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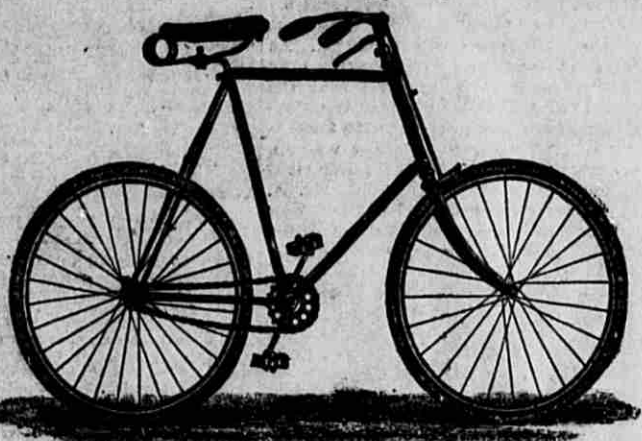
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THE OLD FOLKS

Met Last Week and Enjoyed
Themselves.

WHAT WAS SAID, SUNG AND DONE.

Republican Trustees Elected
and Citizen's President.

MARRIAGE—SAYLES AND SCHAEFFER

Three More Old Residents
Gone to Rest.

OLD RESIDENTS' RE-UNION.

The sixteenth annual re-union of the Old Residents' association was held in the parlor of Train's hotel in this place on Friday evening, March 8, with a goodly attendance, which was about equally divided between young and old.

The society was called to order by President Mathewson, who called upon S. B. Knapp to open the meeting with prayer, after which Mr. Mathewson delivered the address of welcome. He said that very few of the organizers of the association were now living. It is the way of the world and perfectly natural. The old must die and the young may die. There is too much of a tendency to mourn when our friends are taken away. But, this was not the time for a sermon. The object of this association is to keep alive the memories of those who "made the wilderness blossom as the rose." Its motives are good, and the society will live long after the speaker and the youngest person in the gathering shall have passed away. In the meantime all will be better and happier and makes the world better by living less for self and more for others. It had been voted that the President should deliver memorial addresses for those members of the association who had passed through the change called death during the past year. But the list of names had not been furnished him until late, and pressure of business had prevented him from preparing such a paper.

Abner Knapp and wife, Maria E. Marshall, F. D. Stocking, A. R. Hoag, W. H. Stapleton, James Carr, J. McConnell and W. J. Medler were the names. These were all good citizens, their morals above reproach. Who was there present who could say that any better people were living? Let us all emulate their virtues.

The president had interrupted himself on the entry of Will M. Chapman to give that gentleman a scolding for being tardy. He was about to entertain a motion to expel Chapman, but would let him off on suspended sentence and see how he would perform.

Messrs. Chapman, Gulliford, English and McDiarmid then sang that favorite of the old folks, "The Old Oaken Bucket," after which the secretary's and treasurer's reports were read and accepted, the latter showing \$44.10 on hand.

The quartet then rendered "Grandma's Spinning Wheel" in such a manner as to bring moisture to many old eyes and to some not so old. At its conclusion they were vigorously encouraged and responded with an extra verse, although the president, who faced the audience, and had his back to the singers, tried to do a little talking in the meantime.

The election of officers followed. S. P. Hicks in a fitting manner nominated J. M. Mathewson to succeed

himself. J. S. Hooker put the motion and Mr. Mathewson being unanimously chosen, accepted gracefully, not for the honor but for the money there was in it.

For secretary, S. P. Hicks was chosen. Treasurer, J. Edwin Lee. The old vice presidents hold over.

Rev. James Provan responded to the invitation of the president, by regretting the absence of Robt. Hardy, who had been billed to speak, because Mr. Hardy was an old settler and could interest them. Moreover, Mr. Hardy was a Scotchman and knew how to talk. The speaker was not an old settler but a young settler, but time would remedy that. In time to come, he would be old and could tell of the deeds and virtues of the old settlers whose grey heads were present to-night. He was glad to be present in a body that recognized the ministers of the Gospel. Religion and the church are cheap institutions considering what they accomplish. Cheaper than jails, almshouses and lunatic asylums, which they tend to lessen. They make communities safer than they would be without. This was illustrated by an anecdote of travel through the woods of the upper peninsula, where a couple of young men applied at a shanty for lodging. Once inside, they feared they had found a den of cut-throats and lay in fear and trembling until the old man of the house brought out a bible and began to read to his two strapping sons. Then the travelers knew they were safe.

The quartet then rendered a fine selection, "Rain upon the Roof," and S. P. Hicks followed with an address. Mr. Hicks likened the progress of communities and nations to that of the human soul from infancy through youth and manhood to old age. This country is still in its infancy and a long life through the other stages was still before it. We owe much to the character and intelligence of the pioneers. What is good in our institutions we owe to them. What we enjoy is the legacy left us by the pioneers. It is our duty to transmit that legacy to posterity as good as or better than we received it. Let us emulate to the virtues of the old pioneers.

M. M. Perry refused the invitation to speak but made a motion that the program be altered for next year so that the old settlers could meet and visit in the afternoon and enjoy a talk and tea together. This was carried.

S. B. Knapp told of his coming with his parents to Michigan in 1826, when the Indians were their neighbors and friendly ones too. Never had any trouble with them. They moved to Lowell 51 years ago. The pioneers enjoyed life as well as do the people of to-day, and there was less fault finding then than now. Mr. Knapp closed his remarks with an appropriate poem.

J. C. English was called out. He came with his father to South Boston by team from Vermont in 1840. This was during the first Harrison campaign, and the speaker recalled the log cabin episode. That trip of 1,000 miles by team took eight weeks to cover. You can make it to-day in three days, but you will encounter more tobacco smoke than we did in eight weeks. This is progress in the wrong direction. If we improve the country as much by living in it as our fathers did, it will be well with us and the country.

The president then called upon the quartet for "The Old Ox Team," which they good naturedly produced, much to the pleasure of the old gray heads.

About this time S. P. Hicks caught the president's eye and pointed very energetically to R. B. Boylan. That gallant gentleman had planted himself gracefully upon the floor after giving up his seat to a lady, and was sprawled half his length upon it, but he jumped up quickly when his name was called. He was loth to understand what they expected from a common every day hardware man, after listening to "oily tongued lawyers," orators and scholars from Scotland, and didn't think it showed good sense. He liked the people of Michigan, and the people of Lowell especially. They had always used him well—until to-night.

Ma Hew Hunter followed. He told of the visit of some hungry hunters to his place many years ago when houses were not so plenty on the south side of Grand river as they now are. There were two of them and they wanted something to eat, and after getting it insisted upon paying for it, leaving some money on their departure. One of the men was John Mathewson.

The president asked Mr. Hunter if he remembered who the other man was, and added that it was he who afterwards was known as Hon. James Blair of Grand Rapids. Mr. Mathewson said he had been hunting with other great men, too. One was Geo. Parker and the other John Hooker. These three were out hunting one day when there was a heavy fall of snow on the ground. Mathewson and Parker espied an old well, the top of which was so snowed under as to be scarcely noticeable. They had Hooker in the middle and locking arms with him became very sociable, one going on one side of the well and one on the other with poor Hooker in the well up to his shoulders. Mr. Hooker says he don't remember about this.

After a rising vote of thanks to Mr. Train for his hospitality, the meeting closed by singing "Auld Lang Syne."

Then came supper served in the beautiful and wholesome manner usual to Landlord and Landlady Train. Eighty-five persons availed themselves of the opportunity.

In the meantime dancing had been proceeding at the opera house, where eighty couples enjoyed themselves until 4 o'clock, Saturday morning.

The sixteenth annual re-union was over and was a grand success. May the old residents enjoy many such.

A PLEASANT AFFAIR.

The marriages of Frank E. Sayles and Miss Blanche E. Schaeffer took place Wednesday evening, at 7:30, at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schaeffer, in this village, in the presence of about 125 invited guests. Misses Bertha McCarty and Bessie Chapman acted as bridesmaids and Clare Althen and Will McCarty as groomsmen, and Miss Agnes Wiley and Norton Henry received the guests.

Miss Pearl Sayles presided at the organ and played Mendelssohn's wedding march as the bridal party entered. The bride was attired in white China silk and carried a bouquet of lilies-of-the-valley and the bridesmaids were dressed in blue and pink crepe, respectively, and carried roses. After the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. A. P. Moore,

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STATE NEWS NOTES.

A CHAPTER OF THE DOINGS OF MICHIGANDERS.

Convention of Third District Republicans Name Elect-Gov. Milnes for Congress on the 14th Ballot-Mysterious Tragedy at Mt. Morris.

Third District Republican Convention. The Republicans of the third congressional district met in convention at Kalamazoo to name a candidate for the vacancy in the Michigan delegation to congress created by the resignation of J. C. Burrows, who was elected to the seat in the U. S. senate made vacant by the death of Senator Stockbridge.

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Tom Stoddard, of Holland, was knocked down and robbed of \$50 by two tramps while stepping out of a back door of a saloon. The tramps escaped leaving him badly injured.

Memorize county will give Memorize city \$10,000 towards building a bridge across the river, and work will begin as soon as the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary line can be determined.

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James Karick, near Harbor Springs, lost his house and part of the contents by fire. Joseph Shirley, of the same place, also lost his home and all the contents, even to the clothing worn by the family, by fire. Fire was discovered in an Indian house, also in Harbor Springs, and before assistance could arrive the building became a total loss, all in one day.

Rev. Francis M. Turner, of the Unionville Baptist church, lost his wife and son by death last November and seemed inconsolable in his grief. But what was the surprise of his congregation to learn that he had remarried within three months to a girl 20 years old. He kept it a secret until cornered. He was then promptly fired from the pulpit. Turner is 40 years of age.

The common council of Union City has issued bonds to purchase the electric lighting plant and improve the service.

STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE—35th day.—The municipal charter commission's bill for the incorporation of cities of the fourth class was taken up and met consideration.

Senator C. Lichtenor, of Muskegon, committed suicide in the toilet room of the union depot at Grand Rapids by taking carbolic acid.

John Delange, a harnessmaker, hanged himself on a bedpost at Sparta. It is alleged that his mind was turned by religious matters.

The Hay City council has adopted resolutions declaring against the work of the municipal charter commission appointed by Gov. Rich.

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MAJOR AND MINOR.

NEWS OF INTEREST AND MORE OR LESS IMPORTANCE.

News from China and Japan Tells of Continued Japanese Victories—Negotiations for Peace Contingent—President Cleveland Goes Duck Hunting.

Hiroshima: Official dispatches state that on Feb. 23 the Japanese completed the occupation of the district of Salo Tzu Yen. The Chinese retreated slowly north after one encounter, in which the Japanese lost 98 killed or wounded and the Chinese 55 killed.

On the same morning a Chinese attack on the Japanese line at Hai Cheng was easily repulsed.

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ORGANIZE A NEW PARTY.

Minutemen Moving to the Goal of Free Silver—Call its Friends to Organize.

Washington: A statement, signed by the members of the executive committee of the Minutemen, will be presented at a conference in Washington, has been issued, declaring the issue upon which the new party, styled "The American Minutemen," will be organized. They assert that the money question is indisputably the dominant issue in the United States. The issue, "is being free the gold standard, gold bonds and bank currency on the one side and the bimetallic standard, gold bonds and government currency on the other."

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THE CASE OF MR. LUGRAFT.

A NOVEL.

BY WALTER BESANT AND JAMES RICE.

CHAPTER II. It took me a fortnight to run down the scale from Hamlet, say to Francis the warrior. While I passed through the succeeding gamut of ambition, my two deceivings were melting away with a rapidity quite astonishing.

The rent took five shillings; that was paid in advance. There was extravagant in the matter of eating, and I took three meals a day, finding that not enough to satisfy my voracious appetite. Once or twice, too, I paid for admission to the pit and saw, with a sinking heart what real acting means. My heart failed, because I perceived that I had to begin all over again, and from the very bottom of the gutter.

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THE CASE OF MR. LUGRAFT.

A NOVEL.

BY WALTER BESANT AND JAMES RICE.

CHAPTER II. It took me a fortnight to run down the scale from Hamlet, say to Francis the warrior. While I passed through the succeeding gamut of ambition, my two deceivings were melting away with a rapidity quite astonishing.

The rent took five shillings; that was paid in advance. There was extravagant in the matter of eating, and I took three meals a day, finding that not enough to satisfy my voracious appetite. Once or twice, too, I paid for admission to the pit and saw, with a sinking heart what real acting means. My heart failed, because I perceived that I had to begin all over again, and from the very bottom of the gutter.

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the company sat down to a beautiful supper. The presents were beautiful and useful.

The guests from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Lamb of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Beeman of Stockbridge. The happy pair have the best wishes of the LEDGER.

VILLAGE ELECTIONS.

Lowell's first election under the new village charter took place Monday, March 11, and resulted in victory for the Citizens' candidate for president, for the Republican trustees and for Robert Hunter, Jr., and John Beery for assessor and treasurer, respectively, who were upon both tickets. Although a considerable degree of interest was manifested, everything was quiet and orderly, and as far as our observation went everybody was good natured. There were 163 straight Republican votes, 129 straight Citizens' and 118 split tickets, making a total of 410. Following is the vote:

REPUBLICAN.		CITIZENS'.	
President,		President,	
M. C. Greene	194	C. Bergin	207
Trustees 1 yr,		Trustees 1 yr,	
E. R. Collar	234	C. McCarty	160
C. C. Winegar	196	Robt. Hardy	182
Trustees 2 yrs,		Trustees 2 yrs,	
R. Quick	224	G. W. Parker	167
A. P. Hunter	209	F. T. King	187
		Robt. Hunter, Jr.,	398
		John Beery	396

A SILVER CLUB.

There will be a meeting of the citizens of Lowell and vicinity at Train's Opera House on Saturday evening, March 16, 1895, for the purpose of organizing a Silver Club. All interested are cordially invited to attend.

SALE OF FINE HORSES.

J. M. Mathewson on Wednesday sold three horses to Hon. Geo. Hendre, through Hugh McLachlan, agent, of Detroit, consideration \$1,200. These men know where to purchase fine horses. Mr. Mathewson has as fine bred ones as any in America, and has bred many bread winners. The horses sold were "Mary E.," by "Morris;" "Jennette," black mare, by "Afton;" and "Rock," bay gelding, by Parker's "Gift." Pretty good sale, considering the present state of the horse market.

INGERSOLL EXCURSION.

For Lowell parties wishing to hear Ingersoll's lecture on "The Bible," at Grand Rapids next Tuesday evening, the D., G. H. & M. will make special party rates, going down on the 4:55 and returning on the 11:58, the latter train being held for that purpose. Tickets for sale at the down town office.

THREE DEATHS.

Mrs. Ann Ellis, who had made her home with her son, John, in the neighborhood of McCords, died the latter part of last week. Funeral services were held at the house on Sunday, and on Monday the remains were taken to Sturgis for interment. Mrs. Ellis was a sister of Mrs. Henry Shepard of this place.

Milton E. Streeter, long a well-known citizen of Bowne, died last Saturday of typhoid fever, at the age of 41 years. He was buried under the auspices of Alton Lodge, I. O. O. F., Rev. Mr. Westbrook conducting the services, Tuesday at Bowne Center.

Martin Doyle, one of Grattan's old residents, died on Monday, March 4, at the ripe old age of 84 years. Funeral services were held at the Grattan Catholic church on Thursday following.



Wheat is up 3 cents.

McPherson will move his bazaar into the Avery block.

Henry Clark and family—except John—moved to Saranac, this week. Good luck Henry.

If you want a picture of your house, wait for Wilson's special offer. It will pay.

A Grattan man took a load of beans to Grand Rapids on the 7th inst. and received for the same \$123.50. Pretty good haul.

Mrs. C. W. Slawson has moved to Greenville.

J. V. Oxtoby of Ionia, has been chosen by the Michigan University as one of three to represent that institution in the Michigan-Northwestern University debate at Chicago on the Nicaragua canal question.

E. J. Doyle, of Grand Rapids, was in town Tuesday.

T. R. Hayes and M. Jones of Grand Rapids, were in Lowell Tuesday.

L. M. Foster of Ionia, was in town Monday.

E. H. Spencer, the Sunfield editor who went away hurriedly to buy a new press, got as far as San Francisco before the officials of the American Express company, whose agent he was, overhauled him. He is now in the Charlotte jail and will plead guilty to the charge of defalcation.

Mrs. Dexter Cutler, nee Emma Slayton, a pioneer of Grattan, and sister of W. C. and C. M. Slayton, of Grattan's early history, passed to her rest last week. Funeral services were held at Luther Sunday.

Miss Kittie Clark attended the Kent county Sunday school rally at Sparta last week, as representative from the Congregational school.

Sheriff Montgomery of Ionia county was in town on business Monday.

Geo. Potts, editor of the Saranac Local and wife visited S. P. Hicks and wife Wednesday and Thursday.

Fred Thomas of Cannon lost his house by fire recently.

A flash-light machine will soon be added to Wilson's gallery.

Roswell Hicks and son, Arthur, of Rome, have been visiting the former's brother, S. P. Hicks.

The base ball season opens at Grand Rapids May 4th with a series between the home team and the Detroit.

Buy all kind of wood of J. W. Ecker & Son.

The name of Albertus H. Peckham, Lowell, appears in a list of recently granted pensions.

Miss Bertha Cooky of Hersey, is visiting friends and relatives here.

C. J. Church and wife of Greenville, spent Sunday with Lowell friends.

Rev. A. P. Moors is recovering from a siege of the grip, and now Mrs. Moors is suffering with the same trouble. Services as usual at the M. E. church next Sunday.

T. W. Hayden was over from Belding Monday.

Mrs. Margaret Scott, one of Grattan's pioneers, was surprised, March 9, on a birthday in the seventies, by a large number of friends, who assembled to help her celebrate the event.

Miss Vane Moore is assisting at Wilson's gallery.

L. C. Prescott, H. W. Ganett, F. D. Waldron, F. H. Bole of Grand Rapids, were in Lowell Monday.

The family of Mrs. R. A. Weekes, in Grattan, are recovering from the scarlet fever, nine children having had it.

The directors of the Kent County Agricultural society have decided to hold their next fair the third week in September.

Grandpa Ward of Grattan is very sick at the age of nearly 80 years.

Miss Carrie Blake of Lowell, is the guest of her brother here.—[Clarksville Record.]

Dr. Spinney of Detroit, has been giving free lectures to large crowds at Train's hall this week.

Miss Julie Reimer of Lowell, is spending the week with her friend, Miss Nellie O'Neil, of South Boston. Geo. Northrup and John Norman of Freeport, were in town Wednesday.

S. S. Courtwright wants a general farm horse for his keeping, with privilege of buying later. Will break a colt.

Prof. Austin George, of the State Normal school, will deliver an educational address to the class of '95 on the evening of commencement exercises.

The Rev. J. W. Arney, famous for his liking for fast horses, has resigned the pastorate of the Lausling Pilgrim Congregational church, which he has held for six months. He has not accepted a call elsewhere.

Remember Mrs. Knight's entertainment at Music hall Monday evening.

Coin's Financial School has caused a great deal of comment. U. B. Williams has it. First door east of post-office.

The many friends of Mrs. J. Matern will be pleased to hear that she is at home again, having arrived last Saturday.

Mrs. Eugene Bush of Hastings, took a tea-spoonful of belladonna by mistake for another medicine in a similar bottle, and it was only by hard work that her life was saved.

Robert G. Ingersoll will speak upon "The Bible" at Power's opera house, Grand Rapids, next Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Nathan Barlow, a well known society lady of Hastings, has gone insane and has been taken to the asylum at Kalamazoo.

A. K. Lamb and wife of Grand Rapids, were in town Wednesday to attend the Sayles-Schaeffer wedding. Mr. Lamb and wife were former residents of this place and enjoy occasional visits among their old friends.

Fifty or more of the Lowell fraternity F. & A. M. will visit the Masonic fraternity of Ionia next Wednesday evening. They will go and return by special train, at times to suit their convenience.

Burn, to Mr. and Mrs. Al. Simons, March 2, a 9 lb. boy.

COME, SEE
OUR
ELEGANT
WALL
PAPER.
HUNTER
& SON.

L. G. Skidmore of Alto, was in town Tuesday.

John J. McNaughton in company with his son and Newton Coons have opened a meat market at the old stand next door west of the State bank.

The burst hydrant at northeast corner of block 17 R. & W. P. has been replaced by a new hydrant.

The ladies of the L. O. T. M. will give an experience social at their hall Friday evening, March 22. Every body is invited. Refreshments will be served. BY ORDER COME

Dr. J. M. Goddard late of Benton Harbor, has located at Lowell for the practice of his profession. He is a regular practitioner, and gives especial attention to the diseases of women and children. Office and residence in the Hoag house on Hudson street.

There will be services at the Catholic church next Sunday, at 10 a. m., and 7:30, p. m.

The much-talked-of bloomer bicycle dress is simply a pair of trousers, very baggy at the knees, abnormally full about the pistol pocket, and quite full where you scratch a match. The garment is cut deolette at the south end and the bottoms are tied around the knees to keep the mice out. You can't pull it over your head as you can a corset but you can sit on the floor and pull it on just as you do stockings—one foot in each compartment. You can easily tell which is the right side by the buttons on the neck band.—[Belding Star.]

Having purchased the Banner laundry, I solicit the patronage of all. I guarantee good work or no pay required. Give me a trial, and support home industry. CHARLES SEVERY.

If there is any one thing on earth that a country editor needs, that thing is exercise. Therefore, do we return our most heartfelt thanks to the considerate gentleman who brought us a load of oak knots, moss and crotches on subscription. It is such nice, healthful exercise breaking them up so that they will fit under the bottom of the tea kettle. Exercise? There's a whole gymnasium of it in one piece and two silvers. And all we paid for it was \$1.25 a cord—and there's two of 'em.

Warden's orchestra is no more, and Gib has gone to look for some other employment, as he says he is sick of yelling grand right and left, and also sick of being knifed in the back.

Clare Althen was home from Olivet the first of the week, and attended the Sayles-Schaeffer wedding.

Business Directory.

J. HARRISON RICKERT,
dentist. Over Church's bank, Lowell.
S. P. HICKS,
Loans, Collections, Real Estate and Insurance. Lowell, Mich.
O. C. McDANIEL, M. D.,
Physician and Surgeon. Office, 46 Bridge street, Lowell, Mich.
M. C. GREEN, M. D.,
Physician and Surgeon. Office at Residence—Bridge street, Lowell, Mich.
G. G. TOWSLEY, M. D.,
Physician and Surgeon. Office hours, 10 am. to 3 p. m. and 7 to 8 p. m.
J. M. GOODRICK, M. D.,
Office and Residence on Hudson street. Office hours from 9 to 10 a. m., 2 to 4 p. m. and 7 to 8 p. m., Sunday 2 to 5 p. m.
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A. L. Skinner, Ex-Register of Deeds of this county, died at Great Falls, Montana. His remains were brought to Grand Rapids for burial, arriving on Thursday and were buried Friday afternoon of last week.

N. B. Blain has been having a serious time with the grip during the past ten days, being confined to his bed a portion of his time. He manages to get down to the store again now.

It is now believed that the dictionaries are all wrong as to the derivation of the word pioneer. The word is said to have originated in this way: In the mining camps in California in '49 the miners ate from tin plates which were fastened to the table. Sometimes, when one of these plates became empty, a miner would call out, "Pie on here! Pie on here!" From this the miners came to be known as pie-on-heres or pioneers.—[Exchange.]

G. A. R., Epworth League, Christian Endeavor, reduced rates for conventions. For following meetings the C. & W. M. and D., L. & N. lines will sell tickets at one and one third fare for round trip: G. A. R.—Mr. Clemens, sell March 25 and 26. Return limit 29. Christiana Endeavor—Bay City, sell March 25, 26 and 27. Return limit 29. Epworth League—Detroit, dates of meeting March 26, 27 and 28. Tickets sold on certificate plan to delegates only.

GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

Miss Agnes Wiley came home from Grand Rapids, Wednesday evening to attend the Sayles-Schaeffer wedding.

There have been \$100 worth of improvements added to Wilson's gallery and he is now doing some great work. Call and ask for his special offer.