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SOUNDING UNCLE SAM.

European Powers Are Inquiring About Our Ideas Regarding China.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—It is understood that the authorities here have been unofficially sounded as to the attitude of the United States toward the conditions in the far East with view to learning whether American interests in China are regarded as sufficient to warrant any active step by this government.

WOLCOTT MAY LEAVE.

Reported that the Colorado Senator May Give Up His Seat.
Washington, D. C., Dec. 22.—The World today prints the following special dispatch from Washington:

SENATOR WOLCOTT.

agree that his return to the advocacy of free and unlimited silver coinage is certain.
The position in which Senator Wolcott is placed is well understood by all those who realize the peculiar situation which has developed with respect to the administration of the Colorado senator.

REFORM IN FOOTBALL.

Mass Plays to be Eliminated—A Considered a Form of Rowdiness.
New York, Dec. 22.—The University Athletic club, which is composed of the alumni of the big colleges, has decided to take up the question of reform in football.

POLITICAL PRISONERS SHOT.

Barrios of Guatemala Weeds Out Men Who Oppose His Administration.
San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 22.—News has reached this city of the shooting in Guatemala of several political prisoners.

HOUSTON GETS A SMALL FINE.

Slayer of Judge Jennings Escapes with Life Parole.
Wichita, Kas., Dec. 22.—Judge Jennings of Woodward, O., was shot and killed by a man named Epps on the highway near Houston, first president of the republic of Texas.

DEATH RATE UNPRECEDENTED.

Steepest Storm in Texas Kills a Great Number of Cattle.
St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 22.—The steepest storm that has prevailed for the past few days has been the cause of a high death rate among the cattle.

COAL DOCKS STILL BURNING.

Fire at Dollar Bay Apparently Beyond Control.
Houghton, Mich., Dec. 22.—[Special.]—The fire at the Dollar Bay coal docks has got entirely beyond control, and it is with great difficulty that the coal is being removed at the rate of 1200 tons daily.

COTTON WORKERS MAY STRIKE.

Much Opposition to Proposed Reduction of Wages.
Fall River, Mass., Dec. 22.—The cotton manufacturers are confronted with the prospect of a strike, as many of the operatives are determined to oppose a reduction of wages.

C. R. ELY RETURNS.

Former Assessor of Ishpeming Cannot Account for Seven and a Half Months.
Ishpeming, Mich., Dec. 21.—[Special.]—Clarence R. Ely, formerly city assessor, who disappeared from Chicago while there on a business mission, has returned to his home at Ishpeming, Mich., after an absence of seven and a half months.

MILK TRUST THE LATEST.

One is Formed in Chicago and Incorporated in New York with \$15,000,000 Capital.
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 22.—A special letter from New York says: "A milk trust has been incorporated with a capital of \$15,000,000. The articles of incorporation were filed at Trenton, N. J., on December 21st."

ARE DECLARED GUILTY.

Verdict Brought in by Jury in the Lord-Emercy Trial at Wausau.
Wausau, Wis., Dec. 22.—[Special.]—The jury in the Lord-Emercy murder trial returned a verdict of guilty on the defendants on all counts.

BANKER KUPP IS DEAD.

Expired in California Before His Trial Case.
Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 22.—[Special.]—Intelligence has been received here of the death of George Kupp, a prominent banker of San Francisco.

AUTONOMY WILL FAIL.

That is the Opinion of Former Captain-General Weyler of Cuba.
Madrid, Dec. 22.—Gen. Weyler, in an interview published, is quoted as saying that the autonomy movement in Cuba will fail.

HOT TIME AT BELT.

Spiritualist Says One is Scheduled for Execution.
Anderson, Ind., Dec. 22.—Spiritualists in this city claimed at the time, and have since, that the man who was executed in the State Prison at Anderson, Ind., was the same man who was executed in the State Prison at Anderson, Ind.

NEW HOW TO USE HIS GUN.

Navy Storekeeper Captures Five Burglars Out of Six.
Canaan, Conn., Dec. 22.—Five burglars of a gang of six were captured by Martin Wood in Jackson and Eggleston streets here early this morning.

MYSTERY IN MAURICE'S DEATH.

A Hammer with Bloodstains on It is Found.
New York, Dec. 22.—Arthur Maurice, 72 years of age, a member of the New York Stock Exchange, was found dead in his room this morning in the Hotel Winthrop.

\$40,000 NECKLACE FOR WIFE.

Newark Man Celebrates Fortieth Anniversary of His Wedding.
Newark, Dec. 22.—Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Ballantine of Newark celebrated the fortieth anniversary of their marriage today.

KEWASKUM, WIS., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25, 1897.

NORMAL BOARD MEETS.

The Regents Assemble at Madison to Decide About River Falls School.
Madison, Wis., Dec. 22.—[Special.]—A large delegation of prominent citizens of Eau Claire and two or three other towns in the vicinity arrived here this morning for the purpose of attending the meeting of the normal school regents.

CHILDREN ABDUCTED.

Mysterious Woman Entices Little Ones from a Sheboygan School.
Sheboygan, Wis., Dec. 21.—[Special.]—The police department and the sheriff's force are making an effort today to locate the abductor of George Alfred Preston and Hattie May Preston, brother and sister, aged respectively 11 and 9 years.

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Kewaskum Statesman.

Communications should be accompanied by the name of the writer...

OEO. NUGENT, Editor.

The Christmas season is on, and THE STATESMAN extends its army of readers its most cordial wishes...

A MIDDLE-WEIGHT prize-fighter called "Kid" McCoy is now trying to gain a little notoriety by challenging Bob Fitzsimmons...

LOUIS GEORGE CLARK, the negro who was the original of the character of George Harris in Mrs. Harriet Beecher Stowe's famous novel...

The rights of wheelmen to the road are being settled by the courts, and in time the rules of the road in regard to what will be defined...

RUSSIA and Germany are moving to obtain footholds on the eastern coast of Asia. Each power has seized upon an important harbor on the China coast...

The state of Wisconsin has about 45,000 acres of good lands for sale in the so-called state park in Vilas and Iron counties...

A Kansas editor, in announcing the latest increase in his family, says: "We would not take \$10,000 for this one nor give 50 cents for another."

It is announced that Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Lease, the Populist orator, will seek the party nomination for congress in the Kansas district...

The souvenir edition of the Fond du Lac Commonwealth, lately issued, is the neatest we have seen from any press in this state...

ST. KILIAN SHARPS.

Joseph Mack spent Tuesday at the Cream City. John Mack of West Bend was seen in our burg last Sunday...

Val. Buller of West Bend was the guest of Jos. Whalen from last Saturday to Sunday...

Miss Mary McCullough is engaged to work at James Whitty's, in Byron, after Christmas...

The St. Kilian church was furnished with two large, new lamps, from Milwaukee, this week...

Fred. Stork, of the firm of Schmidt & Stork at West Bend, was here on business last Tuesday...

Peter Strachota made a trip to Campbellsport last Sunday. Pete must have some kind of business there, as he drives down quite often...

Alois Flasz made a trial visit to the Alexian convent at Oshkosh last Monday, whither she was accompanied by the Rev. Burrellbach, John and Peter Flasz...

The new St. Kilian church, which was built in 1896, becomes free from debt ere the close of 1897. At the last settlement made by Rev. Burrellbach, Wenzel, Peter and Kilian Strobel, at Lamira on Dec. 8th, a handsome balance remained in favor of the congregation...

CAMPBELLSPORT CULLINGS.

Mrs. L. Rhodes spent Monday at Fond du Lac.

Frank Einfeldt is now a member of the Brass band.

A chopping bee was held at Petri's last Wednesday.

J. P. Schmitt spent a day in West Bend this week.

M. Farrel purchased a new cutter this week, of C. F. Ebert.

Ernest Martin spent Sunday and Monday with friends here.

Maurice Cahill and William Murray went to Eden last Sunday.

F. Haskin transacted business at Fond du Lac last Monday.

Farrel & Meixensperger shipped a carload of potatoes this week.

Wm. Cisco and John Wenzel, Jr., took a trip to Kewaskum last Wednesday.

C. E. Ebert, Sr., went to Milwaukee Sunday to attend the funeral of his sister.

Clarence Hendricks of Milwaukee spent a few days here with friends this week.

Gregor Hoffmann, who attends college at Mt. Calvary, is home for the holidays.

Leopold Schimmelpfenig, who has been sick for some time, is able to be out again.

J. Salters and Miss Genevieve Klotz of Eden spent Sunday calling on friends in this vicinity.

Mrs. Haskin and her two daughters, Libbie and Edna, went to Fond du Lac last Wednesday.

Miss Tina Ebert has gone to Milwaukee for a few days with the intention of attending the funeral of her aunt.

Henry Fellenz, who attends High school at Fond du Lac, is home for the holidays; also, Miss Grace Hendricks.

Fred. Pohlman who has been in Dakota for some time, has returned. He also spent a few days at Chicago this week.

The Christmas trees and entertainments at the Methodist, Baptist and Lutheran churches last night were witnessed by many.

H. A. Wruke attended the convention of mutual fire insurance company representatives in the Hotel Pfister at Milwaukee last Wednesday.

Don't forget the dance at Guenther's next Friday evening. A \$15-prize will be given away. Miss Matteson's orchestra, consisting of six pieces, will furnish the music.

Mat. Hoffmann, who attends college at Milwaukee, is home for the holidays. Miss Anna Flynn, who attends the Oshkosh normal school is also home for the holiday vacation.

A sleighing party went from here to Kewaskum last Monday night, viz: Misses Bella Husting, Lilly Glass, Johanna Hieker, Rachel Van Dusen, Mary Dieringer, Messrs. Oscar Glass, Herman and Ernest Prah, Jac. Schroten, Wm. Murray, Jo. Calhoun, Carl Hieker and Carl Hausemann.

Mrs. I. Klotz celebrated the 34th anniversary of her birth last Tuesday by giving "a coffee" to her friends. Card-playing was indulged in during the afternoon until 5:30, when supper was served. The table was elaborately decorated, a birthday cake having been in the center with 34 flags thereon, one of which was given to each guest on their departure. Those present were: Mrs. E. F. Martin, S. Bonesh, L. C. Kohler, Wm. Wedde, Philip Guenther, C. F. Ebert, C. R. Van de Zande, F. Johnson, L. Rhodes, A. E. Richter, J. H. Paus, J. Armond, P. A. Hoffmann, J. Husting, John Wenzel (Jr.), Wm. Wenzel and C. Vohs. An elegant fruit dish was presented Mrs. Klotz by her sisters and sisters-in-law, besides a few more presents by friends.

Drink our LITHIA BEER and feel its wonderful effects. Strengthening, exquisite in taste and flavor, and especially to be recommended to invalids.

WEST BEND BREWING CO.

BEECHWOOD BEAMLETS.

Miss Tillie Weinbauer of Batavia called on Mary Schaefer last week.

Misses Mary Schaefer and Tillie Weinbauer made a flying trip to Kewaskum last Saturday.

Aug. Bartel of New Prospect made a brief call here last Wednesday. He is as jovial and happy as ever.

August and Lizzie Kreutinger made a trip to Sheboygan last Thursday and visited the family of Louis Naumann.

Wm. Pfeifer, a former resident of our burg but now of Parkston, S. D., called on his many friends here this week.

Town Treasurer John Apperle has posters out announcing the collection of taxes, between Christmas and New Year's.

Aug. W. Butzke and sister, Emma, made a trip to West Bend a week ago Thursday and visited their sister, Mrs. G. A. Heidner.

Chas. Koch received a carload of elegant saloon-fixtures last Tuesday for his new building, and they will be placed therein very soon.

The Reformed church held a Christmas festival on Christmas eve, and all of the children recited pieces and received packages of candy from Santa Claus.

A surprise party was tendered Fred. Koepke last Sunday evening by neighbors and friends in honor of the 30th anniversary of his birth. All who attended report an excellent and enjoyable time.

Mrs. Trapp, mother of Charles and Gus, Trapp, met with a serious accident last Sunday. In attempting to go down a few slippery steps she fell and broke her collar-bone, besides sustaining other internal injuries.

SE. MATTHIAS SETTINGS.

Merry Christmas! Miss Sophia Volz is visiting relatives at Boltonville.

A lady friend is visiting at the home of Miss Katie Brodzeller.

Miss Mary Fellenz is engaged to work for F. Kass and family.

Herman Volz of Boltonville spent a week with his mother, Mrs. C. Volz, here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Fellenz of the town of Scott Sundayed at the home of Mrs. P. Pesch.

Our school closed Friday for the holiday vacation, and the teacher has gone to the Fountain City to spend her vacation at home.

One of our coming men called on a veterinarian and had the teeth of his old horse sharpened, lately. That's right, Peter; *das alter muss man ehren*.

We hear that J. Sausen, Sr., and H. Hammes have rented their farms to J. Simon. They intend to locate near Holy Hill, where they will try to accumulate a fortune.

I write this to let you know what I would not do. I would not do without Chamberlain's Pain Balm in my house if it cost \$5 a bottle. It does all you recommend it to do and more. J. R. WALLACE, Wallaceville, Ga. Chamberlain's Pain Balm is the best household liniment in the world, and invaluable for rheumatism, lame back, sprains and bruises. Be ready for emergencies by buying a bottle at L. Rosenheimer's.

AUSTRIAN POSTAL BANKS.

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HOMELESS AND FRIENDLESS. [Written for the STATESMAN.] 'Twas night, the rain and snow was falling fast, And the twilight deepening more and more, When a man was seen walking the streets, Asking for shelter from door to door. His hair was white as the winter's snow, His years numbered seventy-three; "My kindred are dead," he mournfully cried, "And I have no one to care for me." "I have toiled," he said, "all the days of my life. For the daily bread that I ate, But misfortune befell me and I lost all; Now all the home I have is the street." "The friends I had in the years that are past When prosperity was my lot, They now pass but know him not."

"Homeless and friendless I wander the streets, My garments are ragged and thin, They shroud me not from the rain and blasts; Oh, will no kind heart take me in?" Slower grew the steps of the tottering feet As they traveled through the rain and sleet; Fainter and fainter grew the quavering voice, Then altogether it ceased.

The midnight hour long since had tolled When faint with hunger and pain He sank at last on the frozen ground, Never to rise again.

The morning broke, it was icy cold— On the steps of a mansion door Lay the poor old man, silent and still, He would ask for succor no more.

His white locks mingled with fast falling snow, His lips were slightly apart; And the wrinkled hands, rigid in death, Lay over the broken heart.

Inside the inmates slept in their downy beds, In warmth, luxury and ease; Outside, in death sleep the poor old man, With snow for his winding sheet.

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AMUSEMENTS.

Dec. 26th.—Nic. Marx will hold a grand ball on the night of second Christmas day.

LACONICAL LOCALS.

—Merry Christmas!

—Practice writing 1898!

—Stock fair next Wednesday.

—Belshier and Backhaus shipped stock this week.

—Look over the list of amusements at the head of this column.

—Miss Annie Gerlinger of New London is visiting the Dengel Sisters.

—Fred. Schulz and Gus. Magritz were to Fond du Lac last Monday.

—Mrs. Dr. Morgenroth is spending a week with her folks at Berlin, Wis.

—Mrs. P. Wicker of Campbellsport was the guest of Mrs. Mayer last Tuesday.

—Charles Miritz returned last Monday, after spending two weeks at New London.

—Our silver watches are going fast. Secure one ere it is too late!—L. ROSENHEIMER.

—Emil Siegel went to Milwaukee yesterday to attend the funeral of a cousin there.

—Misses Meta Miller and Emma Krahn returned home from Milwaukee last Saturday.

FARM FOR SALE.—A choice 117-acre farm, near the village, is for sale. Inquire at this office. (2w)

—Miss Mathilda Witzig returned last Thursday after a long visit with relatives at Menasha.

—Adolph Rosenheimer has several teams busy hauling stone for his new residence building.

—Mr. and Mrs. Herman Yahr of the town of Farmington celebrated their golden wedding on the 16th inst.

—The public school closed yesterday for the holidays and will not reopen until Monday morning, Jan. 3d.

—Nic. Marx is now up and around attending to business again, after being laid up for a week with rheumatism.

—Chas. Koch of Beechwood received a whole carload of furniture, here last Wednesday, for his new bar-room.

—Attend the dance at Marx's hall, tomorrow (Sunday) night, Dec. 26th. A good time is assured all who attend.

—The shipment of poultry by express, from this station, during the past week, averaged nearly three tons daily.

—Among those who went to Milwaukee yesterday were the following, viz: John Tiss, John Pfann and John Hess, Jr.

—J. P. Rohlinger was here from Mayville last Monday representing the 'Barvey Bros.' wholesale liquor house of that place.

—H. J. Ebenreiter, furniture dealer and undertaker, sells pianos, organs and sewing machines at lowest prices and gives full warranty with them.

—Herman Hartkopf, who visited here with his brother-in-law, A. Seefeld, and wife for a month, left for Milwaukee last Tuesday to visit relatives.

—August Schaefer has been doing about all the wood sawing in the village this week, as his machine is a hummer and August never runs any other kind.

—Last Thursday, Nic. Remmel received the contract to furnish and fit up the Lomira Mfg. Co.'s plant with steam-pipes for dry kiln and heating purposes.

—Foerster Bros. of Wayne have erected a simple wind-mill here on Geo. Petri's vacant lot, opposite the L. Rosenheimer store, where anybody can examine the working of it.

—Christmas exercises will be held at the German M. E. church tonight, beginning at 6:30 p. m. Similar entertainments were held at the Lutheran church and the I. O. G. T. hall last night.

—Dr. Seerist, the celebrated specialist in the treatment of chronic diseases, will be at the Hotel Weinand in West Bend next Saturday, Jan. 1st. The doctor has effected many remarkable cures and has a wide reputation.

—Henry Bath informs us that he has a live raccoon, which he and Edmund Strachota captured recently in a hollow tree. The animal is a large one and the boys experienced considerable difficulty in securing him.

CHRISTMAS CARTELS.

—For the poor ye have always with you."

—Don't give your minister a pair of slippers; give him a rest.

—Santa Claus likely put some post-offices into lucky stockings.

—Adam used to allude to the present he got as his Christmas Eve.

—"I will honor Christmas in my heart and try to keep it all the year."

—This is the day when all hearts and hands open and the world rejoices.

—"It is more blessed to give than to receive," said He whose birth we celebrate.

—Ministers usually count on the marriage fee business being brisk at Christmas. They deserve it, too.

—It isn't always the boy who hangs up his sister's biggest stocking that gets the most presents. Santa Claus usually fixes these things about right.

—This is the day when the husband presents his wife with a new wringer and the latter presents him with a box of such cigars that he even "loves his enemies" to the extent of distributing the whole box among them.

BARTON BARDS.

Merry Xmas!

C. Suckow was to Allenton last Monday.

M. Herriges of St. Michaels was here last week.

Olive Kauffing left for Milwaukee on the 17th inst.

Jo. Thensch was here from Kewaskum last Monday.

Freddy Dunkel was in Grafton last Monday on business.

John Gombler made a trip to Milwaukee last Saturday.

Miss Kate Eisenmann left for Milwaukee last Wednesday.

It is rumored that we will soon have a barber shop in our burg.

Annual meeting of the St. Joseph Aid society, Sunday, Jan. 2.

Miss Lena Herbst, who was on the sick list, is again seen out doors.

Miss Henrietta Otten was visiting friends in Milwaukee last Saturday.

H. W. Krahn, manager.

—Mrs. Aug. Bilgo had a narrow escape from being burned to death at her home near Newfane one day last week.

As they were sealing some hogs, she attempted to stir up the fire under the kettles when her clothes became enveloped in flames. Witnesses rushed to the rescue and saved the unfortunate woman from being burned alive by tearing off the burning clothing and rolling her in snow.

—John Reisse, a pioneer resident of this county, died at his home in West Bend last Sunday afternoon, at the age of 79 years and 4 months. The deceased was appointed postmaster at Barton under Buchanan's administration and held the office for nine years. In 1856 he was elected as register of deeds and served two years. At one time he was postmaster of West Bend, and afterward held several other offices of minor importance there. The funeral was held last Wednesday afternoon and the remains were interred in the Union cemetery.

—A meeting of old settlers was held at N. J. Mertes' last Sunday evening, when the Kewaskum Old Settlers' club was organized with the following officers, viz: H. W. Krahn, chairman; Jno. Okenfels, secretary; John Groeschel, treasurer. The club decided to give a grand ball annually, and Jacob Schlosser, L. S. Guth and H. W. Krahn were appointed as a committee to arrange the first annual ball on New Year's (Sylvester) eve, Dec. 31st. A large number of names were enrolled on the membership list, and the club is evidently destined to become one of the strongest organizations of the kind in the county.

A VALUABLE DOG.—M. L. Schmidt, the engineer at the malt house, has a little canine which he would not trade for a farm. At Mr. Schmidt's home recently, the dog was shut in a room where Mrs. S. had stowed some extra long wood in the heater. As the sticks burned down they fell against the stove-door, forcing it open. Some coals fell out and set fire to the floor, whereupon the little pet gave a timely alarm by first scratching against the room-door and finally barking until Mrs. S. was attracted to the scene and found the room full of smoke, with the carpet and floor partially burned. That the canine realized the situation was shown by the fact that he tried to put out the fire by scraping away the coals after Mrs. S. re-entered the room.

OBITUARY.

DIED.—GEIDEL.—At her home in this village, last Saturday, Dec. 18, 1897, Friedrike Geidel (nee Quandt), of heart trouble, after an illness of 3 weeks, aged 60 years, 4 months and 29 days.

The deceased was born on July 28, 1837, at Walsleben Kreis Nangart, Pommern, Germany. She emigrated to this country in 1852 and married Michael Geidel in 1856. Seven children were born to them, of whom 3 sons and 1 daughter survive and share the sad bereavement with her husband.

The funeral took place at 10 a. m. from the residence, with services at the Lutheran church and interment in the cemetery thereof. A large concourse of people followed the remains to their last resting place and paid their respects to the memory of the deceased. We join in extending sympathy to the sorrow-stricken relatives.

CARD OF THANKS.

The undersigned herewith tender their heartfelt thanks to the friends who kindly assisted us ament the late illness and death mentioned above.

M. GEIDEL AND FAMILY.

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LOMIRA LETTER.

A merry Christmas to all!

Das Christkindchen ist hier.

Plenty of snow and fine sleighing at present.

Did you get anything from the Christkindchen?

Peter Weyer made a trip to Milwaukee last Tuesday.

A fire department will be started here in the near future.

It is reported that August Friedrich is very sick at present.

Wm. Berg, who was on the sick list for over a week, is able to be around again.

Mr. and Mrs. Ferdinand Dobberpohl made a trip to Theresa on the 17th inst.

Peter Weyer shipped a carload of potatoes to Milwaukee last Monday. Meyer and Belling also shipped a carload the same day.

E. Gardien shipped two carloads of live-stock this week, and Andy Hauser shipped one carload.

For fine furniture, go to the local dealer, Emil Hankowitz. He always keeps a large assortment on hand.

Messrs. John Bueger of Milwaukee and his brother, Anton, of Mayville, shook hands with their many friends here last week.

Boys, if you want to give your best girl a fine sleigh-ride, call on our liveryman, Charles Kopenick, and get a rig becoming to the occasion.

The first official notice of Wm. J. Le Count's appointment as deputy revenue collector of this district, arrived at the local cigar factory Tuesday. Mr. Le Count will have his office at Hartford.

If you are in need of a good, double or single harness for your horses, call on our expert harnessmaker, George Miller. He uses nothing but the best material, and understands his business thoroughly.

Our station agent, Mat. Kraemer, looks fine in his new Wisconsin Central uniform, which he received last week. Now our people only wish the company would build a new depot, as we have about the poorest one on the line; in fact it is liable to tumble down and kill our jolly Mat., any minute.

ST. MICHAELS MITES.

A merry Christmas to all!

Sleighting is good in this vicinity and the weather cold enough to suit us.

Miss Katie Roden spent last week in the Cream City.

Mary Schneider of Chicago is under the parental roof here, but will leave for South Dakota to visit her brother, after the holidays.

Katie Dricken spent last week at the village of Kewaskum.

Nic. Felenz and family from New Cassel called on his father here last Sunday.

Emma Oeder left last Thursday for Milwaukee to spend the holidays.

Mat. Marx called on his daughter at West Bend last Tuesday.

Nic. Schneider of St. Francis is home again.

SCOTT SAYINGS.

Merry Christmas! We appreciate the fine sleighing. No excuse for the fellow who doesn't take his best girl out riding.

John Auferle spent Monday at Beechwood on business.

Peter Schiltz of St. Mathias was over here cleaning grain, which he hauled to market in Kewaskum, lately.

Fred. Melius and his best girl have been visiting relatives at Adell.

Mr. Wilkie's family were at West Bend last Saturday.

Artists from Sheboygan Falls were taking pictures of the town schools, this week, which they will exhibit at the county fair next year.

Messrs. Hartman, Strohm, Grinde-man and Nauman drove to Milwaukee with pork last Tuesday.

And a voice sayeth, "St. Mathias, thou art off the pole. Dost thou not believe in rice?"

The families of L. and G. Seefeld were at Kewaskum last Tuesday.

J. Frohman is very busy sawing and hauling wood these days.

J. Miller was at West Bend last Saturday on business.

Miss Alma Dettman, who has been very ill with hemorrhage of the stomach, is improving under Dr. Bemis' treatment.

Supt. Drewry's annual school report has been received.

Matt. Stahler and wife were at West Bend trading last Wednesday.

Wm. Ferne has the job of erecting a new frame barn for Robert Donath.

Otto Leifer intends to open a hardware store at Centerville in the near future.

Chairman Liebenstein made a business trip to Sheboygan lately.

The Woodmen at Boltonville are still debating on the subject of buying or building a hall.

The marriage of Miss Lena Laux and Wm. Hughs, Jr., took place on the 15th inst. at the home of the bride's parents, near Batavia. The groom is one of our thriving young farmers. We wish them all the pleasure which life can afford.

MIDWINTER SALE.

Our trade this fall and winter has been more than satisfactory. It is double that of last year. We have had a big trade—never sold up so clean—can be generous with what's left.

THE QUICK SALE, West Bend.

NOTICE.—All who are indebted to the former firm of Siegel & Perschbacher are kindly requested to settle their accounts by Jan. 1, 1898, as we wish to straighten out our affairs.—SIEGEL AND PERSCHBACHER.

NEW CASSEL NUGGETS.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Gabriel are sick.

O. S. Raymond and wife drove to the Fountain City last Wednesday on business.

Carl Huecker is home from Franklin mission college at Sheboygan, for the holidays.

The diphtheria has disappeared from our midst, and all who were afflicted with it are about again.

Rev. W. D. Wells now rides in a new Portland cutter, having traded with N. C. Michaels. It is a fine rig.

Edward Wells is home from Beaver Dam academy to spend the holidays with friends and relatives here and at Waldo, his former home.

Christmas exercises were held at the Baptist and Lutheran churches. Fine programmes were rendered and all present were highly pleased.

The anniversary celebration of the I. O. G. T. at their hall here last Saturday was a grand success. Rev. Clark, the grand chief templar, spoke very interestingly on the occasion, and 10 people were initiated. All who were present had a grand time.

At a regular meeting of Wicker lodge, No. 138, Sunday, the following officers were elected for the ensuing term, viz: M. R. Boeckler, N. G.; E. F. Martin, V. G.; A. C. Busloff, recording secretary; E. L. Peck, permanent secretary; Wm. Scheid, treasurer; A. C. Busloff, trustee for 3 years; George Ingham, trustee for 2 years, to fill vacancy.

N. B.—The fifty books added to our Free public library at Campbellsport not long ago are not a present from the Free Street Library Commission, as at first thought, but a loan for a year, thus making this a street traveling library station for the present. The librarian, Mrs. Loeb, made room for the books, and they are for the benefit of all, especially the juveniles.

GRAIN AND MILLSTUFFS MARKET—CORRECTED.

Table with columns for commodity (Wheat, Rye, Flour, etc.) and price.

WEST BEND BLORE.

Ex-County Clerk McHenry has removed his family to his newly acquired farm in the town of Farmington.

Nature has bestowed upon our part of the earth's surface a beautiful sheet of glittering crystals of pure white snow, enveloping all objects upon the landscape with the garb emblematic of innocence and purity. A contemplation of this beautiful phenomena in nature brings to mind the multitude of unsolved mysteries of the universe in which we live, and the surprises that may yet be in store for us in the unexplored hereafter.

Christmas eve, the annual event on which all hearts throb with the noble impulse of bringing happiness and joy to one another, has come. Santa Claus, with his reindeer sledge, did not meet with many obstructions on his trip through the Chilkoot pass. The frequent secret consultations and hurried movements, calculated, we presume, to avoid a too early exposition of the surprise, led us to believe that "Old Claus" had something in store for "poor" us, and we were not disappointed.

John Reisse, one of the pioneers of Washington county, died at his home in this city, on Sunday last, in his 80th year. Mr. Reisse came to Wisconsin in 1847, locating on a farm in the town of West Bend. After several years' residence here he engaged in mercantile business in the village of Barton, and in 1875 he removed to this city, continuing in the same occupation until 1880, when he retired from active business. Possessing more than average ability, and having proven himself fully worthy of the confidence of the public, he was elected various offices of trust. In 1856 he was elected register of deeds of Washington county, which office he held two years. He was a justice of the peace for many years, having been an incumbent of that office at the time of his demise. Mr. Reisse was a man of striking individuality and good, sound sense, retaining the full use and vigor of his mental faculties to the end of his earthly career. Uniformly good natured and kind hearted, he earned for himself the lasting friendship of all, and it can be truthfully said of him, he had not a single enemy.

One after one the men of nerve and brain, who shared the hardships and privations of pioneer days, pass away; some sooner, some later, and only the memories of them remain.

ELMORE ETCHINGS.

Did you see John lately? Er hat diese unter die Nase.

A. Grab transacted business at Fond du Lac last Wednesday.

Wm. Klumb transacted business at Fond du Lac last week Friday.

While C. J. Fleischmann was butchering, last Monday, he was severely bitten by a pig.

Fred. Andrea of Kewaskum and C. J. Fleischmann were hunting last Sunday and secured 11 rabbits.

Fred. Bieser and a friend from the Franklin mission college are spending Christmas here with Rev. Bieser.

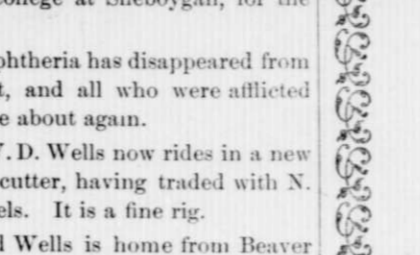
Ed. Backhaus of Newfane was here last Monday and engaged the Schmitt family band to furnish music for the dance at C. J. Koch's on Jan. 1.

Chris. Diels, who has been working at Milwaukee for some time, returned home with his wife last Wednesday and they will reside on his father's farm here.

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**Royal Yearly Income.**  
The total annual income of the imperial family of Russia cannot be less than three and a half million pounds sterling. Probably the nearest approach to this revenue is to be found in the combined incomes of the British royal family, the kings of America, which amount to two and a half million pounds. The Austrian imperial family possesses an estimated annual income of £1,500,000, the German family one of £1,000,000, and the Italian house of Savoy an income of £900,000 a year.—Durham Observer.

**Who are Injured by the use of coffee.**  
Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, which takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over one-fourth as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15c and 25c per package. For it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

**How Chinese Paper Their Houses.**  
The Chinese at home do not paper their walls, but they often paper their ceilings, partitions, etc., so that a large quantity of wall paper is consumed in that district. The Chinese at home do not paper their walls, but they often paper their ceilings, partitions, etc., so that a large quantity of wall paper is consumed in that district. The Chinese at home do not paper their walls, but they often paper their ceilings, partitions, etc., so that a large quantity of wall paper is consumed in that district.

**"Klondike Bulletin"**  
Will be published by the Sun Line every Monday, containing the latest news and up-to-date information as to best routes, services, steamship sailings, and every facility as same as obtainable from Alaska prospectors and all their friends. To be placed on mailing lists, send six cents in stamps to W. R. CALLAWAY, G. P. O., Minneapolis, Minn.

**Do You Dance To-Night?**  
Shake in your shoes Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It makes tight or new shoes feel easy. Cures Corns, Bunions, Chilblains, Frost Bites and Sweating Feet. At all druggists and shoe stores. 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address: Allen S. Ottumler, Le Roy, N. Y.

**Lane's Family Medicine**  
Moves the bowels each day. In order to be healthy this is necessary. Acts gently on the liver and stomach. Cures sick headache. Price, 25c and 50c.

**TO CURE A GOLD IN ONE DAY.**  
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine tablets. All Druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c.

**Milwaukee is the best place to buy Dry Goods.**  
Milwaukee is the best place to buy Dry Goods. Milwaukie, you can buy everything from the best to the best. Dress Goods, Millinery, China, Carpets, Toys, Dolls, and fifty-nine other stocks. Three and a half million pounds sterling. At your service. A postal will bring quick responses. Trade by mail. We guarantee as good results as if you come in person.

**GIMBEL BROTHERS, Milwaukee.**  
For over 300 years Nuremberg, Bavaria, has made medals of the type used throughout the world.

**Without Distress**  
Poor Health for Years—Hood's Sarsaparilla Cures Dyspepsia.  
"My husband was in poor health for years owing to dyspepsia and he could not get relief. We gave him Hood's Sarsaparilla, and after he had taken three bottles he could eat without distress and was able to work." BARBARA REHBERG, 138 North Pearl street, Green Bay, Wis.

**Hood's Sarsaparilla**  
Is the best—in fact, the One True Blood Purifier.  
Hood's Pills cure constipation. 25 cents.

**DO YOU COUGH**  
DON'T DELAY TAKE KEMP'S BALMSAM  
THE BEST COUGH CURE  
It Cures Croup, Whooping Cough, Sore Throat, Hoarseness, and all other ailments of the throat and lungs. A certain cure for Consumption in its early stages, and a sure relief in advanced stages. Use at once, and you will see the excellent results of the first dose. Sold by druggists everywhere. 50c and 25c per bottle.

**Knocked out by Lumbago?**  
It's because you don't cure it with ST. JACOBS OIL, which penetrates to the seat of the pain and subdues, soothes, cures.

**Winchester Gun**  
SEND YOUR NAME ON A POSTAL CARD AND WE WILL SEND YOU OUR 136 PAGE ILLUSTRATED CATALOGUE FREE—  
WINCHESTER REPEATING ARMS CO.  
150 WINCHESTER AVE., NEW HAVEN, CONN.

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307 Grand St., Milwaukee, Wis.  
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**FOOD FOR THE WORLD.**  
**Evidence of the Enormous Productive Power of the United States.**  
It appears that as regards quantity three Americans now export as much as five did twenty years ago, which suffices to show how groundless are the predictions of some writers who tell us that production for exportation must diminish. In the last twenty years the exportation of wheat has risen from 45,000,000 to 110,000,000 bushels, an increase of 58 per cent., and at the same time the exportation of wheat has risen 175 per cent., that is, three times as fast as the population.

The world is only beginning to have evidence of the enormous productive power of the United States. From "Thirty Years' American Trade," by Michael H. Mulhall, S. S., in North American Review.

**Winter Bird Life.**  
On a winter morning when one has been sitting in the snow, the sight of a bird is a welcome sight. The chirping of a woodpecker! Doubtless it is a bird of the winter, but the chirping of a woodpecker! Doubtless it is a bird of the winter, but the chirping of a woodpecker! Doubtless it is a bird of the winter, but the chirping of a woodpecker!

**Hard Winds.**  
When the Californian tells you that he has seen a bird of the winter, it is not a bird of the winter, but the chirping of a woodpecker! Doubtless it is a bird of the winter, but the chirping of a woodpecker! Doubtless it is a bird of the winter, but the chirping of a woodpecker!

**Winter Habits of the Quail.**  
Spent winter in the mountains. The quail is a bird of the winter, but the chirping of a woodpecker! Doubtless it is a bird of the winter, but the chirping of a woodpecker! Doubtless it is a bird of the winter, but the chirping of a woodpecker!

**Wisconsin Patents.**  
Patents for the following Wisconsin inventions are reported for this week by Erwin, Wheeler & Wheeler, 58 and 60 Loan and Trust building, Milwaukee. These are: A certain article which will furnish the inventor's Handbook free.

**Death valley has, to a large extent, lost its terrors to travelers now.** Mines and prospectors cross several times a day without fear of death, although human remains are still found scattered about. It is now known that water can be found in Death valley at almost any point by digging down a few feet, so parties crossing it go provided with shovels and do not die of thirst.

**For every widower who marries a widow there are eleven who espouse maidens.**

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To religiously experiment upon himself with hope of relief is the desperate. If the man who has been so long on earth is the last man on earth, it is not a religious experiment upon himself with hope of relief is the desperate. If the man who has been so long on earth is the last man on earth, it is not a religious experiment upon himself with hope of relief is the desperate.

**It Makes Cold Feet Warm**  
And it is the only cure for Chilblains, Frost Bites, Itching, Sweating Feet, Corns and Bunions. Ask for Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder to be shaken into the shoes. At all druggists and shoe stores. 25c. Sample sent FREE. Address: Allen S. Ottumler, Le Roy, N. Y.

**Coughing Leads to Consumption.**  
Kemp's Balsam will stop the cough at once. Go to your druggist today and get a sample bottle free. Sold in 25 and 50-cent bottles. Go at once; delays are dangerous.

**MEN CALL WOMAN A MYSTERY.**  
So She is to Them—Not so to a Woman.  
A Woman's Knowledge Saves Mrs. Ebbert From an Operation.

A woman understands women as a man never can hope to. For this reason Mrs. Lydia E. Pinkham, of Lynn, Mass., now known all over the English-speaking world, set to work to help her sex.

After long and patient investigation, Mrs. Pinkham confirmed her own conclusions, namely: that seven-eighths of the sufferings of women are due to disorders of the uterine system. Reasoning on this line she saw that the only preventive of early breaking down was a specific medicine which would act alone on the female organism.

This was why she prepared her excellent Vegetable Compound, which has been such a boon to thousands and thousands of women. If you have headaches chiefly at the top of the head, and are troubled by painful menstruation, dizziness, sleeplessness, backache, and that bearing-down feeling, Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound will tone up your whole system. Mrs. C. A. Ebbert, 330 Wood St., Reading, Pa., testifies to the great power of the Compound.

"Mrs. Pinkham—I can say that your medicine has cured me of the pains and troubles which I had. My case was very bad, and I consulted the doctor. My womb had fallen and I had terrible pains in my back and hips. I could hardly walk. My husband went to our family doctor, and he prescribed medicine for me, but I found no relief, and grew worse instead of better. The doctor examined me and wanted to perform an operation, but my husband would not consent. Seeing the advertisement in the paper, I got a bottle of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and before I had taken half of the second bottle, I felt like a new woman. In all I have taken four bottles of your medicine, and can say that I am entirely cured. I hope that every woman suffering as I did, will follow my advice and take your medicine at once."

**Walter Baker & Co.'s Breakfast COCOA**  
Pure, Delicious, Nutritious.  
Costs Less than ONE CENT a cup.  
Be sure that the package bears our Trade-Mark.  
Walter Baker & Co. Limited, Dorchester, Mass. (Established 1780.)

**Animals' Fright is Short.**  
A question that has often been asked is, How long does fear last in a wild creature? The close observer will be surprised at its brief duration. They are not subject to "nerves" like human beings. A partridge after running or rather flying the gauntlet of half a dozen dogs, will be allowed a brief moment to rest, and then will be off again. A fox pursued by a dog will keep indoors for a week, but out it pops quite merrily as soon as the coast is clear. A fox pursued by a dog will keep indoors for a week, but out it pops quite merrily as soon as the coast is clear.

**Pray's Ice Plows**  
Now is the time to place your order for Ice Plows and Snow Blowers. Pray's Ice Plows are the best, most reliable, and most economical. They will keep your driveway clear of snow and ice for a week, but out it pops quite merrily as soon as the coast is clear.

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### MERRY CHRISTMAS TO OUR BOY AND GIRL READERS.

A Merry Christmas to You, Children, and May Santa Claus Remember You as Well as He has Remembered the Little Boys and Girls in this Picture

**SANTA CLAUS WAS REAL.**  
The "Truly-True" St. Nick and the Legends of His Life.

Some grown-ups and older children imagine there never was any real Santa Claus; but they ought to know better. Nicholas, the patron saint of Christians, was a bishop of the church in Asia Minor, where he died in 343. His bones were removed to Bari, Italy in 1207, where they now rest, under the crypt of the church which bears his name.

"Every thing," said the colonel, "I'd like, if I knew who the thief was, to send him something for a Christmas present, just as a reward for his conscience. As it is, I am going to send one of the boys over to the store, and have him look up the thief for me. He has evidently turned over a new leaf this Christmas eve."

"Now, detective," said the colonel, "I am going to ask you to stay with us over Christmas and enjoy the holiday. And so that we can all have an extra fine day, I am going to send one of the boys over to the store, and have him look up the thief for me. He has evidently turned over a new leaf this Christmas eve."

**TOYS FOR CHILDREN.**  
Soldiers from Khartoum, England, Spain, Germany and Cuba.

As early as last June the toy manufacturers began to get out their wares for Christmas. The Spaniards and Cubans were already in the field, and they were very busy. They were making models for the trade, and they were making models for the trade, and they were making models for the trade.

**THE CHRISTMAS TREE.**  
Transplanted to America, but Has Been Carefully Fertilized.

America has welcomed and adopted the Christmas tree with cordial affection and treated it as if it were a product of her own soil. The tree has been transplanted to the United States by the early Dutch settlers of New York and by the Germans who came to the country in the early part of the century. It is now a fixture in the holiday celebration, not only in families of direct German descent, but among the composite population of the United States.

**OLD CHRISTMAS CUSTOMS.**  
One custom that has come to us from across the sea is that of hanging up stockings on Christmas eve. Little children are taught that St. Nicholas brings in gifts to them through closed windows and doors, and that this custom started from a tradition that St. Nicholas used to throw purses of money in through the windows of poor maidens so that they might have marriage portions.

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