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THE MASONS

Had a Very Jolly Time at Ionia.

THOMAS DANIEL'S RESIDENCE BURNED.

A. L. Peck Writes From England.

ADA WANTS HELP FROM GRAND RAPIDS.

Horticultural meeting at L. J. Post's.

A LETTER FROM BROKEN BOW, NEB.

Aaron Bunce and Three Others Have Crossed the River.

A JOLLY MEETING.

Ionia Lodge, F. & A. M. gave Lowell Lodge, No. 90 an invitation to visit them and exemplify and do the work of the 3rd degree of Masonry. In pursuance of such invitation, Lowell Lodge chartered a "special" from Grand Rapids, and visited Ionia fraternity last Wednesday night.

A more jolly and fraternal set is seldom seen, than that which wended its way on foot to the D. & M. station on that evening. The special left the station at 7:40 and made the run to Ionia in 25 minutes, including the stop at Saranac. The occupants of the train were composed of 75 fraters from Lowell, 6 from Freeport and 25 from Saranac. These visiting brethren, together with five from Greenville, were given a hearty welcome by the brethren of Ionia Lodge. The 3rd degree of Masonry was conferred on Watson C. Suell, by the officers of Lowell Lodge in an able and impressive manner, to the apparent satisfaction of all present.

After the work was done Brother Nesbit, Master of Ionia Lodge, in behalf of his Lodge, congratulated and thanked Master Winegar and the members of Lowell Lodge for the perfect work of the evening and further said that he had never seen the work more perfectly exemplified than this evening. At the close of the Lodge a very fine banquet was served to the brethren, such as the Ionia brothers well know how to serve. The Lowell fraters arrived home between 1 and 2 o'clock, in good spirits, feeling as though the evening had been well and profitably spent.

HANDSOME FARM RESIDENCE BURNED.

Thomas Daniels of Keese lost his capacious residence by fire last week Friday night. The old people, who were sick with the grippe, were alone, the young folks having gone out for the evening. About 9:30, just as he was thinking of going to bed, Mr. Daniels discovered fire in the loft over the kitchen or woodshed at some distance from the chimney. He made futile efforts to drown the flames and when ten of the neighbors arrived they set about removing the furniture. This was accomplished in good shape, very little damage being done, and almost everything was removed except the contents of the kitchen and cellar. The latter was well stocked, containing 160 bushels of potatoes and 20 bushels of apples. Some insurance was carried in the Ionia Mutual.

The family will move into the house on the Dutt farm, about half a mile distant. This is not the first time this family have suffered by fire. They had a similar experience four years ago.

FROM ENGLAND.

LIVERPOOL, March 4, 1895.

DEAR EDITOR:—

Having a week at my disposal, I took the train, Monday morning, for London and made the journey of nearly 200 miles, in 4 hours and 25 minutes. My first call was at the American Embassy, where I got some desired information. The Hon. Thos. F. Bayard was at a drawing room, held by Her Majesty Queen Victoria. I learned from an acquaintance of his, that he was quite a favorite of Her Majesty. My next call was on the celebrated artist, Arthur Jule Goodman, formerly of Detroit.

The next morning I visited Westminster Abbey and spent some hours in this grand old place, dating back to 616, A. D., and which since about 1085 has been the scene of the coronations of all the English sovereigns, and nearly all their burials. The old coronation chair made about the year 1272 and used on every occasion since is still there and was last used at the coronation ceremony on the Queen's jubilee. My next visit was at London Tower and a more interesting place would be hard to find. Here one can see prison rooms, that once held many notable persons of the realm, also the beheading ax and block, that have seen much actual service, and lastly, the little chapel, that has been the scene and now holds more of the "blue blooded" than were ever killed in any one battle.

Then I saw St. Paul's Cathedral, a grand and massive structure. Next day I saw Buckingham Palace, the Queen's London residence, the Houses of Parliament, where the members wear their hats during sessions. The habit is practiced by many, at hotels and restaurants while dining. I see it nearly every day and at first class places. I then visited the art gallery and museum and had a look at the Lord Mayor's house. The Lord Mayor of London gets 10,000 pounds (nearly \$50,000) a year, but is obliged to spend twice the amount of his salary during the year.

The new tower bridge is a great piece of work and well worth seeing. I visited the "Old Curiosity Shop," celebrated in Dickens' works. I then took a short trip on the continent, but more about that part of the country in my next.

Yours,

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ADA WANTS A LIFT.
Ada wants Grand Rapids to help her build a bridge across Grand river. A bill was sent to Granam, at Lansing, for building such a bridge and apportioning the cost of the same to townships of Cannon, Grattan, Vergennes and Grand Rapids. The representatives from Grand Rapids and Senator Barnard absolutely refuse to have anything to do with the measure, arguing that their city has taxation enough of its own, without reaching out for burdens for Ada's benefit. —[Grand Rapids Press.

HORTICULTURAL MEETING.

The Lowell Horticultural society met on Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Post. The spacious parlors of the Post mansion were full, about 120 persons being present; and as "mine host" and hostess made them feel at home, an enjoyable time was had by all.

The subject for discussion was "Spraying," and there were two spraying outfits on exhibition. Mr. Pierce of Grand Rapids was present and gave a talk on the subject, and there were

short talks by several others on the subjects of spraying, leaf curl, cultivation, etc., including a recitation by Mrs. Ella Husted. Altogether it was a profitable as well as enjoyable meeting.

A LETTER.

BROKEN BOW, NEB., Mar. 5, '95.

To the good people of Lowell, Saranac, Keene and Berlin, to Mrs. B. F. Wilkinson and W. R. Bowen in particular, I wish to extend my hearty thanks, for the supplies sent to me for distribution among the drouth stricken people of Custer county, Nebraska. It may be some satisfaction to you to know that already a great deal of good has been done where we have given them out.

Gratefully yours,

Mrs. A. A. TUCKER.

ANOTHER OLD RESIDENT GONE.

Aaron Bunce, another old resident of this place, died at the advanced age of 82 years, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. D. Atwater, in this village, on Friday, March 15, after a very brief illness. But little more than two weeks before his death he walked to the post-office and back, and though feeling poorly, did not take to his bed until Thursday morning. That morning he arose and dressed as usual but his daughter, seeing how weak he was, persuaded him to return to his bed.

The funeral services were held at the residence on Monday, March 18, conducted by Rev. Jas. Provan, and the interment was made in the Wright cemetery. A large number of friends and neighbors assembled to pay their tributes of respect to the departed one.

Mr. Bunce was born in Adams, Jefferson county, N. Y., in 1813. In 1846 he married Thelosa Crane and removed to Ohio, where they resided five years. They then went to Illinois and lived there 21 years. In 1864 they came to Lowell and purchased a farm one mile from the village, living there with their daughter until five years ago, when Mr. Bunce buried his wife. He, with his daughter and her husband, then moved to this village, where he has since resided.

One sister, now over 90 years of age and resides in New York state, and two daughters, Mrs. D. Atwater of this place and Mrs. Franca Weekes of Brown county, Dakota, survive him.

Mrs. Powell of Rockford, and E. R. Power and wife, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Walker, and U. B. Miller and wife all of Grand Rapids, and Abe Aungst and wife of Ionia, attended the funeral.

DEATH OF MRS. ANDERSON WILSON.

Clarissa, widow of Anderson Wilson of Vergennes, died at her home Saturday, March 16, at the age of 71 years, after a long and painful illness. Funeral services were held in this place Tuesday, March 19, Rev. E. H. Shanks officiating. The remains were buried in the Krum cemetery, Vergennes.

Mrs. Wilson was born in the township of Dover, Cuyahoga county, Ohio. She was the daughter of David and Eletha Oaks, and was a decedent of an old Massachusetts family of long standing in the Presbyterian faith. On Dec. 7, 1842 she was married to Anderson Wilson of Scotland, and in the month of April 1852 came with her family to Vergennes, this county. She spent 36 years of happy wedded life, her husband dying in 1878.

Mrs. Wilson united with the M. E. church at the age of 12 years and al-

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ways lived a devoted Christian life. She was a member of the Lowell Baptist church at the time of her death. She was an affectionate wife and a tender, loving mother, always looking after the welfare of her children, from whom she received the tenderest care, and she now leaves them a rich legacy, the evidence of her perfect faith in Christ as her Redeemer and Savior. Her last words were: "I am the Lord's and he is mine." She leaves a son and two daughters to mourn her death.

DEATH OF MRS. CHRYSLER.

Died, Saturday, March 9, at the residence of her son-in-law, Thomas North of Easton, Ionia county, Amelia Moaks Chrysler, in her 87th year. She was born in Canada, July 16, 1807 and was married to James Chrysler in 1823. She lived on the river Thames until 1835, when she moved to Kent county and from there to Ionia county, where she lived until her death, surviving her husband sixteen years. When they moved here they were the only settlers except one other. Six of a family of twelve survive her: Mrs. Thos. North of Ionia, Mrs. Isaac Alspar of Sherman, Mrs. E. B. Hunter of Lowell, Mrs. Geo. Locke of Toronto, Mrs. Chas. Hazard of California and John Chrysler of Nebraska.

Her funeral took place from the residence of her daughter, Mrs. North Tuesday, March 12, Rev. Mr. Ogden officiating and the remains were interred in the Keene cemetery.

CHESTER G. HODGES

of Brooklyn, N. Y., brother of Fred L. Hodges, and formerly a resident of Lowell, died at his residence in Brooklyn, last Tuesday afternoon. The remains were brought to Grand Rapids and arrived Thursday afternoon, and the funeral is being held this (Friday) afternoon, from the residence of his brother, James Hodges, in Grand Rapids. Mr. Hodges was 47 years of age and well known in this vicinity. He married Miss Eliza J. Perrin, daughter of W. P. Perrin, and sister of Mrs. Mattie McQueen of Lowell.

HOME NEWS

The Home Missionary society of the ladies of the Congregational church was held at Mrs. R. W. Graham's last Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Wheeler J. Hull was chosen delegate to the state convention to be held in Grand Rapids next week.

Virginia and other southern states had a severe snow storm the 20th inst. A marriage license has been issued to Henry Heche of Lowell and Alice Doty of Cascade.

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

A new company has been organized in Hastings to operate the plant of the Hastings Furniture company, which has been idle for a year. The city will aid the new industry. The factory will employ nearly 100 men.

It is said that a woman residing not a great way off named her twin girls Gasoline and Kerosene, and they are a set of fine girls. It is intimated that sparking in that immediate neighborhood will be a dangerous pastime. It is related that a man named Naptha proposed to one of the girls, but has not "b-n-zue" since.

N. B. Blain remains quite ill with the gripe and its complications.

A score or more of the good citizens of Lowell are, at present, afflicted with la gripe.

J. D. Kromer of Grand Rapids spent last Sunday with his wife and children at the home of C. G. Stone.

Mrs. A. D. Ouyer is very sick with spinal fever.

It will be an accommodation to the LEADER if people will patronize our item box more liberally. When anything occurs of interest to the public make a note of it and drop it in the box. Personal items especially requested. Let us know when you have company from abroad, or when you leave home yourself. All these things contribute to the interest of the home paper.

Misses Flora Hunter and Hattie Moore of Freepport were in the village Wednesday.

Greenville girls are rejoicing that the "stub" train no longer makes the evening run to Balding, whose bellies have long been an attraction to Greenville young men.

The Silver club will meet at Train's Opera house this (Friday) evening for the purpose of adopting a constitution and by-laws and to transact any other business that may come before the meeting.

BY ORDER OF COMMITTEE.

Mrs. William B. Brown of Middleville, is visiting her parents, George T. White and wife and other friends here.

J. J. McNaughton & Co. have a very attractive show window in their meat market.

We invite your attention to McNaughton & Co's. announcement in this issue.

Have you seen those Wyandotte fowls in McNaughton & Co's. show window? They are very fine.

W. F. Hawk and wife gave a pedro party, on Wednesday evening, to a company of about 20 couples. The head prizes were won by I. A. Anderson and Mrs. H. S. Schreiner. The booby prizes by H. S. Schreiner and Mrs. Richard Morse. Refreshments were served and a very pleasant time enjoyed by all.

Davis McKishnie and Misses Anna and Maude McKishnie of Portland, spent Sunday at Dr. Towsley's.

Mrs. J. Wright and daughter of Grand Rapids, are visiting friends in town.

Miss Maude Merritt of Greenville, spent Sunday with her friend, Mrs. John Kopf.

Harry Grabach went to Clyde, Ohio, on business Friday.

The re-union of Pastor Shanks' bible class last Friday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Barnes was a very pleasant affair. There were over sixty present and the evening was spent in singing, merry conversation and games. Refreshments were served at ten o'clock, after which the young people departed, all thanking Mr. and Mrs. Barnes for so kindly offering their pleasant home.

While the editor was pounding away on a chunk of subscription wood the other day, Neighbor Yeiter came along and laughed to see the ax hand off the object of our attack. We hit it again and said, "Hah!" just as hard as we could, but it didn't hurt the stick a bit and Brother Yeiter laughed till we could see the insides of him. "Here, some hold o' that," and Joe spit on his hands, grabbed the ax, spread his feet wide apart, so as to be in the line of direction within a base, and struck two or three terrific blows, like a partridge, drumming on a log, and that wicked stick rolled over and over and nearly split its sides, it was so tickled; and Joe, he said: "It's a pity to split a nice chunk like that—hold a fire all night, take it over to my pile and get a couple of small ones." And now we lay for Neighbor Yeiter every morning, hoping for an invitation to trade some of these "nice" chunks for real wood, but he keeps a little shy and somehow we fear that we have hurt his feelings.

Miss Mary McVean of Bowne, was calling on friends in the village Monday.

Mr. Perkins of the firm of Perkins & Richmond of Grand Rapids, was in town Monday looking after business.

A party of young people from this place serenaded Frank Sayles and wife at their home in Vergennes, last Friday evening.

R. Wolcott of Freepport was doing business in town Saturday.

Miss Anna Childs was a sufferer of the grip the first of the week.

Mrs. Jennie Joseph is spending the week in town with friends.

W. H. Clark was in Grand Rapids Tuesday evening.

I. L. Irjah and wife of Grand Rapids, spent Sunday in town.

Mrs. Mart Simpson of Ionia, is visiting her parents, Chas. Althen and wife, in town.

Harold Force of Lansing, spent Sunday with his parents, Geo. Force and wife.

Mrs. E. Gramer has been seriously ill the past two weeks with the grip, but we are pleased to say she is fast recovering.

Miss Goldie Leary gave a party in honor of her tenth birthday Saturday afternoon, March 16; to about twenty of her young friends. At 8 o'clock refreshments were served. She received some very nice presents from her young friends. At 6 o'clock the young folks departed for their homes wishing her many happy returns.

Onton Hill has been spending a few days with his family.

"A man whose opinions are not attacked is beneath contempt."

The Vergennes dancing club will close a very successful series of social hops with a party at Music hall, on Thursday evening, March 28. Appreciating the liberal patronage it has received, the club has placed its bill for the party at the low figure of 35 cents, including care of horses.

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

Miss Lizzie Terwilliger of Ionia is in town, helping care for her sister, Mrs. A. D. Ouyer.

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M. T. Story of Boston township shipped a pair of Victoria pigs to people in Oregon, last week.

The S. S. L. S. will give a warm sugar social at the home of A. Bancroft this evening. All are cordially invited.

About twenty-five couples attended a pedro party at H. S. Schreiner's last Thursday evening, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. I. A. Anderson and Mrs. W. F. Hawk carried off the first prizes and Mrs. J. T. Earl and Ben Converse captured the boobies. Not the least of the entertainment, were the fine refreshments served.

Rev. E. H. Shanks, Miss Gertrude Hart and Mr. Arthur Moore attended the S. S. convention and B. Y. P. U. rally at Ionia Tuesday and Wednesday.

Pastor Shanks conducted the music at the convention at Ionia.

Geo. H. Godfrey of Vergennes, has sold his farm of 80 acres to one of his neighbors, Delbert Condon, for \$2,800 and has bought a farm of 130 acres in Oakfield, for \$4,000, where he will soon move. Mr. Condon has rented his 120 acre farm for three years and has moved onto the Godfrey place, just purchased by him.

Chas. Westbrook, who bought and moved onto the Kennedy farm in Otisco, last fall, has just sold the same to his brother-in-law for \$5,000.

Mrs. Arthur Sherman, who has been in poor health for several months, is considerably better and able to be out a little.

Mrs. Knight's musicale last Monday evening was a very pleasant affair. The little ones carried their parts finely and reflected much credit on their instructor. They all did so well that we do not feel like making any exceptions.

Wanted—A friend; one who will recognize me when I am obliged to wear patched pants; who will take my hand as I am sliding down hill instead of giving me a kick to hasten my descent; who will lend me a dollar without two dollars security; who will come to me when I am sick; who will pull off his coat and fight when the odds are two to one; who will talk of me behind my back as he talks to my face. Such friends are wanted by ten thousand human beings through the whole world.—Ex.

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Many thanks to appreciative readers of Private Brown for their kind words. We have other serials in view which we believe will prove equally as popular. Only the way is good enough for our readers, and that is what they will get.

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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.—Mt. Clemens, sell March 25 and 26. Return limit 29. Christian 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.

BAPTIST NOTES.
Preaching at the Baptist church Sunday morning and evening as usual.
School at 12 o'clock.
Prayer meeting Thursday evening.
E. H. Shanks, Pastor.