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LOWELL, KENT COUNTY, MICH., AUGUST 9, 1895.

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LEDGER OFFICE.

THE FRUIT MEN.

Proceedings at Their Saranac Meeting.

ANNUAL HARVEST PICNIC, AUGUST 21.

Ben Morse's Foot Race. At Court Hicks.

A FATAL ACCIDENT AT GREENVILLE.

To Niagara. Merry Little Folks. Other Matters.

UNION HORTICULTURAL MEETING.

A union meeting of the Lowell and the Saranac horticultural societies was held in this village Wednesday last week, but owing to a misunderstanding as to the date of holding the meeting the attendance from the Saranac society was not as large as would have otherwise been.

The meeting was called to order at two o'clock by E. H. Hunt, president of the Saranac society and that gentleman stated it had been the intention to secure R. M. Kellogg, of Louisa, as a speaker for the occasion but this had been found to be impossible but that Mr. R. D. Graham of the Grand Rapids society was present and invited him to give some of his experience in fruit raising. Mr. Graham talked about the advisability of the societies here and at Lowell, making a collection of fruit for exhibition at the state fair at Grand Rapids and gave some valuable hints on marketing fruit.

The market in Grand Rapids, he said, was flat for early peaches—southern competition was too much for the Alexanders. The money is in the later varieties, in varieties not much earlier than Crawford's Early. Would recommend the following varieties of peach for planting in this part of the state: Stump of the World; Early and Late Crawfords; Albertas; Foster; Mountain Rose. For home market, Oldmixon; Hale's Chili, for damp well underdrained soils; Goldrop; Kalanazoo; Eagle's Mammoth; Crane's Early Yellow (earlier than Crawford, same as acme) and Bronson's Seedling. Salway is one of the most valuable varieties for marketing. The locality and quality of the soil have much to do with different varieties.

What will do well in one locality will be unprofitable in another. Crawford's will not thrive on sandy soil, while Early Michigan and the Lewis Seedling seem especially adapted for lighter land. Mr. Graham thought that as yet no peach had been propagated that will supersede the Crawford's. He thought that in dry weather he would continue cultivation of orchards but would not cultivate after heavy rain at this season of the year.

Messrs Matthew Hunter and S. E. Bevier, recommended sprinkling salt around pear and plum trees.

A union meeting of the Grand Rapids, Lowell and Saranac societies will be held, probably on the 27th of August, at Lowell.

Wm. Rowe and E. W. English were appointed committee to gather collection of fruit for exhibition at State Fair.—[Saranac Local.

HARVEST PICNIC.

The executive committee of the Union Harvest Picnic Association met at the Local office Wednesday afternoon of this week. Members present were E. E. Church, President; Samuel Tucker, Treasurer; and Vice Presidents Robert McKendrie, and W. W. Woodman. E. H. Hunt was protempore, for Boston and Robert Hardy was appointed for Lowell.

After discussing the matter thoroughly it was voted to hold the annual picnic in this village on Wednesday, August 21st.—[Saranac Local.

MARRIAGE STATISTICS.

The county clerk has been comparing notes on the marriage license record for the past six months of

1895 and corresponding months of 1894. The records give a total of 588 for 1895 and 581 for 1894, or a difference of 7 in favor of 1895. In the first six months of 1895, before the hard times struck the county, 730 licenses were issued and it looks as if the marriage market had not yet recovered from the financial panic which seized Cupid's purveyors along with all other business interests of the country.

HIS SKULL WAS CRUSHED.

Benjamin F. Riley was accidentally killed at the saw mill of the Ranney Refrigerator company at Greenville Monday afternoon about 5 o'clock. He and his brother were left in charge of the sawdust cart, which was backed under the sawdust bin. When the wagon was filled his brother picked up the reins, and Benjamin climbed on the load. As the horses were started Benjamin was caught between the top of the wagon box and a sill on the under side of the bin, and his skull was fractured. The deceased was a son of Owen M. Riley, engineer at the mill, and was 17 years old.

SEE BEN MORSE RUN.

There was a little ripple of excitement in the west end of town, Monday night, all caused by a running match between Deputy Ben Morse and John Davis of Grand Rapids. The last named individual had been indulging in a loud "toot", and under the seductive influence of a horn of Lowell benzine, had used unbecoming language on our sanctimonious streets.

The race was not with the swift, for Davis struck a mud puddle first with his feet and next with his pants and before he could pull himself out the Deputy had him good and stout.

Next day both men told their little stories to Justice Hicks, who simply scratched the place where his hair ought to be and remarked: "Five dollars and costs."

THAT CRUELTY TO ANIMALS CASE.

Michael Carey, who was fined \$1.00 and costs, amounting to about \$30, for leaving his horse hitched to a tree from 1 o'clock p. m. of one day to 5 o'clock p. m. of the next without food or water, went to jail Monday for 30 days instead of paying the cash. This case has attracted considerable attention and Justice Hicks' judgment in the matter will doubtless have a salutary effect upon other offenders.

DAVIS VS. TRAIN.

The case of Warren Davis vs. Jarvis B. Train for damages on contract came up before Justice Hicks Tuesday, with Attorneys Mains for plaintiff and Cutts for defendant. Davis claims he was hired by the season and that Mr. Train discharged him on the 4th of July for refusing to work on that day. The Justice took the statutory time in which to render his decision.

THOSE CHERRY TREE "STORIES."

Mr. Editor:—Seeing in your Ledger a few cherry tree stories, I send you one of California's to see how it will compare with those of Michigan.

Yours respectfully, J. O. Chapin.

Friend Chapin's story is rather too lengthy for reproduction here, and besides the Ledger is here to boom Lowell and not California. The story related to claims crops of \$150 to \$300 worth of cherries from single trees and the writer says that if we don't believe it he can show us the tree. This reminds us of the fellow who claimed to have a razor that once belonged to Christopher Columbus, and if we didn't believe it, would show us the razor.

UNPRECEDENTED CHEAP EXCURSIONS TO NIAGARA FALLS.

The Detroit, Grand Haven & Milwaukee railway will tender their patrons one of the finest and cheapest excursions to Niagara Falls given for years. It has long been the wish of its patrons to give them an opportunity to visit the grandest scene in the world at a rate that all can afford, and to this end they have named Wednesday, August 14, for the great event. Tickets will be valid to return up to and including Tuesday, Aug. 20. This will give an opportunity to visit relatives and friends, and also the great cataract and scenery of Niagara Falls. For this occasion reduced rates will be made at the hotels and points of interest around the Falls. Special train will leave Lowell at 6:53 a. m., arrive at Niagara Falls about 7:30 p. m. For time of train from other stations make inquiries of all agents D. G. H. & M. The following rates will be made for round trip from all stations:

Grand Haven to Berlin inclusive \$6.50

Grand Rapids to Muir inclusive \$6. Pewamo to Ovid inclusive \$5.50. Owosso to Royal Oak inclusive \$5.

For particulars and other information ask all agents of this company or address Ben Fletcher, Trav. Pass. Agent, Detroit, Mich.

ANOTHER LOT OF GOD'S LITTLE FOLKS MADE HAPPY.

Mr and Mrs Fred G Stone gave an "Oscar Wilde" party to about forty of the little people on Wednesday in honor of the tenth birthday of Irene. Grandpa Stone's lawn was gaily decorated and bountifully spread tables were attacked by the merry party when supper time came. A very jolly afternoon was spent, and—

"An old dame passing whispered low, 'This is their happiest time.'"

ANNUAL PETOSKEY EXCURSION VIA D. L. & N.

will be run this year on Thursday, Aug. 29, affording an opportunity for everybody to visit the resorts of Northern Michigan with little expense. The train will run as usual via Grand Rapids and the West Michigan "Scenic Line," the popular route to Charlevoix, Petoskey and Bay View. The beautiful scenery along alone a sufficient attraction to make the trip a delightful one. Tickets will be good to return on all regular trains until Sept. 7, inclusive. Train will leave Lowell at 11:30 a. m., stopping at Grand Rapids 30 minutes for dinner and arriving at Traverse City at 5:45 p. m., Charlevoix 8:15 p. m., Petoskey-Bay View 8:50 p. m. Round trip rate to either point \$4.00.

Stops will also be made at Manistee Crossing (for Manistee), Thompsonville (for Frankfort), and at all stations north of Traverse City, to let off passengers. Baggage will be checked accordingly. No stop-off allowed on tickets. There's great fishing along the line north of Traverse City. Take your fish-line with you.

L. M. Fuller, G. P. A.

ISLAND LAKE EXCURSION STATE TROOPS IN CAMP.

You want to see the "Boys in Blue" at Island Lake, we want you to do so. To make it easy, the D. L. & N. will run a low rate excursion on Sunday, August 11th, leaving Elmdale at 8:42 a. m. and arriving at Island Lake at 11:20 a. m. Returning, leave at 7:30 p. m. Round trip rate \$1.00.

Grand review of troops will take place during the afternoon. Refreshments may be had at the pavilion, in the grove, or at the hotel at Spiritualists camp ground on north side of the Lake. Row boats in plenty at reasonable rates.

VISIT STATE TROOPS ON SUNDAY

August 11th will be the "big day" at the Island Lake encampment of the "Boys in Blue" and as everybody wants to see how they act in camp, the D. L. & N. railroad will run special train excursions on that day, at very low rates.

Trains will leave Elmdale at 8:42 a. m., arriving at Island Lake at 11:20 a. m. Returning, leave at 7:30 p. m. Round trip \$1.00.

Aside from the troops, other attractions will be found to make the day pass pleasantly.

Spiritualist camp meeting is now in progress and is worthy of a visit. No fair in Lowell this year.

VERGENNES.

Mrs. James Wells sends thanks to the ladies of the W. C. T. U. for the beautiful bouquet and lovely card they sent her.

Miss Lottie Olmstead is attending the teacher's institute in Grand Rapids.

Miss Agnes Steel of Grand Rapids has been visiting Mary Bennett.

Mrs. James Wells and sister Miss Mary Martin have been entertaining their sister-in-law Mrs. John Martin of Hartford Mich.

Seth Van Wormer and wife have been visiting friends near Grandville.

Ed Hoag and wife entertained Mr. and Mrs. Ort Hill of Lowell also Wm. Hall and wife of Grand Ledge Sunday.

We had another night of hard rain last Friday night and it is raining again this Monday evening. Pastures and lawns begin to look fresh and green again.

Eugene Lee and G. W. Crosby will please stand down and let W. Botzen stand to the head for the best field of corn in this vicinity.

Quint Hudson wife, and daughter Ruth, took dinner last Sunday with John Hawk and wife of Lowell.

PEACH HILL GROVE.

The Dunkards will have preaching at the Ware School house Sunday.

P. C. Freeman and wife are the happy parents of a little boy.

H. L. Godfrey and family visited friends in Oakfield last week.

Mrs. J. Buck is visiting friends in Grand Rapids this week.

Seymour Coles was taken with pleurisy last Sunday but is now much better.

Mrs. J. N. Hubble entertained friends from Grand Rapids, Lowell and Smyrna last week.

H. L. Godfrey lost one of his cows last week.

Jay Ware of Freeport visited his father S. A. Ware recently.

Maud Mitchell of Lowell was the guest of Miss Pink Coles.

ALTON.

E. Ring and wife visited at J. Slat's at Clarksville last Thursday and Friday.

Mr. Kitchen of Lowell put up a monument at the graves of Philip Aldrich and wife for Mr. Hamilton of Lowell, last week Thursday.

Perry Cambell attended the wedding of Lillian Carter last week at Lowell.

Steve Murphy and Jimmie Corrigan were among the party that went to Dakota.

Mrs. Kroph has been very sick but is gaining now.

Richard McGee and wife entertained a large circle of friends, July 29th.

Otis White is in Gratton this week repairing a mower for John Rogers which he sold him twenty years ago, and this is the first it has ever had to have done to it.

Mrs. Simmons' niece from Howard City has been visiting her.

Mr. Miller the band instructor was a guest of Mark Hoppough of Smyrna last Saturday night.

Mrs. Richard McGee is very sick with the mumps.

Anna Ragan of Grand Rapids is spending a few weeks with friends and relatives here.

Mrs. Helena White was on the sick list last week.

Mrs. L. M. Carl of Parnell called on Alton friends Saturday.

The White's bridge and Alton boys played at H. A. King's score 49 to 11 in favor of the former.

Miss Ida Cooper has been engaged to teach the Hoppough school this fall. She has taught a number of terms in that district and has become a universal favorite there.

E. Cambell of Lowell has returned from his trip to Minnesota, and called on Alton friends Monday.

Our Swiss band gives an entertainment this week Saturday night at Smyrna.

Mr. and Mrs. Snyder of Lowell were guests at Wiley Reynolds' last Sunday.

Mrs. E. J. Mosher and C. R. Porter visited Mrs. E. Cambell and mother, Mrs. Abbie Norton of Breckenbridge at Lowell last week Wednesday.

Z. H. Andrews entertained the Swiss band last week Wednesday night.

At Richmond of Lowell is visiting at D. A. Church's and hunting and fishing.

Mrs. Electa Mosher left Tu's day morning for an extended visit with friends at New York State.

Frank Keech is working for John Kellogg at Lowell.

O. Seafeld was at John H. Herman's Monday.

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS AND OTHERS.

Our patrons and contributors are hereby notified that "copy" handed in after Thursday noon cannot appear in Friday's paper. There must be a "saving off" time, and Thursday at 12 M., is that time. No exceptions to this rule.

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IS THE MISSIONARY BUSINESS WHAT IT IS CRACKED UP TO BE? Ten British missionaries in China have been massacred by the pig-tailed heathen, who do not seem to place a very high value on the work of Christianity in their midst. The yellow devils need a lesson, and Johnny Bull will probably administer it. In the meantime, good Christian Americans will continue to send money and missionaries to foreign lands, and the narrow streets of our own great cities flock with homeless, orphan children—homeless near home. This article may not prove popular, but we cannot help thinking that this missionary business is overdue.

Down South they lynch him; in Washington he is a target for rifle practice, and in Illinois even the foreigners turn and rend him. Hurrah for the land of the free and the home of the brave—Chicago Post.

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Petitions and communications. A petition signed by Freeman Winters and Charles Alexander and eleven others living on East Water street praying for the grading of said Water street from King street to Grant street was read.

Trustee Hunter moved that the petition be referred to the Street Committee. Carried. Yeas 6, Nays 0.

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If you consider bids for electric service, we petition that the incandescent system, as now so expensive to be taken into account. We wish it distinctly understood that we do not ask your honorable body to confine yourselves to electric systems, only, what we demand is economy, not frugality.

Dated, Lowell, Mich., July 24th, 1895. Trustee Hunter moved that the petition be referred to the Street Committee. Carried. Yeas 6, Nays 0.

miners who are above working with the Negroes, they are filthy pest and should be returned instanter to their native wallow.

THE practice of hiring foreigners to fill positions of public instructors is becoming far too common. The alien contract labor law has been flagrantly violated and the spirit of American patriotism trampled under foot. As well engage a pig to teach Latin, as to expect a dyed-in-the-wool foreigner to teach Americans how to be good citizens.

ANYTHING to get a pension. An Ohio woman was divorced from her husband, a soldier of the late war, in 1869. He married again, and died in 1880. Eleven years later, his first wife secured a setting aside of the divorce decree, and then applied for a pension as the soldier's widow. There is one good thing about the game—it didn't work.

A MISERABLE lot at St. Joseph, while driving, crossed his lines and then pounded his horse because it went in the wrong direction when reined. Oh, what a fool a man is, to put a thing into his mouth to steal his brains away!

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Authorized to issue certificates of membership to the above named persons, as members of the Lowell Fire Department. Carried. Yeas 6, Nays 0.

The purchasing of a spray nozzle for the Fire Department was, on motion by Look, referred to the Fire Committee with power to act.

Yeas 6, Nays 0. Report of the street Committee was presented and read. On motion by Hunter the report was accepted and placed on file.

Yeas 6, Nays 0. Report of the Sanitation Committee. The Finance Committee reported the following bills and recommended the same be ordered paid.

Street Com's orders for July \$ 87.74 Grand Rapids Democrat 15.00 Detroit Evening News 5.00 Frank B. Hunt 3.25 W. B. Street 23.50 A. M. Carver 5.00 C. J. Church & Son 145.00 S. F. Edmunds 10.00 W. J. Eker & Son 30.49 Lowell Fire Department 20.00 Devel Taylor 5.00 Devel Water 3.00 O. C. McDaniel 25.00 R. B. Boylan 7.16

Trustee Lee moved that the report be accepted and orders be drawn for the several amounts. Carried. Yeas 6, Nays 0.

The Fire Committee reports that the tower on the engine house is in an unusual condition and they have had it examined by an expert and placed the expense of erecting a new tower at \$30.00 according to specifications furnished said committee. Trustee Collar moved that the report be referred to the Fire Committee with power to act.

Yeas, Look, Lee, Collar, Winesgar, Quick, Hunter, Nays 0.

The Fire Committee made a partial report on building a tower for a bell on West side of Flat river, and asked for further time.

Trustee Quick moved that the committee be granted further time. Carried. Yeas 6, Nays 0.

Report of special committee made to C. C. Winesgar, chairman of the committee appointed July 10 to inspect the grand stands and other public buildings as to their safety for the accommodation of crowds. The committee who employed to examine the same, report as follows: July 20 we examined the grand stand on Island Driving Park, owned by J. C. Train and recommended the same closed until repaired. On July 27th we made a further examination and found the same repaired so that in our judgment it is in safe condition for the accommodation of the public. Signed, H. B. Aldrich, Bert Vanderlip.

Dated, Lowell, Mich., July 27th, 1895. Trustee Hunter moved that the report be accepted and placed on file. Yeas 6, Nays 0.

On motion by Hunter the council adjourned. A. W. BERNETT, Clerk.

ISABEL; OR, THE ROMANTIC STORY OF A DRESS-MAKER'S RISE IN LIFE.

By MRS. F. M. HOWARD.



"THE LORD OF GLORY HAD COME ON EARTH IN FOUR TIME."

The above is the title of a new Illustrated Serial which we have just purchased and which will shortly be begun in these columns. This, without doubt, the most charming story we have read in many a day. It is intensely interesting. It is a powerful piece of literary work. A life-picture, sunny in the main, yet so full of things that touch the finer feelings of the heart that the average reader will more than once find his or her eyelids wet with tears.



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This story begins, where most stories end, with the marriage of the heroine; but it is none the less interesting on that account. Its fidelity to life, and its rapid moving incident, and the touching simplicity of the narrative, all make it a story to be read again and again.

FOX CORNERS COLLECTION. W. Botson and wife were in Grand Rapids Thursday.

Mrs. Mary A. Ross was a recent guest of her niece, Mrs. Ed. Aizer.

W. W. Northrup, M. D., physician and surgeon, office over How & Son's store, Lowell, Mich.

Anderson & Findlay, West Side Shoe Store.

William John Thaller, the Prussian who started from Montreal, Can., on May 13th, to walk around the world without money, on a wager of \$3,000 called on the city clerk at Lowell for his official seal Tuesday. He is neither to beg or steal and is to make the trip in seven years. He is eighty-four days out from Montreal and has made an average of about twenty-two miles each day.

John D. Kelley was strutting around town as proud as a peacock Wednesday, all on account of a ten pound girl left at his house by the stork that morning. They're all doing well.

Messrs Myers & Heliker, the new proprietors of Train's hotel, have taken possession of that hostelry. We wish them success.

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Business Directory. J. HARRISON RICKETT, dentist, over Church's bank, Lowell.

S. P. RICKS, loans, Collections, Real Estate and Insurance, Lowell, Mich.

O. C. McDaniel, M. D., physician and surgeon, office, 46 B-idge street, Lowell, Mich.

M. C. GREEN, M. D., physician and surgeon, office at Residence Bridge street, Lowell, Mich.

G. G. WINSLEY, M. 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William John Thaller, the Prussian who started from Montreal, Can., on May 13th, to walk around the world without money, on a wager of \$3,000 called on the city clerk at Lowell for his official seal Tuesday. He is neither to beg or steal and is to make the trip in seven years. He is eighty-four days out from Montreal and has made an average of about twenty-two miles each day.

John D. Kelley was strutting around town as proud as a peacock Wednesday, all on account of a ten pound girl left at his house by the stork that morning. They're all doing well.

Messrs Myers & Heliker, the new proprietors of Train's hotel, have taken possession of that hostelry. We wish them success.

500 Printed Note Heads, Good Quality. Other Printing in Proportion. \$1.24

Business Directory. J. HARRISON RICKETT, dentist, over Church's bank, Lowell.

S. P. RICKS, loans, Collections, Real Estate and Insurance, Lowell, Mich.

O. C. McDaniel, M. D., physician and surgeon, office, 46 B-idge street, Lowell, Mich.

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BRIEF ITEMS ABOUT MICHIGAN PEOPLE AND THINGS.

Fire in Menominee Causes a \$500,000 Loss—Base Cremated in a Kitchen Stove at Onondaga-Hearer Alva Bank by a Whaleback at the "Sea."

Forest Fires Raging Again.

Extensive forest fires are raging northwest of Gladstone and considerable acreage is being destroyed...

Trainsmen Report at Travers.

W. M. are forced to fight fires to protect their property. Serious damage has already been done.

Fires are raging to the northwest of Presque Isle.

Two large barns and several head of stock belonging to N. & B. Mills on their branch of the railroad were destroyed...

Williamsburg narrowly escaped destruction.

Forest fires had been raging for several days in the vicinity of Williamsburg...

500,000 Congratiation at Menominee.

Menominee destroyed fire which ever since Menominee started in the staples of Spies lumber yard...

St. Clair will have a new flouring mill.

\$2,000 having been pledged as the names were beyond control and were threatening the entire city.

Six boys from 8 to 13 years of age were arrested at Bay City for stealing a milk can.

Lightning struck a flock of sheep belonging to H. V. Watts, at Lydon, and it was killed.

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The Millie Mining Co., at Iron Mountain, has a contract for the wages of employees of from 10 to 35 per cent. Ore is being hauled from this range at a rapid rate.

W. C. Clark, publisher of the West Bay City Independent, has fallen heir to \$50,000 by the death of his uncle in Scotland.

The Babcock Lumber Co., of Manistee, cut wages 25 cents per day in this business season. This is his first serious occasion. Miss Peake is a niece of Prof. Hogan, who lost his life on Campbell's ship in the Atlantic ocean five years ago.

Port Austin boys stretched a wire across the bay, throwing a bomb...

Fire broke out in a hardware store at Central Lake and in 30 minutes the entire block was in flames. Seven firms were burned out with a loss of \$15,000 and very little insurance.

The amount of cash in the hands of the state treasurer at the close of business July 31, was \$202,939.00.

The Exchange Bank at Mecosta, has closed its doors.

A Washington special says that later advice shows that no Americans were injured in the explosion at the mine at Chas. F. Co. The prefect of Cheng Fu, who was on the inquiry commission, is now in England...

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HOME NEWS

Miss Effie Potter goes to Grand Rapids to-day to visit her brother and other relatives.

Manager Ellis has released Carroll and appointed Glenalvin captain of the Gold Bugs.

As announced last week there will be no fair in Lowell this year. The directors think it better to skip a year, in hopes of better times.

Saranac Advertiser: J. O. Chapin, proprietor of the Lowell creamery, and family visited Chas. R. Rising Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hall of Lowell visited Saranac friends Wednesday.

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

Cass Waterman was taken to Jackson on Monday by Sheriff Montgomery, going via D. G. H. & M. to Durand. He was apparently resigned to his doom; went unshackled, and made no trouble for his attendant. The prediction is made that he will be ordered to the asylum here within two years, and there is not a little ground for this belief.—[Ionia Sentinel.

Wm. Robertson of Ravenna and John Robertson of Keene were called home Monday on account of their father, John Robertson of this village, who has been lying very low since Sunday night. At this writing he is thought to be a little easier.

U. B. Williams is taking a vacation at Shelby. He rode over on his wheel.

Annual low rate excursion to Petoskey this year, via D. L. & N. and C. & W. M. Rys will be on August 29th. Tickets good until Sept. 7th to return. Rate from Lowell is \$4.00. Ask agents for particulars or write to L. M. Fuller, chief clerk, Grand Rapids.

Joe Herbert is in Chicago.

Bernard May and Will McKendry went to Lowell Thursday on a tandem. They arrived there in two hours, but on the way back lost their way it being night. They had to camp out in the open air all night but say, nevertheless, that they had a very enjoyable trip.—[Grand Rapids Democrat.

"Mrs. Harriet Burton, widow of Barney Burton, daughter of Joel Guild, a member of the first white family who came to what is now the city of Grand Rapids for the purpose of settlement, and the first bride in Grand Rapids, was born June 23, 1813, at West Winfield, Herkimer county, N. Y. and died at Grand Rapids, August 1, 1895, the victim of an accidental burning while yet in the full possession of her mental faculties, with a prospect before her of several useful, happy and honorable years of life."

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.

Will M. Hine has purchased the business of Wykes & Burns, stationers and newsdealers at 49 Pearl street, corner of the Arcade. Mr. Hine has acquired most of his friends while presiding behind the Morton, The Livingston and other hotel counters of the city, and these friends will wish him all good luck in his new business departure. He is a deserving, active, capable and energetic young man, and there is before him in his new departure every prospect of success.—[Grand Rapids Evening Press.

The barn of Joseph Flynn of Bowne township burned Monday with 300 bushels of grain and a large amount of feed. Flynn was plowing at the time of the fire and has no idea how the blaze started.

Supt. Henry J. Mitchell will go to Traverse City August 13th to read a paper entitled "Employment of short Term Prisoners in County Jails" at the twenty-second annual convention of the superintendents of the poor.

Very low rates will be made for the ten day excursion to Petoskey August 29th, via D. L. & N. and C. & W. M. lines. Good chance to see northern resorts with little expense. Ask agents for particulars.

In 1840 the Hon. John C. Blanchard of Ionia walked from that town to Detroit. This feat he intends to duplicate the trip, but his venerable legs will be astride a bicycle.

A. J. Abbot and wife of Grand Rapids have been the guests of D. C. Waters and wife for several days.

The original stingy man lives at Munistee. All others are frauds and base infringers. He was married during the noon hour so he would not have to lose a minutes time from his work.—[Evening Press. That's nothing to the man who blows out the light and takes off his pants to save the wear on them.

Ionia county pioneers will meet in Ionia August 13th.

We understand that the modesty of all righteous people here is to be dashed by the appearance of a married woman on her wheel dressed in pants without the ordinary short skirt.—[Mulliken Express. And the men who will blow the hardest, wouldn't bear watching for twenty-four hours.

See Ecker & Son for wood and kindlings.

An exchange recently published the following bit of sound logic. There is hardly a week passes by in which some fakir doesn't come along with some advertising scheme to catch our merchants. Last week it was a woman with a "Trade Review" of some sort—write you up and sell you all the papers you want for five cents each. These papers were for distribution among the people who don't take news papers. This week it was an advertising man—a cheap piece of cardboard with a cheap wooden handle the space on which was sold to enterprising merchants. We have only one word to say—better stick to your home newspaper. It stands by you fifty-two weeks in the year.

Littlefield will hang your eave-troughs so they will not blow down. If R. J. Flanagan and family arrived home last Friday from an extended tour on Lake Huron and Georgian Bay and report a very profitable, pleasurable and restful trip.

M. C. Griswold, his wife and the latter's mother, returned last Friday, from a three weeks' visit at Guilford, Connecticut. They visited the seashore and listened to what the wild waves were saying, sister. Mr. Griswold says they said "oysters".

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

Loren Barber and Geo. Crow, two of Lowell's enterprising young citizens, have purchased the grocery business of A. B. Johnson, taking possession August 5, and will continue the business at the old stand. Success to you, boys.

John W. Craft and wife of Sidney, Montcalm county, have been visiting here for a few days.

Joseph M. Coyne of Detroit, the Detroit, Lansing & Northern brakeman, arrested charged with holding up a Battle Creek tourist, was arraigned before Justice Nebitt, at Ionia Monday, and pleaded guilty to petty larceny. He was fined \$25 and costs or sixty-five days in the Detroit House of Correction, and given until Tuesday to pay his fine. Coyne has a wife and family in Detroit.

You need a vacation and the best place to spend it is in northern Michigan. Take advantage of the D. L. & N. and C. & W. M. excursion to Petoskey August 29th. Rates are very low and tickets good ten days. Ask agents about it.

Littlefield has had 40 years experience in the tin business at the bench.

W. F. Howk and wife and H. S. Schreiner and wife spent Sunday at Reed's Lake.

The Lowell Unknowns went out to Elmdale last Sunday and played a game of ball with that club. Score, 44 to 29 in favor of the Unknowns.

Miss Lillian Turner of Chicago and Miss Anna Grant of Detroit visited Mrs. J. N. Hubble at Peach Grove last Thursday and also Mrs. J. W. McCall and Mrs. H. Whedon of Lowell.

Jessie Knee of Keene is visiting her cousin, Miss Onnie Lee of Grand Rapids.

Burton S. Mains of Spring Arbor has been spending the week with his brother, E. O. Mains.

A new bakery is to be added to the equipments of the Ionia asylum.

A few dollars will pay for a ticket to Petoskey and return on the D. L. & N. and C. & W. M. excursion August 29th. Tickets good ten days. Ask agents or write to L. M. Fuller, chief clerk, Grand Rapids.

Maude Young of Kalamazoo is visiting the young people at Chas. McCarty's.

E. K. Mohr of Grand Rapids, secretary of Kent county Sunday school association, will speak in the Congregational church Sunday morning, Aug. 11. In the afternoon a Sunday school workers' conference will be held in the Baptist church at half past three, and a union Sunday school meeting in the evening at the M. E. church. It is desired that all interested in Sunday school work be present at these meetings.

Littlefield hung eave-troughs for Angus McDiarmid 30 years ago, and McDiarmid says they are good yet.

Mrs. Y. W. Wines of Grand Rapids, Mrs. F. D. Blanton of Chicago, Mrs. W. B. Nevins of Lospec California, arrived in town last week to visit Mrs. Dr. Peck and other old friends.

Miss Stella Ranney returned Monday from Baltimore.

Lorenzo Kopf was in Grand Rapids Monday.

Mrs. L. F. Severy returned Monday from Lake Odessa.

Mrs. O. G. Hale, accompanied by her daughter Edna, is visiting her mother and sister at Hart.

Mrs. Boylan, Mrs. Wm. Murphy, and Miss Coyle of Grand Rapids are visiting at James Murphy's.

Chas. McCarty's architect says Littlefield knows how to lay tin roof.

A child only thirteen months old died of consumption at Ovid last week.

Eighteen hundred bushels of cherries were shipped from Ionia this season, the largest crop ever known.

Eber Moffat visited friends in Alaska a few days last week.

J. D. Cool, R. Wolcott, Eugene Sisson and John Shivers, of Freepport, were in town Tuesday.

Amos Andrews visited friends in Freepport Saturday and Sunday.

The Alton second base ball team will play the Little Giants in Lowell on Saturday August 10th. Admission free.

The contract to rebuild the burned portion of the St. John's Manufacturing Co's. factory has been taken by Frank Benhagel, of Ionia, for \$25,000.

The Greenville Implement company at Greenville, is putting up a two story building 500 feet long and 50 feet wide, brick with steel roof, to accommodate their business.

Mrs. Eleeta Moshier of Vergennes has gone to Malcolm, Wayne county, N. Y. for an extended visit. She expects to spend next winter with relatives in Tioga county, Pennsylvania.

A farmer's institute society was organized at Ionia on Saturday with L. E. Hall, of Orleans, president, and C. I. Goodwin secretary. Vice presidents were named for each township.

The east and west siders played ball again last Thursday, and still the west siders won.

The Little Giants defeated a picked team 20 to 7 on Monday. The latter team refused to finish the game and forfeited it to the Little Giants 1 to 0.

Myron H. Walker of Grand Rapids has been admitted to practice before the interior department at Washington.

Mrs. A. Northrup, formerly of Ionia, but for the last four years a resident of Iron Mountain, was buried at Ionia the other day. His death was sudden and due to hemorrhage of the lungs.

Billy Barber caught a game for the Ionia's against St. Louis, Tuesday, Score, 4 to 0 in favor of Ionia. Only one error was recorded in the game, and that by St. Louis.

Attorney Mathewson is recovering from his recent indisposition and is beginning to feel quite like John.

The plant of the Sunfield washing machine company has been removed to Lake Odessa, the latter town paying for the expenses of removal and \$200 a year for the rent, for a term of five years. You can't get something for nothing. Which shall Lowell have, something or nothing?

The township of Grand Rapids, and the State of Michigan, as represented by the management of the Soldier's Home, at Grand Rapids are likely to have a little difficulty over the fact that the grounds of the home include a portion of the road laid out in 1863 and which, though never much traveled has a legal existence through having been recorded. The question of re-opening the road is being agitated by prominent residents of the vicinity. The board claims the highway is not public, by reason of disuse.

"Dignity, my son, is a very proper sort of thing; but don't put on too much of it, or you may be taken for a footman."—Tit-Bits.

Mrs. George W. Williams of Hastings filled a lighted oil stove from an open can. She will have to build a new house.

In spite of the rainy evening, Mrs. Merriman's wee folk entertainment last Friday was well attended, and the children did themselves and their instructor great credit.

The man who won't advertise is not forgotten by the charitable state of Michigan. The new home for the feeble minded at Lapeer has just been declared open by Governor Rich.—[Grand Rapids Press.

Berkey & Gay of Grand Rapids are going into the manufacture of bicycles.

Freepport Herald August 1: Wm. Lettick of Lowell was in town yesterday afternoon. Bert Wichey of Hastings visited Freepport and Bowne relatives the past week. John Beery and wife of Lowell spent Saturday evening Sunday and Monday a. m. at the pleasant home of Henry Kkert and family west of town. Miss Allie Beery and Phil Althen of Lowell visited Miss Leah Ekert Sunday. Mrs. Herman Goch of Bowne, who has been dangerously ill the past two weeks, is still very low but at present writing there are hopes of her recovery. Chas. Foreman, a Lowell horse dealer camped out at Alto last week and gave some of the local Jockas good runs for their money.

S. O. Littlefield has purchased the tin jobbing business of L. F. Severy and will continue business at the old stand.

THE BEAUTIFUL TREE OF LIFE!

ONE of the most poetic and charming pictures in the whole Bible is that portion of scripture in Revelation, describing the Tree of Life, standing by the banks of the peaceful river, bearing the twelve manner of fruits and leaves for the healing of the nations. In this grand book, the author has endeavored to group together the brightest thoughts of all ages and times on the fruits borne by the Tree of Life, burning and beautiful words that go right home to our hearts and lift us into a higher and holier atmosphere. Taking up these one by one and enlarging upon them, what a glorious feast of good things we find in them, and what a rich harvest we may reap in our every day walk and conversation by the study and contemplation of the thoughts, ideas and feelings expressed in them.

Many, in the hurry and scurry for wealth, in the headlong race for place and power, losing sight of the TREE OF LIFE and the TREE OF DEATH. They ignore the awful consequences of eating of the fruit of the one, and they are fast forgetting the only substitute to be had for the fruit of the other—the leading of upright, Christian lives. The latter result is best brought about by storing the mind with the noblest thoughts of the best thinkers, as we find them embalmed in the writings of the great and good; and as the best time for sowing seed is in the spring, so the best season for sowing good wholesome influences is childhood; and the duty of all parents is to see that the proper seed is implanted in the minds of their children.

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Contains just such seed. In it the full reward of a well-spent Christian life is held up in sharp contrast with the emptiness of a life given over to selfishness and disobedience. While the reading matter is of such a character as to make the book "WORTH ITS WEIGHT IN GOLD," the artistic department has received special attention, and the work is embellished throughout by many beautiful illustrations, such as will charm the mind through the eye and help to more indelibly impress on our minds the wonderful truths presented in the

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The Beautiful Tree of Life

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THE LEDGER, LOWELL, MICH.

Judge Curry of Ionia Monday issued a warrant for a Long Lake excursion party, Albert, Theodore and George Kaneel, Emory, Oscar and Elias Guernsey, Bert Uiter and Wm. Manning, who reside in that vicinity. Saturday night they drove to Long Lake in a lumber wagon and were out for a time. They had a keg of beer on tap in the wagon. The warrant charges them with mutilating a monument at the Orleans cemetery. While driving past they stopped, entered the lot and knocked off an urn and elab and then attempted to tip over the monument of the late A. Alderman. Three of the party are in jail and officers are looking for the others.

Doc McQueen had the misfortune to lose a valuable horse from inflammation of the bowels, one day this week. The next day Bun Perrin was driving the other in a road cart when the belly band broke and the thills went up in the air. Perrin was thrown out and the horse ran and dragged him some distance. The horse finally landed in a ditch and man and beast were considerably bruised up.

J. D. Kroner of Grand Rapids joined his family here last Friday and on Thursday of this week they all went to La Grange, Ind., for a few days visit with Mr. Kroner's people.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph and Patrolman Wells of Grand Rapids spent several days with the family of Frank Ecker. Mrs. Joseph is a sister of Mrs. Ecker.

Attorney M. M. Perry was in Grand Rapids on business Wednesday

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Supt. W. A. Ludwig and Miss Kate Perry are at Macatawa Park in attendance at the 4th district annual Y. P. S. C. E. association as delegates from the Lowell society.

Orton Hill was in Grand Rapids Thursday on probate business.

Supt. W. A. Ludwig attended the county teachers' institute at Grand Rapids Wednesday.

Miss Clarison VanDusen was in Grand Rapids Wednesday.

Dan Wood, formerly of Lowell, has opened a barber shop near the corner of Pearl and Ottawa streets in Grand Rapids.

Wm. Judd of Chicago has purchased the Perkins & Richmond photographic gallery and expects to make his permanent home in Lowell.

Rob Childs is home from Muir spending his vacation.