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WEATHER.
WASHINGTON, Dec. 20.—For Lower Michigan—Fair; west winds; colder.

NOT A HOPELESS CASE.
If the real importance of securing a navigable water route to Lake Michigan is not plainly apparent to the citizens of this city and the surrounding country, it is because they will not be convinced. To convince such is a task that would result in no practical good, so the attention of all concerned will be turned toward a plan to surmount the legal and constitutional objections to the proposed bonding of the city to raise money to improve Grand river. A remedial measure was suggested in these columns yesterday morning. It is indisputably feasible and within the purview of the statutes and the organic law. If a body of taxpayers will to tax itself for any laudable purpose whatever, even though specifically prohibited by the constitution, the legislature may grant discretionary rights to the people affected, which grant may be ratified by a vote. There can be very little question as to the soundness of this proposition. It has been illustrated in the establishment of judicial tribunals, increases in the number of judges, and in other ways. But if this obstacle should prove to be insuperable the city is still invested with authority to buy a dredge to remove debris from the mouths of sewers and to deepen the channel of the river within the city limits. There is no constitutional inhibition against such a purchase. Once possessed of a dredge the city could lease it to anybody for any legitimate use anywhere in the river. Fifty thousand dollars could be raised by popular subscription to keep the dredge at work until congress shall be persuaded that we mean business. There are yet other ways in which the end desired may be achieved even if the legislature and the constitution dam the river. The first step to be taken, however, is to get together and dam the fellows whose tongues wag against public improvements whenever a legal quibble can be suggested.

BOTH FAVOR A CAUCUS.
Several days ago THE HERALD called attention to the necessity for observing time-honored precedents by having a caucus for the selection of a United States Senator to be elected by the incoming legislature. The argument advanced in support of such a plan is taken up by The Detroit Tribune, which says: "So far as now appears no element of the party contemplates any other course than the holding of a party caucus in the regular way for the selection of a candidate for United States senator, and no republican aspirant for the senatorship is willing to receive the votes of his fellow-partisans in the legislature unless he shall be first chosen for the honor by a majority vote of the republican legislative caucus. The caucus should be held as usual, the members of it should vote openly and in accordance with their honest judgment for the several candidates who may appear before them, and the result of the conclusive ballot should be cheerfully and promptly accepted by legislators and senatorial aspirants alike." The Eagle of this city takes its cue from this endorsement and approves the sentiments therein contained. Both The Tribune and The Eagle are several days behind the advance of public sentiment on the question, but it is gratifying to know that they are in the procession, even though at the tail of it. It is equally gratifying to know that both candidates are in favor of a caucus. Ex-Governor Lane has already announced that he will abide by the result of the caucus, and The Herald is authorized to repeat what Senator Stockbridge has said on the subject, namely, that if he shall be defeated in caucus his entire strength will be thrown to the successful candidate. In view of these utterances there do not seem to be any tenable reasons why the customary caucus should not be held.

PARTY LOYALTY.
If the political economy which wishes that a newspaper is but the tool of party were to be made a universal dogma there would be few really successful newspapers in the country. The greatest devotion a party newspaper can show for its party is to unmask dishonest men within its ranks. Such a course alienates the immediate friends of the luckless one and calls down upon the paper the anathemas of those who believe that might is right. No newspaper will yield its character as such to gratify personal animosity; nor will it sacrifice its sense of decency to cringe and fawn before men to save itself from harsh criticism. If a man stands another in the dark it is not the duty of the injured one to give the would-be assassin free pardon because he may have taken the sacrament in the same church. Or if a man pretend to be pious while he is a transparent

hypocrite, it is not the duty of his pastor to hold him up as an example of moral rectitude, to protect the fair name of the church from disgrace. The duty of the pastor, knowing the character of such an one, is to reprimand and if this shall not prove salutary, then to ex-communicate and unchurch him. This reasoning is unanswerably logical. If it be true of church and society it is doubly true of politics. No man is better than his party. If he be so much worse than the ordinary partisan that his name is a synonym for untruthfulness then the highest service any paper can perform is to refuse to lend itself to anything that will elevate him to a position where he will represent the people. If a clerk declare that his employer is a thief the employer will not suffer the clerk to remain in his employ. The great and successful newspapers of today are the ones that rise above party domination to assert the right. One of the greatest republican newspapers in America, The Chicago Inter-Ocean, declared that it would not support a certain republican if nominated for office. The man was nominated. The Inter-Ocean gave every other republican a cordial endorsement but this one it denounced. He was defeated. The Inter-Ocean has too much character to bow before party dictates when the party is clearly wrong. It is not alone in the possession of such a character. From the New York Tribune to The San Francisco Chronicle honest republican newspapers have refused to support unworthy candidates.

GROVER IN A NEW.
Mr. Cleveland's views on the money question do not inspire the western men with assurance. It was supposed that he held to extreme ideas as to the relation of silver to the currency system, but these ideas seem to have been modified. His latest utterances are singularly free from allusions to the tariff. He does not desire to be prejudiced by any statement he may make prior to the time he shall select his cabinet. He must recognize the west. If he shall re-commit himself on the money question, it might embarrass him to make a selection. To gather the temper of the people in the west, and for other things, he called two of his former cabinet officers, Dickinson and Vilas, to New York. They held a conference behind closed doors lasting almost twenty-four hours. Dickinson left almost immediately afterward for Washington. Upon his arrival there the rumor that he would be secretary of state was given respectability. But Don will not be Grover's clerk. He has said so. The trouble in the situation is to find a cabinet officer in the west, whose money views are not erratic. There's the rub. Colorado, Kansas and Iowa must be recognized. So must Illinois, Wisconsin and the Dakotas. These are all harum-scarum any-kind-of-money-states. Just now free silver is the fad. How can a gold money man be chosen from these states and at the same time pacify the cranks. There's the gridiron on which Grover is sizzling. That's why he isn't talking about money and the tariff. When this conundrum is solved we shall hear something more about his "misgivings" and the "condition" with which he is wont to speak when discussing the currency and the tariff.

FINISHED WITH THE SUCCESS had in stealing Iowa county the democrats are emboldened to attempt to steal one or two state officers. Perhaps, after all, it is a good thing Cleveland had a landslide. If he needed one or two votes to elect him the democrats of this state could be relied upon to supply them.

MAYOR STUART'S reasons for vacating the action granting a license for a saloon at the corner of Waterloo and Monroe streets are entirely sound. The city has trouble enough to keep one end of Waterloo street under control without adding a rear-end saloon to the other.

It is rumored that the Rothschilds will corner the entire American beef market. If the Rothschilds see anything else around that they want, somebody should tell them to ask for it.

AFTER a Bloomington man quarreled with his wife he shot himself in the head. His wife forgave before he died. There is no limit to the magnanimity of an Indiana woman.

PRESIDENT HARRISON, it is said, will become a professor in the Leland Stanford University. An ex-president that can't raise hens has to do something else for a living; that's all.

In spite of the efforts made by the money speculators to bull the market and force gold to a premium, Uncle Sam keeps a cool head and defies the world to corner him.

GOVERNOR TILMAN, of South Carolina, has said "Damn." It's a distinguished list—Vanderbilt, Cleveland, Flower and Tillman.

So few as a dozen have been known to speak volumes in a tight pinch—especially if on the minus side of the equation.

MARGARET MATHER is now installed in the home of her millionaire papa-in-law. She is being comfortable, thank you.

It may be remarked parenthetically that the proposed feed dealers combine in this city is not a hotel trust.

license. If Gin had been the real old scuff he might have been able to get across.

AMUSEMENT NOTES.
Sol Smith Russell acted "A Poor Relation" in the Powers' last night to an audience that filled every cranny in the house. The plot of the piece is familiar to play goers, but it has been burnished with new ideas and brightened with new business until it reminds one of the old piece only by its very difference. Mr. Russell's creation of Noah Yale, the poor inventor, is among the historic dramatic triumphs that is destined to live. His uncouth great heartedness, his deft insensibility to unfavorable circumstance and his clinging confidence in the goodness of the human heart appeal to every sense of nobility and one laughs through his tears at the droll situations and his resolute composure even when long coveted fortune is snatched from him by the hand of a thief.

There is an irresistible charm to his naive announcement "I am a prohibitionist from choice and a vegetarian from necessity." It is made doubly significant, when, after drinking a glass of milk charged with liquor by O'Halley, he pauses in lighting his cigar to remark "I wonder what kind of cabbage O'Halley feeds his cows." All through the new "Poor Relation" there are pearls of touching pathos framed in the drollest of quip and humor. One cannot but love the gentle comedian; his benevolent face beams with the sparkle of choice and reflects the sensitive soul of a true gentleman. He was called before the curtain last evening and made a happy speech.

Nineteen bright, manly young collegiates from Oberlin entertained a fairly large audience in the Park church last evening to its utmost satisfaction. The soloists were Mr. Adams, who sang the popular "Oh Promise Me," by De Koven; Messrs. Patterson, Siddall, Metcalf and Johnson. The glee club is unsurpassed in its choruses, which were remarkably finished, bright and harmonious. The concert was under the auspices of the Young People's guild of the Park church. The club is on its holiday tour and will sing in Chicago tonight and in Minneapolis Friday.

STATE PRESS COSSIP.
There's nothing so forgiving as a woman. There is a gentlehearted widow out west, who has not only forgiven the man who, twenty years ago, helped to lynch her husband, but is about to marry him. Vengeance seems to have overtaken him at last.—Jackson Patriot.

When the rapid depopulation of Nevada is recalled, its vote for the people's party is easily understood. Having been abandoned by nearly all its respectable citizens, the state naturally went back on the republican party.—Adrian Times.

The New York Herald "learns with regret that Charles A. Dann would vote to accept a seat in the senate." G. Cleveland has yet failed to indorse the regrets.—Detroit Tribune.

It is difficult to say whether Montana or the Dakotas are getting the most advertising out of their silver state business.—Kalamazoo Gazette.

The souvenir half dollar may fulfill its mission by recalling to its possessor how much more he had before he went to Chicago.—Greenview Call.

Just notice the eloquent silence Speaker Crisp maintains as to the virtues of the coming administration.—Kalamazoo Telegraph.

HIT AND MISS STORIES.
Stop immigration altogether for a year. This may save us for a twelve-month from cholera, paupers and \$10 immigrants. So let congress go ahead and relieve the country. England may not like it, and our shipping companies may not like it, but we can't help that.—New York Herald.

The election of United States senators by popular vote, while it would in no sense destroy their character as state representatives in the national legislature, would take their selection out of the hands of the recognized state assemblies, when their votes are the most tractable mediums for fraud and corruption.—Courier-Journal.

An expert appointed by the national commissioner of labor has been examining the slums of Chicago and finds that city has fewer "slum" districts than New York. The expert should continue his investigation and help us to a comparison between Chicago and hell.—Leadville Herald.

Miss Ellen Richards has invented a new word—ekology—to stand for domestic science. She has taken out no patent upon it.—Philadelphia Times.

It is said that Mr. Harrison intends to write a book. What does he call that last message of the Atlanta Journal.

The only comfortable people in Chicago during the recent blizzard were the Equimatix.—Toledo Blade.

ALLEGED TO BE FUNNY.
"Madam," said a testy fellow at the theater, "will you be kind enough to take off your hat so I can see the stage?"
"With pleasure," she said, smiling radiantly, but it was too late; the surprise was too great for him and he had fainted away.—Detroit Free Press.

Miss Thimble—"What's this I hear about Jack putting his arm around you?"
Miss Fattie—"He didn't do anything of the kind."
Miss Thimble—"Well, as far around as he could reach?"
Silence.—Detroit Free Press.

Scramble—You can't tell anything about the real pleasure of football unless you've played it.
Scratch—Oh, yes, I can. I was in an elevator once when it fell four stories.—Inf. Ocean.

Mamma—Johnnie, why don't you try and have a nice table manners as Harry Jones?
Johnnie—Well, 'cause I'm at home an' he's a visitor.—Inf. Ocean.

FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN.
I have seen gowns and gowns or royal purple, my dear, ragged, starting royal purple, not wine color, not violet, not deep blue, but purple, bright real purple. The street toilet in this sketch was of striped stuff in light and dark purple. House and party dresses are made of these hues. To my mind they are too startling to be pretty and the color is only fit for royalty and royal occasions. Still, if you have some old brocade or striped stuff trot it out. Now is your time. Maybe I will look downright pretty presently. Vogue does lots. Meanwhile I saw a coat, with long tails and big pearl buttons, and it was purple—the coat was—though for that matter the street was, too. Purple has that way with it. It is a color that sort of sweeps all other things. Thus will many a vicious woman put it to effect. But, all the same, it is going to be as difficult a thing to manage at receptions as magenta. It has this advantage over magenta, it is often becoming. Well, you see, purple this year is doubtless the invention of some woman to whom it was the most becoming thing in the world, while you see magenta was the invention of a dealer who got his dyes mixed. As one will at least make some women beautiful; the other made all women hideous. But why, oh, why will those few lucky women create a vogue that is going to simply swamp the rest of us? If you have a bit of velvet and a little fur and nothing particular to do with it, make yourself a collar in this way: Make two ruffles of the velvet, each over a finger long and sew them together so you have a double ruffle; embroider a lace pattern on the edge of the ribbon along the seam, so it will be between the ruffles; edge the ruffles with fur. Of course, you lined them with a pretty bit of silk. Now, tie them about your throat so one ruffle goes up and the other goes down. If you have a bit of red and a little blue as you want, put another piece of ribbon in just the right place to make it hold tighter. This is just the collar to wear with any cloak, to make sure of the close fluffy coziness that is so essential to the total effect of a really stunning cloak.



PLUCKY WOMAN EXPLORER.
Mrs. Bent, whose recent adventures with her husband, T. Theodore Bent, in Moehonland, Africa, have made her famous, is a remarkably handsome woman, as well as being an intrepid explorer. Her husband is a famous traveler and novelist, and has recently embodied his latest experience in book form. On their journey they were accompanied by R. M. W. Swan, the scientist. Mr. Bent's history of the central mass of ruins at Zimbabwe is supplemented by accounts of expeditions to other ruins which have recently been discovered by any living Europeans, and these last journeys are in some senses the most interesting in the book. They involved separation from every comfort, and even (on the journey to the upper end of the Nile) a narrow escape from absolute starvation.

The work of the expedition occupied the whole of the year 1891, and in no one of the hardships incident to travel in a new and unexplored region. Mr. Bent fell to the ground for full share. She was the only one of the party who did not suffer from illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Bent contemplate making another trip into the dark continent, and this time they will confine their explorations to British territory.

ADVICE OF A MOTHER SUPERIOR.
The advice of a mother superior of a convent in Paris, who, having married, was having all sorts of bad luck in her household because of incompetency of servants, may be as useful to other housekeepers as it was to this one, who declares that through adopting all her domestic troubles were eliminated. This was the advice: "To insure comfort in a home everything must work with regularity. In our house everything runs like clockwork and no one is allowed to break the discipline which our system depends upon. Arrange for each of your servants occupations for every hour. Write this plainly, print it if necessary, and give it to each one of your help, that there may be no misunderstanding of your orders. The first aim is to remove all uncertainty, which is always prejudicial to a good administration. For the first month you must rule with a rod of iron. If there is the least inattention to any of your injunctions you must point to your written regulations. Let no protest make you waver, and when the habit of doing things is once formed it is surprising to see how smoothly everything will run."

SHE CUT A SWATH.
Mrs. Annie Courtney, the widow of an Irish pioneer and a dashing Irishwoman herself, has been cutting a swath in California, where she has \$500,000 and three daughters, and lived at Pinalo on the bay shore. She squandered the \$500,000 in pastime, gayly threw it away, and now she has filed an insolvency petition showing that she owes \$175,701, which more than covers her assets. She preferred creditors are her three daughters, so that the money lenders who had aided her are likely to lose money.

LONGEVITY OF A "TASTER."
The good women who buy all their bread or cake or jelly from women's exchanges, because they are always sure of having it good, do not purchase what prices their exchange is purchased. There is in every such establishment a woman whose duty it is to secure irreparable excellence for the customers and court dyspepsia and death for herself by "tasting" the supplies that are put upon the shelves. Candy and pickled fruit, extra best lip and doughnuts, cakes, pastries, puddings, pie, cake, etc., very kind and close-crowded.

NEWS OF THE HOTELS.
"Christmas is all right enough in its way, but Fourth of July is my especial holiday," said Charlie Black as he leaned against the desk in the Morton last night. "It breaks my heart if Fourth of July isn't celebrated in proper shape. Why, I engineered a celebration here myself once just for the sake of paying proper respect to our sacred institutions and that sort of thing. It was like this. About ten days before the Fourth I was standing in front of the Morton and it suddenly occurred to me that nothing had been done toward observing the day. So Billy Boynes and I went down to John Killen's and asked him for the \$102 that was left over from the celebration of the year before. Then we went to the mayor's office and persuaded him to call a mass meeting of citizens. It was an enthusiastic gathering, Billy Boynes, George Perry and myself being present. We postponed the meeting until the next day and there were a dozen present. We appointed about twenty soliciting committees and printed their names in the morning papers. Then we prodded up the members until they got out and hustled for subscriptions. About \$1,700 was raised. Then I went to Chicago and bought fireworks. We shot 'em off on the sixth street bridge and about 20,000 persons turned out to see the sight. It was a bang up celebration. Part of the subscriptions were given out by a dozen present. We were begging for Fourth of July affairs, and I have kept my word."

"England is on the verge of a great social revolution," said William James a former young business man of Bradford, Eng., at the Kent yesterday. "This is admitted by nearly everybody; but is doubly apparent to a man that was brought up in the great manufacturing center of the island as I have been. You know that within a radius of eight miles from Bradford there are more than a million persons, most of whom are employed in the great cloth manufacturing establishments. The new labor party is tending to unite the workmen. It will soon become a great factor in English politics and will hold the balance of power. If it holds itself aloof from the Tories and refuses to be absorbed by the Liberals, there is no telling what changes may ultimately take place in the English government. But I do not think a republic will be established. The power of the sovereign is already so slight that it is scarcely felt. The house of lords is a detriment to more liberal legislation, and representing as it does all the large land owners, it acts as a brake to the house of commons." Mr. James arrived in New York Friday on the Germanic of the White Star line and intends to locate in Grand Rapids.

The class of 1853 at Yale, of which the late Senator Gibson of Louisiana was a member, included President Andrew D. White of Cornell university, Justice Shiras of the United States supreme court bench, and Wayne MacVeagh.

It is said that the best passport through the Kurdish mountains is a letter from Dr. Cochrane of the American board of missions in Persia. On its production the Kurds immediately allow the way.

Action is soon to be taken by the Oneida Historical society at Utica toward improving the ground and securing a monument to mark the site where the body of General Herkimer lies buried.

The youngest man in the next house will be Thomas Settle, the only republican elected to congress from North Carolina last fall. Settle was born in 1855 and is therefore in his 38th year.

M. Brisson, the distinguished Parisian, owes his political success mainly to his ardent advocacy of universal suffrage. In the political world he is more respected than popular.

The youngest living mayor in France is M. Degrave, mayor of Bernacville, who was born May 7, 1867, and who was elected eight days after reaching the lawful age.

Sculptor F. Edwin Ellwell of Sandwich, Mass., who will make an equestrian statue of General Winfield Scott Hancock, has made a specialty of "men on horseback."

The Rev. Leighton Coleman of Wilmington, Protestant Episcopal bishop of Delaware, is threatened with loss of office, the result of neuralgic inflammation.

Editor Davis of Philadelphia, who accompanied Mr. Cleveland on the duck shooting trip, says that the president-elect tired them all out tramping.

Mr. Gladstone never wastes time. He invariably reads some new book whenever he has to wait for a person with whom he has made an engagement.

Franklin W. Smith of Boston is still agitating the establishment of a national gallery of history and art in Washington to cost ultimately \$10,000,000.

James McVeigh of Waycross, Ga., is 87 years old, has twenty-three children living and has never been sick a day in his life.

The Rev. F. W. Taylor, rector of St. Paul's Episcopal church, Springfield, is a candidate for chaplain of the state senate.

Governor Rusk set the fashion of not having an inaugural ball when the administration was re-elected.

MEANS CHEAP WHISKEY.
Chicago, Dec. 20.—William Newburger this afternoon, by a decision of Justice Wallace, obtained judgment against the Distillers and Cattle Feeders company, commonly known as the whiskey trust, for \$100 and interest. If this decision is sustained, the precedent will, it is said, deprive the trust of some \$15,000,000 of consumers money. The whiskey trust has a regulation by which its goods are sold at an advance of 5 cents above the actual cost price. Retail purchasers are issued for each dollar of goods paid, providing the holder for six months after buy all his goods from the trust. The vouchers by which the present cause was brought are held by Mr. Newburger, having been assigned to him by Edwin Bros., who had in part bought all their goods from the whiskey trust. The trust therefore refused to honor the rebate vouchers. The suit was instituted to establish a precedent, and if the claim is good it may be made by other holders of these rebate vouchers. As a result of today's decision suits will at once be instituted in the higher courts for amounts varying from \$5 to \$10,000. Attorneys for the trust confined their defense to a heated cross-examination of the witnesses.

Stakes of the Runners.
Nashville, Dec. 20.—The directors of the Commercial Bank, an Banking association announce seven stakes for their 5th running meeting, which will begin April 20. The stakes amount to \$10,000.

The office will have a solid plate glass front on Fulton street. There will be a fourteen foot mantle and fire place on the east side. The floor will be laid in French tile and the base boards will be Tennessee marble. The panels of the wall will be in natural birch and the steel ceiling will be handomely decorated. The office will be located in the southwest corner of the room and an archway cut through to the elevator. The staircase and closets will be constructed entirely of white marble. The present office will be utilized for a reading room. A new oak cabinet vestibule is under process of construction at Sweet's. It will be a permanent affair and is very artistic. The office and adjacent rooms of the Eagle are being decorated and painted. The dining room of the Bridge Street house has been entirely repapered and painted. The winter improvements at the Clarendon were made at the time the office was remodeled. The Kent is a brand new hotel and needs no improvements.

Among the guests at the Morton yesterday was S. S. Olds of Lansing. Among the other guests at the same hotel were Milo D. Campbell of Coldwater and James M. Shepard of Cassopolis. The two senatorial rooms looked well and both avowed that they are happy. "We aren't doing any talking," said Mr. Olds; but he intimated they were sawing wood at an enthusiastic and vigorous rate. Mr. Campbell wasn't doing any talking either, but he was keeping the duck saw pretty busy, too. Mr. Shepard thought that your Uncle Cyrus and his aspirations were doing very well, thank you. Mr. Olds intimated that the supporters of Senator Stockbridge didn't need to worry any nights about the result; and Mr. Campbell threw out gentle hints that Uncle Cyrus would make a swath through Senator Stockbridge's hopes that would give the man from Kalamazoo a chronic attack of that tired feeling.

Thad B. Preston, one of Iowa's leading young democrats, Dudley O. Watson of Cooperville, and Congressman-elect George F. Richardson of Hudsonville, were guests at the Morton yesterday. They were in the city to attend the funeral of the Hon. James Blair. "It's a mistake," said Mr. Preston, "to claim that the recount in Iowa county was a steal. A fairer, squarer and more honest count was never made. We admit that Iowa county held off until after Kent finished in order to have the last crack at it, but there was no dishonesty and no occasion for any."

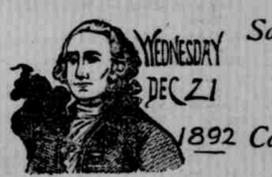
Grand Rapids' hotels are making extensive winter improvements. The lobby and the interior of the Morton house office are being repainted and decorated. Work on the new office of the New Livingston is well under way.

James H. Thompson, superintendent of the Evert schools, was a guest at the New Livingston yesterday. "One of the most encouraging improvements in northern Michigan is the attention that is being given to the public schools," he said. "Even the district schools have made remarkably rapid changes, and a better qualified class of teachers is being employed from year to year."

To-DAY the Society of the Cincinnati will meet in Philadelphia, Pa.

They convene to choose a site for the proposed Washington monument, which will probably be located near Memorial Hall in that City. The shaft is being shipped in sections from Hamburg, and the foundations will be constructed in the Spring. Colonel Richard Dale is the principal member of the Monument Committee.

Swedish Sleigh Bells are something new in Grand Rapids, but judging from the way people are buying them, our streets will soon be filled with a melody never before heard. We have, this winter, the best assortment of Sleigh Bells we ever have had. Open Bells, Team Bells, Neck Straps, Shaft Chimes and Saddle Chimes—every kind of bell that is at all useful or ornamental.



Soft upon the midnight breezes, Comes sweet music loud and clear, 'Tis the sound of Swedish Sleigh Bells Chiming in the winter air.

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"Quack! Alack! I feel in my wishbone that this is my last home run, for that Imp has bought one of Foster, Steves & Co's Carvers. But I have the satisfaction of knowing, that if my end has come, I will not be all hacked up with a dull knife." It must be humiliating to any well brought-up goose to be inartistically carved up, but this must be the inevitable result if a poor knife is used. We have a line of carvers unsurpassable; carvers in ivory, in bone, in wood, in celluloid and in pearl; carvers for breakfast, carvers for dinner, Game Carvers, carvers of every description.

COMMENCING WEDNESDAY, DEC. 21 we shall keep open every evening during the rest of the week, that you all may see how our Carvers look in the electric light.



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