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### Balance the Books!

The publisher of the JOURNAL respectfully but earnestly requests that every subscriber in arrears and every person indebted to this office shall without further delay make full payment of his or her indebtedness. Our patrons—many of them—know full well that owing to the stringency of the times in the past we have, at our own expense and personal sacrifice, given them time on accounts that ought to have been paid long ago. The time has now come when a settlement of such accounts will be insisted upon and we hope and trust that no delinquent will make it necessary, by putting off the matter longer, for us to place his account in the hands of an attorney for collection. A prompt response to this call will render such a procedure unnecessary and save the delinquent extra cost. This notice will be published for a short time only.

### EDITORIAL COMMENT.

—How any intelligent citizen can believe the President to be sincere in his civil service reform professions so long as he utterly disregards them in the practical operation of the same, is more than the JOURNAL can explain. With his pen he writes his civil service reform creed and by his deeds he belies his words. The thousands of removals from office made since last March have been ordered without regard or respect to the civil service rules. The question has not even been seriously thought of by the appointing power. Scores of fourth class postmasters and other officials have been removed daily simply on the recommendation of some prominent partisan democrat who believes that "to the victors belong the spoils" and who looks upon the civil service reform idea as a humbug or farce. Hypocrisy never stood up higher in its stocking feet than it does to day in the White House at Washington. The average American citizen is not a fool to be misled by such empty professions as are uttered by the present appointing power. If any democratic paper can harmonize the President's words with his actions in the matter of removals and appointments we want that paper to begin the herculean task at once. Let him continue to "turn the rascals out" at the rate of a hundred a day if he wants to, but let him do it without further insult to the intelligence and moral sentiment of the people. This hitching his performances to the hind end of his promises has been witnessed by even his own party associates with disgust and contempt.

—How deeply and sincerely the people mourned when Lincoln died; when Garfield died; when Grant died. When Vanderbilt died the common eulogy was: "His income was \$19.50 a minute—Gosh!"

—If there were to be a World's Hog Show this winter we know where the first premium would go. It would go straight to the Iron Clad Soulless Stock Fire Insurance Combination.

—Vanderbilt's body lies mouldering in the grave but his sole estate goes marching on.

### JOURNAL JOTTINGS.

Renew now!  
Renew, renew now!  
Get ready for Christmas.  
Renew for the JOURNAL now!  
New subscriptions coming in now.  
The JOURNAL pays cash for good wood.  
Sawdust vinegar will be made at Muskegon.  
Last Saturday was a big wheat day in Lowell.  
Miss Anna Husted is home from Olivet College.  
To Mrs. M. O. Smith, Dec. 13, a fine 9 lb. boy.  
Let us have some good lectures here this winter.  
The Edmore Journal is enlarged and greatly improved.  
"Cascade Cullings" missent and therefore arrived too late.  
Mrs. Chas. Ramsdell from Dakota is visiting Lowell friends.  
Straws tell which way the wind blows; also which way the cider goes.  
The weather clerk ought to be arrested for assault and battery.  
Swear-off resolutions printed at this office with neatness and dispatch.  
A little son of Peter K. Thomas of Bowne died of diphtheria Monday.  
Emerson Bailey and Mrs. Cuykendall started for Dakota Wednesday evening.  
The Christmas stocking should be darned this week. Darn it, ladies, darn it.  
Whether are you drifting? Buy a Rochester Lamp and you will be able to see.  
Ab Peck is engaged in the music business with G. B. Balcom at Kalama, Z30.  
Joseph Wilson Post No. 87, G. A. R. will elect new officers next Wednesday night.

The usual Christmas festivities at the churches Christmas Eve.

Chas. H. Owens has been dismissed from the soldiers' home for disobeying orders.

Don't fail to see Owen Fawcett's Big Bonanza next Wednesday night at Music Hall.

A meeting of the Lowell Fishing Club will be held soon to transact important business.

The Caledonia News urges the importance of securing a village charter for Caledonia.

The Peek-a-boo Club will give a New Years party at Music Hall Friday evening, Jan. 1, 1886.

Mr. James Trednick and Mrs. John Thompson were united in wedlock in Cascade Dec. 5th.

The editors of the Stanton Herald and the Clipper had a fist fight. Nobody killed on both sides.

Russell Higgins of Ada was arrested by Sheriff Kinney for stealing a buggy from an Ionia man.

The JOURNAL correspondents will please send in their items next week one day earlier than usual.

The Alba Heywood combination is immense. Go and see Alba at Music Hall next Tuesday night.

Here and there a town resolves to readopt Sun time, having become tired of going to bed at 4 p. m. s. t.

Sarah A. McEwan of Ada asks for a divorce from her husband Eugene on the ground of cruelty and desertion.

Miss Mate Althen and Miss Jessie Stone attend the wedding of Miss Metta Rice of Grand Rapids next Wednesday.

Owing to a rush of job work the employees of this office have no time to sit on the fence and see the procession pass by.

If you want to see the remains of a dozen or two "open winter" prophets just go around to the alley back of this office.

A natural gas explosion at Ionia has been expected hourly since the appointment of Ionia's new postmaster was announced.

The Lowell W. C. T. U. will not meet again until after the holidays. Next meeting at Mrs. M. Chapman's, Jan. 8, at 2:30 p. m.

Goodrich Kopf's artesian well is a success. Its depth is 110 feet and it throws out about 60 barrels of excellent water in 24 hours.

Farmers should store a good supply of ice this winter. Let those farmers who have never done so build ice houses and fill them. It will pay.

Capt. Allen was accompanied to Lowell by his estimable wife last Friday. They were the guests of Mr. & Mrs. H. J. Bradley while here.

There was a good attendance at the Rink Friday night. The bear wasn't a very graceful skater but he filled the bill. The music was fine.

All ladies who will "receive" on New Years day will please leave their announcements with the JOURNAL not later than next Tuesday noon.

Between Oct. 21 and 24, Mrs. Corydon Barber lost a valuable long crape veil. The finder will be rewarded upon leaving it at Medler's Dining Hall.

There is an advertised letter for Joseph Foraker in the Grand Rapids post-office. What's the matter with sending it to the Governor elect of Ohio?

If you don't want a Rochester Lamp for yourself buy one for somebody else. But you need one for yourself. Call at H. B. Church's store and see them.

The rush at Howard, Pease & Co's store shows that people are anxious to secure the bargains now offered there; and it also shows that it pays to advertise.

The Robinson Bros. acrobatic skaters gave a good exhibition at the Rink Wednesday night. The Rink is now in fine condition, warm and pleasantly lighted.

E. A. Sunderlin distinguished himself as a humorist in his response to a toast at G. A. R. hall Friday night. It was his maiden effort and he maiden excellent speech.

Some of our citizens would like to see Lowell induce the D. L. & N. Railroad company to run a branch road from Ionia to this place. Can the D. L. & N. be induced?

Owen Fawcett will appear with his excellent company at Music Hall next Wednesday evening, in his favorite—"The Big Bonanza." Don't fail to see Fawcett. He is great.

A Chicago firm has contracted to purchase all the goods the Lowell Furniture Co. can make for the coming year, at prices agreed upon and satisfactory to all concerned. Good news.

The "Labor Union" is a vigorous young weekly paper published in Grand Rapids. It strikes from the shoulder in behalf of the working men and lets the chips fall where they will.

Some folks go by standard time when they are owing you; when you owe them they go by sun time and want to turn the clock ahead even then. For further particulars see the Golden Rule.

There will be a Christmas Carnival at the Rink Christmas night. Matinee Christmas afternoon. Music by Rickert's orchestra both afternoon and evening.

ing. Masks and fancy costumes in order.

Mr. I. J. Buck who has been spending sometime in Georgia sends home some beautiful flowers now in bloom. He is pleased with the soil and climate of Georgia and intends to spend the winter there.

The next meeting of the West Campbell Ladies' Union will be held at Mrs. Chas. Lee's on Wednesday, Dec. 30, at two o'clock p. m. The program will consist of literary exercises. All ladies invited.

Will somebody get hold of Tom Bates of the Grand Traverse Herald and choke him off? He is trying to get up a corner on print paper by using up the visible supply in his holiday editions. Down with monopolies!

Angelo E. Tower has been appointed postmaster at Ionia. This is a victory for Judge Morse and another black eye for Congressman Comstock. Comstock hurrahed for George Cooper but the lucky man Towers over Cooper.

The JOURNAL will be printed and mailed next week on Thursday—the day before Christmas. Bear this in mind, all ye who wish to use its columns next week. All matter for publication should be sent in a day earlier than usual.

The Good Templars will hold a necktie social at their hall Tuesday eve, Dec. 23d. Each lady to furnish a lunch and neckties. The gentlemen to be the purchasers. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Major Frank R. Chase, of Smyrna, has been appointed a member of the Chase-Townley executive committee to represent the Chase heirs of the estate. It is believed by some that "there's millions in it" while others have little faith.

Mr. John Devoe is taking subscriptions for all papers and periodicals at prices as low as can be obtained elsewhere. In selecting your reading for the coming year he invites you to deal with him and he will attend promptly to all orders left with him.

The JOURNAL received a pleasant visit yesterday from Mrs. C. N. Leonard of Cleveland, O., and her sister, Miss Florence Andrus, of Otisco; the former an accomplished artist and the latter a young lady of excellent literary attainments.

Vanderbilt had some soul, after all. He left a million dollars out of his \$200,000,000 for charity's sake. Which is equivalent to a bequest of \$100 from a man worth \$20,000. The biggest mistake we ever made was in not hiring out as an heir to Mr. Vanderbilt.

Mr. J. Halderman, of Fort Wayne, Ind., the gentlemanly traveling passenger agent for the Southern Kansas Railway, made the JOURNAL a pleasant call Wednesday. He represents a railroad that extends through some of the finest sections of country in the southwest.

President Chamberlain, of the Lowell Manufacturing Company, expects to sit down to strawberry shortcake at his own table in Oakland, California on New Years day. When he returns to Lowell he will probably be accompanied by his wife and one of his daughters.

Beware of chicken thieves. And, chicken thieves, beware. John W. Beverly of Grand Rapids stole some chickens from James Perry of Byron. Beverly was tracked and upon offering resistance to an officer was shot in the leg. It didn't pay John W. Beverly to steal those hens.

J. R. Hayes, late manager of "The Arlington," at Potosky, is now manager of the "Sanford House," Sanford, Fla., an elegant hotel and winter resort. Mr. Hayes sends us a fine picture of the hotel and surroundings and will give us "the best the house affords" if we will come and see him.

Wednesday's Grand Rapids Times says: "Articles of agreement were last night signed between Jas. Fell, of Richville, Missouri, and Tom Kinnaird, of this city, to fight to a finish, Dec. 29, at Lowell, for \$100 a side, the winner to take 75 per cent and the loser 25 per cent of the gate receipts."

"The Star Cutter Co." is the name of a new stock company organized in Chicago with a capital of \$25,000; half the stock being held by the Lowell Manufacturing Co. The Lowell Manufacturing Company has already contracted to fill an order for 10,000 cutters in the "knock-down" to The Star Cutter Co.

The Hastings Journal (fusion) bears down on the President as follows: "We confess to disappointment in the message of Cleveland. If the majority in the lower house of Congress coincide with the views there expressed, there will be a general hegira from the Democratic party, in this state."

"How did you lose your arm?" asked one of Lowell's most industrious talkers the other day. The one armed fellow looked up as solemn as a funeral procession and replied: "A man got me cornered one day and talked it off." The party of the first part looked at the party of the second part a moment and then passed on with his mouth full of words frozen solid.

We take pleasure in announcing the Alba Heywood Combination for Tuesday Eve, Dec. 23, at Music hall. Mr. Heywood returns and plays for the benefit of the Lowell Quartette Club. The program will be the best selections from

his extensive repertoire. Since his last engagement here Mr. Geo. Parks has joined his company. He will introduce some very novel and pleasing solos on the Xylophone and orchestra bells. Mr. Parks adds much to the musical part of the entertainment. See photos at Post office. Reserved seats at the News Stand without extra charge.

An Ionia correspondent sends the JOURNAL the following: At the annual meeting of Wm. H. Borden Relief Corps, No. 28, of Ionia, held Dec. 3, 1885, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. President, Mrs. Lizzie B. Maxwell; Senior-vice president, Mrs. Lottie E. Bishop; Junior-vice president, Mrs. Mary Cooper; Treasurer, Mrs. Sarah M. Brookins; Secretary, Miss Hattie E. Nash; Chaplain, Mrs. Kate Smith; Conductor, Miss Etta Scott; Guard, Mrs. Angie Gurnsey. Delegates to state convention, Miss Hattie Cornell and Miss Hattie Nash. Alternates, Mrs. Kate Smith and Mrs. Sarah M. Brookins.

Capt. Allen's lecture—"The bright side of army life," at Music Hall last Friday evening, was heartily enjoyed by the audience. It was a very interesting and entertaining view of the "bright side," in which were vividly portrayed the funny situations and experiences of the boys in blue. It is to be regretted that a larger audience was not present to enjoy the treat. Capt. Allen is a natural orator and he tells a story with the desired effect every time. After the lecture about 100 persons, chiefly members of the G. A. R., W. R. C., and S. O. V., sat down to an excellent supper in G. A. R. hall. The feast was supplemented by the following toasts, &c. J. W. Hine being toast master:

1. "The Army and Navy." Response by Commander S. P. Hicks.

2. Song by the Quartette Club.

3. "The Woman's Relief Corps." Response by Mrs. E. B. Hine, Pres't of the Corps.

4. "The Sons of Veterans." Response by Lt. Col. Sunderlin.

5. "Perry Camp." Response by Capt. F. D. Eddy.

6. "Our Country." Response by Comrade A. C. Newton.

7. "The G. A. R." Response by Capt. Allen.

8. "Our Fallen Comrades." Responded to by all rising.

9. Song—"Marching thro' Georgia;" by the Quartette Club & company.

The responses were all very creditable, indeed. Take it all around there was a good deal of sensible enjoyment crowded into the evening's entertainment. The three organizations—the G. A. R., W. R. C. and S. O. V.—are closely related and work together very harmoniously. May they ever continue thus.

Masonic.

At the annual communication of Lowell Lodge, No. 90, F. & A. M. held Tuesday evening Dec. 15th the following were elected officers for the coming year:

J. Q. Look, W. M.

C. W. Wisner, S. W.

Sam'l. Morgan, J. W.

Chas. Althen, Treasurer;

H. Nash, Sec'y.

J. A. Lyon, S. D.

Frank Ecker, J. D.

S. T. Robinson, Tyler.

J. T. Husted, Chaplain.

Wm. Schneider.

H. G. McWilliams, Stewards.

Installation Tuesday evening Dec. 29 at 7 o'clock.

Lessons in Oil Painting.

An excellent opportunity is now offered to those who desire to receive instruction in painting. Miss Mate Althen of this village, whose work has been much admired, has opened a studio and is giving instruction to a few already. That she is abundantly qualified to teach "the young idea" how to paint is very evident to those who have seen her artistic work. A few of her samples on exhibition in the postoffice have been highly spoken of by competent judges of the art.

Over \$40.00 worth of prizes to be given away by J. C. West & Co. to purchasers of cigars.

1st Prize, Meerschaum smoking set, in plush, \$15.00.

2d Prize, Meerschaum smoking set, in plush, \$15.00.

3d Prize, Cigar holder, in plush case, \$8.00.

4th Prize, plush odor case valued at \$4.00.

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