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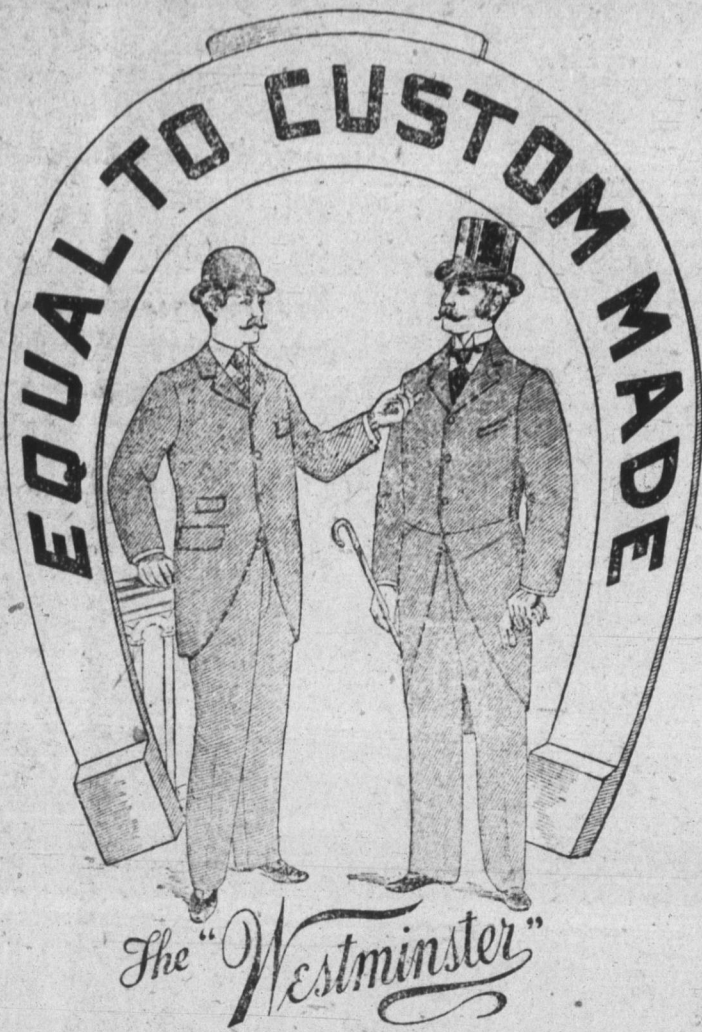
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## THE BLUE AND THE GRAY.

Preparations for a Grand Reunion on the Battlefield of Shiloh.

The veterans of Shiloh are to hold a grand reunion on that historic battlefield on April 6 and 7, the anniversary of the battle. Invitations have been extended to every living participant in the famous engagement, no matter in which army, and strong hopes are expressed that many thousands of them will attend. Federals and Confederates will alike participate in the reunion, the blue and the gray will be equally honored, and "Yanks" and "Johnny rebs" will fraternize on the field where 32 years ago they sought to exterminate each other. Among the prominent men who will be present are General Lew Wallace, Gen-



GENERAL McCLELLAND.

eral John A. McClelland of Illinois, General B. M. Prentiss of Missouri, General S. D. Lee of Mississippi, General James R. Chalmers of Tennessee, General William Preston Johnson of New Orleans and others.

The preservation of the battlefield of Shiloh as a national memorial park is a matter that has engaged the earnest attention for several years of many of the survivors of the troops on both sides who met there in the terrible battle of April 6 and 7, 1862. The Shiloh Battlefield association, which has this for its main object, now numbers among its members some 10,000 of the Federal and Confederate soldiers who fought at Shiloh, representing every regiment, battery and command that took part in the battle. All these are anxious that the field be preserved from the desecrating march of "improvement," that the graves of the unknown dead on both sides who are buried there be properly cared for, and that the positions of the various commands in the contest be marked while there are men yet living who can properly locate them.

The association has brought the matter to the attention of congress and has done a great deal of work in the way of influencing public opinion in favor of its project. It recently sent a committee to the battlefield and secured options on the land from the various owners at what are thought to be very reasonable prices.

Colonel E. T. Lee, secretary of the association, on behalf of its committee, reported to the congressional committee what had been done, and it is very likely that an appropriation will soon be secured for the purchase of the land and the maintenance of a memorial park like those at Gettysburg and Chickamauga. Major General John A. McClelland of Springfield, Ill., who commanded a division at the battle, is president of the association.

## Onida Overdresses.

The novelst Onida is decidedly plain looking, about 50 years old and "overdresses" shockingly. She drives on the fashionable thoroughfares in Florence every bright day, a gray picture against the turquoise blue satin of her smart brougham, in an orange colored batiste, much trimmed with lace, and a black gimpure mantilla.

## Berne Happenings.

Charles Brown, while driving through town on Friday night, had what might have been a serious runaway. The horse became frightened and upset the buggy. No great damage.

A number of our young men got flirty and got on wheels last Friday. As a result they had a delightful trip to Bluffton.

Charles Martz is once more in the employ of Geo. Hummel as an egg packer. Mr. Hummel shipped 14,119 dozen eggs last week.

Schindler & Stuckey have commenced on the building of their new furniture store.

Thursday evening about sixty people formed into a procession and went to the residence of Rev. Steingard and made him a present of a fine cook stove. There was a grand time enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. Ch. Stengel and Mrs. Geo. Schuck started on a visit to Ohio last week.

Charles Hooks was the guest of Job Smith this week.

Quarterly meeting will begin at the Evangelical church on Friday evening and continue over Sunday. All are cordially invited.

A special program will be rendered at the Y. P. A. Sunday evening. All should attend.

Dr. Stoneburner reports quite a number of cases of measles in the surrounding country.

On last Monday William Hughes, of Decatur, closed a contract with the trustees of the new cemetery at Berne, for a beautiful monument to be placed in the center of the cemetery. He was the lowest bidder in competition with eight others.

A Sprunger, of Berne, shipped on Friday last a car load of horses, and shipped another on Tuesday. All of which speaks well for Berne.

On Saturday last Allison's was a perfect jam. They took in over 1,000 dozen eggs that day.

CHAS. M. SIMCOKE.

# AMONEY!!

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## John Ruskin's Home.

Brantwood, the chosen lakeside home of John Ruskin during the last quarter century of his life, occupies one of the most favored spots in all England. Situated on the border line of Lancashire and Cumberland in the lake district, it overlooks the smallest of the waters in that "lake country" with which the names of Wordsworth, Southey, Coleridge, Lamb, Lloyd and Wilson are indelibly connected.

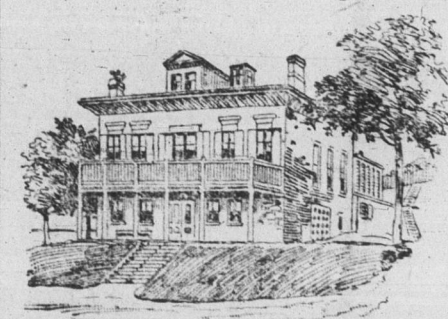
Set in the background of a half encircling wood of exquisite grace and mystic beauty, as seen in the green half light of its tranquil shade, Brantwood is protected from the east winds by the open, rising moorland that stretches far to the rear and faces a long slope of lawn that sweeps down to Coniston water's edge. Behind the green and purple moor the water of its overflowing wells runs swiftly down the rocks with all the fuss of a real cascade, and the exalted rock of "Naboth" rises just beyond the borders of his estate—a sort of natural pulpit which is rented by Ruskin, so that from its greater height, which he loves to climb, he may gaze upon the wider view. In front the narrow lake, sparkling in the sun and blue as the waters of the Rhone or of Thun. Then the rising banks beyond of broken green, with white faced houses blinking behind the trees, and the gray village of Coniston nestling away to the right, close down by the head of the lake, and beyond the "Old Man" himself towers above the smaller hills that rise close about his knees.—McClure's Magazine.

## HELEN GOULD'S CHARITY.

A Fresh Air Home For City Children Near the Hudson.

As is generally known, Miss Helen Gould is trying to do as much good as possible with her portion of the colossal fortune amassed by her father. One of the most worthy of her numerous philanthropic enterprises is the fresh air home for city children and teachers at Woody Crest, near Tarrytown, on the Hudson. The house was the property of the late Jay Gould and is situated a quarter of a mile from Miss Helen Gould's favorite country place, Lyndhurst. The home is a spacious old fashioned structure two stories high, with a gable roof. Below can be seen the pleasant homes and gardens of Tarrytown. In the distance, broad and blue, sparkling in the sunlight, the Hudson, dotted by river craft, meets the eye, while clustering about the house rises a grove of stately pines.

This is an ideal rural retreat for invalids and those whose lives have been spent in the teeming tenements and noisome streets of the metropolis. Every two weeks, beginning early this spring, from 30 to 50 children will enjoy an outing at Woody Crest. The children will come from kindergartens and day nurseries in New York, and often a sick, tired mother will go with her little one.



WOODY CREST.

During the winter Woody Crest was the home of a small colony of little cripples, most of them incurable and all of them waifs and strays on the great sea of humanity, who there experience the only happiness their poor hopeless lives can ever hope to know. Books and games are provided for their amusement, and they pass their time out of doors in pleasant weather or in a playroom and workshop that has been fitted up for them in the house, where they can indulge in such instructive amusements as printing and scroll sawing, for which the means are provided.

## The Southern Snow Line.

One hundred miles north of Key West is the farthest part south in Florida that snow has ever been known to fall. Go to the DEMOCRAT office for fine job work.

## THE MILLIONTH OF A SECOND.

This Astonishingly Small Amount of Time Measured by Electricity.

Instantaneous photography has made as familiar with the fact that very minute subdivisions of time are possible. Successful negatives are now frequently taken where exposure lasts only the one-millionth part of a second.

But at the first blush the statement that a single tick of the clock—the three thousand six-hundredth part of an hour—can be divided into millionths seems almost incredible, so infinitesimal is the fraction of time to be determined.

This is a scientific age, and science is nothing if it is not exact. Man has measured and weighed the abysses of the great oceans that cover three-fourths of the surface of our migratory planet and can give approximately the number of drops of water and grains of sodium chloride of which it is made up.

He has also computed the size, measured the distances and analyzed the composition of stars so distant as to be not even visible to the naked eye. After this it requires a very bold or a very ignorant individual to set any limit to human ingenuity.

That extremely minute fractions of time could be accurately determined was incidentally discovered by a celebrated electrician while making some famous experiments with regard to the velocity of electricity.

For the purpose of his experiment he caused an electric discharge from a Leyden jar to be sent through half a mile of copper wire with a break in the center. This gave rise to three sparks, which were reflected in a rapidly rotating mirror revolving at the enormous rate of 800 times a second.

The position of the sparks in the mirror showed that the central spark was slightly out of line, or was slightly retarded as compared with the other two, which were strictly simultaneous. The mirror, therefore, had moved forward somewhat while the electric charge was traveling through the quarter of a mile of wire to the central break.

The difference between the position of the sparks was found to be one-fourth of a degree, and as the mirror revolved through 360 degrees in the one-eighth-hundredth of a second the actual retardation of the central spark amounted to the one million one hundred and fifty-second thousandth part of a second only.

This is the smallest fraction of time ever determined. It is obvious that by simply lengthening the wire through which the electric discharge is sent the minute fractions of time can be accurately determined in a similar manner.

If it takes an electric discharge the one-millionth part of a second to travel over one-quarter mile of wire, it takes four times as long to journey a mile, or, to be exact, the two hundred and eighty-eight thousandth part of a second. In other words, electricity travels 258,000 miles per second.

It is by the above method scientists have been able to ascertain the velocity of electricity and duration of electric flash, the speed and duration of lightning, the velocity of light and much other valuable information respecting the properties of these forces of nature. —Boston Globe.

## Her Kindness.

Father—Why do you let that young man pay you such long calls?

Daughter—Because, papa, every body says he can't pay anything else, and I want to encourage him. —Detroit Free Press.

## Poetic License.

Poetic license entitles authors to do almost anything with the language in order to support the rhyme and meter, but there are cases when they seem to "raise the limit," so to speak. On a tombstone in the northern part of the state can be seen the following:

Beneath these cold and silent stones Lie the remains of Samuel Jones. His name was really Smith, not Jones. But his name was changed to rhyme with stones. —Indianapolis Sentinel.

## How, Indeed?

Misses—You must really break off that dreadful habit, Babette, of always wanting to have the last word.

Maid—But how am I to know, ma'am, that you have nothing more to say? —Figaro.

## Lien Grove Grist.

We move that Congress adjourn, and the members return home and counsel the advice of a mother, then when they return they may be in shape to do business.

Drillers are at work putting down the eighth well on the Thomas Williams' farm. The work is being done by one of the Akron, Ohio, drilling machines which dispenses with the use of a derrick. Six of the seven wells on the place are yielding plenty of oil.

John W. Runyon has moved to East Jefferson township, making the change this week.

Pomeroy Simson, of Indianapolis, is circulating among his kindred at this place.

Peter M. Schindler has bought the farm of seventy-five acres owned by John Bixler and will take possession in the near future. Consideration \$4,500.

The "Defensels Mennonite" is the name adopted by the society heretofore known as the Omish church. Sixty members were added to the church during the protracted meeting recently closed.

John Crisman has sold his house and lot to John Dunbar for \$600, and is a bargain to investor. Mr. Dunbar moved into the property on Monday.

By mutual consent John Crisman and wife discontinued their life's journey to gether, as pledged in their marital vow. They made sale of their property, the wife received a handsome alimony and the household goods, and moved to Newville as happy as a robin in the spring. In the meantime, John by extended hospitality, took up a temporary abode with mother and family. Wafted straws indicate the source of the storm.

## Pleasant Valley Items.

Sam Durbin moved last week from Martz' place to the old school house by the Valley church. The house he vacated will be occupied by Walter Martz.

Next Friday occurs the last day of Miss Aspy's school at Dist. No. 11. A good time is expected.

Rob Gould is getting signers for to hold a subscription school at the Valley this summer.

The young folks are taking considerable interest in the Young Folks Christian Endeavor, which has been lately organized.

Protracted meeting is now in progress at Smith's chapel under the direction of Rev. Joe Johnson. May it succeed.

The farmers are busy sowing oats.

## Magley Items.

Amy Hedrick met with a serious accident the other day at a raising. He had a part of his nose cut off with a broad ax.

Fred Shader met with an accident last Friday by a tractor. His running against a do broke his collar

## Monroe Items.

The Monroe township schools will all be out one week from to-day.

Chas. M. Simcoke, who has been teaching in school district No. 5, in Union township, is at his home. The school closed last Friday.

Married, Thursday evening of last week, James C. Urlick to Miss Laura Rhodes, at Monroe, by V. B. Simcoke, J. P. Jim was the happiest man in town at that time. He and his wife have taken up their abode with Grandpa Urlick and will make that their future home.

Miss Jane Hendricks, of Decatur, visited friends at Monroe last Wednesday.

Joseph P. Johnson has returned with his family to his farm, bidding Monroe farewell—and if forever, fare thee well.

Jonathan Burkhead moved to Monroe with his family last Monday. He has rented his farm to Aaron Huffman.

Charley Mason, of Albany, Ind., was in Monroe last week shaking hands with his many friends.

The Sanctified people commenced a protracted meeting last Tuesday evening at the Hooker Hall in Monroe.

Josiah Hendricks will move to Petoskey, Mich., on the 27th of this month with his family to make that his future home. Mr. Hendricks will engage in the mercantile business.

## Bobo Items.

S. S. Acker and the boys of Rivare planted maple trees in the school house yard last Wednesday.

M. H. Brunner and Clarence Brodbeck made a trip to Upland, Ind., Saturday.

Sophus Melch is at Convo, Ohio, having his eyes treated.

Davis Kern is laid up with a sore throat this week.

Miss Ella Kern is at home on a visit this week.

Dan Death was driving his gray horse this week.

John Thatcher moved into the G. A. Banner house vacated by J. M. Ault.

Henry Colter is at Schumm, Ohio, looking up his interest in the saw mill at that place.

## Root Township Items.

The farmers of this vicinity are busy sowing oats.

Rev. Itain preached his farewell sermon at Salem last Sunday.

Perry Hoag was in this vicinity last week on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Jackson were the guests of Jacob Kooser last Sunday.

The Young Peoples' Alliance will give an Easter entertainment at the Salem church next Sunday evening.

## Last Day of School.

UNION TOWNSHIP, March 20, 1894.

EDITOR DEMOCRAT:—The jolliest time ever witnessed at the school house in Dist. No. 5, Union township, happened last Friday. The reason of it was the last day of the winter term of school taught by Charlie M. Simcoke. The teacher repaired to the school house earlier than usual, to receive and provide for the coming multitude who began to arrive early, on horseback, on wagons, buggies and carts, any way to get there. The patrons and other friends came freighted with provisions of every kind, piles of the staff of life. In the forenoon regular recitations were had until noon, when the good mothers of the pupils, with many other ladies of the surrounding districts, prepared an elaborate dinner which was served to about 130 people who partook of the good grub heartily. The exercises in the afternoon by the pupils consisted of dialogues, declamations and songs. Instrumental music was furnished by the Krick & Stevens String Band. The assembly was given an appropriate address by Mr. C. Miller, which was appreciated by all; after which hand shaking was had and all returned to their homes feeling satisfied that the day was well spent.

## DECATUR SCHOOLS.

For the quarter ending March 2, 1894.

	No. Enrolled	Av. Daily Att.	Per cent. Att.	Young Peoples' Read. Circle
Central Building.				
Cora Shackley	48	88	81	*
Laura Albau	45	36	92	13
Ethel Hale	42	39	95	39
Kate Jackson	43	40	98	12
Oliver Bailey	45	42	97	20
Lenora Huffman	58	41	90	5
R. Christen, & D. L. Peterson	76	67	98	33
Lell Segur	55	52	93	0
North Ward.				
D. B. Erwin	43	41	96	35
Mary Britton	40	37	98	7
Emma Fuhrman	47	42	95	46
Dora A. Steele	48	42	95	*
West Ward.				
M. E. Hower	47	42	98	47
Lila G. Schrock	45	40	98	*
Grace McConney	35	32	94	*
Edith Reynolds	42	38	97	*

\* Books read to the school by the teacher.

## A Card.

ED. DEMOCRAT:—Please say to the patrons and pupils of school district No. 5, in Union township, that I am under many obligations to them for their friendship and kindness towards me while their teacher during the term of school just passed; and if ever it should be my lot to serve them in the capacity of teacher in the future, I hope our associations will be greater and as pleasant as the past has been.

CHAS. M. SIMCOKE.