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"WITH MALICE TOWARD NONE AND CHARITY FOR ALL."

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LOWELL, KENT COUNTY, MICH., JULY 29, 1897.

WHOLE NO. 214

Ladies and Gentlemen.

Before buying a pair of fine shoes, be sure and look at our line. We are selling all colored shoes at prices which ARE way down.

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It is an open secret that there is a good deal of adulteration in groceries, and it therefore behooves the careful house-keeper who has some consideration for the health of the people at home to patronize such houses as are known to handle only "Pure Food" products. We handle none others. That does not mean, however, that our prices are high. In fact an examination will demonstrate to the contrary.

Our line of teas, coffees and spices are absolutely pure goods and we sell them at rock bottom price. Satisfaction guaranteed of your money refunded.

FRUIT CANS

We are prepared to furnish them at low prices.

Rice, a splendid article, 3 1/2 lbs. for 25c.
Prunes, nice, fresh and clean, 10c. per lb., or 3 lbs. for 25c.
Ten bars Calumet Family Soap 25c.

R. VANDYKE.

"If you get it at VanDyke's, it's good."

A GOOD MAN GONE.

Robert Hardy's Useful Career Closed. Tribute to His Worth.

Robert Hardy, one of Lowell's most respected citizens, died at his home in this village, Thursday afternoon, July 22. Funeral services were held at the M. E. church at 2 p. m. Sunday and the remains were taken to Saransac for burial. We can give deceased no better obituary than to publish the following extracts taken from the life sketch read by his pastor, Rev. A. P. Moors at the services Sunday:



"Robert Hardy was born in Banrockburn, Scotland, Sept. 15, 1837. He emigrated to America and settled in Paris, Brant County, Canada, in 1852. He was married to Miss Euphemia Russell April 2, 1862. He pursued the honorable occupation of farming from boyhood. He began in the humblest way, without means, on rented land. But by industry, frugality, and business sagacity, he early acquired moderate means, while by strict integrity and uprightness, he secured the esteem and confidence of the community in which he lived. Of him it may truthfully be said, as of but few others, 'none knew him but to praise.'"

He came to Michigan in 1865. His first home was in the town of Campbell, Ionia county. A year and a half later he purchased the farm in Keene where he made his residence until his removal to this village in June 1888. He has been an honored citizen of Lowell since that date, and though not what might be called an old resident, but few will be missed when they are gone by more people than he.

He leaves to mourn, a wife, two daughters, and one son: Mrs. Jennie B. Tefft of Vesterburg, Montcalm county, Lizzie T., and Geo. E. of Keene. One son, David, died in 1892. Besides these he leaves two sisters, Mrs. Isabella Blair, of Ionia and Mrs. Jennie Robertson of this village.

Our brother was a man of distinct personality. He was always and everywhere Robert Hardy. He was a man of purpose. What he had to do was done with promptness and energy. His farm and house were proofs of this. He was a man of mind. His good judgment was recognized by his neighbors and his advice was sought for by many under difficulties and perplexities; but our brother had another element which especially endeared him to his many friends. He had a generous, warm heart. He loved his friends. To them he was greatly devoted and attached. I doubt whether he really hated anybody, and I do not know that he had an enemy. The sick, the unfortunate, and the poor found in him a sympathizing and helpful friend. He had a kind word and a pleasant smile for all he met. It was a sweet pleasure to him to make others happy, and it was a cause of sadness when truth and uprightness required him to use reproof.

These elements of character were especially noticeable in his religious life. What he had, to do for his God and the church he did with vigor and

promptness. He combined in himself what is altogether too rare in the church, the experimental and the business qualities of religion. He loved the prayer meetings, the class meetings, the love feasts of the church and he was also expert and painstaking in looking after its business affairs.

His life was transparent. He was as far removed from hypocrisy as light is from darkness. He was a Methodist, but he was more than that. He was a Christian of the best type and warmest sympathies.

To sum it all up, as a citizen, he was broad minded, public spirited, patriotic and progressive. You knew where to find him on all moral and public questions. His heart was in the right spot and he had the courage of his convictions.

In the home, he was loving, tender, patient. As he had been a dutiful and loving son, so was he a kind husband and a tender, loving father. Everything that could be done by him, to make home the pleasantest, sunniest spot on earth for those dear to him.

We do not say that Robert Hardy was without fault, that he had no foibles and that he made no mistakes. What we do say is that his intentions and heart were right. He knew Jesus Christ by a blessed experience and loved him with all his heart. He loved his fellow men and as far as in him lay, lived at peace with all men. He served his day and generation.

He fought the good fight, kept the faith and finished his course; and we have no doubt the crown of eternal life shall shine upon his brow forever.

We are afflicted as a church, as is seldom the case. May his mantle of loving devotion fall on us who remain."

Resolutions of Condolence.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lowell State Bank, held July 24, 1897, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted.

WHEREAS, in view of the loss our board has sustained by the decease of our friend and associate Robert Hardy, and of the still greater loss sustained by those who were nearest and dearest to him, now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that it is but a just tribute to the memory of our friend and associate to say, that in regretting his removal from our midst, we mourn for one whose counsel was always good, and who was in every way worthy of our respect and regard.

RESOLVED, that we sincerely condole with the family of the deceased on the dispensation with which it has pleased Divine Providence to afflict them, and commend them for consolation to Him who doeth all things well.

RESOLVED, that this heartfelt testimonial of our sympathy and sorrow be spread upon the records of the bank, that a copy of the same be presented to the family of our departed friend, and a copy be forwarded to the Journal and Ledger for publication.

GONE ON AHEAD.

Joseph Sayles, Well-Known Lawyer of Evart.

Evart, Mich., July 23.—Judge Joseph Sayles died at his home in this place at 8:40 last evening of blood poisoning, the result of having some teeth drawn four weeks ago. Judge Sayles was born near Lowell, Mich., October 14, 1847, and came to Evart in 1871. He was judge of probate for Osceola county for ten years and postmaster of Evart four years, and held other offices of trust. He was a prominent Mason, being a charter member of Evart F. & A. M., and Chapter lodges, and Big Rapids Commandery, Knights Templar. He leaves a wife and four children. The funeral will occur Sunday, under Masonic auspices.—Detroit Free Press.

N. B. Blain's Clearance Sale is now on. Don't spend a dollar when seventy-five cents will buy as much at Blain's.

ALWAYS THE BEST

Our outlet for the distribution of merchandise gives us exclusive sale of many leading makes of goods. You are unable to find them elsewhere. Such arrangements are made only with houses that handle leading lines—whose goods possess value. They must be right in every way—FOR PRICE, FOR QUALITY, FOR STYLE. That's another argument why it's to your advantage to trade with us. You get the best makes of goods—the correct styles, the "worth your money" kind of merchandise. It's always the best obtainable.

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We have selected two lots to quote you. There are many others just as interesting, just as good values, just as desirable in every way.

\$5.00 A Suit that will be hard to find its equal for style and quality—handsomely lined and tailored—materials of pleasing and fashionable colorings. You'll wonder how such a suit can be manufactured at the price we sell it. It's a surprise to us, but a fortunate purchase—small profits—YOU GET THE BENEFIT. Handsomely tailored; the work of experts; has the fit, finish and style of suits costing twice the money.

\$8.00 An elegant Suit—strictly up-to-date in every detail—dressy, fashionable, serviceable. It's an unusual opportunity to secure one of our leading suits at an insignificant price. It's a mid-summer offering of unusual excellence. The newest, most sought for materials, lining of best grade; Victoria Serge, inner linings of the highest standard, magnificently tailored—a suit that gives you a well-dressed, fashionable appearance. It's really worth \$12, but we sell clothing on low margins—we buy them right, and that's why you can get them at these figures.

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ADA PIONEERS.

Their Annual Picnic a Week From This Thursday.

The Ada Pioneer Society will hold their annual basket picnic in Ada village August 5—a week from this Thursday—in the beautiful Headley grove. The speaking will be wholly about the pioneers of the valley and their doings. Among the speakers will be J. C. Blanchard, of Ionia; Edward Campau, of Caledonia; Geo. H. White and others, acquainted with the men of those days and their deeds. Judge Rix Robinson settled at Ada in 1882, the first white man in this valley. Mr. White will speak concerning Rev. John R. Robinson, the grandson of one of the principal chiefs of the great Ottawa nation, and who was the brother-in-law of Judge Lotis S. Withey of this city, and his career, and give some particulars of his family. Among the hundred guests are expected Mrs. Ada (Smith) Miller, in whose honor the town was named nearly sixty years ago. Mrs. Livingston, daughter of Luther Lincoln, who settled in the county in 1832, at Grandville this year before the quills settled in this city. The accommodations at the grove are ample for all. Those interested in early local history will be welcomed whether members of the society or not. The railroad affords easy access to the village.

Teacher's Examinations.

Fall teacher's examinations will be given in this county as follows: Aug. 19 and 20, Central High school for all grades, also for admission to the Michigan Agricultural College; Sept. 17, Cedar Springs, Lowell and court house, Grand Rapids, for third grade only; Oct. 21, Santa Rosa, Grand Rapids, for second and third grades.

CREAMERY AT CALEDONIA.

Co-operative Company Organized Farmers in That Locality.

Forty-eight farmers of Kent, Barry and Allegan counties have organized what is to be known as the Co-operative Farmer's Creamery and they filed articles of association Friday with the county clerk, declaring their intention of making butter, cheese and cream and storing eggs and other farm products. They expect to erect or purchase a plant with a main office in the village of Caledonia, and the operations are to be carried on in this county, although skimming stations are to be established in the adjoining counties. As its name indicates, the creamery is to be conducted on the co-operative plan with a capital stock of \$3,500, divided into 350 shares, of which 10 per cent have been paid in. A. O. Barnes of Caledonia controls 84 of the 350 shares, already subscribed the other farmers taking from one to ten shares apiece. The farmers interested live near Caledonia, Oscoda and Grand Rapids, and in Leighton, Orange and Moline in Allegan county, and at Thornapple in Barry county.

Grand Clearance Sale!

For the purpose of reducing stock, we will for the next fifteen days sell our entire stock (outside the carpet department) at twenty-five per cent. discount. We simply want to exchange our goods for your money. Come now and take first choice. Remember seventy-five cents buys one dollar's worth of goods.

N. B. BLAIN,
Lowell, July 30, 1897.

Good Business Opportunity.

Owing to other demands upon her time, Mrs. Walsh will sell the Lowell Bakery. Here is a splendid opportunity for some one to secure a good business.

Drug Store Prices Knifed!

Your Doctor Bill Paid By Us!

- Manly's remedies, all 25 sizes \$ 18
- remedies, 20 sizes \$ 15
- remedies, all 15 sizes \$ 12
- Stewart's dyspepsia tablets \$ 25
- Lincoln tea \$ 15
- Paragon tea \$ 15
- Lane's family medicine \$ 17
- Colony tea \$ 15
- King's new discovery \$ 20 size \$ 22
- King's new discovery \$ 15 size \$ 17
- Dr. Bull's cough syrup, small \$ 17
- Dr. Bull's cough syrup, large \$ 35
- Rayson's live syrup \$ 25
- Jay's expectorant \$ 27
- Trask's magnetic ointment large \$ 28
- Trask's magnetic ointment small \$ 17
- Pozzani's face powder \$ 25
- Malvina cream \$ 23
- Lotium \$ 23
- Duff's malt whiskey \$ 20
- Fleming's malt whiskey \$ 20
- A good Kentucky whiskey, quart \$ 50
- A good Kentucky whiskey, gallon \$ 90
- Golden Gate pure rye whiskey, per quart \$ 65
- Golden Gate pure rye whiskey per gallon \$ 2.30
- Old private stock whiskey, quart \$ 75
- Old private stock whiskey, gallon \$ 2.75
- Ayer's pills \$ 22
- Castoria \$ 22
- Doan's kidney pills \$ 22
- Williams' pink pills \$ 22
- Garfield tea \$ 17
- Pinkham's pills \$ 15
- Scott's emulsion cod liver oil, small \$ 35
- Scott's emulsion cod liver oil, large \$ 65
- Peruna \$ 65

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Job printing in connection with local literature. "Always Prompt" is our motto.

The sugar trust may be a sweet thing, but it is far from palatable.

The best and quickest way to stop the lynching of negroes, is to induce the colored man to behave himself.

The new tariff law has a \$2.00 per thousand lumber rate; and every man who builds a fence, a barn or a chicken coop will be taxed for the benefit of a handful of millionaires. This is not "politics"; it is simply the plain, unvarnished truth.

SOME of our downcast financiers are fearful that the gold discoveries in Alaska will make gold cheaper. The poor things don't want so much of a good thing but what they can monopolize it, and freeze the people out.

CAN anyone tell of a single line of use upon which Governor Plagier is in accord with his party? He has declared in clear and expressive language to be a silver man; now he is denouncing the Dingley tariff law and "nauf." Where is Hagen drifting?

THERE are still upon the pension rolls of this country, six widows of revolutionary soldiers, the seventh, Mrs. Lucy Aldrich, having just died in California at the age of 97 years. According to this showing, the United States will be paying pension on account of the civil war as late as 1880.

WELL, the agony is over. The tariff bill has become a law; and the country can do business for a year or two. In the meantime importers have made for us rushing in a year's supply of goods so as to dodge paying the new tariff rates. The American people are not so good at judging, and they will pay the new rates into the importer's pocket.

WE covet the organization of the Kent County Bimillennial Pledge association, the purpose of which is to hold summer Silver meetings in different parts of the county in the form

of picnic gatherings. The idea is a good one; but the officers have made a serious mistake in leaving Lowell out of the list of picnic places. Perhaps they are not aware that Island Park is the prettiest point in the county for such occasions; but we guarantee the assertion to be true and urge the committee to amend its program as to provide for at least one meeting at Lowell.

PROSPECTS for better times seem to be brighter. There are indications that the end of the long, hard siege is in sight, and that from this time on there will be a slow but sure improvement. Crops, as a whole, are good and prices are ruling higher. If the farmer prospers, all industries people will share in his good fortune. The new tariff law is at last in force; and while we regard it as pernicious, it is better than doubt and uncertainty. For a year or two at least, the business men of the country will know what to expect, and can proceed with all the enterprise that is good for a better day. If it comes during the present administration, it will be in accordance with the proverbial good luck of the Republican party and probably insure it a longer lease of power. With the people, that is a secondary matter. All hail to prosperity!

LESSONS FROM THE FIRE. A citizen calls our attention to the fact that at his recent water factory fire, a large number of men, women and children crowded into the building, obstructing the action

of the firemen and rendering a catastrophe imminent. Had there been a sudden outbreak of flame, some one would have been injured in the panic, or have been overcome by the flames.

To prevent the recurrence of such liabilities, the council should select a few men to act as special police at fires and keep the crowds under control or chief might be empowered to select such officers from among those who gather on such occasions.

Another matter should be mentioned here: the need of one or more light, two wheeled hose carts at each station. These now in use are too heavy to be handled expeditiously by hand; and in case of night alarms, teams are not always ready. The first moments of a fire are important and critical. Thousands of dollars worth of property may be saved by providing some light rigs that can be hauled to the scene of action by two men. The heavier wagons may be kept to follow on as soon as a force arrives adequate to handle them.

The old maxim: "In times of peace prepare for war," may well be applied here.

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B. C. SMITH.

Kenoa Center.
Last Tuesday the 20th of July, at midnight, Mr. Frank Bayles and wife were suddenly awakened by being smothered with smoke. It seems in some way the fire started in the kitchen and not knowing how it happened, they managed to get out in their night clothes and called for help. Quite a number from this vicinity attended U. S. quarterly meeting at Oak Grove school house last Sunday.

Miss Mand Court of Lowell set Friday and Sunday at 11. W. C. W. of Lowell. Quite a number from this vicinity attended U. S. quarterly meeting at Oak Grove school house last Sunday.

McCords.
C. C. Patterson and wife of East Paris were the guests of Wm. Patterson's family Monday night.

Miss Anna Nye of Grand Rapids, is the guest of Louisa Hildner.

Deight Bayles a work for John McCord. Miss Vera Laurson, and Arlie Chatterton of Grand Rapids are visiting relatives in this vicinity.

Miss Minnie Martin, was in Lowell Saturday. Mr. Wilkinson of Saranac took dinner with his sister, Mrs. Spoke, Tuesday.

John Haskins and family were returning from Mrs. Hawley's last Sunday. His team got scared a dog and horse with them and gave them part of their house to use. They have the sympathy of the people and have been helped with a few articles to make them comfortable.

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M. C. GREEN, M. D. Physician and Surgeon. Office at Residence. Bridge street, Lowell, Mich.

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J. M. GOODFELLOW, M. D. Office and Residence on Hudson street. Office hours, 10 am to 12 m, and 7 to 8 p. m.

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For Little Pink Feet.

"Oh, those dear little shoes, how sweet they are!" is the expression of every lady. We have purchased a large lot of infants' first shoes, in pink, blue, tan and white kid, to sell at 50c and 25c.

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Wash ties in Club house style 3 for 10c.
New patterns in bright plaids and Roman stripes 25c.

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Shirt Waist Sets in white and gilt with belt pin, special price 12c.
A variety of desirable styles including sterling silver 19c.
All 50c styles at 37c.
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All \$1.00 styles at 75c.

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From Clue to Climax.

found that it was purple and beaten in holes, as the writing in the letter commencing above by the badly-printed letter through it.

"I understand so," said Welch. "But what kept you so long in the mud? Whidby rose and began to pace the floor nervously.

"I shall welcome any advice or opinion he can give. I have just begun to think I did wrong in not reporting everything about the case at the start. It may have been a very necessary clue. I mean, you know, the blood on the chair."

"I begin to think so myself, now that the murderer has actually shown himself in broad daylight and attempted another life. You can easily prove an alibi. You were here all day yesterday—Matthews and I can testify to that; and, besides, I am pretty sure your movements are being watched by the police. I want you to see Hen-

"Never mind; nothing can be worse than what I have just done. You will lose your reason if anything is not done."

"The doorbell rang. "That must be our man," said Whidby. "Keep your eyes on the bell, and I will bring him in."

"I presume you have looked over the newspaper accounts. I sent you down last night for a moment and looked steadily into his eyes; then he released the hand and sat down.

"I had seen them all before I came," replied the hypnotist. "I had no sooner read that the dead man—pardon me, your uncle, Mr. Whidby—had been found with a bullet in his back than my face had wanted to know all about it."

"No other case has ever occurred that I know of, except that of Goetz, of Berlin, in '88. Tell me, gentlemen, in what way can you serve me. My time is valuable. I want to say just here that I am afraid Hendricks, the detective, has recognized me. I know him, and he knows me. I have had instructions as to my disguise here, but was thrown entirely off my guard by meeting him face to face."

"No, Hendricks, notice is hereby given that by virtue of said power of sale and the statute in this behalf made and provided in and by said act, the mortgagee of said premises or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the amount due on said mortgage as principal and interest and costs and expenses of said sale allowed by law, at public auction, the highest bidder on Saturday, the 10th day of September, A. D. 1897, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the north front door of the Kent County Court House in the City of Grand Rapids, Michigan (that being the place where the Circuit Court for said county is held) said mortgagee has caused to be published in the following, to-wit: All lots 2, 3 and 4 of Block 10, in the Village of Lowell, Michigan, as defined in the act of the Legislature of the State of Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof."

FRANKES A. SWEET, Mortgagee.

SWEET, PERKINS & JUDKINS, Attorneys for Mortgagee, Grand Rapids, Mich.

New Hand at the Cleaver.
Having purchased the meat market of N. L. Coons, I shall continue the business at the old stand, and will endeavor to keep on hand all things reasonable means all that which will be sold at fair prices. A share of the public patronage is respectfully solicited.

L. B. LYON.

The Only Laundry in the city is the.....

STEAM LAUNDRY.
Work called for and delivered. New machines give perfect work.

We GUARANTEE Satisfaction.
Drop us a card and we will call on your work.

CAMPBELL.

LOWELL MARKET

Invariably corrected Thursday morning.

Wheat, old \$ 68
Wheat, new \$ 68
Barley, per hundred \$ 75
Oats, per hundred \$ 75
Corn, per hundred \$ 30
Rye, per hundred \$ 28
Soybeans, per hundred \$ 10
Potatoes, per hundred \$ 10
Lard, per hundred \$ 10
Tallow, per hundred \$ 10
Hops, per hundred \$ 10
Flaxseed, per hundred \$ 10
Clover, per hundred \$ 10
Wool, washed \$ 7
Wool, unwashed \$ 7
Apples \$ 15 to 20 per bushel

LOWELL & HASTINGS RAILROAD TIME TABLE.
In Effect Sunday, May 30, 1897.

VALLEY CITY PLATING CO.
ELECTRO PLATERS
In Gold, Silver, Nickel.
Copper, Brass and Bronze.

REFINISHERS
of Fine Metal Goods
(By Fixtures, Chandeliers, Etc.)
CORRESPONDENCE SOLICITED.
1 Pearl Street, Grand Rapids.

How About That Cistern?
You ought to have it fixed up by putting first class earthenware troughs on your house and an anti-freezer pump in the cistern. I put wire hangers on the troughs, and they stay right there. Then I put a wire sieve in the top of the spout to keep out the leaves and rubbish. This is my business, and I do it right.

Call and see me, or drop a card to me, and I will call on you.

S. O. Littlefield,
Lowell, Mich.

MORTGAGE SALE.
Notice is hereby given that by virtue of said power of sale and the statute in this behalf made and provided in and by said act, the mortgagee of said premises or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the amount due on said mortgage as principal and interest and costs and expenses of said sale allowed by law, at public auction, the highest bidder on Saturday, the 10th day of September, A. D. 1897, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day at the north front door of the Kent County Court House in the City of Grand Rapids, Michigan (that being the place where the Circuit Court for said county is held) said mortgagee has caused to be published in the following, to-wit: All lots 2, 3 and 4 of Block 10, in the Village of Lowell, Michigan, as defined in the act of the Legislature of the State of Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof."

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DETROIT GRAND RAPIDS & WESTERN R. R.

Jan. 1, 1897.

Time Table in Effect May 3, 1897

WESTWARD.
Grand Rapids to Detroit, 50 cents.
Detroit to Grand Rapids, 50 cents.
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Detroit to Grand Rapids, 50 cents.

EASTWARD.
Detroit to Grand Rapids, 50 cents.
Grand Rapids to Detroit, 50 cents.
Detroit to Grand Rapids, 50 cents.
Grand Rapids to Detroit, 50 cents.

PARLOR CARS ON ALL TRAINS BETWEEN GRAND RAPIDS AND DETROIT, SEAT 50 CENTS.
CHICAGO & WEST MICHIGAN RY.
Trains leave Grand Rapids for Chicago, St. Paul, Detroit, and Milwaukee, at 7:30 a. m., 11:00 a. m., 7:30 p. m., and 11:00 p. m.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM.
Arrival and Departure of Trains at Lowell

Time Table in Effect May 3, 1897

WESTWARD.
Grand Rapids to Detroit, 50 cents.
Detroit to Grand Rapids, 50 cents.
Grand Rapids to Detroit, 50 cents.
Detroit to Grand Rapids, 50 cents.

EASTWARD.
Detroit to Grand Rapids, 50 cents.
Grand Rapids

LOWELL STATE BANK
 Capital, — \$25,000.00.
 LOWELL, MICH.
 FRANCIS KING, President,
 CHAS. McCARTY, Vice President.
 M. C. GRISWOLD, Cashier.
 DIRECTORS:
 Francis King, Chas. McCarty,
 Robert Hardy, F. T. King,
 G. H. Forcé, E. L. Bennet,
 M. C. Griswold.
 A General Banking Business Transacted
 Money Loaned on Real Estate Security

HOME NEWS

Now for the oats.
 Wheat harvest is about over.
 Huckleberries are in the market.
 Geo. Speaker has moved to his farm in Ada.
 Measles has broken out in the county jail.
 Kate VanDyke of Bowne Center has typhoid fever.
 Mrs. C. Buckley went to Grand Rapids Thursday.
 Jack Wheeler of Saranac was in Lowell last Friday.
 Frank Druce and wife of Cascade have a new daughter.
 Guy Fletcher of South Boston is visiting friends in Lowell.
 Mrs. I. A. Anderson and son are visiting in Grand Rapids.
 Mrs. Sarah Buckley has returned to her home in Grand Rapids.
 James Eddy, of Grand Rapids, made this office a call Monday.
 Mrs. Frank Bennett of Carson City is visiting at Theodore Carter's.
 Frank Wolf of Freeport is working at the L. & H. roundhouse.
 J. Slaght of Clarksville was doing business in Lowell the other day.
 Mrs. Fannie Fletcher of Grand Rapids is visiting her son, K. Fletcher.
 Eula Nagler of Reed City is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Ered Brunner.
 Miss Bessie Gregory of West Lowell called on friends in town Tuesday.
 Mr. Whipple of Jackson visited W. R. Blaisdell and wife the first of the week.
 Mr. and Mrs. B. Wait of Freeport, were the guests of her brother, F. Brunner Saturday.
 Miss Grace Whedon is making an extended visit with her sister, Mrs. J. Teeple in Freemont.
 Miss Edith Kopf and Charlie, Miller of Grand Rapids were out for a run on their wheels Monday night.
 A Grand Rapids family was poisoned by eating cabbage which had been sprinkled with arsenic to kill worms.
 Amber, little daughter of Frank Pickard, had a foot pierced by a nail while running barefooted one day last week.
 F. A. Graham and U. B. Williams left Monday morning for a wheel trip to Detroit and other points, and expect to be gone for two weeks.
 Phil Rentelester returned from Kansas last Thursday after a three week's visit. Mrs. R. and son Clarence, remaining for a few weeks longer before returning.
 Elwood Thompson of Cascade is unfortunate. He had built a new house and converted his old one into a fruit evaporator, when fire destroyed both buildings with contents.
 After being disbanded for a period of ten months, the Lowell Junior band has been re-organized and will try to get into shape to attend the Grand Lodge convention, August 25.
 The Michigan Cutter company is working sixteen men, getting out ordered work. They have made over a thousand buggy bodies, and seven hundred cutter gears so far this season.
 The Freeport Herald has reduced its size on account of lack of local advertising. The Herald is one of the best country papers in the state, and Freeport will make a mistake if she does not rally to its support.
 Robert C. Heydlauf, formerly of Muir, committed suicide at Ashland Wisconsin, recently. He was under arrest for the forging of a county order at the time. He claimed he was innocent but rather than meet the charge, took his life.
 William H. Murphy as administrator of the estate of John Proctor, deceased, was given a judgment against Robert W. Graham for \$548.81 and costs Friday by Judge Grove. This amount was due on a promissory note. —[Grand Rapids Herald.]
 The contested will case in the estate of Geo. Behler, deceased, which has been in probate court for two or three months, was decided by Judge Wilson this morning in favor of proponents, Mrs. J. Hausman and Mrs. Shoemaker, legatees named in the will. The contestants were the grand-daughter, Ruth Ann Flogaus, and her father, John Flogaus of Lowell, Arthur Mains of Lowell, and McGarry & Nichols, were attorneys for contestants, and F. C. Millet, assisted by Col. J. E. Mitchell, for proponents. The case is quite likely to be appealed. —[Louis Standard.]



OUR WORK

is always first class. A watch is too delicate a piece of mechanism to be entrusted to incompetent hands.
 Our increasing trade only proves that our repairs are giving satisfaction.
 We have lately added at quite an expense, some of the latest and most improved machinery, and tools for doing the best work, so are now prepared to undertake anything in our line. All work guaranteed with a guarantee that guarantees.

U. B. WILLIAMS.

We have some nice styles in long chains that are bargains.

Lots of nice showers.
 How the corn grows!
 Mr. Gunn is painting his house.
 Good printing, low prices, LEDGER.
 Good 9-room house to rent. F.L. Fallas.
 Miss Ione Swan is visiting friends in Ionia.
 William Jones was in Freeport Saturday.
 Mrs. Allen Bancroft was in Alto last week.
 R. VanDyke has a new announcement in this issue.
 A beautiful set of artificial teeth for \$5 at Dr. J. H. Rickert's.
 Addie Chambers was visiting friends in Alto last week.
 Edison Train and wife visited at D. Courter's in Clarksville last week.
 Harvey Ellison of Easton was the guest of Dottie Buckley Thursday.
 Rev. Conley of Detroit filled the pulpit at the Baptist church Sunday.
 Miss Myrtle McDonald is visiting her father, A. McDonald of Segwun.
 Misses Minnie and Grace Muir have gone to Grand Rapids to make their home.
 Chas. Bancroft and wife of Alto were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Bancroft last week.
 Mrs. Henry Mitchell of Grand Rapids returned home Monday after spending a week with Lowell friends.
 The Sunday school classes of Miss Moors, Miss Cogwell and Miss Packard picniced on the island Wednesday afternoon.
 Misses Mabel and Myrtle McDonald and Sarah and Arden Chapin went to South Boston on their wheels Thursday.
 Mrs. Frank Weekes and children leave the latter part of this week for a two week's visit in Grand Rapids and Greenville. They spent four days last week at "Father Weekes" in Alto.
 Keep cool through the hot weather by coming to the cool and pleasant grove at H. D. Weekes' where you will find tables, seats, stoves and boats at 20 cents per day or \$1.00 per week to campers. We will also have a picnic on July 28th. Games, base ball, and dance afternoon and evening. H. D. Weekes.
 Dr. G. A. Munch, the noted specialist of the Detroit Medical and Surgical Institute, of Detroit, Mich., who has five diplomas, and who can name and locate any disease or weakness, without asking you a question, will be at Brice Hotel, Lowell, Saturday, Aug. 7. He treats all kinds of Chronic, Nervous, and Private Diseases, and guarantees a CURE OR NO PAY UNTIL CURED. Anyone afflicted call and see him. Consultation free.

Keep Up Your Scott's Emulsion in Summer-time

What are your resources for the summer? Have you an abundance of health stowed away for the long, hot, depleting days, or does summer find you low in vitality, run down, losing flesh, and weak? Scott's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil will give you the proper reserve force, because it builds up the system on a solid foundation. A tonic magnetize; Scott's Emulsion not only "boosts," it sustains.
 It is a wise precaution always to have at least a small bottle of Scott's Emulsion in the house. Unopened, it will keep indefinitely. Tightly corked, after using, kept in a cool place, it will remain sweet for weeks.
 For sale by all druggists at 50 Cents and \$1.00

Earl Ballard was in Grand Rapids last week.
 Perry Gardner is building a neat little barn.
 Fred Roush of Grand Rapids was in town Monday.
 Fred Brunner and wife went to Freeport Saturday.
 Mrs. C. W. Parks spent last week with her father in Keene.
 Postmaster Hine spent Sunday with relatives in Grand Rapids.
 Dr. S. S. Lee was home from Grand Rapids over Sunday.
 Mrs. Z. Fox of Freeport visited friends in Lowell Thursday.
 Fred Barnes is making extensive improvements upon his home.
 Carl Peckham rode up from Grand Rapids on his wheel Saturday.
 Cornelius Krum and wife of Grand Rapids spent Sunday in Lowell.
 Miss Bertha Robinson is taking a week's vacation with Lowell friends.
 Mrs. Phoebe Newton is having her house fixed up in good, comfortable shape.

A meeting will be held at the Ware school house, Friday evening at 8 o'clock.
 Mrs. Henry Mitchell of Grand Rapids has been visiting Lowell friends.
 Jake Kunkle and wife of South Boston visited friends in Segwun Sunday.
 Mrs. Annie Horton of Grand Rapids is the guest of Mrs. E. B. Hunter and family.
 Eimer Reed and wife have moved into the house on Hudson St., owned by Mrs. Boise.
 Mabel Shepard has been spending a week with her uncle, and aunt Eggleston at Freeport.
 Charles Atwood, a Grand Rapids type, was the guest of F. M. Johnson and family, Wednesday.
 Do you want any dry goods? This is a good time and Blain's a good place to buy them.
 The lodge of Good Templars will hold their annual picnic on the island Saturday afternoon.
 Mrs. Mina B. Jones, and father, Wm. Robinson, of Chicago are the guests of Frank Fox and wife.
 Misses Bertha Lee and Agnes Perry visited over Sunday with Miss Pearl Morris of Grand Rapids.
 Rev. S. B. Dexter and family have returned from their vacation and resumed operations at the old stand.
 For Sale—Square piano, good condition, also two new typewriters cheap if taken at once. G. E. L. Booth.
 It is best to be fair and honorable and upright. Petty meanness seldom pays good interest on the investment.
 Mrs. Oliver's Ten will give a social at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Rittenger, Friday evening July 30.
 Mrs. Will Adzitt who has been making an extended visit with Lowell friends, left yesterday morning for Tecumseh.
 The Lowell W. C. T. U. will hold its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Barkley Friday afternoon. A good attendance is requested.
 While cycling last week, Harvey Coons collided with Jay, son of Truman Parsons; the boy was knocked down and received a scalp wound.
 Preaching services at the Baptist church next Sunday morning and evening by the pastor. Covenant meeting Saturday at the usual hour.
 We propose to do business—are not here for fun, and it will be to your advantage to do business with us. Now is the time.
 N. B. BLAIN.
 That man who knows just how his neighbor's business should be run? Mark him! Nine chances in ten he has made a failure of every undertaking in life.
 "Aunt Laura Haviland, well known to Lowell people will lecture here at an early date. She comes under the auspices of the Phila. A. Clark W. C. T. U. and will be entertained at the home of Mrs. Hoag while here.
 Misses Nicklin and Yeiter gave a parlor entertainment at the home of the former on last Wednesday evening. Recitations, dialogues, tableaux, minstrelsy and music constituted the program. An appreciative audience of good size was present.
 As Messrs. Corey and Martin of West Lowell were returning home late Saturday evening, they were attacked by a highwayman dressed in woman's clothes. The apparition frightened the horse which fortunately ran enabling them to elude the robber, who pursued them for some distance. Mr. Martin had considerable money on his person, which fact is supposed to have been known by the assailant.
 There are gossiping lips in every community, and this community has its full share whose sole aim in life is to set the pot of gossip boiling and try to stir up strife and discontent in an otherwise peaceful neighborhood. Why don't they take a vacation? Society can dispense with their services and a good long rest of their jaw might kill them. A wagging tongue in a swirl can do more harm in fifteen minutes than a skunk in a grave yard. A person who is addicted to the habit of tattling and spreading news is an eyesore to the world and an everlasting nuisance.—[Ex.]

HER LIFE TRULY SAVED.

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure does it.
 Mrs. Chas. La Point, a well-known resident of Detroit, makes this wonderful remedy. Her testimony should convince all as to the worth of the New Heart Cure and Restorative Nervine. Her letter dated Sept. 11th, 1894, reads as follows:



Mrs. La Point, 2127 Humboldt St.
 "Typhoid fever let me with heart trouble of the most serious nature. Nothing the doctors gave had any effect. I had severe pains in the heart, and was unable to lie on my left side for more than three minutes at a time. My heart seemed to miss beats, and I had smothering spells, in which it seemed every breath would be my last. We accidentally saw an advertisement of Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure and Restorative Nervine, and purchased a bottle of each. After taking the remedies a week, I could be lifted in a chair and sit up an hour, and in a short time I was able to do light housework. I shall be ever grateful to you for your wonderful medicine. Truly they saved my life."
 DR. MILES' NEW HEART CURE AND RESTORATIVE NERVINE. Sold by all druggists. Price 50 cents per bottle. All druggists sell it at 25 cents per bottle. It will be sent, prepaid, on receipt of price by Dr. Wm. C. Chase, Lowell, Ind.
 Dr. Miles' Heart Cure Restorative Nervine.

Dear potatoes predicted for next winter.

Harvey Gibson is under the weather.
 Will Morse and wife of Saranac spent Sunday here.
 All kinds of wood promptly delivered by R. B. Boylan.
 Mrs. M. N. Hine has been spending a week with Grand Rapids friends.
 E. L. Irish and wife of Lansing have been in town several days this week.
 Sunfield is to have a new bank, which will open for business about August 15.
 R. Quick is building a substantial tar and gravel sidewalk around his residence property.
 Mrs. Lettie Hydorn of Grand Rapids is being spending a week with Mrs. Geo. Willard.
 Bert Covert is home from Litchfield where he has been working for Delos Watters for several months.
 Thomas Charles lies very low at his home in this village and small hopes of his recovery are entertained.
 Is your subscription to the LEDGER paid a year in advance? If so, you are entitled to one of those crayon portraits.
 Farmers in southwestern Michigan estimate that the oat crop in that region this season will be one-fourth less than last year.
 The Methodist church at Saranac was re-dedicated on Sunday. Over \$500 was raised in thirty-five minutes after the services.
 HARVEST EXCURSION: Monday, Aug. 2, \$9.26, Lowell to St. Paul or any point in the Dakotas, only \$14.20. A. O. Heydlauf, agent, Lowell.
 Rev. E. H. Shanks, a former popular pastor of the Lowell Baptist church, but now located at Flushing, was shaking hands with friends here Monday and Tuesday.
 M. Langworthy, cistern builder, would announce that he is making a specialty of building stone-arched jugs cisterns. Stone and cement wells deepened and repaired. New stone tops laid on old cisterns. Call on, or address him at Lowell Mich.
 Mrs. Jennie Teft of Vesterburg, D. Blair and wife of Ionia, W. W. Robertson and son Willard of Ravenna, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Robertson, of Saranac and a number of old friends and neighbors from Keene attended the funeral of Robert Hardy Sunday.
 Little Mary Scott had a narrow escape from hanging one day last week. While playing in a swing she became entangled in the rope and hung by the feet and hands with her head drawn back in such a manner that she would have choked to death in a very short time had she not been discovered.

Excursion Rates to Great Cities.

The C. & W. M. and D. G. R. & W. lines will sell tickets to Philadelphia, on August 2, 3, and 4, limited to return August 9, at one fare rate on account of L. A. W. national meeting.
 Buffalo on August 21, 22, and 23, limited to return August 31, at greatly reduced fares (see agents for particulars) on account of G. A. R. convention. Ask for tickets via C. & W. M. & D. G. R. & W. Ry.
 Geo. DeHaven, G. P. A.
 Ladies' Hair Cleaning.
 Ladies called at our barber shop and have your hair thoroughly cleaned and dried.
 H. H. SILSBY.

GREATEST OFFER EVER MADE.

Crayon Portraits Absolutely Free No Tickets to Punch, and No Coupons to Save.

In order to more rapidly increase our subscription list, and as an inducement for those of our readers who are in arrears to settle up, we have closed a contract for 500 life-size portraits; with A. G. Van Allsburg, a Grand Rapids artist, to be absolutely given away upon the following conditions:

Every person who will give us \$1.00 will receive the LEDGER one year and receive in addition a life-size portrait, enlarged from any photograph they wish. This is no framing scheme. We agree to give you a fine portrait 16x20 inches in size, and you can buy the frame where you please.

Remember, that there are no tickets to punch, no coupons to save, no large sums of money to spend, and no tedious waiting before you get the portrait. The small sum of \$1.00 secures you the LEDGER one year and \$5.00 portrait.
 Subscribers in arrears, who settle up and pay a year in advance, are entitled to the same privilege.
 Sample of work can be seen in our office. Bring or send the cash and the photograph and we will do the rest.

THE LEDGER, Lowell, Mich.

Niagara Falls Low Rate Excursions.

Tickets will be sold by the Chicago & West Michigan and Detroit, Grand Rapids & Western railways to Niagara Falls July 29, via Detroit and the Wabash R. R., August 5, via Detroit and the Michigan Central R. R., August 12, via Detroit and the Grand Trunk R. R. All tickets good to return leaving Niagara Falls not later than five days from and including day of sale. Rate from Lowell will be \$5.25. Ask agents for full information or address
 GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A., Grand Rapids.

Regatta at Ottawa Beach.

On August 5 & 6 & 7, the Grand Rapids Yacht Club and the Mississippi Valley Amateur Rowing Association will hold a regatta at Ottawa Beach the popular summer resort.
 The entries include rowing clubs from Chicago, Detroit, Milwaukee and other places besides the Yacht Club, and a fine program of races of various kinds has been prepared.
 The hotel accommodations at the Beach and other resorts on Macatawa Bay, are better this season than ever, and a large number of people are expected to witness the sport.
 Ottawa Beach is reached by the C. W. M. Ry., with four daily trains from Grand Rapids and connections from other parts of the line. All roads lead to Grand Rapids, and visitors from all parts of the state can secure reduced rates upon application to local agents.
 Geo. DeHaven, G. P. A. C. W. M. Ry.

MICHIGAN STATE FAIR

WILL BE HELD AT
GRAND RAPIDS,
 Sept. 6, 7, 8, 9, 10,
 1897.

The usual large exhibits.
 Do not fail to visit the Fair this year.
 Premium lists ready. Make entries early.
 H. S. FRALICK, Grand Rapids, SECRETARY.

THE ODELL TYPE WRITER.

\$20 will buy the ODELL TYPE WRITER with 76 characters; warranted to do as good work as any machine made.
 It combines SIMPLICITY with DURABILITY, speed, and ease of operation. Wears longer without need of repairs than any other machine. Has no ink ribbon to bother the operator. It is neat, substantial, fitted-plated, perfect, and adapted to all kinds of office writing. Like a printing press, it produces sharp, clean, legible manuscripts. Two or ten copies can be made at one writing. Any intelligent person can become an operator in two days.
 RELIABLE AGENTS AND SALESMEN WANTED.
 For pamphlet giving Indorsements, etc., address
The Odell Typewriter Co.
 358 364 Dearborn St. Chicago Ill.

IF
 you get it at Rickert's its the best at the price. We make a specialty of

Ice Cream
 and twenty years experience ought to insure good goods. In
Ice Cream Soda

we own no superior. Our syrups are flavored from Fruit Juices put up by Ourselves, and consequently we know they are pure. We have fruits, nuts, candies, cigars, smoking tobacco, etc.

Best New Orleans Molasses—Try it.

W. B. Rickert

People using our item box must sign their names to their contributions, or they will not be used. They should also be very careful in writing names to make every letter distinct. Guessing at the spelling of strange names is poor business.
 All trimmed hats at special prices at Mrs. M. Hiller's.
 Pullen & Son have a new announcement this week.
 Notice, Mrs. M. Hiller's special sale of trimmed hats.
 Job work neatly executed at this office.

Cornet For Sale Cheap.

A high grade cornet, with case, and shanks complete, but little used, good as new, an elegant instrument. Will be sold at 50c. on the dollar, on easy terms. Inquire at this office.

A NEW TRIUMPH.

The Dreaded Consumption Can Be Cured.

T. A. Slocum, the Great Chemist and Scientist. Will Send to Sufferers, Three Free Bottles of His Newly Discovered Remedies to Cure Consumption and All Lung Troubles.
 Nothing could be fairer, more philanthropic or carry more joy to the afflicted, than the generous offer of the honored and distinguished chemist, T. A. Slocum, M.C., of New York City.
 He has discovered a reliable, absolute cure for consumption, and all bronchial, throat, lung and chest diseases, catarrhal affections, general decline and weakness, loss of flesh and conditions of wasting away; and to make its great merits known, will send three free bottles of his newly discovered remedies to any afflicted reader of the LOWELL LEDGER.
 Already his "new scientific system of medicine" has permanently cured thousands of apparently hopeless cases.
 The Doctor considers it not only his professional, but his religious duty—a duty which he owes to suffering humanity—to donate his infallible cure.
 He has proved the "dreaded consumption" to be a curable disease beyond a doubt, in any climate, and has on file in his American and European laboratories thousands of "heartfelt testimonials of gratitude" from those benefited and cured, in all parts of the world.
 Catarrhal and pulmonary troubles lead to consumption, and consumption uninterrupted, means speedy and certain death. Don't delay until it is too late. Simply write T. A. Slocum, M. C., 98 Fine Street, New York, giving express and postoffice address, and the free medicine will be promptly sent. Please tell the Doctor you saw his offer in the LOWELL LEDGER.

McKINLEY & McCARTY

Are elected. The former will run the government but the latter will continue to run the Grocery, Provision and Farm Produce business.
 Everything in the line of STAPLE and FANCY GROCERIES.
 Crockery and Glassware a Specialty
 Prices that cannot be beat for money pins or marbles.
McCARTY.
 Highest prices paid for farm products

R. D. STOCKING

Having severed his connection with the Michigan Cutter & Buggy company wishes to announce that he may be found at the old stand of Stocking & Sherman, where he will make a specialty of

BICYCLE REPAIRING.

and will handle all kinds of MUSICAL and SPORTING GOODS as of old. Lowest living prices on

Sewing Machines

with repairs and supplies for same.
FIRE and TORNADO INSURANCE
 Written on Village and farm property
 Very best form of Insurance out.