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## GERMAN LETTER.

Abe Peck Heard From Once Again.

SUICIDE OF JACOB QUANT, CLARKSVILLE  
Attempt to Destroy a Greenville Church.

MRS. HUSTED HAS LIVED 100 YEARS.

Sketch of Thos. Gardner, one of Our Retired Farmers.

GREENVILLE FLUNKED—THE FLINT GAME

Buttoned Up—Moor's to Follow. Big Sleeves—Hotel Waverly—Caught On—Good Job Done—School Attendance.

LETTER FROM GERMANY.  
Halle a. U. den, August 24, 1895.

DEAR EDITOR—It has been some time since I wrote you. I have been in Germany three months and find it a good country, full of fine people, far different than I expected. From the "made in Germany" articles I had seen in America I thought this a country of cheap "stuff," but find here, almost the reverse. One can find cheap things here, but from the store windows and articles shown, one would think all their "cheap stuff" was sent to America as their principal trade of the better class of articles. They get just as much money for good articles here as we do in America.

I expected to find a country full of poor people but was happily disappointed in this also. The law requires the employers of workmen to put a government stamp each week, in a book for that purpose belonging to every employe. This is an insurance from the government against poverty in old age. When a man or woman is unable to work they draw so much (according to their book) from the government each month. I have seen very few beggars, and they were all of the younger class of tramps. This seems a good law as it provides not only for the old and poor, but for the sick and disabled as well. I find the cities here, far ahead of those in England, as regards lighting and broad streets, etc. Berlin is the finest and cleanest city I ever saw. The streets are swept and washed every day so are they in Hamburg, Hanover and in all the larger places. They are swept in all the smaller places but not washed. They grow nearly all kinds of fruit and cereals in the country. The fruit trees are set on each side of the roads. They act as shade trees as well as bring a good profit to the gatherer or owner of them. I have been traveling by wagon since leaving Berlin and have had an excellent chance to see the country and country people. The women work in the fields the same as the men, in fact one will almost always see more women at work than men; the reason for this being, every man has to serve in the army a certain length of time. In the city one cannot look without seeing soldiers. In a smaller place called "Potsdam," they have more soldiers than there are in all America. I mean of course soldiers in actual pay service.

It is very warm here and the farther south I go, the heat increases; however, until the last week it has rained a little every day or during the night and one could get along quite comfortable, but now!! I enjoy reading the LEDGER very much as I get so much news that I do not get in my letters.

Yours, PECK.

CLARKSVILLE'S SENSATION.  
Clarksville, Sept. 6.—Jacob Quant, an old citizen of Campbell township, was found dead on his son's grave in the Clarksville cemetery this morning by George McArthur and wife. It seems they were taking flowers to the grave of a relative when the lady

gave a cry and fainted. Her husband caught her and in looking to one side saw a man lying across a grave with his head to the northeast and his feet at the foot of the monument. The body was badly decomposed, having probably lain on the grave since Tuesday night.

Mr. Quant left this village one day last week for Grand Rapids, returned Tuesday evening accompanied by "Uncle" Harvey Gibbon, who said Quant seemed to be a little despondent but nothing was thought of it. Mr. Quant went into H. P. & R. C. French's drug store, handed R. C. French a card and walked out without buying anything. The card was a simple business card and is destroyed. Mr. French did not remember the purport or significance of the card.

Charles Wheeler the hotel proprietor says he had a conversation with the deceased Tuesday evening, and Quant said to him: "When my money is gone the last cent will put me to sleep." He was seen shortly afterward walking down the street with his granddaughter, Mrs. William Hess. It is thought he left her and went directly to the cemetery, for he was not seen alive again.

Jacob Quant was born in New York state, coming to Campbell township when a young man. He was a well-to-do farmer and well known throughout Ionia county. Last winter he was married to a young woman in Detroit and went there to live. He ran through with his money and returned to Clarksville this spring alone, broken in health and spirit. He was seventy-one years of age. It is said that he was contemplating marriage again in the near future, but this report cannot be verified. [Democrat.]

TO BLOW UP A CHURCH.  
Greenville was startled about 4 o'clock last Sunday morning by a terrific explosion which broke the windows in the neighborhood and awoke the people from their early morning sleep.

Upon investigation it was found that an attempt had been made to blow up the First Congregational church with dynamite, which was only defeated by the charge not being placed far enough into the stone wall, otherwise the magnificent structure would have been a complete ruin.

No reason can be assigned for this crime, other than the attempt to obtain a large sum of money that it reported to have been deposited in the cornerstone when the church was built. The damaged building was built in 1879 at an expense of about \$40,000, being one of the largest churches in the city.

HER CENTURY RUN.  
Mayville boasts of the oldest inhabitant in Tuscola county. She is known everywhere as Grandma Husted, and celebrated Saturday her 100th birthday anniversary. Grandma Husted was born in Scotland, in 1795. She went to England with her parents when 4 years old. In 1817 she was married to John Alard, who died ten years later. From this union five children were born, but none are living at the present time.

In 1830 she was married a second time to Peter Husted and they came to America, in 1835 and settled at Niagara Falls, where they lived until 1859, when they came to Watertown township, Tuscola county.

Grandma Husted was the mother of 12 children by her second husband and seven are now living as follows: Mrs. James Bampton, Welland, Ont., Mrs. Sarah Wiley, St. Catharines, Ont., Wm. Husted, West Branch, Mich., Rev. J. T. Husted, Grand Rapids, Mich., Mrs. Fralick, Mrs. James McCartney and Mrs. George Markham, Mayville.

Mrs. Husted has been a resident of Mayville for the past ten years. She is in the best of health and bids fair to

live in three centuries.—[Detroit News.]

A PROSPEROUS FARMER.  
Thos. Gardner of this village, sold from his Keene fruit farm, some magnificent Hill's Chili peaches to Chas. McCarty this week. Three fine specimens weighed 191 ounces and were picked from a 17 year old tree. Mr. Gardner will have about two thousand bushels of the Chilis and his entire peach crop will aggregate between four and five thousand bushels.

Mr. Gardner located his farm forty-six years ago, when it was a wilderness and has carved out the beautiful home and farm of the present time. Seventeen years ago he set out his first peach orchard of seven acres and has added to it from time to time until he now has sixty four, all bearing excepting the last year's setting of twenty-two acres. Mr. Gardner is now spending the evening of his days in quiet retirement, enjoying the fruits of a busy and frugal life. His prosperity has injured no one. The world is better for his having lived in it. He can look back upon a well spent life, without regret, and forward to a peaceful old age, respected by his fellow citizens, and at last hear the Master say, "Well done."

GREENVILLE FLUNKED.  
By the merest accident, the local base ball management learned that the Greenville people had decided to sneak out of the game arranged for and advertised to take place here on Tuesday. The Greenvilles had not the common decency to notify the Lowells of their spinal meningitis, but seemingly fully intended to let the game go by default. Not to be beaten out of a game to which they had invited the local base ball patrons the managers arranged with the Flint team to fill the date.

LOWELL VS. FLINT.  
Accordingly, on Tuesday afternoon, after a considerable delay occasioned by the non appearance of several of the Lowell boys, whose places were filled, the game started with Lowell to bat. Blume pitched for Lowell and Barber caught. The visitors were hardly "in it" after the third inning and played in a heartless and listless manner, finally throwing up the game in the last half of the eighth inning. The score tells the story:

Lowell	1	6	0	7	0	10	14	29
Flint	2	4	1	0	0	2	*	9

Batteries, Blume and Barber; Coughlan Hicks and Lockhead.

BEAUTIFUL PEACHES  
Mrs. Albert Miner has our thanks for a basket of beautiful peaches of the late Crawford and Mixen varieties. The way to an editor's heart is through his stomach, and we own to being fairly captivated. No one need

"Sing to me, sing, love,  
Of Aiden so fair,"  
It can't compare with Mrs. Miner's peaches and we know it.

BUTTONED UP AGAIN.  
Dell Button who escaped from Deputy Sheriff Morse from a Detroit Grand Haven & Milwaukee train at Ada, June 20 while being taken to Lowell for trial before Justice Hicks on a charge of, in company with his father, stealing a trunk and was recently re-arrested at Muskegon by Deputy Sheriff Ab Carrol, was convicted Wednesday before Justice Hicks of the common law offense of escaping from an officer. He was given the alternative of paying a fine of \$50 and costs or going to jail for ninety days. He chose the latter and was brought to the jail Wednesday afternoon and will commence work on the stone pile Thursday. [Democrat.]

MOOR'S TO FOLLOW.  
We learn with pleasure of the action of the local Methodist society in requesting conference to return that popular pastor, Rev. A. P. Moors, to this charge for another year. The

LEDGER seconds the motion. Mr. Moors is an able preacher and is well liked by everyone, and not least by those who differ with him theologically. Come back to us, Elder, and we'll all unite in singing that good old hymn, "Still there's Moors to Follow."

FUN FOR THE PASSENGERS.  
Passengers on a recent west bound D. G. H. & M. train were amused at the contortions and gymnastic exercises indulged in by a couple of misses in their efforts to get their cloaks on over their big sleeves. The bowing, and hitching and poking and pulling were funny in the extreme. The young ladies got out of the car door sideways and stepped off at Lowell.

HOTEL WAVERLY.  
Messrs Myers & Helliker new proprietors of Hotel Waverly—formerly Train's—have thoroughly renovated and refitted that hostelry and placed the same in first class order. They are old and experienced hotel men and are running a thoroughly first class house. It is a pleasure to commend Hotel Waverly to the favor of the public.

HE CAUGHT ON.  
The tall young man stood in front of the Baptist church, last Sunday evening smoking one of Blume's best nickel cigars. The Methodist congregation had been dismissed, and two young ladies were among the homeward going throng. They were passing the Baptist church when the tall young man stepped quickly between them with a few low spoken words and with the smoke still pouring from the lofty mouth, the three sauntered on. In the words of the Latin poet, "The tall young man had caught on."

THEIR GOOD WORK COMPLETED.  
On about September 20th the fourteen mile strip of road running north of Greenville will be finished. This road was originally built by the state and has always been nearly impassable because of the deep sand. The citizens of Greenville and farmers along the line have donated work and money to the amount of \$6,000 to grade, clay, and gravel the road and it will be completed on the above date. To celebrate the event the citizens of Greenville intend having a grand time on September 25.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.  
Lowell schools started out very pleasantly last week with the following enrollment:

South ward, 32
West ward, primary, 45;
" " intermediate, 71;
Central building, 1st primary, 41;
" " 2nd primary, 53;
" " 1st intermediate,
51;
" " 2nd intermediate,
37;
" " 8th grade, 41;
" " high school, 64;
Total, 438.

There are some people who seem indifferent as to whether their children attend school or not. It is useless to argue with them. Enforce the law, and every progressive citizen will say "amen."

OFF FOR LOUISVILLE.  
Hiram Aldrich, John Randall, John Hapeman and Porter Carr of this place joined the Tuesday morning excursion from Grand Rapids to the National encampment of the G. A. R. at Louisville. David English and J. P. Livermore of Boston township, accompanied by their wives, were also with the party.

F. H. Robinson and James Ball have bought out C. M. Devendorf's sewing machine and organ business and are located in the Robinson harness shop opposite Pullen's clothing store; they will furnish repairs for all kinds of sewing machines and organs and will give your orders prompt and careful attention putting your machine and organ in good running order. Machine oil and needles. Robinson & Ball agents for the Singer machines.

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MICHIGAN MENTION.

BRIEF ITEMS ABOUT MICHIGAN PEOPLE AND THINGS.

Gov. Rich sends the Fifth Regiment, Michigan National Guard, to Ishpeming to protect mining property...

In response to regulations from both Sheriff Lusk and the state comptroller...

The cause of all this military gathering was for the purpose of protecting the men and property at the mine at Ishpeming...

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Probable Murder Near Dundee.

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THE EARTH SHOOK.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

Eastern States Experienced the Novelty of a Gentle Earthquake. Dispatches from several cities in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware...

Three-thirty Miners Killed. The Osceola copper mine at Calumet, Mich., was the scene of a disaster...

Five men were killed and several injured in a fire at the Grand Trunk Road...

Business men at Calumet are working on a plan to build a new copper mine...

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When Spain makes war upon Cuba men and babes, it is time for Uncle Sam to let his boys go to the rescue.

The Banock Indians were murdered—that's the long and short of it. Now the question is, are the murderers to be punished or allowed to go free?

We need more earnestly caution Republican contemporaries that they are making a serious mistake by lagging over the return of prosperity.

Chauncey Dewey knows what he is talking about and this is what he says:

The whole world will experience an era of prosperity in the next five or six years, the United States especially. Indeed it has already started.

It is evident that Chauncey isn't lying awake nights figuring on how to advance the McKinley boom.

The compulsory school law is all right, and should be rigidly enforced. It should be borne in mind, however, in this connection, that the frequent demands for the numerous text books required by our graded school system is a serious tax upon poor people with large families.

The good times have reached Muncie, Indiana. Following is a dispatch from that place under date of Sept 7:

The Nelson Flint glass company resumed work in its factory today, employing 300 men. Saturday, Ball Bros. fruit jar manufacturing company put a new tank at work, adding 400 to the 500 at work.

The Port glass company employing 200 men resumed work at the Muncie Flint glass company has about half of its force of 500 at work. The Hinimaging glass company, the West Muncie fruit jar works and the Albany Flint glass works each employ about 250 hands at work.

That civilized communities are about to banish the horse from city streets where he is as much out of place, as are cows or pigs, or hens, is a cause of profound rejoicing, but there is another creature that must follow him into exile before long.

This medicinal oil has been found to be a most effective remedy for all kinds of ailments, especially those of a rheumatic character.

The compulsory school law enacted by the legislature at the request of the State Teacher's association is in operation now.

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John Chapman is in Louisville Kentucky this week on business management.

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The town in a condition to continue this extra charge for an expensive a luxury? We think a continuance in that course smacks more of avarice than economy.

DETROIT. June 28, 1895. Mr. Fred Miller, of Irving, Ill., writes that he had a severe case of headache for many years, with severe pain in his back and also his shoulder was affected.

KNIGHTS OF THE MACABEES. The State Comptroller writes to Gov. Lincoln, Va., as follows: "After trying other remedies for what seemed to be a very obstinate cough in our two children we tried Dr. King's New Discovery and at the end of two days the cough entirely left us."

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The Lowell's played ball at Hastings yesterday and were defeated 11 to 12. Next Friday the Hastings play here again—the rubber. Each team has won a game, the last contest will be for blood.

A new sidewalk has been built in front of Howk & Son's.

B. E. Quick is absent on a ten days prairie chicken shoot in Dakota.

E. M. Andrews was over from Clarksville Sunday. He expects to move to that place in the near future.

Mrs. J. Buchel of Chicago visited Mrs. Shear and other Lowell friends last week.

J. C. Richmond and wife spent last week visiting relatives and friends in Grattan and Otisgo and also took in the band tournament at Belding. They report a general good time.

See Ecker & Son for wood and kindlings.

H. Mackenzie and wife returned from their eastern trip Monday and after a brief visit with their parents M. S. Cogswell and wife left for their home in Manistee.

Speaking of the Lowell common council, one can but exclaim: Look Quick! Lee. See Hunter Collar Winegar!

The fourth quarterly conference of the M. E. church of this village unanimously invited the Rev. A. P. Moors to be the pastor of the church for another conference year.

A contributor from Alto joins our list of scribes this week. We bid him welcome and hope he will prove a stayer.

The celebrated Reynolds shoe just in at Anderson & Finlay's.

Emmett Chase of Vassar, formerly a Lowell baker, was in town calling on old friends Tuesday.

Clare Althen went to Chicago Monday on business.

Mrs. Ben Soules spent last week visiting friends at Sunfield.

Mrs. Myrtle Strigow of Holly is visiting her parents S. S. Hudson and wife.

Miss Kitty Cahoun and Mr. Cotton of Saranac were the guests of Miss Fannie Lee one day this week.

John Hedworth and Clyde Barnes visited in Grand Rapids over Sunday.

Miss Margaret Coppens of Grand Rapids visited G. F. Coppens and wife one day last week.

Get a bottle of that fancy catsup at Barber & Crow's for 10 cents.

Manly Jones of Grand Rapids with his wife and daughter were the guests of C. McCarty and family on Tuesday.

W. E. Ludwig and family visited the former's brother, W. E. Ludwig who is superintendent of the Lowell schools—Lake Odessa Wave.

Mrs. Jane Walker and daughter Lenora, have been visiting the family of A. M. Andrews in Boston.

Belding has a man, a pious church member who beats his eighteen year old daughter, for trivial causes. The daughter works in the silk mill, not only pays her own board and buys her own clothes but helps support her sister, and gives money to her father. There may be another side to this story, but if not so decent man could feel sorry to see a little white-cap medicine applied in this case.—[Lonia Standard.

Barber & Crow want butter and eggs and farm produce and will pay the highest prices.

It is all right for your neighbor to borrow your LEDGER long enough to see what it is, but he should not keep it up forever. If the paper is worth reading it is worth two cents a week.

A great many Lowell people visited the state fair this week.

A lot of the cutter factory boys took in the state fair Wednesday.

The kid band practiced on the Island Tuesday evening.

Miss Maggie McMahon commenced school in the Waters district Monday.

Will Purple and wife are at home from Traverse City Asylum spending their vacation.

Miss Katie McMahon commenced school in the Mapes district last Monday.

Save your peach pits Bergin pays cash for them.

Mrs. Taylor is the guest of Mrs. Geo. T. Hine this week.

Last week Wednesday afternoon Miss Minnie Lessiter and George Whidden, both of Grattan, were married at the residence of the bride's parents, in the presence of a large number of guests, Rev. M. P. Smith tying the knot.

Mrs. Orton Hill has returned from a few days visit in Detroit.

Dr. Towsley spent Sunday at Otawa Beach.

Dr. G. V. Chamberlain and wife of Flint are visiting at D. G. Look's and taking in the fair at Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Will Coleman of Grand Rapids has been visiting her mother-in-law, Mrs. M. N. Hine.

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

The organization of the Belding Shoe company has been completed with a capitalization of \$40,000 and work will begin in about thirty days. The company will employ fifty men. Why should not Lowell secure some of these industries? Does any one know? Why not join the procession instead of waiting to see it go by?

The base ball season has closed at Grand Rapids and opera season begun.

In Corsa an unmarried man is treated as a boy no matter how old he is. A young married man of twenty is by Corsan custom entitled to be treated as a superior by old bachelors of sixty—[Grand Rapids Democrat. What do you think about this, Jesse?

Lessons and organ furnished to party having no instrument. Mrs. Knight.

Born in Vergennes, a son, to Emery Furney and wife.

Mrs. Edward Spencer of Lowell was the guest of Warner Spencer and relatives here the first of the week—[Clarksville Record.

The Grand Rapids Herald has substituted a semi-weekly for its weekly edition.

A card received from A. B. Johnson states that they reached their journey's end safely and that Andy stood the trip well and finds no difficulty in breathing Colorado air.

A. J. Cain and wife of Lowell, former residents here are visiting friends in town. Mr. Cain is employed by the Lowell Electric company now.—[Belding Star.

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

Mrs. Charles Alexander of Stockton Kansas visited her uncle J. E. Fallas this week.

A meeting for the reorganization of the reading circle for Lowell and vicinity will be held in the high school room Saturday afternoon, Sept. 21. All teachers and those interested in progressive education are requested to be present. Reading circle books may be purchased at place and date of organization. We shall read Wood's How to Study Plants and White's School Management.

W. A. LUDWIG.

Miss Sarah Myers of Greenville spent Sunday with Mrs. Martha Vanderlip.

Misses Blanche and Elith Hills of Lepeer are the guests of their cousin Mrs. Ida Vanderlip.

The finest line of teas and coffees ever shown in Lowell at Barber & Crow's; try them and be convinced.

Geo. Eddy and wife of Middleport, N. Y. visited their aunt, Mrs. Wm. Potter and other relatives here last week.

Mrs. Wm. Potter has gone to Middleport, N. Y., for an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. Wm. Eddy.

Miss Ella Lampkins of Keene, spent Sunday with Miss Effie Potter.

Mrs. M. Hiler was in Grand Rapids on business Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Patrick of Reel City is visiting her mother, Mrs. Barclay.

Sixteen carloads of peaches were shipped from Lowell Tuesday.

FOR SALE—Three 40-acre farms, cheap. Enos & Bradford.

J. C. Hare of Hartford, formerly marble dealer here, has been calling on his many Lowell friends this week.

The LEDGER on trial three months for 25 cents. Don't borrow it forever.

Geo. Winegar of Medina, N. Y., is visiting friends in Lowell.

Mrs. D. C. Watters is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. J. Abbott in Grand Rapids.

Miss Gertie Smith has returned from Ludington, where she had spent the past year.

S. Guyot and wife of Allegan visited D. P. Atwater and wife last week.

Barber & Crow guarantee prices and quality of goods. Don't forget it.

To recent new subscribers! Ladies and gentlemen, your favors received with thanks, and we will endeavor to merit your continued approval.

Miss Lura Hatch of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Fred Morse.

Mrs. G. P. Knapp of Chicago, is visiting friends here.

Miss Anna Gulliford has been spending three in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. J. L. Strigow of Holly is visiting friends here.

That 25 cent tea Barber & Crow's is out of sight.

About two hundred Lowell people attended the state fair yesterday.

Say a good word for Lowell when away from home. The town deserves it, and it won't cost you a cent.

H. T. M. Treglow of Lansing is visiting his sister, Mrs. J. H. Rickert.

Mrs. N. L. McCarty and daughter, Nellie, and Miss Minnie Bikeskee are spending a week at Macatowa park.

Mrs. Balem of Kalamazoo is visiting her sister, Mrs. Crawford and other relatives here.

A fine assortment of school shoes still on at Anderson & Finlay's.

Remember your home dealers when you have cash to spend. They pay taxes to keep up the town, you know.

Mrs. F. B. Rhodes, daughter of J. M. Mathewson and wife, who has been spending the summer here, returned to her home at Reading, Hillsdale county, Tuesday. Her little son who has been in very poor health, was a little improved when she left here. Mrs. M. accompanied her as far as Lansing.

The Lowell base ball team will cross bats with the Petoskeys next Tuesday at Ball park.

Lowell's future lies in the fruit industry. Will you join the procession.

Miss Anna Gulliford has been visiting the past three weeks with friends in Grand Rapids.

Miss Ida Hogan has been visiting friends and relatives in Grand Rapids the past three weeks.

Get 7 pounds of Barber & Crow's rolled oats for 25 cents.

Matters on the fruit market were enlivened Monday morning by a first class runaway; first class because there was lots of scare and little damage. A team belonging to J. M. Gibbs of Lowell became frightened while on Ionia street near the Union depot because of the wagon pole breaking. The horses plunged ahead at the crash and dashed north straight to the Morton House, where one of them fell on the sidewalk, dragging the other down with it. Mrs. Gibbs, who was in the wagon, was thrown out. She sustained but slight injuries. The damage to the wagon and its contents will not exceed \$50.—[Grand Rapids Press.

A 16 year old Menominee boy is a raving maniac on account of the excessive use of cigarettes. Still there are boys in Lowell who continue the baneful practice. What are their parents thinking of?

The Church of Christ convention at Grand Rapids finished its work Saturday. Detroit was selected as the meeting place for next year.

A couple of Lowell farmers were discussing the great yacht race, last Saturday, when one volunteered the information that the "Offender won."

Attention Farmers.—Money to loan on good improved farms and city property at 6 per cent. For further particulars, call on, or address, J. C. Baker, now at Davis Hotel, Lowell Mich.

Miss Hattie Mackham of Brooklyn Mich., is the guest of her cousin Robt Marshall this week.

The Grand Rapids Democrat, now comes to us in a new and greatly improved dress. The new Magenthaler type setting machine it has lately adopted are responsible for the great change. These machines contain all the latest improvements and make a new departure in the life of a newspaper office. The Democrat is deservedly the popular paper of Western Michigan and its large circulation here shows it is fully appreciated by the reading public.

Miss Dot Ikes of Grand Rapids visited with Miss Lulu Hafer the last of the week.

Last week Saturday Mrs. James Smith fell through a walk or platform in front of the bulletin board between Mrs. Carr's millinery shop and Deacon Herbert's tailor shop; the plank must have been loose and slipped from the stringer and when she stepped on it she and the plank fell a distance of 10 feet or thereabouts. The fall must have jarred her, but evidently no bones were broken; she would not allow an examination of her injuries by any of the physicians but went home with her husband to section 22 of Lowell within a short time after the fall.

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.

**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, are 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.

**This Wonderful Book**

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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Contains 512 pages, beautifully printed on toned paper, nearly 100 engravings, and we furnish it, handsomely bound in two styles, at the following remarkably low prices: No. 1.—Elegant cloth, gold side and back stamping, \$1.50. A special edition has been issued containing the HOFFMAN GALLERY OF ENGRAVINGS. It was found impossible to place this grand series of illustrations in "The Beautiful Tree of Life," and sell it at the same price, it being already a very large and handsome book for the money; hence, the special edition containing the Hoffman Gallery. This special edition will contain, in addition to all the matter in the regular edition of the book, this magnificent series of twenty-four full page engravings, beautifully printed in three colors, on coated paper, accompanied with full descriptive text, making a sumptuous volume of 560 pages. Prices of the special edition: No. 3.—Elegant cloth, gold side and back stamping, \$2.00. No. 4.—Extra German Morocco, gold side and back stamping, gold edges, \$3.00.

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This is one of the most remarkable and beautiful series of illustrations of scenes in the life of Christ that have been brought before the public for the past half a century. The artist as you readily know, is a German of world-wide fame. Some reproductions of these pictures have been offered in this country heretofore, but usually at a high price. This is the first attempt to place them within reach of the great mass of the people. By a special and fortunate arrangement with the publishers of "The Beautiful Tree of Life," THE LOWELL LEDGER is enabled to make its readers the following

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**THE SECRET OF GLAMIS.**

**IF YOU WANT THE BEST**

The Hidden Chamber in the Ancient Castle of Macbeth.

In a certain drawing-room the other afternoon we were talking of some well-known superstitions, and among others of that secret room in the castle of Glamis, which Sir Walter Scott tells us is known only to the Earl of Strathmore, his heir apparent, and one other person to whom the earl may choose to confide. One of our party told us, says a writer in the Chicago Tribune, an amusing story concerning this secret chamber of Glamis. Once, when stopping at the castle in autumn, a curious and indiscreet visitor took advantage of the host's absence to suggest a plan by which the whereabouts of the hidden chamber should be revealed.

The castle was full, and it was proposed that each guest should hasten to his or her room and hang his or her pillow out of the window, while one visitor was told to mark off such window as displayed no white signal. In the middle of carrying out this pretty plan the master of the castle returned unexpectedly, and great was his wrath at this unseemly curiosity. Never had the owner of Glamis appeared in so towering a passion. The display of temper is hardly to be wondered at, for the Glamis secret is regarded with an extraordinary seriousness by the Strathmore family, and when imparted to the heir has been known to fill him with a gloom hard to dispel.

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Send hand bugles for sale very cheap.  
 R. D. Stocking.

**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that under the new charter all persons assessed a poll tax must pay the same to the village treasurer. Exemptions heretofore allowed are illegal and contrary to law.

J. W. BEERY, Village Treasurer.

**UNCLAIMED LETTERS.**

List of letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice at Lowell, Mich., for the week ending September 7, 1895.

Ladies—Mrs. Carrie D. Harris.  
 Gentlemen—Charles Goodnell, A. D. Luce, Fred Knise.

Persons claiming the above will please say "advertised" and give date of this list.

M. N. BIRN, P. M.