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## Your Clothes Should Come From Here

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THURSDAY, May 24, 1906

WITH the closing down of the lid in Louisville, Ky., on Sunday last, so that none of the southern gentlemen could get "a little red, sah," the truth becomes more apparent that the days of the open saloons are numbered. Public spirit and the people in general are becoming opposed to its continuance.

THE BANQUET at Ionia Tuesday evening in honor of Wm. Alden Smith, candidate for United States senator, is only another straw indicative of the love and admiration borne by the republicans of Ionia county for their chosen representative. And the love and admiration is not borne by the fifth district alone. His prowess is far reaching and could the people choose he would surely be the successor to that grand old statesman, Russell A. Alger.

UP FROM New York on that fatal day, when McKinley cold in death did lay, there a man of power and might, who in the

day time and the night, for justice stood, on western soil, in southern clime. At home, abroad, and all the time, in north and south, in east and west, standing always for the best, as good men should. Brave, fearless, noble Roosevelt, thy power for right is truly felt. No tyrants hand shall e'er feel free to trifle with monopoly, when thou art near. And so with trusts, whose mighty power, have menaced us from hour to hour. Thy hand alone should seal thy fate, and banish them from every state. The way is clear.

ONE THING in the application of the law at primary of June 12 demands careful consideration. Besides the vote on the acceptance of the method, and the vote for candidates for governor and lieutenant governor, every enrolled voter is also called upon to vote for delegates to the county convention which will choose delegates to the state convention to nominate the other state officers and to district

conventions these candidates are not nominated by method. His ticket will contain blank lines for the number of delegates assigned to his precinct, and he must write in the names; and many will hardly be prepared to do that without previous consultation. So, some informal caucusing preliminary to that will probably be found necessary, in order that the voter may understand who are willing to be delegates, and who would acceptably represent him as such. It would certainly seem desirable if in some way the voter could be informed as to what candidates or what issue, on which sentiment had divided, would be favored by a vote for this or that proposed delegate.

THERE is one thing apparent in the great and wonderful management of the universe, and that is the fact that, no matter what people may think, the creator of all is opposed to Sunday ball games. During the progress of a ball game near Mobile, Ala., on Sunday last, a bolt of lightning struck in the midst of a number of base ball enthusiasts, killing five persons at once and seriously injuring twenty-five others. "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy," is seemingly as important to day as in mosaic times.

MR. A. E. GREENLAW, the noted singer of Sarnia, will be in the city over Sunday and has consented to sing both morning and evening in the Congregational church. Mr. Greenlaw was here a few weeks ago and delighted our people with his excellent singing both in concert and at the church. The public generally are invited to come and hear him render his fine solo.

Silver Medal Contest.  
Program of Loyal Temperance Legion contest to be held in the M. E. church Friday evening June 1st commencing at eight o'clock.

Song—America.  
Devotionals—Rev. J. C. Meese.  
Recitation—Vivian Steele.  
Solo—Ruth Pine.  
Contestant No. 1.  
Instrumental Solo—Miss Cherie Campbell.  
Contestant No. 2.  
Contestant No. 3.  
Vocal Solo—Mr. Fred Cornell.  
Contestant No. 4.  
Contestant No. 5.  
Instrumental Duet—Mrs. Fred Ireland, Miss Imogene Ireland.  
Contestant No. 6.  
Contestant No. 7.  
Vocal Solo, "O-He Carita" by Regina de Koven—Miss Lena Leonard.  
Selected Reading—Mrs. LaVern Parslow.  
Decision of Judges.  
Benediction—Rev. J. W. Sheehan.

### A SOCIAL FUNCTION

The Misses Spicer entertain Tuesday evening—Wedding Announcement.  
The Misses Spicer entertained a company of young ladies at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Spicer on Wednesday afternoon at a six o'clock dinner, at which time Mr. and Mrs. Spicer announced the engagement of their daughter Katharine to Walter S. Hutchinson of Baker City, Oregon, the marriage to take place June 8. Covers were laid for ten, the color scheme of the table being green and white. An elegant and dainty several course dinner was served by Miss Margaret Lamb and Flossie Spicer and a most happy time enjoyed, with many good wishes extended to the bride elect.

### BUSINESS LOCALS

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