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"WITH MALICE TOWARD NONE AND CHARITY FOR ALL."

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WHOLE NO. 255.



It's Risky Business.

To buy shoes anywhere and everywhere. Go to a place where every pair can be depended upon. That's the way it is at our store.

Our Men's Work shoes are shoes you can depend upon and the prices are right. They range from \$1.25 upward.

CALL AND SEE THEM.

GEO. M. WINEGAR.



Now Will you quit War TALK!

To Snap up a Big Bargain in REFRIGERATORS?

Something new in REFRIGERATORS. Call an examine them before placing an order.

We lead them all in sales of Oil and Gasoline Stoves for We Sell the Best Kind

Yours Truly,

R. B. BOYLAN.

Reliable
Clothing.

Pullen & Son's
Double Store.

Lowest
Living Prices.

It Is For You to Decide.

We ask no favor, all we want is an even show. Study the few Bargains we publish carefully. They are not all by any means, it is not necessary to occupy the whole paper. We believe in modesty in advertising as well as everything else. To our numerous friends and patrons of the past 35 years it is not necessary to remind them of the advantages to be had by dealing with us. They are standing advertisements of our liberality in dealing. If you have never dealt with us do so now.

Be Fair With Yourself.

Try one of those Fine all wool Imported clay worsted sack Suits. Just such as all our Competitors sell at 10 00 for 7 50 That is a fair sample of our prices, 10 00 worth of value for 7 50.

Another Great Bargain

is our all wool Cassimere Pants in fine hair line stripes and medium checks and plaids. They are regular 3 00 goods and worth every cent of it. 1.88 is all that we ask now. Don't buy a pair until you have seen them. Ask to see this great bargain.

Our Prices on Children's Suits Will Be

1 23	for a Child's Suits	worth 2 00
1 45	"	" 2 50
1 98	"	" 3 00
2 42	"	" 3 75

Men's Working Pants worth 75c only 59c.
Men's black and white striped shirts worth 85c only 28c.
Men's good heavy shirts worth 90c only 65c.

If you buy of us you are satisfied, a hope realized; a promise fulfilled, that is what every sale we make means. Remember you can have your money back if you are not satisfied when you deal with us.

Pullen & Son,

LOWELL,

MICHIGAN.

VOLUNTEERS.

Nine Lowell Boys, Sons of Veterans, Volunteer.

The following Lowell boys have volunteered to serve in the war with Spain:

Clarence Long, Maurice Lang, Walter Gibson, Charles Dickerson, Sherman Reynolds, John Clark, Uman Hawk, Tilden Epley, Hayes Rolf; and there may be others.

The above named have passed the local medical examination and are momentarily expecting orders to proceed to Island Lake.

Several others wanted to go but were unable to stand the test of the physical examination.

Bad Runaway.

L. W. Cogswell and his son, W. A. Cogswell, both of Lowell, were driving through the city with a load of furniture which they removing to Mr. Cogswell's daughter's home on Plainfield avenue yesterday forenoon when, on Ionia street, the horses became frightened and ran away. The horses smashed up the wagon pretty badly before they were stopped and both occupants were thrown out. They were badly shaken up but no bones were broken.—[Grand Rapids Democrat, May 6.

Didn't Like to be Pushed.

Quite a number of years ago a well known well-to-do citizen of a town located within a hundred miles of this office bought a quantity of blank from a dealer in that article. For four years the dealer tried to get his pay but without success. At length, after carrying several bills until they had fallen to pieces the dealer asked Mr. Blank to give him his note for the amount due, saying that he was tired of carrying the account on his books. Mr. Blank gave his note and Mr. Dealer kept it until a few days before it would have been outlawed when he said:

"Look here, Blank, this has run for ten years and if you don't pay it now I am going to sue you."
"Well," says Blank, "I think you are in a bit of a hurry about that little bill."

Everything From a Nutshell.

The following programme will be given at the entertainment, "Everything from a Nutshell" at J. S. Hooker's next Friday evening:

Music—J. L. Dickerson, violin; Pearl Dickerson, violin; George Morse, cornet.

Recitation—Vesta Smith.

Solo—Charles Howe.

Recitation—Nellie Marshall.

Music—Choir.

Recitation—Donald Wilson.

Solo—Della James.

Music—J. L. Dickerson, violin; Miss Dickerson, violin; George Morse—cornet.

Recitation—Jessie Tilden.

Solo—Addie Chambers.

Everybody is invited.

Death of a Grattan Pioneer.

Grattan has lost another of its pioneers who carved that beautiful farming township out of the primeva forest.

Dennis Driscoll died at his home in Grattan, Friday, May 6, at the age of 73 years, of cancer of the stomach.

Funeral services were held on Monday at the Parnell Catholic church, conducted by Rev. F. Byrnes.

Not Too Late to Plant Trees.

It is not too late to plant trees that have been kept in a dormant condition by cold storage. Many successful fruit men have had the best of results this way long after the old trees have leafed and blossomed. N. P. Husted's trees are kept in that way and no one need fear to plant them for several weeks yet. Plant now and save a year's time.

Next Sunday at Island Lake.

Will be the last chance to see a good many of the boys in blue, as they will leave for the South very soon. Don't miss this opportunity. D. G. E. & W. R. R. train will leave Elmdale at 7:40 a. m. Returning, leave the lake at 6:30 p. m. Round trip rate \$1.00. Tickets will be sold to Detroit for this train. Rate \$1.50. Ask agents or see bills for further particulars and remember the date—May 15th.

GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

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

Death of L. D. Hoag.

L. D. Hoag died at his home in Cannonsburg at 2 a. m. Tuesday, at the age of 78 years. Funeral services were held this forenoon at the Methodist church at Cannonsburg, conducted by Rev. Mr. Joslyn, of Cedar Springs.

Mr. Hoag was one of Cannon township's pioneer citizens. He was a brother of Sydney E. Hoag and of Mrs. J. W. Walker of this village. He was the father of six children, two of whom, Mrs. L. P. Thomas, of Lowell, and B. M. Hoag, now attending the Normal school at Ypsilanti, are well known to our readers.

Thus one by one the old residents are passing to their reward, leaving a goodly heritage to those who follow them.

Wheat 135. Better sell.

Lace Curtains cheap at Blain's.

Clean your teeth with Rose Cream. Vera Marsh is ill with the measles.

R. B. Boylan has a change of adv. this week.

John Crawford was in Freeport, Saturday.

Will Cogswell was in Grand Rapids last Thursday.

Blain sells Carpets from 10c a yard up.

Marks Ruben's store is supplied with a new awning.

Crayon portraits free to patrons of Bush's bakery.

Billy Barber is playing short stop for the Grand Rapidsteam.

Miss Bessie McCarty visited friends in Grand Rapids last week.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Bunker of Freeport visited their son, Fred, Sunday.

Regular communication of the O. E. S., Friday evening, May 13.

C. H. Wesbrook has returned from a three weeks stay at Kalkaska.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Purple of Traverse City are visiting his mother.

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

Godfrey & Lawrence quote some new prices in their adv. this week.

Mrs. M. Bisby has returned from an extended visit with Detroit friends.

G. E. L. Booth has moved from Carson City, Mich. to Elmhurst, Cal.

Mrs. George Carr is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Will Fox, in Sturgis.

Rev. George Harris preached at the Baptist church Sunday evening.

Wanted, 10,000 people to send their Laundry to the Lowell Steam Laundry.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Kunkel of South Boston visited at Mr. S. D. Marsh's, Sunday.

Mrs. B. C. Smith is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. A. Monks, at Cadillac.

A. M. Carver, Geo. Montague and J. W. Phillips now get their mail at Freeport.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Reuteler visited at Mr. A. Blakeslee's South Lowell, Sunday.

Mrs. Lottie Rork was called to Bay City to participate in a musical entertainment.

Everybody knows what Bergin's coffees are, and the best in the world at the price. 254tf

Clara Huges and Jim McMahon were guests of Emma Clark, of Saranac, Sunday.

Godfrey & Lawrence have a fine assortment of both American and Cuban flags.

Arthur Parmlee of Almont, Mich. was the guest of his cousin, F. M. Johnson, Monday.

Miss Winnie Johnson returned to Windsor, Sunday, where she will resume her studies.

Our guarantee with every purchase: "Goods the best, prices the lowest" Bergin, the reliable grocer. 254tf

Tom Murphy and Art McMahon wheeled to Grand Rapids, Sunday, and attended the ball game.

Robert Clark manipulates the keyboard at the Bell central now, Vern Carver having removed with his parents to Freeport.

The man who kicked on paying \$1.50 for a job of printing at this office one day last week and then went to the other office and had to pay \$2.00 because he was ashamed to come back after having made an ass of himself, probably knows more now. Next time he is offered a good thing, perhaps he will have sense enough to take it.

Call at city bakery for your lunch.

See

Klark & Klark

If you love your Dollar.

We Have Something New In

In Kerosene Blue Flame Stoves—No Wick. They are absolutely safe and work to Perfection. We also have the Best line of Gasoline Stoves ever offered in this section.

Refrigerators? We carry the "Alaska"

Enough Said.

Screen Doors and Windows

In this line we have something Entirely new and it will make your heart glad to use them.

Bicycles? You Know our Line.

We sell more than any other dealer in Lowell—Prices and Quality is what does it.

In Conclusion

Just a Sentence

on Hardware It is the truth and speaks for itself and as follows;

We are the Price Makers on Hardware.

Klark & Klark.

4 K Hardware.

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

JEWELRY LINE,

CALL AT

HIGBY'S

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.

Agricultural Implements

of all kinds at reasonable prices, also Farm Wagons and Fine Carriages, Whips, Robes, Harness, etc.

H. Nash, On the Bridge. Garden Seeds in Package or Bulk,

The annual statement of the Lowell Building & Loan Association is published in this issue.

A man might as well try to put a quart of water into a pint measure as to make a better harness than our famous Oak Tanned hand made harness. Before purchasing it is for your interest to call and look at our goods.

Brown & Seiler.

Grand Trunk Ry. D. & M. Div. Excursion Sunday, May 15th to Grand Rapids. Leaving Lowell 11:28 Return, leave Grand Rapids 7:00 p. m. and trains Monday, May 16th. Fare for round trip .50c.

A. O. HEYDLAUFF, Agt. An oven room has been added to Dan Bash's bakery, giving him additional room for his lunch and ice cream department.

GODFREY & LAWRENCE

ARE AT THE FRONT WITH A FULL LINE OF—

Clothing, Hats, Caps, Trunks, Telescopes, Crockery;

Also Lamps, Glassware, and General Bazaar Goods.

A Few Special Bargains.

Our 50c Striped Overalls are trade winners
Our 50c Working Shirts are the best in the market.
We sell a good Blue Denim overall for 35c.
Working Shirt for 35c.
We sell fancy Dress Shirts at 35c, 50c, 65c, 75c and 1.00.

We sell Boys' Brownies overall at 15c, 25c, 35c.
We sell Straw Hats. Largest stock from .05c to 1.50.
Buggy Whips at 15c, 25c, 35c, 50c, 75c, 1.50.
Standard Croquet Sets at 60c, 75c, 1.00, 1.40.
A 10qt. tin paul with blk. enameled handle at 10c.

We sell the Gendron wheel Iron Wagon, the best on the market at 1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75, 2.00.
12 bars Armour's Laundry Soap for 25c.
John J. Clark thread, 6 cord finish, warranted 200 yds. on spool, 2 spools for 5c.

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Job printing in connection at lowest living rates. "Always Prompt" is our motto.

OUR EDITORIAL PLATFORM.

We will speak out, we will be heard.
We think all earth's systems err.
We will not take a single word.
Nor take a letter back.

We speak the truth, and what care we
For hissing and for scorn.
While some faint gleamings we can see
Of freedom's coming morn.

Let lines fan, let towards shrink
Let traitors turn away.
Whatever we have dared to think
That dare we also say.

—James Russell Lowell.

THE COUNTRY EDITOR.

Congressman Champ Clark, of Missouri, in a recent speech on the Local postal reform service bill, in the national house of representatives at Washington, embodied in his remarks the following eulogy on the country editor:

"I am unalterably opposed to any measure that will injure the country editor, curtail his profits, circumscribe his usefulness, or place an additional thorn in his path.
The rural editor—God bless him!—is the most persistent of teachers. Like charity, as described by St. Paul in the thirteenth chapter of Corinthian, he "suffereth long and is kind."
He is the pack horse of every community, the promoter of every laudable enterprise, the worst underpaid laborer in the vineyard. Counting his space as his capital, he gives more to charity, his means considered, than any other member of society. He is a power in politics, a pillar of the church, a leader in the crusade for better morals. He is preeminently the friend of humanity.
Line upon line, paragraph upon paragraph, day by day, he is embalm-ing the history of the times. (Applause.) He joyously announces our advent into this world, briefly records our uprisings and our downfalls, and sorrowfully chronicles our exit from this vale of tears.
He is the greatest and most ingenious of manufacturers, for, while other manufacturers produce only perishable stuffs, he manufactures immortal statements out of raw, very raw material.
He is—
To our virtues ever kind,
And to our faults a little blind.
We are all more or less, generally more, his handiwork; and it does not become the creature to injure the business of his creator. Working night and day during the campaign, often without money and without price, when the election is over and the victory won, and the leaves and the fishes, now vulgarly called "pie," are to be distributed, by some strange lapse of the human memory, he is generally forgotten."
FRED ALGER, a youth of 22 years, whose sole claim to recognition is the fact that he is a son of Gen. K. A. Alger, has been appointed to a captaincy in the volunteer service, while thousands of men of valuable experience have to take a Lack set for this needless striping. General Alger is at the head of the war department and the appointment is tainted with nepotism.

THE CITY BANK

WHITNEY, WATTS & CO.
Responsibility, \$100,000.00.
LOWELL, - MICH.
WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE, President.
W. A. WATTS, Cashier.
A general banking business transacted. 3 percent interest paid on certificates of deposit. Deposits of \$1.00 and upward received in Savings Department, on which 3 percent interest will be credited semi-annually, on all deposits left for months. Money loaned on real estate security, partial payments allowed of any amount at any time.

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WE WANT YOUR BUSINESS.

Keene.
Mr. Wetherly, from Utah, was here last week visiting his sick mother. He is a brother of Mrs. Edwin Abbey and a father to Del Wetherly.
The aid was quite well attended at Mrs. James Frederick's. The next meeting will be held at Mrs. Lamberton's, June 1st. All will be cordially entertained.
Mansion Wilkinson and wife were the guests of his sister, Mrs. Robert Sparks on Sunday.
Samuel Strong, of Potter's Corners, spent Sunday with Mrs. James Bowen.
Mrs. Jennie Holden is keeping house for Emerson Davoren. She is his aunt.
Mrs. Tim Brown, of Potter's Corners, is very sick.
Mrs. John Brown, of Otisaw, mother of Mrs. Frank Converse, died and funeral was held Friday. She had been sick for some time.
My Bowen is working for Mrs. Chad Lee.
Charles Lamkins and wife spent Sunday in Bolding with their aunt.
Judge Davis and family, of Ionia, and Ed. Trank's family were the guests of Leroy Hunter and wife, of Saranac, Sunday.
Grandma Wetherly is thought to be improving slowly.
Mrs. Charles Merriam, of Grand Rapids who has been spending a few days with her sister returned home Friday.
B. Wilkinson has been buying some calves, called the Belled cattle. He will sell the "bells" and keep the calves, how is that?
Potter's Corner's school celebrated Arbor Day by planting 11 trees and fixing up a flag pole.
Millions O'w' Away.
It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one who in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proposition of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of all kinds of testimonials, and thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness, and all diseases of the throat, Chest and Lungs are surely cured by it. Call on L. H. Hunt & Co., druggists, and get a trial bottle free. Regular size 50c, and \$1.00. Every bottle guaranteed or price refunded.

Grattan-Vergennes.

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Miss Florence Jakesway is working in Grand Rapids.

By Its Record of remarkable cures

Hood's Sarsaparilla has become the one true blood purifier prominently in the public eye. Get only Hood's.
Hood's Pills are the best family cathartic and liver medicine. 25c.

Fallsburg.

Ed. Condon and wife visited her brother, Prim, Westbrook and family, in Campbell, Sunday.
Mrs. Beckwith is visiting her son, Fred, at Sparta.
Mrs. Bayling visited Mrs. Stockeas last Friday.
Mrs. Holding returned home last Wednesday from Wisconsin.
Mrs. Rufa Farr, of Canonsburg, visited at Jim Colvin's Sunday.
Mr. Libby lost a horse last week.
Mr. and Mrs. Scott visited their daughter, Mrs. Sears, in Grattan Sunday.
Mr. Prim was in the burg delivering peach trees Monday and stayed all night at Wm. Rexford's.

Constitution

Causes fully halt the sickness in the world. It retains the digested food too long in the bowels and produces biliousness, torpid liver, indigestion, etc.

Hood's Pills

Don't forget "Everything from a Nutsell" at J. S. Hooker's Friday evening, May 13. Come and see what a nutsell can do.

Don't forget

The best 40c tea in Michigan at Bergin's for 25c. Try a pound and if not satisfied get your money back. This is "straight goods." 2541f

Ionia has a dog poisoner.

A like industry in Portland would be worked overtime if it did its duty, says the Observer; at least there is plenty of such to do in the place of the biggest nuisance in it—a surplus of worthless dogs.

Try Rose Cream for the teeth.

Linolene cheaper than ever at Blain's.

Splendid New Line of Bed Room Suits

At From \$10.50 Up
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Mrs. Clara A. Sids, teacher.
Lowell, Mich.
J. HARRISON RICKERT,
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Loans, Collections, Real Estate and Insurance.
Lowell, Mich.
O. C. McANNEZ, M. D.,
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Physician and Surgeon, Office at Bridge Street, Lowell, Mich.
G. G. TOWSE, M. D.,
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Notary Public, Real Estate Agent, and Collector, Over Boylan's store, Lowell.

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YOUR PATRONAGE SOLICITED.

FOR FIRE INSURANCE!

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A. E. Campbell, Dentist,
OVER BOYLAN'S STORE.
All branches of dental work done by the latest improved methods. Satisfaction guaranteed. Gas administered.

LOWELL MARKET

Variably corrected Thursday morning.
Wheat 1 25 @ 1 35
Batter 10 @ 12
Oat 6 @ 40
Corn 30 @ 45
Corn 30 @ 32
Eye 6 @ 25
Buckley per cwt 3 50 @ 4 00
Bran per ton 18 @ 20
Middlings per ton 18 @ 20
Corn meal per ton 20 @ 22
Corn and oats per ton 21 @ 22
Eggs 9 @ 70
Potatoes 7 @ 85
Beans 7 @ 85
Peas 5 @ 60
Beef 4 @ 45
Pork 7 @ 8
Wool washed 10 @ 28
Wool unwashed 10 @ 18
Apples 50 @ 80

Lowell Planing Mill,

W. J. ECKER & SON PROPRIETORS,
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LUMBER,
LATH, SHINGLES AND CEDAR FENCE POSTS.
Manufacturers of—Sash, Doors, Blinds, Frames for Doors, Windows and Screens, Exhibition and Shipping Coops for Poultry, Dried Apple Boxes, Wooden Eave Troughs, Etc.
MATCHING, RE-SAWING AND JOB WORK.
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FRUIT TREES.

N. P. Husted and Co.'s stock for this spring's sale is the best we have ever offered. It is grown on new land where nursery trees have never before been raised, warranted healthy and free from scale, root knots, root aphids, or other pests. Buds are cut by our N. P. Husted from bearing trees, thereby insuring our customers varieties true to name, an important item. See our leading standard sorts in stock; also the approved tested new varieties of value.

No Agents Employed.

We find it more satisfactory to deal directly with the growers, relying on the merits of our goods, square dealing and satisfied customers for our trade. Call on us, look over our stock and be convinced of the truth of this statement. If you cannot call, write us for twelve page circulars mailed free. It gives valuable information in regard to our trade. Our specialties, they will please you, if you plant them they will make money for you.

Certificate No. 48.

State Board of Agriculture,
November 15, 1888.
This is to certify that I have examined the nursery stock and premises of N. P. Husted & Co., Lowell, Mich., and find no indications of the presence of San Jose scale, nor any of the dangerous insect pests or fungous diseases. N. P. Husted,
State Inspector of nurseries and orchards.
N. P. HUSTED & CO.,
Lowell, Kent county, Mich.

SMITH, The Leading Tailor.

Fall and winter samples now in.

Forwarded at double quick time

the music. Prices mark the cadence by which the stuff moves. The Genesis of May is the exodus of goods. The past two weeks' store news inspired good feeling—the local world believed our report, Success in retailing is a matter of feeling—it is not our fault if you don't feel kindly toward us, we try to give you the best goods and service. If we fail give us a chance to make up for it.

Silk Lined Jackets.

Special attention is called to our new 10 Imported Cover Cloth Jackets, lined with fine taffeta silk.

\$3.50 Corsets, 99c.

Only 48 left—those celebrated C. P. corsets—nearly every size in the lot.

Silk Department.

New Bayader stripes, in shades of watermelon, red, pink, brown, green, etc., worth more, but we mark them low, 1.00.

Black Goods.

Mohair and wool crepons, former price 65c reduction sale price, 39c.

All wool grenadines,

former price 1.00 and 85c, reduction sale price, 69c.

Fancy Covered Boxes

For Soiled clothes.
Looks like a nice piece of furniture and will be welcomed in every home. Four sizes, all deep and spacious, with prices cut as follows: 15x24 in. from \$2 down to 1.50
15x30 in. from \$3 down to 2.50

It was a Great carpet offering

Bigelow Axminsters at 85c, down from 1.85.
Brusseis at 75c, from 1.25.
Ingrain at 35c from 50c.

Mail Orders.

We rightfully claim to be the quickest mail order house in Michigan and the best organized for practical and reliable service. Shopping by mail is a delightful experience with instructions faithfully and endeavor to do even better than is asked or expected of us. With such service and satisfaction, no wonder we are the greatest of mail order houses.

Spring & Co.

Grand Rapids, Mich.

A CLEW BY WIRE

Or An Interrupted Current.
BY HOWARD M. TOST.
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LUCK IS A FOOL! PLUCK IS A HERO!

Merchants seem to think that our stirring sales are ruled by a lucky star. But it is not luck that gains the confidence of the people; it is not luck that puts before you the greatest values in Clothing History; it is not luck that makes other stores look as deserted as the old city of Pompeii. It's pluck in the buying; it's pluck in plucking the prices. It's Marks' knowledge, knowing what the Lowell People want.

Why Marks Leads.

MEN'S SUITS.

Men's Railroad Suit gold mixed wears like iron regular price \$ 7.75 For this sale only **2.97**
 Fine blue black invisible plaid, Worsted suit, K. N. & F. make, regular price \$6.50 For this sale only **4.37**
 Blue black Cheviot suit, well lined, K. N. & F. make, regular \$6.80. For this sale only **4.37**
 Invisible plaid, wool suit, good wearer, K. N. & F. make, regular price \$6.75. This sale only **4.48**
 All wool Cheviot, well made, farmer's satin lined, K. N. & F. make, guaranteed great value, regular price \$7.50 Now only **5.29**
 All wool invisible plaid, well lined, Italian lined and piped, regular price \$8.75. Now only **6.19**
 All wool, light colored, invisible plaid, nicely trimmed, nobby spring suit, K. N. & F. make, regular price \$8.75. This sale only **6.19**
 All wool, Clay Worsted 14 oz lined with Italian lining, regular price, Sack, \$9.50. Now **7.38**

30 doz knee pants, warranted all cotton, sizes 4 to 14 years, formerly 25c. For this sale only **17**
 25 doz all wool knee pants, sizes 4 to 15 years, former price 65c. For this sale only **42**
 25 doz suspenders, 20c goods, For this sale only **9**
 Too many other bargains to mention this week.

Why Marks Grows.

All wool Clay Worsted, 14 oz, lined with Italian lining, regular price, Frook, \$12.50. Now **9.87**
 Imported, all wool, Clay Worsted 18 oz, sack or frook suit, made by K. N. & F. Co. lined with imported Italian lining, padded shoulders, piped, former price \$12.75. For this sale only **9.87**
 Imported, all wool, Clay Worsted, 20 oz, satin lined, fancy sleeve lining, padded shoulders, made by K. N. & F. Co. in sacks and frocks, formerly \$18.50. For this sale only **13.87**
 Eighteen oz French back, very fine, farmer's satin lined, padded shoulders, fancy sleeve lined and piped, in sacks or frocks, formerly \$11.50. This sale only **13.87**
Youth's Boys and Children's
 All wool, invisible plaid, light square or round out, single breasted, K. N. & F. make, regular price \$5.75. For this sale only **3.87**
 Wool mixed, invisible plaid sack suit, dark color, regular price \$5.75 For this sale only **3.87**

Why Marks is Popular.

All wool, invisible plaid, grey mixed, sack suit, light color, regular price \$6.75. Now only **\$4.98**
 All wool domestic Clay Worsted, sizes 15 to 19 years, well made; well trimmed, Italian lining, fancy sleeve lining, formerly \$9.00. For this sale only **6.92**
 Imported, all wool, 16 oz Clay Worsted, sizes 15 to 19 years, lined with Italian lining, fancy sleeve lining, formerly \$10.50, For this sale only **7.62**
 Imported, all wool, Clay Worsted ages 16 to 20 years, panned, fancy sleeve lining, padded shoulders, formerly \$13.75. For this sale only **9.87**
 Twenty suits, 3 piece goods, coat pants and vest, regular price \$4.00 to \$6.00, to close 'em out **\$2.87**
 Twenty-six suits, knee pants, light and dark colored, regular price \$1.75. To close out **\$1.13**
 Twenty-five suits, knee pants, plaids and check, regular price \$2.00 To close these out **\$1.37**

Why Marks is Happy.

Invisible plaid, wool suit, 4 to 14 years, regular price \$9.50. For this sale only **\$1.68**
 All wool fancy plaid, light colored, 5 to 14 years, regular price \$2.75. For this sale only **\$1.78**
 Blue black Cheviot, well made, 5 to 15 years, regular price \$3.50, For this sale only **\$2.19**
 Men's outing flannel, working shirt, good lengths, sizes 14 to 17 former price 75c. For this sale only **.17**
 Heavy working shirts, all colors, full sizes 14 1/2 to 17 1/2, 36 in long, warranted not to rip, formerly 50c For this sale only **.35**
 Black sateen shirt, 36 in long, fast colors, former price 10c, For this sale only **.35**
 Extra heavy work shirt, black stripe, corded bosom, twenty different patterns, well made, warranted not to rip, formerly 60c, For this sale only **.48**
 Extra heavy work shirt, pleated bosom fancy colors with necktie, former price 75c For this sale only **.50**

Why Others Grumble.

Fancy fine negligee shirt with collar attached, in all colors, all sizes, former price 50c, For this sale only **.34**
 Fancy front, dress shirt, former price 50c For this sale only **.36c**
 Fancy front, very fine dress shirt with cuffs, detached, formerly 75c For this sale only **.52**
 100 doz pairs socks, warranted all cotton, To be sold at **.05**
 30 doz. fancy fine socks, in brown and black, regular price 15c For this sale only **.06**
 25 doz. pairs overalls, 35c goods, For this sale only **.23**
 30 doz. striped and checked overalls, warranted not to rip, 75c goods, For this sale only **.50c**
 Genuine Everett blue deming, former price 40c, This sale only **.35**
 Men's cotton pants, all colors, sizes 32 to 44, former price 90c, For this sale only **.58**
 Extra heavy cotton work pants, well made, two hip pockets, all colors, sizes 32 to 46, former \$1.25 For this sale only **.87**



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A General Banking Business Transacted
 Money Loaned on Real Estate Security



Phil Reuteler is again occupying his own home.
 The bill boards announce a circus in Lowell on Saturday, May 14.
 Charles Callow and Archie Service of Ionia visited friend in Lowell Sunday.
 Charles Babcock and Fred Lake of Grand Rapids, visited friends in Lowell Sunday.
 Services will be held at St. Mary's Catholic church, next Sunday; mass at 10 a. m., vespers at 7 p. m.
 Mrs. A. P. Hunter and Miss Annie have returned from a visit with H. H. Hunter and family at Mt. Pleasant.
 C. Bergin and R. D. Bergin have returned from Lowell where they attended the funeral of their brother-in-law, John Powers.
 Arrangements are being made for a due observance of Decoration day in Lowell. If the weather is favorable the exercises will doubtless be held upon the Island.
 Another old Lowell resident has returned to the old place after an extended residence in other places. Mrs. W. J. Miller has again taken up her residence in Lowell.
 The B. Y. P. U. will give an experience social at the church, Friday evening, May 20. Ice cream and cake will be served. The young people are raising money to pay for the large window. Come out and help them.
 The special school meeting held last Thursday evening to vote upon the proposal to bond the district for \$3,000 for the purpose of building a new ward building was about as well attended as Lowell school meetings usually are. Twenty votes were cast; all "yes."
 Own a home, stop paying rent. The Lowell Building & Loan association will tell you how.

The Cock's Shriill Clarion

Isn't it at this day and age as a sleep disturber.
 Be up to date and have something that will do the trick any time you wish. Just the thing for an early excursion or a fishing trip. It will cost you only

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and will save a lot of nervous energy as well as serving the purpose of an accurate time piece.
 Our nickle Alarm Clock's are guaranteed for 1 year.



Put up the Island Park bridges.
 Send your work to the Lowell Steam Laundry.
 J. M. Medler is assisting L. H. Hunt & Co. this week.
 George Rodgers and John Schenue of Grand Rapids, visited at Mr. Bulhard's Sunday.
 Rev. L. N. Pattison attended a two days session of the district ministerial association at Grand Rapids this week.
 The Phila Clark Union will meet with Mrs. O. O. Adams Tuesday, May 17. All members are requested to be present.
 A special school meeting will be held at Central building Tuesday evening, May 17, to select a site for the new ward building.
 A patriotic entertainment is being prepared by the pupils of the schools and the ladies of the W. R. C. It will be given about June 1.
 Trees kept in dormant condition in cold storage can be safely transplanted for some weeks yet. Call and see our trees. We can please you. N. P. HUSTED & Co.
 An all night dance will be given under the auspices of the Original Vergennes Dancing club at Train's opera house, Friday evening, May 27, 1898. Music by Adams' orchestra. Floor managers: Frank Misner, Ed Story, Jay Frost. Bill to dance 50 cents, including horse care at McQueen's.

L. B. Lyon has moved to Bass Lake Read Pullen & Son's new announcement.
 Rev. Ira B. Jones is recovering from his recent illness.
 A new floor has been laid in P. F. Ronan's place of business.
 I have a few good horses for sale. H. NASH.
 Prospects for a big crop of fruit of all sorts are glorious.
 Jay Morgan and Frank Marsh were in Grand Rapids, Saturday, on their bikes.
 Order your flowers plants and hanging baskets for Decoration Day of Miss Pattison.
 Calista Godfrey & Lawrence for decorated and plain dinner sets. Largest stock, lowest prices.
 Mrs. Clara Tucker of Pittsburg, Pa. has moved to Lowell and occupies the residence of her father, Robert Hunter.
 Penco trees—The best in the world in cold storage. Come and examine our stock. We can please you in grade, variety and prices.
 N. P. HUSTED & Co.
 We are informed that James Hine, formerly editor of the Lowell Journal and late of the Detroit Journal, has purchased a paper at Tecumseh and will move to that place and take charge.
 Saturday is Envelope day at the Ledger office. On that day we will give you 100 good white envelopes with your name, business and address neatly printed in one corner, all for 25c. Done while you wait. Come up.
 The outlook for a big crop of small fruits in Southern Michigan and Northern Indiana is unusually good this year. The winter was favorable and the spring weather has given the buds a good start. The raspberry and blackberry crop promises to be exceptionally good.
 The young ladies of Miss Bessie White's Sundry School class will serve ice cream Saturday afternoon and evening in the Fox building on the south side of Main St. They are making an effort to raise money for the new church. Give them your patronage and thus help the girls in a good work.
 Follow the crowds that flock to Marks Ruben's great spring bargain sale of clothing. Look at the big bargain your next door neighbor got there. Sell your wheat now while the price is higher than it will be in years and buy your clothing while it is cheaper than you may ever see again. This is good horse sense and the place to exhibit it yourself is at "Marks Ruben's of course."

Bruce Kiester of Sparta spent Sunday in town.
 Mrs. W. B. Rickert is visiting friends in Grand Rapids.
 Rev. A. P. Moors, of Ovid, is one of the latest devotees of the wheel.
 Vinu Hunt and Clara Fallas were at Saranac, Sunday, on their wheels.
 Miss Mabel Moors of Ovid, returned home Monday after a visit with Lowell friends.
 Beacon Lights of History, valuable reference works, in ten volumes, have been added to the vantage library.
 Harry Snow, wife and children, of South Grand Rapids were guests of Father Winters two days last week.
 The annual reunion of Ionia county battalion of the G. A. R. will be held at Belding on the first Wednesday in August.
 A. L. Braisted and family of Grand Rapids visited over Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Silas Braisted.
 The Ladies Aid Society of Vergennes will meet, May 19, with Miss Mary Martin. A cordial invitation is extended to all.
 Subjects at the Baptist church next Sunday: Morning, "The motive Power of Christian Work;" evening, "That Great Victory."
 Klark & Klark have made a year's advertising contract with the LEDGER; and their opening announcement appears in this issue.
 Miss Mattie Curtis is home from Big Rapids, where she has been attending school. She will return to her school in about a week.
 List of unclaimed letters—Milford Jackson, O. H. Look, Mr. McWickwire, David Roserthol, Geo. A. Ray, Thos. O'Neil, Miss Harrison.
 Time is money. Set out your trees now and gain a year's time. N. P. Husted & Co. can furnish the best trees on earth and in good condition at reasonable prices.
 N. P. HUSTED & Co.
 Mrs. Emma Dawson, widow of Richard Dawson, deceased, has been granted a pension, under the general law, of \$12 per month, with \$2 additional for each child under the age of 16 years. M. M. Perry was her attorney, to whom much credit is due.
 A. O. Heydlauff, the genial local agent for the D., G. H. & M. Railroad company is asked many times every day: "Any war news?" That was question put to him by the LEDGER man Monday; and the reply was: "Yes, we've heard from Sampson." In answer to our eager inquiry: "What has he done?" Mr. Heydlauff perpetrated the following with malice and aforethought: "He has notified the Spaniards to keep off the grass because it's rather Dewey."

PAY WHEN CURED.



G. A. MUNCH, M. D., the Eminent Specialist, who has five Diplomas and two honorary Diplomas, and who can name and locate a disease without asking a question, will be at
LOWELL, HOTEL BRAGE,

Tuesday, June 7.

No matter WHAT your disease, or who has failed to cure you Consult him. IT COSTS NOTHING and is strictly confidential.

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If you have been deceived by FRAUDS, HUMBUGS, QUACKS and so-called "SPECIALISTS" call and investigate. We can furnish plenty of references.

Our best reference: "No Cure No Pay." Why will you pay out money when we ASK NO PAY UNTIL CURED. For further information or circulars see Dr. Munch, or address with stamp.

Detroit Medical & Surgical Institute, 145 Pine Detroit Mich
 LAKE ODESSA, Miner Hotel, Wed. June 8. SARANAC, Monday, June 6.

Ex-County Clerk Cornelius L. Harvey

Has sold his interest in Harvey & Heystek Co., and is no longer connected therewith in any way. He is now occupying the store at 59 Monroe street, with a

Wall Paper and Paints,

and will be pleased to have his friends call on him when in Grand Rapids....

Cornelius L. Harvey,

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