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ABDUCTED

Serious Charge Against John Bozung.

ABDUCTION OF A LITTLE GIRL.

Justice Hicks' Office the Center of Attraction Yesterday.

The office of Squire Hicks was packed with an eager crowd yesterday drinking in the case of The People vs. John Bozung, in which the defendant is charged with the abduction of the little daughter of Theodore N. Hines. It seems that Mr. Hines and his wife who lived in Keene township, near Fallsburg, parted on January 15, and it is intimated that John Bozung was the cause of the separation. The mother took the little son and the seven-year old daughter remained with the father.

On January 29, Bessie was excused from school at Fallsburg and started for home. On the way, it is alleged, she was accosted by John Bozung, who tried to induce the girl to go with him, urging it repeatedly.

The little girl refused, and meeting her father, told him what Bozung had said. Mr. Hines passed the matter over lightly, but started back over the road with the child, at length turning off at the road side and sending the child on alone. She had gone about twenty rods when Bozung appeared from behind some bushes and grasping the child's arm told her she must go with him. She refused, and it is charged, that he said she must or he would kill her. She screamed, and her father hearing her, ran to the place and Bozung took to his heels. The supposition is that it was proposed to take the girl to her mother.

Complaint was first made at Ionia, but it was found that the alleged offense was committed in Kent county and the examination was held as aforesaid before Justice Hicks, the prosecuting attorney being present.

Mr. Bozung pleaded not guilty and the hearing is deferred to the 24th at Court Hicks.

ANDREW BATES JOHNSON.

Funeral Obsequies. Sketch of His Life. Struggle for Health.

Andrew Bates Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Chandler Johnson, died of consumption at the home of his parents, Thursday, Feb. 6.

Funeral services were held at the house, Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. A. P. Moors. A large concourse of people were present, and many of Andy's near and dear friends were unable to gain admittance. Flowers in great profusion were bestowed by many of his old friends, one beautiful piece being presented by the business men of Lowell, another by old neighbors, and many were sent in by friends here and in Grand Rapids. Mr. Johnson was born in the township of Charlotte, Chataqua county, N. Y., May 13, 1854. In 1870 he came with his parents to this village, a lad of 16. Here he remained four years, and then returned to the east and lived in Corry, Penn., where he was in the grocery business in company with an only sister, who was a teacher in the high schools of that city. In 1880 he closed out his business there and returned to Lowell, which has since been his home, having married Miss Alma Skinner, his present bereaved companion, on September 7 of the previous year.

Mr. Johnson's health had always been good until, about May, 1894, it began gradually to decline. He was ordered South by his physician, and went to Santa Fe, New Mexico, with his family, where they remained about eight months. He then returned home and seemed much better

during the following summer, but again the dreaded disease attacked him in the form of hemorrhage and after closing out his business here he went with his family to Denver, Col. His home was sold and everything possible was done to arrest the disease; but he continued to fail. On the second of January, he arrived home and did not after that leave the house.

Andy, as he was best known, was a man of sterling business qualities, energetic and courageous, yet careful and painstaking. As a citizen he was public spirited and progressive; as a neighbor he was kind and charitable. In the home circle he was affectionate and considerate. His presence always carried sunshine and warmth into every circle where he moved, and he thus drew around him friends by the scores.

Besides his wife, deceased leaves one daughter, Winnie, a father and mother, two brothers, Geo. C., of Portland, Oregon, and N. F., of Long Island, Kansas; also one sister, Mrs. Arthur Hill of Corry, Penn.

In Memoriam

"Leaves have their time to fall. And flowers to wither at the north wind's breath, And stars to set—but all, Thou hast ALL seasons for thine own, O Death!"

In a distant western city, on the 4th of February, a young life, whose days had been passed in our midst, closed upon earth.

Gladys Chapman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Chapman, was born in this village, and in the sixteen years of his short life had become identified with the youth of our village in all school, social and church life. Her musical accomplishments had brought her often before the public in home entertainments, and gained for her hearty applause. But modest and retiring by nature, she loved most the approval of her parents, and the home friends dearest to her. Gladys was not a modern girl, in the sense of being seen and heard upon the street and loitering in public places at all hours; but was old fashioned in the possession of those virtues of love for home, respect for parents and her elders, modest and quiet behavior in public and an absence of that obtrusive self-assertion which mars the bloom of the young girls of today.

Gladys' health had been impaired for some time, but it was not until May of last year that serious fears were felt, that that foe of youth and age alike, consumption, had marked her. On June 3, hoping for that help from the air of Colorado which medicine had failed to give, her parents took her to Denver, and there for eight long months fought the enemy. But it was an unequal struggle, and Tuesday morning, February 4, it ended in a peaceful, hopeful, happy passage of the little maid from the loving arms of father and mother into the more tender and loving arms of the Saviour who she had loved and trusted all her young life and who did not forsake her in her last hour. In compliance with her last earnest request to "be brought home," her parents arrived with her body Friday night, accompanied by Mr. Chapman's mother and sister who joined them at Grand Rapids, and were received at the home of his sister, Mrs. M. C. Greene.

Funeral services were held at the Congregational church, of which Gladys was the youngest member, Saturday afternoon. The church was crowded to its utmost capacity, many falling to gain admittance. The Rev. J. T. Husted preached a comforting and impressive sermon from the words: "And Jesus stood on the shore."

The music was furnished by a quartet composed of George Winegar, LeRoy McDiarmid, Mrs. E. R. A. Hunt and Mrs. Harriet Peckham.

The closing hymn was sung by request, one that Gladys sang so often, and that was whispered by her dying lips:

"Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, Just to take Him at His word;"

The white casket was covered, and the little body surrounded by the most exquisite flowers, brought by loving hands. The Ladies' Band No. 1, of which Mrs. Chapman was leader, the class in school of which Gladys was a member, the Christian Endeavor societies, Senior and Junior, each bringing offerings of the choicest floral treasures, typical in their purity and fragrance of the sweet life now healed and restored in the Father's home.—Communication.

ALLEGED BLACKMAIL.

Constable LeClear and Attorney Under Arrest at Ionia.

IONIA, Mich., Special Telegram, Feb. 12.—Attorney E. O. Mains and Constable D. LeClear, both of Lowell, have been arraigned before an Ionia justice on a warrant sworn out by Wm. Cheetham, of Boston, Ionia county, who charges them with obtaining \$300 by threats of criminal prosecution. Cheetham claims they bled him on a threat that he had insulted his hired man's wife and the attorney wanted \$800 at first, but when \$300 was offered it was accepted. He also claims that the woman only got \$25, and the lawyer and constable the balance, while the constable claims he had nothing to do with the money. The case was set for Feb. 24.—Detroit Tribune.

For Cruelty to Animals.

Merrit E. Barden, who lives in the vicinity of Alto, hitched a half-starved rack-a-bones of a horse in town Tuesday night and left it there until observers were shocked into complaining to Marshal Edmonds, and humane Agent Pickard had the animal cared for. When Barden missed his rig, he smelled a mice and went home "afoot."

"Pick" went out next day "picked" Barden and brought him to town. Yesterday morning the affair was discussed at considerable length before Justice Hicks and the conclusion was that \$20 would about fill the bill, with sixty days at hard labor as an alternative. He is now at work.

THE MENDELSSOHN'S,

A VERY PLEASING PROGRAM RENDERED.

Names of Participants and Program in Full.

A large and appreciative audience greeted the Mendelssohn chorus on their initial appearance at Music hall, Monday evening, Feb. 10; and the generous applause following each event should have been gratifying to the talented directress, Mrs. J. M. Goodspeed, whose painstaking training was evidenced by the pleasing and well rendered program. Following are the names of the participants:

Soprano: Mabel Moors, Lotta Sayre, Annie Hunter, Estella McDiarmid, Anna Maynard.
Alto: Mrs. E. R. A. Hunt, Mrs. D. G. Look, Ora Weekes, Effie McDiarmid.
Tenor: Roy McDiarmid, Chas. Quick, Frank White.
Bass: Geo. Winegar, Jas. Martin, Harley Maynard, Geo. M. Winegar.
Assisted by F. D. Tarleton, violinist, Accompanist, R. D. Stocking, Directress, Mrs. J. M. Goodspeed.

This was the program:
"Soldiers Chorus" Faust
Mendelssohn Chorus
"Flyaway Birding" F. Abt
Lotta Sayre Ora Weekes
"Morning Invitation" Venio
Ladies' Chorus Mabel Moors, Soloist
"Lapp Maiden Song" DeKoven
Lotta Sayre
"Banish, Oh Banish thy Fears" Lorenz
"In this Hour of Softened Splendor" Piusotti
Mendelssohn Chorus
"Only a Little While" P. Loring
Ora Weekes
"Song of the Viking" Fanning
Mendelssohn Chorus
"Good Night, My Love" Geibel
Anna Maynard Mabel Moors
"Down in the Dew Dell" Smart
Ladies' Chorus
"Midnight" Ettore Gelli
Mrs. J. M. Goodspeed
"Violin Obligato" F. D. Tarleton
"Arion Waltz" Vogel
Mendelssohn Chorus

A Pioneer Passes Away.

Smith Godfrey, an old and well-known resident of Vergennes, died at his late residence Monday noon at the age of 76 years, after an illness of only two weeks with inflammation of the lungs.

Mr. Godfrey moved from Chandler about fifty-two years ago and settled in the north part of Vergennes, where he has since resided. He leaves nine children, and to give time to those living at a distance to come to the funeral, the funeral will not take place until next Sunday.

For Sale—Five Splendid Farms.

Small payment down, balance on long time to suit purchaser, at six per cent interest. Low prices. Improved wholly or in part as you wish, well watered, with trout streams, buildings, good roads, schools, railroads, and stations, good market, etc., within one mile, described as follows, to wit: The SW 1-4 of Sec 3, T 13 NR 7 W, 160 acres, improved, W 1-2 of NE 1-4 Sec 10, 80 acres, partially improved. N 1-2 of SE 1-4 of Sec 10, 80 acres, small improvement. SE 1-4 of Sec 12 and a fractional piece adjoining of 23 acres, making 183 acres, house, barn and improvements. Also a farm of 286 66-100 acres, near Williamston on D. L. & N. R. R. and Grand River graveled turnpike, improved, and will divide into two farms. Enquire of or address,

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NEED FOR OLD TIME SPELLING SCHOOLS.

The following extract from the Press shows the true state of affairs in the matter of the constantly increasing range of studies in our high schools...

Teachers of the country and city schools in Calhoun county are astonished to discover that their pupils in the higher grades cannot spell the words in the first and second readers.

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OLD TIME HISTORY. A Correspondent Writes of a Time Now Happily Passed.

EDITOR LEXNER—The beautiful tribute to the memory of Scotland's sweet singer, Robert Burns, which you published in a late issue, calls to mind some curious phases in Scotch history.

That a country that could produce a race of people whose indomitable courage tested in centuries of war with Ireland, with Scandinavia, with pirates and with England, and whose intense love of liberty often led them to murder their own kings, James I, James III, and to rebel against James II and James VII, and imprison James V, and when opportunity offered to set Charles I to England for cold cash, should be the same people to which by priests into mental slavery so deep as to have their own shackles is a marvel in human history.

"A river of fire and brimstone brooded than the earth was prepared for them." and which made them the laughing stock of Europe, and which has turned the very name of the Scotch Kirk into a by-word and a reproach among educated men."

Buckle, in his great work referred to, illustrates by numberless examples covering 200 pages this curious contradiction in Scotch character, to wit: Wonderful enduring courage and intense love of liberty, combined with a dog-like submission to ignorant priests, rule and to their unbridled and cruel despotism.

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River Road. Charles Ernst and mother visited relatives at past week.

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TAKE NOTICE. A special session of the Board of Supervisors of Ionia county, Michigan, will be held at the Court House in the City of Ionia on the Twenty Fourth day of February, 1886, at 1 o'clock, P. M.

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LOWELL & HASTINGS RAILROAD TIME TABLE.

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WILL RENDER VERDICT.

Circuit Court Jurors for the March Term.

The petit jurors for the March term of the Circuit court were drawn yesterday by County Clerk Eddy, Justice William F. Adams, Justice John W. Holcomb and Sheriff Woodworth. They are: James H. Ward, Ada, H. E. Rector, Algoma; Daniel Cresseling, Alpine; Chas. Freyermet, Bowne; John A. Anderson, Byron; William A. Rolands, Caledonia; Burt M. Hoag Cannon; Almond T. Dean, Cascade; Frank Benham, Courtland; David Near, Gaines; H. H. Havens, Grand Rapids; William J. McCarty, Grattan; Jacob W. Walker, Lowell; Levi McDonald, Nelson; John W. Seifred, Oakfield; Milo Parsons, Paris; George Duckers, Plainfield; Jerome Hockett, Solon; Charles Carlson, Sparta; Erwin C. Cooper, Spencer; Elmeron D. Smith, Tyrone; John O. Dennis, Vergennes; Joseph Averill, Walker; Justice M. Brooks, Wyoming; First ward, C. Stryker; Second ward, H. M. Dasker; third ward, Edward Howell; fourth ward, Richard Fyfe; fifth ward, John Pollis; sixth ward, Louis Spoelstra; seventh ward, William Bragg; eighth ward, William Dreuke; ninth ward, George Mills; tenth ward, Henry M. Goebel; eleventh ward, David Munshaw; twelfth ward, Harm Ritzema.

Pickle in a Pickle.

Charles Pickle, who was formerly well-known by the police because of his deeds, but whose home is now in Lowell, was arrested last night by Policeman Lovelace and George H. Wells on the charge of larceny from the person of William Maseroica of 208 Hamilton street. Last night the two men were together in Schrader's saloon, corner of Broadway and North streets. They were drinking together and Maseroica showed a roll of money. Pickle was seen to drop something beside a sidewalk, and when search was made, a roll of bills containing \$20 and a handkerchief, in which was tied \$2.65 in change, were found. Pickle has a wife and two children in Lowell, but he has been employed by E. B. West, the West side coal dealer, for a short time.—[Grand Rapids Democrat, Feb. 12.]

Truant Officers at Work.

Truant Officer Edmonds, after repeated warnings to offenders, on Monday arrested six boys for running away from school and took them before Justice Hicks and County Agent Holcomb. They were Onie Wingate, Floyd and Henry Covert, Clifford and George Gibson. All but the last named pleaded guilty and were let off on deferred sentence. The trial of the latter is set for the 17th. The parents of these boys are said to have exhausted every means to compel their attendance at school; and the boys will now have to toe the mark or deal with the strong arm of the law. Right! They must not be allowed to waste their opportunities, whether they would or not. Mind your eyes, now boys!

Old Residents' Association of the Grand River Valley.

The above named association will hold an adjourned meeting at the office of the president, John M. Mathewson, Thursday, Feb. 20, 1896, at 2 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of making the necessary arrangements, and determining the date of the annual reunion, also the transaction of any other necessary business. A full attendance is requested.

By order of the President,
S. P. Hicks, Sec.

Hard Times Party.

The Vergennes Dancing Club will give a hard times part at Music hall on Friday evening, February 2. Music by O. O. Adams orchestra. Floor managers, John Dutcher, John S. Hooker, George Coppens. Bill for dance fifty cents, including care of horses. Oyster supper, fifty cents per couple. A valuable prize will be given to the couple whose costume best represents hard times.

HOME NEWS

Librarian Robinson informs us that there were 1802 books loaned from the school library during the month of January. A pretty good showing, and plenty of work for the librarian.

Celebrated Niagara brand canned goods at Bergin's.

Mrs. Geo. T. Hine and daughter, Martie, returned last week Thursday from an extended visit in Detroit.

All kinds of wood and coal for sale by C. H. Westbrook.

FOR SALE.—First class house and lot on easy terms. Inquire of C. O. Lawrence, at the bakery.

Geo. McArthur and wife of Oakfield have been visiting the families of McConnell brothers.

See our window, L. H. Hunt & Co.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Oliver, Messrs. Ben West, Edgar Morse, Dick Warner, Manley Jones, John Goss and others from Grand Rapids attended the funeral services of their friend, A. B. Johnson.

Good Rio blk coffee at Bergin's, 25cts.

Seigel and Edie Kopf of Grand Rapids visited with her daughter, Mrs. John Kopf, this week.

On hand now the largest and best stock of pianos and organs ever in Lowell at rock bottom prices. R. D. Stocking.

Fred Brunner and wife visited friends in Freeport Sunday.

Ladies clean your kid gloves with Josephine Glove Cleaner, for sale only by E. R. Collar, headquarters for dressed and undressed kid gloves in all the most desirable shade for street or evening wear. 93¢

Jap Waterman and wife visited with her sister, Mrs. Lloyd Jones.

Pingree's "Facts and Opinions" free with new yearly subscriptions to the LEDGER.

Austin Wright and wife of Grattan visited at O. T. Hogan's last week.

R. D. Stocking's low price sale of all kinds sewing machines is still on.

Mr. and Mrs. Murphy are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Allen, in South Lowell.

Having purchased the Banner laundry of C. L. Severy, I will say that I shall be pleased to see any that may call. All work guaranteed first-class. G. W. Severy, proprietor.

Ethel Kingston of Ionia visited with Mrs. Josie Jones last week.

All kinds of watch, clock and jewelry repairing done at reasonable prices. U. B. Williams.

On account of the illness of Rev. Moses Grabel, the Baptist pulpit was occupied by Rev. McGee.

Buy your gloves and mittens at The Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. White are visiting friends and relatives in Grattan and Otisco this week.

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

Mr. and Mrs. William Brown of Middleville visited her sister, Mrs. Newton Coons, Saturday and attended the funeral of Lloyd Ring at Smyrna Sunday.

Mocha and Java coffee, best in the world, at Bergin's.

A. M. Barnes is under the doctor's care.

Cabinets, \$1 per dozen, gallery over postoffice.

Mary Howard is visiting her brother, O. J. Howard and sister, Mrs. Owen McGee, in Vergennes.

Amboy cheese, none better, 14cts. at Bergin's.

Miss Jennie and Daniel Townsend entertained a few friends Tuesday evening.

See our window, L. H. Hunt & Co.

There will be no services next Sunday at the Catholic church.

Remember that Barber & Crow's goods are finest in town. Prices right.

The union meeting of the young peoples' societies of the different churches in town held at the Baptist church last Sunday morning was largely attended and a very interesting meeting.

See Ecker & Son for wood and kindlings.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Chapman went to Grand Rapids Tuesday to visit his mother and sister.

Finger rings, ear rings, breast pins, etc. repaired by U. B. Williams.

Find Findlay's Famous Felts.

James Nicklin and family have moved from Hudson street, west side, to the McCarty dwelling house near the L & H. station.

There will be a Valentine party at Ada rink on Friday evening, Feb. 14, 1896. Music by O. O. Adams' quadrille band.

Mr. G. C. McConnell of this village and daughter, Mrs. Frank Benham of Courtland, spent part of last week with McConnell brothers at Lowell.—Cedar Springs Clipper.

It is a surprising fact that two-thirds of the failures in this country are of business houses which never advertise.—Cedar Springs Clipper.

Will Crofoot is home from the far south now.

Mrs. Gilman Walker has been very sick the past week with an attack of grippe. Her many friends will be glad to know she is better and gaining rapidly.

Amos Smith's mother has been visiting him for the past five weeks. She has gone to Leslie, Mich., to spend the rest of the winter with her two sisters.

Miss Dibble who has been at Shelby for the past two months on a visit returned Wednesday to again make her home with her cousin, Mrs. Walker.

Genuine Columbia river salmon at Bergin's for 10c per pound.

John Gibson of Owosso is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burdick.

Cabinets, \$1 per dozen, gallery over postoffice.

John M. Randall elevated the Journal's fire proof safe to its position Wednesday.

Four pounds crackers, butter or soda, for 25cts. at Bergin's.

John L. Taylor, the cigar manufacturer, has been given the contract to carry the mails between the station on the D. & M. and the postoffice. His bid being the lowest, \$250.

Buy coal of Westbrook now before the rise.

Myron Kisor of Boston took in the farmers' institute at Grand Rapids this week.

See our window, L. H. Hunt & Co.

Miss Kate Perry received, the fore part of the week, a personal letter from her friend, Miss Meda Hess, missionary and teacher, at Marash, Turkey, which gives more fully the atrocities committed on the Armenians, and of the destitution and suffering of the widows and orphan children of the Armenians who were killed.

Buy baled hay of C. H. Westbrook.

R. B. Buylan was in the city of Grand Rapids last Thursday on business.

Rev. Moses Grabel of Kalamazoo will occupy the Baptist church next Sunday morning and evening.

Findlay's felts 40cts. and 50cts. per pair.

The Mendelssohn chorus will repeat their entertainment next Monday evening for the benefit of the young people's societies of the Methodist, Baptist and Congregational churches. A few changes will be made in the program.

Two gallon paint—70cts. at Bergin's.

All lovers of music should attend the entertainment at Music hall Monday evening.

One or two personal letters from Miss Meda Hess, formerly preceptress in our school and now a missionary and teacher at Marash, Turkey, will be read at the next meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E., Sunday, Feb. 16, at which time there will be taken a collection for the benefit of the persecuted Armenians, which will be sent to Miss Hess to assist her in caring for the starving and almost countless widows and orphans of the murdered Armenians that are daily asking for help, and far beyond her power to give.

Warm shoes at greatly reduced prices at C. M. Findlay's.

Come early and get a good seat at Music hall Monday evening.

All kinds of spectacle repairing. U. B. Williams.

Saturday, Feb. 15, we will sell 60 pairs women's first quality (Lycoming) rubbers for 45 cents pair, regular price 50cts.

A. J. Hawk & Son.

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B. F. Wilkinson will take in the farmers' institute at Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Melissa Hull is entertaining Mrs. Ella Hull and Miss Howe from McBride.

Fallassburg.

There was a dance at Wm. Scott's last Friday night.

Mrs. Grindell is at her daughter's, Mrs. W. H. Booth, this week.

Johnny Rice had one of his legs broken Monday, at the Waters school house.

A number of the young folks spent Friday evening with Minnie Stekasee.

Mrs. Wm. Rexford visited Mrs. Chet Parrott at Alto, brother, Prin Westbrook and mother in Campbell last week.

John Wright visited at M. C. Denny's Tuesday.

Ira Pottruff has been sick the past two weeks and this week two of his children, Lottie and Louie, are sick.

Charley Booth is in Grand Rapids having his limb treated again. He is on the gain.

Some of Wm. Scott's neighbors and friends met at his house Sunday, it being his birthday. They left him a chair.

Mrs. Bozung and sister went to Miriam to church last Sunday.

G. Sears and wife of Grattan visited friends here last week.

Mr. Towers received the sad news that his father died in Dakota and was buried February 5. He went there last fall to spend the winter and was from Canada. He was 78 years old.

Frank Sherrard and wife spent Saturday and Sunday at M. C. Denny's.

Mrs. M. Bozung is very sick at this writing.

Ben Morse was in the burg Wednesday on business.

Aitons.

George McArthur and wife of Oakfield spent Monday at Edmund Ring's.

Miss Ida Cooper of Lowell and Mr. McKabe of Smyrna were guests at John Hapeman's Sunday evening.

Allen Godfrey and wife of Lowell remained Sunday night at Horace Weeks.

Burr Davis and wife spent Sunday at Orleans with her mother, Mrs. Towns.

E. Campbell and wife of Lowell called on friends here Monday.

Chris Blosser and Judd Hapeman filled their ice houses this week.

Grange meeting this week Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Davis of Lowell is assisting Mr. Broadbent in our flour mill.

Geo. H. Godfrey of Oakfield was in Aitons one day last week.

Sarah White visited at Geo. Bradishes on Frank Chases farm near Greenville last week.

Cora Godfrey of Lake Odessa was visiting friends and relatives here for several days.

D. A. Church and Willis Purdy with their wives visited relatives in Belding one day last week.

Mr. Hicks of Ionia called at E. King's Sunday.

Smith D. Godfrey an old pioneer of Aitons died at noon, Monday, Feb. 10th, of the grip.

Little Lloyd Valentine Ring, only child of George and Gertrude Ring, died, Thursday, Feb. 6, at the home of his grandparents, A. J. Ring and wife in Keene, of spinal meningitis. He was born Feb. 14th, 1894.

Funeral services were held at the Smyrna Baptist church, Sunday, Feb. 9. The church was full, friends being present from Keene, Grattan, Otisco, Smyrna, Courtland, Oakfield, Mayville, Lake Odessa and Aitons.

Rev. O. J. Golden of Belding officiated. Lloyd was a bright and beautiful child; to know him was to love him. God has taken one more lily bud to bloom in Heaven. The sorrowing friends have the sympathies of the community in this their great bereavement.

Town Line.

The Ladies Aid gave a chicken pie social, Friday night, at the home of Mrs. H. Westbrook. A good attendance and a very enjoyable time. Receipts over \$6.

Stella Batey spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Grant Fraiser.

Mrs. Maud Phillips and Miss Anna McCall visited Mrs. Batey Friday.

We are sorry to know that Wm. Stinton does not improve any.

Mrs. Westbrook and little girls took dinner with Mrs. J. B. Easterday, Sunday.

W. S. Hesche and wife, on the sick list last week, are better.

The ladies are thinking of a leap year party in the near future. More about it later.

Mrs. Emily Murray, Mrs. S. Jay, Miss Louella Richmond, Miss Gertrude Collins, E. Stinson, C. Whiston of Lowell, Mrs. Cora Thomas and son Clinton, of McCord, Miss Edith Burns, near Ada, were present at the social Friday night.

Thursday a boy applied for board and lodging at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tolbert—usual weight.

Miss Isadore Reynolds entertained Mrs. Seward Ouan, and Misses Anna Ouan and Laura Westbrook one day last week.

Work is progressing finely on the church. If the weather is fair it will be nearly enclosed this week.

Jeff Hulbert has returned home after an extended visit with his daughter, Mrs. Orrin Keyes.

Miss Hattie Sargent is staying in Grand Rapids at present.

West Lowell.

The Ladies Aid society, will meet at the home of Mrs. H. Peters Wednesday, Feb. 19.

Mrs. D. Flanigan, Mrs. M. D. Court and Mrs. S. Gristwood visited Mrs. J. McGregor.

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