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To those in need of it.  
This is a very useful article.  
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Manufacturers of—Sash, Doors, Blinds, Frames for Doors, Windows and Screens, Exhibition and Shipping Coops for Poultry, Dried Apple Boxes, Wooden Eave Troughs, Etc.

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# HEATERS

Somewhat broken now.

Anything you want goes at

## Mid Summer Prices.

Don't ask for back numbers; we don't keep them. Everything up to date in quality and style.

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### CLARKSVILLE ACADEMY.

THIS PRIVATE SCHOOL OFFERS THE FOLLOWING COURSES OF STUDY.  
**Common School Course.**—This course gives the regular work of all the common branches of study. Tuition for term of 20 weeks, \$8.00.  
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**Announcements for 1897-98.**—Fall and winter school begins Oct. 25, 1897. Anyone desiring regular or special work in any academic work for whatever purpose, will find that we will do them just as for less expense than any other school of the kind. If you desire special preparation for first, second or third grade certificates, we offer the best opportunity at Clarksville Academy. Our students are successful.  
C. J. and E. F. FRANKS, MANAGERS,  
Clarksville, Ionia Co., Mich.



**LOOK!**

### At Our

100 piece decorated dinner sets \$12.90, \$10.00, \$7.00.  
10 piece toilet sets, \$2.75.  
Brooms, 10, 15, 25c.  
17 quart enameled dish pans, 60c.  
14 quart enameled dish pans, 50c.  
10 quart enameled dish pans, 40c.  
Tea and Coffee pots, 40, 35 30.  
See my 10 and 15 cent counter before buying odd pieces of China and Glassware. Nice line of Lambs and fancy China-ware.

## C. H. ALEXANDER.

Reports to the State Board of Health show that rheumatism, bronchitis, neuralgia, influenza and tonsillitis in order named, caused most sickness in Michigan during the past week. Consumption was reported at 175 places; scarlet fever at 36; diphtheria at 34; typhoid fever at 33; measles at 27; and whooping cough at 10.

Try a fifteen cent lunch at the new bakery.

### TO-NIGHT.

#### Important Citizen's Meeting. Be Sure To Attend.

Turn out to the citizen's meeting at the council rooms at 7:30 this evening. Matters of importance will be discussed. Turn out and bring your neighbors. To night. Don't forget it.

### BANKER DEAD.

#### Enos Putnam Was Also a Wholesale Grocer.

Grand Rapids, Jan. 11.—Enos Putnam, president of the board of public works, died today of heart failure, aged 65. He was a resident of Grand Rapids since 1858. He was one of the main stockholders in the Ball, Barnhart & Putnam Wholesale Grocery Co., and president of the Grand Rapids National Bank, being elected to succeed Edwin F. Uhl, when the latter went to Germany as ambassador.

### Obituary.

Ellen Van Epps, wife of H. J. Bosworth, died at her home in this village, Monday, January 3. Although Mrs. Bosworth had been in failing health for a long time, her death was quite unexpected and a shock to all.

Deceased was born in Lockport, N. Y. In 1853 she married Mr. Bosworth and soon after they came to Lowell, which has since been their home.

Besides her husband and one son, she leaves to mourn her loss, an aged father of Hudson, Mich., and two invalid sisters.

Funeral services were held from the home, Wednesday morning, January 5, conducted by Rev. S. G. Anderson.—[Con.]

#### Death of Mrs. Agnes Morrison.

Mrs. Agnes Morrison Cheyne died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. E. Lowing of Grandville on Wednesday, January 5th after a long and painful illness of ten years, aged 73. Her funeral took place Friday the 7th at 1 p. m. Rev. Griswold of the Congregational church of Grandville officiating. Deceased has been a resident of Michigan for over 35 years. She leaves 10 children, 35 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren, 2 brothers and 4 sisters survive her. Messdames W. Pullen, F. Ecker, DeWitt Hunter and A. White are daughters of the deceased and were present at the funeral.

#### New Railroad Completed.

Grand Rapids, Jan. 10.—The Grand Rapids, Kalkaska & South-eastern railroad was completed today and leased to the Chicago & West Michigan for ten years. The road runs from Van Buren to Stratford, thirty-three miles, and will be used chiefly to run out the Thayer Lumber company's logs.

#### Death of Clark Frazier.

Clark Frazier, a former resident in this vicinity, died at his home in Muskegon, Friday, Jan. 7, at the age of 55 years, of consumption. His remains were brought to this place and funeral services were held at the residence of his brother, five miles west of here, attended by Rev. H. Marshall.

### Matrimonial.

A quiet wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Lawrence, of Ada, Wednesday December 29, when their daughter Ida was united in marriage to Mr. Thomas Morris, by J. S. Moxon, Esq. Only near relatives and most intimate friends were present. After the ceremony, supper was served and all left for their homes, wishing the happy couple a long and prosperous life.—[Con.]

All kinds of wood promptly delivered by R. B. Boylan.

### PUT IN NO BID.

#### Muskegon Will Let Grand Rapids Keep State Fair.

Grand Rapids, Jan. 11.—The announced opposition to holding the next state fair in Grand Rapids did not materialize today. Ex-Mayor Smith and W. H. Borsey, of Muskegon were on hand but made no proposition. They said their object was to secure such an arrangement of dates as would avoid any conflict with the Muskegon county fair and asked only for an agreement along that line.

Several Grand Rapids business men made speeches assuming that the fair would be held here and suggesting a later date than that of last year.

#### A Central Location.

Tomorrow the LEDGER office will be moved to the second floor of the post office building, which will be a convenient point for our patrons. Drop in and see us after this week.

#### End of a Law Suit.

The replevin suit between Mrs. Christie Findlay and Chas. Blakeslee for James Anderson, which was on trial before Justice Walker, during the last week of December, and in which twenty-two witnesses were called, was decided last week in favor of the plaintiff, with 6 cents damages and \$10 costs. Attorneys Mathewson and Mains represented the plaintiff and defendant respectively.

#### Death of Mrs. Willis Pardy.

Mrs. Willis Pardy died at her home in Alton January 9, after a long illness, at the age of 33 years, leaving a husband and one son. Funeral services were conducted at the house on Tuesday, by Rev. I. B. Jones, and the remains were interred in the Mason cemetery, Grattan.

#### Praying on the Streets.

Aged Anna Kiel has been detained in police headquarters simply because she emulated the early apostles and prayed on the streets. Thrusting a bible under her arm, she knelt down at short intervals and invoked the Almighty's aid in converting Grand Rapids sinners. She was not disturbed until she ventured to pray for a policeman, who, unused to such things, and thinking her crazy escorted her to headquarters. It was Sunday night and the old lady claims if it is a crime to pray that night, about three scores of ministers should be arrested.

#### An Alleged Spurious Bill Proves to Be Genuine.

Ionia, Jan. 11.—That \$100 certificate about which so great a fuss was made, Cashier Webber and Detective Manley both declaring it to be spurious, proves to be genuine after all. Washington authorities have sent on \$100 for its redemption. The paper had split in two, an unusual thing for Uncle Sam's money.

Through the kindness of the Agricultural College we are in receipt of a handsome calendar of the college, which we would like to have our readers call and examine. The authorities of the college state that it was never before in so prosperous a condition. There entered this fall 226 new students in the regular courses, this being by all odds the largest class in the history of the institution. There are also about 75 special course students; making a total enrollment this year of nearly 500. The street car line from Lansing has been extended into the grounds, so that it is very easy for students to board in town and attend the college. We advise young people who are going away to school to send to Pres. J. L. Snyder, Agricultural College, Michigan, for a catalog.

The Vergennes dancing club after three years of unalloyed happiness has been rent in twain and henceforth there will be rehanding war between the two factions. The trouble was all over the question of which man should play the fiddle.—[Grand Rapids Citizen.]

Fred Fallas wants your poultry.

If Friends or Relatives did not present you with what you desired in the

# JEWELRY LINE,

—CALL AT—



All the New Goods and Fads Carried in Stock

'Tis a pleasure to show them.

## Bench work properly and Promptly Done.

East side, next to McCarty's.

### TRY ME FOR REPAIRS.

Watches, Clocks, Gold Glasses, Rings and Jewelry repaired and warranted for one year.

See my Band and Set rings.

H. A. SHERMAN,  
First door east of Marks Ruben's.

### FURNITURE BUYERS.

#### Many of Them Are in Grand Rapids Just Now.

Grand Rapids, Jan. 11.—There were over 70 furniture buyers in Grand Rapids last week and yesterday 80 more arrived. Several foreign countries are represented. Exhibits are being made by several outside concerns and there is much rivalry. Sales will exceed those of last January at least 15 percent.

### Alton

Too late for last week D. Church and wife spent New Years day at Cannonsburg.

Jud Hapeman and wife of East Lowell visited relatives here last week.

F. Sotles and wife of Lowell were guests at her father's Christmas and New Years.

Oria Weekes and wife have got moved and settled in their new home.

A large number from here attended the New Year's dance at Lowell.

Reported that the grist mill is about to change hands.

Mr. Ourch spent the holidays with his daughters here and in Grattan.

Chas. Frost and wife of Keene were guests at Oria Weekes' last week.

Clare Ford and wife are visiting relatives at Lincoln Lake.

Mrs. Willis Pardy is very poorly.

Chas. Francisco of Lowell was a visitor at his daughter's, Mrs. Chas. Jakeway the first of this week.

Ralph Ford drew the cutter and Jack Vetenbock the accordion.

An independent order of Millers was established here Dec. 25, and several members were initiated. At the banquet oysters and roast turkey were served with plenty of good cheer to wash it down.

Mrs. Grey of Berlin spent Christmas with her parents, Stephen Bennels and wife.

Mrs. Otis White has a cataract on one of her eyes.

Mrs. Wiley Reynolds and children of South Lowell spent Christmas here.

J. D. Frost entertained a family gathering Christmas.

P. Hoolihan's children and families helped him celebrate Christmas.

Deek Jones of Hesperia was here, a guest of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Moshier.

Mrs. Waters and children spent Christmas week at Ernest Godfrey's.

Special sale of Linens and Lace Curtains at E. R. Colar's. Drop in and see.

See our three-piece

## BEDROOM SUITES

In Ash, German bevel plate glass, a dandy at

**\$12.50**

Better ones at \$15, \$18, and \$20.

## McConnell.

### Keene Grange Election.

At the annual meeting of Keene Grange No. 270, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

Worthy Master—D. C. Hunter.  
Overseer—D. C. Reynolds.  
Lecturer—Mrs. Jennie Hunter.  
Steward—W. W. Woodman.  
Assistant Steward—L. J. Hunter.  
Chaplain—D. W. Woodman.  
Treasurer—F. P. Hunter.  
Secretary—E. Hanscom.  
Gate Keeper—Geo. Pinkney.  
Pomona—Mrs. Eva Hunter.  
Flora—Mrs. Ada Beattor.  
Ceres—Mrs. Emma Reynolds.  
Lady Assistant Steward—Mrs. L. J. Hunter.

The date of installation was fixed for January 15, it to be an evening session and Brother E. S. Waterbury, of Ionia was invited to be installing officer.

All delinquent members are cordially invited.

The report of the finance committee showed a balance in the treasury of \$53. Meetings were announced for January 8 and 15.

### West Lowell.

The Busy Bees will hold their next meeting at the home of Miss Zella McIntyre Jan. 22.

A number of the friends of J. J. Finley visited them at their home in Cascade last Friday.

Perry Thompson, who has been visiting his brother and other relatives at Fenwick, returned home last Thursday.

Mrs. Peters and Mrs. McIntyre spent last Thursday with Mrs. Elias.

H. Peters and wife spent Monday evening with S. Griswood and wife.

Mrs. C. Green is recovering from her recent illness.

### Cascade.

Mrs. Chas. Mahen is spending the winter with friends in Chicago.

Messrs Teuple and Gorham and wives celebrated their wedding anniversary at the latter's home on the 9th.

Robert Patterson, who has been ill at the home of his sister, is slowly recovering.

Misses Edith and Bertha Davis of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with their parents.

Mrs. Adam Pamiteer is very sick.

Ethel Finley is slowly recovering her health after a long illness.

Mrs. E. P. Shuman, who has rented her farm, will take up her residence in Grand Rapids.

### What It Means.

When we advertise that we will guarantee Dr. King's New Discovery, Electric Bitters, Bucklen's Arnica Salve, or Dr. King's New Life Pills it means that we are authorized by the proprietors to sell these remedies on a positive guarantee. That if purchaser is not satisfied with results, we will refund purchase price. These medicines have been sold on this guarantee for many years and there could be no more conclusive evidence of their great merit. Ask about them and give them a trial. Sold at L. H. Hunt & Co's drug store.

TWEEN THE LAKES.

MICHIGAN NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD FOR MICHIGANERS.

Two Men Killed by the Collapse of a Log Boom at Whitmore Lake.

Ice House Collapsed—Two Men Dead.

A mammoth ice house being erected by the Toledo Ice Co. at Whitmore Lake, Mich., yesterday collapsed while over 150 men were at work on it, and two were instantly killed while a dozen others were badly injured.

The conference lasted until 3 a. m., and it was decided to institute a campaign for a reform legislature that will inaugurate the modern era of Michigan government.

Michigan News Items.

James Lynch, aged 13, was drowned while skating at Decatur.

The furniture business at Grand Rapids is greater than ever this year.

Twenty-seven wildcats have been killed in Arenac county, two months ago.

The calendar for the Sanilac county circuit court is loaded down with tax title cases.

The Ontonagon relief committee still has \$16,000 of the \$25,000 voted by the legislature.

Joseph Hilberbrand, a farmer near Saginaw, was thrown under a wagon and perhaps fatally crushed.

The latest electric road project is from Lansing to Saginaw, and thus far, plans have not taken definite shape.

New Michigan postmasters: Chapin, Saginaw county, Geo. W. Clark; LaSalle, Monroe county, Chas. E. Kirby.

The second trial of Mrs. Rose Sellick at Lansing, Mich., ended in an acquittal.

Two ruffians frightened Mrs. E. H. Griffith, a lone widow living on the banks of the river, by striking her head, and was dead in a short time.

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REV. DR. A. J. FAIMER, a northern minister, is lecturing in the south on the "Federal Soldiers," and Gen. John B. Gordon, a Confederate soldier, is lecturing in the north on the "Last Days of the Confederacy." Both gentlemen are having crowded houses and making money. One country, one people, no north, no south. No millennium impending, but jolly, good feeling on tap.

Girls all know that the most persistent suitors for the waltz numbers is the very fellow they don't want. For our part we prefer a sitting-down waltz, anyhow. One of those waltz-at-ease movements where you both get away in some quiet corner, sit down side by side, you slip your arm around the girl and sit there not making a sound. The girl here has the power of selection.

The punishment of a cartoon publisher and several other German citizens for disrespect to the Kaiser is evidence as well as a thin skin. Men worthy of the cartoon recognize the compliment involved in it, however severe it may be; and the right of criticism belongs to the citizen who pays taxes to the government. And the Kaiser must inevitably suffer more as a result of his childishness than any of the men he puts in jail.

By refusing to accept the plea of intoxication advanced by an illegal voter in extension of his offense, a Philadelphia judge has shown that good intentions will generally support, and which has reason, judgment and common sense back of it. In a vigorous manner the judge has shown that if they found the prisoner had voted illegally, as charged, it was their duty to convict him without regard to his condition at the time, whether he was drunk or sober. The jury promptly convicted the man.

The number of cattle in stock in Britain is given at \$500,497, of which \$232,375 are cows and heifers in milk or in calf, and \$268,122 are returned as being two years and above. As against the two preceding years, the increase in the number of cows is 704 and 45,659; while the cattle of two years old and above present relative decreases of 4,837 and 103,285.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Two more certified \$100 silver certificates turned in at the Philadelphia office of the Treasury on one year of age show a decrease of 26,230, but present an increase of 37,525 as against that of 1895. Pigs have fallen considerably in number, being 54,449 less than in 1895, and 542,123 below the total of 1895.

In one of William Montfort's books the following runs like this: "I am old and feeble and useless," said Markham easily. "No, uncle," said the young Abing; "you were never more useful than now. You are useful by being an old man." When Dr. Robert Gordon had outlined his activity as a minister, his friend, Dr. Candlish, said to him: "It is far more useful to be a young man than to be an old man. You should live for several years more than that he should do any work." His presence in the world became like that of a visible spirit of goodness. The old people are among the most gracious and humanizing influences, and sometimes their second childhood is more eyes and wisdom than the first. We know more than one very-hairied patriarch who is a gray-headed "youth's companion."

Major Handy, special commissioner to the Paris International Exposition, in his report to congress, recommends that an appropriation of \$400,000 be granted, so that a creditable display on behalf of the United States may be made. The president, in transmitting the report, says: "Besides securing much larger numbers of medals than had been reserved Major Handy obtained the gratifying assurance that the United States will be placed on a par with the most favored nations and that in the installation of every important department the United States will have a location commensurate with the dignity and importance of the country and adjoining in every case countries of the first rank. In view of the magnitude and importance of the approaching exposition and of our standing in the world, it is deemed that there be represented and in view also of our increased population and acknowledged progress in arts and sciences, and manufactures, I earnestly commend the report of Major Handy to your consideration, and trust that a liberal appropriation may be made. Moreover, the minister in charge of the French republic at Chicago in 1893, on which \$1,000,000 were expended, should be a strong incentive to reciprocal liberality on the part of the government of the United States."

Acting Postmaster General Hill, in a circular recently issued recommends the establishment of suitable boxes by the roadside in which carriers may deposit mail as they pass, in districts devoid of carriers, and that free delivery be given to mail which would otherwise be conveyed by carriers in reaching residences some distance back from the road which would be served, and that the cost will be reduced and the probability of its becoming a permanent feature of postal administration will be increased.

NEWS TOLD IN PARAGRAPHS.

Minor Happenings of the Past Week.

EVENTS OF LAST SEVEN DAYS.

Political, Religious, Social and Criminal Details of the Whole World Carefully Condensed for Our Readers—The Accident Record.

London—Sir Robert Henry Meade, permanent under secretary of state for the colonies since 1891, is dead. He was born in 1835.

Tuscon, Ariz.—Robert Vandeventer, a well-known young man of Camargo, was found dead on the Indianapolis, Decatur & Western Railroad track. Indications lead to believe that he was fatally dealt with.

Providence, R. I.—The Steer mansion at Niyatt, one of the best-known residences along the shore of Narragansett Bay, was destroyed by fire. It cost \$100,000.

London—A marriage has been arranged between Hon. Rowland Charles Frederick Leitch, youngest son of the Earl of Leitch, and Miss Mabel Gordon, daughter of Colonel W. M. Gordon of Savannah.

Bureka, Kas.—The jury in the New case related to the murder in the second degree against George Dobbs and Mrs. Emilie New, jointly charged with the murder of the latter's husband, Joseph H. New, on Oct. 2, 1895, returned a verdict of guilty.

Eau Claire, Wis.—Mrs. Christine Elchert died in her bed in church. She had heart disease.

Joliet, Ill.—Thomas Crayson, aged 32 years, was killed by the train on the Chicago & Alton road.

Cedar Rapids, Iowa—Mrs. John Ripke was instantly killed in a runaway on the Rock Island road.

Providence, R. I.—The Steer mansion at Hyatt, Narragansett bay, was destroyed by fire. It cost \$100,000.

Wauwatosa, Wis.—Walsh survivors are laying out a line of road from Montpelier, O., to Toledo, making it a Chicago-Toledo air line.

Atchison, Kas.—Jennings Judah and his two daughters, aged 18 and 14 years, were run down and killed outright by a train.

St. Louis, Mo.—Fire destroyed the residence of Christian Papers. It is estimated that the loss will amount to over \$100,000.

Albion, Neb.—William Baker, cashier of the Albion national bank, shot himself fatally. He had been in poor health for some time.

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## LOWELL MARKET

Invariably corrected Thursday morning

Wheat	@	88
Butter	10 @	14
Onion	2 @	26
orn	@	30
Oats	@	21
Eye	@	42
Barley per cwt	@	60
Flour per cwt	@	2 60
Ran per ton	@	11 00
Middlings per ton	@	12 00
Corn meal per ton	@	13 00
Corn and oats per ton	@	14 00
Eggs	@	16
Potatoes	@	50
Beans	@	70
Beef	5 50 @	6 00
Pork	@	4 00
Chickens	7 @	8
Wool washed	7 @	14
Wool unwashed	5 @	10
Apples	30 @	50

## HOME NEWS

Mrs. Bela Needham is visiting at Stanwood.

Bread, cookies, pies and cakes at city bakery.

W. Langs and wife were in South Lowell Sunday.

Mr. Justice of Clarksville was in town last Saturday.

Be sure and call on Fallas before selling your poultry.

Warren Ellison of Easton visited at Charles Buckley's Saturday.

Miss Lizzie Kilgus of Bowne visited friends in Lowell Saturday.

Genuine home-made bread "like mother makes" at Bush's bakery.

Fred Bruner and wife were at Chas. Bancroft's in Alto, Monday evening.

I. B. Jones and wife visited relatives in South Bend, Ind., last week.

A new son arrived at the home of Frank Sterzik, about two weeks ago.

Wm. Fox and daughter visited at Will Cogwell's in South Boston Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Marsh were guests of S. S. Hudson of Oak Grove Sunday.

R. D. Bancroft and wife entertained Mrs. Mundell and daughter of Ada last week.

H. H. Hunter, wife and little daughter have returned to their home at Mt. Pleasant.

Tim Foster of Hastings was in town last week assisting Frank Ecker in closing up his '97 accounts.

A company of friends were pleasantly entertained at the home of A. McDonald and wife Saturday evening.

Wesley Fox of Freeport was in town Monday, doing business with the Michigan Buggy & Cutter company.

Mrs. G. F. C. Wilson of Greenville and Miss Della Bosworth of Grand Lodge attended the funeral of Mrs. Bosworth here last week.

H. M. Fuller of Greenville, was the guest of M. J. Painter Tuesday. He was captain of Company K, 65th Illinois infantry in which Mr. Painter served.

A company of friends gathered at the home of Mrs. M. J. Kopf Friday to celebrate her sixty-fifth birthday. She was the recipient of many beautiful gifts.

H. W. and Frank Hakes attended a banquet given at the Fellowship club last week Thursday by the Seely Manufacturing Company, of Detroit, by which they are employed.

The original Vergennes Dancing Club will give their next dance at Train's Opera House, on Thursday evening, January 20, instead of Friday evening as was intended at the last dance.

Rev. L. N. Pattison will take for his subject Sunday morning, "A Week of Practice as well as a Week of Prayer." Sunday evening, at 7:30 he will speak of the "Feast of Belshazzar and What It Means for Us Today."

M. A. Carpenter, a reformed saloon keeper, from Grand Rapids, will speak in the M. E. church on Friday evening, Jan. 14. Subject: "Temperance, vs Saloon" in which he will give incidents of his own life. Everyone invited.

People from abroad who attended the funeral of Arvine P. Hunter were: Medames Phoebe Bignell, C. Crawford, P. Wendover and Lydia Peck of Grand Rapids; Mrs. Josie Phillips of Kalamazoo; and Mrs. Clark Williams and Norton Peck of Reed City.



## MUSTGETUP

Yes, of course, if you have one of our new nickel clocks. We bought a lot of them; bought them cheap, will sell them cheap. Only 99c, worth \$1.50 anywhere else. Fully guaranteed for one year with a written guarantee.

A handy thing to have as they will run in any position and can be carried from room to room.

Guaranteed to rouse the sleepiest boy.

**U. B. WILLIAMS,**  
The Jeweler.

Examine our line of holiday goods.

Robert Johnson of Bowne will build a new barn.

Wabasis tent of Maccabees at Lonia has 400 members.

G. V. McConnell called on Cedar Springs friends recently.

Judge Morse will address the soldiers at Saranac, Saturday.

Attorney E. O. Mains has been doing legal business at Minneapolis.

Miss Myrtle McDannell of Traverse City is here visiting her parents.

C. H. Alexander's place of business is now lighted by the municipal plant.

A new daughter came to the home of W. E. Banker and wife of Bowne December 31.

John A. Robertson of Keene lost a valuable horse from inflammation of the bowels last week.

Clare and Georgie Winegar of Saranac visited their young Lowell friends Saturday.

A Webster's International dictionary has been added to THE LEDGER's editorial facilities.

Little Misses Patterson and Clark of McCords were the guests of Mrs. Slade over Sunday.

John Porrit and wife of Bowne got a New Years present of twins, a boy and girl, weight 144 pounds.

Quarterly meeting at the River school house Saturday at 2 p. m. The U. B. presiding elder will be present.

The postoffice at Avon, Lonia Co. has been ordered discontinued January 15. Mail will hereafter go to Saranac.

The Cannon and Grattan Sunday school convention at Moffit school house last Sunday was an interesting occasion.

Scott Lowe of Bowne went clear to England after a wife, Great Scott, Lowe, isn't that a violation of the alien contract labor law?

The Saranac G. A. R. Post will have a campfire and installation on Saturday and quite a number of the Lowell "boys" will attend.

An exchange very ritely says: "When you sing 'Jesus Paid it All' don't get the idea that it includes your subscription to the newspaper."

For the February term of the Lonia circuit court, John C. Gasper, of Keene, A. J. Moon of Otisco, and John W. Walter of Boston, are among the jurors named.

Monday, Frank Flanagan sold to J. S. Bergin, 75 Lester lambs of his own raising, averaging 90 pounds each. This was as fine a lot of lambs as has been seen in this village for a long time.

The Lowell Teacher's Reading Circle will meet in the Central school building Saturday, January 15, at 1:30 sharp. Psychology lesson, chapters II and III. History lesson, Assyria, Phoenicia, and Babylonia.

Because of the many requests made for the use of our pulpits on Sunday by various persons and organizations, we, the pastors of the Baptist, Congregational and Methodist churches do hereby consent that we maintain the established order of services on the Lord's day in our respective churches.

**L. N. PATTISON,**  
**H. MARSHALL,**  
**S. G. ANDERSON.**

The Anti-Saloon League of Lowell held a meeting on Monday evening of last week, Rev. L. N. Pattison, of the M. E. church, presiding. He addressed the League with words of cheer and encouragement and assured it of his hearty assistance in every endeavor to force a strict obedience on the part of saloonists to existing laws. An investigation of the bondsmen of the local saloon men with the result that four of the number have been found to be illegal bondsmen. It is the intent and purpose of the League to take action in the matter at an early date. The next meeting is expected to be a very interesting one.—(Grand Rapids Citizen.)

Try Rose Cream for the teeth.  
Fancy cakes at the city bakery.  
Lowell hotels have new registers.  
Try Dan Bush for an oyster stew.  
Call at city bakery for your lunch.  
See Fallas before selling your poultry.

This paper on trial 10 weeks for one dime.

Dr. Rickert now extracts teeth by the use of gas.

Crayon portraits free to patrons of Bush's bakery.

Grand Clearance sale at E. R. Collar's.

Send your work to the Lowell Steam Laundry.

You can buy dry goods cheap at E. R. Collar's.

Special sale of Dress Goods at E. R. Collar's.

Mrs. J. Robertson is spending a few weeks with friends in Lonia.

Good work twice a week and fair treatment at the Lowell Laundry.

The Vergennes Dancing club will give a grand Carnival ball at Music Hall, Feb. 22. Com.

Before buying an organ or a sewing machine be sure and visit R. D. Stocking; his prices are winners.

The next meeting of the University center will be held with Mrs. B. E. Quick, next Monday evening.

Lowell Maccabees should remember the installation of officers which takes place Monday evening, Jan. 24.

The extra low prices quoted on organs for the past 30 days are making a good many sales for R. D. Stocking.

Phil Reuteler and family have moved into the Ransford house until theirs is made ready for occupancy again.

G. V. McConnell went to Grand Rapids yesterday, to attend the bifurcated sale and load up for the '98 trade.

Rev. H. Marshall and wife attended the meeting of the Congregational churches and ministers at Ada, Tuesday and Wednesday.

R. D. Stocking claims to have the best sewing machine for the least money. Call and see for yourself before purchasing elsewhere.

The township taxes are now due and payable at the store of A. L. Coons. HARVEY J. COONS, 233tf Twp. Treas.

Congressman William Alden Smith has been elected president of the Grand Rapids Herald Co., in place of the late Prof. C. G. Swensberg.

At the request of the Y. M. C. A., Rev. H. Marshall will preach especially for young men next Sunday night at the Congregational church. Subject, "A Young Man's Problem"

Dr. J. H. Rickert and family have moved into the Wilson house on Main street. No excuse for not getting out to church once in a while now, "Had."

The LEDGER has a new correspondent at Cascade. Others are desired in every unrepresented locality. Subscribers will confer a favor by sending bright young people to us for that purpose.

At the request of many patients, Dr. Rickert is again administering gas for the extraction of teeth. By the use of his new apparatus the danger formerly attending the use of gas is said to have been eliminated.

We have transferred our agency for the Alonzo O. Bliss Co's, "Our Native Herbs" from H. H. Sibley to the drug firm of L. H. Hunt & Co., where the only original can be found. Beware of imitations. 245.

The adjusting agent of the Peoria Insurance company was in town Monday and recommended the payment to Phil Reuteler of \$470 for loss on his house and contents. Phil has a force of seven men at work re-building his house.

A large congregation heard Elder Pattison's address to young men at the M. E. church last Sunday evening; and the people were well repaid for their attendance. Mr. Pattison has a big, warm heart and is fast making himself "solid" with the people of Lowell.

The Wide Awake pedro club was entertained at the home of Milo Barney last Wednesday night. Honors were won by Mrs. Christie Findlay and John McGinnis while Mrs. A. G. Sinclair and Will Lettick were consoled with the "boobies." Light refreshments were served and all voted a good time. The club meets with Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Lea, Wednesday evening, Jan. 19th.—[Com.]

A contributor to our item box furnishes the following: "On New Years eve, the boys near Honey Creek corners assembled at James Lawrence's to serenade the newly married couple, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Morris. The music was very sweet and a beautiful solo was played on a cow bell belonging to the groom. After the music had played a few minutes the happy pair was invited out; but instead of the bride appearing, her father took her place. The father and groom were armed with a stick of wood and a gun. All enjoyed a good time."

One cord of good, green wood pays a years subscription to this paper.

## A WONDERFUL ACHIEVEMENT.

The Method by Which a Deaf and Blind Boy Was Taught.

William T. Ellis writes a paper for the St. Nicholas on "Helen Keller and Tommy Stringer," telling how the well-known blind girl secured means for the education of a little boy similarly afflicted. By personal appeals to the public Helen raised a sufficient sum to send little Tommy Stringer to the kindergarten for the blind at Jamaica Plain, Mass. Mr. Ellis says of his education in this institution:

"Thither, on April 10, 1891, came 'Baby Tom,' as Helen called this five-year-old child. It was a pitiful spectacle that greeted his Boston friends when the boy was brought to the kindergarten. His life had been spent mostly in bed (it was the easiest place to care for him), and he could not walk at all, nor even stand with confidence. Of signs for indicating his wants he had none. He was as a little beast, tearing and destroying his own clothes, and all else destructible that was within his reach. His temper and stubbornness were fearful.

To the appalling task of giving the first rays of light to this child, Helen and her teacher set themselves, until a permanent instructor could be secured. With almost inconceivable patience and love, kind friends began the education of this untutored mind. The lessons of discipline, regular habits, and obedience had to precede and accompany the teaching of manual speech.

How could this child, who had not the remotest conception of any sort of language, be taught to talk?

The method, simply stated, was this: Every time that bread was given him the letters "b-r-e-a-d" were formed in the manual alphabet on the boy's own fingers, and also in his hand, by the fingers of his teacher. Again and again this was repeated, thousands of times. It was slow work. The mind had lain too long without knowledge to receive easily the idea of speech. Even after the teachers were sure that Tom understood the definite connection between the word "bread" and those finger motions, he refused to use his knowledge, because of his strange perversity. At last, after nine months of teaching and waiting, the little fingers voluntarily spelled "b-r-e-a-d," and the beginning had been made.

Other words soon followed, and ere long the mystery of speech was comprehended. Tom took his place in the kindergarten classes and learned all that was taught the other boys. Reading, writing, arithmetic, gymnastics and other studies were undertaken; and to-day, in almost all respects, save such as are entirely dependent upon eye and ear, he is as well educated as the average boy of his years.

## BURNING WOMEN.

Satisfying the Savage Human Instinct of Cruelty.

The horrible punishment of burning women alive seems to have existed in Saxon, England, but perhaps only in the case of slaves, says the Athenaeum. Under the Norman rule, any woman, bond or free, who killed her husband, was burned alive; and the same punishment for this crime, and also for high treason, and even for coining and other minor offenses, continued or arose from time to time through the second and third periods until it was abolished by act of parliament in 1790, the last actual execution of this kind having, however, taken place six years earlier. The whipping of women for various offenses continued even later; public whipping was not abandoned until 1817, and cases of private whipping occurred as late as 1820.

There can be no doubt, we think, that the savage human instinct of cruelty had something to do with the barbarous punishments above mentioned. As the old Roman public longed for the carnage of the circus, as the Spanish populace crowded to the auto-da-fe in the flourishing days of the inquisition, so the lower (perhaps not only the lower) strata of English nationality took delight in witnessing tortures which, in all probability, were devised and kept up partly for their entertainment.

Mr. Cleveland tells us that Judge Jeffreys, in sentencing a woman to be whipped, is reported to have said: "Hangman, I charge you to pay particular attention to this lady. Scourge her till her blood runs down. It is Christmas time, a cold time for madam to strip; see that you burn her shoulders thoroughly."

## Black Art in Eating.

Although the culinary has in the last 80 years made rapid strides, there is a certain sameness about dinner-parties which, to the habitual diner-out, comes but little short of dull monotony. A lady in Kensington originated the idea of giving every year a memorial dinner on the anniversary of her husband's death. The dining-room was draped for the occasion in mauve and black. The tablecloth was of mauve silk, and the only decorations used were violets. The ladies were gowned either in black or mauve, and the footmen were dressed in black breeches and coats and mauve silk stockings. On either side of the hostess sat two black poodles, excellently clipped after the approved French fashion, with mauve colored bows on their necks. The menu was remarkable for the absence of any color in the viands, save mauve, the rest being either black or white.

## Handbills at Herculaneum.

It is probably the general impression that posters and handbills are modern inventions, but it has just been discovered that the ancient Romans practiced this method of advertising. In digging at Herculaneum there was brought to light a pillar covered with bills, one on top of another. The paste used to stick them was made of gum arabic. The bills, when separated and examined, were found to be programmes and announcements of public meetings, and even election proclamations.

## PAY WHEN CURED.



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THE LEDGER, Lowell, Mich.

## Important Real Estate Sale.

D. R. Whitney of Bedford, a stockholder in the City Bank, has purchased the pleasant residence of J. H. Rickert, and will move here during the present month. Mr. Rickert will move into the Wilson house on Main street.

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