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McCARTY'S SNAKE.

Josiah Plainliver Uses an Odd Fishing Tackle.

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What People are Doing, Saying and Thinking.

THAT SNAKE AGAIN.

Our old friend, Josiah Plainliver of Grassville, was visiting friends in Segwan last Saturday, and after recounting and listening to all the neighborhood gossip, including the latest scandal about Miss Deacon Tutwater and Elder Kneepan, the old man concluded to take a stroll along the purling Grand, smoke his pipe of peace and listen to what the wife waves were saying, sister.

The day was perfect, the air was balmy and spring-like, the ice was out of the river, and having left his calendar at home there was nothing to remind Josiah that this was a winter day.

Opposite the island below the iron bridge, he noticed a great commotion in the water and looking closely could see a perfect swarm of bass fighting over a morsel of bread that had been dislodged from a bit of floating ice.

Searching eagerly through all his pockets, Josiah was greatly disappointed that he had no sign of fishing tackle, as the bass were evidently hungry, and if he only had a hook and line he could easily catch all he wanted.

While trying to evolve a plan for the capture of some of the bass, Mr. Plainliver noticed an immense snake—the identical reptile that saved the passengers of the L. & H. train last summer, McCarty's long lost menagerie attraction—lying on a stump sunning itself, and immediately he recalled that his father had told him a good many years ago, how expert some snakes were in catching bass. After a little thought on the subject the gentleman determined to try it, and picking his way cautiously to the stump he grabbed the snake by the tail.

The snake evidently didn't understand at first just what was wanted of him, and for some time after he had been soused into the water he continued to twist and squirm and tried to get away. But finally the snake spied a big bass peeping out from behind a stone, and like a flash the reptile darted out and seized the fish in its mouth. The instant the snake grabbed the fish, Josiah, who had the snake by the tail, pulled and landed his bass, the snake letting go as soon as it was hauled out on the bank.

The next time he struck the snake into the water it seemed to understand what was wanted and very soon grabbed another bass. By the time a half dozen had been taken the snake had entered into the sport in real earnest, and in the course of an hour the gentleman had captured with his queer tackle over forty fine fish, and not caring for more he let the snake go, gathered up his fish and went home.

The next day Josiah passed by the spot where he had captured the bass, and while he was standing on the bank looking at the fish as they darted through the clear water he felt something rubbing his leg. Looking down he was surprised to see his old friend, the McCarty snake, which had seen and recognized him, and backing up

to him had stuck about a foot of its tail up against Josiah's leg as an invitation to go fishing again. As McCarty's offer of a reward for the reptile's capture expired last fair time, Josiah simply scratched the snake's back and let him go.

LAWYER TAKEN UNAWARES.

Mrs. S. P. Hicks planned and carried out a genuine surprise party to Mr. Hicks on his fiftieth anniversary which occurred last Monday evening at their beautiful home. George Winegar and wife called in, the fore part of the evening to have a social game of whist, and while the game was progressing a loud rap at the door caused Mr. Hicks to arise and hail the alarm, when, to his great surprise, about fifty friends, who had previously met at the house of Mrs. E. R. Craw, came marching in. When Mr. Hicks became aware of the anniversary surprise he said, "Well, well, w-e-l-l! You have taken the house unawares, do with it as you please."

The guests parted with their wraps and soon settled down to a genuine old-fashioned visit which all appeared to enjoy. During the evening coffee, sandwiches, cake and cream were served, and midnight came before the company was aware of it.

The nucleus of Mrs. Hicks' invitation list was the old Shakespeare club of ladies that was formed nine years ago last fall, with their husbands, and her nearest neighbors. An armed rocker was presented to Mr. Hicks by W. S. Winegar with a superb maiden speech.

E. A. Sunderlin and wife of Lansing, J. C. West and wife and J. C. Scott of Grand Rapids, were present.

GEORGE H. CAHOON.

Whose death was recorded in our last issue was born in Bangor, Maine, August 6, 1831. He came to Michigan in '59 and settled four miles southwest of Lowell. In 1860 he married Eliza A. Lamb, and four years later enlisted and served until the close of the war.

Four years ago Mr. Cahoon went west for his health and on his return home died two weeks later at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Willard Hunter, leaving one son and two daughters to mourn their loss.

BAPTIST ENTERTAINMENT.

Mrs. Ina Rowland, elocutionist, assisted by the best musical talent in Lowell, under the auspices of the Baptist church, will give an entertainment Wednesday evening Jan. 24, at Music Hall. Admission 20 cts. Program: Solo, Miss Hattie Wilson. Selection, Mrs. Ina Rowland. Duets, Edith and Ethel Stone. Selection, Mrs. Ina Rowland. Solo, Harry H. Hunter. Duets, Mrs. Mate Hunt, Miss Hattie Wilson.

NEW SOCIETY.

In place of the old Shakespeare club a new society has been organized in connection with the Martyn college of oratory, Washington, D. C. It has been named the Lowell Literary Society. The following subjects will be studied: Physical culture, health, voice culture, reading, reciting, new recitations, Christian elocution, conversation, literature, oratory, model lectures, human nature and impersonations. On Tuesday, the society met at the home of Mrs. Althen. Rev. Jas. Provan was elected president, Miss McDannell sec'y., and Mrs. Lee treas. Twenty-nine members have already been enrolled. The society will meet

again on the 29th inst. at the home of Dr. McDannell.

JOHN RYDER DEAD.

On Wednesday, the remains of John Ryder, who formerly lived in Lowell and engaged in the draying business, were interred in the cemetery at Fox's Corners. He fell dead in a factory where he was employed in Grand Rapids.

Trade at Lowell.

A. E. Fraser of Ionia was in town Monday.

Newspapers are the second hands of history.

S. N. Williams was over from Hastings Monday.

No matter what you want you can buy it at Lowell.

O. Claffin of Saranac was in town last week Saturday.

Irve Young was down to Grand Rapids over Sunday.

It don't make any difference what it is you can sell it at Lowell.

Some second hand sewing machines in good order cheap at R. D. Stocking's.

Miss Mattie La Grange of Grand Rapids visited her friend Mrs. C. W. Parks recently.

E. C. Taylor, Hiram Clark, and H. C. Way were over from Grand Rapids Monday.

Read John Giles and Co's new ad. in this issue and note their prices on the good things of life.

Buy your kerosene and gasoline of George Root. He sells the best and delivers it at your door.

Best canned corn, peas or tomatoes per can 10 cents. Best lard per lb., 10 cents. Salt pork per pound 8 cts., at Johnson's.

G. W. Wisner and W. S. Winegar of Hooker Chapter, R. A. M. left for Saginaw on Tuesday to attend the Grand Chapter.

L. and H. engine No. 1 has been repaired and the company thinks it has a couple of the best engines of any small road in the country.

Misses Maggie and Kate Murphy entertained about twenty of their young friends one evening last week in honor of their friend Miss Beatrice O'Neil of Big Rapids.

A pedro party was held at the residence of W. H. Clark and wife Monday evening. First prizes were won by Dr. McQueen and Mrs. F. B. Clark, while Charles McCarty and Mrs. Marks Ruben carried off the booty.

Will M. Chapman enjoyed a brief visit with his old friend, Edgar A. Fletcher of Grand Rapids on Tuesday. They used to serve on the county board of school examiners together and this was their first meeting in eight years.

To the many kind friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted us through the sickness and death of our dear brother James Collins, we wish to extend our sincere thanks. Mr. and Mrs. A. Bruner, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Godfrey, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Todd, and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Collins.

A Georgia editor, in a fit of desperation, dashed off the following: "The wind bloweth, the water floweth, the farmer soweth, the subscriber oweth, and the Lord knoweth that we are in need of our dues. So come a-runnin' ere we go a-gunnin', this thing of dunnin' gives us the blues.

Lowell is the place to do business in, there's no question about it you can sell anything at reasonable prices and pay the same way. There is probably not a town in the country that has felt the hard times less than Lowell. Not a sign has been hauled down and no doors closed up, but every body is doing business and looking cheerful. Do your trading here.

Cards are out announcing the marriage of Minnie M. Wright of Lowell, to Frank W. Porter of Chicago, to take place at the home of the bride's parents on evening of January 25.

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LOWELL, MICH.

Two wrongs never make a right, but the latest enterprise of the Chicago gamblers, doesn't appear to be calling on any universal protest.

GREAT BRITAIN is said to have seized the Gilbert islands. This kind of diplomacy is very effective, and avoids a deal of circumlocution when supplied with sufficient backing.

A CORNER in wheat in Russia is said to have caused a famine in a part of the country. Up to date, for reasons not clearly explained, the people fully of the cornering have been permitted to survive.

Now that the charitable societies are making special efforts to clothe the needy it is being realized how much comfortable clothing is suffered to go to the moth that might make many deserving people happy.

At least one man has succeeded in foiling footpads, but he did not make a complete job of it. Having secured the shoes on the highway he permitted them to escape hide-away, clearly in disobedience to the accepted teaching that which work doing well.

UNCLE SAM does not wish to be hard on a little country like San Domingo. Still, a mosquito can irritate a big man, and the man is not apt to show much consideration for the mosquito. If San Domingo does not wish to get punished, she should not play the part of the mosquito.

ENGLAND is apt to be harshly criticizing some feature of American life, and sometimes does it without reason. But when the roar of the Briton is directed against the style of railway management in vogue in this country, mere patriotism cannot impel anybody to make a defiant answer.

A SACRAMENTO man in trying to blow out his brains sent two bullets through a valuable derby hat and never touched himself to partly offset the damage. It is seldom that a man aiming at his own dome of destruction. He should have taken off the hat.

NEARLY all who have had occasion to send packages by mail have been perplexed at the fact that the rates charged at different times seem to have no relation to each other. It seems as if some change in the direction of greater accuracy and uniformity might be both possible and desirable.

An artist employed on a Milwaukee paper, too busy to have a wedding, telephoned to the typewriter bride to come to his office when she had finished her day's work. Then he sent a messenger for a minister, and the members of the editorial staff were called into the illustrating room to witness the ceremony.

The appearance of "for sale" signs on the Louisiana lottery company's big building in New Orleans a few days ago is taken as conclusive evidence of the concern's intention to move to Honduras or elsewhere in the near future. The company has purchased two steamships to ply between the United States and its new home.

COLUMBIA and Harvard, which made the best creditable showing on the football field, had their Princeton and Yale into a corner in the intercollegiate chess tournament. Harvard made twice as many points as Princeton and two-fifths more than Yale, while Columbia made as much as Yale and Princeton put together. But it must be admitted that this is not very likely consolation.

PRESIDENT SAM SLOAN of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad believes in the "waste not, want not" proverb, and so all employees of the system over which he presides are obliged to use backs of old envelopes for memoranda and sometimes for communication rather than use a new sheet of paper. Many mickles make a muckle according to his view, and many similar savings thus made enable the D. L. & W. to pay dividends.

AN error, grave and deplorable, has been committed. A wife with a troublesome tooth sought a Chicago dentist. The man of pinners, following a practice he founded in medical dentistry, killed the nerve under the tooth, not however, without severe pain to the wife who reported the matter to her husband. The charitable nature of the husband was fired and straightway he sought out the dentist and administered to him a sound thrashing. The error lies in the dentist not killing the husband's nerve.

A WONDERFUL INVENTION.

The new "Duplex Typewriter," which carried off highest honors at the World's Fair, and which is destined to revolutionize typewriting, is a most remarkable machine. It is a western invention, manufactured in Des Moines, Iowa; is neatly and compactly built, and so strongly made as to insure very long service.

Its mechanism is of special interest. As suggested by its name, it is a double writing machine that will write two letters of the alphabet at the same instant, and yet it is lighter and no larger than other standard typewriters.

The World's Fair Examining Committee reported the following points of superiority over all other typewriting machines as conclusive reasons why the "Duplex" should receive the highest award in preference to all other typewriters:

1. Because this machine can print any two different letters of the alphabet at the same instant, and as quickly as any one letter can be printed by other typewriters. This is accomplished on having an alphabet for each hand, hence permitting both hands always to be at work.

2. It has a double center, or two points of contact for type and paper. 3. It is strongly built, with great probability of long service in office work.

The above points of excellence are not common to other typewriters, hence the highest award was given to the "Duplex" in recognition of its superior mechanical mechanism, which gives it a capacity for speed and durability one hundred per cent greater than that of other machines, and that makes it possible for an operator of a few months' practice to write from dictation an average of ten letters for every second of time—a speed greater than that attained by the average shorthand writer.

We are so pleased with the success of this western enterprise that we have secured a cut of this wonderful time and labor-saving machine to place before our readers.



Typewriter experts and general agents concede the great speed and durability of the "Duplex" and are applying for and securing general agencies. They say it is the coming typewriter and that it is only a question of time when shorthand will be laid aside, and operators will write from direct dictation about one-third of the time now required for typewriting from shorthand notes. It is a surprise to all who see it in operation.

A large dealer in typewriter supplies was heard to remark at the World's Fair that the Duplex Typewriter Co., of Des Moines, has the finest automatic machinery in the world for the manufacture of the Duplex typewriter. The factory is now crowded to the utmost to supply demand.

The Michigan Duplex Typewriter Co., of Grand Rapids and Eastman, have the exclusive sale of this remarkable writing machine for Michigan and will be pleased to answer any inquiries.

At a meeting in Boston the other day under the auspices of the Massachusetts Indian Association, Miss E. Pauline Johnson of Canada read several original poems. She is the daughter of a Mohawk Indian chief. Miss Johnson appeared in the costume of her tribe, which included a necklace of cinnamon bark claws and a bracelet of panther claws.

Professor Tyndall's father was a shoemaker in an Irish village and lived in very humble style, occupying rooms in the rear of his small shop. But like many old time cobblers he had more than a share of learning and was witty and sarcastic in argument. His son was sent to the local grammar school, and one of his old classmates was M. C. Hennessey, now a Rochester shoe manufacturer. He says that young Tyndall was an effeminate boy, who gave little promise of living to be 73 years of age.

CURRENT LEVITIES.
Mike—Why do thin false eyes be made of glass?
How else could they say thro' em, yo' thick head?
The Wife—How did you dare, sir, to soil me before Mrs. Brown?
The Husband—Well you know, Maria, I dar'n't soil you when we are by ourselves.
A New York widow lately secured a husband for \$10 at an agency. The man has died, and the woman is advertising for his return.
There are several women black-widows in the United States, but it is still the fact that a woman who is better than she shows a horse.
Old Gentleman—My, my! I don't like to see little boys cry. Boys who get hurt should act like men. Boy—Boo, boo! Then I'd get licked for swearing.

HIGHWAY AND BYWAY.

Chrysanthemums are Chinese, and reached Europe in 1790.

Coal is dearer in South Africa than any other part of the world; it is cheapest in China.

Gambling debts are recoverable by law in France, Spain, Venezuela and sometimes in Germany.

Pious Russians do not eat pigeons, because of the sanctity conferred on the dove by the scriptures.

A Roumanian lady is, at her own expense, constructing a railway from one of her estates to the nearest town.

England is said to have more light-houses than any other country. There is one for every fourteen miles of its coast line.

The Syracuse salt works, the most extensive in the United States, have an evaporating surface of over 12,000,000 square feet.

The presents received by the Russian admiral, Arlan, and his officers, while in France, are estimated to be worth 3,000,000 francs.

A rule has been put in force at the new Metropolitan opera house in New York forbidding the passing of any flowers over the footlights.

In Oklahoma there are already established 163 Methodist, 23 Baptist, 24 Congregationalist, 25 Roman Catholic, 24 Presbyterian and 6 Episcopal congregations.

A Salem, Mass., savings bank cashier, turned up missing a few days ago and the bank officers had his rooms searched. In one of his trunks were found 2,000 noyer chips.

Marie Janet, the poor peasant girl who founded the order of the Little Sisters of the Poor, died recently in Brittany at the age of seventy-four. The order has now 253 houses, sheltering 4,000 sisters.

The department of the Salvation army's "Darkest England" scheme known as the "bridge," a bureau for helping discharged prisoners, reports failure in scarcely seven per cent of the convicts received.

An Italian, who neglected to respond when the name of Cono Casello was called in a Williamsburg, N. Y., police court a day or two ago, explained that he had exchanged that one for Casey. Casello lives in an Irish district and had gone into politics.

QUESTION AND ANSWER.
Flora—Do you know that a tree gets a new ring every year? Prunella—Every year? Why I get one every few weeks.
Jonas Arcece, during the flirtation—Would you rather have me tall, "Tiddy" Madam? Blushing—Id rather have you "romd" Jonas.
Blister—Do you mean to say that I am a liar. Blister—I hope that I could not do so ungentlemanly a thing. But see you catch my idea.
"Do you enjoy holidays?" said Johnny's uncle. "Yes, sir," "What do you enjoy most about them?" "Bein' able to stay home from school without bein' sick."

Johnny Mugs—Pop, git me a bicycle, won't yer? Pop—Hain't got no money to waste that way. Johnny—Well, git me bull-dog wit I kin bicycle to bite other fellows' wit I kin bicycle.

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INTERESTING PEOPLE.

A rival of Sandow, the strong man, is said to live in Augusta, Ga., in the person of William Hecker, a Swiss baker. He is 31 years old, and his strength is wonderfully developed.

"Among other things he moves a freight car with his teeth, lifts four horses, breaks ropes with his naked hands, wraps chains around the muscles of his arms, and, by contracting the muscles, rends the chains asunder, etc."

Emin Pasha was brave to the extent of placing but small value on his life and possessed an unbending will. As a scientist he collected new information and data of immense value to geographers, ethnologists, linguists, zoologists and botanists, and left behind for posterity thick volumes and notes on African ornithology, meteorology and travel, with invaluable maps.

The Socialist associations of Sicily count 300,000 members.

The population of Italy is very dense, there being 270 people to every square mile of territory.

In the year 700 A. D. Pope Paul I. sent the only clock in the known world as a present to Pepin, king of France.

The name Brazil means "red wood" or "land of the red wood." The original discoverer called it "the land of the holy cross."

Yarrow is building a torpedo boat for the French navy made out of aluminum, which will be hoisted in and out with great ease.

One variety of the India rubber tree (Ficus elastica) has leaves of the deepest green each provided with a narrow border of very bright red.

In the harem of the sultan of Turkey the supreme authority is vested in his mother, and she alone is entitled to go to and fro in the harem unvisited.

The British foot guards are to be given a higher standard. The war office has raised the minimum height for recruits from five feet eight inches to five feet nine inches.

The finest opal of modern times belonged to Empress Josephine. It was called "The Burning of Troy." Its fate is unknown, as it disappeared when the allies entered Paris.

Hawaii has about fifty miles of railway and 250 miles of telegraph lines, and almost every dwelling and business house in Honolulu has its telephone. The city has also street railways and is lighted by electricity.

Scientific investigation shows that the seas around the British coast are being exhausted of fish. The subject is receiving very grave consideration, and in all probability there will have to be very serious changes established for stocking the English waters.

The Emperor Francis Joseph is pursuing two distinct lines of policy. In Austria he is faithful to the conservative traditions of the house of the Hapsburgs. In Hungary he is prepared to give liberal measures, and has given the Hungarians an almost unlimited freedom of action.

The letter-carrier in England never has to buy any uniforms—even the overcoat, storm coat and boots are furnished by the government. When sick he gets full pay, and has physicians and medical gratis. He receives double pay for overtime work, and is pensioned after twenty-five years of service.

INTERESTING PEOPLE.

Miss May Frank of Oakland, Cal., who was offered recently the place of teacher, lecturer and preacher in a reformed Holiness congregation in Philadelphia, has declined it, because she does not care to be bound to any congregation.

Captain Horace Bixby, who taught Mark Twain what he knows of steam-boating, is at present pilot of the steamer T. G. Sparks, running south from Memphis. Captain Bixby is in first class health, and good for many years of active work.

Rev. Old Wing, now living at the age of 95 in the quiet little hamlet of New Junction, N. H., is the oldest Baptist minister in the United States.

He was born April 10, 1798, in North Dennis, in Cape Cod. He joined the Baptist church at the age of 20 and preached seven years before receiving a license.

General Lew Wallace consulted more than fifty books in the preparation of his novel, "The Prince of India," and for a time before beginning work he studied astrology in the congressional library at Washington, the necessary books being obtainable only there in this country. He spent five years in research and six more in writing the novel.

"Aw—have you such a thing as—a full-dress eigh?" inquired Paddy, who was on his way home from a reception. "I think not, sir," said the tobaccoist reflectively, "but we have some in very elegant wrappers."

"Do you like to look at the hogs?" said Farmer Richard to his little niece from the city. "Yes, indeed, uncle," replied the intelligent child, "but I can't make out yet which pig it is which gives the bonniest bacon."

The lady had given the small boy an apple and he had said nothing in recognition. "What does a little boy say when he gets anything?" asked the lady insinuatingly. He hesitated a moment. "Some little boys," he said, "says 'thank you,' some says 'much obliged,' and some just keeps thinkin' how much better an orange is than an apple."

DEMS OF THOUGHT.
If you would discover poverty, try to borrow money.
We forget the sunlight when we notice the shadow.
A bad man is controlled by his fears; a good man by his love.
When people get rich how soon they forget how to give.
If you would seek for more to love we would look to coveting better.
It is hard to covet a thing that the world is growing better.
The more we do to help others the lighter our burdens will become.
A lie is always several shades blacker than the sin it tries to hide.
Nobody needs your prayers any more than the people you do not like.
Not mine his saying, but the sentence of the sage—nothing is stronger than necessity.
There are people who never accomplish anything because they undertake to do too much.
Mankind in the gross is a gaping monster, that loves to be deceived, and has seldom been disappointed.
Narrowness of mind is often the cause of ob-tinacy; we do not easily believe beyond what we can see.
There ought to be more people getting religion so that those living in the same house with them can see it.

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THE LOVE OF A LIFE-TIME.

Y sister once related to me a love story, which illustrates the love of a life-time, especially in matters of the heart, which makes the true character of the heroine, whom I will call Emma Rosill.

She was not perfectly beautiful, but her face had an indescribable charm. Her eyes had the most exquisite softness, and her delicate eyebrows almost seemed to possess a soul, while her skin was so fine that it betrayed the slightest agitation by fugitive blushes.

Little Emma Rosill went regularly to church with her book of hours, and the truth is that toward the age of sixteen or eighteen there was no girl in her little school but who was a young man, of about twenty or twenty-two, whom she loved and whom she called Emma.

Emma had known Emilien ever since she had known herself. Moreover she dreamed what she did not think, and she thought that she was the tobaccoist reflectively, "but we have some in very elegant wrappers."

"Do you like to look at the hogs?" said Farmer Richard to his little niece from the city. "Yes, indeed, uncle," replied the intelligent child, "but I can't make out yet which pig it is which gives the bonniest bacon."

The lady had given the small boy an apple and he had said nothing in recognition. "What does a little boy say when he gets anything?" asked the lady insinuatingly. He hesitated a moment. "Some little boys," he said, "says 'thank you,' some says 'much obliged,' and some just keeps thinkin' how much better an orange is than an apple."

DEMS OF THOUGHT.
If you would discover poverty, try to borrow money.
We forget the sunlight when we notice the shadow.
A bad man is controlled by his fears; a good man by his love.
When people get rich how soon they forget how to give.
If you would seek for more to love we would look to coveting better.
It is hard to covet a thing that the world is growing better.
The more we do to help others the lighter our burdens will become.
A lie is always several shades blacker than the sin it tries to hide.
Nobody needs your prayers any more than the people you do not like.
Not mine his saying, but the sentence of the sage—nothing is stronger than necessity.
There are people who never accomplish anything because they undertake to do too much.
Mankind in the gross is a gaping monster, that loves to be deceived, and has seldom been disappointed.
Narrowness of mind is often the cause of ob-tinacy; we do not easily believe beyond what we can see.
There ought to be more people getting religion so that those living in the same house with them can see it.

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German Syrup

I simply state that I am Druggist and Postmaster here and am therefore in a position to judge. I have tried many Cough Syrups but for ten years past have found nothing equal to Boschee's German Syrup. I have given it to my baby for Croup with the most satisfactory results. Every mother should have it. J. H. HONES, Druggist and Postmaster, Moffat, Texas. We present facts, living facts, of to-day Boschee's German Syrup gives strength to the body. Take no substitute.

TWO REASONS WHY I Recommend Swamp-Root.

Dr. Kilmor & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. Gentlemen: It affords me the greatest pleasure to recommend your Swamp-Root, for two reasons. First, because I have taken several bottles of your Swamp-Root Kidney and Liver Remedy myself and found it to be the greatest medicine I ever used. Second, because I have sold a great deal of it since I have been in business for the past six years. I know of no other medicine so generally successful. Almost every day I hear some one of my customers saying: "Dr. Kilmor's Swamp-Root Cured Me."

and telling what it has done for them. Any one doubting this statement can write, I will gladly answer. Yours with great respect, G. S. YERDEN, Dr. Kilmor & Co., Binghamton, N. Y. At Druggists, 50 Cent and 81.00 Size. "Swamp-Root" is sold by all Druggists. Dr. Kilmor's U & A Anointment Cures Piles. Trial Box Free. — At Druggists 50 Cents.

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A TRIPLE LYNCHING.

Kansas Mob Quietly Break Open a Jail and Then Hang Three Men.

A mob of about 20 men entered the jail at Russell, Kan., took out J. G. Barton, William Gray and his son, John Gray, and hung the trio to a small rail-bridge a short distance east of the depot in that city.

No officers were aroused or even aware of what was going on until early morning, so quiet were the actions of the mob. Orders were given by signals and obeyed without a word being spoken.

The jail is a small wooden building surrounded by an 8-foot board fence. In the jail were two steel cells in which the prisoners were confined. The masked mob broke the locks off the jail with sledge hammers. The three were taken to a bridge near by. Nooses were placed about their necks, and they were given time to speak and pray, then the leader clapped his hands and the three were pushed off the bridge. Several shots were fired into each body and then the mob dispersed.

The crime for which the men were lynched was the killing of Fred Downing in July last. Inquiries regarding a draft payable to Downing and his mysterious disappearance led to an investigation and the arrest of Barton, who implicated the other two men. Each made a confession which led to the conviction of the three. The bodies of the three were buried in a field near the scene of the murder.

Judge Long's Pension Upheld. Washington special Judge Bradley decided that a pension case in favor of Judge Long. In his decision he gave it as his opinion that Commissioner Lochren's order suspending payment of the pension was unauthorized by law; that it was the duty of the commissioner to revoke the order, and to see that the payment of the pension was made to the relator. "Inasmuch as Mr. Lochren now answers that he has removed the suspension and has directed the pension to be paid to the relator, it is unnecessary to direct the writ to issue, but upon filing such a return the clerk is directed to do judgment for the benefit of this proceeding shall be entered against the respondent."

A Funeral Instead of a Wedding. George Burgess, aged 26 years, of Caro, went to Dentist Arnold to have a tooth drawn. A physician called in and chloroform administered. After the operation Burgess went home seemingly in as full health as ever. He went to bed at the next morning, but desired to call a physician, but the son demurred and soon went to sleep. He never recovered. His father called two physicians he died the following morning. All arrangements had been made for his marriage, to take place the next morning. Frank Winter, Montana, 216 bushels of spring wheat from two acres; A. Hahn, Wis., 1,410 bushels potatoes per acre; Frank Winter, Montana, 216 bushels of spring wheat from one bushel planted. This is what Salzer calls reaping. It is few bushels per acre. Send for this 10c postage to the John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., you will receive their catalogue and see the results of ages of farm seeds. Catalogue only, 5c postage.

The thief who stole a cigar box from the National bank of Mexico was probably yep associated to find that it contained \$20,000. It was Mexican paper money.

While L. M. Atkinson was resting his horse near Madison, N. H., a few days ago, he alleges that a motor, about as large as a bushel basket, landed within twenty feet of him and passed in a bank fifty yards distant.

THE MARKETS.
Cattle—Good to choice. \$4.35 to \$4.75
Hogs—Mixed. 3.75 to 3.85
Wheat—No 2. 61.00 to 61.50
White spot. 62.00 to 62.50
Corn No 2. 38.00 to 38.50
Hay—No 1 Timothy. 10.00 to 11.00
Potatoes. 17.00 to 20.00
Butter—Creamery. 24.00 to 25.00
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Live poultry—Fowls. 6.00 to 7.00
Ducks. 7.00 to 8.00
Turkeys. 10.00 to 12.00
Chicago, Ill.
Cattle—Steers. \$4.80 to \$5.00
Common. 5.00 to 5.20
H. S. 4.00 to 4.20
Lamb. 3.00 to 3.50
Wheat—No 2. 61.00 to 61.50
Wheat—No 1. 62.00 to 62.50
Oats. 24.00 to 25.00
Mess Pork per barrel. 13.00 to 14.00
Lard per cwt. 23.00 to 24.00
New York.
Cattle—Natives. \$3.50 to \$4.00
Mixed. 3.75 to 4.00
Sheep—Good to choice. 2.50 to 3.00
Lamb. 4.00 to 4.50
Wheat—No 2. 61.00 to 61.50
Wheat—No 1. 62.00 to 62.50

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 SATURDAY, JANUARY 20, 1894

ANDREW CARNEGIE approves the Wilson bill. Say, Mr. Congress, just scan that measure a little closer. "There must be a nigger in the fence."
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 PARTISAN papers of the hide-bound order cannot remember that "Abuse is not argument." "Throw mud enough and some of it will stick," is their motto. Ah, yes! But look at their fingers!

He serves his party best who best serves his country. Patriotism may be anything but patriotism. The sentiment "Our country, right or wrong" is questionable, but "Our party right or wrong" is infamous; and its adherents are traitors.
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 GRAND RAPIDS has another murder to her credit. This time Mary A. McKendrick, a woman 65 years old was the victim; and she was murdered for money. A few months in the old-fashioned hell would fix the perpetrator about right.

The Nelson-Matter factory is to resumed operations at Grand Rapids, but the men who built the business up are ruined. A forced sale of the plant swept away the earnings of a lifetime. Creditors to the amount of \$250,000 have been left in the cold; and the bankers scoop in the pot. 'Tis hard lines.
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WHEN Grover Cleveland was president the first time he was the subject of great abuse and vilification. When he ceased to be president, his administration received the credit it deserved and passed into history as one of the ablest this country has ever seen. Then, that he was considered out of politics, none hesitated to do him justice, even Republicans tumbling over each other to say that "Cleveland was better than his party." Witness, too, the honeyed words of that silver-tongued Republican orator Chauncy M. Depew. History will repeat itself, and the very people who are now cursing the president for ills for which he is no more responsible than the man in the moon, will one day praise him as an able, honest, fearless and patriotic president. Let the reader recall that every candidate and every president from Washington down has had to run the political gauntlet, and that the glorious Jefferson, whose ready hand penned the immortal Declaration was once included in the infidel trinity: "Tom Paine, Tom Jefferson and the Devil." Courage, brave Grover, history will set you right.
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It is often sneeringly said that President Cleveland is bigger than his party. No one can be bigger than the majority of the voters of this country; but President Cleveland is certainly a thousand times greater than those other Democratic leaders who refuse to do what the people want and are racking their lunatic brains to invent some cranky scheme to impose upon the people what they do not want. President Cleveland broke all records by his avalanche election at his third candidature because he keeps close to the people; tries to shape his policy to satisfy their legitimate demands; trusts them implicitly and is trusted by them. He believes in the American people and they believe in him. For the Democratic leaders in

Congress to obstruct a Democratic administration; to delay its appointments; to disregard its policy; to try to foster a hostile measure, like the Income Tax—this is worse than donkey-fish. It is sheer madness. If the Democratic majority in Congress were working harmoniously with the President, as is its duty and as it was distinctly instructed by the people, the Republicans would not now be ruling the great Democratic State of New York; the hard times would be over, and the political future of the country would be settled for at least ten years. But now all is chaos, and the Democratic leaders have caused the chaos.—Texas Siftings.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.
 Charles Macard to Saloma A. Macard, part 4 n e 1 s e 1 sec 1, Wyoming, \$275.
 Eli W. Wells and wife to Jas G. Niemeyer, piece of land on sec 5, Bowne, \$12,000.
 Ann Sayles to Oliver M. Coats, lots on bk 6 Gospin and Botoh's add to Lowell, \$120.
 Edward R. Huxley and wife to W. H. Hopkins, lot 11, bk 37, Avery's plat, Lowell, \$2,500.
 J. Simpson and wife to Edward R. Huxley, lot 11, bk 37, Avery's plat, Lowell, \$800.

"Now is the winter of our discontent made glorious summer" by Ayer's Sarsaparilla. This wonderful medicine so incorporates the system and enriches the blood that cold weather becomes positively enjoyable. Arctic explorers would do well to make a note of this.

Baptist Notes.
 Emancipation of Israel is the theme for next Sunday morning discourse at the Baptist church.
 Usual services during the week, and all are cordially invited.
 ERNEST H. SHANKS, Pastor.

List of Unclaimed Letters.
 Remaining in the Post Office at Lowell, Mich., week ending Jan. 13, 1894.
 Ladies—Mrs. Benj. Morris, Mrs. Maud Shannon, Mrs. Hattie Shear, Miss Matie Stewart, Mrs. Mary E. Lower, Mrs. John Zahn.
 Gents—James Finn, Walter Gillet, J. W. Hook, Webber and Dunham Hanson, L. G. Steadman, John W. Zahn.
 Persons claiming the above will please "advertise" and give date of list.
 LEONARD H. HUNT, P. M.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.
 The co-partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of H. W. Avery & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent.
 Signed (H. W. AVERY,
 I. O. C. McDANNELL,
 January 8, 1894.

PATENT TUBULAR HAND SLED, "YOUTH'S COMPANION."
 The handsomest, the strongest, the best, the most durable and by far the cheapest in the end. Weight not above that of the ordinary wooden sled, but in strength many times superior. Made from soft steel tubing, edge supports under top to prevent splitting, and will safely support one thousand pounds. Why buy the old wooden sleds for one boy when you can get one sled for half a dozen boys? Given with five subscriptions at the LEADER office.

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 Every Garment Guaranteed.
 LATEST AND BEST STYLES, LOW PRICES.

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Galloway Robes,
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 For cold weather.

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 IS THE PLACE TO
 Buy Groceries, Produce and Crockery
 OF ALL SORTS AND KINDS, FOR HE IS THE
FARMER'S FRIEND
 Pays Cash for everything a Farmer can raise, beg or borrow. Always Ready for Business.

The Lightship John.
 The lightship John, in Delaware bay, obtained its odd name from that of the ship John of Nantucket, Mass., which sank in 1787 near the spot where the lightship now swings at anchor. The vessel was stripped by wreckers from Bridgeton, N. J., and General Legree of Bridgeton gave to the lightship department the figure-head of the wreck. The figure-head is now mounted on the deck of the lightship.

A Drawback to Past Steamers.
 The discomfort of the excessive vibration on board the fast sailing ocean steamers has increased so much with the increase in the speed of travel that investigations have been made into the subject with a view of modifying the inconvenience caused to passengers. An apparatus has been devised for measuring and registering the vibrations. Apart from the experience gained with war ships and torpedo boats, vibration has been observed in recent times on all the large fast merchant steamers. The usual idea is that this vibration is due to the action of the powerful engines. This, however, is erroneous for it is now found that the cause consists solely in the union between the number of revolutions of the engines and the number of vibrations of the ship.



The Best Medicine.
 J. O. Wilson, Contractor and Builder, Sulphur Springs, Texas, thus speaks of Ayer's Pills:
 "Ayer's Pills are the best medicine I ever tried; and, in my judgment, no better general remedy could be devised. I have used them in my family and recommended them to my friends and employes for more than twenty years. To my certain knowledge, many cases of the following complaints have been completely cured."
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Permanently Cured
 by the use of Ayer's Pills: Third day chills, dumb ague, bilious fever, sick headache, rheumatism, flux, dyspepsia, constipation, and hard stools. I know that a moderate use of Ayer's Pills, continued for a few days or weeks, as the nature of the complaint required, would find an absolute cure for the disorders I have named above."
 "I have been using medicine for eight years, and I can safely say that Ayer's Pills give better satisfaction than any other pill I ever sold."—J. J. Perry, Spottsylvania, C. H., Va.
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 Sold everywhere. 1 lb. 25c, 5 lb. \$1.00, 10 lb. \$1.75. If you cannot get it, send for a 5 lb. pkg. by express prepaid.
 L. B. LORD, Prop., Burlington, Vt., U. S. A.
 Twenty-five newspapers, 5 cents, this office.
 Beautiful embroidered slippers selling cheap at J. Robertson's.

Why Not Ride the Best?
 Victor Bicycles are first in tires and improvements, and lead the world of cyclodrom.
OVERMAN WHEEL CO.
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The Fair Announcement.
 We have a few more of those Ten Piece Toilet Sets left at 48 1/2, Lamps of all Sizes and Shapes, China and Glassware, Crockery and Tinware, Yarns, Zephyrs, Towels and Tray Cloths. Good Goods at Low Prices is what keeps us Busy and Smiling, while other people are crying "Hard Times."
O. G. HALE, On the Bridge.

ALTON.
 Mrs. J. Mason of Grant is very sick.
 Max Denny of Fallsburg has rebuilt the chimney on the old Duga Hall, now owned by C. J. J. J.
 Born to Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Besaggar, January 16, a boy.
 Stella S. Beach of Lowell is visiting at S. D. Bradford's this week.
 Our enterprising young dentist, Bert Campbell of Grand Rapids, was home a few days this week to extract a number of teeth for a couple of Altonites.
 There was quite an excitement in Alton Tuesday over the report that George Lewis had caught the Murray Lake sea serpent, which proved to be large pickled of from fifteen to forty pounds weight.
 Charles Koch is shipping eggs to Buffalo.
 George Gundry and wife attended the Grand Council at South Boston Saturday.
 George Fletcher and wife of Lowell were in Alton Saturday.
 Samuel Ford of Millbrook visited his brothers, Orrin and Warren, last week.
 Fred Sorell and wife returned to their home this week.
 James Delaney and wife returned to their home at Harrison this week.
 Z. H. Covert of Lowell was in this vicinity last week.
 Charles Wilson had the good luck to catch an eleven and a half pound pickerel last week, and now every one who can, goes fishing; it is all the rage here.

From the Local, Jan. 12.
 Born to Frank Silvermore and wife of Botton a nice pound daughter.
 James Saylor and Albert Bush, of Otisco, are under arrest on the charge of committing rape. The complaining witness is a step daughter of Saylor's and is only 13 years old.
 A rehearsal is in progress by Saranac home talent for the production of a play which will be given in the near future. The play is entitled, "Clain 96."
 Last Saturday as Sullivan Sage, of Keene, was riding Edgar Kennedy skidding logs, one of them came down on his shoulder knocking him back several feet and fracturing the shoulder blade.
RIVER ROAD RIVAL.
 Lois Batey is reported seriously ill.
 Mrs. Wm. Robinson has taken up her residence in Ada.
 Mrs. T. B. Hastings is visiting in Grand Rapids.
 Lotie Bowen is working for Mr. Shopes in Ada.
 Born to Mr. and Mrs. Warren Hoag and wife, January 13, a fine 10-pound girl.
 Noah Burch and wife of West Lowell spent Sunday with Albert Belf and wife.
 W. F. Hawk and wife of Lowell visited Sunday with her parents, Alonzo Coonrod and wife.
 Mrs. Mirah Astling, who has been visiting who has been visiting the past few months with her daughter Mrs. Geo. Batey will return to her home at Charlevoix Thursday.
 Pneumonia baldness may be prevented and the hair made to grow on heads already bald by the use of Hall's Vegetable Sicilian Hair Restorer.

BELDING.
 From the Star, Jan. 12.
 John M. Brown, aged 77 years and 6 months, died yesterday morning at 3:30, as his residence four miles west of Belding, of heart disease. The deceased was one of the best settlers of Otisco township, coming here over 45 years ago.
 Welch, Cobb and Co. have rented J. M. Earle's store building, of the Earle-Angell block, and will move their grocery into it next week.
 G. T. Owen, of Danville, has moved to Belding and will open a new grocery in the Brickley block on Main Street some time next week.
 Hon. Fredrick Pitts, of Orleans, died at his home on Sunday last at the advanced age of 70 years.
 A case of what might be well said to be total depravity has come to light in Belding this week. The crime and the circumstances surrounding it are almost too shocking to be believed. That such lawlessness and immorality can exist is horrible. The accused are Jas. Saylor and Adelbert Buck, and the complainant is Addie Saylor, a young girl of tender years, and a step daughter of Saylor. The charge is criminal abuse which she claims has been carried on for over a year.
 The father, mother, daughter and this Adelbert Buck, who became acquainted with them, have lived together in a tenant house on the Democrat farm for some months. A short time ago Addie left and went to the home of a relative driven to it by the unfeeling conduct of her father and the villain Buck. The latter claims to be engaged to the girl and would have married her before this but for the intervention of the mother and others.
 On Tuesday she made a complaint against the villains and they were brought before Justice Lapham. They pleaded "not guilty" and the examination was set

GRATTAN GREETINGS.
 Cora Holmes of Belding was the guest of Minnie Lester last week.
 Mrs. C. C. Cline was able to ride to Belding Tuesday, and will remain there with her daughter, Mrs. C. Eddy for a few weeks.
 Mrs. M. A. Lester visited friends at Belding and Greenville the fore part of the week.
 The social at H. West's Thursday evening for the purpose of getting badges for Venus Chapter, A. E. S., was ably attended owing to the weather, but those present had a most enjoyable time.
 The officers of Grattan Grange, No. 170, for the ensuing year were installed last

Lowell Market.
 Invariably corrected every Friday morning.
 Wheat, white, 80 1/2 @
 Wheat, red, 80 @
 Oats, 60 @
 Corn, 40 @
 Beans, 1 1/2 @
 Pork, 10 @
 Lard, 10 @
 Butter, 18 @
 Eggs, 17 @
 Potatoes, 1 1/2 @
 Peas, 1 1/2 @
 Chickens, 8 @
 Cabbages, per doz., 4 @
 Apples, per bbl., 3 00 @
 Onions, 50 @
 80 @

Business Directory.
THE DAVIS HOUSE,
 John Cutler, proprietor. Overhauled and retuned throughout, and ready for the traveling public. Rates reasonable.
J. HARRISON RUCKWIT,
 Dentist. Over Church's bank, Lowell.
MILTON M. PERRY,
 Solicitor in Chancery and Pension Attorney, Lowell, Mich.
R. E. BURT,
 Notary public. Your business solicited. Office in Graham block.
S. P. HICKS,
 Loans, Collections, Real Estate and Insurance, Lowell, Mich.
O. U. McDANNELL, M. D.,
 "Physician and Surgeon. Office, 46 Bridge street, Lowell, Mich.
M. C. GREEN, M. D.,
 Physician and Surgeon. Office at Residence, E. Bridge street, Lowell, Mich.
W. F. BRONKH, M. D.,
 Physician and Surgeon. Office hours, 10 a. m. to 8 p. m., and 7 to 8 p. m.
FARMERS HOTEL,
 Lowell, Mich., G. F. Lane, Proprietor. Rates \$1.00 per day, \$5.00 per week. Good meals and clean beds.
J. C. TRAIN,
 Breeder of Hambletonian Horses and Proprietor of TRAIN'S HOTEL, accommodations first class, rates reasonable.
 Also proprietor of TRAIN'S OPERA HOUSE, seating capacity 700, lighted by electricity.

Mains & Mains,
 Attorneys at Law,
 Lowell, Mich.
 We respectfully solicit your business.
 for to-day. Bail was placed at \$500, which they were unable to furnish, and so they were committed to the county jail.
 Should the charge be proven both Saylor and Buck are good for a number of years in Jackson.
VERGENNES.
 Miss Stella Goff of Lowell spent Sunday with her brother Charley and family.
 Miss Myrtle Hudson of Lowell spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Grace Blanding.
 Miss Lizzie Towlogar of Ionia has been visiting her relatives the Krums.
 There was a surprise party at Irvin Batchelor's last Saturday evening. A good time was enjoyed by all.
 A little girl came to make her home with Warren Hoag and wife one day last week.
 Nellie Beckwith visited in Campbell last week with his uncle and aunty Mr. and Don Collar.
 Otis Baily and wife have two little granddaughters now.
 The Reading Circle elected the following officers at their circle last Saturday evening: Pres., Miss Cora Lee; Vice Pres., Miss Bessie White; Sec., Miss Sophia Groat; Treas., George Lee; Parliamentarian, Clara Findlay; Executive committee, Bessie White, Melville McPherson and James Anderson.
 The entertainment given at the Baily church last Friday evening under the auspices of the Reading Circle was a grand success. Rev. Provan being a native of Scotland, his lecture on Scottish "Wit and Humour" could not be otherwise than interesting. "Mozart's Gloria" given by Miss Mamie Walsh of Lowell, shows her to be a musician of superior ability. "Kissing Papa through the Telephone" by Irena McGee a little Miss of seven years was delightfully received. The net proceeds were \$17.10, which is to be sent to the suffering miners.
 The reading circle will meet next with Miss Edith Aldrich at the home of following program: Singing American, by the circle. Answer to roll call by quotations from Oliver Wendell Holmes. Reading of minutes. Select reading, Miss Sophia Groat. Recitation, Florence Gott. Violin Solo, Leander McLean. Recitation, Earl Nash. The Great Mistake, Miss Grace Blanding, Clara and Ina Findlay.

DETROIT, GRAND HAVEN & MILWAUKEE
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 Trains leave Durand for Battle Creek, Chicago and West at 9:35 a. m., 1:35 p. m., and 11:20 p. m.
 For Flint, Port Huron and all points east, 5:03 a. m., 9:30 a. m., 6:35 p. m., and 10:30 p. m.
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PENINSULAR ITEMS

BELLEVUE'S BIG BLAZE—BUSINESS BLOCKS BURNED.

Over \$100,000 Loss on Buildings and Stocks—Three Men Badly Injured by Falling—Crop Report Shows Great Failing Off in Prices of Farm Products.

Nearly the entire business section of Bellevue is in ashes with losses aggregating over \$100,000. Valuable stocks have been completely ruined by water.

The annual meeting of the Michiganoultry & Pet Stock association was held at Charlotte with about 1,500 attendees.

J. E. Fagin, of Fairport, N. Y., has been engaged by the Lansing Y. M. C. A. as general secretary and physical director.

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HOME NEWS

Our roads are very muddy.
 Business is good at Lowell.
 Clare Althen has been on the sick list.
 F. D. Tarleton spent Sunday in Grand Rapids.
 E. W. Condon of Smyrna was in town Saturday.
 Percy Crane of Milwaukee was in town Wednesday.
 M. Shanks of Clarksville was in town last Saturday.
 S. Manzer of Grand Rapids was in town Saturday last.
 B. E. West of Grand Rapids was in town Wednesday.
 Eugene Sunderland and wife of Lansing spent Sunday here.
 S. White and wife of Alto visited Lowell friends last Saturday.
 Lowell Oddfellows will give a social dance on Washington's birthday.
 After this week taxes will be received at John Gilez and Co's store.
 E. W. Avery and family have been spending the winter at Centerville, Ohio.
 E. L. Wood of Mecosta Mich. visited his friend C. W. Parks last Saturday.
 The rich man has his mug at the barber shop. The poor man takes his there.
 Teeth extracted by Dr. J. H. Rickert; no pain; no sleep; no sickness; no trouble afterward.
 The policeman who was killed by the discharge of his duty probably didn't know it was loaded.
 By the new method (same as used by traveling dentists) Dr. J. H. Rickert extracts teeth without pain.
 Flour has dropped to \$1.40 per hundred in the local markets. Cheap bread will be appreciated by all.
 Harry N. Stone was elected superintendent of the Congregational Sunday school last Thursday evening.
 L. G. Rutherford, H. F. Ledyard and N. Palmatier all of Grand Rapids were guests at Train's last week Friday.
 Lowell flour, 100 pounds for \$1.40; 22 pounds granulated sugar \$1.00; 3 pounds best Japan tea for \$1.00, at Johnson's.
 Water rates for first quarter of 1894 are now due and are payable at the banking house of C. J. Church and Son, Lowell Michigan.
 C. Guy Perry and wife of Grand Rapids have moved back to Lowell. Guy will try insurance business and will office with F. C. Alger.
 Samples of The Poultry and Horse Review to be given to the next forty persons paying a year's subscription to the LEDGER may be seen at this office.
 Mrs. Potter who has been visiting her sister Mrs. Edwards in the Addition, died on Wednesday of consumption after an illness of several months.
 Mrs. Mary Warner Fairchild, wife of the late Rev. John Fairchild, died at her home near McCords, January 4, aged 76 years. Obituary notice next week.
 The librarian informs us that 146 new books have been added to the circulating library. The libraries in this place speak volumes in praise of the good people who have fostered and built them up from small beginnings to a point where they rival those of any town of Lowell's size.
 The senior members of the Lowell athletic club will make a contest for an elegant gold medal, furnished by the club, on Thursday Jan. 25, the winner to carry the medal. The Juniors will contest for a fine gold medal one week later.
 The Twice-a-Week Detroit Free Press and the Ledger one year only \$1.75. Both papers on trial three months for 50 cents. A card to the Free Press will get you two copies of that paper free. Free samples of the LEDGER can be had at the office. Don't borrow your neighbors papers. Take some of your own.

Sell your produce at Lowell.
 Manly Tucker was in town Saturday.
 Hunter and Son have a new ad. this week.
 Anson McCaul was over from Ada Saturday.
 John Hoskins of Keene was in town Saturday.
 Will Murphy is visiting Bowne friends this week.
 O. R. Baxter of Grand Rapids was in town last Friday.
 Chas. Wing of Hastings was in the village Tuesday.
 Mrs. Mary A. Rolf now gets her LEDGER at Concordia, Kansas.
 Miss Minnie Malone of Parnell spent Sunday with Miss Lena Murphy.
 Mr. Getty of Kalkaska was a guest of G. W. Parker and wife on Friday last.
 N. J. Huber and James M. Malone of Marcellus were in the village last week Friday.
 E. O. Torey and daughter Nora of Lansing are the guests of John McCaul and wife.
 J. H. Stevens of Muir joined the crowds that filled the streets of Lowell last Saturday.
 Miss Sissy Ford of Logan, made her uncle, Wayne Pardee, a visit a few days last week.
 William Richardson and George Baldwin of Campbell were in Lowell last week Friday.
 Messrs. Enos, Bradfield and Richmond spent Sunday with their friends at Grand Rapids.
 When a public office holder comes to feel that he is a big gun, it is time for him to be fired.
 Deputy State Bank Inspector E. A. Sunderland and wife visited Lowell the fore part of the week.
 Electric wires seem to be of such quick-tempered mettle that it is dangerous to cross them.
 There is more noise to the square inch in a baby's lung than in any other known substance.
 The painting and paperhanging in Maccabees and Oddfellows halls was done by T. R. Graham.
 The new preparation used by Dr. J. H. Rickert takes away all the horrors of extracting teeth.
 A. C. Eckell, John E. Moore and J. W. Goebel were in town from Grand Rapids Monday.
 Have your magazines bound. Orders left at the LEDGER office will receive prompt attention.
 The funeral of Mrs. J. W. Rickert of Keene township was held on Tuesday. Obituary next week.
 If you want an outside newspaper or magazine you can save money by clubbing with the LEDGER.
 Pay a year's subscription to the LEDGER and get the Poultry and Horse Review for a year free.
 T. R. Graham is refinishing the vacant store west of Winegar's which is to be occupied as a fruit and restaurant stand.
 Mrs. Grace Herrington of Pontiac Mich. returned home Monday after a three weeks visit with her sister Miss V. May Davis.
 Some one has said that while we cannot control our circumstances, yet we can control what we shall do under the circumstances.
 J. B. McCauley, John F. Coghlan, I. M. Turner, L. K. Saulsbury and Chris Kahler of Grand Rapids were in Lowell Tuesday.
 For cash at Johnson's: 28 bars of Acme soap, \$1.00; 5 gallons oil, 35 cents; 6 pounds best rice-25-cents; 8 pounds rolled oats, 25 cents.
 Lowell's new band is holding regular meetings and getting into shape for business. Some open air concerts will be in order next Summer.
 The little girl who wrote on her examination papers "The interior of Africa is principally used for purposes of exploration," was wiser than she thought.
 Four pounds best crackers, 25 cents; 4 pounds goss or corn starch, 25 cts.; 25 pounds buckwheat flour, 50 cts.; Purity baking powder per pound, 20 cents at Johnson's.

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