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MATRIMONIAL.

Marriage of Loren O. Barber and Vera May Davis.

Last evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Parks, in the presence of a small company, Rev. A. P. Moores pronounced the words that made Loren O. Barber and Vera May Davis husband and wife.

For the present they will make their home with the groom's parents.

The LEDGER extends hearty congratulations.

For Boating Around the Islands.

At a meeting of Lowell business men held at the Council rooms this week, the project of damming Flat river near its mouth, so as to afford boating privileges around Island park—as has been proposed by the LEDGER on several occasions—came up for discussion and drew forth much favorable comment.

To ascertain the feasibility and expense of such an undertaking, and to constitute an Island improvement committee, the following gentlemen were appointed: A. W. Weekes, F. T. King, B. E. Quick, W. H. Clark, A. O. Heydlauff.

An early and favorable report is hoped for.

The State Fair.

The Michigan State fair will open Monday morning, September 6th, with a full entry list and promise of a successful fair. Monday is Labor Day and the Trades and Labor council of Grand Rapids will celebrate this day on the fair grounds. The Modern Woodmen will also take part in this celebration. The race entries are large and many good horses are entered. A special attraction is the pacing horse, "Bicycle Johnny," going without sulky or driver, said to equal the celebrated Marion Mills. Everybody can see the fair this year as half rates have been secured on all railroads throughout the state.

Duty of All Officers to See That The Liquor Laws Are Enforced.

Soon after the lecture of Judge Grant at Music hall, there was some discussion as to whose duty it was to enforce the liquor laws. Some said the duty was the marshal's, others that it rested with the sheriff and his deputies. To settle the question, we wrote to Judge Grant, and the following reply explains the delay and answers the vexed question.

Marquette, Mich., Aug. 26, 1897.

Editor LEDGER:

My Dear Sir:

Your letter of July 19 has been unanswered because I left Lansing July 17, for a vacation in the Rocky Mountains and reached here last Monday on my return. I explained in my address in your village last spring that no duty rests upon private citizens to make complaints against saloon keepers for violation of the liquor law, and that this duty does rest upon the police officers. I cannot make the proposition plainer in a letter. I have been talking this for many years and when I was circuit judge I put it in practice. This duty rests alike upon marshals, sheriffs, deputy sheriffs and other police officers, and neither can escape this duty by attempting to cast it upon the others. They ought to all act together just as they always do in cases of murder, arson, burglary and other crimes. Yours truly,

C. B. GRANT.

More Niagara Falls Excursions.

The C & W M and D G R & W lines will sell on Sept. 2nd, via Detroit and M C R R excursion tickets to Niagara Falls at very low rates. Return limit will be five days from date of sale. Ask agents for particulars. Geo. DeHaven, G P A.

Township Sunday School Convention.

The annual Sunday school convention for the township of Lowell, will be held at the Baptist church, Friday, Sept. 10th, with the following program.

1.30 Song service, Mabel Moors.
1.45 Devotional exercises, F. N. White.

2.00, Reports of officers.
2.15, Primary work,

(a) Teaching the lesson of the 12th,
(b) The summer school at Chicago,
(c) Co-operation in primary work.
Mrs. B. W. Fish, county primary superintendent.

3.00, Needs

(a) Of our schools, local people.

(b) Of our township, Mr. Behler.

(c) Of our county, Mr. Sheppard.

3.45, Song and praise service, Carl English.

4.00 Home class department.

(a) Experiences, local people.

(b) Its origin and purpose, Rev. Redben Smith.

(c) How to start it County Supt. of home department.

4.30 Miscellaneous, Election of officers.

7.30, Song service.

7.45, Devotional exercises and promise meeting, Rev. J. W. Rochelle.

8.00, Addresses.

How souls may be won, Rev. S. B. Dexter.

8.30, How spiritual life may be developed. Rev. A. P. Moors.

Two Babies Gone Before.

George, one year old son of Mr. Zylstra of Grand Rapids, was buried at Oakwood cemetery yesterday.

An infant of Russel F. Thompson and wife of Grand Rapids was buried at cemetery No. 1, Sunday.

Kent County Fair.

The Kent County Agricultural society's annual fair will open September 20 and continue four days. All wishing to make entries for speed premiums, call at Dr. I. B. Malcolm's office for entry blanks and programs.

Detroit Sunday Excursion Sept. 5.

D. G. R. & W. R. R. train will leave Elmdale at 7.41 a. m., arriving at Detroit at noon. Leave at 6.30 p. m.; round trip rate \$1.50. Geo. DeHaven, G P A.

Grand Ledge and Lansing Excursion Sunday Sept. 5.

The D G R & W rail road will run a special train on above date, leaving Elmdale at 7.31 a. m., returning leave Lansing about 9.15 p. m., Grand Ledge, 9.45. Round trip rate to Grand Ledge 50c. Lansing, 75c. Visit the Agricultural College grounds, which are open to the public every day. Geo. DeHaven G P A.

Industrial Fair at Toronto.

For the Victorian Era Exposition and Industrial Fair at Toronto, Ont. the Grand Trunk Railway System will sell tickets from all stations in Michigan August 30th to September 5th inclusive, to Toronto, at one fare for the round trip good to return until September 13th 1897. For particulars call on, or address any agent of the system.

Arbeiter Picnic at Lansing Sept. 12.

The D G R & W R R will run a special train excursion, leaving Elmdale at 9.26 a. m., returning leave Lansing at 9.00 p. m., round trip rate 75c.

Don't miss this chance to have a good time. German picnics are great occasions and this one, with the visitors from all parts of the state will be no exception. Geo. DeHaven, G P A.

Lansing and Grand Ledge Excursion September 12.

Arbeiter society picnic at Lansing. Dedication of flag, old country games, music plenty to eat and drink and a jolly good time. Don't miss it. Usual attractions at Grand Ledge. D G R & W R R train will Elmdale at 9.26 a. m. Returning, leave Lansing at 9.00 p. m. Grand Ledge at 9.30 p. m. Round trip rate to Lansing, 75c. Grand Ledge 50c. Geo. DeHaven, G P A.

HOME NEWS

D. Gunn and wife are visiting friends in Grand Rapids.

Irene Stone is visiting her friend Tassa Burnett of Saranac.

H. S. Schreiner and son Willie, were in Belding last week.

R. B. Boylan has been making his annual trip to Charlevoix.

D. W. Grady of Vergennes had the misfortune to lose a horse last week.

Guy Gosset of Grand Rapids is spending a week with Mrs. A. L. Covell.

Mrs. Ella Wiley Ward, of Bradner, Ohio, is visiting Lowell friends and relatives.

Mrs. A. W. Weekes son and daughter are home from their summer outing at Bay View.

Otis F. Newton and wife of Freeport spent Saturday and Sunday with Eber Moffit and wife.

Miss Ethel Moore who has been visiting friends in Detroit for some time, returned home last week.

Miss Harriet Stone has returned home from a two weeks visit with her friend Nettie Morse of Grand Rapids.

Misses Moore and Gott who have been attending the teachers institute at Grand Rapids, have returned home.

Miss Kate Edmonds spent several days with her parents here last week returning to her duties at Detroit Saturday.

Mrs. Lloyd Jones and Miss Matie Jones of Lowell were guests of R. M. Kibyon and wife Thursday.—[Clarks-ville Record.]

Mrs. Minerva Denton of Lowell, nearly 80 years old, is visiting her son, L. B. Denton, of Youell avenue.—[Grand Rapids Democrat.]

Tim Foster has resigned his position as express messenger on Lowell & Hastings railroad and accepted a position in the Hastings Furniture works.

Miss Iris Monks of Lowell is visiting her friend Miss Burnett. Miss Edith Munge of Lowell, visited Miss Ida Wunch the first of the week.—[Saranac Local.]

Will M. Chapman and wife spent Saturday and Sunday with Lowell friends. Will has parted with his big whiskers and looks like another man but he is the same old boy, just the same.

The loss on Mrs. Oscar Hatch's household goods by fire, insured in the Wagner agency, of Belding, was satisfactorily adjusted at \$576.88 last Tuesday and she received the cash.—[Belding news.]

Robert Hunter returned from his eastern trip last week. He has recovered from his Pittsburg illness; and aside from his sickness, reports a very pleasant visit among the scenes of his boyhood in New York state.

The Michigan Cutter and Buggy company are unable to handle all the work they are getting out with the room they have in the Lowell furniture company's east building, and are preparing the upper part of the west building which was used as a varnish and finishing room, by putting in benches for extra help which they will have to employ to do bench work.

Burglars visited Lowell a couple of weeks ago and made a raid on the residences of Wm. Pullen and Har- mon Nash but they found nothing of value. Undoubtedly the rascals were strangers. Had they not been they would have visited Bros. Quick of the Journal and Johnson of the Ledger, where they would undoubtedly have made a good haul. Only newspaper men have money now.—[Saranac Local.]

Editors at least are supposed to read the papers. Here is evidence that the Lowell Journal man does not. Early last week the D. G. H. & M. changed the time of the train that leaves here for the east at 10:45 to about three hours earlier. Brother Quick was in the city one evening shortly after the change, and about 10 p. m. he started leisurely for the depot to take the train home. At the depot he talked on the glorious signs of returning prosperity to an admiring audience until after eleven o'clock. Then the station agent came out and told him if he was going to walk to Lowell he ought to start soon or the moon would be down. The joke lies in the fact that brother Charles travels on advertising mileage and carries the time card in the columns of the Journal.—[Grand Rapids Citizen.]

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In black, tan, and gray, good articles, and warranted fast colors at 10, 15, and 25.

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Seamless ribbed, absolutely fast black, warranted stainless, at 10c. Same with double knee, 15c.

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Now is the time to enjoy a little comfort. Try one of our hammocks at 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75.

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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.

Best Laundry Soap, 2 bars for 5c, 4 for 10c, 6 for 15c, 8 for 20c and 10 for 25c.

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.

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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 at all times seasonable meats of all kinds, which will be sold at fair prices. A share of the public patronage is respectfully solicited.

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HOME NEWS.

School begins next Monday.
 Grace Walker was in Saranac last week.
 Anna Whedon has returned from Fenton.
 Charlie Marsh was in town last week.
 Roy Hill was in Grand Rapids Saturday.
 Grace Whedon has returned from Fremont.
 Miss Audie Post is the possessor of a new wheel.
 Mrs. Oscar Hogan is visiting friends in Grand Rapids.
 Some good butter wanted on subscription at this office.
 All kinds of wood promptly delivered by R. B. Boylan.
 A rare bargain in Alaska refrigerators at Fallas & Clark's.
 A beautiful set of artificial teeth for \$5 at Dr. J. H. Rickert's.
 Mrs. Harris of Pontiac is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Cambell.
 Anna Whedon was the guest of Bessie Gregory of Cascade, last week.
 Mrs. Lloyd Jones and Miss Mattie Jones were in Lake Odessa Wednesday.
 Mrs. Whipple of Jackson, spent Sunday with W. R. Blaisdell and wife.
 Jas. Loop of Sparta called on friends Friday and Saturday of last week.
 A "Late in Season" price on Dangler gasoline stoves at Fallas & Clark's.
 Mrs. M. J. Kopf called on Mrs. Jay and Mrs. Kinyon in West Lowell Wednesday.
 The Military band was out treating our citizens to some good music Monday evening.
 The Lowell Laundry has given its patrons neat souvenirs in the shape of pocket mirrors.
 Mrs. Will Denick and three children have been spending a week in Grand Rapids.
 Miss Nina Wisner, is spending this week with Will Chapman and wife in Grand Rapids.
 Miss Mattie Spittal of Rochester, New York, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. M. M. Perry.
 Mrs. James Gibson has been sick for two weeks with an attack of malarial fever and grippe.
 Mr. Chapin and wife and A. McDonald and wife attended the picnic at Saranac last Thursday.
 Chas. Fox and family of Grand Rapids were the guests of Fred Brunner and wife over Sunday.
 Miss Della Winegar has returned from a visit with friends at Pentwater, Hart and other northern towns.
 Mrs. Martha Hawkins and Miss Lizzie Sinclair of Jonesville, are visiting their sister, Mrs. M. M. Perry.
 James Murphy and wife were at Lake City several days last week visiting the latter's sister, Mrs. Owen McMahon.
 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.
 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.
 Mrs. John Cutler has had her household goods shipped to this place and is stopping with her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Ennis, indefinitely.
 Rilla Cisler of Bowne township has been arrested and is charged by Humane Agent Randolph with being an improper person to care for the young daughter, Maud.
 W. M. Chapman and wife returned to their home at Grand Rapids Monday, accompanied by Miss Nina Wisner, who will spend the remainder of the week in the city.
 Matthew Hunter and wife have returned from their long visit in New York and Canada. Mr. Hunter has been quite ill during the past two weeks but recovered sufficiently to make the journey home.
 The following young ladies expect to attend school at Ypsilanti State Normal the coming year and will leave for there in a few days: Misses Mattie Thompson, Jennie Graham, Florence M. Danbhall, and Donna Wisner.
 Had the day been manufactured for the purpose, there could not have been a pleasanter one for the union Sunday school picnic held at Island Park, last Friday. Eight Sunday schools and a large crowd of villagers, and outsiders were present.

DID YOU KNOW

that the balance wheel of an average watch makes 300 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.

Ionia fair Sept. 14 to 17
 State fair at Grand Rapids, Sept. 6 to 10.
 N. U. quartet Friday night. Reduced prices.
 Mrs. A. W. Burnett was over from Saranac last week.
 C. O. Lawrence and family have returned from their eastern trip.
 W. E. Ludwig of Lake Odessa, is spending several days of this week with his brother, W. A.
 Remember the Lowell Military band benefit Friday night in Music hall. Admission 15 cents.
 The L. & H. will run a special excursion train to Grand Rapids, Wednesday Sept. 8th, on account of the state fair. Leave Lowell at 8:40.
 A musical treat, the equal of which is seldom heard in any town—(Essex (Ont.) Free Press, August 13. N. U. quartet and reader in Music hall Friday night.
 The Lowell Military band has secured the Northwestern University quartet and reader for one of their inimitable concerts, Friday night, September 3. Music hall.
 The Northwestern University quartet gave a fine concert in the Opera house Thursday evening. The program was fine and the audience was greatly pleased.—(Saranac Advertiser, July 29.)
 A Grand-Ledge hotel keeper only wanted \$2.00 per couple for seats in his windows on the afternoon of the band convention. That man's meat bill can't run very high. All he has to do is to slice off some of his own pork; and the supply is inexhaustible.
 The Northwestern University Quartet accompanied by a reader, will give an entertainment at Music hall, tomorrow evening for the benefit of the Lowell Military band. The admission has been placed at 15c, and at this low figure, the boys should receive a liberal benefit.
 The promised circus bill posters have not put in an appearance; and there are several people in town who would like to see J. A. Nelson, general contracting agent for the Ives, Bailey & Harris grand consolidated shows. The hotels, livery men and printers are the sufferers from this dead beat.

Caledonia fair October 6, 7, 8.
 S. Finch was in Freeport buying lumber, Saturday.
 Jerome Duffy and wife visited in Clarksville Sunday.
 Patrick Finan and W. Drew were in Parnell Saturday.
 Bessie Gregory of Cascade visited friends in Lowell last week.
 C. M. Merriman's address is now 94 Third street Grand Rapids.
 Will Pullen and J. W. Murphy are camping out at Wabasis lake.
 Lottie Bowen of West Lowell is staying with her brother Fred Bowen.
 College songs, dramatic and humorous readings at Music hall Friday night.
 E. Train and wife entertained Mrs. Courter and mother of Clarksville Tuesday.
 Steve Bergin and mother of Howell are visiting her sons, Chris. and Richard Bergin.
 Rev. Ira B. Jones filled the Congregational pulpit very acceptably last Sunday morning.
 Nellie Fox and Mrs. Chas. Buckley visited at Mrs. S. Chambers' in West Lowell, Wednesday.
 The Lowell school board has decided to introduce the vertical system of penmanship into our schools.
 Oscar Reid met with an accident by falling from a ladder while at work for the Michigan Buggy & Cutter company.
 Mrs. Needham's "ten" will serve a ten cent tea at the home of Mrs. S. B. Dexter Wednesday Sept. 8. All are cordially invited.
 Little Helen Look was five years old Tuesday, and the event was celebrated at her home by twenty of her little friends.
 Rev. R. Higgins of Plymouth church, Grand Rapids, delivered an able discourse Sunday evening at the Congregational church.
 A number of the young people of the Baptist church gave a picnic at Murray's lake, Tuesday, in honor of Rev. Griffith of Jackson.
 Mrs. M. J. Kopf entertained a number of friends last Tuesday, among whom were Mrs. Chapman and daughter Millie, of Grand Rapids.
 There is some talk of having a farmers' picnic at Island park soon. Should the plan materialize we will publish full particulars next week.
 Mrs. Geo. P. Taylor and Mrs. Chas. McCarty of Lowell, and Mrs. G. W. Forest and daughter of Fennville, visited at W. Tredenick's Tuesday.
 My house, with seven acres of land, two orchards, barn, house, etc., will be to rent, September 15, at per month. Enquire of Mrs. Dr. Peck
 T. A. Murphy gave a very pleasant dancing party at Music hall last evening. About twenty couples were present, and the occasion was an enjoyable one.
 Mr. Gall of Canada, who delivered a course of lectures here last winter to the Brethren, is in town, and will preach Sunday morning and evening at Forester's hall.
 Geo. P. Stone, a leading attorney of Ithaca and wife, visited his sister, Phila Clark Monday. Mr. Stone commenced the study of law in the office of M. M. Perry about twenty-four years ago and has been a successful lawyer.
 M. Langworthy, cistern builder, would announce that he is making a specialty of building stone-arched gutters. Stone and cement wells deepened and repaired. New stone tops laid on old cisterns. Call on, or address him at Lowell Mich.
 Prof. Woodworth of the Agricultural college, Lansing, has been in town this week inspecting the municipal lighting plant preparatory to putting in one at the college. He spoke of the Lowell plant in very complimentary terms.
 Rev. William Swing of Lansing state superintendent of Sunday schools will preach morning and evening next Sunday at the Congregational church. The evening sermon will be illustrated and explained by stereopticon views and all Sunday school scholars and workers should be present.
 On the train coming home from the band convention the other evening, a Lake Odessa man—and a band man at that—tried to "hog" two seats, while several ladies were standing up in the aisle right beside him. He got angry when "called down" but finally gave up his seat when practically forced to do so. Well, it does take all kinds of people to make a world; but sometimes we wonder why.

Seven Months With Fever.

Wonderful Recovery of Health.
 Mr. Baird's rapid and marvelous recovery from a mere skeleton to his normal weight, 270 pounds, was surely the fullest test of the greatest strength giving and building-up medicine ever produced, namely:
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 South Bend, Ind. J. H. BAIRD.
 Dr. Miles' Nervine is sold on a positive guarantee that the first bottle will benefit. All druggists sell it at \$1.00 bottles for \$5.00 or it will be sent prepaid on receipt of price by the Dr. Miles Medical Co., Elkhart, Ind.
Dr. Miles' Nervine Restores Health

Roy Whedon is on the sick list.
 Good printing, low prices. LEDGER
 Best of seasoned wood at Fallas & Clark's.
 W. Winegar was in Grand Rapids Sunday.
 This paper on trial 10 weeks for one dime.
 Nora Hill of South Lowell was in town Saturday.
 Largest stock of school supplies at Look's drug store.
 Fred Brunner and wife drove to Freeport Saturday.
 Money saved by buying school supplies of D. G. Look.
 This paper on trial 10 weeks for 10 cents. Try it once.
 S. Brower is doing a job of masonry at Freeport this week.
 Libbie Tredenick has returned home from Grand Rapids.
 Miss Bessie Tate is visiting friends at Macataw park this week.
 One cord of good, green wood pays a years subscription to this paper.
 G. Kinyon and family were in Grand Rapids Friday and Saturday.
 E. R. Collar is having a tar walk laid in front of his residence property.
 For sale—Surrey, in first class condition. Enquire of Wm. P. Perrin, Lowell.
 Fallas & Clark screen all their coal; prices guaranteed coal the very best quality.
 Sylvester Brower is having a cement walk laid in front of his residence property.
 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.
 D. G. Look has a large stock of second hand school books, many of them as good as new and at a much lower price.
 School begins next Monday and if you wish to economize on school supplies, secure some of those bargains in second hand books at D. G. Look's.
 The September meeting of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary societies of the M. E. church, will be held at Mrs. Arthur Husted's on Tuesday afternoon, September 7th. Subject, "Home Missions." All members of the society are expected to be present. Please bring white boxes.

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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.
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