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BOLD THIEVES

Steal a Trunk from the L. & H. Depot Platform.

MCCARTY GETS EVEN WITH A SKINNER

Another Interesting Letter from Colorado.

A GYM-NAST IS MCDIARMID'S HORSE.

Suicide of Milton Griswold Near Clarksville.

LEDGER'S PRIZES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

Former Lowell Lady Interested in Murder Case.

A BOLD THEFT.

Mrs. P. A. Clark arrived home from Albion last Saturday evening, and her two trunks were left on the L. & H. depot platform after closing hours, when they were to be secured a little later. On going for them, however, only one was found, and it was soon determined that a theft had been committed. On the flat between the depot and Grand river was found a garment from the missing trunk, and tracks leading toward the river. On Sunday, the trunk was found some distance down the river, badly battered up and rifled of its contents. Some legal documents, a valuable bible and hymn book—for which the thieves had no use—all badly water soaked, were all that remained. The stolen goods, consisting mostly of clothing, would inventory probably \$100. The scamps seemed to be located upon the south side of Grand river, but at this writing no arrests have been made.

DIDN'T GET AHEAD OF MCCARTY.

Charlie McCarty's sudden trip to Pittsburg last week is thus explained: A firm claiming Grand Rapids for its home telegraphed for a car load of dried apples—must have 'em right off quick. If couldn't get 'em that day couldn't use 'em and wouldn't have 'em. The goods were sent and draft made through a Grand Rapids bank for the amount of the purchase. The first warning McCarty had that anything was amiss was a notice from the bank that no such firm could be found in Grand Rapids. Then McCarty hustled to the Valley City, and hustled about that town till he found where the car was transferred and learned that it had been booked for Pittsburg.

It was now apparent that a fraud had been committed, and with blood in his eyes and powerful documents in his inside pocket McCarty hied him to Pittsburg, found his man and the apples, had an argument with the former, floored him in the first round, secured the fruit, fly specks and all, and put them into the hands of a commission merchant to await a good sale.

Charlie was there only a few hours, but managed to get acquainted with many of the best wholesale men in the city and came home with a "catch-a-weasle-asleep" air that was good to behold.

When schemers are looking for suckers among business men, they might as well go to Suckertown at once and give Lowell the go by. We are "outo them."

OPIUM POISONING.

Milton Griswold who lived four miles west of Clarksville, died Wednesday at 2 p. m. from the effects of an overdose of opium. Tuesday eve-

ning he went to Saranac and purchased an ounce of opium, from Druggist E. A. Richards, returning to his home about nine o'clock the same evening. He retired soon after, stating that he did not feel well. Next morning his son found him in a stupor and a doctor was hastily summoned, but every effort failed to arouse him from the comatose condition. It seems to be a clear case of suicide. Probably insanity was the cause. Mr. Griswold was seventy years of age and was well known in Ionia county, being an old resident. He leaves a wife, two sons and a daughter.—[Democrat.

MORE FROM COLORADO SPRINGS.

April 8, 1895.

Well, here is more about the sights we are seeing. To begin with, to-day is delightful and on account of the Raymond excursions being in town, the train on Pike's Peak road made its first trip of the season, going up within two miles of the top and beyond timber line, or up about 12,000 feet. I went, with others, over to Manitou to see them start. The street car does not run up to the railroad station yet but will soon, as the track is nearly all laid. We stopped at the Mt. Iron Springs and drank some of the water. I did not like it very much but they say it is very healthful. We then wandered around finding something new to admire all the time.

April 9. This morning dawned bright and beautiful, and in company with some Chicago people whom I had met in Santa Fe, I made a trip to the Garden of the Gods. We drove over to Manitou and went to the garden from that side. It is almost beyond description. I thought the Royal Gorge wonderful and I suppose it is; but these immense red rocks looming up all around you! You imagine you can see so many different figures formed by them that it is hard to tell which is the prettiest. Two of the rocks are called cathedral spires and they surely look like spires; then the kissing camels, and you imagine you see them carved out very plainly on the top of an immense rock 300 feet high; and still another called the lion and the bear, and again your imagination is brought into play.

But the entrance is the finest thing of all. Great red rocks 300 or 400 feet high, form the gateway and between them and in the distance, Pike's Peak, covered with snow, and to all appearance forming a wall, as it were to the other side of the garden. Balance rock, which I almost forgot to mention, is also one of the principal features of the garden. It is a rock weighing over 300 tons, setting as it were, on a smaller one, and looks as though it might, with the slightest effort, be pushed over.

In one of the large rocks at the entrance, is a cave extending into the rock over 100 feet. In order to get in you have to crawl on your hands and knees, but when once inside, you can stand up all right and with the aid of a lighted candle you are enabled to explore it, which I did.

After leaving the garden we visited Glen Eyrie, a canon which has magnificent rock forms of every color, from a light pink or rose to dark green. In this canon Gen. Palmer, the president of the D. & B. G. railroad has a most beautiful home, one that we read about oftener than we see. It is mountains, mountains, everywhere out here and I shall ima-

gine I see mountains when I get back home.

Colorado Springs is strictly a temperance town but you can go over to Colorado City on the street car and there it is nothing but saloons. There are also a great many at Manitou.—[Extracts from private letter from Mrs. W. H. Clark.

THE FIRE ALARM

Was sounded about 12 o'clock Wednesday night and the department called out by a blaze in a shed near the cider mill. Fire started in an ash barrel and communicated to the shed, where it burned out without further damage.

A GOOD SCHEME.

"P. Yorick," in the Journal, advocates an idea that ought to be acted on. It was broached in these columns as suggested by Frank T. King last summer, and contemplates the construction of a dam at the mouth of Flat river for the purpose of backing water enough around Island park to make that resort one of the most beautiful and pleasurable on God's green earth. It is within our power and at small expense and should be acted upon. Let Nature's gift be appreciated.

ONLY LACKS PRACTICE.

Angus McDiarmid has a horse that needs only a little practice to make an expert tight rope walker or something in that line. Tuesday night, the animal slipped his halter and walking out the open stable door, proceeded to take a walk. He promaded along Grand river and then started to cross on the railroad bridge, and succeeded in getting two-thirds of the way over before he fell through. Here he hung until morning, when he was discovered and rescued from his unpleasant situation rather the worse for wear.

PRIZES FOR GIRLS AND BOYS.

The publisher offers two prizes of 50 cents and 25 cents to boys and girls under 18 years of age, whose parents are subscribers to the LEDGER, for the best and second best "string" of local items—not for number or strength of items but for the news quality contained therein.

As a sample of what is wanted, may be mentioned: Accidents, amusements, anniversaries, associations formed, church matters, concerts, dances, parties, school news, changes in business, real estate changes, sales, festivals, people sick, improvements in property, local inventions, lectures, marriages, births, deaths, new buildings, factories or firms, parties coming into town or leaving to locate elsewhere, suggestions for needed improvements, any unnatural or unusual occurrences, or that which excites curiosity or investigation.

Contributors must turn in copy in good form, not later than Wednesday noon, with name, age and place of residence, and are warned that care must be taken to insure the truth of the items, as facts, not guess work are wanted.

Now, boys and girls, do your best.

FIRST EXCURSION MAY FIFTH.

The D. L. & N. R'y will run the first Sunday excursion of the year to Grand Rapids on May 5th. Special train will leave Elmdale at 10 a. m., arriving at 10:45 a. m. Returning leave at 7 p. m. Round trip rate 45 cents. Take advantage of the low rates and visit the beautiful "Valley City" special attractions at Reed's Lake have been provided for this date. Ask agents

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HOME NEWS

"MURDER WILL OUT."
George W. King, druggist, and Mrs. Henry M. Hughson were arrested at Muskegon, last week Thursday, charged with the murder of Nathan Douglas, an old soldier in the township of Fruitport, July 20, 1892. Warrants were sworn out by Mrs. Eunice William, a sister of the dead man. Mrs. Williams is well known here, having been a resident in this part at one time.

Douglas was buried in Spring Lake cemetery by his comrades. His death led to rumors of poisoning at the time, but nothing was done. On Friday, March 29, Sheriff William H. Smith had the body exhumed and the stomach, brain and intestines sent to Ann Arbor for analysis.

On Wednesday last he received word that traces of arsenic were present in all the organs sufficient to cause death.

Douglas was insured in the Macca-bees for \$2,000, payable to his wife, who is now Mrs. Hughson. King worked on the Douglas farm and assisted her in caring for Douglas during his sickness. After death it is asserted she paid King some money. The will was drawn up by King a few weeks before his death in this city, in the presence of Douglas and his wife.

This is the third time King has been arrested in six months, the first time for alleged attempted criminal assault, and the second time on a charge of arson. He was discharged both times.

His arrest for murder, it is said, grows out of a visit to him by Mrs. Eunice Williams while he was in jail on the second charge. Both defendants were at once arraigned before Justice Collins. They demanded examination, and were held without bail.

O. M. Collar has returned to his old stamping ground.

Thos. W. Teevin, clerk in the city marshal's office at Grand Rapids, made this office a friendly call on Tuesday.

Terry Corrigan of Vergennes, indulged too freely in the flowing bowl, Monday, and Justice Hunter thought he had \$13 worth of fun and Terry paid it like a little man.

The governor has designated Friday, May 3, as Arbor day.

James Munson was in Lake Odessa one day last week.

If you wish to see a splendid collection of nursery stock call at N. P. Husted & Co. at D., G. H. & M. depot, Lowell, Mich.

The union of the West Michigan, Kent county and State fairs at Grand Rapids ought to insure a great meeting.

The Legislature has fixed the liquor tax at \$500.

A new house is to be built on the Thomas Daniels farm on the site of the one recently destroyed by fire.

There was a large attendance at the M. E. church last Sunday evening, even standing room being at a premium. The occasion being special Easter exercises.

J. C. English: "After listening to a stage rendition of Uncle Tom's Cabin, I don't wonder that Harriette Beecher Stowe has become demented in her old age. It is enough to distract most anyone. I think the actors should be required to read the book through once, at least."

J. B. Fletcher of Pratt Lake, had three quarters of an acre of Early Polaris potatoes planted on Wednesday.

Ezra Richmond of Grand Rapids, spent several days of last week with Lowell relatives.

People in search of good laundry service, are cordially invited to give the Banner laundry a trial order. Money refunded if work is not right. Trade at home and your cash will return to you. CHAS. SEVERY.

Mrs. M. M. Perry has been called to her old home in Jonesville to the bedside of her mother who is not expected to recover.

The team of Ben Sage, of Keene, became frightened by the flapping of the awning in front of R. Van Dyke's store, last Wednesday afternoon, broke loose and ran down Main street, turned up Hudson street, and near Jack Walsh's house ran "straddle" a telephone pole, smashed the buggy and separated the horses, each running in a different direction. The horses were captured and Mr. Sage borrowed Mr. Richmond's buggy to go home with.

Robt. Answorth has been suffering with a corn on his little toe and the other day he borrowed a sharp chisel of his miller at the mill and taking off his shoe and stocking placed his foot on a block of wood and with a hammer drove the chisel through his toe, severing it completely from his foot. He did up the bleeding stub and pulled on his shoe and doing up toe placed it in his pocket and resumed his work. He exhibited the defunct toe to his miller and said he bet the d— corn wouldn't hurt him any more.—[Lake Odessa Wave.

A convention of Lowell township Sunday School association will be held at the Congregational church April 25th, afternoon and evening. A fine program has been arranged and all friends of Sunday school work are cordially invited to be present. E. K. Mohr of Grand Rapids will be present and take part in the proceedings.

Will Leary, of Saranac, was doing business in town Wednesday.

For Sale or Rent—A good farm of 80 or 120 acres. Inquire of J. C. Wilson, Pratt Lake.

Dewey Heywood's flute solo was enthusiastically received. He is a brilliant player.—[Salina, Kan., Republican.

The Baptist society will give an interesting entertainment at Music Hall Wednesday evening, April 24. Admission 15 cents or two for 25 cents.

Ren and Lester McDiarmid are home from Ypsilanti, during their vacation, visiting relatives and friends.

Claude Giles, Toll Lee, Norton Henry and Harry Lee attended the dance at Ada last Monday night.

A number of Lowell young men visited Saranac Sunday.

Frank McMahon went to Grand Rapids Tuesday to see the Dwyer and McMahon wrestling match.

Supervisors Bergin and Hodges attended the county board meeting this week.

Supervisor Bergin and Assessor Hunter have begun their yearly tour of investigations of other people's business. Right now is the time to time to lend your dog, take half your property into the woods and swear in the other half at a quarter its value.

EXCURSION TO DETROIT.
Via the D., G. H. & M. and T. S. & M. railways. On account of the great horse show to be held at the Auditorium, Detroit, April 25th-27th inclusive, the above companies will sell tickets for the round trip at one fare and a third, every day of the show and valid to return to April 28.

Eustace Anderson visited friends in Grand Rapids Wednesday.

Miss Ethel Moore is visiting friends in Grand Rapids this week.

Will Blume and Will Barber went to Belding Wednesday to give a horizontal bar exhibition for the Ladies Mins rels.

Mr. Hatch of the old firm of Hatch & Craw, was in town Tuesday.

Harry Lee visited in Grand Rapids last week.

John Dennis and wife, two of Vergennes' worthiest old people, have been sufferers from that common ailment—the grippe. They are recovering now and the former was about town Thursday, making the passerby a pleasant call and expressing his appreciation with a good, round dollar. Come again, Mr. Dennis.

See Ecker & Son for wood and kindlings.

Marriage licences have been issued to Joseph H. Hamilton and Julia Reimer of Lowell, also to Willie Burch and Myrtle Morley of same place.

WANTED.—House cleaning etc. to do. Plain laundry work taken at the house. Mrs. M. Sweetland, in "addition" on Ada road.

Lowell meat dealers have raised the price of beef steak to a shilling per pound.

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The Lowell W. C. T. U. held their annual meeting at the home of Mrs. G. W. Parks, Friday, April 12. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Pres., Mrs. D. P. Atwater; Rec. Sec., Mrs. G. B. Willard; Treas., Mrs. G. E. Wilson; Cor. Sec., Mrs. John Kopt. Then a picnic tea was served and a very enjoyable time was had by all. The meeting adjourned to meet Friday, April 26, with Mrs. McMillan.

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Rob't Childs of Muir, spent Sunday and Monday with his parents and other friends in town.

F. P. Hunter of Saranac was in town last Monday and made the Ledger a pleasant call.

Mr. Smith, of Sweet & Smith, Grand Rapids, was in town Monday.

School commenced in district No. 3, Keene, April 8, for the spring term, with Kate Murphy as teacher.

The fine flute solos by Dewey Heywood was especially enjoyable.—[Minneapolis Times.

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The right to reject any and all bids is hereby reserved. All proposals to be addressed to the undersigned as follows, Wm. H. Murphy, Com'r of Highways (the words "Proposals for Bridge" in lower left corner.)
Dated this 16th day of April, A. D. 1895.
WM. H. MURPHY,
Commissioner of Highways of the Township of Lowell, Kent County, Michigan.

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