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They buy exclusively for cash, which
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Music Boxes and Opera Glasses, are
manufactured expressly for their trade,
and are far superior to similar goods of-
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MANUFACTURERS AND DEALERS IN
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Special attention given to

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Constantly on Hand.
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Made to order of Foreign and Domestic Marble.
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Would respectfully call the attention of the citi-
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Respectfully for sale in Lowell.
Fins, Rings and Jewelry made to order.
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All work warranted One Year.
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H. W. AVERY,
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Poultry,
Oysters**
AND ALL KINDS OF GAME IN SEASON
CASH
PAID FOR ALL KINDS OF
**Live Stock, Salt Pork, Hides
Pelts &c.**
Canton Market, Bridge Street.
LOWELL, MICH.

LOWELL MARKET REPORT.
Quotations July 14, 1874.
Wheat, No. 1, per bushel, \$1.35.
do No. 2, do do, \$1.30.
do No. 3, do do, \$1.25.
do No. 4, do do, \$1.20.
Corn, per bushel, 75c.
do No. 1, do do, 80c.
do No. 2, do do, 75c.
do No. 3, do do, 70c.
do No. 4, do do, 65c.
Sorghum, per bushel, 50c.
Rye, per bushel, 70c.
Oats, per bushel, 40c.
Clover Hay, per ton, \$15.00.
Timothy Hay, do do, \$16.00.
Alfalfa Hay, do do, \$17.00.
Apples, per bushel, 75c.
Oranges, per bushel, 1.00.
Lemons, per bushel, 1.00.
Grapes, per bushel, 75c.
Peaches, per bushel, 75c.
Strawberries, per bushel, 75c.
Blackberries, per bushel, 75c.
Raspberries, per bushel, 75c.
Currants, per bushel, 75c.
Cherries, per bushel, 75c.
Plums, per bushel, 75c.
Pears, per bushel, 75c.
Nectarines, per bushel, 75c.
Quinces, per bushel, 75c.
Ginger, per bushel, 75c.
Peppercorns, per bushel, 75c.
Cloves, per bushel, 75c.
Nutmegs, per bushel, 75c.
Mace, per bushel, 75c.
Allspice, per bushel, 75c.
Cinnamon, per bushel, 75c.
Saffron, per bushel, 75c.
Turmeric, per bushel, 75c.
Mustard, per bushel, 75c.
Mustard Seed, per bushel, 75c.
Mustard Oil, per bushel, 75c.
Mustard Cake, per bushel, 75c.
Mustard Leaves, per bushel, 75c.
Mustard Roots, per bushel, 75c.
Mustard Stems, per bushel, 75c.
Mustard Seeds, per bushel, 75c.
Mustard Oil, per bushel, 75c.
Mustard Cake, per bushel, 75c.
Mustard Leaves, per bushel, 75c.
Mustard Roots, per bushel, 75c.
Mustard Stems, per bushel, 75c.
Mustard Seeds, per bushel, 75c.

BUSINESS LOCALS.
See Star Clothing House Advertisement.
Paints and Oils at West's.
Figaro Cigars at West's.
Drugs and Medicines at West's.
Five hundred lbs Paris Green at Wood-
ing & Loomis.
For spring style of Hats and Caps, call on
C. Althen, Corner Store, Train's Block.
Fragile Green Sheller for sale by Atkin-
s & Greene.
The Best Cigars at West's Drug Store.
N. B.—Money to loan on good Real
Estate security. Myron H. Norton.
Take home one of the Oliver Chilled
Plows and try it; warranted the best
plow ever offered in this market.
Atkins & Greene.
See the Oliver Chilled Plow before
purchasing any other; for sale by
Atkins & Greene.
Potato Bugs are here again; and Wood-
ing & Loomis have just received 500 lbs.
of Paris Green.
For gents furnishing goods, go to C.
Althen's Corner Store, Train's Block.
Wall Paper and Window Shades at
West's.
Spring styles of clothing just received at
C. Althen's corner store, Train's Block.
The Oliver Chilled Plow is warranted
to outwear any two plows in the market,
either steel or iron.
Atkins & Greene.
The Oliver Chilled Plow will score in
any kind of soil. Atkins & Greene.
Remember, Star Clothing House,
Grand Rapids, allows 10 per cent. off all
marked prices on purchases of \$5 and
over of clothing bought during July and
August only.
I have a limited quantity of pure vac-
cine virus, non-humanized, direct from
the beifer.
Dr. J. O. Edie.
Remember, Star Clothing House,
Grand Rapids, allows 10 per cent. off all
marked prices on purchases of \$5 and
over of clothing bought during July and
August only.
Call and see the farmer's best friend in
time of need, Shupe's Wheel Cultivator.
Sold by John Taylor, corner Bridge and
Washington streets.

For clothing go to the only exclusive
clothing store in town—corner store,
Train's Block.
Call and see that Mower for sale by
John Taylor, corner Bridge and Wash-
ington streets, Lowell Mich.
All persons having oil cans belonging
to Wooding & Loomis will please return
them immediately.
Call and see those Milford Cultivators
before buying others. Sold by John
Taylor, corner of Bridge and Washing-
ton streets.
Kill those potato bugs with Paris
Green. Wooding & Loomis have the "pi-
zen."
Parker & Weatherwax have just re-
ceived the largest and cheapest best
stock of ribbons ever brought to Lowell.
Call and examine.
The best gift for all. Pleasing, useful,
valuable. A scholarship in the Grand
Rapids Business College and Telegraphic
Institute. Enclose stamp for College
Journal.
The Celebrated Triumph Baking Pow-
der, for sale by all first-class grocers—
Every ounce warranted.
Remember, Star Clothing House,
Grand Rapids, allows 10 per cent. off all
marked prices on purchases of \$5 and
over of clothing bought during July and
August only.
REMOVAL.—Charles Althen has re-
moved his stock of ready-made clothing,
gents' furnishing goods, hats and caps,
to corner store in Train's Block.
CHAPMAN'S ART GALLERY.—The public
is hereby notified that Mr. Flander's
engagement in my Gallery has been re-
newed, and that I shall be on hand to at-
tend to business myself. Promising
that my work shall not be excelled, I
respectfully solicit a continuance of the
liberal patronage heretofore bestowed
upon me. Pictures from life or enlarged
copies finished in ink or colors, by the
best artists at reasonable rates.
BE YOUR OWN PHYSICIAN.—There is
no case of Dyspepsia that Green's Augur
Flower will not cure. Come to the Drug
Store of Wooding & Loomis and inquire
about it. If you suffer from costiveness,
sick headache, sour stomach, indigestion,
liver complaint, derangement of the
system, try it. Two or three doses will
relieve you. Agree United States is the
only remedy in the United States that
contains no Quinine, Arsenic, or other
poisonous ingredients, the system, that
will cure fever and ague, intermittent or
bilious fevers, etc., and the chills not re-
turn during the season. It permanently
cures fever and ague of long standing.
G. G. GARDNER.

See Bank statement in to-day's JOUR-
NAL.
Mrs. George Adams of Grattan, died
last week Monday.
We want brief items of interest from
grangers, farmers who are not grangers,
ministers, mechanics, merchants, and
middlemen.
Determined to beat us you see. An-
other Grand Rapids subscriber writes,
"Note what you said about the fellow
who sent the V last week. Good; here's
another." And it is here.
We discountenance all gambling oper-
ations, understand, but if there is going
to be another raffle around here before
long, we would like to put up a few old
subscribers for a cent a shake.
It would be wrong, wouldn't it, for a
hard working woman who has to pay
taxes and support a large family, to go
to the polls and vote when her oldest
son has nothing to do.
We see no objection now to taking
the New York papers into respectable
families, since those papers have left
talking about their city government and
about to discussing the mad dog question.
Mr. Young's confectionery establish-
ment has a new bay window, and Mr.
Young is going to enlarge his stock
soon. He also informs us that he will
have ice cream regularly during the re-
minder of the season. The quality of
the article prepared at his establishment
is number one.
Oliver J. Watkins Esq., of Grattan,
has held the office of Justice of the
Peace for eight years. The last day of
his last term was on the fourth day of
July, and his last official act was the
joining together, in the holy bonds of
matrimony, of Mr. L. R. Piley of
Grattan, and Mrs. Ursula Tweedwell of
Rockford. An act of Justice.
An Adrian widower who has lost three
wives and is the father of seven children,
recently married a comely widow who is
the mother of four curly headed boys
and two faxen headed girls. As they
all live at home it is barely possible that
there will be music in the back yard one
of these days.
From the Intercollegiate Regatta Com-
mittee comes a Grand Stand complimen-
tary ticket to the great rowing match at
Sarotoga, to-day and to-morrow. Owing
to the fact that the railroad companies
and hotel proprietors failed to send
tickets for the round trip, we found it
impossible to leave "on account of busi-
ness."
The Michigan Central Railroad Com-
pany's depot at Grand Rapids was
burned on Tuesday night of last week;
and on Wednesday morning J. W. Boynton's
military store and contents were
destroyed by fire. If you want to see
the ruins go down on the next train; a
four story brick may be put up there to-
morrow.
The gilt edged young man from the
city is visiting his country cousins now.
He will stay two weeks. At the end of
that time he will bid his rural relation
good by, and say to them that he never
spent two weeks as happily in his life.
His rural relation will respond by saying
that the next time he comes he must
stay at least a month; and he must come
real often too. The young man will re-
turn to his home and inform his mother
that he couldn't have been induced to
prolong that visit another week for
\$1,000. And after he is gone his coun-
try cousins will say that if he ever
comes again they will take pains to see
that the little - stuck-up don't hang
around there a great while.

JOURNAL JOTTINGS.
No first-class paper refuses to give
advice on the mad-dog subject.
The Valley City Enterprise shows a
fine countenance now.
Greenville is agitating the railroad
question and wants the K. L. & N. M.
Who deserves killing first, the peaky
red-skin or the man who makes straw-
berry boxes?
The Iowa Standard speaks of an ex-
tensive bed of superior sandstone near
that city.
Ben. Butler was distanced in the
racing race at Indianapolis last week, but
it doesn't damage his record any.
Dr. McDannell's new brick residence
is about completed and very neat and
comfortable it looks.
Hubbardston, Mair, and other fast
towns, indulged in shooting and stabb-
ing affairs the 4th.
Don't be seen on the street again until
you are properly trimmed with Hamberg
edging.
At the meeting of the directors of the
Lowell National Bank, held on the 7th
inst., the usual dividend of five per
cent. was declared.
Those Early Rose potatoes rose very
early in Mr. Blain's garden this season.
Mr. B. didn't seem much surprised to
find that he had a place for them.
Charley Waters has bought the Frank-
lin House Omnibus, and will now run
that conveyance for passengers "on his
own hook." Orders may be left at the
Franklin House, or at Capt. Tate's office.
Charley says he'll do his level best to
please.
Wong Chin Foo, the Chinese lecturer
who made a Foo of himself in Lowell
a few months ago, is now looked upon
as what is classically termed in this
country, a dead beat. Our folks begin to
think it is about time for him to go home
and be hung.
Miss Emma Cole of the Greenville
National School, is spending her summer
vacation in Lowell, improving each
shining hour in mastering double entry
at the Bank. Miss Cole has been en-
gaged to teach another year at Greenv-
ille, and will return to that city at the
close of the present vacation.
A correspondent of the Lansing Re-
publican has discovered, after years of
patient toil and research, that a single
drop of oil of vitriol on the root of a
Canada thistle, after the top is cut
off, will kill it as dead as Julius Cesar.
It is our opinion that a Canada thistle
served in this way would certainly be
killed fatally dead; to all appearances
as dead as Andrew Johnson.

The Plainwell Republic says Prof.
Hicks has been spending a few days with
a party of pleasure seekers at Gun Lake.
Advertising doesn't pay, eh? One day
last week a lady came in to advertise a
lost shawl, and she hadn't been gone five
minutes before she found it.
A young man in town wanted to see
his name in the JOURNAL, so he had that
he threw a stone through a neighbor's win-
dow. But we'll fool him this time.
A Paw Paw alderman has been com-
plained of for whipping his wife, says
the Plainwell Republic. They ought to
Paw Paw the eyes out of an alderman
that will whip his wife.
On the 3d day of July Rev. A. Rogers
pastor of the M. E. Church, pronounced
Mr. James Hanson of Saranac, and Miss
Rosetta Johnson of Keene, husband and
wife.
Many of our exchanges endorse Col.
McCreery of Flint, as a candidate for
State Treasurer. The JOURNAL gave its
endorsement three weeks ago. Col.
McC. is the man.
There were 708 convicts in the State
Prison June 30, which proves that Mich-
igan is one of the greatest producing
States in the Union.
H. Barnum & Co's circus, hippodrome,
menagerie, and red men of the forest
will visit Lowell on the 24th inst. Come
early if you would secure a good place
to stand up on the sidewalk.
The Big Rapids Pioneer has been en-
larged to a seven column quarto, and
furnished with a new and tasty dress.
Just as Gay as ever, and a good deal
Fuller.
Let Don Henderson read the Bible if
he wants to. By and by he'll come to
that passage which says, "It isn't good
for man to live alone," and then see if
he doesn't hup up and meditate.
I. Ransom Sanford has retired from
the Valley City Enterprise, and opened
a real estate office in Grand Rapids. In
his valedictory he says money has been
sunk in the Enterprise business, because
of the failure of some of the leading
citizens to give the paper reasonable sup-
port.
At the directors meeting in this village
Monday afternoon, President Cobb was
instructed to notify the Engineer to hold
himself in readiness to commence work
on the railroad between Hastings and
Lowell.
Smiley says the best way to get a view
of that comet is to stand behind the
lilac bush with your girl and look at it
stereoscopic fashion. But it's our opinion
that Smiley would lilac the old boy if he
thought he could come over the girls
that way.
The editor of the Sand Lake Journal,
as a model of public opinion, is very
moody. He desires to exchange his
print mill for a box of herring; and is
there a man at Sand Lake that would
not contribute one box of herring to the
relief of that community?
The Frankfort Express has been shown
a sample of Lincoln sheep wool, measur-
ing 16 inches in length, but that's
nothing. There is a man in this town
who owned a sheep that had a clip over
the head four feet long. You get laid
out when you come to us with your wool
yarn.
A woman's suffrage meeting, appoint-
ed by the State Association, will be held
at Train's Hall in this village, to-morrow
(Thursday) evening. The well known
and effective speaker, Miss MATILDA
HINDMAN, of Pennsylvania, will address
the meeting. Let the Hall be filled.
Let those who are in favor of, and those
who are opposed to the movement come
out and hear the question discussed.
The present political status appears to
us about as follows: Gov. Bagley, Lt.
Gov. Holt, Auditor General Humphrey,
and Land Commissioner Clapp will be
re-nominated. For Secretary of State,
E. G. D. Holden of Grand Rapids, will
be the successful candidate. Col.
McCreery of Flint is the most prominent
candidate for State Treasurer. Hon.
Isaac Marston of Bay City will receive
the nomination for Attorney General.
Such a State ticket, even those who
are becoming politically lukewarm will
be glad to earnestly support.
In attendance at the railroad meeting
last Thursday, were President Cobb,
Judge Wells, Dr. Chapin and Mr. Mer-
rell of Kalamazoo; Messrs. Cook, Bowne,
Burton and Carter of Hastings; Major
Anderson, the stock solicitor; G. H.
Spencer and D. Osgood of Smyrna; and
on Monday there were present at the
journal railroad meeting, Pres. Cobb,
and Sec'y, Dunbar of Kalamazoo; Messrs.
Cook and Burton of Hastings; Messrs.
G. H. and A. Spencer, and D. Osgood of
Smyrna, and Messrs. C. C. Ellsworth and
H. B. Fargo of Greenville.
We have received a copy of the pre-
mium list of the Eighteenth Annual Fair
of the Ionia County Agricultural Society
to be held at Ionia Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday and Friday, Sept. 22, 23, 24
and 25. The beautiful pamphlet con-
taining this list was published by Taylor
& Sessions, of the Sentinel, and shows
that Messrs. T. & S. are adepts in pam-
phlet work. Extensive preparations are
being made to make this the greatest
and most successful of all fairs ever held
in Ionia County. Larger premiums are
offered and the grounds and buildings
will be complete. Hon. Austin Blair
will deliver the address. Of course
many from the eastern portion of our
county will attend. Let us be neigh-
borly, for we are neighbors and ought to
be better acquainted. Possibly the time
may come when a district society may
be organized in Ionia, to include more
territory. Why not?

The net proceeds of the Baptist festi-
val last week were about \$25 we are told.
Many new names have been added to
our subscription list since July 1.
Few papers in Michigan contain as
much local news as the JOURNAL.
When we see a farmer rejoicing over
his crops, the rest of us ought also to be
tickled.
The communication from "One of
them," came too late for insertion this
week.
Mr. Hand has retired from the Frank-
lin House, and Wm. Misner is again
landlord.
Miss Hindman is announced to speak
on the suffrage question at Boyne Cen-
ter this Wednesday evening.
B. R. Noble started for Omaha and
Yankton on Monday, with the intention
of returning home in a few weeks.
Wish the Secretary of the District
Council of P. O. H. would let us know
what's going on.
The Congregational berry and cream
festival advertised for last Friday eve-
ning, was postponed to July 24th, the
great show day.
The Lowell National Bank has the
credit of being one of the best managed
banking institutions in the State. This
is strictly confidential.
A new tin roof is being laid on the
belly of the M. E. Church, and the so-
ciety is wondering if the citizens of
Lowell will help them by a bell weight
not less than one thousand pounds.
Barnum & Co., proprietors of the big
show which is billed for Lowell, July 24,
lost heavily by the burning of the Grand
River Valley Railroad depot last week;
their show bills for the whole north-
western part of the State being stored
in the depot at the time of the fire.
Will Hall came down town a few
mornings ago, and said it was the best
looking "Pride of the West" he ever
saw. It won't be long before he'll have
a little fellow will jump from his little
white blanket into a high chair.
Mrs. Mary Hunter, wife of Robert
Hunter, Sr., and mother of R. Hunter,
Jr., died at her home in this village on
the 7th inst., in the 83rd year of her age.
Mrs. Hunter had been an invalid for
nearly twelve years; a long and patient
sufferer.
An exchange says—"The 89th Anniver-
sary of American Independence was cele-
brated in this city in the old-fashioned
way." Let's see—don't remember
just how we did spend the 4th then.
But to some folks, things that happened
years ago are just as fresh as if they were
the scenes of yesterday.

An interesting item relative to the
quantity of standing pine timber between
Greenville and Houghton Lake, is fur-
nished by Col. E. H. Learning, Civil En-
gineer. The Col reports in thirty
townships between the points above men-
tioned, the enormous amount of 10,
350,000,000 feet! No wonder that rail-
road men who haven't any railroad, are
looking pine-ingly up that way.
Remember the suffrage meeting at
Train's Hall to-morrow (Thursday) eve-
ning. We regret that this meeting was
appointed for Thursday evening, that be-
ing the regular prayer and conference
meeting night, but as the appointment is
made we hope the pastors of the several
churches will hold their meetings earlier
than usual, so as to be able to attend Mrs.
Hindman's lecture.
Pursuant to call, the stockholders of
the K. L. & N. M. railroad met at Train's
Hall in this village on the 9th inst., to
act upon the question of changing the
gauge of the proposed road to three feet.
The meeting was called to order by Pres-
ident Cobb, and in the absence of Sec-
retary Dunbar, D. R. Cook of Hastings,
was elected Secretary pro tem. Previous
to the meeting it was understood that
a sufficient number of proxies had been
obtained to carry the vote in favor of
the question, but further investigation
bringing to light the fact that the law
required a vote of two-thirds of all the
subscribed stock, instead of stock upon
which assessments have been paid, the
proxies fell short of representing the
required amount. (Stockholders in arrears
in the payment of any assessment made
on their subscriptions to stock, are not
entitled to vote, but in order to alter or
amend, a vote of two-thirds of the sub-
scribed stock is required.) The meeting
decided to adjourn from day to day for
three days, (acting under a provision of
the law found in Section 3, of Article II,
of General Railroad Laws,) to work up
the deficit and report progress on Mon-
day at one o'clock p. m.
The meeting was adjourned from day
to day until Monday; Dr. Ellsworth acting
as chairman, and M. M. Perry Sec-
retary. At one o'clock on Monday after-
noon, the meeting was called to order by
chairman Ellsworth. Besides the dele-
gations, mentioned elsewhere, from oth-
er points, many stockholders and in-
terested spectators were present. The ques-
tion of gauge was thoroughly discussed.
The number of votes necessary to change
the gauge was 1,138. The total number
of votes cast at the meeting was 1,197;
the result of the ballot standing, "For
three feet gauge," 1,197; opposed to
three feet gauge—0,000. A prolonged
pitting of the feet was given for the nar-
row gauge. Greenville was represented
at the meeting by Hon. C. C. Ellsworth,
and H. B. Fargo. Mr. Ellsworth says
Greenville is ready to help build the road
to that point. The meeting was a sort
of railroad love feast, and had we space
we would give a fuller report.

On Wednesday night of last week six
stores in this village were entered by
burglars, and from each store they suc-
ceeded in carrying away enough loose
change to reward them for their trouble
in breaking through the back windows.
They entered Edmund Lee's store and
picked up twelve or fifteen dollars; at
West's drug store, a box of cigars, cigar
holder, and ten dollars in cash; at Scott's
hardware, a revolver and ten to fifteen
dollars in cash; at Hunt & Hunter's drug
store, about ten dollars in change; at N.
L. McCarty's, a box of jack-knives and
ten to twelve dollars in money; at Enos
& Bradford's, three revolvers, a few
pocket knives, and a shot bag about two
thirds full of small money. Enos &
Bradfield's loss, about \$40. An attempt
was made to enter the post office build-
ing, to take an invoice of Balcom &
Nimock's stock of jewelry, but while
one of the scoundrels was cutting his
way through the window with a diamond,
Cornelius Crawford, who sleeps in the
postoffice, hearing the racket, arose to
learn what was up and the burglar
walked off very rapidly. How many
there were in the gang is not known, but
it is evident that no one individual could
have done so much retail business in one
night without being discovered by the
night-watch. On Thursday, a suspicious
banking umbrella mender, who gave his
name as George Brown, was arrested and
searched. He denied the spot impres-
sion, and said the "other man" who
came here with him was just as innocent
and a good deal drunker than he was.
The omnibus men, who saw them when
they got off the train, say there were
three umbrella carpenters in the party,
but Brown hoped to die if that was so;
and as nothing could be proved against
him, the prisoner was discharged. Other
suspicious looking characters have been
hanging around Lowell of late, and we
suggest that it would be a good idea
to keep a close watch of their move-
ments. No clue has yet been obtained
to the "bunglers."

Mrs. Bouncer and Mrs. Young are
neighbors, and reside near the depot.
On the fourth day of July the numerous
children of Bouncer and Young, instead
of reading the Declaration of Independ-
ence to each other, and singing Yankee
Doodle in concert, got together and
scratched and pounded each other and
three stones and didn't behave nice.
Mrs. Bouncer went to the rescue of her
children, spanked them like a good
mother and sent them to the house.
Mrs. B. also took one of Mrs. Young's
children by the arm and endeavored to
impress upon her young mind the fact
that she had better trot towards home
immediately. Mrs. Y. saw this happen
and started for Mrs. B. with a fixed pur-
pose in her heart and vengeance in her eye.
Mrs. Young is a very large and strong
woman, while Mrs. Bouncer is rather
frail. That is, Mrs. Young is a bouncer
in fact, while Mrs. B. is Bouncer in name
simply. Mrs. Y. conveyed the intelli-
gence to Mrs. B. that she would "learn
her to let her young ones alone." Mrs.
B. replied that Mrs. Y. "had better at-
tend to her own business." Mrs. Y.
thought; pity that both of them hadn't
thought of that before. The ball opened.
Mrs. Y. pitched into Mrs. B. and a
severe fight ensued, Mrs. B. coming out
second best. Andrew Curtis and wife
deserve credit for separating the pugilists.
We beg to be excused from giving
further particulars of the affray. On the
following Tuesday the case of the
people vs. Mrs. Young was tried by jury
before Justice Perry. The jury failed to
agree, and the affair has since been set-
tled; the costs being equally divided be-
tween the combatants. It is a sad thing
to see women alternate. We hope we
shall never have occasion to record an
other instance of this kind.

The District Conference for Ionia Dis-
trict, met at the M. E. Church of this
village, Tuesday evening, July 7. There
were 23 ministers in attendance, several
ministers' wives, and a number of lay-
men. Rev. T. F. Hilldrath of Ionia, in-
stead of preaching as per programme,
read a paper entitled "The proper sphere
of woman." One hour was occupied in
reading the paper and it was the general
opinion that the title of the paper should
have been "What I know about woman's
inability to vote."
Wednesday morning was occupied in
transacting the business of the district.
Three men were licensed to preach. The
time of holding the district camp meet-
ing on the ground, three miles south-east
of Ionia, was fixed for August 13-19.
After disposing of several other matters
of business, the programme of literary
exercises was taken up, and the paper
read the evening before was criticised
by the members of the conference and
others present, and judging from the re-
marks made, it seemed that about three-
fourths of the ministers were in favor
of woman suffrage. Papers were read dur-
ing the day by J. L. Bull, N. L. Brock-
way, A. D. Newton, J. A. Sprague, A.
Rogers, and W. J. Aldrich. In the eve-
ning Rev. M. V. Rork of Stanton, pre-
sented a few fervid thoughts on "What
are the sagacities of the temperance
movement." His conclusions were "wo-
man suffrage and then the complete
control of the whiskey traffic."
The Conference met again Thursday
morning at eight o'clock. T. J. Spencer,
J. Hills, and N. B. Ray read papers, all
of which were duly criticised. A resolu-
tion of thanks to the families who had
kindly entertained the Conference, was
passed, and the Conference adjourned to
meet on the camp ground during camp-
meeting, for the transaction of business.
It was the general opinion that the ses-
sion was a pleasant one.

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