

Additional Local.

OUR LOCAL MARKETS.

Following are the prices paid by our merchants and dealers for the products named:

Butter	14
Eggs	16
Potatoes	40
Beans	\$1.10
Onions	40
Poultry	07
Fat cattle on foot	23-34
Fat hogs on foot	42-44
Green hides	02
Flour per cwt. (retails at)	\$1.60

Republican County Convention.

A Republican convention for the county of Van Buren will be held at Merriman's hall in the village of Hartford, on Friday, the 1st day of February, 1895, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of selecting 12 delegates to attend the state Republican convention to be held in the city of Detroit, February 21st, 1895, and for the purpose of placing in nomination a candidate for county commissioner of schools and for the transaction of any other business which may properly come before the convention.

The several townships will be entitled to representation as follows:

Almena	5	Hamilton	5
Antwerp	12	Hartford	12
Arlington	9	Keele	9
Bangor	12	Lawrence	9
Bloomington	11	Pine Grove	10
Clover	9	Porter	6
Columbia	3	Paw Paw	15
Decatur	10	South Haven	14
Geneva	6	Waverly	6

THOS. R. SMITH, Chairman.
J. E. CHANDLER, Secretary.

Republican Caucuses.

A Republican caucus for Paw Paw township, for the purpose of selecting delegates to attend the County convention to be held at Hartford, Feb. 1st, 1895, will be held at the Court House in the village of Paw Paw on Wednesday evening, Jan. 30th, 1895, at seven o'clock.

By order **TOWNSHIP COM.**

A Republican caucus will be held at the Town Hall in Lawton on Wednesday, Jan. 30th, 1895, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of choosing delegates to the Van Buren County Convention to be held at Hartford on Friday, Feb. 1st.

JUAN McKEYES,
Chairman Township Committee.

The Farmers' Institute at Decatur.

The annual Van Buren County Farmers' Institute convened at Decatur, Jan. 16th, with a very large attendance.

We regret having been a few moments too late to hear President Haydon's address, but understand he made some happy hits that were well appreciated.

Resolved, "That Tuition in all State Institutes of learning should be free to citizens of the state," was sharply discussed but most of the speakers were against the change. Rev. Hammond declared it was both an injustice to pupil and taxpayer to educate a person who could possibly educate himself, claiming that the effort required will make the knowledge gained better appreciated. Mr. John Cook and others then "sat on" the measure and it was much hurt. Mr. Haydon advocated opening the doors to the poor and letting the rich take care of themselves. The question, however, might arise, where could you draw the line?

Mr. Milton Pugsley's paper on the "Present Situation and Future Policy of Farmers," was full of good ideas. He thought if the old saying was true that labor was wealth, that most farmers would be rich and have no cause for complaint. He spoke of many of the wrongs he thought ought to be righted, from a farmer's point of view, such as smaller salaries, cheaper school books, etc., to meet the times. He predicted that the bottom price had been reached in most of our farm products, especially he thought this true of wool. We would agree with him that the indications last November would predict as much, but it is considerable for a man of his political persuasion to own in public.

Mr. George Prater, who led the discussion, declared that he had not come to any satisfactory conclusion as to the future of agriculture, but thought some valuable things would be gleaned from the depression. He said that farmers generally did not take active part enough in politics. He thinks the interest should be represented according to its magnitude.

A. C. Glidden said it was not the present but the future that worried him. We have heard said that sons were worth a thousand apiece. If this be true we see no immediate necessity for his alarm.

Mr. John Cook says he paid running expenses last year, but explained how it was done. His three grown up sons, who ought to be attending the Agricultural college, not only worked the farm but earned a couple of hundred dollars outside that they turned into the general fund. Mr. Cook claimed in the course of his remarks that he was the first Greenbacker and Free Silver man in Van Buren county—an honor and distinction that I believe I heard Mr. Sullivan Cook of Hartford claim in one of his campaign speeches somewhere in the eighties. But as both are clamoring for political honors, I suppose we ought not to be too critical with their statements.

The paper "Reforms in the Household, Dress, Cooking and Conveniences" by Mrs. Jennie Buskirk, seemed to make a favorable impression. She declared that the last century had raised women from a mere cypher to a thinking, active being, able to cope with man for a fair share of the world's blessings.

Mrs. N. H. Bangs declared she had no desire to be a model housekeeper, for they were most always sickly.

J. E. Maxwell, M. D., on "Sanitary Science," gave us some good ideas. He said pure air, food and water were the most essential elements to health. He thought that many cases of tuberculosis in the human family could be traced to infected milk and meat, and that the greatest care should be exercised with both.

Hon. J. J. Woodman said in substance that in his experience with the live stock of Michigan, the highbred animals were the most subject to tuberculosis, and that scrubs rarely, if ever, were affected.

The present convict labor system was discussed at length, but the majority was in the favor of continuing the old contract system.

The evening session was opened by a paper on the "Need of a New Virtue—Frugality," by Mrs. J. C. Gould. It was clear that the writer did not consider it a new virtue, but thought it ought to be revised; but, politically, she considered Frugality a lost art.

A paper by Prof. W. V. Sage—"How Shall the Farmers' Sons and Daughters

be educated?" was summed up in a nutshell, by saying "give them as good mental, moral and physical training as you would any children that you wished to make the best citizens of. He thought that farm life was most favorable to the best developments of man and womanhood."

January 17th being a fine day, the people began gathering early, for they had been promised some treats for the second day. While the crowd was gathering the "Pure Food bill" was discussed at length. Hon. J. J. Woodman gave his experience in a wholesale grocery store—how many of commodities were adulterated to increase the profit.

The proposed bill to erect a second Normal school in the northern part of the state, was thought better to be postponed until the present financial crisis had passed. The submitting to the people of the salary amendment relating to Superintendent of Public Instruction, Sec'y of State and State Treasurer, was first discussed, and the sense of the meeting was to the effect that if the law was so amended as to require all officials to live at Lansing and personally superintend their own departments, without the state having to salary a deputy to do their work, the change would be desirable.

A tax statistician was thought to be a step in the right direction. It was moved and carried that a law ought to be enacted requiring that all notes, bonds and mortgages should be presented to the assessor yearly for his official stamp or be null and void in whole or in part.

C. M. Kingsley of Pine Grove presented the first paper of the day on "Potato Culture," in which he said there could be no cast-iron rules laid down to raise potatoes by, but with plenty of common sense, good land and seed, he will usually succeed. He thought planting in the moon was bad practice, as the shipping facilities between this planet and the moon was as yet but poorly developed. He does not seem to agree with the present tariff on potatoes, or it does not agree with him, I guess.

George C. Monroe of South Haven read a very interesting paper on "Specialties in Farming," in which he reversed the old adage and says put all your eggs in one basket and then watch carefully the basket. He suggested raising poultry to keep your wife out of mischief.

Edson Woodman, in leading the discussion, agreed that every man should have his specialty, but thought he should carry a few side lines, such as the raising of a little mint or a car or two of potatoes.

The paper on "Muck Farming," by W. H. Clark, was good, but did not give us any definite idea as to the best rotation of crops to follow. He said what the land was best adapted to was yet a question. He believes in irrigation, and thinks mint excessively hard on land. I should judge from the drift of his paper that he thinks the McKinley tariff the proper thing for the muck farmer.

Web. Broadhead, in leading the discussion, attributed the wonderful progress that has been made in the Decatur muck land to the pioneers. Messrs. L. T. Rawson, L. C. Brigham and W. H. Clark. He says that their efforts has added nearly one quarter million dollars to the value of the land in the vicinity of Decatur.

The nicks were filled in with music and recitations.

In justice to the management, we would say that it was one of the finest and most complete programs we ever had the pleasure to listen to, and the royal manner in which the Decatur people entertained those from abroad will long be remembered. No pains nor expense was spared to make everybody comfortable.

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Two maps of most unusual interest, from the forthcoming report of the Tenement House Commission, are reproduced in *Harper's Weekly* for Jan. 19th. Of these maps, the first shows the density of population, by wards, in New York city in 1894—one district being unfortunately distinguished by a density of population greater than can be found in any other city in the world. The second map shows the relative proportions of different nationalities—the German element being the largest, the Irish next. Native Americans of English descent are scarcely in the race.

LEGAL NOTICES.

STATE OF MICHIGAN.—The Circuit for the County of Van Buren—In Chancery.

In the matter of the voluntary assignment of the American Bank, Dwiggins, Starbuck & Company, for the benefit of creditors.

On reading and filing the petition of Napoleon B. McKinney, the assignee under said assignment, accompanied with his final account, and praying for reasons set forth in said petition, that a day may be assigned for the hearing of said account, and that it may be examined and allowed, and his compensation as assignee fixed and determined; that he may be directed by this court upon what basis the claim of William C. Niblack, as receiver of the Columbia National Bank, should be paid, and what dividend said claimant is entitled to; that he may be further directed as to what, if any, set-offs, it is his duty to allow certain debtors of said American Bank, who are also creditors thereof, of that he may be further directed as to the disposition to be made of certain notes in his hands claimed to be worthless; that he may be further directed what dividend shall be paid by him to the creditors of said American Bank out of the funds in his hands belonging to his said assignor, and that upon the payment of said dividends, his trust may be closed; that he may be discharged therefrom, his bond cancelled, and his sureties released from the obligation thereof; and that such other and further relief may be awarded in the premises as to the court shall seem to be meet and right and in accordance with the statutes of this state regulating voluntary assignments.

Thereupon, it is ordered, that the sixteenth day of February, A. D. 1895, at the opening of court on that day, be and the same hereby assigned for the examining and allowing of said account, and the hearing of said petition, and that all creditors and other persons interested in the matter of said assignment are required to appear at a session of said court then to be held at the Court House in the Village of Paw Paw, in said County, and show cause, if any there be, why said account should not be allowed, and why the relief prayed by said petitioner in and by his petition should not be granted, and said assignee discharged from the duties of his said trust, his bond cancelled, and the sureties thereon released from further obligation.

And it is further ordered, that the said Napoleon B. McKinney give notice to all persons interested in the matter of said assignment of the pendency of said account and the hearing thereof, as well as of the pendency of said petition and the hearing thereof, by causing a copy of this order to be published in the "True Northerner," a newspaper printed and circulated in said county, for two successive weeks previous to said day of hearing.

And it is further ordered, that said Napoleon B. McKinney give further notice to the persons interested in said assignment of the pendency of said account and the hearing thereof, and of the said petition and the hearing thereof, by mailing to the post office address of each of the creditors of said American Bank, Dwiggins, Starbuck & Company, and to L. C. Pyle, the attorney of said William C. Niblack, a copy of this order, together with notice of the amount claimed by him for compensation as assignee and for his disbursements and expenses, at least ten days before said hearing.

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W. G. M. BUCK, Circuit Judge.

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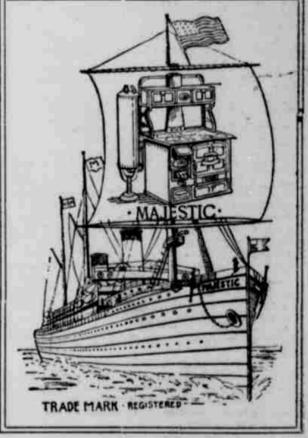
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