

True Northerner.

PAW PAW, MICHIGAN, MARCH 19, 1875.

Local Department.

Enquire where Byrns gets his whisky.
A severe cold snap on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

Haskell, the Day Spring man, was in town on Tuesday last.

Hull & Arnold furnished the music for the party at Town Hall last Tuesday evening.

The new college building at Hilledale will be completed in time for the spring term.

Mrs. H. C. Arms, of Decatur, for many years an invalid, died on Thursday morning, the 11th inst.

Hull & Arnold's Band was in town on Tuesday night, and smoked a "Flor Del Fumar" with the Press man.

Griswold's Saturday Night says that an eight foot fence is the best thing to preserve harmony between two neighbors.

A Michigan granger who traveled through the snow a week or two ago, and got out of this State, is now in Tennessee and trying to waste time.

Two or three days before the "freeze-up" a number of workmen were engaged in clearing out the gutters on Main street. It doesn't look at present as though we were going to have a flood.

The funeral of Mrs. Hinkley took place last Monday from her late residence a few miles west of this village. She was a daughter of Samuel Orr, Sr., and leaves a large circle of friends, who deeply mourn her loss.

The balance of cash in the State Treasury March 3, 1875, was \$1,510,325.57. Receipts during the week ending March 10 were \$45,907.12; payments during same time \$5,475.10; balance in the treasury \$1,550,757.59; an increase for the week of \$40,432.02.

We have received a letter enquiring what G. Fred revived the Press for? To which we must answer, "To find out what is in him." A much quicker way for him to find that out, would be to go to sea. The first rough weather would enable him to ascertain all about it.

The survivors of the Seventeenth Michigan Infantry will hold a reunion at Grand Rapids April 14th, with headquarters at the Bridge Street House. The Secretary of the Executive Committee is W. W. Bruce, of Big Rapids, to whom communications should be addressed.

Judge Coolidge has made an order requiring the Sheriff to give notice that the March Term of the Circuit Court will be adjourned till the 12th of April. Jurors will govern themselves accordingly.

We have seen the programme for the exercises at the meeting of the Van Buren County Teachers' Association, to be held on the 1st, 2d, and 3rd days of April next, in which this sentence occurs: "Where Lyeth the Blame (for bad spelling, etc.) A. J. Peirce, South Haven." We should think that spelling should be talked about, when professional school teachers spell *lyeth*.

Dwight May persists in running for the Judgeship, notwithstanding the fair offer of Judge Lawton that both shall get out of the way for some other man on whom the Republicans of both counties can unite. After the election the valiant General will be heard to say every morning on rising from his bed: "Dwight May, you have been the biggest jackass in the Ninth Judicial Circuit." And so he has.

Prof. Cook requests us to state that the Operetta of Lily Bell is given as the result of the course of musical instruction in the High School, where he has been giving a lesson each day for some time, and is to take the place of the usual recitation. The Operetta is to be given on Thursday and Saturday evenings, March 25th and 27th. Prof. Cook's private pupils give an exhibition on Friday night at the same place.

The Mason News relates an event like many that have happened in this city. A canvasser for printing goes about, getting orders from ladies for visiting cards at 36 cents per dozen, or three cents each. The News office, like our home printers, would do much work for less money, and then the ladies would be patronizing home enterprise.—Lansing Republican.

Quite an extensive business in that line has been carried on by some fellows in this place, and our business men have patronized them liberally. Yet they grumble if any of the residents of our town go to Kalamazoo, or elsewhere, to do their shopping, when they are doing the same thing themselves. Very consistent, isn't it?

Mr. Engle, who lives just south of this place, in writing to the Detroit Tribune February 23, says:

"There will be no peach crop in this vicinity the coming season. A thorough examination, however, reveals the fact that there are a few live buds on the more hardy varieties, such as Little Chink and Little's Cling. It is nearly certain that the trees have escaped with life, which is the most we could hope for after the intense cold, for this season, unprecedented cold of the 9th inst. Several cherries and apricots are in nearly as bad a condition as the peaches, while the morrells are injured more or less. Thermometrical reports here were from 26° to 32° below zero.

The Executive Committee of the Paw Paw Valley Agricultural Society held a meeting recently and revised the premium list. The following officers were elected: General Superintendent—Eaton Branch; Superintendents of Departments—Horses—E. H. Simpson; Cattle—C. O. Hills; Sheep, Swine and Poultry—J. P. Taylor; Grain and Seeds—Allen Rice; Flouring—Amos Dopp; Fruits—S. S. Fuller; Mechanical Arts—John Stanley; Canned and Dried Fruit—A. E. Barber; Domestic Manufactures—A. A. Olds; Flowers and Needle Work—J. B. Johnston; Foreign Manufactures—O. M. Southard; Female Equestrianism—W. W. Hodges; Floral Hall—J. B. Johnston and wife.

Mr. Cooper, of Lawton, Mich., has been looking over the town, and proposes to come here early in the spring with from \$6,000 to \$10,000 worth of machinery and as much money as will be needed to carry on an extensive manufacturing business. He will operate an iron foundry and machine-shop with sufficient capacity to build anything from a carpet tack to a steam engine, a wash, door and blind factory, planing mill, mangle, sawing and moulding machines. He will also manufacture school furniture, reapers, handles and other utensils.—Kalamazoo.

By vote of Paw Paw Grange No. 10, P. of H., the time for holding regular meetings of said Grange is changed from Friday to Saturday of each week, to take effect March 27th, 1875. PATRON'S HALL, March 12, 1875.

Village Gossip.

One of our highly esteemed fellow-citizens feels very much aggrieved at what V. G. said last week, thinking those remarks were intended expressly for him. V. G. is sorry to have caused any unpleasant feelings in so small a matter; he did not suppose that any person, who was interested enough in the bill to circulate a remonstrance, would consider it an offense to go up to our

STATE CAPITAL and do a little lobbying to secure its defeat.—V. G. does not suppose anything he can say will make much difference, considering the fact that our worthy State Senator came all the way from Lansing to interview Uncle Leo, on the subject, and on the same trip stopped off at Kalamazoo to visit the insane asylum,—thus "killing two birds with one stone." V. G. never heard how the interview terminated, but concludes it must have been satisfactory to both.

Another gentleman is engaged in quite an extensive business in this village, yet all of his taxable property is situated just outside the limits. He, too, is opposing the bill.

Our citizens are at present quite interested in discussing the probability of securing

ANOTHER RAILROAD. V. G. would like to see another route passing through this place, for it would enable the people to get away once in awhile, if there should chance to be an inch of snow on the track. Look out, or some of our neighboring towns will get ahead!

The "spelling fever" seems to have taken possession of every place in the State but our own beautiful village. V. G. finds the following in one of his papers:

A spelling match came off at Judge Coolidge's residence, in Niles, Friday evening. All the schoolmarms were spelled down and Miss Dora King was the victor.

Wouldn't it be a good plan to have a spelling match in this place also? V. G. makes the motion. Who'll second it?

What fun the boys had last Saturday! They seemed inclined to make the most of the "beautiful snow," seeing we have not been favored with any great amount this winter.—The snow-balls fell thick and fast most of the day, and V. G. must admit that he felt a trifle nervous when in the vicinity of those missiles. After getting out of harm's way, however, he paused to contemplate the scene, and his mind reverted to his childhood days; but, as V. G. caught a glimpse of his shadow, he could scarcely realize that that bowed and rheumatic form was once as sprightly as yonder youth. He turned away repeating the lines—

"Oh, Youth! for years so many and sweet,
I'll think it but a fond conceit—
It cannot be—that thou art gone!
Thy vesper-bell hath not yet tolled:
And thou wert aye a masker bold!
What strange disguise hast now put on,
To make believe that thou art gone?"

But, as the careless laugh of childhood rang out upon the air, and he turned once again to behold their enjoyment, he could not refrain from repeating the following verse:

"Let them exult: their laugh and song
Are rarely known to last too long;
Why should we strive, with cynic frown
To knock their fairy castles down?"

FROM KEELE.

Rev. W. J. Chaplin, of Owagah, delivered a lecture at the M. E. church on "Secret Societies," treating the origin, abuse and use. The lecture was good as far as he went. He fell short as far as the present advantage is concerned; think he did not treat it as fairly as he ought; however, there was much instruction and profit. The same gentleman addressed a full house the following evening on the subject of a railroad through Keeler. Keelerites are rather drowsy on the subject, having been taken in before. They will have to wait a while before they become fully awake. Had quite a thunder storm last night; snow is leaving fast. March 15th, 1875.

The county agricultural society held a meeting at Kalamazoo the 19th inst. for the purpose of a general conference and comparison of views and methods in the management of fairs, to promote unity of action and the consideration of such topics as was deemed advisable. Judge Monroe of this county was called to the chair, and Frank Little of Kalamazoo was made secretary. Judge Monroe said, in addressing the convention, that he had always taken great interest in agricultural societies; he deemed them excellent educators of the people. He had settled in this State in 1821, and thought he was to be classed as a veritable pioneer. He attended the first exhibition of the Kalamazoo County Agricultural Society when it was held at Schoolcraft in 1859, and had been identified directly with the State Agricultural Society and county ever since then. Organization. His hearty approval of the objects of the meeting.

The following gentlemen presented themselves as delegates for their respective societies: St. Joseph County—J. H. Gardner, president of the St. Joseph County Agricultural Society; William Frankish, secretary. Berrien County—Wm. B. Davis, president. Van Buren County—F. M. Manning, president; A. C. Glidden, secretary; Judge Monroe, David Woodman, 2d, Asa Crofoot, S. Connelley, G. W. Bush, W. Marshall, executive committee.

Kalamazoo County—W. H. Cobb, president; Frank Little, secretary; Wm. Bar, J. N. Stearn, W. H. McCourtney, O. Irwin, executive committee.

In addition to these there were a number of other gentlemen, who are largely interested in agriculture and county fairs. The committee on order of business, Frank Little, William Frankish and Asa C. Glidden, reported the following topics for discussion: 1. Life membership; 2. tickets and entries; 3. rules and regulations; 4. general management of fairs; 5. special premiums, novelties; 6. speed premiums; 7. grading premiums; 8. organization of a western society.

These were very ably discussed. Life memberships were considered of no advantage.—The sense of the meeting was against issuing season tickets, except complimentary, the experience of the officers being that family tickets were used over and over, and one man had been known to have wagon loads to come in on one family ticket bought for \$1. The tickets were passed back through the fence and used again and again. In regard to horse racing it was resolved, "That it is the sense of this con-

vention that it is not advisable to offer premiums for speed at the county fairs, by the societies proper." It was also resolved, "That it is desirable to have plowing matches and trials of plows in connection with the holding of county fairs, and that premiums be offered in the various classes of the tests in proportion to the relative merits of each variety of animals and articles.

It was resolved to reorganize the society, and to invite to the next meeting, which is to be held December 9th, 1875, at Kalamazoo, all the county societies in the State west of the base line. Frank Little and Asa C. Glidden were appointed a committee to draft a constitution and by-laws, and the meeting adjourned.

The following is the list of Jurors for the term of the Circuit Court, commencing March 22d, 1875:

Chauncey Wise, Pine Grove; Gilbert J. Hudson, Paw Paw; Edwin Barnum, Paw Paw; Wm. L. Houghton, Bloomingdale; James B. Smith, Paw Paw; C. P. Rawson, Paw Paw; Philetus I. Bragg, Paw Paw; Willard A. Cooley, Bloomingdale; Lucius E. Buck, Keeler; Samuel Gilman, Paw Paw; Frank Jones, Pine Grove; Geo. W. Prescott, Bloomingdale; Robert Baker, Columbia; R. M. Haynes, Hartford; William Peck, Columbia; Erasmus Osborn, Hamilton; Leander Simmons, Pine Grove; Myron H. Smith, Antwerp; Bryan Stainton, Antwerp; Charles G. Nash, Paw Paw; Horatio N. Davis, Waverly; Jacob Hungerford, Waverly; N. B. Rowe, Antwerp; Benjamin F. Stevens, Almena.

Jurors not required to attend until the 12th of April.

The following letters were received by a gentleman living in this vicinity:

ALBION, BOONE CO., NEB., FEB. 14th, '75.
FRIEND CHRIS:

Dear Sir,—It is with a good degree of pleasure that I again send myself to address a few lines to you. Yours of the 5th was duly received; glad to hear of your good health and comfortable surroundings, and above all your evident appreciation. This adds much to our enjoyment of temporal blessings. "Godliness with contentment is great gain"; but I need not amplify the thought to one of your good sense and reasoning. You want to know how the thing runs with me, to which I answer, about as usual, the same identity as when with you, any sacrifice for truth, none for error, however fashionable it may be, desirous of friendship, but no compromise of truth, to the law and the testimony, in all matters of faith, not contentions about opinions, preferring liberal sentiments to fine-spun contractedness,—the first-born of superstition and ignorance. Our neighbors are being awakened religiously, after the manner of modern Theological Orthodoxy. Your humble servant has been invited to take a part, to which I willingly respond; but it requires no little moderation in clearing away of rubbish in order to show the old Jerusalem lines and landmarks of the Apostolic Gospel, and rich and gracious deposits of Salvation. "May the blessing of God attend my feeble efforts" is the prayer of this unworthy dust. You want to know about the winter here. It is said to have been the most severe ever known; it seems now some like the approach of spring weather, which will be hailed with gladness by all. There will be no dissenters here. I conclude.

ALBION, FEB. 22.
I again resume my scribbling. More or less affected by hard colds the last few days, but on the mend; the spring weather here now; fair prospect of business opening lively, and fair prospect of an extensive area of spring crops.

POLITICAL.
Phases of State, as touching the moving of the Capitol quite doubtful. Every one seems to want it at, or near, his house, and the probability is, it will remain where it is a little longer. "Divided we fall."

INDIAN RELATIONS.
It is not yet decided how many horses they will steal; they have already made quite an acquisition in that direction. We hope soon to be delivered from this pesky nuisance.

LOCAL.
In connection with the advancement of our village, there is a fair prospect in its development of the addition of a grist-mill the coming season.

PHILANTHROPIST.
The aid and relief organs are active in making distributions to the needy. Your humble servant is the only one footing his own bill in district No. two of Boone county.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATION.
Our citizens of Boone county were notified to appear at the county seat on Friday and Saturday last, then and there to answer such questions as might determine their need of Uncle Sam's help to furnish seed. I wish you had been here to have seen the crowd. I think some may fail getting much seed, but go home wiser.

DESCRIPTION OF BOONE COUNTY.
Active morning, night and noon.
Two days are spent in examination.
The hearts that bound in expectation,
Awaiting to themselves success.
Convincing the agent of their need;
But each must wait and take his turn.
Till head and heart and hand be turned;
All anxious to report their destination,
And answers made without confusion;
The truth was hard for all to utter.
The tongue once still, the heart would flatter;
The agent had a piercing look.
And seemed to read them like a book;
But older heads and hearts as tough,
Seemed to stand it well enough.
Of happy days no one could tell.
Since on their crops the hoppers fell.
The object was to furnish seed.
To farmers here who stood in need,
And every one, to make it plain,
Must give a list of all his grain;
Indebtedness and interest, too.
Asses, horses, herds that loo;
Of acres broke on the face of Nature,
For Uncle Sam is undertaker.
None are missed, not a single squatter,
Of those that lost by the pesky hopper.
And those that need are left to moulder;
Supplied with meat, or bread, or butter.
And none that's here need seem to lack;
There's plenty clothing for the back.
The occasion was the greatest rally
Ever seen on Beaver Valley.

With truly kind regards, sincerely yours,

Hon. H. H. Coolidge has been nominated for Circuit Judge of his district.

Thomas Boyle, the man who was convicted and sentenced to the State Prison, for the murder of Frank Mooney, has been granted a new trial. He was brought from the prison and lodged in the county jail on Tuesday night to await a new trial at the March Term of the Circuit Court.

DIED.

BURT—On the 16th inst., Ina, oldest daughter of Elijah and Emily A. Burt, aged sixteen years and eleven months.

Business Notices.

Hay for Sale.

At the subscriber's barn—two miles south of Paw Paw.
March 18, 1875. 104213 FREDERICK LORD.

Our Whole Stock

will be sacrificed way low down, as we will be here only a few days longer. Don't miss this chance to buy so cheap, it may never come again. Star Clothing House, 109 Main Street, Kalamazoo. 104118

E. G. Butler, at his old Stand on Kalamazoo Street, will from this time forward furnish everybody with Family Groceries. His Stock is new and fresh. Matthews & Hutchins have removed and taken their entire stock with them. Call and see for yourselves. 1050

\$30 Black Suits

For \$15, and \$25 Black Suits for only \$15. Last chance to buy so cheap, as we positively leave here in a few days. Star Clothing House, 109 Main Street, Kalamazoo. 104113

RUBBERS Repaired by S. SHAEFER, one Door west of the Court House, Paw Paw, Mich.

Saturday, March 27th.
Last day we will be here. All goods below cost before we go. Suits worth \$25 will be sold for \$15; and Suits worth \$18 for \$10. Remember only a few days longer. Star Clothing House, 109 Main Street, Kalamazoo. 104113

Buy your bread. Don't waste time kneading dough, when you can buy bread for eight cents a loaf at Miss Munger's.

\$30 Overcoats

For \$15, and \$19 Overcoats for \$10. Last chance to buy so cheap, as we positively leave here in a few days. Star Clothing House, 109 Main Street, Kalamazoo. 104113

LAWSON, Mich., March 11, 1875.

I have this day received my imported **Berkshire Boar** bred by Arthur Stewart, Royal Agricultural College Farm, Gloucester, England. 10421f Yours Truly, G. D. Boyce, Porter.

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FLANNELS, LINSEYS,

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A very elegant line of

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