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The TELEGRAM-HERALD has the "Want"ads of the city and Everybody looks for them in our columns. Try them; they are cheap.

CIRCULATION LAST WEEK.

Monday, Aug. 6.....	6,140
Tuesday, Aug. 7.....	5,786
Wednesday, Aug. 8.....	5,786
Thursday, Aug. 9.....	5,773
Friday, Aug. 10.....	5,776
Saturday, Aug. 11.....	5,790
Total for six days.....	35,029
Daily average.....	5,838

The Western Michigan fair deserves liberal encouragement. Let every citizen do his share in boozing it.

Grand Rapids will shortly be called on to entertain Lansing. Let her come; we have room in our hearts for all.

Envoy SWENICK is so intensely busy in attending to the investigation of the CUTTING case that he cannot be bothered about any little newspaper yarns about him.

When Congress meets again there is likely to be a protracted wrangle over the Speakership. The Greenbackers and Prohibitionists will probably hold the balance of power, and will demand to be recognized.

It is curious how the newspapers lately have dropped calling BLAINE the "Plumed Knight" and speak of him as "the ex-Senator." The "Plumed Knight" monicker has proved as hollow as the Christianity of the man who invented it.

Senator Edwards is reported to have authorized the statement that he approves the anti-slavery movement among the Republicans. From this it may be inferred that the Senator does not fear that the movement will ever reach the Capitol restaurants of Washington.

"A poor and unworthy scoundrel" is what Mayor GRAHAM of New York is quoted as calling HENRY GEORGE. Now it will be interesting to hear Mr. George's estimate of Mayor GRAHAM and his opinion as to the cause which led the Mayor to stop pouring water into the woodchuck's hole after the animal was drowned.

Georgia is the next state to hold its election—October 6. Georgia is almost as rampant a Prohibition state as Maine, and the manner in which the Prohibitionists come out will be noted with a great deal of interest by the whole country. It will prove or disprove the story that Atlanta business has been seriously embarrassed by prohibition.

The anti-saloon convention in Chicago, yesterday, marks an important epoch in current politics. We have repeatedly asserted that the temperance element is bound to secure recognition in politics and yesterday's convention was a decided advance in that direction. The character of the men who are associated with this new movement is such that their action cannot be ignored.

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A few weeks ago the Democratic State convention in Delaware was in the hands of the Salmonian faction, and Secretary REED's defeat in the next Legislature, which will choose a successor to Senator FEAT, was considered assured. Last Saturday two out of the three counties in the State had caucuses for the nomination of candidates for the Legislature, and the result was a complete victory for the BAYARD faction as to whom no doubt that Mr. FEAT will be re-elected to the United States Senate. It is one of the beauties of a small State, and especially of this particular small State, that its politics can be turned over like a pancake.

A GOODESCHEME.

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