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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1899.

We are in receipt of a letter from Supt. W. B. Wheeler, of the Anti-Saloon league denying the statements of the Cleveland Press and Plain Dealer, as printed in the Enterprise last week. He also encloses a letter from the Press reporter who states "the discrepancy arose from the notes which he took carelessly when he saw him."

STATISTICS from the Treasury Department show that in time of peace the Dingley act would have provided sufficient revenue for the government expenses. This was all that the framers of the act claimed it would do. It also has been even more of a success in reviving the industries of the country and in extending its foreign trade to proportions never dreamed of before.

Mrs. Maria Goodell Frost, mother of President Wm. Frost, died recently at his home, Berea College, Kentucky. She was well known as a former Oberlin resident, a writer of ability, and a true daughter of an illustrious father, William Goodell, editor and publisher of the second temperance journal in America. He founded "The Investigator" at Providence, R. I., in 1827 and in 1829 removed to Boston and united his paper with "The National Philanthropist", advocating the emancipation of slaves, temperance, woman suffrage and social purity. He helped to establish the Mercantile Library Association in New York and was one of the founders of the American Anti-Slavery Society, of the Liberty Party, and of the Prohibition Party. He was the author of the Constitutional Argument against slavery incorporated in the platform of the Republican party when that was founded.

The attention of the friends of the Sunday-school all over Ohio is now being called to the coming annual convention of the Ohio State Sunday-school Association, which is to be held in Marion, beginning Tuesday, June 6, 1899. The Sunday-schools in every Ohio county are organized into an association, auxiliary to the State Association. The present Association year closes June 1, 1899, and the next ninety days will be one of unusual activity in Sunday-school circles everywhere, with reference to this assembling of state workers. The State Association employs a General Secretary, Mr. Marion Lawrence, of Toledo, who gives his entire time to organization and convention work, and he has very few superiors. There are also at the head of the various departments of the State work, persons well known for success in Sunday-school effort, viz: Normal Department, Col. Robert Cowden, Dayton; Home Department, Dr. J. M. Floyd, Stubeville; Primary Department, Mrs. A. G. Crouse, Westerville; and Home and House Visitation, Dr. H. A. L. King, Bellaire.

"On to Marion" is now the rallying cry, and workers are making effort to the end that the Convention of 1899, may be one of the most practical, helpful and spiritual in the history of the Ohio Sunday-school organization.

JEALOUS OF THEIR SONS.

Now and then one finds a civil war veteran who is jealous of honors that is being heaped upon the young soldiers of the past summer. They can see no reasons for the Hobsonian demonstrations with which every returning hero is received. They intimate that they are not too old to receive a few more kisses themselves, and ask: "What have these scamps done?"

Then they will answer their own question and tell you that they did nothing, compared with what the soldiers of '61-'65 did. They wonder why somebody did not think of raising a rumpus about the beef they did not get at all; why the press and people did not grumble at the lack of quinine and cots while they were soldiering.

Why bless these old veterans, the heroes of more bloody fields and hard fought battles than the young soldier of '98 ever even dreamed of, it is but their sons or their son's sons that are reaping this bountiful harvest of praise. And praise is about all they get for their months of ditch digging and camp building in the rain-soaked camps of the south or in foreign lands. There are but few of them who can, in years to come, tell of experiences on bloody battle fields or forced marches. But a few years and our little quarrel with Spain will be forgotten, and the men who volunteered to fight, and dug trenches instead, will be but ordinary citizens again to whom a war record will be unknown.

OUR RANK UPON THE SEA.

The United States now occupies position of fifth rank in the potentiality of its shipping engaging in the freight carrying trade, Great Britain, Germany, France and Norway taking precedence in the order named. The bill now in Congress to give new life to the building of ships in the United States, to be owned and manned by our own citizens, and to engage in competition with the

foreign ships that now monopolize our foreign carrying trade, will, in a few years—so it is believed by those best informed—give to this country at least second rank upon the sea, in the volume and value and potentiality of its shipping.

Any day the bill introduced in the House of Representatives by Mr. Payne, of New York, and which has been reported favorably by the proper committee, may be passed in that branch of Congress, and from thence go to the Senate, where an identical bill, introduced in that branch of Congress by Senator Hanna, has also been favorably reported, and through which body its early passage is predicted.

At the end of the decade, if the so-called Hanna-Payne shipping bill passes Congress and receives the approval of the President, we shall probably see the United States in a battle royal with Great Britain for supremacy upon the sea. Already this country possesses the materials used in shipbuilding in greater abundance than any other nation. This material can be placed in our ship yards cheaper than it can in any other ship yards in the world. All that we need is the steady employment in our shipyards that the bill referred to would give for the next twenty years, in order to build ships as cheap, if not cheaper, than they can be built anywhere else in the world. Shipbuilding is a prerequisite with any nation aspiring to great maritime rank. All the conditions favor supremacy in this country in shipbuilding, if the bill in question gives the needed impulse.

THE DEWEY MEDAL.

By the courtesy of the sculptor, Daniel C. French, Harper's Weekly is able to publish the first authentic reproduction of his completed design for the Dewey medal. The Tiffany company will cut the dies and strike the medals in copper—1635 in all.

Upon the obverse is a lifelike presentment of the head of Commodore Dewey, with the following inscription: "The gift of the people of the United States to the officers and men of the Asiatic Squadron under the command of Commodore George Dewey." Upon the reverse, surrounded by the words, "In memory of the victory of Manila Bay, May, 1, 1898," is the figure of a young sailor, stripped to the waist, who sits upon a gun, with the flag across his knees, and one foot resting upon a swinging loop of rope. In this beautiful figure Mr. French has admirably embodied the genius of the episode in its highest and purest aspect—the spirit of the fleet, such as one's imagination may picture it to have been on that memorable morning and also the spirit of the country on whose behalf it was going into action. The chief characteristic of the face is youth—the beauty, confidence, and pure intention of youth. In the pose of the figure are alertness, fearless uprightness, and the unconscious grace and composure of assured strength. The very disposition of the flag is suggestive. The moment represented is not one of victory, but of



The Dewey Medal.—After a drawing in Harper's Weekly. Copyright, 1891, by Harper & Brothers.

preparedness thereto. The flag is not a menace to the world, nor under the pretext of its name is a policy of aggrandizement foreshadowed. It is safe in the keeping of Young America, and when the cause is right it will be uplifted.

Its placing in the circle secures an admirable balance between the varied portions and the flat ones very enjoyable to the eye. The strong horizontal bar formed by the cannon, low down in the space, lifts up the lithe figure of the youth, and gives it a dignity and sense of size very difficult to obtain in so small a compass. Again, the poise of that foot upon the rope—observe how exquisitely sensitive it is!—brings into the narrow space at the bottom an interest and distinction which make it contribute to the decoration of the whole. Lastly, the whole possesses that quality which is such a charm of low relief—"enveloppe" as the sculptors call it. Atmosphere is, perhaps, our nearest English word; the pattern of the decoration is not one merely of light and dark, but of several degrees of light and dark, as if viewed through varying planes of atmosphere. The result is, though, not hard and gritty, but luminous, rich, and velvety.—Harper's Weekly.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Emily E. Brown, widow of Willard Brown, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. J. Lewis, in Elyria, on the 13th inst, at the ripe age of 85 years. The immediate cause of her death was heart failure.

The deceased was one of the early settlers of Wellington. She was born in Tyringham, Berkshire county, Mass., Sept. 18, 1813. Her father, Roswell Couch, died in Ontario county, N. Y., in 1824, to which place the family had removed from Massachusetts. Two years later, 1826, Mrs. Couch and her family came to Ohio, settling in Wellington, then almost an unknown forest. At the age of 30 years, Mrs. Emily E. Couch was married to Willard Brown, on October 28, 1832, and the couple commenced keeping house in this town, buying three acres of land, embracing the lots now owned by Mr. A. G. Couch, and extending northward to the present site of the Methodist church. This was exchanged after a few years for fifty acres two miles east of town, owned by Mr. Wm. Howk.

They built a log cabin without doors or windows except blankets to fill the space where such articles ought to be, and there they formed their future home and reared a family of seven children, three of whom were buried in infancy. Another, a son, lived to be thirty years old when he died, in 1847. Thus only one son and two daughters remain to mourn the mother.

Her husband, Willard Brown, died in 1877, aged 76 years. Nearly twenty-two years she has survived her husband's death, during which time she has made her home with her son, Mr. M. V. Brown of Wellington, or with her daughter, Mrs. H. J. Lewis of Elyria. Mrs. Cora Barber, of Pittsfield, is the only other surviving child.

Of Mrs. Brown's brothers and sisters but one survives her, Mr. A. F. Couch, of Wellington, her youngest brother. The funeral services were held at the home of Mr. J. S. Malory whose wife is a niece of the deceased.

Mrs. Brown was a woman who believed in doing good and her life long motto was the golden rule. Her kindness of heart was shown by her adopting two children, one a babe of three months old, and rearing them until able to care for themselves, but now she has gone to her reward.

CARD OF THANKS.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to all the kind friends who assisted at the funeral of our mother and especially Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Malory, who kindly offered their home for the funeral services and kindly assisted in many ways; also to the quartette for their valuable services on that occasion.

M. V. Brown,
Mrs. H. J. Lewis,
Mrs. Cora Barber.

Cold Weather in Florida.

The cold wave reached Florida, Sunday night, February 12. Jasmine and rose-embowered summer houses were in use Saturday afternoon, and Sunday people went to church without wraps. About 1 o'clock in the afternoon it commenced raining, grew colder toward evening. At bed time the thermometer was 40 degrees and wind in the northwest. In the morning there was snow and ice on the ground, with mercury at 14 degrees at 5:30, and at 10 degrees at 6:30, and was more or less cold until the 15th when the temperature rose to 65 degrees.

Orange trees were frozen; peach trees full of small fruit and strawberry vines loaded with fruit just beginning to furnish pickings, were ruined. Peas nearly ready to use, and a succession of plantings, together with lettuce, beets, turnips, cabbage and onions—a particularly fine and valuable crop, bringing high prices, were all lost.

This was a much more severe freeze than the one from which Florida had not yet recovered, and is very discouraging to those who have invested in orange culture there. The orchards were thrifty, and young groves having had careful cultivation were beginning to bear, all representing many months of hard work. Roses, house-plants, cut flowers in vases in-doors, were all alike frozen and included in the general destruction.

Observance of Washington's Birthday

A suggestion has been received in writing from one of our citizens, relative to the proper observance of Washington's birthday. "Citizen" suggests that the people of Wellington should meet in the town hall this evening and listen to impromptu speeches by our own people, and have singing appropriate to the occasion, have the church bells and fire bell rung at 7:30 p. m., and let the people young and old assemble and thus afford a lesson to the young not easily forgotten.

This suggestion is a good one, its only fault being that it was not offered in time to permit of proper arrangements being made and to forestall other things which are slated to occur at the hall at that time.

We regret that "citizen" had not spoken much earlier.

Died at Manila.

Daniel E. White, a private of Co. C, Eighteenth Infantry, died at Iloilo, Feb. 11, of malarial fever and pneumonia. His parents reside at Litchfield. Howard White, a brother of the deceased is a graduate of our public schools. Another brother, Harley, resides with his uncle, Henry Wilbur.

TOWNSHIP NEWS.

COLLECTED BY THE ENTERPRISE'S CORPS OF CORRESPONDENTS.

Recent Happenings and Special Events in Wellington's Immediate Vicinity of Interest to Everyone.—Our Correspondents Spare No Pains to Glean the Latest and Most Accurate News.

ROCHESTER.

Mrs. Hannah Laborie returned from Brownhelm last Thursday.

Miss Ola Manley and Miss Edith Callin spent Sunday in Wakeman.

Miss Josie Phelps has gone to Brownhelm to see her sister, Mrs. W. E. Crandall, who is very sick.

Mr. W. M. Phelps and Mr. W. M. Crandall are in Elyria this week as jurymen.

Mr. Fred Thomas of Elyria was in town Monday.

The Valentine social at Mr. W. M. Phelps' last Tuesday evening was a success in every respect, over one hundred guests being present. All had a very enjoyable time.

Mr. W. M. Bennett, Mr. Geo. Rolf and M. R. Potter spent Saturday in Elyria.

M. and Mrs. S. Phillips visited friends in Clarksfield last week.

Mrs. F. Stebins is visiting friends in Cleveland this week.

Mr. Jake Wheeler passed from this life Sunday evening. Funeral services to-day at 1 o'clock at the Methodist church, Rev. Lash officiating.

Celebrates His Sixty-eight Birthday Anniversary.

On Friday, Feb. 17, over fifty invited guests, friends and relatives assembled at the residence of Wm. Crapo, one mile west of Rochester, to celebrate the birthday of Mrs. Crapo's father, Mr. Frank Yocum. When Mr. Yocum came from his work to dinner, was much surprised to find so many present, but in a short time was an able entertainer. After spending a short time in social conversation, all were invited to dinner.

King Solomon in his brightest days, never sat down to a more sumptuous feast; meats and fruits, pies and cakes, and many other things to supply the appetite, such as the women of Rochester are able of preparing. Mr. Yocum was presented with a fine chair as a gift by his children.

After spending the day in a pleasant and sociable way the guests returned to their homes, each wishing Mr. Yocum many more pleasant birthdays.

BRIGHTON.

The Ladies' Society of the Methodist Episcopal church met with Mrs. E. B. Squire last Wednesday. There was a good attendance.

Henry Mills spent a few days in Carlisle last week.

The house south of the Center, occupied by Mary Loveland and Matt. Kelsey, burned to the ground last Thursday at noon. A part of the contents were saved.

There will be an oyster supper and social at the home of Mrs. Wm. Jickels on Saturday evening, Feb. 25th, the proceeds to be used toward purchasing an organ for the Methodist Episcopal church. Single tickets, 15 cents; 25 cents a couple; children, 10 cents. Everyone cordially invited.

The residence of Gersham Greene, two miles west of here, burned last Thursday morning. Nearly all the contents were saved.

There was a left-handed social at Mr. Mrs. H. H. Vincent's last Friday night. About thirty-five were present and enjoyed themselves very much.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Mosher attended the birthday party last Saturday of Mrs. Mosher's grandfather, Mr. Yocum of Rochester.

Miss Laura Hankins will entertain her Sunday School class at the parsonage Friday night.

Mrs. Fannie Vincent went to Lake county Saturday to attend the funeral of her little nephew.

The Epworth League held a very interesting missionary service Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Merrill spent two days visiting in Clarksfield last week.

On account of continued ill health, Mr. J. P. Fenwick will quit farming, and will have a sale March 2.

Sunday morning during services a stranger was found lying on the sidewalk in a fit. He was carried into the town hall and later moved to the home of Health Officer Squires. A physician was called from Wellington, who said the man was suffering from pneumonia. He refuses to disclose his name or where he came from. He is an Englishman, well dressed, has a gold watch and eyeglasses, but no money. The trustees are undecided whether to arrest him on suspicion or buy him a ticket for Cleveland, where he says he wants to go.

For Sale.

Yearling heifer and new milch cow, three years old.

Mary E. Loveland, Brighton, O.

For Sale Cheap.

House and lot on South street. Inquire of J. E. Morgan.

Farm for Sale.

The farm known as the late Rev. M. L. Starr farm, located one mile south and one fourth mile west of the center of Penfield, Lorain county, O., containing 218 acres. Good buildings, good water and about 75 acres of timber. For further information inquire of [15-22-1-8] W. J. KREBS, Penfield.

PITTSFIELD.

Married, last Wednesday evening, in Oberlin, at the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Weir, their eldest daughter, Frankie, to Lewis Gibbens of Pittsfield, Rev. Baker officiating. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Gibbens, gave them a reception last Friday evening.

Arthur Meredith has been taken for President McKinley several times lately. Mrs. B. B. VanArsdale is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Cora Cole, this week.

Mrs. Baker, of Cleveland, Rev. Baker's mother, is visiting at the Methodist Episcopal parsonage.

Tuesday evening, Feb. 14, about forty of the young people gathered by invitation at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Williams, the occasion being a valentine party. A very pleasant time was reported.

Mrs. Luna Hall, of Lakewood, and Mrs. True, of Cleveland, were recently united in marriage. They were guests of her father, Mr. Augustine Whitney, and other relatives in town last week.

Mrs. Mary Parry and Wm. Avery are sick with the grip this week.

Mrs. Owen returned home recently from Michigan, where she has been spending the winter.

H. Betts, John Perry and Geo. Friend were in Medina and Spencer one day last week, when John purchased himself a valuable team.

Mrs. Betts visited friends in Penfield last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wilson were called to Grafton last week to see their daughter, Mrs. Mary Weir, who was very sick.

The funeral services of Mrs. Peter Beam were held at her late home last Friday, Rev. Daines, of Toledo, officiating. Mrs. Beam died last Wednesday at the age of twenty-three years. She leaves a husband and two small children, one three years and the other three weeks old. The bereaved family have the sympathy of a large circle of friends.

Public sale.

The undersigned will sell on the farm of the late H. B. Hileman, deceased, two miles north and one and one-half miles east of Nora, O., at 10 o'clock a. m., on Thursday, March 2, 1899, one large work horse, 1 two-year-old mare colt, 1 three-year-old gelding, 16 two-year-old steers, 5 cows, two of them Jerseys, one with calf by her side; 1 yearling heifer, one thoroughbred short horned bull calf nine months old, with pedigree; 200 medium grade sheep, comprising 45 fat wretcher lambs; 45 fat ewe lambs, the rest breeding ewes. There will also be sold a large variety of farm machinery, wagons, buggies, etc., belonging to the estate.

B. W. HILEMAN, Adm'r.

Trum Mead, Auctioneer.

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- Bacon
- Armour's Sliced Bacon, 1 lb. boxes.
- Dried Beef
- Chipped Beef, 1 lb. boxes
- Canned Corned Beef
- Roast Beef, 2 lb. boxes
- Extract of Beef
- Salmon
- French Sardines in oil
- Domestic Sardines in mustard
- Oil and Tomato Sauce
- Lobsters
- Little Neck Clams
- Fresh Baltimore Oysters
- Lunch Oysters (cans)

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MUSLIN UNDERWEAR SALE.

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24 AND 25.

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NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT.

Estate of Benjamin R. Coats, deceased. The undersigned has been appointed and qualified as administrator of the estate of Benjamin R. Coats, late of Rochester, Lorain county, deceased. Dated this 4th day of February, A. D. 1899. JOHN R. HAWLEY.