

MINOR MICHIGAN MATTERS.

Cleaning has four saloons. Ann Arbor has ten saloons. Diphtheria still rages in Detroit. Adrian has a star lecture course. Battle Creek has a dancing school. The Saranac Local has been enlarged. There is a pork-packing establishment. Detroit will have a permanent Democratic club.

Mackinac had seven inches of snow Sunday night. A party of twenty-five left Battle Creek December 8, for California.

The Michigan Central has taken one brakeman off from each mail train.

Thompson Smith, owner of all the property at Duncas City, died Tuesday of a stomach disease.

Capt. Nicholson will be superintendent of the Detroit House of Correction another three years.

Jas. T. Christy, of Morton township, Mecosta county, has been convicted of defacing gravestones.

The annual meeting of the Michigan Beekeepers' Association began buzzing at Lansing yesterday.

Rev. Wm. Mellen, a former missionary among the Zulus, is lecturing before the Women's Missionary Societies of this State.

It is announced that the Lansing Sunday School has suspended publication, while its editor is prospecting around for a new office.

The Ingham county Sunday-School Association began its first semi-annual meeting in the M. E. Church at Williamston yesterday.

The High People's libel suit against the Detroit Post has been discontinued. The differences have been satisfactorily adjusted.

That settles it. About the time the Legislature meets in Lansing a large bottling establishment is to begin operations in the capital city.

Kalamazoo is great for new inventions. Their last got up is an "ordinary beast white-washed."

The Odd Fellows of Benton Harbor dedicated their new hall Tuesday evening. There was a large crowd present, and the exercises were very interesting.

Several victims of the late diphtheria scourge at Howell have been taken to Brighton and placed in vaults. Brighton authorities say no more of them can come.

Dr. Reynolds, the temperance orator, skips the good, moral towns and goes where his services are most needed. Lansing and Muskegon are on his list of appointments.

The State Convention of the State Board of Charities and Corrections, together with the Conference of County Superintendents, met at Kalamazoo Wednesday afternoon.

About 60,000 pounds of evaporated apples and a quantity of grain were burned, together with E. Bartlett's elevator, at Dryden, Saturday night. Loss, \$10,000; partly insured.

The Baptist society of Milan dedicated its new \$3,500 church last evening. Rev. C. P. Henderson, of Detroit, Rev. Dr. Beals, State Missionary, and other clergymen were present.

On Tuesday a disagreement occurred between the members of the grocery firm of Lovejoy & Herrick, of Big Rapids, and at the request of the latter John R. Snyder was appointed receiver.

Flint boasts of a child who, when born, weighed but two pounds and nine ounces. Since that time the child has gone through small-pox, inflammation of the brain and lungs, mumps and chicken-pox.

The First National Bank of Kalamazoo is to be supplied with a weather bulletin and time ball; the latter will drop every afternoon exactly at 4:52, standard time, obtained by telegraph from Fort Wayne, Ind.

Seventy Coldwater merchants have signed a paper that unless the telephone rent is reduced from \$48 to \$25 per year their machines must be taken out January 1. The manager of the company says they will not yield.

There was a large attendance on the opening of the State Grange at Lansing, Tuesday. The day sessions were spent in routine work. Grand Master Luce delivered his annual address to a large audience in the evening.

Fred Newmann's meat market and grocery store was destroyed by fire at Bay City, Wednesday. A lamp was left burning in the store and it is supposed an explosion caused the destruction. Loss, \$1,500; fully insured.

There was a large attendance at the opening meeting of the State Grange at Lansing Tuesday. Nothing aside from routine work was done this morning, but Grand Master Luce will deliver his annual address this evening.

A young man named Daniel H. Slocum, in Otego, attempted to drink off all he met on Tuesday night while under the influence of liquor. Otego is a prohibition town and Slocum claims he had been drinking hard cider only.

Alexander S. Hill, of Caro, who was arrested in 1883 charged with the embezzlement of \$10,000 from his wife at Salt Lake City, from whom he had previously separated, has been released from jail, where he has been confined the past year.

Charles and Lewis Gillett, of Allegan, were sentenced Tuesday to five years at Jackson prison for stealing clover seed from Milo Hart of Allegan county last winter. Their brother Curtis is now in prison for the same offense. Both have served terms for stealing wheat.

The barn of W. Waterman, of Breedsville, burned Monday night. The building was consumed, and with it two horses, two cows, 200 bushels of oats, 100 bushels of wheat and general farming implements. The loss is \$2,000; insurance, \$500. The fire was the work of an incendiary.

The Ann Arbor City Council held a special meeting Tuesday night to consider the question of lighting the city. The matter was referred to a special committee who are expected to report in favor of an extension of the present Vandepoel system, with gasolene for the outskirts of the city.

Deputy U. S. Marshal Jennings on Monday night arrested Ralph McCrumb of Engle and Lymon Wright of Collins on a charge of passing counterfeit money at Grand Ledge. The money in question is bogus silver dollars, newly made, of date 1880, and though short weight is a dangerous counterfeit.

There will be a meeting of the Trustees and other friends of the Michigan Military Academy at Orchard Lake, on the 16th inst., for the purpose of inspecting the new buildings and other improvements recently made, and for becoming more familiar with the work and general character of the institution.

The arrival of the Salvation Army at North Lansing proved too much for James Carmen, and he inhibited so much spirituous enthusiasm as to be unable to navigate the wildest variety of sidewalk. Carmen drifted up before Justice Clark on Monday morning, and in default of the number of shakles requisite for paying costs of prosecution was hauled out ten days in Ingham county jail.—Lansing Republican.

The first session of the State Sportsmen's Association opened at Jackson Tuesday and was called to order by the President, Dr. Holmes, of Grand Rapids. Chas. Cooper, of White Pigeon, and E. D. Lancaster, of Flint, were selected to membership. S. E. Rogers resigned his office as secretary on account of failing eyesight, and Mark Norris, of Grand Rapids, was elected in his place.

A SLY OLD SCHEMER.

AN INCIDENT IN A COURT OF JUSTICE.

How Old Ike Prepared the Way for His Acquittal of a Serious Charge—Saved by a Young Boy's Interference.

[Ariansaw Traveller.]

Old African Ike was summoned to appear before court to render important testimony in a case involving the honor of a colored gentleman who, nearly every one believed, stole a sheep. Young Munkittie upon whom a strict watch was kept—his mother being on a visit in the country, and his father being absorbed in preparing himself for a coming debate—asked old Ike if he might accompany him.

"I've gwine ter 'tend ter some law business, honey, an' I doan' know dat it woul' be 'sistant wid de cou't o' de lan' ter 'low chillun ter 'insipate in de proceedings o' de hour, but mebbly, ez I haz 'siderable 'buence wid de hall o' justice, da mont, jus' ter please me, set aside de rules an' 'regulations, 'cause yer know, honey, I us' ter be a member o' de cotton 'change'." "A member of the cotton 'change'?" repeated the boy.

"Oh, yas, I us' ter 'change cotton for bacon. Oh, I've been a 'fuential man in my day. Come erlong, an' I think dat I kin work yer way inter de 'semblage'."

The old man had no trouble in securing admission for the boy, such was his influence with the Judge and Prosecuting Attorney, and conducting his young companion to the reservation especially fenced in for the lawyers, he sat down, nodded in recognition of an acquaintance who sat on the "prisoners' bench," and leaned back to enjoy the distinction guaranteed by his former relationship with the "cotton 'change'."

"Get out of here," said a deputy-Sheriff. "You'll have to sit back yonder, little fellow."

"I use a witness on dis er 'casion, sah," replied old Ike, with a proud attempt to stiffen the back of his neck.

"Well, go back yonder and stay until you are called."

"Ain't I 'titled ter de 'special ceremony an' 'prilege'?"

"Get out, I tell you!"

"Sartanly," and arising and turning to the boy, he said: "He doan' un'erstan' de sitywashington, honey. He's er new man in de flock, but wait till I has time ter speak ter de judge, an' I'll hab his wings clipped er little."

The boy, indignant in the belief that the old man's importance had not been recognized, insisted that the insulter should be immediately brought to justice, but the old man, wiser and more mature in his deliberations, replied:

"Nebor mind, honey, De Sabior wuz once 'sulted by de lawyers an' de fox-houn's o' de cou't erwhile, but dar punishment come arter erwhile."

The boy anxiously waited, and when old Ike was called to the witness box, he accompanied the sage, and seemingly unobserved, seated himself on the steps leading to the throne of justice.

"What is your name?" asked the prosecuting attorney after the old man had been placed under oath.

"Ike."

"What's your other name?"

"Which udder name? I've got fo' er fiva. Belonged ter seberal different marters, sah."

"Well, which name do you go by?"

"Just one and den de udder. Owin' ter what compny I've in."

"Never mind his name," interposed the lawyer for the defense. "The summons says that his name is Isaac Balch."

"Well, Mr. Balch," continued the Prosecuting Attorney, "do you know the defendant?"

"I oughter know him. He owes me er dollar."

"What kind of a name does he bear in the neighborhood?"

"Nebor heard nuffin' ergin his name. Soum's well eruff."

"Do you consider him an honest man?"

"Wait till he pays me dat dollar. Den I won't be prejudist."

"Tell us what you know in regard to his stealing a sheep from Mr. Parker."

"N-ebor seed him steal no sheep."

"Come, sir. Didn't you tell a man that you had eaten a part of the sheep?"

"I kain' tell by tastin' er sheep whuther it wuz stole or not. Yerse'f eat more o' de sheep den I did."

"What do you mean, sir?"

"Means dat half o' de sheep wuz tuck ter yer house an' sold, sah. Oh, doan come none o' yer pranks wid me."

"Your honor," exclaimed the Prosecuting Attorney, "I don't think that the witness knows anything about the case."

"Nebor mine," said Old Ike, "shoot yer dye stuff."

"None of your impudence, sir."

"Procege wid de barn rasin."

"Gentlemen please observe order," said the judge, turning with a weary air from a stack of papers which he was examining.

"Uncle Ike," said the boy, "why don't you call him a liar?"

Every eye was turned in the direction whence the small voice came.

"Hush, honey, hush. Dat's what he is, but if he ain't got sense 'nuff ter know it, I ain't gwine tell him."

"Mr. Sheriff," said the Judge, "you will please take that old man to jail to serve fifteen days for contempt of court."

"No, mister," exclaimed the boy, springing to his feet, "please don't do that. He is sick an' oughter be at home. Please let me take him away. It would kill him to put him in jail. Come on Uncle Ike," reaching up and taking hold of the old man's hand. "Come on, they won't hurt you. Let us go home and lie on the grass."

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Grand Rapids & Cadillac Ac. 7:40 pm 7:50 pm

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Mackinac & Grand Rapids Ex. 4:50 pm 10:25 am

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\*Through Mail. 2:30 pm 2:45 pm

\*Steamboat Express. 10:30 pm 10:40 pm

\*Mixed. 5:30 am 5:40 am

\*Night Express. 5:10 am 5:20 am

GOING EAST.

\*Steamboat Express. 10:10 am 10:20 am

\*Through Mail. 12:40 pm 12:55 pm

\*Limited Express. 2:30 pm 2:45 pm

\*Atlantic Express. 9:45 pm 10:45 pm

\*Mixed, with coach. 10:30 am 10:40 am

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