stock of Clothing, Dress Goods, Ladies' and Gent's Furnishings, Carpets, Rugs, and in fact everything that comprises a first-class dry goods store, which he is selling at great low prices. Do not go to the cities to buy before you look over his stock and get prices.







CONGRESS KEEPS BUSY.

End of the Fifty-Fifth Session Is Near at Hand, and Work Is Being Rushed.

COMPLETE SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS.

The Senate Completes the Private Pension Calendar and Considers Appropriation Bills—House Passes the Bill to Pay Spain \$20,000,000—Other Transactions.

Washington, Feb. 15.—The resolution of Senator McHenry (dem. La.) declaring the policy of the government in the Philippines was adopted in the senate yesterday by a vote of 26 to 22. The resolution is as follows:

"That by the terms of the treaty of peace with Spain it is not intended to incorporate the inhabitants of the Philippine islands into citizenship of the United States, and it is intended to permanently annex said islands to the United States, but it is the intention of the United States to establish on said islands a government suitable to the wants and conditions of the inhabitants of said islands, and in the time to make such disposition of said islands as will best promote the interests of the citizens of the United States and the inhabitants of said islands."

Washington, Feb. 16.—Bills were passed in the senate yesterday providing for admitting to the naval academy Oscar W. Deigan, one of the Merrimac heroes, and extending the "cordial appreciation" of congress to Miss Helen Miller Gould for her patriotic services during the recent war and providing that the president should present to her a gold medal.

Washington, Feb. 17.—The army reorganization bill was reported in the senate yesterday. The navy academy appropriation bill was passed, and the post-office appropriation bill was considered.

Washington, Feb. 18.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

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Washington, Feb. 20.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

Washington, Feb. 21.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

Washington, Feb. 22.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

Washington, Feb. 23.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

Washington, Feb. 24.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

Washington, Feb. 25.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

Washington, Feb. 26.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

Washington, Feb. 27.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

Washington, Feb. 28.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

Washington, Feb. 29.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

Washington, Feb. 30.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

Washington, Feb. 31.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

Washington, Feb. 32.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

Washington, Feb. 33.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

Washington, Feb. 34.—In the senate yesterday the naval personnel bill and a bill granting a pension of \$50 a month to John M. Palmer, of Illinois, were passed. The private pension calendar was completed. Four bills were passed, and a resolution adopted expressing to the government and people of France sympathy over the death of President Faure.

MINOR NEWS ITEMS.

For the Week Ending Feb. 21. Mrs. Martha Terman died at Crystal, O. Tuesday last. There are at the present time 38,000 American troops in Cuba. Thirty persons were frozen to death in West Virginia during the recent cold snap.

The transport Sheridan, carrying the Twelfth Infantry, left Brooklyn for Manila. Five destroyed three business buildings in Philadelphia, the loss being \$300,000.

Receipts from customs at the port of Havana, Cuba, in January amounted to \$1,000,000.

The floating grain elevator Columbia, valued at \$200,000, was burned at Hoboken, N. J.

Miss Sallie Potter, said to be the oldest woman in Illinois, died in Urbana, aged 102 years.

Mrs. Mahalia Gentry celebrated her one hundredth birthday at her home in Boston, Mass.

In a battle in the outskirts of Manila 15 Filipinos were killed and two Americans were wounded.

A new disease is affecting the cattle in Iowa, known as anthrax, and there is no cure for it.

Seventy-two young men graduated from the military academy at West Point, N. Y., and received diplomas.

Aronillo, the Philippine insurgent representative who fled from Washington to Canada, left Montreal for London.

Robert Howard (colored) was hanged in Chicago for participation in the murder of Frank C. McNeal on November 9 last.

Charles Miller, of Chicago, won the six-day bicycle race in San Francisco, going 2,182 miles and making a new record.

The postal receipts for January last at 20 of the largest post offices were \$3,644,328, against \$3,441,300 for January, 1898.

Charles Oldham (colored) shot and killed Julia Field, of Montreal, and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

George M. Harvey has bought the New American Review, published in New York, from Lloyd S. Bryce and David A. Monroe, for \$225,000.

Princess Ikkai, wife of the khedive of Egypt, gave birth to a son at Montreal, and there was great rejoicing over the birth of an heir to the Egyptian throne.

Thomas O'Neil, a butcher in a packing house in St. Joseph, Mo., was literally cut to pieces by his two brothers, Edward and Jack, in a fight over money matters.

David Bradley, president of the David Bradley Manufacturing company and the oldest plowmaker in the country, died suddenly at his home in Chicago, aged 85 years.

GEN. MILLS TESTIFIES. Tells the Board of Inquiry What He Knows Concerning Beef Furnished to the Army.

Washington, Feb. 21.—Before the court of inquiry to investigate the allegations of the major general of the army in respect to the quality of the beef furnished the army during the war with Spain Gen. Miles stated that he had no personal knowledge of the alleged chemical treatment of refrigerated beef; that he did not know canned roast beef was an army ration, though he had recommended it himself for the Alaska expedition; that he had not authorized any newspaper interviews on this subject, and had no intention of making an attack upon the war department, the administration or anyone else.

Pointes Frozen. Chippewa Falls, Wis., Feb. 21.—More than 100,000 bushels of potatoes have been lost to the farmers of Chippewa county by freezing in the pits, owing to the continued cold weather. The absence of snow is the principal cause of the frost to work in deeper than it would otherwise have done.

Navigation Resumed. Cincinnati, Feb. 21.—Navigation has been resumed on the whole length of the Ohio river. Boatmen are making a schedule time, and are carrying enormous freights.

THE MARKETS. New York, Feb. 21. LIVE STOCK—Cattle, \$1.40 to \$1.50; Hogs, \$1.20 to \$1.30; Sheep, \$1.10 to \$1.20.

GRAIN—Wheat, \$1.20 to \$1.30; Corn, \$1.00 to \$1.10; Oats, \$0.80 to \$0.90.

MARKETS—Cotton, \$1.50 to \$1.60; Sugar, \$1.20 to \$1.30; Coffee, \$1.00 to \$1.10.

MARKETS—Gold, \$1.00 to \$1.10; Silver, \$0.80 to \$0.90; Copper, \$0.60 to \$0.70.

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MARKETS—Aluminum, \$1.00 to \$1.10; Magnesium, \$0.80 to \$0.90; Potassium, \$0.60 to \$0.70.

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MARKETS—Strontium, \$1.00 to \$1.10; Bismuth, \$0.80 to \$0.90; Antimony, \$0.60 to \$0.70.

LEGISLATIVE GOSSIP.

Our Special Correspondent Tells of the Solons' Doings.

The Work of Introducing Bills. Both House and Senate have been busy with the introduction of bills.

St. Paul, Feb. 15.—The legislative features of the day was the introduction of Hon. W. J. Bryan in the house this morning when he delivered a brief address.

The senate met at 10 o'clock this afternoon, he did not visit that body. Representative Vasa, Stevens and Hoberger were appointed a committee to meet at Mr. Bryan to the speaker's desk.

By comparison with the house the senate was a dull body today. The only bill introduced was a bill which prohibits the sale of liquor.

The state board of barbers had a bill introduced in the senate today which places barber schools under the jurisdiction of the state university.

St. Paul, Feb. 17.—Since pass has been made in the senate today. The bill has no trouble in passing in the senate.

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PINE CITY, MINN., FEB. 24, 1901.

**CHIPS AND SHAVINGS.**

Local Chipshippers at Around Town and Shavings Clipped Foundry Exchanges.

—Carlson has another new advertisement this week.

—Wanted—A few cords of wood on subscription—at this office.

—The Pine City roller mills are running night and day this week.

—Services as usual at the Methodist church next Sunday morning and evening.

—Everybody should turn out to the lecture on Saturday evening at court house hall.

—Farm wanted—Send full particulars, price etc., at once. A. H. Russell, Akron, O.

—Gaster's Stomachy came down from West Superior on Wednesday and spent a few days with his mother.

—The breakage of a shaft in the Burger Bros' saw mill stopped operations for several days this week.

—The Russell Comedy company played in Pioneer house hall yesterday evening to a fair sized audience.

—Call for "Sliver," "Dewey," "Log Cabin," "Little Boquet," and "Country Girl, the best five cent cigar in town.

—For Sale—A good farm of 227 acres within one mile of this village. A snap for some one—Enquire at this office for particulars.

—For Sale—A good house, in fair condition, together with six double lots, cheap. Apply for particulars at store of A. Pennington. T4.

—Dr. Brownbridge has decided to give a liberal reduction on all class of dental work except extracting during the month of March.

—See Carlson's new advertisement in another column. Mr. Carlson means business, and those who patronize him will save money.

—Do you want repairs for your stove? F. E. Smith, the Hardware man, will furnish you repairs for any stove made in the United States.

—Alexander Bee will ship his first carload of cattle next Wednesday, March 1. Parties having cattle to dispose of should see Mr. Bee before that day.

—The Lutheran congregation will observe Lenten time with appropriate services on the Passion of Christ, every Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

—G. J. Albrecht's brother Theodore and wife, of Wisconsin, who have been visiting in this place for a few days, returned home on Monday noon's train.

—A famous fish for breakfast—keeps the whole family well—costs only 35 cents—lasts 30 days—one package of Rocky Mountain tea. J. Y. Breckenridge.

—Samuel—Don't figure on marrying a model wife unless you are a mind reader, and know for certain that she takes Rocky Mountain tea. J. Y. Breckenridge.

—C. S. Dobner, of Thief River Falls, spent Sunday in this village visiting at the residence of his brother-in-law, J. D. Vaughan. He was accompanied by his wife.

—Rev. Wm. A. Wilkinson, of North Branch, will preach in the Presbyterian church next Sunday, February 26th, morning and evening. Everyone is cordially invited.

—The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will meet with Mrs. F. A. Hodgo, on Thursday, March 2nd, at 2 p. m. Lunch will be served from 5 to 7. Everybody invited.

—John and Frank McGann, we are sorry to say, are confined to their beds, the former with lung fever and the latter with the grip. We hope to see them out again before long.

—Mrs. F. A. Hodgo and Mrs. J. Y. Breckenridge took Wednesday's train for St. Paul, where they go as delegates to the convention of the Ladies of the G. A. R. that meets in that city this week.

—Mrs. Buttrick, who has been visiting her son Will, who is stationed at Muhaw, as telegraph operator and station agent, for the past couple of weeks, returned to her home in this place on Monday.

—STABLE EMPLOYMENT for a good, reliable salesman, handling our Lubricating Oils, Beltings, general Mill and Thresher supplies from cut-slogne and samples. Liberal terms and profitable commissions. Address—Crown Supply Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

—Mr. McDonald, claim agent for the St. Paul and Duluth, was a Pine City visitor on Tuesday.

—Call for the "Red Cross," "Mantolite" or the "Cuban Knight"—the leading ten-cent cigars on the market.

—Mrs. Peter Strolinsky last night received a telegram containing the sad news of the death of her sister, who resided at Duluth.

—A few more cords of wood wanted on subscription at this office. Hurry up with your load, before cordwood is demoted.

—Ed. Robinson, Jr., son of Ed. H. Robinson, editor of the Taylors Falls Journal, was visiting friends in Pine City yesterday. The PIONEER acknowledges a pleasant call.

—For photographs call on me at my new gallery south of the railroad depot.

JONAS LOBANSON,  
Rush City, Minn.

—More precious than pure gold because it never fails to cure, even headache, indigestion, constipation, pimples, bad blood. A great system regulator, Rocky Mountain tea. J. Y. Breckenridge.

—A house and five lots for sale cheap for cash, within ten minutes walk of the business portion of the village. For particular call on or address this office. This a bargain for spot cash.

—We are sorry to report the serious illness of Larry Murphy, who has been very ill for the past week but at the last report he was slowly improving under the skillful treatment of Dr. Wiseman.

—The burning question is, "When can I buy the right kind of a stove at the right price?" F. E. Smith, the hardware man, has them. Acorn Cooks and Steel Ranges, \$8.00 to \$10.00. Heating stoves, \$2.00 to \$25.00.

—The lunch served at the residence of Dr. Barnum, on Tuesday evening, by the ladies of the M. E. church, was well attended, they having cleared about six dollars. They thank all those who patronized them so freely.

—Do not miss the third lecture of the course given by the Ladies reading circle on Saturday evening at court house hall. Hon. Fred McGhee, the colored orator will address the audience. His subject will be "Stumbling Blocks."

—Pumps!  
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When You want a Wood Pump, an Iron Pump, or anything in the Pump line, call on F. E. Smith, the Hardware Man—Miller Block—Pine City, Minn.

—North Branch Review: J. H. Willard, who has been an employee in the Review office for the past two and a half years, left Monday for Minneapolis, where he expects to remain. He is a good printer, and there is no doubt he will be successful in the future.

—Amos Sloan has been at work in the Pioneer house for the past week, fixing up the steam pipes and putting radiators in some of the rooms, and doing other plumbing work which mine host Ingraham is having done for the convenience and comfort of the traveling public.

—Mrs. H. Wiecek of Carlton, an old time resident of Pine City spent the fore part of the week in this place visiting friends. She returned home on Tuesday's afternoon train. Mrs. Wiecek is always a welcome visitor in this place as she has many warm friends who are always pleased to see her.

—For the information of those who desire to attend the Lenten sermons at St. Mary's church, we will state that services began last Sunday. Hereafter every Sunday evening at 7:30 a sermon will be delivered. The attendance is large, and the matter discussed very interesting. Subject announced for next Sunday is the "Sin of Pride." Everybody is cordially invited by the members of the parish.

—Dr. Wiseman received on Wednesday morning by mail a little hatchet, with the handle filled with candy. He came up to the PIONEER office and opened it up, giving the force a taste of the candy. Candy enclosed in the handle was also found a brief note from the donor, calling attention of the Doctor to the significance of the gift, and the historic truthfulness which the hatchet commemorated, and expressing the hope that the doctor would emulate the example set by the illustrious father of his country in the famous cherry tree episode.

—John Ingraham, who has rented the Pioneer house for a term of years, is a first class hotel man, and is having some needed improvements made in the hotel. Mr. Ingraham says that he will run a first-class home or none, and the traveling public can rest assured of being treated right when they visit the County Seat of this county.

—Father Rabstelnick called Doctors Barnum and Wiseman the first of the week to hold a consultation over his father, Chas. Rabstelnick, to see if he could be benefited by hospital treatment. He decided that his condition, considering his age, which is nearly ninety, was excellent. Father Rabstelnick was much worried over his father's condition.

—S. S. Simpson who ran the creamery at this place last fall, but who is now stationed at Svea, came up on Saturday noon and spent Sunday with friends in this place. When Sam left here about six weeks ago he intended to come back about the first of April to start up again, but he has secured a position at the above named place for a year. The creamery will start up just the same the first of April, Mr. Simpson having secured his nephew to run it. All of the farmers adjacent to this place should bring their milk to the creamery and make it the success it should be.

—M. S. Watt has just finished filling The Busemeier's large ice house, and has commenced putting ice in the new house he built just north of the Busemeier property, to supply our citizens with that luxury during the hot weather. M. S. says that he expects to put about 4,000 cakes into the ice-house besides 1,000 that he will put up outside to use until it is time to open up the house. Our citizens should patronize Mr. Watt in his new undertaking as it will be to their advantage to have ice brought to their door every morning for a nominal sum. All orders left at this office will receive prompt attention.

The Bridge at Oshewatana Dam.

Adolph Munch came up on Tuesday, in answer to a letter from some of the citizens of the town of Oshewatana, who wrote him in regard to the bridge across Snake River at the dam. We have been informed that every proposition offered by the citizens was readily accepted by Mr. Munch, and that a meeting of all the settlers who will be benefited by the bridge had been called for Saturday evening. It is to be hoped that a bridge will be put in there before it breaks up in the spring, as the people on the north side of the river will be unable to drive to town for at least three months, as the water will be so high for that length of time in the spring that it will be utterly impossible to ford the river. Mr. Munch has acted on the square in this matter all along, as the letter published in these columns last fall showed, and if those who are benefited by the bridge had been the same the bridge would be there now. But if those interested take interest enough in the bridge to meet on Saturday evening, the bridge will be put in at once.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in Chicago.

Higgen Bros., the popular South Side druggists, corner 69th street, and Wentworth avenue, say: "We sell a great deal of Chamberlain's Cough remedy, and find that it gives the most satisfactory results, especially among children for severe colds and croup." For sale by J. Y. Breckenridge & Co.

Change in the Northwestern Cycle Company.

The Northwestern Cycle Company of Minneapolis, one of the best known cycle houses in the northwest, has undergone a change in ownership, the interest of Mr. Fawkes having been purchased by Chas. Litzky, who for many years has occupied a responsible position in the executive department of the Soo railroad. The Company have secured the exclusive agency for one of the best wheels manufactured, and are better prepared than ever to meet both in price and quality, the wishes of wheelmen. Do not purchase a wheel without asking the Northwestern Cycle Company, corner of 6th St. and 1st Ave., Minneapolis for their catalogue. The repair and supply department has been made more complete than ever. Mr. J. F. Rivers, who founded the company, continues associated with Mr. Litzky in the business.

**School Notes.**

Lydia Payne has had a felon on her finger, but we are pleased to note that the finger is all right now.

Why do all the scholars take the middle of the road from the school house gate to Mr. Williams' corner? Because there is no sidewalk.

The Webster Literary Society gave their first entertainment last Friday afternoon. Among the visitors present were Mr. Bede and Rev. Abel. Mr. Bede made a few remarks in which he explained how work of this kind strengthened the knees. He said that even old political speakers were not always strong in the knees. Mr. Abel also spoke to the society, giving the members good words of advice. The following is the program:

- Song by School
- Recitation Maud Gray
- Solo Bessie Lambert
- Recitation Flora Kerr
- Duet Jessie Westcott
- Vocal Duet Bessie Lambert
- Reading Annie Kothera
- Instrumental Margaret Smarke
- Duet Mayme Pennington
- Recitation Lydia Payne
- Solo Bessie Lambert

Mayme Pennington acted as organist. Prof. Holland is critic for both societies. The next entertainment will be given two weeks from today, (Friday).

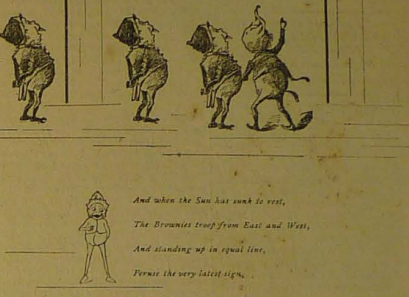
The basket social given at court house hall on Wednesday evening, was a grand success both financially and socially. The evening's entertainment was opened with a song by the high school; the next on the program was a guessing, or rather knowledge contest. There were a large number of advertisement pictures, and also pictures of prominent men cut from papers, pasted on card board, and placed upon tables. The contestants were to look at the picture, put down the number of the same, and what it advertised or the name of the person it represented. Fayette Marsh received the first prize and Henry Buirg the foot prize. They had a table filled with a large number of articles that are seen in every day life. The contestants passed through the room and as they came out they were handed a sheet of paper on which they wrote all the articles they could remember. Kate Brackett took first prize, and Gertrude Crittenden foot prize.

The sale of baskets was then held and Rev. P. Knudsen auctioneered off the same. Considerable sport was had during the bidding, and the prices paid ranged from 25 cents to \$2.50. Mr. McAllen paying the latter sum for Mrs. Ed Madden's basket. The bidding was fair and no one knew whose basket they were bidding on. The baskets were decorated in fine shape and were pretty and unique.

The school cleared upwards of \$31, which will be used for purchasing clocks and books for the school.

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# LIVE STOCK

## NEW FORAGE PLANT.

**Idaho Pea Grows on Almost Any Kind of Soil. It Produces a Heavy Load.**

For several years a leguminous plant, bearing the name of gram, chick-pea and Idaho pea has been highly spoken of as a fodder plant for the northwest. The introducer claims that it is a new species of pea. The United States department of agriculture, through its division of agricultural chemistry (No. 7) states that this is an old plant known in Europe for centuries. It has been introduced into India, where 5,000,000 acres are now devoted to its culture. The seed is used in that country for fattening sheep and cattle. The chemical analysis shows that it contains 30 percent of crude protein, 4 percent of fat, and 30 percent of carbohydrates, which is approximately the composition of field peas grown in the northern states.

Whether or not the pea will be of great value in the United States remains to be seen. Plants have been



THE IDAHO PEA.

grown in the gardens at Washington and in various other localities. Reports concerning it are not very favorable excepting from some parts of Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Idaho and Montana. Newspaper reports give very high yields in the Rocky Mountain regions, but in Idaho it has not exceeded in any case 25 bushels per acre under most favorable conditions and any yields above this must be substantiated before they can be accepted. If the crop can be made to yield 25 bushels per acre Agrostologist Smith thinks that it will be a valuable addition to western forage crops, but until still further trials are made he advises the western farmer to be careful about investing much money in seed or devoting much land to its culture. The plant is sensitive to cold, consequently the seed must not be sown until the middle of May or the first of June. It will grow on almost any kind of soil, but prefers heavy loams. It may prove valuable as a winter crop in the northern states, where it is usually unsuited to vetches and crimson clover. It requires only a moderate amount of moisture. In common with all leguminous plants it has the power of absorbing nitrogen from the air and storing it up in the soil, and consequently it is a good plant for soil renovation.—Orange Judd Farmer.

## HORSES LOVE COMPANY.

**That is One Reason Why No Stallion Should Be Condemned to Solitary Confinement.**

No stallion, no matter what offense he may have been guilty of, should be condemned to solitary confinement, says the Horseman, but in some cases a cheery stallion where he may be with his going on, see other horses and men and generally live the life of other horses on the farm. Don't shut him away by himself so that he will hear or see nothing all day. There is no surer way to make a horse cross, no surer way to teach him bad habits and tricks that lessen his value and impair his usefulness and vitality, no, far from keeping the stud all by himself, have a wire-protected window in his stall so placed that he can see what is going on, hear the voices of men and enjoy the society of the chickens and cats and feel that he is really one of the stock family on the premises. If more than one stallion is kept on the farm, build them a house by themselves, not away in one corner, but up where it is handy to get to them and leave an open space barred with iron between them in the partition that divides their stalls. This way they will converse together, in all probability tell each other their woes, and if anyone will take the trouble to watch between the procedure a pair of stallions thus housed, he will see them with their noses at the aperture in the partition more than half the time. If this provision for their company is not made, who shall say that horses cannot carry on some sort of conversation in their own way? They may not be able to do so, but they do dearly love company and they must have it.

**LIVE STOCK POINTERS.**  
Get a good dog. If you have any, give it good care.  
Keep swine out of the mud as much as possible at all times.  
Legal enactment has about put an end to locking horses in this country.

The sow that has her blood heated by too much corn is in a feverish condition and may eat her pigs.  
Kindness, firmness and watchfulness are the chief requisites in handling a bull. Never trust him a minute.  
Be very careful about the pedigree of the stallion, for nothing but first-class horses are valuable at a profit.

The feeder who proposes to feed economically will cook the feed. If he doesn't care if feed is wasted, he won't.  
If any animal is covetous, remedy the matter at once or you will have trouble.  
Soft flocks will usually do ill.—Western Plowman.

**Crate for Shipping Hogs.**  
It will be profitable to any breeder to always ship his pigs in a neat, light crate, in which the animal can be comfortably crated. Some breeders are very negligent on this line; they use old fence boards, which makes heavy and clumsy crates. Sometimes the animal is not able to be comfortable because of either being too short or too narrow. It is not business to use anything but good, neat, clean-looking crates, suitable for shipping. It is an advertisement for the breeder. It has an air of business that impresses the buyer favorably.

## CLEANLINESS FOR HOGS.

**It is a Most Important Condition to Thrift and Will Add Materially to Farm Profits.**

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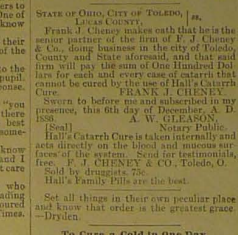
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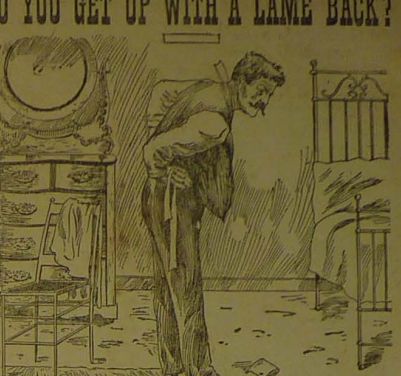
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**THE CANADIAN HOUSE**

As It Is Described by a Native of the Dominion.

Some of the Inconveniences and Disadvantages of the Members—Personal Encounters Occur.

To the visitor in the house of representatives who has been accustomed to the severe discipline and strict decorum of British legislatures, the degree of liberty indulged in by the members seems somewhat strange. There is a constant hum about the floor, the frequent formation of groups, of members for consultation and what would doubtless be regarded as reasons by the bystanders in the gallery of the mother of parliaments, applause from the spectators at times. The American politician is often accused of overvehemence and a disposition to shout when ordinary tones would better serve the purpose. After an hour in the big chamber of the popular house, with its continual din, one can well understand that the members of congress come naturally by his strident tones and strenuous manner. Without them they would never be heard by his chattering colleagues, and to the galleries they would speak only by gesticulation. The official reporters suffer greatly from the noise. Instead of sitting at their desks in front of the speaker's chair, they find it necessary to skip about whatever section of the house a speaker may be in, dropping in a moment if convenient, but more frequently leaning against a desk, pad in hand. It is happy indeed in that mortal in the middle of whose "take" there is a change of speakers. He may have crept close up to "the member from Michigan" on the extreme left of the globe, and may have to make a run like a baseball player for his horse back to the other side to catch the opening words of "the member from Arkansas" as he rises to interpose an objection.

It sometimes happens that members lose their tempers in the heat of debate. The bowie knife and the revolver salutary to the belief of many of our women across the sea, are no longer the weapons with which these quarrels are settled. They have been replaced by the statistics in calf and the inkstand which are much more convenient and less deadly. When a row breaks out on the floor and the combatants come into close quarters it is the duty of the sergeant-at-arms to interpose the mace between them. The mace is the emblem of the civil power, but it is somewhat different in appearance from ours. It consists of a bundle of ebony rods bound together with ligaments of silver and having on top a silver globe surmounted by a silver eagle. It resembles the fasces borne by the lictors before the Roman magistrates. It is known familiarly as "the bird." Just before the declaration of war with Spain "the bird" did duty in quelling a riot. An excited member had captured his remarks by throwing the mace in a corner, striking at his opponent's head. The latter made a rush at his antagonist, mutual friends held them back, while from all sides of the house came the cry, "Seize him, seize the bird!" The bird was sent forward to the fighting line as rapidly as possible, and hostilities ceased. The man who would dare to strike a blow over "the bird" has not yet entered congress.—Toronto Globe.

**CUBA HAS WHAT SHE WANTED.**

Commissioner Porter Gives an Address on Problems in the Island.

Robert F. Porter, President McKinley's special commissioner to Cuba and Porto Rico, spoke lately at Cooper Union on "Practical Problems That confront Us in Cuba." The meeting was held under the auspices of the people's institute, and Charles Sprague Smith, director of the institute, introduced Mr. Porter. Mr. Porter said that Cuba is now under the occupation of the United States, everything she ever sought for—industrial and commercial freedom. The United States wants not a foot of her soil without paying hard cash, and will expend every penny of the Cuban revenue on Cuba.

He said the political future of the island is a difficult problem to dispose of, and thought it advisable for the present to let matters stand as they are. The intelligent Cubans he thought, favor annexation, but it seems to be a question whether this country can constitutionally hold islands as colonies.

Mr. Porter is firmly convinced that the Cubans can govern themselves, and that they will make application for admission to the union as a state. From military and strategic view points, he said, it would be insanity to let Cuba go, and the question is, therefore, in what state shall it be held?

Mr. Porter, in answer to questions, said the labor problem is the most puzzling one in Cuba. He could not say what the solution is to be. He said the island has a capacity of 1,200,000 tons of sugar annually, but because of lack of labor the planters can produce but 300,000 tons annually. He thought large capitalists would find profitable investments in the island, but he would not advise clerks or men of small means to go there.

The future of the island, Mr. Porter said, depended altogether upon the rebuilding of the three great industries—sugar, tobacco and iron ore.—Chicago Evening News.

**Australia's Sheep.**  
Twenty-nine sheep introduced into an Australian colony in 1788 are now represented by 120,000,000 of the finest sheep in the world.—Leak's

**PUNGENT PARAGRAPHS.**

"What is raised mostly in damp climates?" asked the teacher. "Umbrella," replied Johnny.—Hill-Hill.

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"For my part, I don't believe that Iro was happy, even before the advent of the script." "Why?" "There were no neighbors' children to criticize."—Chicago Daily News.

Mrs. Gruber—"I called on Mrs. Doser today. It must be terrible to be such a confined invalid." Mrs. Meslinex—"I don't know. She always has a topic for conversation."—Boston Transcript.

Reporter—"I want to write his family is one of the first families." City Editor—"Well, it is. Why, we've paid an eight-hundred-dollar column for scoundrels about his family!"—Detroit Journal.

Friend—"Do you approve of the idea that each company should have a cook with the rank and pay of corporal?" The Veteran—"Of corporal? Why, a good cook deserves the rank and pay of a major general!"—Buck.

Americans—Uncle Sam and John Bull beamed upon each other affectionately. "Let's take something!" urged Uncle Sam, as to his custom when his heart is full. "By all means!" replied John Bull cordially. "I suggest territory!"—"Trick."

"I want some men to go to work at once," exclaimed the excited inhabitant of a state capital. "It's a big case. A diamond robbery involving thousands of dollars." "I'm sorry," answered the chief, "but a little thing like that'll have to wait. All our detectives are busy watching the legislature to prevent somebody from getting away with a senatorship!"—Washington Star.

**DEATH OF A NOTED FOX.**

For Many Years the Old Fellow Had Been a Faithful Standby of the Leger Hunters.

George Washington, the hoary and sporty old fox that has lived in the South Valley hills at Valley Forge for so many years, and has figured in a score or more hunts, met with a tragic end a few days ago by being torn to pieces by a pack of hounds.

About a dozen members of the Perkiomen, Port Kennedy, Washington and Black Rock hunts, with a pack of 20 hounds, turned out one morning for a hunt. After beating around the valley hills for an hour, the hounds succeeded in "jumping" old George Washington, and a lively chase followed. Poxy did some pretty lively running among the hills for half an hour, and then made a break across the open country toward New Centreville, with the hounds in close pursuit. From Cedar Hollow, the fox made a good run through Charlestown township, and then headed for Valley Forge, with the hounds very close to his heels. Finding that he was likely to be picked up in the open stretch of country that lay before him, he popped into a groundhog hole when he was halfway back, and none too soon, for the hounds were close on him. The hunters got picks and shovels, and as the hole proved shallow, they uncovered him after an hour's digging.

The fox was unharmed, and Del Davis, of the Black Rock hunt, seated him on the pommel of his saddle and started off for Valley Forge, surrounded by the pack. He did not proceed far, however, when the old fox made a wild leap and went bounding among the hounds. He had scarcely touched the ground before a dozen of the dogs were on him, and before Mr. Davis could alight from his horse the old fox had been nearly torn to pieces. The hounds were driven away, and when the hunters came up and saw what had happened they almost cried, for they would rather have lost a horse or cow than that old George. Mr. Davis secured the brush.

Old George was a great runner, and had figured in many big hunts. He was frequently captured and kept for big drop-hunts, and while he often made narrow escapes, he always managed to save himself by some trick or good stroke of luck. All regret that he was fated to meet such an unparliamentary end.—Philadelphia Times.

**A Very Sanitary House.**

Japan has long rejoiced in earthquake-proof houses, and now we hear of an abode in Yokohama which possesses the unique distinction of being microbe-proof. It is said to have been erected by an eminent German bacteriologist, who hopes by its aid to avoid all the ills to which human flesh is heir, so far as they are due to zymotic causes. The house is built of glass bricks, so that there is no need for windows, and the doors are closed perfectly air-tight. Ventilation is brought about by air being forced into the building through cotton-wool filters, and in case this treatment does not rob it of all its bacteria, the air is further driven against glycerin-coated plates of glass. Of course, when the door of this strange domicile is opened to admit visitors, armies of air-borne microbes must come in too; but the sunlight which plays around the rooms will soon kill them. We doubt whether this glass-house and cotton-wool treatment of human beings will bring any substantial advantage to the experimenters, and we should decidedly prefer a healthy, open-air life, microbes and all.—Chambers' Journal.

**No Microbes to the Mountains.**

A scientist, looking for microbes, says there are absolutely none on the Swiss mountains at an altitude of 2,000 feet. Here it is plain for the party party; and scaremongers, who so often horrify the public with the dismal fear of microbes, would have to take their supply with them, most of which are useful to man.

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