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Potatoes	20@25
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Poultry .....06, spring chickens	.08
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Fat hogs on foot	3¼-3½
Flour per cwt. (retails at)	$2.20

The Price of The Northerner

Is now, as it has been in the past, $1.50 per year. But we are making a special rate of $1.00 per year *to advance paying subscribers only*. Do not expect the special rate unless you comply with the special conditions.

A letter from F. L. Vanness, artist, formerly of this place, but now located in the Masonic temple, at Chicago, intimates that he is prospering. He has filled orders from Washington Hesing, Judge Bretano, Luther Laflin Mills and other notables and is anticipating an order for an oil painting of the late Eugene Field.

The Scotch Medicine Co. will visit this place next Tuesday and remain some days. They bear an honorable reputation and their remedies are highly recommended. They are just finishing a successful engagement at Decatur, having recently been at Kalamazoo, Lawton and Marcellus. They give free entertainments four evenings in a week, at which they furnish the people with excellent music, laughable farces and fun galore. Go and see them and hear them.

Rev. Walter Colton, the celebrated American clergyman and writer, said in an essay written in 1831: "It is not every man that can afford to wear a shabby coat, and worldly wisdom dictates the propriety of dressing somewhat beyond our means, though living somewhat within them; for everyone sees how we dress, but none sees how we live unless we chose to let them." This is good doctrine, and it costs much less to dress well to-day than it did in Colton's time There were no "H., S. M." tailor-made suits, such as E. Smith & Co are selling for a few dollars, in his day.

The issue of *Harpers' Weekly* dated November 16th will contain three pages on new York's great social function, the Horse Show; three pages of pictures selected from the New York Portrait Loan Exhibition; articles on the new coming Opera Season, with protraits of the new singers; the Marlborough-Vanderbilt wedding, and the Atlanta Exposition, with illustrations by W. A. Rogers; a fourth paper in the interesting Public Schools series, entitled "Pupils"; contributions by W. D. Howells and E. S. Martin to the departments "Life and Letters" and "This Busy World" and an instalment of the serial story, "Cension," by Maud Mason Austin.

In a letter under date of Nov. 9, 1895, to the Challenge Churn Mfg Co. of this place, Prof. Clinton D. Smith of the Michigan Agricultural College, says: "We have used a churn of your manufacture for some time in our dairy. We find that it runs very easily and that in our regular work it is much easier to run your churn than one of the same size turned with a crank. The barrel is well made, of excellent material, and the appurtenances are in first class shape." Prof. Smith added that the Challenge Churn is in daily use before the class in the college and gives better results than any churn they ever used. This is a good word from the right source, as Prof. Smith stands at the head of the Michigan Agricultural College.

At the voting contest held at Longwell's opera house last Saturday evening, Miss Christine Hudson received a silver pickle castor for being the handsomest lady in the audiekce. M. V. Morgan was voted a nursing bottle as a prize for being the homeliest man present. Possibly he may have been entitled to it, but there are men in town that hold away over him tn that respect, but they may not have been present. On Monday evening Ab. Phillips got the prize, a pickle castor, for guessing on a can of teeth. His guess was 772 and the can contained 668. Tuesday evening Mrs. Chas. Morton got a similar prize, the pail containing thirty-three teeth and her guess being thirty-three. Dick Bradly was tied with her on the guess, but was too gallant to contest over the prize, especially as he got a daddy dollar for withdrawing.

The efforts that the ladies of the Coterie are making to add to the interest of their afternoons, ought to meet with generous appreciation. In response to their invitation, Comrade E A. Crane of Kalamazoo read at their meeting on Wednesday a paper on "Battlefields," rich in entertaining reminiscences and valuable for its local associations. Fine photographs of the Michigan monument at Chickamauga, which Mr. Crane kindly brought, were examined with great interest, but the portrait of the soldier boy of '61 received the greatest attention. From the opening explanation—as to how the speaker came to be present—to the close, when he acknowledged, with all the rest of mankind, "We have met the enemy and we are hers," Mr. Crane was listened to with an attention that must have been gratifying to him and which spoke volumes for the pleasure of his audience. Among the many delightful programs of the Coterie, this one will stand pre-eminent. The ladies feel that any expression of gratitude to Mr. Crane would be inadequate, yet the fact remains that he has given them a memory that will brighten the entire year. The thanks of the society are due Mrs. R. D. Miller for the use of her home on this occasion and for the taste displayed in the decorations, which furnished a suitable setting for the subject.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis O'Dell of Kalamazoo, formerly of this place, are the happy parents of an eight-pound daughter born on the 7th inst.

Eugene Stevens of Waverly left a potato at the NORTHERNER office the other day weighing four pounds and six ounces. Has anybody a larger one?

The contractors have torn down the county windmill tank and put a new one in its place. If it holds water as it should, they will get their pay for the mill.

Last Friday was Willie Strowbridge's 9th birthday. In the evening some 20 of his young friends surprised him by coming in unexpectedly and making Willie take a back seat. They had a good time and left several nice presents as tokens of their good will.

The NORTHERNER has received from the publishers of McClure's an artist's proof of the recently published earliest portrait of Abraham Lincoln. Of this picture Major J. W. Powell says: This portrait is Lincoln as I knew him best; his sad, dreamy eye, his pensive smile, his sad and delicate face, his pyramidal shoulders, are the characteristics which I best remember; and I can never think of him as wrinkled with care, so plainly shown in his later portraits.

Circuit Court.

The regular November term of the circuit court opened last Monday morning. The following business has been transacted:

Order entered appointing Harry L. McNeil assistant prosecuting attorney.

Singer S. M. Co. vs. W. J. Barker et al.; order for security for costs within 30 days.

People vs. Lyman Tyler; order permitting names of certain witnesses to be endorsed on information.

People vs. Dell Jones; burglary; respondent arraigned and pleaded guilty; sentenced to Ionia three years.

People vs. Charles Hymes; felonious assault; respondent arraigned and pleaded not guilty, *pro forma*.

People vs. Arthur Branch; burglary; respondent arraigned and pleaded guilty; sentenced to the Lansing Industrial School until seventeen years of age.

Order entered admitting John Ward to citizenship.

People vs. George Castleman; assaulting an officer; respondent arraigned and pleaded not guilty, *pro forma*.

Jacob Simon et al. vs. Jennie Cohn; order extending time to settle bill of exceptions for twenty days.

Floyd Kingsley vs. Twp. of Bloomingdale; order granting twenty days to settle bill of exceptions.

People vs. Edwin Murry; violation of local option law; respondent arraigned and pleaded not guilty *pro forma*.

Eva Abbe vs. Fractional school district; case dismissed.

Mattoon Mfg. Co. vs. Thaddeus R. Harrison; continued.

Silas M. Trowbridge vs. Peter Smith et al.; continued.

Worden Grocery Co. vs. Citizens' State Bank; settled.

Eliza J. Church vs. Michael Dorgan et al.; stricken from calendar.

Hannah M. Van Auken vs. Arthur L. Anderson et al.; foreclosure; decree and and order of sale.

Clara Arthur vs Wilson Arthur; divorce; decree granted.

Myrtie B. McFarland vs. Edwin D. McFarland; divorce; decree granted.

John W. Weston vs. Minnie Weston; divorce; decree granted.

A. J. Sabin vs. A Clark Seward et al.; foreclosure; decree and order of sale.

All the contested crimimal cases were continued until the January term.

Court adjourned until this (Friday) afternoon at two o'clock.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers of real estate were recorded in the register's office during the past week:

Lydia L Finley et al to Chas Bilby et al; s w fl q s w fl q 19 Lawrence; $1000.

Almira S Stone to Edgar S Stone; n w fl q n w fl q 2 and n e fl q n e fl q 3 Bloomingdale; $1500.

H P Rouse to Lucinda Rouse et al; s h s w q n e q 33 South Haven.

Mary K Boardman to Mary Ware; 3 a vill South Haven; $1000.

Seline A Cady to A E Lapham; e h w h s e q 4 and e h w h n e q 9 n Territorial road Antwerp; $1400.

J A Howard to A E Staley; s w q s e q s e q 30 Arlington; $500.

L S Monroe to Elizabeth A Curran; lot 6 block 6 D & W add South Haven; $200.

Hannah H Upham to Lilius E Parsons; lot 3 blk 23 South Haven; $700.

B H Reynolds to J N Reynolds and wife; e h n e q 35 Paw Paw, $600.

C D Lockwood to V H Lockwood; s w q s w q 24 and pt n w q n w q 25 Almena; $700.

Edna Stanton et al to Nathaniel Howes; 19 a e h n w q s e q 30 Arlington; $70.

Lucy L French to Alfred Howes; e h w h n w q n e q 26 Bangor; $140.

Howard Dana to M McGregor and wife; lots 1, 2 blk 18 So. Haven; $1950.

Lucinda Rouse to D C Leisenring; s h s w q n e q 33 South Haven; $262.50.

Melville Rowland to John Feindt and wife; lots 9, 10 blk 27 So. Haven; $350.

T D Means to J C Bartholomew; e h w h n e q 18 Geneva; $500.

Lillie M Napier to F E Humphrey and wife; e h lot 3 blk 6 D H & Co's add South Haven; $200.

Wm Downing and wife to Solomon Abbott; s 22 a s e q s e q 15 Almena; $120.

W W Hulbert to Geo Anderson; lot vill South Haven; $800.

L S Monroe to David Reid; pt lots 3, 4 blk 2 South Haven; $700.

Geo Anderson to Rebecca Hurlbut; s ½ lots 4, 5 blk 6 D H & Co's add South Haven; $1200.

Anna Henry to R E Chaddock; lots 5, 10 blk 14 D H & Co's add South Haven; $1800.

R E Chaddock to Ephraim Henry et al; e h s w q 20 Geneva; $1800.

D K Charles to F C Penoyar and w; lot vill Bangor; $300.

Primary School Money.

The total amount of primary school money apportioned to this county by Supt. Pattengill at the recent semi-annual apportionment is $7,675.84, being eighty-three cents per scholar, and divided as follows:

Township.	Pupils.	Amount.
Almena	284	$235 72
Antwerp	528	438 24
Arlington	530	439 90
Bangor	779	646 57
Bloomingdale	710	589 30
Columbia	409	339 47
Covert	416	345 28
Decatur	586	486 38
Geneva	460	381 80
Hamilton	276	229 08
Hartford	676	561 08
Keeler	305	253 15
Lawrence	443	367 69
Paw Paw	657	545 31
Pine Grove	451	374 33
Porter	337	279 71
South Haven	1074	891 42
Waverly	327	271 41

Teachers' Association.

The Van Buren county teachers' association will meet in South Haven on Saturday, Nov. 23. Following is the program of exercises:

MORNING SESSION.

Singing from Knapsack.
Devotional exercises.
Music.
Paper—Government in the District School—How Secure .....
.....Miss Gertrude Strickland, South Haven
Discussion led by.....Henry Stover, South Haven
Paper—Assigning Lessons .....
.....Supt. I. D. Loree, Lawrence
Discussion led by .....
.....Prin. Arthur Burt, Grand Junction
Music.
Grammar in the District School.....
..... Miss Emily C. Hall, South Haven
Discussion led by.....Prin. D. G. Watson, Lacota
Science in Primary Grades.....
.....Miss Nellie Wilcox, Hartford

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Music.
Third Grade Reading Exercise .....
.....Miss Jeannie Wilson, South Haven
General discussion on the subject of Reading, led by Supt. F. C. Penoyar, Bangor, and Miss Clara Sutherby, Maple Grove.
Paper—Moral Culture Essential to Intellectual Culture.....Supt. W. G. Brown, Bangor
Discussion led by...Supt. H. C. Wilson, Paw Paw
Music.
County School Supervision .....
.....Commissioner J. A. O'Leary, Paw Paw
Topics of Interest—General Discussion.
Executive Committee—A. D. Prentice, Miss Lulu Delamere, W. H. Finch.

The following reduced rates have been obtained on the S. H & E. R. R.: Round trip from Lawton and Paw Paw, 75 cents; Lawrence and Hartford, 50 cents; Covert, 25 cents.

Probate Court Proceedings.

Following is a summary of the proceedings in Judge Heckert's court for the week ending Nov. 14:

Estate of William Stacey, deceased; petition for appointment of administrator; hearing Dec. 9.

Estate of James Shearer, deceased; petition for appointment of administrator; hearing Dec. 9.

Estate of Rhoda C. Hare, deceased; letters testamentary issued to Jacob C. Hare.

Estate of Oliver Cox, deceased; sale confirmed.

Estate of Samuel C. Becker, deceased; order to hear claims.

Estate of Betsey E. Southard, deceased; will admitted to probate.

Estate of Abraham A. Holderman, deceased; will admitted to probate.

Estate of Christian Ihde, deceased; order determining lawful heirs.

Estate of Adaline Markle, deceased; hearing on appointment of administrator adjourned to Nov. 23.

In the matter of Grace P. Hayden, minor; petition for license to sell real estate; hearing Dec. 9

Estate of Andrew Rose, deceased; letters of administration issued to Milford Gilbert; appraisers' warant issued to Edgar Dean and M. F. Burget.

The Paw Paw Idea.

"It has remained for the city fathers of Paw Paw, Michigan, to lead the way in a new scheme of municipal profit-sharing that promises to receive general and prompt recognition throughout the country. They have evolved a plan which shows them to be men of great originality and perspicuity. They have passed an ordinance which decrees that every theatrical company that visits Paw Paw must either pay a heavy license fee or furnish the common council, president, clerk and city marshal with complimentary tickets. Each official is to have not less than two tickets calling for the best seats.

"New Haven's city fathers should not be slow in adopting the Paw Paw idea. It is a great and beautiful scheme and is calculated to make life worth living for the average common councilman. The usual question which confronts the newcomer into the council hamber is, What an I here for? A term spent in diligent search for a response to that inquiry is usually met with dismal failure. The rewards of office turn to ashes in the grasp of the legislator. He is besought by people he never saw before to do them favors and is roundly condemned by his constituents if he does not do what they think he should do and life becomes a dreary waste.

"But with free tickets for all the shows, the common council would be in clover. He could then divert his mind from the kicking of his constituents by the high kicking that is now the accompaniment of the average theatrical performance, and could find in the diversion furnished by the play such mental relief as would make his politics more tolerable.

"The Paw Paw idea is a great one from the standpoint of the theatrical manager also. It would insure an audience for every show, and a very distinguished audience. The very fact that the mayor, councilmen, aldermen, city clerk, auditor and marshal would be on review at the theater would attract audiences. After the show the mayor might hold levees.

"The only drawback that occurs to us to the application of this Paw Paw idea to New Haven is due to the existence of the town government. It would inevitably lead to further friction between the town and city government. The selectmen would demand free tickets and that would lead to endless controversy. But that very fact might hasten consolidation. On the whole the Paw Paw plan is well fitted for this city."

The foregoing extract from one of the New Haven, Conn., city journals, was sent to the NORTHERNER by its old friend, Hon. C. A. Harrison, formerly of this village. The "Paw Paw Idea" seems to be spreading. We are no longer "to fortune and to fame unknown." Our city fathers deserve a medal for their enterprise; it need not necessarily be a costly one.

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