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WHOLE NO. 947.

MARKET REPORT.

Wheat, white	85
Wheat, red	84
Oats	32
Corn, old ear	13
Corn, shelled	15
Potatoes	10 @ 15
Butter	25
Beans	25
Apples per bu	55.25
Clover Seed	12
Butter	12
Eggs	07 @ 28
Honey	1.00
Onions, per bu	05 @ 1.00
Green Hides	05 @ 1.75
Dressed Pork	2.80
Live Pork	05 @ 1.00
Dressed Beef	05 @ 1.00
Live Beef	05 @ 1.00
Mutton, dressed	05 @ 1.00
Live Hens	05 @ 1.00
Dressed Chickens	05 @ 1.00
Live Turkeys	05 @ 1.00
Live Ducks	05 @ 1.00
Live Geese	05 @ 1.00
Veal, dressed	05 @ 1.00
Baled Hay	8.00 @ 8.50

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BRAZING
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SUNDRIES

WHEELS TO RENT.

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RUN OVER BY THE CARS.

A Young Man Instantly Killed.

A second very sad railroad accident occurred in Alma last Sunday morning about six o'clock.

Genson Judd, fireman on the Ann Arbor pile driver at work here in constructing the new bridge across the race, was the victim. He arose early Sunday morning and went down to build a fire in his engine. Having finished his work about six o'clock he started back to his boarding place at S. V. Hollenbeck's not noticing apparently the freight train which was backing down from the east. The brakeman called to him just before the train struck him but he seemed not to hear.

The car struck his forehead badly crushing it and throwing him under the wheels. Before the train could be stopped 39 cars had passed over him and his left arm was torn to shreds. As soon as the train was stopped he was picked up and carried to Brainard's Hospital where medical aid was furnished but of no avail and he died one hour later.

Judd was a highly respected young man and had a wife and one child at Chesaning where the body was taken Monday morning for burial accompanied by his brother, the engineer on the driver.

Deceased was a member of the Maccaebes carrying an insurance policy in the same.

The coroners, inquest was held early Sunday morning and adjourned to Monday morning at ten o'clock. Geo. Willard, N. G. Davidson, David Castor, B. W. Ellison, G. S. Ward and Andrew Shaw as coroners. Jury brought in a verdict "that deceased came to his death by his own undue carelessness" and exonerated the railroad company from all blame.

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SOPHOMORE EXHIBITION.

Harry Wright the Victor.

The last class exhibition of the year was given by the Alma College sophomores in the chapel Tuesday evening.

As previously announced the exhibition took the form of a contest in oratory for the gold prize offered by John Jameson of Chicago, a former Alma student.

The event was opened with a piano, duet, by Velma Sharp and Esther Bruske, executed in pleasing and artistic manner. Prayer was offered by Rev. W. Jones, followed by a well rendered duet by Misses Vogel and Patterson. Weston T. Johnson delivered the first oration on "The Rise and Fall of Spain." He pictured in telling colors the degradation of this once glorious power. His delivery was forcible and pleasing. Miss Sadie Messinger followed with a solo after which Harry E. Porter in clear and ringing tones pled "Politics in School and Church." The language used was good, the manner of presentation excellent and his delivery highly satisfactory. "A Reason for Optimism" was the theme chosen by Harry W. Wright for his oration. He pointed out by forcible and logical arguments that the class of literature now being written in America was a cause for brighter hopes. His thoughts were clothed in beautiful and eloquent phrases and his manner of delivery captivated the judges and audience alike. He well merited the prize which was awarded to him. The ladies chorus closed the program with a vesper hymn.

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Free Methodist Holiness Convention.

Sunday night one of the best conventions ever held in Alma by the Free Methodist denomination was closed. The meetings opened Wednesday night and continued until Sunday night.

Papers and addresses were presented on the various lines of the church work and many seasons of soul refreshing prayer were held.

Rev. H. F. Gaffin the presiding elder of the Ionia district presided over the meetings.

Among the distinguished personages present was Rev. W. F. Hoag of Chicago, editor of the national church organ, "The Free Methodist," and also president of the Greenville, Illinois, College. Rev. Mr. Hoag was in many respects the life of the convention as his speeches and talks were interesting and inspiring. His address on Friday night in which he pleaded for a broader Christian fellowship and condemned the stiff conservatism of some classes, was especially good.

Another who added no little enthusiasm and vigor to the work was Rev. O. L. Olmstead president of Spring Harbor College. The attendance at all the meetings was large, many being turned away from some of the evening services.

There were present from surrounding places about 100 persons and twenty-five local ministers while the interest manifested by those in attendance was very encouraging. Through the kindness and benevolence of those present and our citizens the debt on the Alma church amounting to \$275.00 was entirely wiped out. The church is thus open to wider channels of usefulness.

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TEACHERS MEETING.

To Be Held in Ithaca, May 7-8.

Below we give in full the program for the fifty-sixth semi-annual meeting of the Gratiot County Teachers' Association to be held at Ithaca, Michigan, Friday and Saturday, May 7 and 8:

FRIDAY, MAY 7.

MORNING SESSION, 10 O'CLOCK.

Singing.
Discussion of Queries.
"Work in the Country Schools," H. D. Curtis, Jr., Perrinton.
Paper, Mina Spaulding, Wheeler.

AFTERNOON SESSION, 1:30 O'CLOCK.

Singing.
Roll Call.
Secretary's Report.
"The Metric System," C. F. Pike, Perrinton.

"Higher Education for the Country Teacher," Harry Porter, Alma.
"Science Applied to the Farm," Fred Fullerton, Alma.

RECESS.

Music.
"Penmanship," Prof. C. W. Yerington, St. Louis.

"Reading in School and Out," Prin. J. T. Northon, Alma.
"Relation of the High School to the District School," Supt. A. P. Cook, Ithaca.

"Why We Educate," Dr. A. F. Bruske, Alma College.

EVENING SESSION, 8:00 O'CLOCK.

Solo, "The Slight of Ages," Miss Beulah Moore.

Senior Quartette, Messrs. H. French, D. Altenburg, C. Long, O. Altenburg.

Address, Rev. R. T. Lynd.

German Song, Junior Class.

SATURDAY, MAY 8.

MORNING SESSION, 8:30 O'CLOCK.

Music.
Discussion of Queries.
"Two Views of the School Room," Newton Burns, St. Louis.

"Question and Topical Methods," A. J. Vance, Washington.

"Essentials in Arithmetic," Helen C. Whitney, Ithaca.

RECESS.

Singing.
"Our Weak Points," Supt. R. C. Ely, Alma.

Election of Officers.

Miscellaneous.

Adjournment.

EVA FULLERTON, Secretary.

O. G. TUTTLE, President.

Chances For Success in Large Cities.

In solving "Problems of Young Men" Edward W. Bok, in the May Ladies' Home Journal, replying to an inquirer contends that opportunities for promotion (in business) are more numerous in large cities than in smaller communities, but they are not better. "There are more chances in the larger cities, but likewise there are more applicants for the chances. Salaries may be higher in the centres, but so, too, is the cost of the living. Things always equalize themselves. To my way of thinking, a moderate business success in a small community means more to a man in point of living and absolute satisfaction than a greater success in a larger city."

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America's Share in the Cuban Shame.

During the forty years that have since elapsed all the interested powers have clapped expressly or implicitly the position that was then publicly assumed by our government. So, however unpleasant it may be, we must admit that when the consular representatives of France and of England in Cuba say, as I have heard many of them say, in commenting upon the unparalleled horrors of the situation, that the government and people of our country are directly responsible for all the bloody crimes that are committed in the name of warfare, they are right. I believe that our share of responsibility for all this blood guiltiness is a heavy one. We have announced our peculiar rights as to Cuba; we have said to other nations that they must keep their hands off; we block the way and stop all interference, and assist Spain the while to encompass her ends and by the activity of our fleet and the exertions of our federal officers.—From "The Real Condition of Cuba Today," by St. Phen Bonsal, in May Review of Reviews.

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College Notes.

A. C. Barclay preached in Elton last Sunday.

President Rogers of Benzonia College, delivered an able address at the college chapel, Thursday morning.

James Dallas, local evangelist, has accepted a call to become pastor of the Presbyterian church at Rosebush for the coming year.

John Watson of Breckenridge was the guest of Kendall Brooks over night Monday. John came up and visited the Zeta Sigma society of which he is an honorary member.

This afternoon college classes will not be heard but the time will be entirely given up to the observation of Arbor Day. Tree or shrubbery planting will be the work of the students.

The pupils' recital given Saturday by the music department was one of the best of the year. All the young people acquitted themselves nobly and won a much merited applause from all who were present.

The young ladies of the Froebel Club entertained the class in pedagogy in the Kindergarten room Monday evening. Pleasant conversation, playing games and refreshments made the evening pass off very rapidly for all present.

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Sanitarium Notes.

Max Grabfield of Chicago, a prominent attorney, is here for the week.

Dr. E. M. Eckert of Peoria, Ill., was the guest of Dr. Pettyjohn the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Beardsley of Newark, N. J., are spending the season at the institution.

Hon. M. S. Brewer of Pontiac, Ex-Congressman to Germany, is at "The Alma" for a season of rest.

Rev. Father Murray of Manistee has returned from a two weeks' visit in Grand Rapids. He is so far recovered in health that he is now able to ride his bicycle.

Other guests are as follows: T. H. White, Milwaukee; C. T. Smalley, Maintawoc, A. Blankerts, T. Campbell, Saginaw; Rev. Fr. Thos. F. Murray, Manistee; Hon. M. S. Brewer, Pontiac; J. S. Morton, Columbus, O.; Plato Field, Grand Rapids; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. A. Beardsley, Newark, N. J.; Max Grabfield, A. D. Chapman, Chicago; C. H. Webber, Ionia; E. Reed, Toledo; Otto Feyerabend, Mrs. C. H. Ueberroth, Bay City.

Additional Local.

Job Sleight of Bath has moved back to his farm south of Alma.

C. F. Brown was in Lansing Thursday attending the meeting of the Republican Press Association.

Geo. Sharrar has been re-elected 2nd Lieut. of St. Louis Division U. R. K. of P. for the ensuing year.

Francis King and wife of Lowell were in town Wednesday. Mr. King is president of the Lowell State Bank.

The parties holding tickets on Mrs. Shipman's quilt are requested to meet at G. A. R. hall Saturday afternoon at two o'clock.

The Woman's Club will meet Monday, May 3rd, with Mrs. L. S. Stevens, Prof. C. A. Davis will talk to the club on the subject "Food Values."

How to Hurt Your Own Town.

An Infallible Method.

An enterprising citizen of this place hands us these notes for publication. Ponder them well they contain a good lot of advice:

Begin by thinking that every place is better to live in than this.

Preach that the times are harder here than in any other town in the state.

Disagree with every person who makes an effort to project some plan for the good of your town and produce more business.

Find fault with every thing and every body.

Be a chronic sticker.

Patronize stores at a distance rather than those in your own town.

If any of our merchants or other citizens get along well and make a little money get jealous, call them beats, and scoundrels.

Buy stuff from every peddler who comes to town.

If you have enough to live on don't help your neighbor, no matter how sick he is, keep your money you may be poor some day.

If your neighbor's lawn looks nicer than yours leave your cow untied and your barn door open on a rainy night, you will get even with him.

Don't help your local paper, they don't need it. Call on them when you want a free puff. If you have any printing to do use a rubber stamp or send out of town for it. Don't subscribe for the paper but borrow your neighbors.

If all these are closely followed your town will be a dead failure sure.

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Of Tecumseh, Mich., write us on Jan. 14th, 1896, that their order of Nov. 11th, 1895, consisting of eight dozen in package and a quantity in bulk of your Syrup Popsin is all sold. We find it one of the best sellers and gives the best satisfaction of any remedy ever sold over a counter. It is in 10c, 50c and \$1.00 sizes of B. S. Webb.

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