

# The Lowell Ledger.

"WITH MALICE TOWARD NONE AND CHARITY FOR ALL."

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LOWELL, KENT COUNTY, MICH., JULY 14, 1898.

WHOLE NO. 264.

## Get off the Earth and Keep off

by investing in a pair of our

### Nettleton

Fine Calf Congress Shoes.

sizes 5 to 7 1/2, for only

\$2.00.

Quality is our strong argument. Come early and secure your pair—our prices make lively buying.



GEO. M. WINEGAR.

## Threshers

### Attention!

—We wish to close out our stock of—

#### Thresher Belts

and to accomplish this quickly we will make very low prices upon those in stock while they last.

First come, first served.

R. B. BOYLAN.

## School Meeting.

### FREE TEXT BOOKS AND LAW OF '97 VOTED DOWN.

#### Trustee McDannell Re-elected. Librarian's Report.

What do you think? Over forty people attended the annual school meeting in Lowell Monday evening. Isn't that a stunner! Attendance hasn't averaged more than a dozen for the previous five years.

Trustee Hicks occupied the chair and the reports of the director and librarian were read.

The total expenditures for the year were

Teachers' fund	-	\$4159.90
Library fund	-	272.27
Incidental	-	1584.44
Total	-	\$6016.61

#### THE LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

Number of books in library including magazines and public documents 4231. Librarian has repaired 3500 books during year. Books needing binding 58, also 5 volumes of magazines.

Circulation of books for year: History, 29990, a gain over preceding year of 1816;

Biography, 620, a gain of 216; Science, 740, a gain of 3; Travels, 502, a gain of 39; Poetry, 382, a gain of 23; Literature, 1838, a gain of 296; Miscellaneous, 454 a loss from preceding year of 223; Fiction, 4338, a loss of 2938; Juvenile fiction, 2267, a loss of 2219.

Reference, 1498, a gain of 518, Books loaned during the year, 15639. Books added, 11.

#### ELECTION.

Trustee McDannell was elected to succeed himself.

The meeting voted \$100 for director's salary, \$200 for librarian and \$100 for purchase of books.

The vote on free text books and the law of '97 was then taken, resulting in a vote of 40 no to 2 yes. A. W. Weekes and Sylvester Brower acted as tellers.

A feature of meeting was the attendance and participation in the voting of a number of lady taxpayers.

#### FEVER FROM STREAMS.

##### Warning to Young Men who Bathe in Rivers.

Recent reports to the state board of health shows that two cases of typhoid fever have been caused by drinking in river water. In no case should water be used for drinking or culinary purposes from a river or stream into which sewerage is emptied or privies or stables are liable to drain; and as most of the rivers and streams of this state have towns situated upon or near their banks, from which sewerage is received and privies are liable to drain, therefore it is very dangerous to use water from any of the rivers or streams for any culinary purpose whatever, except the water be first boiled, and should not in any case whatever be drank unless previously boiled. Cases have been reported where typhoid fever has been contracted by bathing in streams. Probably this will be most likely to occur through accident or carelessly taking the water into the mouth. Especially should no person bathe in an ordinary stream just below any village or other source of sewerage or privy drainage.

#### Real Estate Transfers.

John S. Bergin and wife to Edgar B. Smith and wife, land on sec. 2, Lowell and lots 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 115, 116, Sweet & Smith's add to Lowell. 4,000

Edgar B. Smith and wife to John S. Bergin, e 1/2, sw 1/4, sec. 24 and lot 1, sec 25, Planfield. 8,000

Almon B. Rowland and wife to Ellery B. and Gabe Owen, w 1/2, sw 1/4, sec. 17, Lowell. 450

#### GRAND RAPIDS SALOON WAR.

##### Mayor Perry Insists on All Sellers Being Treated Alike.

Grand Rapids, July 11.—The "Wide Open" mayor and his administration are once more attracting attention. When Geo. R. Perry became mayor on May 1 he intended to be more lenient with the saloons, and when he failed he made complaint against the bartender of the Peninsular club, the swell organization of the city, charging him with selling liquor illegally. The warrants were finally pigeon-holed at the request of the mayor and laid quiet until Saturday night, when the police were alleged to have found the Morton house bar open after 11 o'clock and ordered it closed. The mayor went to the station at midnight and demanded in retaliation a raid on the Peninsular club. This was refused, and he demanded the serving of his old warrant. The bartender was arrested to-day on two charges, and demanded examination. It is probable now that the thing will be done to a finish and that all the clubs will be looked after, including the Military club and Lakeside club, to which the mayor belongs, and all the others.

##### Notice to Correspondents, Contributors and Advertisers.

The publisher of THE LEDGER expects to be present at the three day meeting of the Michigan Press Association at Muskegon next week, with side trips to Milwaukee, Chicago and Fort Sheridan.

Our correspondents and contributors are requested to make their reports as complete as possible and to send them in early.

Advertisers will greatly oblige by bringing their ads. as soon after this paper is out as possible.

EDITOR LEDGER

#### The Undiscovered Country.

Could we but know  
The land that ends our dark, uncertain  
travel,  
Where lie those happier hills and meadows low,  
Ah, if beyond the spirit's inmost cavil  
Aught of that country we could surely  
know,

Who would not go?  
Might we but hear  
The hovering angel's high imagined  
chorus,  
Or catch, betimes, with wakeful eyes and clear  
One radiant vista of the realm before us,  
With one rapt moment given to see and hear.

Ah, who would fear?  
Were we quite sure  
To find the peerless friend who left us lonely,  
Or there, by some celestial stream as pure,  
To gaze in eyes that here were love-lit only,  
This weary, mortal coil, were we quite sure,  
Who would endure?  
—Edmund Clarence Stedman in Detroit Free Press.

#### Price List on Coal.

To take effect July 15, 1898.  
Egg, stove and nut coal, 1 ton, \$6.40, 1/2 ton, \$3.35, 1/4 ton \$1.70; Carried, \$6.65, \$3.50, \$1.80. Grate coal 25c less per ton.  
For cash on or before Oct 1, 1898, 5 per cent off.  
4 baskets \$1.00 net.

R. B. Boylan,  
Klark & Klark,  
D. E. Rogers & Son.

#### Organs at Cost.

Owing to a mistake by the company in filling my orders I have just received four fine Farrand and Votey organs of the same style and not wishing so many, I will for the next 30 days offer any of these organs at cost price rather than to rebox and pay freight charges on their return to factory.  
R. D. Stocking.

#### Notice to Taxpayers.

The village tax roll is in my hands and taxpayers have until August 8th to avoid paying extra percentage.  
J. B. Yeiter, treasurer.

Get your watch and jewelry repaired at Oliver's and you will be satisfied.  
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#### Price Makers

—on—  
Hardware.

## Late Season Prices

—which are inducements on—

On Bicycles.  
On Refrigerators.  
On Gasoline Stoves.  
On Lawn Mowers.  
On Ice Cream Freezers.  
On Screen Doors and Windows.

### Now

Is the proper time to Figure on putting in a FURNACE. We have one which we can guarantee to save one third on fuel.

**Machine Oil**—We have the Paragon which is the best we can buy.

**Windmills**—We sell the "Dandy."

## Evaporators.

We are the only house in Lowell who handle a full line of evaporator supplies.

## Klark & Klark,

K-K-K-K

—Hardware—

## I Want Your

### Old Gold and Silver

and will pay Cash for it.

I want to make you prices on the largest stock of watches, clocks and jewelry ever shown in Lowell.  
I want to do your repairing, guaranteeing satisfaction in every respect.

G. M. HIGBY.

## 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,

## Volunteers Wanted

To join our army of readers, cost but \$1.00 per year. Subscribe for the LEDGER now and get all the news.

#### Dance! Dance!!

A Vest Dance will be given at Trafin's hall, Friday evening, July 23. Music by O. O. Adams' orchestra. All invited. Come and have a good time.

#### HOME NEWS.

##### Gossip and Chat about People and Things You Know.

Miss Tassa Burnett, of Saranac, is in town this week.

Margaret Bookey, of Grattan, enjoys an increase of pension from \$8 to \$10.

A nice line of 5 cent plants for sale by Miss Pattison.

Mrs. VanLeuvan of Ionia is the guest of Mrs. Benj. Terwilliger.

Dr. Reagen of Grand Rapids was in town Tuesday on business.

Special sale Dewey souvenir spoons at 11c. U. B. Williams.

Mrs. W. D. Sterling, of Lowell, is visiting friends in the city.—[Hastings Journal.

C. C. Winegar has been looking after his farming interests at Saranac this week.

**Wanted**—A position as house-keeper by an elderly lady. Inquire at this office.

Seneca Husted and family spent several days with Grand Rapids relatives last week.

Wm. Whitney of Saranac was in town Tuesday looking after his property here.

A. W. Weekes and family left Wednesday to occupy their cottage at Bay View.

J. C. Andrews and family will occupy the Moore house on Washington street.

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

Mrs. Esther H. Perham, of this village, died last Monday at the age of 90 years and seven months. She was one of the old residents of the township, having lived on a farm in South Boston several years before she came to Saranac, and she has resided here for about 30 years. She will be better known among the old residents as Mrs. Allen as her marriage with Americus Perham is of comparatively recent date. The funeral was held from her late residence last Tuesday afternoon.—[Saranac Local.

(Additional Local on page 8.)

#### Fell From His Hay Loft.

Martin Schneider, a man of over 60 years, who lives in South Lowell fell from the hay loft of his barn yesterday afternoon and for a time it was thought he was fatally injured. Dr. McDannell was summoned and this morning announces that the old gentleman is not seriously hurt.

#### Talked Over Old Times.

C. Krum was up from the Rapids yesterday shaking hands with old Lowell friends. He ran across John M. Matthewson and the two began talking over incidents that happened over fifty years ago. One was the shooting of a deer on Grand River bank and the other a wrestle between Mr. Matthewson and Jake Chrysler in which the latter came out second best. Mr. Chrysler was not exactly satisfied and wanted to try it again. Mr. Matthewson offered to bet cows—each party owned one—but Mr. Chrysler would not risk his animal. The wrestling days of these men have gone by, but the old fellows enjoy talking over the old days just the same.

#### Stop Work one Day and Go to Ottawa Beach.

D., G. R. & W. excursion Thursday, July 21, will give you an opportunity to visit the prettiest summer resorts on Lake Michigan, Ottawa Beach and Macatawa Park.

#### IT'S A WEEK DAY

and everybody can go. Take the children and let them enjoy the delightful bathing in the big lake. Maybe you would like that too. There is good fishing, boating and other attractions, beside the cool breezes from the lake that will put new life in you.

#### TAKE YOUR LUNCH

unless you prefer to get meals at the hotels. There are two of them serving first-class meals at reasonable rates. If you have not seen the Beach for some time

#### YOU OUGHT TO GO.

Many improvements have been made and you will enjoy the outing. Train will leave Elmdale at 9:38 a. m. and arrive at Beach at 11:15 a. m. Leave at 6:30 p. m. Round trip rate \$1.00. Children between 5 and 12 half fare.  
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Towell Ledger. Grim Vesuvius, Terror of Cuba's Coast.

F. M. JOHNSON, Publisher. LOWELL, MICHIGAN. The tetter the critic the more cutting the criticism.

It's sometimes difficult to get information from a bank teller. Time and silence occasionally succeed where all other agencies fail. When the flying-machine refuses to soar it makes the inventor sore. Shallow-brained people bow to the clothes rather than to the wearer. A man's failure to accumulate a fortune is seldom due to his liberality.

The Little Ship That Amazed the Spaniards by Pinging Earthquakes at the Santiago Hills.

The whirring of time brings in its ravages. Six months ago the Vesuvius was airily consigned to the junk pile by all save a few despairing zealots. Her day was done, her reputation was a thing of shreds and patches. Today she is giving new cares to anxious admirals; she is the subject of many a dinner party. Her modern naval warfare and her whirring tubes are awakening echoes that shroud a startled world.

The Guns of the Vesuvius.

The main armament carried by the Vesuvius consists of three pneumatic guns of 25 centimeters in diameter. These are mounted on a pedestal in the forward part of the boat. These three parallel tubes are built into the ship, about fifteen feet above the deck planing. The forward deck, inclined at an angle of about twenty degrees, the ends of the muzzles of the tubes rising about five feet above the deck planing. A remainder of the tubes runs down to the hold of the ship, where the compressed air machinery is, and where the ammunition and the breech and loader mechanism are situated.

Views of these sheds, here given, explain their structure perfectly.

More than one day of this year will be hereafter commemorated in the recurring anniversaries. And more than one long-established commemoration will be because of this year's deluge, henceforth to be a significant date in the history of our nation.

The Vesuvius in Action and Portrait of Her Commander.

Twenty who is to smother the ocean with an explosion and change the face of earth will be sothing in promise when compared with the threatening shouts of highly explosive inventive gentlemen who had nothing else to do but try their experiments; that are to smother admirals and devastate war offices.

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WONDERS OF CANADA. SNOW-SHEDS THAT PROTECT THE PACIFIC.

Best Man Arranges Everything Now. The One Disadvantage. Honorary change with the fashion as well as other wedding customs. Once upon a time the turtle dove went on a long trip, visiting cities that they perhaps had never seen before or never hoped to see again, says the New York Commercial Advertiser.

MAKING A BLACKFOOT BRAVE.



MAKING A BLACKFOOT BRAVE. The moral training of the little child is the future hope of the nation.

Views of these sheds, here given, explain their structure perfectly. Many of these sheds are seen by him who leisurely travels from one end of the Central Pacific to the other. On the eastern slopes of the Rocky Mountains, there are many sheds to be seen, and their ceremony of making a full-grown blackfoot is shown in one of the pictures.

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DAIRY AND POULTRY. INTERESTING CHAPTERS FOR OUR RURAL READERS.

How Successful Farmers Operate This Department of the Farm - A Few Hints as to the Care of Live Stock and Poultry. Skill in Crossing. There is as much skill in crossing for the production of a superior layer or market fowl as in bringing out the beautiful plumage of the pure breeds.

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