

True Northener.

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Local Department.

Laws Relating to Newspaper Subscriptions and Arrangements.

1. Subscribers who do not give express notice to the contrary, are considered wishing to continue their subscription.
2. If subscribers order the discontinuance of their periodicals, the publishers may continue to send them until all arrears are paid.
3. If subscribers neglect or refuse to take their periodicals from the office to which they are directed, they are held responsible until they have settled their bills, and ordered them discontinued.
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A lively runaway last Wednesday.
Spelling-school next Thursday evening.
Fresh oranges and lemons at Miss Munger's.
Miss Julia Phillips is the champion speller of South Haven.
Mrs. Hurlbert has a new awning in front of her ice cream parlors.
On Monday last, Lydia L. Conway was qualified a notary public.
The school children of Deatur have a spelling school this evening.
The article from Jonathan Justice will be found on our eighth page.
Several of the side-walks in this village are in a very dilapidated condition.
We understand that the Chilton House has been rented by Charley Sherman.
The spring races of the Lawrence Driving Park Association will be held in June.
Millinery and dress-making at the rooms of Miss Maggie Maguire, over E. Smith & Co.'s.
At the spelling-school on Thursday evening of last week O. W. Rowland, Esq., won the prize.

A pan-cake and ice-cream social was held at the residence of Rev. D. Burns last Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Joseph Davey, of this village, and Mrs. Charles Brown, of Alma, will sail for England in about two weeks.

The Episcopal society of this place has organized a Reading Circle, which meets on Monday evening of each week.

"Time softens all things," except the young man who parts his hair in the middle. Nothing can make him any softer than he is.

E. O. Briggs, Esq., attended the meeting of the Millers' Association, which has been in session at St. Louis, Mo., this week.

Mr. C. J. Monroe has been appointed School Superintendent of the township of South Haven, vice Rev. J. Anderson, resigned.

The next social of the Free Baptist church and society will be held at the residence of Joseph Guinan on Tuesday evening next.

J. M. Servoss has purchased a residence in the city of Marshall, which seems to indicate that he intends to make that place his future home.

Next week Mrs. T. E. Hendrick will leave for California, where she expects to remain all summer visiting the many places of interest to be found in that State.

That sprightly sheet, the Detroit Evening News, has been enlarged. Hereafter it will not be under the necessity of squeezing all the news out of its items by condensation.

Bills for use under the new liquor tax bill are now being prepared at Lansing under the direction of the Auditor General, and will be sent to all the County Treasurers soon.

At a spelling-school in Deatur, the other evening, Mrs. F. G. Buswell and D. W. Leavens, Esq., spelled the class down. A copy of the Van Buren County Republican for one year was the prize.

The ladies of St. Mark's Society will give a Pound Soap at Town Hall, Friday evening, May 21st. Admittance, one pound of any thing. All articles brought will be sold at auction. All are invited.

The May number of *Truth for the People* comes to us considerably enlarged, and otherwise much improved. Among the many choice articles to be found in this number, are two poems written by one of its editors, the talented Rev. Mrs. F. W. Gillette.

One hundred years ago last Monday (May 10, 1775) Ethan Allen, with his Green Mountain Boys, presented himself before Fort Ticonderoga and demanded its surrender "in the name of the Great Jehovah and the Continental Congress," and then marched in and took the fort despite all opposition. Stirring times had then commenced in serious earnestness.

On Saturday night last the store of Charles Welch, at Alma, was broken into, and a large quantity of clothing, jewelry and watches stolen. Tuesday morning officer McCabe arrested two young men, named Frank Fox and William Brown, at Kalamazoo, who owned up to the burglary and gave up most of the stolen goods. They reside near Mattawan, and at the time of their arrest had 200 keys about their persons.

The day Van Amburgh's show exhibited here the house of Henry Belfy, a mile and a half east of this village on the Mattawan road, was broken into and robbed of a large quantity of wearing apparel and other valuables. The family came to town in the forenoon, but returned early in the afternoon, and it was during their absence that the house was entered and plundered. Mr. Belfy lost an entire suit of new clothes together with a large amount of other clothing belonging to himself and wife.

We also learn that the house of William Loug, some four miles south-west of this village, on the Deatur road, was entered and robbed of money and other valuables.

General Topics.

According to the New Tax Bill passed by the Legislature at its recent session, G. T. notices that "the business of selling or offering for sale spirituous or

intoxicating liquors by retail, or any patent medicine, mixture or compound, which in whole or in part consists of spirituous or intoxicating liquors," is subject to a tax of "One Hundred and Fifty Dollars;" and on the business of selling by "retail any brewed or malt liquors or any other beverage forty dollars." This is a much more stringent law than the Liquor League asked for. G. T. notices that the liquor sellers and the politicians who sought preferment through the advocacy

of FREE WHISKEY are not pleased with the law, and have already set up a great howl and commenced the work of manufacturing public sentiment against it. G. T. notices that on the passage of this law, in the Senate there were eight republicans and nine democrats who voted for the bill, and ten republicans and five democrats who voted against it. G. T. thinks the democrats can hardly claim this to be a

BLACK REPUBLICAN measure seeing that there were more democrats than republicans who favored it, and more republicans who voted against the measure than democrats.

G. T. has been looking over the provisions of THE POLICE OR REGULATING ACT which was adopted by the legislature for the more effectually carrying into effect the Tax Bill, and finds its provisions very stringent; and is of the opinion that it will prove very efficient if the authorities but discharge their duties as prescribed under these two enactments; and to this end they should be well sustained by all temperance and order-loving people.

G. T. is a little curious to know how those extreme temperance people, who had so many hard words to say about changing the law, regards this new one. If they will do their duty, and work as diligently to create a

PUBLIC SENTIMENT in favor of giving it a thorough trial, as its enemies will to bring it into disrepute, G. T. believes they will become satisfied that the change is an improvement on the old law. By the old law it was made every body's business to see that violations were prosecuted; the natural result was that it really was nobody's business. If any person or persons attempted to cause any violations to be punished, the liquor sellers and the liquor drinkers and the politicians who relied on that element to secure election to office, joined in one deep and long howl over the matter, and did all in their power to make such person

ODIOUS, and destroy any influence he might possess.

In last week's issue of the TRUE NORTHERNER G. T. took occasion to make a remark or two concerning the taxation of

CHURCH PROPERTY, and also made some pertinent queries. He mentioned that Public Libraries were subject to taxation, as the opinion of the city attorney of Detroit would show. G. T. has been examining the new

TAX BILL passed by the legislature at its late session, and in the third section of that act he finds this:

"Provided, Nothing herein contained shall be construed to

EXEMPT any species of property from taxation under the general laws."

This is a very sweeping clause, and G. T. can see no place where church property, public libraries, town halls, lodge rooms, public buildings, or any other kind of property, stands on

ANY DIFFERENT BASIS, so far as liability to taxation is concerned, than the property of private individuals. G. T. is well aware that this change in the law will be a surprise to many people, because they had thought that the idea of taxing this description of property had been disposed of by the defeat of the bill by which certain amounts of

ELEMENTARY POSSESSIONS were to be exempted from liability to taxation. It seems that the legislature was unwilling that any class of property should shift its just burden of taxation to other classes, and thereby compel a contribution for its own benefit.

G. T. is not arguing the question nor advocating the expediency of the measure, but merely stating a fact and indicating its bearing. He would also mention the fact that in some localities civic and religious societies own very large possessions, of great value and productiveness, and yielding large incomes. Would it be wrong to require such to contribute their just proportion toward the support of the government and the administration of the laws?

The TRUE NORTHERNER mentioned last week that Kirkwood and John Nash went over to Kalamazoo, to see the authorities there about a little misdemeanor, in which Nash was interested. G. T. has learned that John settled the matter by employing a Justice of the Peace to enter up an assessment against him for the small amount of

THIRTY DOLLARS. As the winter has been a hard, long and cold one, with business dull, John was, as hundreds of others are this spring, rather short of currency; but he was willing to work, and at once closed a contract with the keeper of the Jail to

WORK OUT the assessment. He may be found at that institution for the next few days. G. T. learns that when he has finished his job at Kalamazoo he will return to this place, where his services will be much needed to clear up other

CRIMINAL TRANSACTIONS. We clip the following from the South Haven Sentinel:

Hon. A. Thompson arrived home from Lansing Friday evening of last week, looking and feeling well after his arduous labors of the past winter. During his whole Senatorial career we have heard not a single word spoken derogatory of his actions. We understand that for the present he will resume the practice of his profession in this village, and of course we wish him much success.

During the afternoon of Thursday Mr. C. J. Monroe had a raising on his farm one mile from the village, the subject matter being a \$650 barn. During the exercise Mr. C. Westgate was driving a spike to its place with a large mallet, when by some miscalculation Mr. G. W. Byers came within reach and received a glancing blow on the head, nearly killing him. He was taken home, and we are pleased to know is now considered out of danger.

The Health Reformer for May contains, among other interesting and instructive articles, the following:—An illustrated article on Physiology and Hygiene, a discussion of the Fall of Man, Victims of Opium-Eating, A Man Clank on Toward "Regular" Heroes, Treatment, Should the aged Drink "Five F A Sermon on Water, Tea and Coffee, Hints to Housekeepers, and much other information of great value to every household. Published at Detroit, Mich., at \$1.00 a year. Specimens copies free.

General Items.

Portland, Mich., has a ladies' history class. St. Johns has a juvenile temperance society. Port Huron desires to organize permanently an orthographic society.

"F-i-a-c-i-a-n" spells physician, according to a Gratiot county lexicographer.

"The Buchanan Musical Union" is the name of a new organization in that village.

Mr. O. P. Richardson, of Charlotte, is about to open a Kindergarten school in that town.

Some four or five saloons have closed up in Marshall in consequence of the new liquor law.

Twenty-nine graduates of Hilledale College will deliver twenty-nine orations and essays on the 17th of next month.

Miss Anna V. Raper, a graduate of the law department of the University of Michigan, is lecturing on temperance.

The Universalists of Dowagiac have a fair, raffish, grab-bag, recitations and musical entertainment all in one evening.

On April 25th, Deacon Wm. Savary, of the Congregational church at Hudson, died, aged eighty-two years. He came to Michigan in 1836.

Lake Michigan is about fifteen inches lower this season than last, and as a consequence, this affects the depth of water in the harbors along the shore.

The walls of the new capitol building begin to loom up prodigiously. The stone and brick are laid almost to the top of the windows in the second story.—Lansing Republican.

When a snow storm drives a farmer out of his potato patch May 1st it is about time to offer the whole confounded country for twenty shillings and a shot-gun.—Detroit Free Press.

Rev. Miss Augusta J. Chapin has resigned her charge as pastor of the Universalist Church in Lansing, to accept a call from the Universalist Church of Pittsburg, Pa., at \$2,400 salary.

Dr. Miles, formerly of the Michigan Agricultural College, left on May 7th for Campaign, Ill., where he is filling the position of Professor of Agriculture in the Industrial University of Illinois.

At the State Prison at Jackson twenty-three convicts were received during the month of April, and twenty-four were discharged while five were pardoned. The number confined on May 1st was 739.

Prof. Alexander Winchell, formerly of the Michigan University, and lately of the Syracuse University, has been elected Professor of Natural History in the Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee.

About 20 laborers on the Pontiac asylum foundation struck for \$1.50 per day, instead of \$1.25, last week Monday. Those who remained at work received the increase; those who struck were supplanted by others at \$1.50.

The Coldwater Republican states that the State Public School Board met on May 6th, and organized by electing Hon. C. E. Mickle, of Adrian, president; Hon. C. D. Randall, of Coldwater, secretary and treasurer, who gives bonds in the sum of \$15,000. The other member of the board is Dr. S. S. Cutter, of Coldwater.

The first annual meeting of the convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of western Michigan will be held in St. Luke's Church, Kalamazoo, on Wednesday, the 26th day of May, at 10 o'clock a. m. On Tuesday evening a meeting will be held in St. John's Church for the discussion of methods of raising money for charitable objects.

The Cass County Republican of May 6th contains the following: "The Board of Control of the State swamp lands met at Lansing last week. A report was made to the board by Mr. Emmons, one of the commissioners, who was here a few weeks since, strongly in favor of the claims of this region for help from the State to reclaim these lands, and an appropriation of 6,400 acres of State swamp lands was made for the purpose by the board."

The second semi-annual session of the Michigan Bee-keepers' Association convened at Kalamazoo on Thursday, May 6th, at 2 o'clock p. m., President Bidwell presiding. Delegates were present from South Haven, Dowagiac, Lawton, Deatur, Galeburg, Allegan, Marshall, Albion, etc. The principal topics of discussion were "Wintering Bees" and best method of "Building up Colonies in Spring." Members reported heavy losses in wintering the past season. The only effectual remedy at present, as far as ascertained, was the use of the "cold frame," thereby giving the bees an opportunity to fly in winter. At the evening session the subjects of the "Best Bee-Hives," "Artificial Swarming," "Surplus Honey," and other topics were considered at length. The attendance was good and the interest continued unabated. The convention adjourned to meet in Kalamazoo the first Wednesday in December next.

The liquor sellers are organizing to fight the new liquor law in the courts and test its constitutionality. They held in Detroit what they call a mass meeting of the saloon-keepers, at which about fifty attended. Speeches were made, an organization perfected, and the name "Liberty Association" given to it.

The following are the officers of the association: President—E. W. Andrews, Bay City. Vice Pres.—Christian Schroder, Detroit. Secretary—James DeFoe, Detroit. Cor. Sec.—J. Webster, Detroit. Treasurer—Edward Kauter, Detroit. Executive Committee—Charles Webber and Louis Briokman, Detroit; Wesley Hawkins, Bay City; Arthur Brown, Kalamazoo; Seth Holcomb, Grand Rapids.

MARRIED. CLARK—GOBLE—In Pine Grove, by Henry C. Storey, Esq., at his residence, May 8th, Mr. GARNER CLARK, of Bloomington, to Miss HATTIE GOBLE, of Pine Grove.

DIED. SHELDON—In Gladwin, May 5th, 1875, Mrs. AMY SHELDON, aged 81 years, 10 months and 26 days.

CLARK—In Alma, May 7th, 1875, SARAH CLARK, aged 53 years.

Business Notices.

Latest Styles of Stationery just received at Miss Munger's.

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