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Peach Crop Not Injured So Far by Bad Weather.

MEMORIAL DAY TO BE DULY OBSERVED

Lowell Ball Boys Down the Grand Rapids Lincolns.

THE EDITOR TO HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

Notes from the Local Field. People You Know.

THE PEACHERS ARE ALL RIGHT.

The weather has been so very bad for several days past that fears were entertained for the safety of the peach crop, and as that has come to be regarded as the main dependence in this community, the LEDGER has taken some pains to find out how the young fruit has fared. The opinion seems to be unanimous that the peaches are all right.

Mather Hunter, who lives five miles south-west of Lowell on section 20, says that his peaches are not damaged. His experience leads him to believe that the apple crop will suffer worse than the peaches.

Jame Murphy, whose orchard is on Peck's hill, says his peach trees are not injured, nor potatoes which were high enough to cultivate, but his grapes were scorched and this year's crop completely ruined.

L. V. Cogswell of this township shares the opinion of the other gentlemen as to the peach crop, and has noticed no great damage to other crops.

J. I. Lee has not been alarmed about his orchard. Has not looked it over but thinks it is all right.

Don E. Pratt of Vergennes, has noticed no extensive damage to fruit or crops.

J. R. Buchanan says his grape vines are fairly black and could hardly believe that peaches had escaped injury.

S. P. Husted, last evening, added his testimony to the above. "The peaches are all right."

ENGLE-EDDY.

A very pleasant occasion was that of the marriage of Miss Jessie M. Eddy and Wm. H. Engle, which took place at the residence of the bride's father, Wm. H. Eddy, Thursday evening, May 9. Pastor Shanks performed the ceremony in his usual spry manner, in the presence of about twenty-five guests. The LEDGER acknowledges receipt of a liberal portion of the cake that graced the festive board, and wishes the young couple all the joy and success imaginable.

PROGRAM OF EXERCISES FOR MEMORIAL DAY.

The following is the list of officers and order of exercises for Decoration Day services:

President—S. P. Hicks.
Vice Presidents—W. S. Winegar, Chas. McCarty, N. B. Blain, Lowell; Newell Hotchkiss, Boston; M. H. Trask, Keene; Don Mann, Vergennes; Wm. H. Stone, Bowne.
Orator—Rev. A. P. Moors.
Chaplain—Rev. E. H. Shanks.
Reader—Ellis Faulkner.
Marshal—Chas. Althen.
Asst. Marshal—John D. Crawford.
The procession will form at the Park at 1:30 p. m. sharp, and in order as follows:

FIRST DIVISION.

Lowell City Band.
Joseph Wilson Post.
C. R. Perry Camp.

Pupils of Public Schools.
Women's Relief Corps.
Decorating Committee.

SECOND DIVISION.

President of the Day and Orator.
Chaplain and Reader.
Common Council.
Citizens in carriages and on foot.
On arrival at the cemetery the following program will be carried out:
Music—Lowell City Band.
Prayer—Rev. E. H. Shanks.
Singing—Quartette.
Recitation—Ellis Faulkner.
Singing—Quartette.
Oration—Rev. A. P. Moors.
Singing—Quartette.
Decorating the graves.
G. A. R. services in honor of the unknown dead.

Saluting the dead, by Camp No. 9, S. of V.
Singing, "America"—Quartette and audience.
Benediction.

Should the day be rainy the exercises will be held at Music Hall.

R. QUICK,
BENJ. MORSE,
A. P. HUNTER,
Committee.

A GREAT SUCCESS.

Fully 500 people were delighted by Prof. H. Howe's phonograph concert at the M. E. church last night. People who had listened to the little hand phonograph were astonished by the large machine which produced sounds loud enough to fill the church, while people who had never seen or heard any sort of a phonograph were amazed. The most remarkable part of the program was when E. E. Lohnes sang a solo which the phonograph afterwards reproduced so truly that many in the audience could even identify the song as being sung in Lohnes voice. The program closed with the audience singing the doxology which the machine repeated. — [Owosso Angus, April 27.]

LOWELL CAPTURES THE FIRST GAME.

The first game of ball for the season was played in Lowell on Friday last between the home team and the Lincoln club of Grand Rapids, witnessed by a fair crowd of spectators. The Lincolns proved to be an easy mark for the home team as is evidenced by the score 22 to 8. The following tells the story:

LOWELL.	AB	R	IB	PO	A	E
McQueen, rf	6	3	3	0	0	0
Mellowell, cf	6	4	4	0	0	1
Barber, c	7	3	4	8	2	0
Pardee, lf	7	0	1	1	0	0
Giles, 3b	5	2	2	0	1	2
Bush, ss	5	1	1	3	8	1
Coons, 2b	6	3	2	6	3	1
Lane, 1b	6	2	1	7	1	0
Blaine, p	0	2	1	1	7	1
Totals	54	22	19	27	23	6

LINCOLNS.	AB	R	IB	PO	A	E
Kuenzel, ss	4	0	2	2	2	3
Oruski, 2b	5	0	0	5	2	1
Hertman, 3b	3	1	0	0	0	4
Fleisher, lf	4	0	0	4	1	2
Hamilton, rf	4	0	0	1	0	0
Kren, 1b	5	2	2	7	0	0
Rathburn, p	3	1	1	0	11	0
Croft, c	5	2	1	7	1	1
Koneski, cf	3	2	1	1	0	2
Totals	36	8	7	27	17	13

Innings 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9
Lowell, 3 0 0 3 0 3 2 8 3—22
Lincolns, 0 2 0 1 0 0 1 3 1—8

The next game is with the Saranac boys this afternoon. Manager Keister is arranging for games with the following teams: Perkins & Richmond Grand Rapids City League team, Alto, Belding, Sunfield, Hastings, Freepport, Ionia, Greenville, Valley City, Ozarks, and Owosso State League.

The boys are putting up a good game and deserve a royal support.

ROYALTY INVOLVED.

William Butler Duncan of New York City petitioned the probate court yesterday for the probate of the will of Alexander Duncan, deceased,

of Providence, Rhode Island. There is \$2,000 worth of real estate in this county belonging to the estate. There are three heirs. The petitioners are Sally (Dowager) Lady Hay, daughter and Alex. Landerdale Duncan, son—both of the latter living in England. — [Sunday Herald.]

The above proof of will is made to perfect the title in and to the land south of Grand river, consisting of what is usually known as the Chesbro property of which the village of Segwun forms a part.

BIRTHS.

A son to F. B. Clark and wife, Monday, May 13.

A son to Frank Ecker and wife, Tuesday, May 14.

A daughter to Mrs. Geo. T. Hine, late of Georgia, Tuesday, May 14.

A VISIT TO THE ASYLUM AND HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

The editor of the LEDGER made a business trip to Ionia last Thursday and incidentally visited the asylum and state house of correction. Both institutions are kept in a marvelously neat condition. The visitor to the asylum, is made to think better of mankind when he observes the great care and kindness shown to the state's unfortunates. The surroundings and furnishings are made as home-like as possible and care and attention given every inmate, better than they could receive at home. In the asylum we met a lady who recognized us as an old friend and greeted us with: "Why, George! I never expected to see you alive in this world again," followed up with a very rapid talk over old times, with all of which of course we professed acquaintance and great interest. We were introduced to one gentleman who is recovering from the illusion that he was vice president of the United States for twenty-five years. He wanted to know what we were "in for;" believed our game was "keno," and that we had served a term at Memphis.

Just before leaving the house of correction, our attendant opened the door of the dark cell and asked us to step inside, which we did and he immediately closed the door upon us. We managed to call out "What the deuce are you shutting us in here for?" when the door opened and the accommodating guide said: "I just wanted you to see how dark it is." "Thanks, awfully; but don't do it again. Your word is good for it. No more experimental knowledge, if you please."

Both of these institutions seem to be in the hands of efficient and courteous officials and conducted in a manner creditable to the great state of Michigan. A visit to either or both will well repay anyone.

DEATH OF AN ADA PIONEER.

Archibald McMillan died at his home in Ada, Monday, aged 86 years. He had been a resident of the township for 47 years and was highly esteemed and respected by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance. He leaves three daughters and two sons, State Oil inspector Neal McMillan of Rockford, and A. McMillan of this place. The funeral took place from the residence Wednesday morning.

OUR GRAND OLD MAN WINS ANOTHER.

In the case of Jacob Mastenbrook vs. Frank C. Alger, the jury had learned that Judge Adams had made a decision in favor of complainant against defendant. Attorney McMillan has added another laurel wreath to his crown of victory.

Special sale one day only at Quick & Son's, Saturday, May 24.

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HOME NEWS

ENTERTAINING AN ENGLISHMAN.
Robert Renton Eadon of Sheffield, England, is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Oliver of 36 Eighth street. Mr. Eadon is one of the largest steel manufacturers in England and for the past 125 years the Eadons have made the celebrated brand of tool steel known as the president steel from which the finest of the Sheffield cutlery is made. Mr. Eadon is touring through the United States and Canada enjoying the Yankee's land in its picturesqueness from his standpoint. While in England last year Mr. and Mrs. Oliver were his guests at Mandrake house. Mr. Eadon's Sheffield estates adjoin the duke of Norfolk's country seat and are considered among the finest in that part of England.—[G. R. Democrat, May 8.]

Mr. Eadon made Lowell a visit last week Thursday and was shown about town by Chas. A. Church. Our townsman, A. D. Oliver, previous to coming to America, lived within a half mile of Mr. Eadon's Sheffield residence.
A picked team from Alto, Freeport and Caledonia will play the Lowell boys on the home grounds next Thursday.
Miss Minnie Blakeslee spent last week with friends in Grand Rapids.
Miss Kate Newcomb is visiting in Grand Rapids.
Brother Compton, of the Clarks-ville Record, made this office a call Thursday.
Mr. Deal of Albion, has been spending a few days in Lowell.
John Clark spent Sunday with his parents at Saranac.
F. T. King, Chas. McCarty, Geo. Rouse and R. D. Stocking were in Grand Rapids Wednesday.
Papa Clark says that Frank B., Jr., weighs 16 pounds, but Grandma Clark says that he does not weigh more than one-half as much.

Ira J. Buck bid in the Job. Q. Van Valkenburg fruit farm last Saturday at a mortgage foreclosure sale held in Grand Rapids.
Special sale one day only at R. Quick & Son's, Saturday, May 24.
A contributor says that "Mrs. Monty Sayles of Alto set a hen on seventeen eggs and was rewarded by a hatch of twenty-one chickens," and leaves the unsophisticated type setter to believe that the twenty-one chickens came from seventeen eggs. You can't fool the Ledger man that way, he is up in the hen business, as sure as "eggs is eggs."

Mrs. J. H. Dumon of Centralia, Wash., is visiting her parents, D. P. Walters and wife, and other relatives here.
Wheat 67 cents.

J. C. Scott and wife have returned from their trip through the west.

Mrs. W. H. Clark has arrived home having spent the time since her return from the south, in Grand Rapids.

H. H. Dyer has returned from Arizona.

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John Devos reported fruit injured by Tuesday night's frost at his place on the Peck hill.

Mrs. Shear is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Charles Whitlow, at Trufaut.

Guerny Peckham has returned from his eastern trip and reports business generally "looking up." His trip in the interests of the Lowell Cattle Company was very satisfactory.

P. L. Cambell of Alton, has settled down just east of this village.

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

Umbrellas and parasols repaired and covered with new cloth at E. Grover's repair shop, one door west of Bakery.

Little Edith Stone, after reaching almost to death's door, is now rapidly recovering. The bright little twins are great favorites and all will be rejoiced that they are not to be parted so young.

J. W. Walker is doing business with the probate court today.

The art exhibit and entertainment given by Band No. 2 at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Winegar, Tuesday evening, was a very pleasant, successful and well attended affair.

Mrs. I. Mitchell has been spending the week in Ada with relatives and friends.

Farmers and others desiring to purchase good cedar fence posts can save money by buying them of J. E. Lee.

Waterman is home from Davison, Iowa. He made the trip across Lake Michigan Friday last, and says that he has had enough of lake travel. The passengers were badly frightened, many of them praying for safety.

Byron Nixon of Bellairs with his wife and child are visiting relatives here.

Phil Bentelster has been making improvements on his home by building a new kitchen and giving his house a new coat of paint.

C. Bergin was doing business at Grand Rapids Wednesday.

Miss Bessie McCarty visited Miss Kittie Clark in Saranac Sunday.

The Lowell W. C. T. U. will meet with Mrs. S. Brewer Friday, May 24. Program: Paper on Social Purity, Mrs. K. Graham.
Select reading, Mrs. H. Peck.
Question box.

All wishing salt rising bread call for Lawrence's, made at the city bakery.
Mrs. Susanna Irons has been granted a widow's pension under the new law at the rate of \$8 per month.

Union memorial services will be held at the M. E. church on Sunday, May 26, at 2 o'clock, p. m.

S. P. Hicks has a handsome new sign.
To-morrow is moving day with the LEDGER. After that date look for us one door south of Lowell State bank.

Decoration day will be duly observed in Lowell. Read the program elsewhere in this paper.
There will be a phonograph concert at Music hall on Saturday evening, May 18th. The program announced is a fine one and is highly recommended.
See Ecker & Son for wood and kindlings.

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Norton Harry visited Saranac Sunday.

Glen Gould of Saranac, visited Lowell last Friday and took in the ball game.

A "pick-up" ball nine from Lowell went to Alto Sunday and defeated the Alto's 21 to 3. Batteries, Lowell, McMahon and Krum; Alto, Hateman and Houlihan.

Walter Weeks of Grand Rapids, visited Lowell Wednesday.

Money to loan on real estate. Low rates, no bonus. Lowell State Bank.

For Ringling Brothers circus at Grand Rapids Friday, May 24, the D. G. H. & M. will sell tickets from Lowell good to admit to show for \$1.05. Children half fare. Buy of agents. Full fare will be charged if collected on cars. Train leaves Lowell at 8:15, returning leaves Grand Rapids 6:30 and 11 p. m.

Circus at Grand Rapids May 24. The L. & H. R. R. will sell excursion tickets on train leaving Lowell 11:30 a. m., at \$1.05 which includes ticket to show. W. H. CLARK, Trf. man.

Get Lawrence's salt rising bread at the bakery, or at the west side stores.

J. M. Mathewson and S. P. Hicks were in Grand Rapids last Monday, on legal business.

Rhoda Barney was granted a divorce from Corkina Barney one day last week. Desertion and non-support the plea.

Quick meal gasoline stoves are much improved this season. Call and see them at R. B. Boylan's.

Doctor and Mrs. McDannell and Miss Ethel returned from their eastern trip last Friday.

While Mrs. Allie Olmstead and little son, Max, were visiting at Ernest Bailey's, one day last week, the little fellow overturned a cup of hot tea, and his breast and one arm were badly scalded. He is doing nicely now.

Tom Murphy and Harry Lee witnessed the Indianapolis-Grand Rapids ball game at the latter city last Sunday.

Lovers of high class music should not fail to hear the phonograph concert at Music hall Saturday evening.

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LOWELL LEDGER SUPPLEMENT.

The Captain's Money.

A Tale of Buried Treasure, Cuban Revolt and Adventure Upon the Seas.

IN FOUR PARTS.

BY JAMES FRANKLIN FITTS.

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"Wait, Hardy," the Captain said, almost touching the woolly head with the muzzle of his pistol. "You black scoundrel, you are well known to us, and I should serve you right by putting a bullet straight through you. Why should I not?"

The man answered only by a stolid look of hate. His grasp on the wheel relaxed, and the vessel fell off a point.

"Keep her east by northeast, or you're a dead man!" roared the Captain. "You're an Isle of Pines pirate, and you've shipped on this bark to plunder it. Purvis—here, take the helm again. Mr. Hardy, put on the irons."

The mulatto sullenly gave up the helm, and yielded his wrists to the shackles. The mate marched him forward before the muzzle of his pistol, and down the ladder into the forehold. All the crew saw it, and there were some black looks; but no man dared to lift up his voice.

In a few moments the mate returned with the intelligence that he had confined the mulatto below, and had put on him heavy leg-irons.

Captain Willis walked the deck for half an hour with the mate, advising as to what should be done in the grave situation in which the ship was placed. Every hour seemed to develop new and more imminent perils; and what was yet to come, no man could foresee.

It was finally agreed that both Captain and mate should pass the night on deck, and that one or the other must be constantly awake to superintend the watch and the man at the wheel.

"I'll go below again, and make some preparations," said the Captain; and he proceeded to do so.

Could he have known what had transpired in his cabin in his absence, something like despair might well have seized him.

In the conversations between the Captain and his nephew ashore, reference had been made to their occupying the cabin of the bark together.

This was true, but not strictly correct. Both had taken their meals in the cabin, and sat there; but the Captain had a berth there, while Louis slept in a little cuddy off from it.

In his casual search for his nephew, upon coming down after the shooting of the negro, the Captain had opened the door and glanced into this cuddy. It was dark; nobody appeared to be there.



THE CAPTAIN AND THE CONCEALED WATCHER.

He had called Louis by name; but no one answered.

"Strange that the fellow acts so," he soliloquized. "What can he be doing forward?"

But he was not forward, nor anywhere on deck. He was concealed behind a curtain that covered the side of the place.

The door was left ajar; and a little later the concealed watcher saw the Captain bring the canvas sacks of gold to the cabin table. He heard the ring of the metal as the bags were put upon it.

He heard every word that was spoken between the Captain and the mate. When he heard their feet ascending the cabin stairs, he thrust aside the curtain and came out into the cabin.

Now was the man revealed! In the seclusion of those few moments, he exulted with a glee like that of a demon. He clapped his hands; he laughed; he patted the door of the locker that concealed the treasure. His savage rejoicing broke forth in sililoquy:

"At last I have seen it—I have found it! He would not trust me with his secret! I knew I should discover it—I have discovered it!"

He listened to the footsteps on the deck. He heard the heavy tread of the Captain and the mate.

He struck his forehead with his palm.

"But there is more—this is but a trifle. Where is his wealth, I wonder—where does he conceal it? He talks in his sleep about it; it's hoarded somewhere. By Heaven, I'll know where!"

So the strong ruling passion of the man raged and possessed him in those moments. Here was the key of his strange conduct—covetousness of his benefactor's wealth and the determination to discover and seize it.

When the Captain's steps were again heard descending the stairs Louis darted into the cuddy and concealed himself again behind the curtain.

PART I.—CHAPTER VII.

JOSE GARDEZ.

Captain Willis entered his cabin again, closed the door, seated himself

by the table and leaned his head on both hands.

He had said to the mate that he wanted to go below and make some preparations before he came up to share the night-watch with him.

What he really wanted was a few moments' solitude for deliberate thought. And when this man needed to go away by himself and think, there must have been some serious trouble.

He had not been accustomed to take serious thought about any thing. His judgment was generally good, his will was always strong, and he was apt to decide upon what seemed the proper course off-hand.

Thus he had done now. Because of the vexations and annoyances that were besieging him as an American in Havana, he had decided without reflection that any thing would be better than another day of such petty miseries. Deliberately, he could hardly have gone to sea with a crew of thieves, pirates and refuse of the city. The possible consequences of such a step ought to have occurred to him. But he had acted hastily, almost passionately; and the serious consequences were upon him before darkness of that day. One man necessarily slain by his own hand, as a mutineer; another in irons below; with mutiny crushed for the moment, but likely to break out again at any hour; with but two men in the vessel upon whom he could depend, and he and they likely to be worn out by the watches which this state of things rendered necessary, and thus to fall an easy prey to the others—this was the wretched prospect that appeared to the Captain as he sat in his cabin.

He was not given to useless repining. If he had been, he would have condemned himself severely for his precipitancy.

His reflections were interrupted by a rap at the door. He said: "Come in," and Jose Gardez entered.

Captain Willis was of course in bad humor at this moment, and the sight of this man added to the flame.

"What the deuce brought you here?" he shouted. "Haven't you learned that you've no business in my cabin till you're asked?"

"I was asked, sir," the man replied.

"Who asked you?"

"Mr. Hardy, sir. I went up to him a few minutes ago, and told him what I am going to tell you now; and he said he couldn't leave the deck, but told me to come right to you."

The manner and tone of the man were perfectly quiet, as well as respectful. The Captain's heat was over. He eyed his visitor curiously.

"I thought you couldn't speak English?"

"I could not, yesterday, because I was in Havana. Now we're at sea, the language has come back to me."

A faint intimation of more strange

LOWELL LEDGER SUPPLEMENT.

happenings in store agitated the Captain's mind. He passed his hands through his hair, shook his head vigorously, as if to clear it, and then looked the man straight in the eye.

"You've something to tell me," he said. "Say it—quick!"

"Captain Willis, I want to tell you, in the first place, that you can depend on me to stand by you against the lot of ruffians you have shipped. I'm in earnest about this; I mean it. Yet I must tell you that not one of them, nor all of them, deceived you as I have."

The Captain answered not a word. A suspicion of the strange truth broke upon his mind and held him dumb.

"I shipped on your vessel by the name of Jose Gardez; that is not my name, it is Henry Crawford. I said I was born in Cuba, of Spanish parents, I am in fact an American, a native of New England. I said I could not speak English; it is my native tongue, though few Americans can speak Spanish better. I pretended to be an able seaman; all I know of seamanship is what I picked up by observing sailors on several voyages as a passenger. I was never aboard the "Cid Campeador" in my life. I was never at Cadiz. In fact," and the speaker's voice plainly showed his appreciation of the drollery of the idea, "if I had been the Spaniard that I claimed to be, I could not have told you more lies than I did yesterday."

"But what for? What object had you in all this masquerading?"

"The truth is, Captain Willis, I wanted to leave Havana immediately; in fact, there was the most pressing necessity for it. I knew you—or at least, I knew who you were; I had seen you and heard you talk, and I greatly desired to leave in *your* vessel. You never would have taken me had I frankly told you who I was; or rather, I never could have been so selfish as to put the burden of that knowledge on you. Hence the need of my masquerading, as you call it."

"Do you tell me that you have seen me before, and heard me talk? Where, pray?"

"Yesterday—at the Paseo."

Captain Willis rose excitedly from his chair. The man before him removed the grizzled hair from his head, took the patch from his eye, produced a handkerchief from his pocket which was stained with some brown liquid, and wetting it in the water-jug, rapidly removed every trace of the bronze tint from his face. Then he straightened up his shoulders, folded his arms, and looked quietly at the Captain.

"Great Heavens—the escaped patriot for whom all Havana is searching!"

"The same, at your service," said Henry Crawford, with a smile.

PART I.—CHAPTER VIII.
A GOOD UNDERSTANDING.

The cabin-table had stood between



THE ESCAPED PATRIOT REVEALING HIMSELF.

the two men during this interview. Captain Willis walked round it, seized his visitor by the right hand, and with his left clapped him heartily on the shoulder.

"Welcome, sir—welcome to the hospitality of the 'Nellie Willis'" he exclaimed. "I am at your service; every thing on board is at your command. I admire a brave man, and a braver than you I never saw. I feel as though you'd done me a favor by making me the means of your escape. Perhaps it's better that you came in disguise; perhaps you couldn't have fooled those hawk-eyed officers any other way, but you wrong me, sir—you do, indeed!—when you say I wouldn't have received you had I known who you were. You don't know Aaron Willis as you will before you see Boston light. The man who can dare and suffer what you have for Free Cuba—the fellow that has the blood and pluck to do what you did yesterday, and do it successfully—I tell you, sir, he's welcome to my friendship all his life and my life, if he will have it."

The Captain's eyes moistened with the warmth of his enthusiasm. Henry Crawford was greatly moved by it, and strongly returned the grasp of his hand.

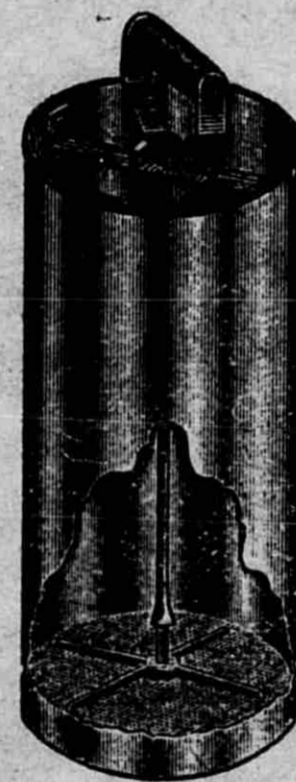
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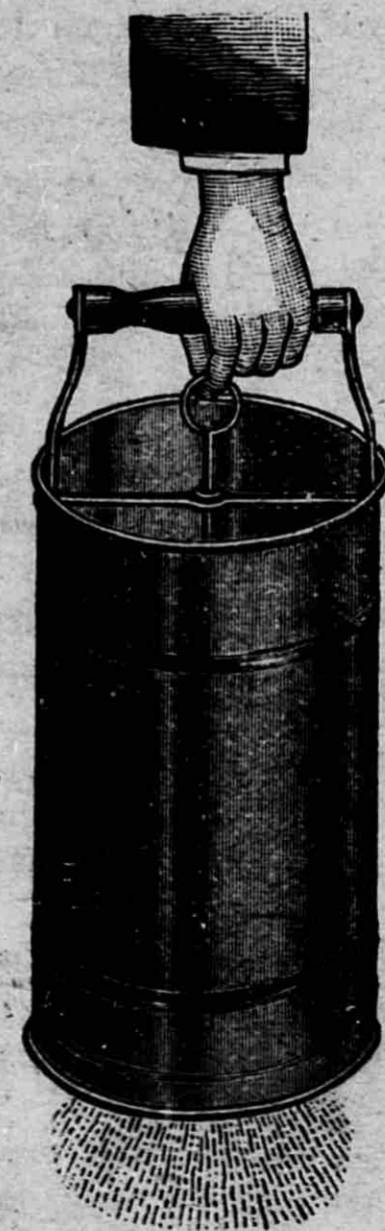
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