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## THE JOB LET.

**LIGHTING CONTRACT CLOSED AT \$11,969.**

**Plan Provides for 75 Arcs and 1,500 Incandescents.**

The contract for the furnishing and putting in place of the electrical apparatus complete for the municipal lighting plant has been secured by the Westinghouse electrical company of Pittsburg, which was one of six competing companies.

The work is to be completed by June first, and calls for 75 arcs and 15,000 incandescant lights.

The plan adopted after mature deliberation was the best for the purpose, in the unanimous opinion of the council and the several engineers.

## DIPHTHERIA EPIDEMIC.

**Whole Population of Grattan and Canssamburg Panic Stricken.**

Diphtheria is raging in the townships of Grattan and Canssamburg to an alarming extent, the disease having become thoroughly epidemic. All the schools in the village of Canssamburg have been closed and the Parrell school in Grattan has been abandoned. The first victim of the malady was a young man named D.yle, who died. At least fifty persons were exposed to the case before the nature of the disease became known. Through this case nearly every family in the southwest portion of Grattan has been exposed and whole families are being stricken at once. No efforts at quarantine had been resorted to up to last night and local physicians find it impossible for that reason to cope with the disease.

The inhabitants of the district are panic stricken and all the drug stores in the vicinity have sold out their entire stocks of "preventives."—[Grand Rapids Evening Press.

## Death of John Devoe.

John Devoe died Saturday, Feb. 15 and his funeral was held at the residence Tuesday, a. m., conducted by Rev. A. P. Moors.

Mr. Devoe was born in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., in 1814. His father was a soldier of the war of 1812 and died in the barracks in New York city about the time John was born. He was taken care of by his grandparents on his father's side until 14 years old, when he started out for himself. At the age of 21 he bought a small farm in Butler, Wayne county, N. Y. and made a home for his grandparents until their death.

Soon after the close of the war of the Rebellion Mr. Devoe moved to Ottawa, LaSalle county, Ill., and remained there until 1872, when he came to Lowell, where he has since resided. He leaves a wife and several children, one son of Harvey, Ill., being with him during his sickness and death.

## Mrs. M. B. Remington

Mrs. M. B. Remington of this township, died quite suddenly at her home in Alto, Saturday, Feb. 15, at the age of 31 years. Mrs. Remington was born in Vergennes township, and was married in 1884. She leaves a husband and three little girls.

The funeral services were held at the Baptist church in Alto, at 2 p. m. Monday, Rev. A. P. Moors of this place officiating, and the remains were interred in Bowne Center cemetery.

## Card of Thanks.

We desire to express our gratitude to the many friends who assisted us by word and deed in our late sad bereavement. May you all find friends as faithful in the dark hours of life.

MRS. A. B. JOHNSON, and DAUGHTER MR. and MRS. CHANDLER JOHNSON.

## ABDUCTED.

**Serious Charges Against John Bozung.**

From the article headed as above in last issue of the Lowell LEDGER it would seem there was, on the day named, something going on at Justice Hicks' office, as his name is mentioned four times in the article. And it would appear from the article that the prosecuting attorney also was there, which was not the fact. The prosecuting attorney was represented by Mr. Walbridge. We presume the respondent was not represented by any attorney, as none is mentioned.

We do not know who the author of that article is, but it is evident it was written for a purpose, namely, to poison the public mind, and we do not wish to say one word to influence the public for or against the respondent. But we feel that justice demands that we should notice some of the allegations contained in the article, one of which is: "It is intimated that John Bozung was the cause of the separation" referring to the parents. There is no such intimation in the papers.

Next we find this: "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." There was no such allegation in the papers, not even that he tried once say nothing about repeatedly.

The next: "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 was charged that he said she must go, or he would kill her." In the first sentence of last above the assertion is made a fact, that Bozung did appear from behind some bushes and grasp the child by the arm, and did tell her she must go with him. In other words, is assuming, without any knowledge of what the fact is, that what a child about nine years old says is true, before the testimony is all given. I regard to the other sentence: "It is charged that he said she must go, or he would kill her." There is no such charge made.

The last I shall call attention to this: "The supposition is that it was proposed to take the girl to her mother." In regard to this supposition, we have only this to say: One may suppose one thing; another may suppose something else. One thing we do say, there is nothing in the case to base such supposition upon. Besides as we understand, the respondent is not to be found guilty of a serious felony on mere suppositions, allegations and intimations. We intimate, allege and suppose that every person is presumed innocent before the law until proven guilty. We will not offer in this article our intimations, allegations and suppositions in regard to the innocence of John Bozung of the great crime of which he stands charged and to which he pleads not guilty. We will, for the sake of justice and humanity, wait until we hear the verdict of the jury.

J. M. M.

## SMALLPOX AT IONIA.

**A Prisoner Brought It from Detroit House of Correction.**

Ionia, Mich., Feb. 17.—Bert Pettengill, who has just returned from serving a nine days' sentence in the Detroit house of correction, was picked up yesterday and lodged in the county jail. Later he was found to be suffering with smallpox and the health officer pronounced it a bad case. He had been sent to the prison pest house, west of the city, and the jail has been quarantined. The Circuit court, which was in session, has been adjourned indefinitely, and every precaution has been taken to prevent the disease spreading.

In jail are eleven hobos, seven male and two female prisoners, besides Deputy Sheriff Locke and Turnkey Will Montgomery, who were all exposed. The whole town is excited over the scare and the effects on business have already been felt.—G. R. Democrat.

A marriage license has been issued to Henry W. Aiverson and Mary Schouaar, both of Lowell. The bride and groom have gone to Missouri to visit his parents, who live in that state.

## Doesn't Like It.

Lowell LEDGER: In regard to the article in your last issue, "Old Time Bigotry" signed "Old Subscriber," it is a strained, cruel and unjust article. There was nothing in "the beautiful tribute to the memory of Scotland's sweet singer, Robert Burns," to call it forth. Humanity can but shudder at the publication, in this country, at this time, of such a venomous article in regard to the nationality of our intelligent, patriotic and Christian Scottish citizen.

Contributor of the poem referred to as a tribute to Scotland's great poet, Robert Burns.

It is hardly necessary to assure discriminating readers that the writer of the above communication; is totally mistaken in his conception of the article, "Old Time Bigotry," but for the benefit of said writer we will state that such is the case, and say further that no "venomous" attack will ever be permitted in these columns. We presume that Old Subscriber will make himself understood in our next issue.—Editor.

## Old Time Social Supper.

Whereof our estimable town squire, Reuben and Jennie Quick, will open their mansion on Saturday evening, Feb. 22, in honor of George and Martha Washington, who will be present in person; let it be hereby known that all ye men and women, laif and affe are respectfully entreated to come together at ye hour of early andle lighting and enjoy their hospitality. Ye sweet finger will discourse charming music.

Mistresses Weekef, Collar and Falloff, together with their hand maiden will ferve to all who come from 5 to 6 o'clock good victuals as follow: Braided Pork, Panned Potatoes, Apple Butter, Pork and Beans, Fine and Corn Bread, Pumpkin Pie, Mince Pies, Ginger Bread, Nut Cakes, Choice Conerves, Tea.

Ye Prices, 15 Centf.

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

## OREGON LETTER.

**An Old Lowell Boy Sends Greeting to His Friends.**

CORVON, ORE., Feb. 9, '96.

Lowell LEDGER:

In the Lowell LEDGER of January 24, '96, Matthew Hunter says: "The way to care for an old orchard is to commence when it is young and take care of it all the time." Now I know the care father's orchard got, as I was the one that scrubbed the trees with soapuds and greased them with pork rinds.

Little did I think at that time that I would ever be on this coast, using apples out of an old orchard that was set in the woods on ground that never has been plowed, the fir trees having but lately been felled between the rows of apple trees.

The trees are covered with moss, but the apples are as good in every way and as plentiful as I ever saw in father Hunter's orchard. Other kinds of fruit as well as all kinds of farm produce do just as well here; but markets are poor and work for wages very hard to find.

The climate is very mild and pleasant.

If any of my old friends wish to correspond with "Coley" I should be very glad to answer their letters.

Respectfully, R. J. HUNTER.

Colton, Clackamas county, Oregon.

## Universal Door Opener Company.

Such is the name of a new Lowell concern, of which A. L. Peck and L. H. Taft are the moving spirits. If you want to see what it is all about just stop into Winegar's drug store and see what an accommodating door it has, opening at will of operator from any part of the store. The device is simple, effective and cheap. The boys have a good thing and have applied for a patent. We hope they will get rich and live long lives right here in Lowell.

L. D. Johnson of Almont spent several days of last week with the family of his brother, F. M.

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