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No. 35 ROAD WAGON WITH COUPON \$25.00

THE BANDS

MET AT GRAND LEDGE AGAIN YESTERDAY.

Sixteen of Them in The Parade. Big Crowds.

Sixteen bands participated in the convention at Grand Ledge yesterday. Following was the order of march:

Stanton, Fowler, Clarksville, Muir, Portland, Nashville, Sunfield, DeWitt, Middleville, North Eaton Rapids, Owosso, Lowell Ledger, Guntisonville, Ionia Kid, Lowell Military, Lake Odessa.

Elegant dinners were served to the visitors but otherwise the arrangements and facilities did not compare well with those of the preceding convention.

About seventy Lowell people accompanied the bands from this place and most of them stood up during most of the round trip.

Lake Odessa was selected as the place for next meeting.

WHEAT IS KING.

It Will Be a Paying Crop For Several Years.

The wheat crop of 1897 will bring to the farmers of the United States the enormous sum of four hundred million dollars. This amount is well nigh incomprehensible, and the benefits to be derived from the fair crop and the good prices cannot be over-estimated. The wheat price is good because the world's supply is decreasing. On account of the world's shortage, wheat will be a profitable crop for at least two years to come, and if parts of the world shall have partial wheat failures in the meantime, there will be good money in wheat for even four or five years.

It will require the accumulation of several big crops the world over to cause a burdensome surplus. One farmer said the other day: "I have 70 acres of land under cultivation and I shall sow just 70 acres to wheat."

The wise agriculturalist in this section will make careful selection of his seed wheat, cultivate and fertilize his ground thoroughly, and plant to wheat as many acres as his teams can plow.

A CURE FOR SMUT.

An Authority Tells How Seed Wheat Should be Treated.

Take half a bushel of seed in a wire basket or perforated vessel and immerse it in water heated a temperature of 110 degrees Fahr. Then immerse the seed for a few minutes in scalding water at 132 to 138 degrees Fahr., but not in any case above 135 degrees. Keep the waters at an even temperature by adding hot water. The amount of scalding water should be eight times as great as the seed treated, and the thermometer should be consulted all the time the wheat is in the scalding water. Spread the cleaned wheat out thinly on the floor or on a canvass to dry. Then finally place it in bags that have been boiled 15 minutes or in new bags. It is best to treat wheat just before planting.

A Plea For The Poor Laborer.

There is so much talk about "Why do not the laboring class save their wages?" I would like to know how a man can save much. Say he gets one dollar a day, and works three or four days, maybe once in a while six days in a week. Pays from \$1.00 to \$1.50 per week for rent; buys wood and everything to eat and to wear for a family of five, six or seven children; has to wait sometimes one or two months for his pay, and in some cases does not get it at all, and sometimes has to give one or two dollars out of ten to get anything. How can he get rich? Saying nothing of doctor's bills which all have sometimes.

A LABORER'S WIFE.

Opened a "Gold Mine."

Twelve hundred bushels of wheat belonging to Abram H. McNeil, a Caledonia township farmer, were seized by Deputy Sheriffs Johns and Provia yesterday on an attachment issued for Isaac B. Malcolm, who holds a judgement against McNeil for \$817.15 and \$23.05 costs. McNeil lives on the Patterson farm, two miles east and one mile south of Alaska—[Grand Rapids Herald.]

Rod And Gun Club.

The Grattan rod and gun club filed articles of association yesterday with the county clerk, declaring its intention to provide a club house for social purposes at Grattan. The club was organized by C. Whitten, J. H. Jake-way, Guy and Claude Norton, E. E. Lesiter, Ames Valence, Jacob Occerburg, Alonzo Clemons, Wm. Jones, L. R. Robson, W. Casner, J. Heffron, J. Loughlin, Geo. Spier, E. Brooks, Jacob Neilson, H. Corrigan, John Bresnehan, Frank Woodward, and Geo. Rhodes, all of Grattan.—[Grand Rapids Herald.]

A Newly Discovered Use For Old Papers.

The latest use to which old newspapers may be put is to soak them in sour milk until reduced to pulp and feed the mixture to the hens. This is the unpatented invention of a Michigan poultry fancier, who says it greatly increases their egg laying abilities. For fear it may not so well agree with the Lowell breed, we suggest trying it at first on your neighbor's fowls. P. S.—It is found to be useless unless the subscription to the paper has been paid in advance.

IN VIEW OF A. L. Peck's exposition of old country back number methods, one can understand why the American people have no patience with foreigners who come over here possessed with the idea that we are a lot of savages, and that their great mission on earth is to instruct and civilize us. No use talking; it will not go down.

Will the Grand Rapids Herald please tell us why it considers the anarchist who killed Canovas, a greater criminal than the man who was directly responsible for a thousand atrocities upon innocent Cuban women and children? There may be a good reason for such a position. Pray tell us what it is.

Grattan-Vergennes.

Threshing is now the order of the day. The Silver picnic at Laughlin's grove Saturday was a success. Father Nugent spoke very nicely. He left Sunday for Grand Rapids and expects never to come to Grattan again.

Stella Heffron spent Sunday with her friend, Kittie Byrne.

Roy McGee, who is visiting his uncle, Frank Flanagan, spent a couple of days last week at his home in Grand Rapids. He reports his mother some better.

John McJee of Grand Rapids was on our streets a couple of days last week.

Herbert Jakeway, who has been sick for some time, was able to be at the Silver picnic Saturday.

Mrs. Chas. Krum of Lowell called on Mrs. Chas. Jakeway one day last week.

Mr. Lovett of Lowell spent Sunday with Charley Booth.

Luella and Fannie Richmond visited their sister, Mrs. Lou Barber, last week.

Mrs. Peter Bosung and sisters went to Otisco Sunday.

Little Mina Rapp of Gratiot county came home with her uncle, Wm. Rexford, last week.

Will Bailey and wife of Grand Rapids have been visiting her brother, Fran Sherrard.

Misses Rouse, sisters of Mrs. Peter Bosung, returned to Ionia Monday, after a week's visit here.

Mrs. Titus' mother from Lake Odessa is visiting her this week.

Mr. Titus went to Saranac Monday after brick to build a chimney to the schoolhouse.

M. Langworthy, cistern builder, would announce that he is making a specialty of building stone-arched jug cisterns. Stone and cement wells deepened and repaired. New stone tops laid on old cisterns. Call on, or address him at Lowell Mich.

The Flower Tot Found.

"What is it that keeps my gay little girl So silent this long, long while?"
"O, I'm tryin' to 'member God, mamma,"
Said Tot, with a happy smile.

"This morning I went to the little book,
And what do you think comes next?
Why, I found some flowers as blue, as blue,
That had for their name a text!

"The kind old gardner just passed by,
And I was picking the posies;
He said, 'Good mornin', little Miss Tot,'
And I said, 'Good mornin', Moses.'

"And I asked, 'Is anyon's flower bed here,
Or did any gardner sow them?'
And he said, 'The flowers are free as air,
For the Lord himself did grow them.'

"He smiled at me, so I smiled at him,
And he to'd me," said little Tot,
"These dear little own blue flowers of God
Are called Forget-me-not!"

"There's many and many of garden flowers
With a name so long it vexes;
So I think it's a awful kind of God to name
His own little flower with taxes!

"I picked them gent'y as ever I could,
And looked in th'-ir little blue eye-a,
And I kissed them soft'y and brought them
home,
To make me happy and wise.

"So I'm tryin' to 'member God to day,
And I'm tryin' to 'forget Him-not';
But I'm wee-ry now, with sittin' so still!"
And away flew smiling Tot.

O, children dear, each flower that grows,
And every bird that sings,
And the bees that hum, and the tree that
blows,
And the butterfly's painted wing,
And the rainbow ribbon that belts the skies,
All speak, as the flowers to Tot;
They show us our Father, loving and wise,
And bid us "Forget Him not!"

Card of Thanks.

The undersigned wish to express their Gratitude to many friends for their kindness and sympathy in our late sad bereavement.

WINNIE JOHNSON,
MR. AND MRS. C. JOHNSON.

Notice.

High school students are requested to assemble at the central building Friday afternoon Sept. 3rd, for classification.

The Good Templars will hold a convocation social at the Maccabee hall Wednesday evening Sept. 1st Everybody invited.

SCHOOL SHOES.

We wish to say to the people of Lowell and surrounding country that we have secured the finest and best wearing line of School Shoes that we ever carried. Any Shoe that is to wear well on school children has got to be made of the best material throughout, and we have been careful this fall to get the right kind for school service.

We extend an invitation to the young ladies in and around Lowell to come in and look over the new Styles for Fall in Vici Kids with Cork Soles, Kangaroo Calf, Box Calf, Grains and Cordovans, in Lace or Button, every size and width in all the different kinds from the baby shoe up to No. 8 woman's size.

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Comprising 100 pieces of first-class ware.

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A full line of Glassware, Lamps, Etc., at prices to suit the times.

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Croquet, 4-ball sets 65c, 6-ball 85c, 8-ball \$1.00.

C. H. Alexander,
Successor to O. G. Hale, "On the Bridge."



An Awkward Position.

We are in rather an awkward position just now. We had an idea that Fruit Jars would be very dear this season, and a couple of months ago, prompted by a tempting price, we bought a large quantity of them. As things have turned out, we were mistaken, and we are now overstocked with Fruit Jars. We want to get rid of them—a whole lot of them—and we wish to do it quickly. Until this is done the best Mason Fruit Can may be bought from us at 50c, 60c and 70c per dozen.

We will have another lot of those

ELEGANT STANDS....

that we are

GIVING AWAY!!

with White Cloud Baking Powder soon. Watch for them.

Farmers, I want to buy your butter and Eggs.

R. VANDYKE.

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

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 times seasonable meats of all kinds, which will be sold at fair prices.

A share of the public patronage is respectfully solicited.

L. B. LYON.

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.

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The new tariff reduces the tariff on diamonds from 25 per cent to 10 per cent.

We are in receipt of a communication from a Milwaukee house.

These millionaires who are backing Brown university have decided that they and not the professors shall decide what shall be taught there.

Take the case of one man, with a large family of children, and a wife to support.

Oliver and Syracuse Plows, Planet Jr. Cultivators.

Garden Seeds That Grow...

H. Nash.

How about that Spring Suit?

I can fit you out, giving you a quality of all the best goods in the market.

B. C. SMITH.

Vergennes.

G. W. Crosby has gone to Caspottis to visit a very sick brother.

C. O. Hill and wife of South Lowell were recent visitors to Mrs. Hill's uncle, D. S. Blending and family.

John Crakes has been visiting friends in Caspottis.

Miss Minnie James and father, Wm. Robinson of Irving, Park Hill, Ill., were guests of G. W. Crosby and wife last week Thursday.

Geo. Krum and wife, Eugene Lee and wife and Hiram Frazer and wife went up to Sit Lakes in a covered wagon to pick up blackberries.

Frank Fox and family, Mrs. Minnie James, and son Albert, Lute Bailey and wife and about a dozen others took in the excursion to Lansing last Friday.

Miss Blanche Hestley of Luther is the guest of her grandparents, Wm. H. Parker and wife.

Mrs. John Krum has a new bicycle.

Miss Fern Edmonds of Lowell is the guest of Mrs. G. W. Crosby this week.

Mrs. Peter Kemp and daughter, Della, are in Caspottis.

Mrs. Helen Botz is entertaining her friend Miss Nellie Luytjens of Muskegon this week.

F. W. Fox and wife have moved to Six Lakes to be near their home with their son Jake and wife.

Mrs. Todd, Mrs. Godfrey, Mrs. Bruner of Lowell visited their brother Wm. Collins and family last week Thursday.

W. E. Bolen has purchased a wheel for his daughters.

Johann Hoff's malt extract.

Ho's malt extract (Terrant).

Birney's catarrh snuff.

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LOWELL STATE BANK
 Capital, — \$25,000.00.
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HOME NEWS

Read U. B.'s new adv.
 W. H. Eddy is moving into his new office.
 Geo. M. Winegar is home from his Eastern trip.
 Wm. Fries has some pony dent corn standing 12 feet high.
 F. A. Behl of Grand Rapids is the new proprietor of the Lowell bakery.
 The school buildings and grounds are being put in readiness for the fall term.
 Prof. W. A. Ludwig has returned from his summer university studies at Ann Arbor.
 J. H. Covert and daughter, Daisy visited his son Henry at Lansing one day last week.
 The Marriage of Frank Beattie of Keene to Mrs. Olive Morgan of Maple Rapids, is announced.
 Misses Kate S. and M. Agnes Perry returned from their Grand Rapids visit Monday evening.
 Our local meat markets have advanced the price of steaks to 12 cents and other cuts in proportion.
 Mrs. M. C. Greene and son Golden, have gone to Ottawa Beach as guests of Mrs. Collins H. Johnston.
 Next Saturday and Sunday the county convention of the C. E. society will be held at Cascade.
 A. J. Howk & Son, the old reliable, has something to say to our readers about school shoes, this week.
 The Lowell W. C. T. U. will hold their regular meeting on Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. B. C. Needham.
 Will Avery, who lies very ill at the home of his father, has been in a slightly improved condition for a few days.
 J. H. Hamilton of the Lowell Granite and Marble Works, had some neat business cards printed at this office this week.
 Squire Walker has been kept quite busy of late. He is the only justice in the village during Squire Hunter's visit in the east.
 Hubert R. and Jennie A. Kellogg warn any and all persons against selling or giving cigarettes, to their boy, Lewis C. Kellogg.
 Misses Lena Talbot and Sara Harmon of Grand Rapids, called on friends here, and also visited Miss Francis Carl of Parnell.
 Rev. S. B. Dexter will exchange pulpits next Sunday with Rev. Griffiths of Jackson, who assisted in revival meetings here last winter.
 Miss Frances Moffet of Ionia, who has been spending several weeks with her aunt, Mrs. S. O. Littlefield, returned to her home yesterday.
 Mrs. R. P. Morse and Mrs. G. L. Montague, accompanied by Mrs. E. Herbert of Chicago, attended the Silver picnic at Grattan Saturday.
 Monday's wheat market in town commenced at 92 cents. Other farm products are following upwards and the farmer commences to smile.
 The bill posters for the Ives-Bailey & Harris circus have not yet put in an appearance, although W. H. Eddy has some new boards up for their use.
 The baptism of two young children at the M. E. church last Sunday morning, was a pleasing and impressive ceremony, not to be easily forgotten by those who witnessed it.
 The annual picnic of the Sunday schools of the township will be held on Island Park next Friday. There should be a large attendance, as the program will be an interesting one.
 Dr. Perry Campbell has opened a dentistry office at 322 Main street, Ionia, and is receiving a good patronage. His many Lowell friends wish him abundant success in his new home.
 The "Farther Lights" will meet with Miss Jessie Tilden Friday evening, August 27th, at 7.30. Subject, "Africa." All young girls and young ladies interested in the study of missions are cordially invited.
 Lowell people who have been accustomed to coming home from Grand Rapids on the midnight accommodation train, should note that the train has been taken off and that the latest train from that direction now arrives at Lowell at 8:35.
 W. R. Stinchcomb, pastor of Greenville circuit, filled the M. E. pulpit last Sunday evening. The meeting was disturbed by rowdies; and some liberties taken with a rig on the outside. Some people were of the opinion that the donkey club had been holding a session.

DID YOU KNOW
 that the balance-wheel of an average watch makes 800 vibrations every minute, 18,000 each hour, 432,000 in a day, or 157,788,000 per year? At each vibration of the balance wheel it makes about one and one-half revolutions; and it is thus seen that the arbor or shaft on which the balance-wheel is mounted makes about 236,682,000 revolutions in its bearings in one year. One drop of oil is sufficient to lubricate from one to two hundred of such bearings; and the greatest delicacy of touch is required to place it where needed.
 "A modern locomotive with seven-foot drivers would have to make 985,824 miles, or more than 39 times around the earth, which at the rate of one mile per minute without stopping it would take 683 days, or nearly two years to do before the shaft of the driver would make as many revolutions as the balance-staff of a watch makes in one year. And yet some people wonder why it is that a watch ever needs cleaning and oiling. It is not advisable to allow a watch to run longer than 18 months without having it attended to, if you wish to avoid ruining it."
 The utmost care should be taken in making repairs and that service we give.

U. B. WILLIAMS,
 Careful Jeweler.

Cool nights.
 Light frost last Thursday night.
 School commences Monday, Sept. 6.
 Peaches for shipment commenced coming to market last Monday.
 Miss Esther Cutler of Howell is visiting her sister, Mrs. Will Ennis.
 Just 113 Lowell people attended the farmer's picnic at Lansing last Friday.
 The street commissioner had the road scraper out last week killing out patches of sand bars.
 Eva and Edith Herrington of Freeport are spending a few days with friends in this village.
 Mrs. Elizabeth Gibson of Miller, Montcalm county, is the guest of her niece, Mrs. A. P. Hunter.
 Doctor McDannell is "grandpa" again. It is a boy, and he arrived in time to meet the old gent on his recent visit to the Brown home at Marquette.
 S. P. Hicks, Chas. Althen, Benj. and Al Morse, J. Hapeman, Dan Pletcher and wife, M. J. Painter and W. Merriman went to Buffalo this week to attend the annual reunion of the Grand Army.
 Rev. S. B. Dexter has finally decided to give up his labors in Lowell, and will probably not remain with us later than September. The elder says he regrets to leave his many Lowell friends, but feels that the Lord calls him to other labors. The Ledger can only say that the regret at parting is shared by the people of Lowell.
 The Grand Rapids Herald has the following personals: Master Jay Morgan of Lowell was the guest of J. H. Walker and family of Summer street during the past week. Miss Ella Travis has returned from a two weeks visit with friends in Lowell. She was accompanied by Miss Agnes Wiley who will visit friends in the city. Mrs. Chas. Fox and children of Highland avenue have gone to Saranac and Lowell for a week's visit with friends. Phil Althen of Lowell is spending a day or two in the city. Miss May Cornell spent the past week with friends in Grattan. Miss Mercer of Wealthy avenue is the guest of Miss Lela Farlan of Lowell.

Growing Children
 One-third of all the children die before they are five years old. Most of them die of some wasting disease. They grow very slowly; keep thin in flesh; are fretful; food does not do them much good. You can't say they have any disease, yet they never prosper. A slight cold, or some stomach and bowel trouble takes them away easily.
SCOTT'S EMULSION of Cod-liver Oil with Hypophosphites is just the remedy for growing children. It makes hard flesh; sound flesh; not soft, flabby fat. It makes strong bones, healthy nerves. It changes poor children to children rich in prosperity.
 Book about it free for the asking. No substitute for Scott's Emulsion will do for the children what we know Scott's Emulsion will do. Get the genuine.
 For sale by all druggists at 50c. and \$1.00.
 SCOTT & BOWNE, New York.

Wheat is booming.
 Ionia fair Sept. 14, to 17.
 Henry Wilson caught a four pound bass in Flat river recently.
 Bert Ransford has been taking a forced vacation by sickness.
 Mrs. Emeline Hendrickson was in Saranac on business last Friday.
 Benj. Morse and wife visited their son Will, at Saranac, one day recently.
 Miss Lottie Cary of West Lowell, is employed at Cascade Springs hotel.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hull visited friends in Saranac one day last week.
 A cat fish that dressed 12 pounds was taken from Grand River recently.
 Wm. Alderman and wife of Muir were the guests of Lowell friends recently.
 Jerome Hawley of Otisaw, died recently of consumption at the age of 30 years.
 Clinton Snow has our thanks for a box of Canada egg plums, very luscious fruit.
 Will M. Chapman has moved from 493 Jefferson avenue to 97 Powell street, Grand Rapids.
 Mrs. Kinyon, an elderly lady of West Lowell is seriously ill with inflammation of the lungs.
 Mrs. M. Chapman and Doctor Milley of Grand Rapids visited Mrs. J. H. Hull one day last week.
 Elmer Richardson found a turtle on his farm last week that had entangled upon its shell: "M. T. W., 1877."
 Mrs. S. W. Gristwood of West Lowell left Saturday for a 30 days visit at Rochester, N. Y., her old home.

E. O. Mains and family returned Sunday evening from a visit with Mrs. Mains' parents, in Berlin, Ionia county.
 Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Huhn attended a party at Lowell Tuesday night, which was given by Miss Lelia Farlan.—[Saranac Local].
 A honey social was held at the home of Mrs. Martin Schneider Jr. last Friday evening, under the auspices of the ladies aid society of that neighborhood.
 Job Cheesbrough was in Lowell Monday afternoon on business pertaining to the improvement of the U. B. church. Jno. Parker and wife visited the former's sister in Lowell, Thursday.—[Freeport Herald].
 Ebe Moffit complains that a long legged, long necked chap is catching trout by the wholesale in Kopf creek and he wants Joe Quick to shoot him. The chap, by the way, is an old crane, tame enough to offer a good shot.
 Gen. J. H. Kidd of Ionia, has been tendered, and has accepted, the position of secretary of the board of engineers for deep waterways from the great lakes to the Atlantic. The position carries with it a salary of \$3,000 a year and expenses.
 The Michigan Poultry Breeder, devoted to fancier, breeder and amateur, subscription, 50 cents per year, published by Geo. S. Barnes, Battle Creek, Michigan, should be taken by everyone interested in poultry. Sample copy free. One cent stamps taken.
 Never go where you are not wanted. If a man wants you to go to his house he will ask you to do so. If a business man wants you to visit his place of business he will invite you through the newspaper columns. It is wrong, very wrong, to intrude on privacy. Don't do it.—[Muir Tribune].
 The King Milling company has prepared for the rush of business that will come with "dollar wheat" by adding new machinery to increase its capacity to 200 barrels per day. The establishment is now lighted throughout by electricity and is one of the best equipped milling concerns in the country.
 Married, at Smyrna, Wednesday evening, by Rev. R. A. McConnell, Edward Insley, and Miss Olive S. Beery, both of Smyrna. Only the family and a few invited friends witnessed the ceremony. Guy Fordy, of Smyrna, and Miss Eva Williams, of Portland, acted as groomsmen and bridesmaid.—[Belding Star].
 A Clarksville young man kissed his "hon o' julu" a dozen times in quick succession the other evening, and then inquired if she really loved him. As soon as the young lady could catch her breath she replied; "Well, you don't suppose I am enduring this for my health, do you? and confidence was again restored.—[Record].
 The Garrick Theater company that held forth at Train's Opera house three nights last week is the best that has visited Lowell in years. Their "Wild Rose" and "Fatal Check" are good plays and were splendidly rendered. Baby Gail, the child actress, is a wonder, and there is not a poor actor in the troupe. We hope they will visit our city again.
 A Lowell young man who thought he was old enough to have a girl, called on a Saranac young lady a few nights since. The girl's mother quietly left the room, and in a few minutes returned with a big piece of bread and molasses, which she handed to the caller, telling him to eat it and run home, as his mother might be uneasy if he stayed out late.—[Saranac Advertiser].—[Now boys, which one of you was it?]

CURED AT 73 YEARS.



Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure.
 No other medicine can show such a record. Here is a veritable miracle. 73 years of age, with strong prejudice to doctors, who had done 13 years. He took the New Heart Cure and is now sound and well.
 I have been troubled with heart disease 15 years or more. Most of the time I was so bad it was not safe for me to go out alone. As dizzy spells would cause falling. I had severe palpitation, shortness of breath and sudden pains that rendered me helpless. All physicians did for me was to advise keeping quiet. In August last I commenced taking Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure, and before I had finished the first bottle I found the medicine was a God-send. I have now used four bottles in all and am feeling entirely well. I am 73 years of age and have held a grudge against patent medicines all my life, but I will not allow this to prevent giving my testimony to the great cure your valuable remedy has wrought in me. I do this to show my appreciation of Dr. Miles' New Heart Cure. SAMUEL O. STONE.
 Dr. Miles' Heart Cure is sold on a positive guarantee that the first bottle will benefit. All druggists sell it at 25c a bottle for 50c or it will be sent prepaid, on receipt of price by the Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.
Dr. Miles' Heart Cure Restores Health.

Good printing, low prices, LEDGER. All kinds of wood promptly delivered by R. B. Boylan.
 A beautiful set of arithmetical tables for \$5 at Dr. J. H. Rickert's.
 A rare bargain in Alaska refrigerators at Fallas & Clark's.
 H. Clay Wickham of Grand Rapids was in town Saturday evening renewing old acquaintances.
 Mamie O'Brien of Grand Rapids visited last week, her many old acquaintances and friends in town.
 Mrs. E. W. Avery left Monday p. m. to visit her mother in western New York, who is ninety years old.
 Mrs. Jennie Walker and daughter Lizzie, who have been seriously sick, are both improving and gaining nicely.
 The D. & M. railway have sold twenty or more tickets at Lowell station for the G. A. R. Buffalo excursion.
 Chas. M. Watters who has been in Canada with a string of horses for several months past, returned to Lowell Sunday.
 Chas. Althen has gone to Buffalo to attend the reunion of his old regiment, as well as to the G. A. R. encampment.
 O. Guy Perry and Frank C. Alger made a business trip to Isabella and other northern counties, the latter part of last week.
 Subscribe now for the LEDGER and pay in advance and we will make you a present of a crayon portrait of yourself, size 16x20 inches.
 Fred Prindle of Grand Rapids, is passing through town on his wheel to St. Johns last Monday, stopped in town to call on a few friends.
 Now is your time to place your order for coal. Quality the best, price guaranteed and every pound of coal screened at Fallas & Clark's.
 My house, with seven acres of land, two orchards, barn, house, etc., will be to rent, September 15, at \$8 per month. Enquire of Mrs. Dr. Peck.
 Robt. Hunter Jr., who was taken sick at Pittsburg, Pa., while visiting his youngest daughter, is fast recovering and is expected home this week.
 Geo. C. Anderson, special pension examiner of Grand Rapids, was in town Monday. He has obtained a leave of absence and took in the G. A. R. excursion Monday evening.

Overlooked Last Week.
 The following items were deposited in our item box a little late last week and were overlooked.
 Maude Fuller visited at Alto last week.
 Good 9-room house to rent. F. L. Fallas.
 Best of seasoned wood at Fallas & Clark's.
 This paper on trial 10 weeks for one dime.
 Romey Jones departed for Minnesota Tuesday.
 Mr. Wiggle of Grand Rapids was in town Sunday.
 Mrs. A. McDonald was in Grand Rapids last week.
 Grace Newton was home from Grand Rapids last week.
 Harriet Stone, is visiting her friend Nellie Morse, of Grand Rapids.
 One cord of good, green wood pays a years subscription to this paper.
 Meadames Nicklin and Wilson made a trip to Saranac Wednesday.
 Eula and Melva Nagler have returned to their home at Reed City.
 Want some business cards? Call at this office and see our elegant new line.

This paper on trial 10 weeks for 10 cents. Try it once.
 Irene Stone is home from a three weeks visit with friends at Grand Rapids.
 Fallas & Clark screen all their coal; prices guaranteed and the very best quality.
 Lillie Chambers of Wisconsin is visiting her mother, Mrs. S. Chambers of this place.
 Miss Katie McMahon has been attending the teachers' institute at Grand Rapids.
 Goldie Faulkner, with her Sunday school class, had a picnic at Island Park Tuesday.
 A good fishing boat with good pair of oars for sale, or will exchange for 5 cords good wood. This office.
 Is your subscription to the LEDGER paid a year in advance? If so, you are entitled to one of those crayon portraits.

Unclaimed Letters.
 List of letters remaining in the postoffice at Lowell, Mich., for the week ending Aug. 21, 1897.
 Ladies.
 Miss Marie White, care Jas. Passmore.
 Gents.
 Wm. Burns, care St. Getman, C. H. May.
 Persons claiming the above will please say "advertised" and give date of this list.
 Martin N. Hine, P. M.

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.

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 and 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 uninterupted, means speedy and certain death. Don't delay until it is too late. Simply write T. A. Slocum, M. C., 98 Pine street, New York, giving address and postoffice address, and the free medicine will be promptly sent. Please tell the Doctor you saw his offer in the LOWELL LEDGER.

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, MICHIGAN.

IF
 you get it at Rickerts 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

IT WAS MARIE'S MIRROR.
 No Wonder Hubby Looked a Little Pale.
 Young Mr. Smithers, having eaten an excellent dinner, sat down to smoke a good cigar while his wife ran upstairs to make her toilet for the theater.
 So peaceful was his state of mind that he did not even look accusingly at his watch when, after the promised "minute" had developed into 60, she entered the room.
 "Seems to me you are looking very nice to-night, my dear," he remarked.
 "I am glad you think so, darling. Of course, I care more for your admiration than that of anyone else. Besides, the Skinners sit right behind us this evening, and this dress will give Mrs. S. a bad headache before the second act is half over."
 Mr. Smithers looked anxious. "So this is new, is it? Wasn't the old one good enough?"
 "N—hot quite, my dear. Besides, I earned the money for this one myself."
 "But how did you earn—"
 "Oh, after you left, I fell to thinking what a lot of money \$25 was to spend upon a birthday present for Marie, when I really needed so many things. Then an idea struck me. I remembered all those pretty things I found in our big trunk after we were married—the ones that horrid girl, whoever she was, sent back when the engagement was broken. I wouldn't have one of them myself, but it seemed a pity for them to lie there, so I went upstairs and looked them all over. I selected that lovely silver-backed mirror and cleaned it up until it looked just like new; and then I—"
 "Sold it to buy a dress. I see!"
 "Nothing of the kind. I bought the dress with the money you gave me. The mirror I sent to Marie with our best wishes. Won't she be surprised, and—why, Freddie, are you ill?"
 "Not at all, my dear. You are quite right; Marie will, no doubt, be much surprised, for, you see, she herself was the girl who returned those presents—that is all."—Brooklyn Citizen.

A Warning
 Is hereby given to all that the stealing of boards from the fair ground must cease or trouble will follow.
 I. B. MALCOM.

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.
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 Highest prices paid for farm products

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BICYCLE REPAIRING.
 and will handle all kinds of MUSICAL and SPORTING GOODS as of old.
 Lowest living prices on
Sewing Machines
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 Written on Village and farm property. Very best form of Insurance out.