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TOWN TALK.

A Happy New Year. No TELEGRAM to-morrow. Several private watch meetings were held last evening.

About three hundred notary public commissions have expired. Do not forget Minnie Madden at Powers' Friday and Saturday evenings.

Several cases of small-pox are reported at Boardman on the G. R. & I. Railroad. Remember Louise Sylvester in "Little Ferret" this afternoon and evening at Redmond's.

The belfry of the Plainfield avenue church has been ornamented recently by a five hundred pound bell.

Frey Bros. attached the saloon of George Fehensfeld, on Canal street, to secure debts amounting to \$1,100.

The clerk in the office at police headquarters rejoices over a handsome new standing walnut desk.

The Board of Public Works have advertised the Bertse residence, which stands on the city hall lot, for sale.

Mr. Fred L. Drew, of Kalamazoo, arrived in the city last evening and will spend New Years with relatives and friends.

The Salvation Army held a watch-meeting last night and the lassies and laddies shouted, prayed and exhorted until long after midnight.

The Madden, Jennings and Sligh examination before Justice Westfall was adjourned yesterday evening until Saturday morning at 10 o'clock.

Judge Stone returned from Cadillac Tuesday evening after attending to two cases of revenue infractions in violating liquor and tobacco taxes.

About two hundred logs belonging to Congressman-elect Tomstock got loose from the boom near the guard locks yesterday and went down the river.

Mr. Geo. B. Catlin has taken charge of the city circulation of THE TELEGRAM and all payments on subscription should be made to him or his authorized agents.

The V. C. S. Club hop at Metropolitan Hall last night was attended by over seventy-five couples, all of whom departed impressed that they had had a happy old year.

The Michigan Central train which leaves here at 6 in the morning ran off the track at the Cherry street crossing, yesterday, and was delayed two hours in consequence.

The superintendent of temperance work in the Mission Wood church has organized a Band of Hope, which meets every alternate Saturday, at the President's house, Mrs. Shear's.

The Board of Education meets Saturday evening. Several vigorous contests are expected, as the election of several officers in the school and library will come up for consideration.

A charity ball will be given at the Metropolitan Hall to-night to assist Adrian De Boer, who is sick with consumption and has a wife and seven children dependant on him for support.

C. L. Harvey, Deputy County Clerk, and Mr. Henry J. Heystek have formed a co-partnership and will go into the paint and oil business. They will be located in the new Aldrich block.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Miss May, daughter of Harvey J. Hollister, Esq., and Mr. McGeorge Bundy. The ceremony will be performed at Mr. Hollister's residence, January 8.

The General Union W. C. T. U. will meet at the Y. M. C. A. rooms, to-morrow at 2 p. m. The Central W. C. T. U. will hold its annual meeting at the same place at 3:30 p. m., for election of officers.

The action of the water and frost weakened the foundation of the McKeen's block, corner of Canal and Lyon streets, and several bricks fell out of the wall. There is also a dangerous-looking crack in the Lyon street wall.

The most surprised men in Grand Rapids on Christmas day were the four street car drivers who received \$5 each from a kind-hearted lady. It sometimes pays to stop the street car where there isn't any mud—Detroit News.

The superintendents of the poor are being called on daily to assist able-bodied men out of employment. Of these a large majority are of foreign birth. Many of them have been in the country but a short time and are unable to speak English.

The first dance given by the V. C. Social Club, at the Metropolitan Hall last night, was attended by one hundred and forty-seven couples, who had a very enjoyable time and all expressed perfect satisfaction with the management throughout.

Charles Pickle created a disturbance at the entrance of the Metropolitan Hall last night while the V. C. Social Club dance was in progress and was promptly run out. A few weeks in Kinney's mansion would be a good place for hoodlums who disturb social gatherings.

The engine in Gardner & Baxter's Steam Laundry became decidedly off yesterday morning, the belt slipping off the governor. The engine became uncontrollable and several of the pulleys and shafting fastenings on the ceiling came crashing to the floor. Damage nearly \$150.

The Triumvirate, a social three of long standing in this city, founded purely upon classical ideas and aspirations, very happily met last evening and held their annual banquet, accompanied by the customary feasts, well wishes, etc.

The Superior Court's rough docket had this smooth inscription on its page for yesterday: "This being the last day of the old year."

A Happy New Year. To All the Reporters Who Enter Here, CHAS. F. RATTISUN, Clerk.

Hiram Gunmer, a member of the Board of Review and Equalization who has frequently attracted attention on account of his speeches, tried to jump off Bridge street bridge Wednesday night, but was fortunately prevented by a young man who caught hold of him and detained him until a policeman came along and landed him in police headquarters.

The police received a telephone call from Kennedy's Livery Stable last evening, saying there was a disturbance there. In an explanation it leaked out that Kennedy had discharged one of his men without paying him, and got indignant because the man insisted on having it before leaving the barn. At last he tried to frighten him by telephoning to police headquarters.

The Death Rate of 1884.

The following summary, taken from the books of the Board of Health, shows the number of deaths in this city during the last calendar year from all causes as they occurred during the several months: January 30, February 28, March 20, April 20, May 37, June 21, July 45, August 37, September 30, October 20, November 17, December 23; total 308. Rate per thousand, eight and fifty-three one hundredths.

SALVATION WATCH MEETING.

A Large Attendance at the Services of the Army.

The watch meeting last night at the Salvation Army barracks was a success, if numbers contribute to such a result. The audience was composed of all the various grades of society. Many of them it was evident were in deep earnest, inspired by religious feeling as they understand it. Others were there, led by the spirit of curiosity, and still others, and their number was not a few, were there for no good at all. The best of order was not preserved at all times, though those in charge made strenuous efforts to keep control of the crowd by opening and shutting the doors at stated intervals. An address made by one of the hallicuh lassies, who elided her h's very markedly, arraigned church members for uncharitableness toward the Army. She said they did not come to their meetings, but read about them and believed all the misrepresentations they read and none of the good. If they would come and encourage the Army by their presence, and see the good work they were doing among the drunken and debased, they would not oppose the work. It was the talk of such church members that did the Army the most harm. The exercises consisted of exhorting, singing and prayer, and were kept up until the clock tolled the old year out and the new year in.

AMUSEMENTS.

A Delightful Comedy at Redmond's Last Night.

Louise Sylvester and a splendid company presented "Little Ferret" last night, to a fair-sized audience, who so thoroughly enjoyed themselves that they left the theater in the best mood possible to insure their waking up happy in the morning. The company comprises good talent which is judiciously distributed among the different parts in the play. It was a thoroughly enjoyable entertainment, composed entirely of situations which provoke one to laughing dull care away. With such a talented artist and company in our midst there is no use of anybody not having a happy New Year, which can be secured at little cost at Redmond's this afternoon and evening.

The New Savings Bank.

A number of capitalists, as was mentioned in yesterday's TELEGRAM, have organized a new bank under the State law. It will be known as the Kent County Savings Bank, and will occupy the quarters on the corner of Canal and Lyon street, recently vacated by the Fourth National Bank. The directors hope to be ready to begin business in about ten days. The capital stock will be \$50,000. The incorporators are A. V. Pantlind, D. A. Blodgett, T. J. O'Brien, A. B. Watson, E. Crofton Fox, John A. Covode, Geo. W. Gay, Dr. Shepard, A. J. Bowne, Dr. Johnson, Jas. Blair, James G. McBride and William Sears and others. The organization was effected yesterday by the election of the following named directors: A. J. Bowne, A. B. Watson, J. A. Covode, James Blair, D. A. Blodgett, J. C. Bonnell, E. Crofton Fox, Joseph Heald, T. J. O'Brien.

Business at the Postoffice.

The following is a statement of stamps, stamped envelopes and postal cards sold at the postoffice during the past month and also for the three past months ending yesterday: Stamps, 1-cent, 45,000; 2-cent, 148,000; 3-cent, 2,000; 4-cent, 2,100; 5-cent, 4,000; 10-cent, 2,300; 15-cent, 100; newspaper stamps, 286; postage-due stamps, 1,800; postal cards, 53,000; total amount of stamps and cards sold, \$4,760.66; stamped envelopes sold, \$1,543.00; grand total for the month of December, \$6,303.66.

Quarterly statement: October, stamps, \$4,820.54; envelopes, \$1,977.00; November, stamps, \$3,989.40; envelopes, \$1,493.90; December, stamps, \$4,860.66; envelopes, \$1,543. Total sales during quarter ending December 31, 1884, \$18,484.50.

Another Reduction.

Nelson, Matter & Co. made another reduction in wages yesterday. The men did not receive the announcement with any expressions of approval. Business has been dull with this firm of late, and the only way they can manage to keep their men employed at all is by reduction in salaries. A TELEGRAM reporter had a talk a few days ago with a gentleman interested in another large factory, who was doubtful whether they could keep their men employed through the winter. The employes of Nelson, Matter & Co. did not decide at the moment whether they would accept the reduction or not, and held a meeting last night to discuss the matter. The reduction affects every department, including the foremen and superintendents.

YESTERDAY'S COURTS.

JUSTICE BROWNE—Peter Groop v. Cornelius Van Popering. Assumpsit. Adjudged to Jan. 7, 1885. JUSTICE SAUNDERS—Ira O. Green v. Ephraim Shire. Summons to show cause as garnishee. Case adjourned to Jan 6 at 9 a. m.—Mary Engle v. Tunis Waldron. Assumpsit. Cause settled by the parties. CRIMINAL—David T. Chadwick v. Geo. W. Chadwick. In chancery. Case tried and submitted. OFFICE BUSINESS—Edward P. Fowler v. Frank Chickering et al. Foreclosure bill filed. POLICE—Samuel S. Kindade, drunk; 10 days in jail.—William Granger, breach of the peace, 30 days in jail; appealed.—Jos. Orton, larceny less than \$25; not guilty; discharged.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. C. S. Hartman is visiting her parents at Coldwater. Mr. Chas. R. Sligh has returned from a business visit to Honduras. Louise Sylvester at Redmond's in "Little Ferret" this afternoon and in "Freaks" this evening. Dr. J. N. Coleman, who has been spending Christmas at Cadillac, returned to the city last evening. Manager Brennan and Louise Sylvester and the leading members of the company are at the Morton. Prof. Hansley will give an entertainment in Science Hall this afternoon for the benefit of the Hooking Valley sufferers. Mr. and Mrs. Elby Stevenson, of Portland, Mich., are spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Hooken, Cherry street. Only one delivery will be made by the mail carriers to-day and that at eight in the morning. The postoffice will be closed after ten o'clock. A gold star with a diamond set in the center was presented to Captain Swan O'Donnell, of the Chicago police force, on Friday evening.

A GLANCE AT THE PAST.

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Wilbur F. Story, editor and proprietor of the Chicago Times, aged 85. Sigsbee Brig- nold, the famous tinner, James Wormley, the famous hotel proprietor of Washington, Alexander M. Sullivan, one of the founders of the home-rule movement in Ireland. John McCullough, the eminent tragedian, loses his mind and breaks down while playing upon the stage of McVicker's theater, Chicago. The Mexican war veterans held their annual reunion at St. Louis. The Russian Government closed the University of Kieff for a year, and arrested 168 students because of their nihilistic connections. The contest for the base ball championship of the United States ended in favor of the Providence club.

Sixty persons killed by a railroad accident in India. Over 300 lives lost by a hurricane in Iceland. Ten soldiers burned to death in a fire at the Royal Palace at Copenhagen. At Esseg, Austria, fourteen children, while playing in a boat on the river Drava, capsized it and all were drowned. Five men killed by a powder mill explosion at Cumminsville, Ontario. Twenty-seven persons killed and 400 injured by a cyclone in Catania, on the island of Sicily. The Japanese cities of Yokohama and Tokio were visited by a terrible typhoon.

NOVEMBER.

Died—Henry Fawcett, the British Postmaster General, Rear Admiral Murray of the United States Navy. Bishop J. W. Wiley, of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Isaac Henderson, of New York, who was a partner of William Cullen Bryant in the Evening Post, in his 71st year. William A. Wood, the well-known reaper inventor, aged 71 years. The most important event of the month was the Presidential election, which occurred on the 4th, after one of the hottest political campaigns in the history of the country. Grover Cleveland, the Democratic candidate, was elected President of the United States for four years, beginning on the 4th of March next, to succeed the rectoral vote against 182 for James G. Blaine, the candidate of the Republican party. The mare Maud S. beat all records by trotting a mile in 1:59 1/4 at Lexington, Ky. General W. S. Harney, the veteran soldier, causes a sensation by marrying his housekeeper. Indians make a raid into Presidio County, Texas, and murder a number of settlers. Joseph E. Brown re-elected Senator from Georgia. M. H. De Young, of the San Francisco Chronicle, shot by Adolph Spreckels. Nine persons slain by a boiler explosion in a New Orleans sugar house. Six houses at Sunbury, Ont., from eating pork affected with trichina. A railway train goes through a bridge at Hempstead, Texas, drowning twelve passengers and wounding forty.

DECEMBER.

Died: Gilbert Harly, a noted hermit. Rev. Luke Davis, aged seventy-seven. Oscar K. Harris, a prominent Washington journalist. Rev. David Halliday, brother of the assistant pastor of Plymouth Church. Opening of Congress. The French Chamber of Deputies, by a vote of 267 to 250 adopted an amendment providing for the election of Senators by universal suffrage. General Grant refuses to accept a pension. Burning of the Brooklyn Catholic Orphan Asylum, with a loss of \$5,000,000. The schooner Mary Joseph lost at Channel, N. E., with all on board. A terrific railroad collision at Oxford, Pa. Capture of Ronald Ray, a noted counterfeit, at Keene Station, Ill. The Washington monument completed. Several lives lost in a mine disaster at Shanokin, Pa. Wm. H. Vanderbilt obtains a judgment against General U. S. Grant for \$155,417.29. Opening of the World's Cotton Centennial Exposition at New Orleans. The Post Whittier celebrates his 77th birthday. Severe earthquake shocks in Spain, causing great loss of life and property. Severe cold and heavy snow storms in the Northwest.

The bank statements indicate that there is some money in the town yet, notwithstanding the cry about its being scarce.

Kimball's Music House.

Some unusual bargains in a few second-hand Pianos and Organs are offered at Kimball's, 115 Canal street. Hallet & Davis piano.....\$225 Emerson piano..... 210 Haines piano..... 175 Blauk piano..... 40 Taylor & Farley organ..... 85 Kimball organ..... 60 These goods are all fully warranted, and will be sold on monthly payments. E. F. GREENWOOD, Manager.

Removal.

R. B. LOOMIS, insurance agent, hereby informs the public that he has removed his insurance office from 43 Pearl street to the basement of the Fourth National Bank, corner of Lyon and Canal streets, where he will be pleased to meet his friends and patrons. Represented in his agency are the following reliable companies: Lion, of England; Transatlantic, of Hamburg, Germany; Kings County, New York; Rochester German, Rochester, Agricultural, of New York; Germania, of Cincinnati.

Do Not Forget

to try a bottle of Stekete's Cough Cure. You don't have to buy a box of pills with this remedy, for it acts as a mild physic. It is the largest and best cough cure in the market. Price 25c.

Slaughter Sale at Winegar's.

The great overcoat sales among the clothing men has started Winegar on the war-path, and to-day begins a slaughter sale in ladies hand bags, photograph and autograph albums and scrap books. Bottom prices have not only been reached, but the bottom has fallen out completely. Note the tremendous reductions. Silk plush photo albums at \$1.25, \$1.38, \$2.50, \$3.10, \$3.75. Same goods sold last week at \$2.00, \$3.50, \$3.75, \$5 and \$6. Genuine Morocco albums \$1.75, \$2.25, \$3 \$3.40 and \$4. Leather albums 75 cents to \$2.40. Leatherette albums 25 cents to \$1. Ladies hand bags, in plush, morocco and alligator, will be found way down in price, from 25 cents to \$2.49.

Autograph albums and scrap books have met the same fate, and are marked at figures to sell at sight. This a rare opportunity to buy these goods very cheap, and no time should be lost in taking advantage of it. For decided bargains go to Winegar's, in Porter block. The finest assortment of Cutters in the city at A. R. Antisdal's.

Facts Worth Knowing.

That Brummeler, the Monroe street grocer, is again present to meet his numerous customers with a full line of choice groceries. You will find there nice maple sugar, maple syrup, fine rock candy drips and extra fine sugar syrup and N. O. molasses, buckwheat flour and a full line of farinaceous goods, also the Danville Graham flour and Gristana. We carry a full line of canned goods, among others the well-known brand of Githens & Rexamer, E. B. Miller & Company's fine Penang spices, raisins, nuts, oranges, lemons, sauer kraut, choice fresh roasted coffee, vegetables, butter and eggs and all that is to be found in a first-class grocery house at low prices. Convince yourself by calling at above place. No trouble to show goods.

For a Cutter, buy of A. R. Antisdal. Don't Have To. After using Stekete's Cough Cure you don't have to buy a physic, for I have provided against costiveness in this remedy. Nothing can excel my Cough Cure. It is the best and cheapest remedy upon the market for the cure of coughs or colds. Try it. Ask for Stekete's Cough Cure. For sale by druggists and the proprietor, DR. STEKETE, 89 Monroe street. Buy your Cutters of A. R. Antisdal.

Curiosities of Trade.

The cheapening of merchandise is a remarkable feature of our commercial life. This is apparent in the prices at which Holiday Goods are offered by some of our leading stores. For instance for five cents you can buy a China Mug, Tin Cup, China Doll, Toy Watch, China Figure, Tin Toy on wheels, Savings Bank, Goblet, Salt Celler, Glass Plate, Nest Egg, Bisque Figure, China Vase, China Toy Pitcher, Kettle and Whistle, Buttonhole Bouquet Holder, Fringed Christmas Card, &c., &c.

For Ten Cents you can buy a China Cup and Saucer, Edammin Vase 4, 7 or 8 inches high, Child's A B C Plate, Child's Picture Mug, China or Majolica Cream Pitcher, Large Glass Mug, Engraved Goblet, Fancy Tin Cup or Pail, Wooden Toy Pail, Whisk Broom, Majolica Begonia Leaf, Large Gilded Christmas Card, &c. For Twenty-Five Cents you can buy a Cologne Bottle, 1, 2, 3 or 4 oz., richly cut or decorated; 8 oz. cut Stopper Cologne, for covering with satin; Vinagrette; Crystal Thermometer; Fancy Ink Bottle; Crystal Bouquet Holder; China Vase, with raised flowers; Toothpick Holder; Comic Bisque Figure; China Jewel Box; Bronze Match Box; Kiota Ash Recepter; Bohemian Cologne Bottle; Powder Box; China Milk Pitcher; China Fruit Plate; China Fruit Basket in wire frame; Majolica Water Pitcher; Crumb Brush and Tray; Decorated Bread and Milk Set; Decorated Cup Saucer and Plate; handsome Bohemian Vase, 8, 9 or 10 inches high; Shells of Ocean.

For Fifty Cents you can buy a Cologne Bottle, 4, 6 or 8 oz., rich cut or engraved; Paper Weight; Fancy Pepper or Salt Bottle; Thermometer, on crystal stand; 1 doz. Majolica Individual Butters; Luminous Match Box; colored glass Water Jug; decorated China Pitcher; large Motto Cup and Saucer; Moustache Cup and Saucer; fine Motto Mugs; Shaving Mug; Fruit Basket; Bisque Figure, 4 to 6 inches high; Majolica Teapot; Majolica Water Pitcher; Majolica Molasses Pitcher; Majolica Butter Dish; Bisque Figure, with Umbrella; Lava Smoking Set; Majolica Salad Bowl; Majolica Bread Plate. The above prices are at H. Leonard & Sons, 16 Monroe street.

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- Our \$30 Satin Lined, Double Breasted Kersey Overcoats with raised seams, in Blue or Brown, are now \$16. Our \$25 Blue Mixed Chinchilla, with Silk Velvet Collar and Satin Sleeve Lining, are now \$14.85. Our \$22 Light Colored Cassimere, Prince Charles fancy back, \$10.00. Our \$20 Satin Lined Worssted Casimere are now 10.00. Our 18.00 Black and Blue Colored Cassimere are now 11.00. Our \$18.00 Olive Colored Ribbed Cassimere are now \$9.75. Our \$15 Stylish Overcoats are now \$9.50. Our \$8.50 Storm Overcoats, Brown Mixed, are now \$4.95.

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