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Rice, Danville, keeps Sewing Machine. E. H. Hunt, Danville.

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Wanted. To exchange a restaurant and stock of goods and confectionery in a good location.

Murder Will Out. A few years ago "August Flower" was discovered to be a certain cure for dyspepsia.

Madam Foy Corset at Hunt's. E. H. Hunt, Danville.

Why Not Get Married. And go to housekeeping, when you can buy a bedroom set, including a quarter marble bureau, for \$85 at Rayner, Meach & Co's.

Now is the Time. If you owe me any amount above ten cents, I want it between this and the first of September.

New Stock Shirts at Hunt & Co's. Fresh Stock Wall Paper, largest ever brought to Danville, cheaper than ever before.

Flouring. Mead & Farver, manufacturers of Flour and Feed and dealers in grain, are prepared to do all kinds of work in their line.

From a Distinguished Jurist. "I have tried the Turvian system and the result fully sustains your prediction."

Do not expect people will walk from Mason to Lansing to buy groceries of me, but I do expect that farmers having business in Lansing will go where they can save five percent.

Beautiful Fall Dress Styles Gingham at Hunt's. E. H. Hunt, Danville.

A Tremendous Stock of Sugar just received and for sale extra cheap.

Remember. That September first is pay day. I have waited on many of you a long time.

The Arctic Explorers. And everybody else will find it to their interest to purchase some of the 120 different styles of table and pocket cutlery found at T. Hoffmann's, Danville.

Stereoscopic Views and Stereoscopes at half-price. Call and examine. J. C. BERRY.

Now lot full style Prints at Hunt's. E. H. Hunt, Danville.

A Contract. In extension table, only 30 cents per foot at 70¢. RAYNER, MEACH & CO'S.

Five thousand used First, Sheet Iron and Copper were articles of the best quality and workmanship at Hoffman's hardware store.

\$100,000 to Loan. In Ingham county at nine per cent, for the Mercantile Trust Co. of New York.

Corn Baskets and Corn Kernels of new style at Hoffman's, Danville.

A good line of Trunks and Valises for sale by E. Rice, Danville.

It is a great satisfaction to have a good soap that is known to be made of sound fat and properly prepared.

Farm for Sale. I will sell my farm, situated in the township of Ingham, in this county, consisting of 17 acres.

Remarkable Results Follow. Pain ceases, swellings subside, fever abates and a natural and healthy state is restored.

See what the medical fraternity say: Dr. Beaudoin, Hull, P. Q., says: "I have sold 'Thomas' Electric Oil for two years, and I have never sold a medicine which has given more thorough satisfaction."

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Ingham County News.

VOL. XIX.—NO. 34. MASON, MICH., THURSDAY, AUGUST 23, 1877. WHOLE NO. 972.

There's music in the air since Black-esse came. It is said that salt will kill the current worm, Salt 'em.

Money to loan at the abstract office of Wm. Woodhouse & Son.

Judge Chatterton and T. Densmore have gone on a voyage around the lakes.

County Register J. C. Cannon has gone to Macomb county for a two weeks visit.

Aug. 28th is the day appointed for the sentence of Mrs. Marble, unless a new trial is granted.

At the social at the Methodist church to-morrow evening, peaches and cream and ice cream will be served.

Sayers & Phelps have a new advertisement this week that will be found interesting to people of a literary turn of mind.

Crane & Dunning have opened a flour and feed store in the old city bakery, next to Burns' hotel. Road about it on the last page.

T. Hoffman, of the model hardware store at Danville, makes some important announcements among the local notices this week.

Henry Reed, our well-known barber, started for San Antonio, Texas, last night. "Hank" was a first-class barber and a good citizen.

Mrs. John Gearhart has purchased the Annis place, in the west part of the city, and will move into it next week with her family.

A very pleasant party was given at the residence of G. W. Polar last evening, in honor of Miss Nettie and Miss Mary Welling, of Jackson.

G. L. Barnaby has a word to say in our advertising columns this week about tea. Four pounds of good tea for one dollar. Just think of it!

Mr. and Mrs. Cady, Miss Minnie Cady, and Miss Nell Phillips started Tuesday on the Niagara Falls excursion. They will return Saturday.

A Bunkerhill friend sends us some obituary poetry, too late for insertion this week, written by Mrs. Lydia Ruser, an old lady of eighty years.

Will Rice, of Delhi, who has been a student of the State Normal School for the past three years, will teach the Delhi Centre school the coming year.

Good judges say that the premium list issued from this office this year is the nearest ever issued in this county, and second to none in the state.

Albert Beck was sentenced by Judge Huntington, last Saturday, to ten months in the Ionia prison, and Kate Griffin to six months in the Detroit house of correction.

N. A. Dunning, of the palace grocery, has our thanks for a bag of fine Red Astrachan apples, and Martin Crowl, of Veray, for a basket of equally fine Strawberry apples.

Mrs. H. Swogles, secretary of the State Missionary society will hold a meeting at the Baptist church next Sunday morning in the interest of the Women's Foreign Missionary society.

From seven bushels of seed sown on four and one-half acres M. S. Lockwood, of Alabaster, raised 150 bushels of Clawson wheat, and from ten bushels of oats, so sown on five acres, he raised 300 bushels.

The Mason Light Guards received many compliments for their fine appearance on parade at Lansing, several Lansing people admitting that they showed better drilling than the Lansing company.

One day last week, while Frank Storm, of Alabaster, was engaged in "fistic" exercises with a friend, by way of amusement, he fell and fractured the radius of his right arm. The contract for repairs was let to Dr. Campbell.

C. F. Lyon brought a hen's egg into our office this morning, measuring seven and one-third inches in circumference the largest, and weighing three and three-eighths ounces, a little more than twice the weight of an ordinary egg.

Mr. and Mrs. V. J. Tefft hold a reception at the residence of Dr. C. H. Sackler, Friday night. A large number of our citizens gathered to pay their respects to the young couple, and all seemed to have an exceptionally pleasant time.

The "Herculean ponderosity" of this heterogeneous conglomerate of words, in last week's Democrat, is heavy with strange, Bear witness! "The interchange of views, mingled with speeches and other blather, was indulged in with general reciprocity."

Madam Halfman, the "clairvoyant seer," dreamer, etc., has gathered up her wily powers, dreamer's tools, and stamping dies, and moved on in search of fresher fields and greener victims, leaving the citi-

zens of Mason to grope on in blindness, not knowing just when the lightning may strike them, or when they may die or get married. Her harvest of ducats was small.

If there is yet a doubt lingering in the mind of anyone that four from the much abused Clawson wheat makes good bread, let him call at The News office and see a sample of bread made by Mrs. Philo Otis, of Danville. It is "as white and light as the driven snow."

The many friends of Dr. W. W. Campbell will regret to learn that he has determined to leave Mason. He will go to some larger city and leave his fine practice here to his brother, A. B. Campbell, whose skill in medicine and surgery has been fully proven.

A festival for the benefit of the colored Sunday school will be held at the Independent Methodist church (colored) next Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. All those interested in the success of the Sunday school are cordially invited to go and take something to eat. Recitations and singing by the colored children.

Prof. Blackless, with his class of upwards of one hundred pupils, will give a grand concert at the Baptist church next Monday evening. Selections from Rossini, Verdi, Mozart, and many other popular authors will be rendered. It is said that the present class contains the best musical talent in Mason and the surrounding country, and is under excellent training. The admission will be twenty-five cents; children fifteen cents.

Young man, the Ingham county fair is looming up in the distance, and it now becomes our pleasant duty to remind you of the fact that Wm. H. Clark, of the Clark House, has offered a special prize of one year's subscription to THE INGHAM COUNTY NEWS, Democrat, and Leslie Local, to the handsomest couple taking dinner at the Clark House during the last day of the fair. Make your choice early and commence grooming up. The prize is small but the glory is great.

According to a Stockbridge correspondent, the recent closing exercises of school in fractional district No. 1 of Uxilla and No. 3 of Stockbridge, were exceptionally pleasant. They consisted of an exhibition by the scholars to a crowded house, speeches by Supt. W. F. Bird, of Uxilla, and Mr. Reynolds; and then followed an elaborate feast at which a large number of people disposed of a large amount of provisions. Two fine vases were presented to the teacher, Miss Jennie Grimes, as a mark of appreciation of her successful labors.

The Reunion. The soldiers reunion at Lansing, last Tuesday, was a complete success in every respect. Enough money was secured from dues and other sources to pay all debts and leave a balance in the treasury. The crowd on the ground at one time was estimated at upwards of three thousand. The welcome address was delivered in well-chosen language by Mayor Barnes. Then followed a free oration by Maj. W. P. Fox, of Bancroft, and the following responses to toasts: "Our Citizens Soldiers"—Capt. A. Cameron, Lansing; "The Knapsack"—Capt. W. H. Clark, Mason; "Michigan and her Soldiers"—Adj. Gen. Robinson, Detroit, in place of S. D. Bingham. Our Fallen Comrades—Lieut. O. A. Bowen. The Old Canton and Haverack—G. A. Cook, Leslie. "The Bear Guard," in absence of E. D. Lewis, of Williamson, was responded to by Captain Putnam, of Mason. "Thom's Mr. Putnam had no time for preparation, his response was fine, and he was listened to with marked attention by the audience. Mr. Clark's response made more impression on the audience than any other, and was received at the end with loud applause. At the business meeting in the morning the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. President, Capt. S. F. Flanagan; Secretary, W. W. Cook, Leslie; First Vice President, E. Cole, Lansing; Treasurer, Alex. Bush, Mason. Next year the meeting will be held at Leslie and continue two days.

MEBIDIAN. Our Correspondent at This Place "Breces Up" and Agains Gives our readers a batch in the Democrat News of the "Hunting Club" in a Flourishing Condition.

From Our Special Correspondent. MEBIDIAN, Aug. 14.—I notice in your last issue the inquiry to your correspondent why they didn't "brace up" a little. I have been trying to brace up for the last two or three weeks, taking quinine and various other remedies recommended to be good to "brace up" on, but I find myself still under the weather, without strength or ambition sufficient to write or do anything else. However, I will try and give your readers the general news of this place and vicinity.

The threshing machines are now humming in every direction. Smith and Campbell, of this place, are running a steam thrasher and doing a lively business.

The Alabaster red ribbon club held an ice cream festival at Mr. George Phelps, Thursday evening, with quite a large attendance; proceeds between thirteen and fourteen dollars, to be applied in the expenses of a temperance group meeting near the Button school-house, notice of which will be given at some future time.

Mr. Levy Shirts has nearly completed the fine dwelling of John Butcher, which will be quite an ornament to this part of the county.

The ladies' white ribbon association meets at the Button school-house Saturday evening at 7 o'clock, and select readings. The clubs are in a flourishing condition at this place.

The severe drought that we have had has shortened the corn and potato crop materially,

not being more than half a crop in this vicinity. The wheat crop is very good, yielding from twenty to thirty bushels to the acre, as far as it has been threshed. We thought we had very good wheat land in this vicinity, but our acres are not large enough to produce fifty or sixty bushels.

Mr. Baldwin is about to remodel his house here, preparatory to moving his family from Delhi. Baldwin is a first-class mill man and knows how to make good lumber.

DELHI. Who Makes a Good Showing This Week in the Way of Local and Personal News.

From Our Special Correspondent. DELHI, Aug. 20.—It is very quiet here. The farmers are busy sowing their fallow ground. Wheat sowing will commence about Sept. 3.

Mr. Charles A. Maynard is engaged to teach the fall and winter terms of the school in district No. 2, in Delhi, and opens Monday, Sept. 3.

Mr. Welch, Sr., of the dry goods firm of A. C. Welch & Co., is spending a few days visiting friends and relatives in the township of Rome, Lenawee county, Mich.

Mr. Erastus Drumm and A. Worden are laying the foundation for an addition to the dwelling house of Mr. Mears, at Delhi Centre.

Messrs. Edwards and Thurston are plastering the fine new house of Dr. L. R. Chad-dock, and Messrs. Houghkin, of Chicago, did the painting. Dr. Chaddock's residence is an ornament to our little village, and is nicely located at the south end of Main street, looking toward Mason.

The base ball club of the township of Lansing failed to "come to time" last Saturday, and consequently the "Flyways" of Delhi scored another game in the race for the championship.

While Mr. Casper Lett was at church last Sabbath, burglars effected an entrance to his house and took away eight dollars which belonged to the Presbyterian Sabbath-school fund.

Rev. J. E. Weed, of Lansing, occupied the pulpit at the Presbyterian church last Sabbath.

Mr. A. D. Pulver and wife have returned from a two week's visiting tour.

Since the recent fine rains, late potatoes and corn are ripening fast.

The whistle of the steam thrasher is heard in this vicinity; but the farmers mostly use horse power on account of their insurance on their barns.

FITCHBURG. Death of Mr. Lucius Lord, one of the Early Pioneers of Ingham County, at the age of Sixty-two Years—Other Local Personal News.

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THE HOUSEHOLD.

EDITED BY MISS ANN KATON.

JELLY CAKE.

Beat together thoroughly, one cupful of butter and two of sugar, and the beaten yolks of four eggs, stir in one cupful of milk and two of cornflour and a third can of cupful sifted flour, beat the whites of the eggs and stir them in the batter, then add one teaspoonful of lemon extract, and two and a half of baking powder, stir ten minutes and pour into the jelly cake pans, bake in a rather quick oven. When done, remove from the pans, lay on a cloth, and spread with tart jelly.

JELLY BOLL.

One teaspoonful of white sugar, four eggs, one teaspoonful of cream, one teaspoonful of cream tartar, one teaspoonful of soda. Beat the yolks and sugar together, then add the whites beaten to a stiff froth, with lemon or vanilla. Spread one-quarter of an inch thick in a square tin and bake in a quick oven. Then turn bottom side up and spread with jelly and roll up while warm. This will make three rolls.

FOUR MILK CAKE.

One pound flour, one pound sugar, one cup of butter, eight eggs, three spoonfuls rose water.

ICE CREAM CAKE.

One cup sugar, one-half cup butter, two cups flour, three eggs, one-half cup sweet milk, one teaspoonful cream tartar, one-half cup vanilla.

SNOW-BALL CAKE.

One and a half cups of loaf sugar, one cup of butter, two of sugar, two of flour, one-half cup of milk, five cups of flour, one teaspoonful of soda, a pinch of salt, raisins and spice to your taste.

WICKERY CAKE.

One cup of sugar, a tablespoonful of butter, two eggs, two and a half cups of flour, one cup of sweet milk, half a spoonful of soda, and one cup of bicarbonate of soda.

CONNECTICUT COFFEE CAKE.

Three eggs, two cups of sugar, one cup of coffee, three-fourths cup of butter, three cups of flour, one teaspoonful of cream, one-half cup of milk, one-half cup of soda, one-half cup of coffee.

MARBLE CAKE.

Light part—two and a half cups white sugar, half cup of butter, half cup of milk, two and a half cups flour, half tea spoonful soda, one of tartar, whites of four eggs—Dark part—one cup brown sugar, one cup butter, half cup of milk, two and a half cups flour, half tea spoon of soda, one of tartar, whites of eggs, and season to taste.

SLANG.

Slang is little less than metaphor, and comparison of a homely sort, drawn from the farm, the shop, the street, or the kitchen, and the observation. A few random instances will be enough to make this plain: "To blow a cloud," "to flare up," "to come to," "to slip one's foot," "to chip of the old block," are expressions which need no explanation. Others, while simple, clearly are not exactly understood, like "to go to pot," which refers, it is said, to the metal pot for refuse metal. Others gather vim, if we stop to think where they come. No doubt a tempest cracking his whip over his four or six horses was the first to describe something weak or shabby as a "one-horse concern." Just as, conversely, the enthusiasm for a fellow always ready to "pay" for the drinks, found vent in dubbing him a "whole team and a little dog under the wagon." New phrases are continually being coined, and the good-seeker's house on their way to church. Of the plenty and nine and all but nine were new gowns, and turned their heads to look at the new and stretched and dithered in terms of "hang and flow" of their drapery as they went tripping along.

THE FARM.

Land Drainage.

As the springs and running streams are generally at their lowest stage during the latter part of summer, and as there is usually a little leisure after the busy crop in some of the better farms, work begins in which we can attend to improvements, we consider the present a good opportunity to suggest to every farmer who has the means of improvement and the desire to make use of his means, to look about him and see if some of his land does not need drainage, and if it will not rain drain it. The lands which need drainage are all such as work wet in spring or after a heavy rain, not merely meadows, boggy swales, but springy fields. The lands which need drainage are all such as work wet in spring or after a heavy rain, not merely meadows, boggy swales, but springy fields. The lands which need drainage are all such as work wet in spring or after a heavy rain, not merely meadows, boggy swales, but springy fields.

JOHN JOHNSTON'S FARMING.

The Elmira Husbandman has an account of a visit to the venerable farmer, John Johnston of Western New York, whose name is a household word, a synonym for success in agricultural life. We make some extracts from the letter, which relate to practical matters. Mr. Johnston in relating his experience, said: "I am upwards of eighty-seven years old; I have just celebrated my farm on which I have lived since 1821. I purchased it soon after reaching this country from Scotland. The country was new, and the farm brought was not thought to be valuable. The crops which it grew were light, and people said I never could pay for it. But I did. It was fortunate for me that I had learned the old country the value of manure and how to apply it. It was fortunate also, that I understood the advantage of drainage for I saw that that was the first great want of my farm. I sent to Scotland for samples of tiles, and had them made here. My improvements through drainage attracted much attention. "I drained my farm, as rapidly as I could meet the expense, and applied all the manure I could. I went also daily to the manure pits. There is too little manure made in this country. Our farmers must learn to use more manure. Draining, manure and clean culture are the three good farms and produce profitable crops. "What has been your system of farming? What crops have you grown principally? "Wheat has been my main dependence, but I have grown good crops of corn. It is very profitable and the stalks make excellent feed for any kind of stock. My wife always thought she could make better butter from cows fed on stalks than those kept on hay. My farm was a grain farm and I have wintered a good deal of stock, feeding up my stalks, hay and grain, and working my large number of straw into manure. "What was your average yield of wheat? "Excepting two seasons when my crops were destroyed by hail, my wheat has averaged about 30 bushels to the acre. The best crop I ever raised was 42 bushels to the acre from 1870 to 1871. I have several times raised an average of 40 bushels. "I wanted my lands clean and rich, and pure seed. I found there was much chaff on my farm when I took it, and in those days many good farmers believed that wheat turned to chaff. I frequently had spirited arguments with the people here, but so much was this question discussed that our State Agricultural Society appointed a committee to make a thorough investigation into the matter. "This important committee gave its verdict, and in our section of the State the question was pretty thoroughly settled. "In your efforts to increase your supply of manure have you used commercial fertilizers? "Yes, I have tried them, but in most cases have found them to be of little benefit. I have used several tons of guano, and have sometimes found quite satisfactory results, but at other times could see no effect from any of them. "You have always found good results from barnyard manure? "Always. That is the standby, the reliance which I would be glad to show you. I have never seen a man who could apply chemical fertilizers with profit. I hope we shall find what we need. I applied some of them last fall, leaving a strip without any. When I left the farm, April 1st, I could see no difference. But that land is very rich. "But you say you know how to apply manure, for you learned in Scotland. What was your practice? "I always apply manure several months before I plow the land. Immense quantities are wasted every year by plowing it in just before putting in the crops. On this point my friend Joseph Harris could not agree with me. He believes in applying manure immediately before the crops. I pile my manure in the spring, and in the fall put it on the land which I intend to plow for corn the following spring. One great object I have had in piling my manure was to destroy all weed seeds before a plow had been with it. "You have told me what you consider a good average crop of wheat. How much corn did you get to the acre? "A few years ago I kept accurate accounts of my crop, and had 187 bushels of ears (10 pounds to the bushel) per acre. This was an excellent crop, a little more than an average although I used to aim to have large crops all the time. One year I raised 900 bushels of corn, and in another year I raised 1,000 bushels of corn, doing all the plowing, harrowing and cultivating myself. I had a little help to hoe my corn, but not as much as you use. I do all the work with a horse. I plant my corn in drills three feet four inches apart, getting as nearly as possible five feet between a row. The ground is well prepared with a drill, and the yield is an average of 200 bushels of corn, or nearly better. The last time the corn is gone through, a skillful workman

WAR PICTURES.

MEMOIRS OF YENI SAGHRA.

From the London Times. Towards evening the Balkans began to loom over the horizon, and about six we arrived here (Yeni Saghra), a strange sight, and not easily to be forgotten. A plain about a mile wide separates the railway from the town, and on this is encamped a Turkish army of some two thousand men, some of whom are in the middle of a camp, and the other half of them scamping about for no imaginable reason. "On the other side of the railway—a slight rise in the ground, and a great crowd of upward of 500 to 700 unfortunate women and children huddled together with the few miserable chattels which have been saved from the sack of the houses lying around them. Right or wrong, whether they are Bulgarian or Turk, the heart cannot contenting so much, unendurable misery, with all that is going on here for which one felt most—the poor old tottering crones, who at the foot of their lives, are cast out destitute and penniless, and who have nothing left in the world but what they stand up in, or the small children who were crying and clinging to their mothers, and who were afraid of the night before, the red flames, and the smoke and din of a town being sacked. I went off immediately to explore a town, and saw a scene of desolation which will never be forgotten. A large square of the town is a complete ruin, utterly destroyed, with the smoke still curling up from the ruins. The houses, the baths, mosque, and other public buildings, destroyed, and the whole of the rest of the town, every shop and every house, every street, every garden, every well, all over the place. There is no doubt, however, that a great many things were saved by the first of the soldiers. The soldiers and children were quite sad, and the only living things were a few wretched looking dogs, a great many ducks and geese, cocks and hens, and a few stray cats. "At the entrance to the village we met a Turkish escort bringing out the last remnants of the town, and the children, who had been found lurking about after the order to depart had been given—poor unfortunate creatures who had been left behind, and who were as despair as to what is in store for them. It is difficult for us to realize this terrible situation at a distance—the hope of misery, and the children who were packed away like cattle in trucks and luggage vans, and disembarked in a strange city one hundred miles away. I saw every kind of home and household goods, broken looking-glasses, pots, plates, musical instruments, lead pens, account books, children's toys, and a number of other things, all lying broken and pell mell. "In the grocers' shops, salt, sugar, butter, and other things, were all gone, everything that is to be found in a bakal in these lands, all scattered about; in other shops, millinery, all sorts of goods, and a number of other things, all lying broken and pell mell. "In the grocers' shops, salt, sugar, butter, and other things, were all gone, everything that is to be found in a bakal in these lands, all scattered about; in other shops, millinery, all sorts of goods, and a number of other things, all lying broken and pell mell. 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FAMINE STRICKEN.

Such scenes as to be the present condition of the population in many parts of China...

Dear Friend: Famine and pestilence are terrible words, and the reality is upon us.

There were reported a while since at the court-house for the district, eleven thousand sales of wives and daughters.

In that district, I saw women grinding chaff and grass seeds. The head parts of others shown me had leaves of trees and sprouts.

For fourteen days my wife, by good nursing kept the fever in bounds, and then the fever, having taken all the strength and flesh I had to spare, left me, but it took three weeks more to set me up.

REAL ESTATE.

Transactions for the Week Ending Aug. 17, 1877. The following are the real-estate transactions recorded in the books of the register of deeds of Ingham county for the week ending Aug. 17, 1877, where the consideration is \$400 or over:

MARKETS.

Table with market prices for various goods like Beans, Potatoes, Apples, etc.

New Advertisements.

THE RUSSO-WAR TURKISH WAR Agents Wanted.

For this comprehensive, superbly illustrated history of the Russo-Turkish war...

FINE FAMILY Bibles, Bibles!

With invaluable illustrated aids and superb binding. Nearly 100 to a volume. Superior to all others and indispensable to every family.

CHANCERY SALE—STATE OF MICHIGAN. In Chancery, Charles Foler, complainant vs. Henry J. Davis, defendant.

ESTATE OF BETSEY PHILLIPS, DECEASED. State of Michigan, county of Ingham, ss. At a session of the Probate Court for the county of Ingham, holden at its probate office in the city of Mason, on the 20th day of August, in the year one thousand eight hundred and seventy-seven.

Disgraceful Business. There has been secretly circulated through the mails, without even postmarks, an anonymous circular, libelous in its character.

It is supposed to have been done by competitors in the business, as none other would be so troubled and expense, even if they had no fear of the punishment if detected.

We have received from Mr. Beatty the following open letter addressed to him by the officials and prominent men of his own town.

We can hardly conceive of a more complete answer to such a libel than the above letter, but Mr. Beatty requests all interested to address him for full reply, and asks information touching the parties circulating the libel if any can be obtained, with a view to their prosecution and punishment.

PEEK & SHERWOOD, CONTRACTORS AND BUILDERS, MASON, MICH.

ALSO DEALERS IN LUMBER, LATH AND SHINGLES. West side of the railroad, opposite Fitch & Bunnell's Wheat-house.

SAYERS & PHELPS, HEAVY & SHELF HARDWARE! Main Street, Opposite Court House, MASON, MICH.

Telf's Wood Cooking Stove, Round Oak Heating Stove, Crown Jewel Coal Heating Stove, Drive Well Pumps and Pipe, Pocket and Table Cutlery, Chandellers and Bracket Lamps, German and Silver Plated Spoons and Forks, Farm Bells, Excelsior Corn Cutters, Tinware, Iron-ware, Copperware, Etc.

Headquarters for Whips. Repairing Done Done on Short Notice. Parties visiting the County Fair are Invited to call and examine our goods. Flour and Feed.

JUST OPENED! NEW FLOUR AND FEED STORE! Between Darrow's Store and the Clark House, BY THE MASON CITY MILLS

Everything in that line constantly on hand, and selling at same rates as at the mill. WILL DELIVER FREE To any Part of the City. Be Sure of the Place. MASON CITY MILLS.

Watches and Clocks. Kloks! Clocks! CLOCKS, One and Eight-Day, at Lowest Prices. WATCHES, American and Swiss, in Gold and Silver Cases. SETS! New Styles and Staple Patterns. Call and examine prices. J. O'BERRY.

Meat Market. PALACE MEAT MARKET! First door north of Huntington's Shoe Shop MASON, MICH.

FRAZELL & PETERS. We wish to inform the citizens of Mason and vicinity that we are prepared to furnish them with all kinds of fresh and salt meats at as

LOW PRICES. As at any other Market in the City. We buy none but the very best stock, and cut it up to suit our customers. GIVE US A CALL. FRAZELL & PETERS. Mason July 20 1877. 915.

The Weed. PRICES REDUCED! "THE FAMILY FAVORITE" IMPROVED NEW MODEL MACHINE

Light Sewing, Noiseless, No Cams, No Gears, No Springs, New and Elegant Styles of Wood Work. From this date, by the expiration of patents under which we have been paying royalties, we are enabled to sell our machines at

Greatly Reduced Prices! and as low as those of any first-class machine. Special inducements offered to cash purchasers. Easy terms of payment by note or check.

Ward Sewing Machine Co. No. 222 Summit St., Toledo, O. For sale by L. J. SMITH, MASON.

Miscellaneous. T. C. WOODWARD, Attorney and Counsellor at Law, 1003 5th St. N. W., Washington, D. C.

Printing. THE INGHAM CO. NEWS

STEAM PRINTING HOUSE, MASON, MICH. If you want anything in the line of

Pamphlet and Commercial PRINTING. We will make it to your interest to give us a call before going elsewhere.

OTIS FULLER & CO. Carriages, Etc. L. FRANK CLARK, MANUFACTURER OF FINE CARRIAGES! I would also say to the public that I have secured the services of THOS. BRILEY, THE CHAMPION HORSE SHOER of Owosso, who is conceded by all those who know to be the BOSS SHOER. Come and be convinced. SATISFACTION THE MOTTO. Respectfully, L. FRANK CLARK.

First Ward Grocery. JUST THINK OF IT! Four Pounds of Good TEA

FOR ONE DOLLAR! Three pounds of 40c Tea for One Dollar. Two and one-half pounds of 50c Tea for One Dollar, and all other Teas in proportion, at BARNABY'S!