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## MUNICIPAL SHORT-TALK.

John P. McCall, just home from Manistique, is confident that the Weston furnace will be blown in again, soon; in which case his location, St. Jacques, will resume active operations. All which is eminently desirable.

St. Stephen's church was profusely and tastefully decorated with flowers upon the occasion of the funeral services for Hal. Rogers. Nothing finer, if indeed anything so fine, was ever seen in Escanaba.

The Swedish Lutheran congregation will celebrate the Fourth in the grove on Tilden grounds and all are invited to attend. A picnic will be held and a good time is anticipated.

Judge Glaser has dodged duty as much as possible this week—a cold, and the smell of the fresh paint were too much for him to endure when he could evade either.

The Lighting company has made its building, on North Elm street, bright with kalsomine and convenient by new arrangements this week.

Whiting is downed. The democratic candidate for governor may be Spencer O. Fisher or some other "cuckoo," but never any but a cuckoo.

The marriage of Fred Carney, of Marinette, and Miss Nellie Carroll, of Escanaba, is to take place within ten days if rumor can be relied on.

The Delta having gone to Ford River to do the Bruce's work for a while, the Monarch is doing the harbor towing here.

Mrs. Talbot, Mrs. H. M. Atkinson and Miss Loretta Stack have gone to Philadelphia to attend a school of music.

On dit that Counsellor Clancy will bow his neck to the matrimonial yoke a week hence. He has our best wishes.

Enumerator Stephenson is of opinion (he has not footed up yet) that our population will not fall short of 8,000.

At the request of many citizens Dr. Todd's commencement address will be published in pamphlet form.

Major Kirstine (K. of P.) visited Manistique Monday to prepare for the parade here on Wednesday.

Miss Lyon has tendered her resignation as organist at the Presbyterian church.

The city has buried three of its dependent charges during the week last past. Peter Hofmann is home from Chicago for a short stay.

M. L. Merrill, the grocer, is doing a rushing traffic.

Postmaster Hartnett Cut Down.

In the readjustment of the salaries of Michigan postmasters we note that the pay of the postmaster of Escanaba is cut from \$2,200 to \$2,000 per annum. Iron Mountain, Ironwood and Norway lose each a hundred and Ontonagon and Sault Ste Marie each gain a hundred.

## PERVERTED VERSE.

There was a young fellow named Cholmondeley,  
Who in face and in figure was colmondeley.  
He was married one maughan  
To a lady named Vaughan,  
But they quarreled and always sat colmondeley.

There was a young man of Bordeaux,  
Who called to his horse and said "Wheezur"  
But his horse ran aweigh  
With a terrified neigh,  
And is probably still on the gear.

There was a young poet in Wemyss  
Who cried, "Oh, how awful it seems,  
When asleep late at night,  
Lovely poetry to write,  
And, awaking, find it's but dremys!"  
—Amusing Journal.

## One Kind of Railroad Pass.

"The postmaster general of the United States has at his command a greater number of railway mileages free of cost than perhaps any man in the world," said L. N. Tinsley, a railway passenger conductor. "My ignorance of this came very nearly costing me my job a few years ago.

"Over in Illinois one midnight the through train, of which I had charge, was flagged at a little way station, and a red faced man climbed aboard the front passenger coach. The stopping of my train at that hour of the night made me mad to begin with, and I was in no good humor when I approached my new passenger to collect his fare. Then, when he shoved at me a much handled piece of pasteboard, signed by the postmaster general and commanding in imperious language that the holder be carried free of charge on all trains carrying United States mails, I lost my temper completely. I was so mad that I would listen to no explanation from him, because I considered him either a train robber or an impostor and made him pay his fare in the coin of the realm, for which I gave him a receipt.

"I soon heard from my mistake after I reached St. Louis. The postoffice authorities and the railway people came down on me like a thousand of brick. I learned from them that my midnight passenger was a postoffice inspector, and that every man in this service is provided with a card from the postmaster general commanding the conductors of all railroad trains which carry mail to pass the bearer free. The name of no railroad company or official appears on the card, but the holder of it can travel on any road in the United States as far as he wants to go without paying a cent."  
—St. Louis Republic.

Coolness in warmth, warmth in coolness, dark with light and in everything, and, above all, contrast—that is the ideal. To be cool, a man needs to be cool. To be cool, a woman needs only to lool.

Trees from which coffin wood is taken in Tonquin are mined instead of being taken from the living forest. They are found buried under a sandy soil.

In Mongolia, Asia, there are no hotels. Monasteries, however, are numerous, and they always accommodate travelers.

## Mexico's Fans.

In Mexico fans were used long before the conquest, and when Montezuma heard that the Spaniards had landed and were about to visit him he sent for goldsmiths and lapidaries and ordered, among other gifts which were to be offered to Cortes, two feather fans, ornamented with a sun and moon of highly polished gold. Like the Japanese and most other ancient nations, the Aztecs evidently considered the fan an emblem of authority, for they generally placed it in the hands of Ometecuil, god of paradise, and of Totee, the military disciple of Quetzalcohuatl.—New York Post.

## Watchmakers.

The term "watchmaker," as it appears upon the signs of small shops all over town, long since ceased to be a truthful indication of the business transacted within. Most of the watches carried by Americans are made at great factories, and most of the so called watchmakers of the little shops are merely watch carpenters. Doubtless the making of a watch would be as much beyond the power of many of them as the making of a shoe would be beyond that of the man that passes his life in making only heels.—Philadelphia Press.

The migrating instinct is uncontrollable in birds that have it at all. Geese hatched from the eggs of the wild variety, though they have had no opportunity of learning, take wing in the fall and fly off to the south. If their wings be clipped, they will walk off as fast and go as far as they can.

Peking has an estimated population of 1,300,000 and 15,000 police. The signals of the police of Peking are made by yelling from station to station until the news reaches headquarters. The stations are within earshot of each other.

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